

# KESHER

Our  
Seventy-Eighth  
Year!

FROM RABBI SAM

## Survey Part 2

As we move through the balance of the summer, it is time to look forward to the new year of 5778. The year will, of course begin with sundown on the new moon of the Hebrew month of Tishri (which falls this year on Wednesday September 20). During the High Holy Day services, there will be many of the familiar prayers, songs, musical presentations, and social time. There will also be a special Cantor, Rosalie Toubes, who will join us for all services this year. She will be a part of our full first day Rosh Hashanna evening and morning services. In addition she will help enhance the music on the second day Rosh Hashanna meditation and healing service, family tashlich, and Kabbalat Shabbat (both at the pond) and all Yom Kippur services. All are especially encouraged to attend Friday evening services August 4 at 7:00 where she will join us and our special guest speaker from Israel on tours we can plan.

The new year will also be a time to work toward new opportunities and ways to meet the challenges that may arise. One way we can do this is to seek to anticipate issues and prepare as best as we can for them. As the Rabbi it is my responsibility and, at the Temple, my privilege and pleasure to seek

new ways to offer Religious support. Through education, services, counseling, and more I am available to assist as needed by congregants and the larger community. Given that I am only in the Seacoast on weekends, this is somewhat limited. But, thanks to our virtual world today, other means to support can be available.

On page 5 is the survey from the July Keshet. If you have not responded, please consider doing so.

In addition, please take the extra time to also answer the following:

**How often do you read the Keshet?**

**What parts do you find most helpful?**

**What would make the Keshet more helpful or interesting?**

**How easy is it to access the information in the Keshet?**

**How often do you read the Rabbi's Study?**

**What other areas of the website are helpful?**

**Would you be interested in more regular contact or articles from the Rabbi? Is so, on what topics or issues?**

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## 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*.

email to:

Rabbi Sam Seicol  
 rabbisam@dovertemple.org

# Shabbat @ Temple Israel

Friday evening services 7:00  
 Dinners & Adult Ed 6:30  
 Saturday mornings 10:30  
*Please note special programs*

Friday August 4      7:00 Shabbat Service WITH  
 Special Guest Speaker from Israel  
 Music by Cantor Rosalie Toubes

Saturday August 5      10:30 Shabbat Torah Study

Friday August 11      7:00 Shabbat Service  
 Saturday August 12      10:30 Shabbat Torah Study

Friday August 18      6:30 Summer Pre-Shabbat BBQ  
 Saturday August 19      10:30 Shabbat morning service

Friday August 25      7:00 Shabbat Service  
 Saturday August 26      10:30 Shabbat Torah Study

## From the Board

As a young boy, I moved away from my home and had to travel by plane every several weeks to see my father and his family. In the chaotic years that followed I lost my sense of home. As I grew older, I managed to adapt to the situation and even thrive. However, now in my adult life, I have discovered some of the things I may have wanted in my development are missing. As I have helped to create a home with my amazing wife and raise two wonderful daughters, I have found that identity and community become increasingly important. I have always identified as a Jew, but I have not done much about it.

In college I became close friends with a Professor, Sanford Shepard, who sometimes referred to me in Hebrew as a “tinok shenishba” (Hebrew: תינוק שנשבה meaning an infant captured and consequently raised among gentiles). Professor Shepard had succinctly identified one of the ghosts that would haunt me into my adult life. When he referred to me in this way, I brushed it off (Sanford was somewhat eccentric and said many things that went over my head). However, he had used the term for a reason. Some years later after his death, I discovered not only the meaning of the term, but parts of my own history, my ancestry, and at least some aspects of my feeling of loss. My relationship to Judaism runs far deeper than I had previously realized.

Quite recently after a few more ghosts rose up from the past, I decided to visit our Temple. I was met with a number of surprises. First, my two daughters wanted to come with me. Second, I found an extremely welcoming community – the tribe did not throw me out! I have been and continue to be surprised to see the degree to which both my daughters and I have felt enriched by connecting with the Jewish community. We have much to learn. The little I can do and have done to connect with this community has been very important for our family.

L'Shalom *Nathan S.*



**DO YOU SHOP FOR GROCERIES?**

**Shop at Hannaford and help the Temple.**

**Buy Gift Cards at the Temple.**

**Contact Carole Krassner for more info.**

**(603) 749-2751**

**THANK YOU TO OUR  
ONEG HOSTS**

**Pot Luck Onegs -  
Summer Schedule**

**Sponsored Onegs  
Will resume after the  
High Holy Days**

**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](mailto:ccherryliston@yahoo.com)



**Please consider marking  
special occasions and milestones  
along the path of life for you or  
your family by purchasing a leaf,  
stone, or acorn on the  
Tree of Life.**

**Plaques in the Sanctuary honor  
the memory of a loved one.**

**For more information,  
contact: the Temple office.**

**[templeoffice@  
dovertemple.org](mailto:templeoffice@dovertemple.org)**



**Mazal  
Tov**

to our members who are celebrating  
special days in August

**Join us at the  
Pre Shabbat BBQ  
August 18 at 6:30 PM  
In honor of your special day.**

**Birthdays**

Bill Schoonmaker (4),  
Edith Newman (7),  
June Maria Schwadron (7),  
Karen Hiller (13),  
Mary Kaye (17),  
David Kaplan (18),  
Rick Robbins (22),  
Marjorie Raven (26),  
Savanna Weinstein (28)

**Anniversaries**

Lois & Rob Costa (11)  
Karen & David Mott (12)  
Jenni & Rabbi Sam Seicol (18)



**2017**

## **Bar Mitzvah celebration**

**November 11 Jeremy Giguere**

### Survey - Reprinted from July [rabbisam@dovertemple.org](mailto:rabbisam@dovertemple.org)

1. How frequently do you attend services?  
Often or regularly?
  - A. What do you like about services?
  - B. What would you like to change?Rarely or infrequently?
  - A. What keeps you from attending?
  - B. What would interest you for services?
2. How frequently do you attend Adult Education?  
Often or regularly?
  - A. What do you like about the subjects of offerings?
  - B. What would you like to change or see added?Rarely or infrequently?
  - A. What keeps you from attending?
  - B. What topics or issues would interest you?
3. What other programs, activities, or events do you attend?
4. What other ways can the Temple provide support or communal activities you would attend?

