

# TEMPLE ADATH YESHURUN

## The Torah: Freedom Is Its Gift to All that Treasure It

### From the Rabbi

Beth D. Davidson

"...Ben Bag Bag said: Turn it over and over, for it contains everything. Keep your eyes riveted to it. Spend yourself in its study. Never budge from it, for there is no better way of life than that. Pirke Avot, 5:26..."

Yes, I admit that Rabbi Ben Bag Bag's name is one of the oddest in the Mishnah, but read past it. The "it" for Ben Bag Bag was Torah, and he, far more eloquently than I, encapsulates the whys and wherefores of my ongoing love affair with our most sacred text.

Folks have asked me, "Doesn't it get boring, reading the same thing over and over again?"



**Rabbi Beth D. Davidson at Torah Study on 12-24-16**  
See additional article "What Is Torah Study?" plus views of participants on pages 2-4. ~D. Rosenzweig photo.

Reading the columns of Torah reveal who we were, who we are, and who we hope to become. This never gets old, no matter how old the text may be; the messages, the lessons, the expectations are timeless, and are at the core of what it means to be "Yisrael," one who struggles with God.

Our weekly Torah Study group is one of the delights of my week. Jews reading Torah: it doesn't get much better than this. It doesn't matter how many verses we read, or that we frequently end with more questions than when we began.

That we interact with our Torah keeps Torah a living text, one that continues to delineate who and what we are as

a people and as individuals.

There is simple joy in the camaraderie as well, as each of us regular attendees reveals ourselves to the group and finds ourselves in the text.

**Ted Yegerman** always brings a little humor to the text; **Mary Singer** questions the English translation; **Mark Bilech** slides in a clever pun; **Jonathan Pollack** brings an alternate text to the conversation; **Sol Rockenmacher** relates everything back to the Promised Land (Brooklyn, NY that is); **Linda Rockenmacher** asks gentle questions.

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### Seeing the World... Through Jewish Eyes



On page 6, Director **Stacy Garnick** challenges us ALL to get creative with our vision. She took this pic in Exeter in September '16. See more inside.

Honestly, the answer is no. It is true that not every word in Torah is equally exciting. The final third of Exodus, which describes in excruciating detail the construction of the Tabernacle; the opening of Leviticus, which dwells at length on the sacrificial system, and the middle of the same book, which contains the leprosy portions; as well as the opening/closing of the Book of Numbers, which recite two tedious censuses, are not that enthralling.

But I do believe that every bit of Torah has something to teach us—even the boring or the gruesome parts—and sometimes it can be especially rewarding to find a gem of a teaching in the midst of dross.

And then there are those portions that no matter how often I read them, they energize me:

the moment in Genesis when God and Abram create the covenant that is Judaism; the scene in Genesis when Abraham demands that God do the right thing; the brave defiance shown in Exodus when the midwives refuse to do Pharaoh's dirty work and kill the Israelite babies; the moment of Divine revelation in Exodus; Leviticus's demand that we be holy; and Deuteronomy's call: "Shma Yisrael." **Each of these sections thrills me every time I read them. They challenge me to think, to act, and to dream.**

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**“IN THIS SCROLL IS THE SECRET OF OUR PEOPLE’S LIFE FROM SINAI UNTIL NOW.  
Its Teaching Is Love and Justice, Goodness and Hope.” [Mishkan T’Filah, pages 365-364]**

## What Is Torah Study?

By Jonathan Pollack

So, what is Torah Study, anyway?

One might begin by asking, what is a Torah?

Rabbi Roy Walter, now Rabbi Emeritus of Congregation Emanu El in Houston, posed the question in this mid-1970’s poem:

“What is a Torah?

Two wooden sticks,  
the skin of a kosher animal  
and some chemicals mixed together.  
That’s all it takes to write a Torah—

That and four thousand years of wander-  
ing, searching,  
suffering, learning, following, leading,  
loving, blessing.”

This first stanza of his poem tells us something about the Torah. There is a lot packed into something that appears quite simple. The scroll itself contains no vowels, punctuation, or trope (melodic phrasing), and only some formatting, so Torah Study attendees use a *Chumash* that provides some or all of this (depending on the version), plus English translation and various footnotes, opinions, and references.

*RABBI, Cont. from page 1.*

**David Rosenzweig** queries “What is the right thing to do?”—reminding us that this isn’t simply a theological or literary exercise. Torah defines how we live our lives.

No prep, no stress, just us and the text, finding questions and answers—there is no better way of life than that.

