# KESHER

Our Seventy-Fifth Year!

#### FROM RABBI SAM

# **Looking Back** — **Looking Forward**

We are at the end of another school year, which is to also say we are at the end of the holiday cycle for 5774. The festival cycle actually runs from Passover to Purim, but the annual cycle can be counted from Rosh Hashanna through Shavuot. This is the cycle we use in determining the dates of the Religious School year.

Endings in Judaism are also a time of anticipation for new beginnings. Below are some pictures from this past year. My Rabbi article on the website has some more pictures and thoughts as we look forward to the Religious School year 5775.

Kicking off the school year reusing and recycling

**Sept 2013** 



The students in the Sukkah along with a special guest:

**Sept 2013** 





Enjoying the annual latke & sufganiyot party

**Dec 2013** 



Purim Shpiel participants in costume

**March 2014** 



Afikomen Posse & a little plague battle April 2014





#### And the Hebrew learning challenge

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Morning Blessings						-	
Mah Tovu Verses							
Amidah Avot							
Amidah Gevurot							

Keep practicing during the summer and see you in the fall 2014 (start of 5775)

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### **TEMPLE OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 am – 1:30 pm Thursday 1:30 am – 6:00 pm

#### **KESHER**

*Kesher*, Connection, is the newsletter of Temple Israel Dover, NH.

Ideas for submissions and/or letters to the editor may be submitted by members of the Temple Israel family and all others who would like to share news or information with the Temple community.

All communication with the Editor should be by e-mail. Publication of any flyer or any other article or submission is limited by editorial and space considerations.

The deadline for submission is the twentieth (20th) of the month for the following month's issue of *Kesher*.

#### mail to:

Tammy Fascetta
TempleOffice
@dovertemple.org

Rabbi Sam Seicol rabbisam@dovertemple.org

# Shabbat@Temple Israel Friday nights 7:30 Saturday mornings 10:30

• Friday May 2 First Friday Shabbat

6:30 Pot-luck dinner

7:15 Service led by preK-2

• Saturday May 3 10:30 Full service with Torah

Friday May 9 7:30 Shabbat evening Service

Saturday May 10 10:30 Torah Study

11:30 Shabbat Youth Service

• Friday May 16 Third Friday Shabbat

7:30 Music & Meditation service

Saturday May 17 10:30 Torah Study

Friday May 23 7:30 Shabbat evening Service

Saturday May 24 10:30 Torah Study

• Friday May 30 Last Friday Shabbat

6:00 Adult B'not Mitzvah study & dinner

7:30 Shabbat evening Service

Saturday May 31 10:30 Adult B'Not Mitzvah service

#### From the President

Thank you to all who supported and attended our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event on April 12<sup>th</sup>.

We celebrated an evening of entertainment – Klezmer and Korned Beef – which featured the Casco Bay Tummlers, a Klezmer group based in Maine. In addition to the corned beef and all the fixings, there were vegetarian choices and salads. The evening was also be a tribute to Ann Isacoff. With the assistance of Ann's family, Rabbi Sam, Cathi Cherry-Liston, and others, a booklet of Ann's favorite stories, anecdotes, and comments, is now compiled and printed. Copies are still available through the office. A donation to the Temple is suggested when you pick up your copy of the book.

I also want to repeat the following from my previous Kesher articles as it is critical to our future.

"Lastly I want to remind you that the Temple is facing financial issues in the coming months. Full details will be available at the Annual Meeting and probably in advance of that from me. Although dues are not due until the June/ July time frame, bills will be sent out in the next week or so. If you can pay in advance of then it would help us get through the next few months where income is traditionally down."

I do have one more request. It has always been our policy and practice to allow for a dues relief for those who cannot afford full dues. We will continue to do that on an as needed basis, but I am personally asking each member — whether on dues reduction or paying the full amount — to give consideration to paying something more than this past year.

The Temple needs to increase revenues and we all need to help. So again I am asking you to examine your situation and if you can pay more than you are now, please do so.

And you can always write a check and make a donation to Temple Israel at any time.