# *Save these Summer Dates*

*Please join us any weekend August  
Especially:*

**Friday August 4 7:00**

**Guest Speaker from Israel on tourism in Israel**  
**Enjoy the music of our 5778 High Holy Day Cantor**

**Friday August 18 6:30**

**Final Summer Pre-Shabbat BBQ and Shabbat Social**

**Check the Temple Calendar regularly at [www.dovertemple.org](http://www.dovertemple.org)**

All are **WELCOME** always

**at Temple Israel Dover**

**for more information email: [rabbisam@dovertemple.org](mailto:rabbisam@dovertemple.org)**

**OUR 5778 HIGH HOLY DAY MUSIC FUNDRAISER HAS BEGUN!**

IT IS AGAIN TIME TO HELP US PROVIDE QUALITY PROFESSIONAL MUSIC FOR THE ROSH HASHANNAH AND YOM KIPPUR SERVICES. YOUR DONATION OF ANY AMOUNT IS TRULY APPRECIATED.

PLEASE SEND YOUR MUSIC FUND DONATION TO:

TEMPLE ISRAEL MUSIC FUND, PO BOX 254, DOVER, NH 03821

# MONTHLY MEDITATION



**Reaching into the unknown; seeking perhaps a new support.  
New paths shaped and swayed by unseen powers and pressures.  
Accepting influences from without;  
Fostered by a determination – a fortitude that comes from within.  
Unplanned yet celebrated in fullness of life;  
Creates a vision of gentle elegance,  
An intricacy of delicate delight.**

# 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](mailto: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](http://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 time slot 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](mailto:abbwelch@yahoo.com) or 534-4142***

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**JULY DONATIONS**


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*All are encouraged to honor the memory of loved ones and/or to offer tributes to friends, relatives and members of the community through a donation Temple funds. We express appreciation to:*

**GENERAL FUND**

Rita Novack and Muriel Slutzky  
in Memory of Goldie Saunders

**RABBI'S FUND**

The Cherry Children: unveiling for  
Barbara (Bunny) Cherry  
Thank you, Rabbi Sam.

**SISTERHOOD and  
HACKMATAK**

Bev and Michael Kahn

**MUSIC FUND**

Carol and Francis Birch

**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 if you desire.

rabbisam@dovertemple.org

**AUGUST YAHRZEITS**


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*NOTE: Yahrzeits are recorded according to the Hebrew date, so the English date will vary from year to year. Kaddish in the Synagogue may be recited on the Shabbat following the date of remembrance. It is traditional to make a donation in memory of the Yahrzeit of a loved one. To make a donation, please contact the Temple Office.*

**Week of August 5:** Pearl Goldberg (30), Frank Cohen (30), Allen H. Toby (30), Harry Goren (31), Philip H. Miller (31), Celia Levy Pines (1), Ruth Zeff (1), Sam Jacobs (2), Chester A. Kennon (2), Barnet Bordetsky (2), Michael Goodstein (3), Ruth Seligson (3), Benjamin Edelstein (3), Sadie Rockenmacher (4), Hilda Kleinhandl (5), Max Flescher (5)

**Week of August 12:** Sadie Medved (6), Berla Mae Grant (7), Rose Verner (8), Thomas Peters (8), Albert Issokson (91), Max Isacoff (9), Marlean Willensky (10), Curtis Most (11), Elsie Klein (11), Raymond Newton (12), Max Cohen (12)

**Week of August 19:** Jeannie Daniels (13), Bertha Wolfson Shapiro (14), Lilian R. Rubin (14), Meyer Hiller (14), Bertha Stein(14), Ivor Frank(15), Saul Smokler(15), Irene R. Lindy(15), Alice Cohen (16), William Hymanson (17), Virginia Lipman(19), Pearl Edwards(19), Sidney Robbins(19)

**Week of August 26:** Auxlia Marie Nye(20), Mollie Grossman(20), Murray Daniels (22), Ruth Goldman (22), Eva Pastor (23), Esther Weinstein (24), Marvin Poster (25), Samuel Sibulkin (26), Judah Wise (26)

**Week of September 2:** William Kleinhandle (27), Robert Dick (28), Betty Doris Kates (289), Krissy Yanofsky (29), Dyna Dykerman (30), Mary Nicole (30), George Nielsen (30), Arthur Yaffee(30), Myer Saunders(31), Samuel Goldstein(31), Charles Zinck(31), Nathan Issokson(31), Fredrick L. Diengott(1), Harry Stein (1)

**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 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 life-cycle 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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# August 2017

<b>01</b>		<b>Tisha B'Av</b>
<b>01</b>	3:45	Dover Friendly Kitchen
<b>04</b>	7:00	Shabbat Service With guest Speaker from Israel And music by the High Holy Day Cantor
<b>05</b>	10:30	Shabbat Morning Torah Study
<b>11</b>	7:00	Shabbat Service
<b>12</b>	10:30	Shabbat Morning Torah Study
<b>18</b>	6:30	Summer pre-Shabbat BBQ
<b>19</b>	10:30	Third Saturday Shabbat Service
<b>25</b>	7:00	Shabbat Service
<b>26</b>	10:30	Shabbat Morning Torah Study