~Rabbi Beth D. Davidson



### Jonathan Pollack

*About the author*

Jonathan Pollack joined TAY in early 2013. Having a place for regular Torah Study was a big factor in his decision and he found Rabbi Beth Davidson to be an interesting and knowledgeable leader. Prior to joining TAY, Jonathan was a part of Congregation Bet Ha’Am in South Portland, Maine, where he taught in the Hebrew School for 11 years, and was one of several people in the community who helped prepare kids to be B’nai Mitvah. Jonathan resides in Salem, NH, with his cat, Sir Isaac Newton.

~D. Rosenzweig photo, 12-24-16

Rabbis long preceding Beth Davidson and Roy Walter suggested four levels of thought was contained in the text, referred to in Hebrew as “Pardes” or Paradise, both from the same Persian word for “Garden”.

The four levels, **P R D S**, increase in subtlety:

- *P’shat* is the plain meaning on the surface, which is the place of narrative, dialog, and our given laws.
- *Remez* is the veiled or hinted, such as the teaching from the Gaon of Vilna who said that redemption of the first born (paying money to a Cohain on the birth of a first born)

is alluded to by an acronym of letters in a line from Genesis.

- *D’rash* (as in “Midrash”) is the position of philosophical, theological and moralistic discussion, a frequent topic in our group.
- *Sod*, [pronounced with a long O sound] the layer of mystical nuance and broad cosmological themes, which is common throughout Kabbalah and the writings of some Chasidic Rabbis.

So, one might say that the Torah is made up of layers, or perhaps, threads, from the physical all the way to the mystical. The individuals who come to study it—that is, read and discuss—bring lifetimes of different types of learning, emotions, experience, and orientation, as Rabbi Walter points out.

And, if the Torah is series of threads to be followed, the members of Torah Study provide a cross-weave, each individual plucking at different threads, moving around and through them as the discussion moves. We create a tapestry, by warp and weft, always a little different from week to week, even when rereading the same Torah portion again, and again.

The Torah Study group, with God in attendance (in whatever form one might conceive), becomes the weaver of a tapestry of understanding, but often with loose ends to be picked up again each week, and each year.

The remainder of Rabbi Walter’s poem is here. The last line says it all.

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bottom of Col. 1.*



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## “What Keeps Me Coming Back to Torah Study?”

### Pictures Not Available:

“Although I’m not free many Saturdays, I keep coming back to Torah study because it’s always an enriching experience. No matter how many times I read the Torah, there is always something to learn, remember or discover.”

~Tammy Gross

“Like faith itself, Torah study is a gift from God. I explore scripture as Jesus might have, learn about his Jewish identity, and deepen my Catholic faith. I am inspired by Jewish teaching and traditions. I appreciate the wisdom, wit, and such welcoming warmth.”

~Mary McGuire Lussier

*TORAH STUDY, cont. from page 2.*

Rabbi Walter’s poem is complete below. Note the last line.

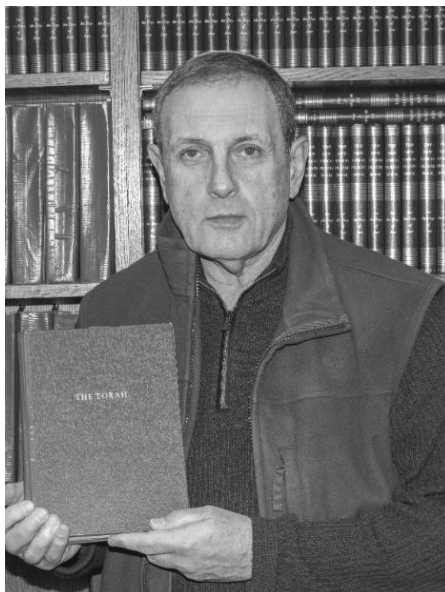
“Two wooden sticks,  
the skin of a kosher animal  
and some chemicals mixed together.  
That’s all it takes to write a Torah—

That and four thousand years of longing,  
teaching, hoping,  
weeping, remembering, planting, praying,  
praising.

Two wooden sticks,  
the skin of a kosher animal  
and some chemicals mixed together.  
That’s all it takes to write a Torah—

That and four thousand years of living with  
God looking  
over your shoulder.”