As always please feel free to contact me with any thoughts, concerns, or feedback.

L'Shalom Steve Brody President

President@DoverTemple.org 603 868 7810

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#### THANK YOU TO OUR ONEG HOSTS

# May

- 2 Pre-K 2nd Grade familie
- 9 Nancy & Mort Cherim Pam & Warren Goldblatt
- 16 Jerold Pollak
- 23 Memorial Weekend Pot-Luck Oneg
- 30 Sharon & Steve Brody DeeDee & David Goldstein

#### June

- 6 Heather Charles & Dan Basta
- 13 Cory Duran Proud Heidi & Sidney Kotlus
- 20 Sisterhood Pond Service
- 27 Kaye Family
  In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Abby

#### **ONEG SHABBAT HOSTS**

If you are unable to host the Oneg Shabbat on the night assigned to you, please find a substitute by trading with another family from the membership directory. If you need to change your assigned date, please notify Cathi Cherry-Liston 603-312-0152, 603-269-4888, ccherryliston@yahoo.com



Please consider marking special occasions and milestones along the path of life for you or members of your family by purchasing a leaf on the Tree of Life. The rocks in the Sanctuary can also celebrate joyous occasions or honor the memory of a loved one. For more information, contact: Tammy Fascetta in the Temple office.



### **Mazal Tov**

Join us at Friday evening service May 2, 7:15 PM as we offer our wishes for our May celebrants.

### **Birthdays**

Sarah Fishbein (1), Naomi Kaplan (1), Noah Kahn (2),
Harrison Flagg (3), Ari Hiller (3), Sage Hiller (3),
Steve Giguere (3), Melissa Cooperman (3),
Joe Guardino (5), Tobi Cartmill (6), Michael Parkin (6),
Lessa Brill (6), Ethlyne Golub (7), Jeff Raven (7),
Tatiana Davino (8), Carole Jaffe (8),
Cory Durand-Proud (10), Ruth Wharton-McDonald (12),
Amanda Ritzo (13), Beth Sakelarios (14),
Lillian Davidson (15), Karen Mott (16),
Maxwell Elkus (19), Robert Costa (19),
Penina Wallace (20), Jordana Kotlus (24),
Naomi Kornhauser (25), Noah Raven (26),
Lauren Saltman (28), Austin Kotlus (31), Lois Costa (31)

#### **Anniversaries**

Jeffrey & Marjorie Raven (27), Andrew & Patty Diengott (29)

Invite a Friend to come with you to:

Services

and/or

Torah Study

# To ALL HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Join us for a dinner celebrating

# YOU

Thursday June 5 6:00 PM RSVP by May 26 and receive a free Shabbat bag from the Temple

rabbisam@dovertemple.org

# We celebrate the memory of Ann Isacoff

From her tribute book

(copies are available at the Temple — a donation is welcome)

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# **Quotes of Note**

- 1. The world is full of willing people. Some willing to work. The rest willing to let them.
- 2. Isn't it a shame that future generations can't be here to see all the wonderful things we are doing with their money.
- 3. Elections should be held on Christmas. That way if we don't like who we elected, we can exchange them.
- ■4. Regular naps prevent old age, especially if you take them while driving.
- 5. If you want a new idea, read an old book.

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- 6. I was stopped once for going 53 in a 35 mile-per-hour zone; but I told them I was dyslexic.
- 7. I figured out a way to slowdown inflation turn it over to a government worker.
- 18. The only one of your children who doesn't grow up and move away is your husband.
- ■9. I lost 20 pounds. Unfortunately I was in England at (pick your favorite place)

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# **Religious School News**

The Religious School is in the final month of formal classes for 5774. Classes will resume September 4 prior to the High Holy Days. More information will be provided in the August Kesher and posted on the website in the summer.

Hebrew study is important as a year round learning. We will again offer Hebrew enrichment camp activities Thursdays June 26 — August 21. More information will be posted on the website and in the summer Keshers.