**Torah Study: Most Saturdays at 10 AM** in the upstairs library, most of the time. Please join us.



“Our learned Rabbi creates an environment in which I can learn about the Jewish people and use that knowledge to enrich my life by learning more about myself.” ~David Rosenzweig

*~All Torah Study pictures on pages were taken by D. Rosenzweig, except for this one. Sol Rockenmacher gets photo credit.*



“I enjoy the experience of discussion and togetherness as a ‘member of the tribe’—a community of both Jews and non-Jews, listening and learning from each other.” ~Sol Rockenmacher



“Torah study is the ultimate book discussion. Each time I learn some new perspective or gain a deeper understanding of the portion.” ~Linda Rockenmacher

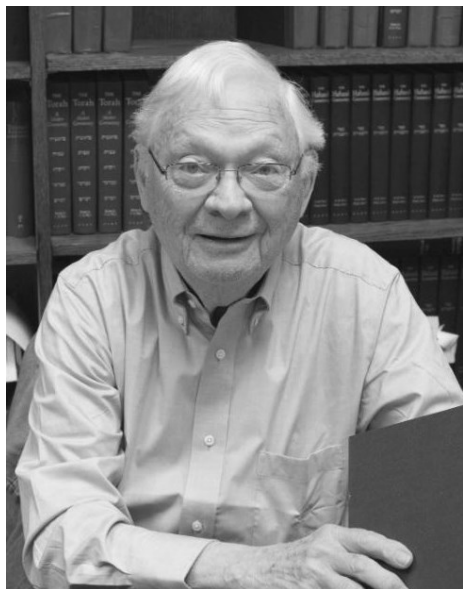


“Although I’ve been a family member at the temple since the late 1970s, Torah study was central to my decision to formally convert to Judaism in 2013. I have discovered that I am indeed a person of the book.” ~Mary Singer

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## “What Keeps Me Coming Back to Torah Study?” *continued from page 3.*



“The stories in the Torah are a lesson in human imperfection. We see Jacob and Joseph and Moses—warts and all.

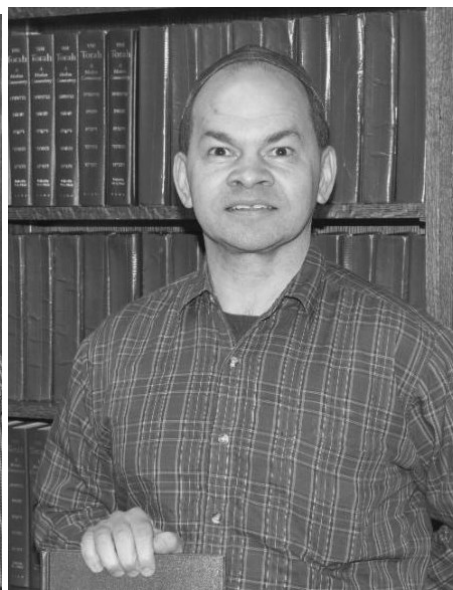
We are a diverse group with lively, stimulating discussions. The problem: the hour goes by too quickly!”

~Ted Yegerman



“Torah is not nursery rhymes; it is the opera of our people. Torah study has served as a beacon to strengthen our community and enable personal growth for over 2000 years. I enjoy returning each week to learn everyone else's take on the text.”

~Mark Bilech



“When I went on an interfaith pilgrimage to Israel in 2013, Rabbi Davidson led a Friday night Torah study. It was thoughtful, mentally stimulating, and simply terrific! The Rabbi invited everyone to attend Torah study back in her synagogue when we returned to the USA. So I did.”

~ Nicholl Marshall,  
St. Nicholas Orthodox Church

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*Cate Tanzer*

Dear Congregants,

Happy 2017! I hope everyone had a chance to celebrate the holidays with their families and loved ones.



The New Year is a great time to regroup, say goodbye to the past year, and move forward with a positive mind set. With renewed spirit, I look forward to new beginnings and good times in '17.

At Temple Adath Yeshurun, the New Year means “Renovation.” We continue with using our Capital Campaign funds to make improvements to our temple.

We will begin our much needed bathroom renovation with the next couple months. We will leave the 80's behind and move

into the 2010's with a more efficient lavatory. Our contractors have assured us it will take no more than two weeks to get it done so as not to inconvenience our congregants too much.

In April, following the thaw, we will begin the much-anticipated Stahl family patio renovation. Along with new pavers—and a smoother courtyard, a wheelchair-accessible ramp will run along the circumference of the courtyard for easier entrance into and egress from the Sanctuary and social hall.

The patio courtyard will be beautifully landscaped thanks to a donation by the Jolton family. The more efficient and beautified outdoor space will enhance our programming and services.

The next event held at TAY will be MANTY's Winter Wonderland. The first weekend in February will bring over

100 teens from NFTY for a weekend of spiritual programming, skiing and fun. Please join MANTY as they lead Shabbat services on Friday night, February 3 at 8 PM. It is a joy to see teenagers worshipping and singing together. Children are our future and this is a wonderful experience for all.