# The Religious School schedule for May is:

01	4:00-6:00	Religious School classes
08	4:00-6:00	Religious School classes
15	4:00-6:00	Religious School classes
22	4:00-6:00	Religious School classes
29	4:00-6:00	Religious School classes

# From the Sisterhood

Sisterhood has been an important part of our Temple for many years.

This year we will be working in a different format than in the past, under the guidance of Co-Presidents Stacey Segil and Karen Mott, Secretaries Karen Hiller and Lisa Weinstein, and Treasurer Patty Diengott. Our goal for this year is to renew and strengthen Sisterhood by encouraging women to participate. Sisterhood's major responsibilities:

Funding all the supplies for meals (i.e. paper plates, cups, napkins, etc.), providing the flowers and arrangements on the bimah, operating the Judaica Gift Shop, maintaining the library, and providing the Temple's women with opportunities to socialize.

To join or for more information, please contact one of the co-Presidents:

Stacey Segil sbsegil@gmail.com or 603 343-5789

Karen Mott kgmaus54@yahoo.com or 603 767-6785

### Dates to look forward to:

May 4 4:00 Art with a Splash

June 5 6:00 Support our High School Seniors

Join us at the Temple Shavuot Pot-Luck dinner (vegetarian/dairy)

August 7 TBD Hackmatack event

Nov. 1 TBD Havdalah and Movie Night

# Temple Israel of Dover is active in cyberspace!

In addition to checking the website regularly, please join us at one of both of:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/42322897909/

http://www.interfaithfamily.com/elgg/pg/groups/2598/temple-israel/

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# Temple Israel in the Community

## The Dover Food Pantry

Items can be donated to the Food Pantry any time.

Drop off may done at the Temple.

The Food Pantry is open
Tuesdays 3-5PM and Thursdays 9-11AM

In addition to donations of
food and/or personal items
volunteers are always welcome
to help work at the Dover Food Pantry.

Please contact Karen Robichaud
at (603) 749-4235 or blrklr2@aol.com

#### The Dover SHARE Fund

directly assists local residents with needs that are not met through other helping agencies, providing them with shelter and support for utilities and medical care.

Your support is appreciated!

www.dovershare.org

### **Dover Friendly Kitchen**

# MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!! PLEASE JOIN THE COMMUNITY!!!

Temple Members help serve dinner at the Dover Friendly Kitchen on the first Tuesday of each month at St. Thomas Church Parish Hall on Locust Street. Temple Israel's effort needs people to help cook, serve and clean. We are there from 3:45 until around 6:15. Volunteers do not need to come for the whole time. For more information or to let me know if you plan to attend, please contact me.

We welcome everyone's help! Thank you!

Andra Welch, Coordinator abbwelch@yahoo.com or 534-4142

### **Dover Chapter of Hadassah**

The Dover Chapter of Hadassah is offering greeting cards and certificates for purchase to help Hadassah fund the various charities and educational opportunities that they provide in Israel and elsewhere. Both cards and certificates come in a variety of styles. A sample is pictured here.

We have many to others choose from. Cards are \$2.50/each; small certificates sell for \$5.00/each; and the trees are \$15/each. There are also Water Certificates (helping to keep the Israeli desert irrigated) cost \$18/each.



Please consider purchasing a card or certificate to mark a special occasion, offer get-well wishes, honor or congratulate someone, or offer expressions of sympathy. Small certificates and tree and water certificates can be inscribed with your wishes to the recipient; cards will be signed as you wish.

You may purchase the cards by calling Donna M. Goldfarb at (603) 749-3293 or (603) 674-9168.

Please have the name and address of recipient, as well as any message you would like to have on the card/certificate readily available when you call.

Checks for the purchase should be made out to The Dover Chapter of Hadassah and sent to: Ilese Stevens at 4 Razorbill Circle, Durham, NH 03824.)

In most cases, cards will be sent out the day they are ordered.

#### APRIL DONATIONS

#### MAY YAHRZEITS

All are encouraged to honor the memory of loved ones and/or to offer tributes to friends, relatives and community members through a donation to one or more of the funds.

We express our appreciation to:

# **General Fund**

Alvin & Marilyn Mars

#### Yahrzeit Donation

Ruth & Norman Spack – In memory of Ann Isacoff

# Thank you to all who donated to:

the Onegs — From the Sisterhood

the 75th Anniversary event — *From the Board* 

# Hospital Visits: Please keep us informed!

If you or someone you know will be or is in the hospital please call the Temple office. You can also ask a nurse to see the hospital chaplain, who can call the Temple to let us know that you are there. Rabbi Sam and the Temple Israel community would like to be able to offer support and comfort to you and your family as you may desire.

All are encouraged to honor the memory of loved ones and/or to offer year.

NOTE: Yahrzeits are recorded according to the Hebrew date, so the English date will vary from year to year.

It is traditional to make a donation in memory of the Yahrzeit of a love one. To make a donation, please contact the Temple Office.

Week of May 3: Morris Rotman (28), Morris S. Rosen (29), Dorothy Pearlstein (29), George James White (29), Leah Osman (29), Francis Brown (29), Rose Esther Weinstein (1), Louis Baumstein (3), Morris Siegel (3), Jules Philips (3)

Week of May 10: Lee Gunst (4), Ruth Kram (4), Bessie Kemler (4), James Dieterich (7), Lloyd Amann Gage (7), Grace Turner (7), Ursula Muller Gage (7), Jackson Pastor (8), Douglas Hamilton (8), Herbert Turner (9), Lillian Hirsch (9), Louis Weinstein (9), Sarah Fisher (9)

Week of May 17: Nathan Balansky (11), Michael S. Shine (11), Evelyn M. Miller (11), Bernard A. Black (11), Ida Fox (12), Rose Levy (14), Sadie Goldstein Byer (15), Eva Weisner (15), Ruth Karol (15), Sumner Berensom (17)

Week of May 24: Morris Isenstein (18), Honey Shaines (18), Brenda Gibbs (20), Beryle Grant (22), Leonard Berenson (22), Irvin Lavine (22), Benjamin Babson (23), Donald Albion (24), Samuel Klaye (24)

Week May 31: Anna Kessler Krasnoff (25), Molly Cook (26), Elbert LaFargue (26), Richard Nye, Jr. (27), Irving Landes (27), Marshall Derby (28), Benjamin A. Weiner (29), Rose Goren (31)

#### **Memorial Wall**

Members may add the name of a loved one or reserve a space on the Memorial Wall with a minimum contribution of \$300. Please contact the Temple Office for more information.



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#### Temple Israel of Dover

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Temple Israel is a vibrant Reform Jewish congregation. We welcome all who wish to participate in Jewish study, worship, and fellowship. Our mission is to be a center for Jewish tradition, Shabbat and holiday services and programs, sharing of lifecycle events, opportunities for Jewish education for all ages, connection to Israel, and involvement in the wider Jewish world and support for all who are in need. Temple Israel is a proud

member of the URJ (Union for Reform Judaism) We join with more than 800 congregations in the Reform

synagogue movement.

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# **May 2014**

### Happening at Temple Israel of Dover

- 4:00 Religious School Classes 01
- 02 First Friday Dinner and Early Shabbat 6:30 Pot-luck Family style Shabbat Dinner 7:15 Shabbat Service – led by preK-2<sup>nd</sup> grades
- 03 10:30 Shabbat Morning Service
- 4:00 Religious School Classes 08
- 09 7:30 Shabbat Service with Sue Horowitz
- **10** 10:30 Shabbat Morning Torah Study 11:30 Shabbat Youth Service and Program Lag B'Omer story and activity
- **15** 4:00 Religious School Classes
- 7:30 Music & Meditation Shabbat Service 16 Lay led by Lynne, Alan & Alan No Shabbat Morning Torah Study
- 22 4:00 Religious School Classes
- 23 7:30 Shabbat Service
- 10:30 Shabbat Morning Torah Study 24
- **29** 4:00 Religious School Classes
- 6:00 Adult Hebrew class & dinner 30
  - 7:30 Shabbat Service with Sue Horowitz
- 10:30 Shabbat Morning Service 31 Led by the Adult B'not Mitzvah class