These is just a small sampling of what is happening at TAY this winter. Please check your emails and the temple website [www.taynh.org](http://www.taynh.org) for a more detailed list of events.

Enjoy the snow. Let's hope the first weekend of February brings just the right blend of wintry weather to keep everyone happy on the slopes for Winter Wonderland: February 3 through 5, 2017.

*Editor's Note on acronyms: MANTY stands for MANchester Temple Youth. NFTY stands for Northeast Federation of Temple Youth.*

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## BROTHERHOOD NEWS

Sol Rockenmacher

Our notable December events, the Chanukah Party and the Christmas Mitzvah Program, are chronicled in separate articles (with pictures) elsewhere in this Bulletin.



Coming up fast is what promises to be a fabulous, and already sold out, 30<sup>th</sup> annual Deli Night, scheduled for Saturday evening, January 28.

Organizers for this special affair, David Penchansky and Jeffrey Jolton, have lined up Boston-based comedian Tony Vee and Keene resident magician Ben Pratt as the entertainers for the evening. And no one will go away hungry.

Bob Katchen will be heading up the volunteer crew for the MANTY Winter Wonderland Breakfast on Sunday morning, February 5.

This year's Purim Party, which will be another Joel Gordon extravaganza production, is on for Sunday morning, March 12.

## TAY Music in February & March

As in 2016, Cantor Shira Nafshi will direct the combined choirs of the two temples at these two venues:

Temple Beth Jacob on  
Friday, February 10 at 7 PM.

Temple Adath Yeshurun on  
Friday, February 24 at 7 PM.

Early March will bring the annual Purim Spiel to Temple Adath Yeshurun, scheduled for **Friday night, March 10**.

Are your music or dramatic skills untapped? Call the office and leave your contact info so you can find out about the rehearsal schedule of upcoming choir dates.

## Life-long Learning will Focus on Wiesel and Cohen

In light of having lost Elie Wiesel and Leonard Cohen in 2016, the TAY Life-long Learning Committee would like to focus in early 2017 on the lives and work of these two important people who have contributed in such different ways.

Please join us on **Saturday night, February 18**, for "Leonard Cohen's Jewish Songs." We will listen, read, and discuss this brilliant song writer's relationship with Judaism. Session will begin at 7:00 PM, with Havdalah.

In **March**, we plan to show two Holocaust-related films. The movie titles just confirmed are "Hannah Arendt" and "Denial." Please watch your bulletins and email updates for titles and dates of showing

We will conclude with a discussion of Elie Wiesel's trilogy, "Night/ Dawn/ Day" (recently re-released in a single paperback volume. We soon will have copies available in the TAY office or through your favorite bookseller). Please watch future bulletins for the announcement of the book discussion date.

## MCTP "Promises" Great Entertainment in March, April, and June 2017

Manchester Community Theatre Players (MCTP) is at it again, with a loaded Spring schedule. Coming up first is *Promises, Promises*, a musical-comedy based on Neil Simon's *The Apartment*. The show includes such Bachrach/David hits as "I'll Never Fall In Love Again" and "I Say a Little Prayer" made popular by Dionne Warwick.

The *Promises* story concerns a junior executive at an insurance company who seeks to climb the corporate ladder by allowing his apartment to be used by his married superiors for trysts. Performances of *Promises, Promises* (co-directed by Alan D. Kaplan) will be **March 3, 4, 5, 10, and 11** at the MCTP Theatre at North End Montessori School 698 Beech St. Manchester.

Next up is *Yours, Anne*...a musical adaptation of the Anne Frank story (and the only one approved by Otto Frank). Presented at the theatre on **March 31, April 1, 2, 7, 8, and 9**, this renowned chronicle of two Jewish families secreted in a cramped garret in Amsterdam during the Nazi occupation is now a haunting and powerful play.

While remaining faithful to its deservedly acclaimed source material, with all of its suspense and humanity, this timeless story *Yours, Anne* (Directed by Marc Murai) is enhanced by a most moving and lyrical score.

Our spring season is culminated by a teen presentation of *FAME*, the high-octane musical featuring the Academy Award-winning title song and a host of other catchy pop numbers.

*FAME* follows the final class of New York City's celebrated High School for the Performing Arts from their admission in 1980 to their graduation in 1984. All of the struggles, fears and triumphs – from prejudice to substance abuse – are depicted with razor-sharp focus as the young artists navigate the worlds of music, drama and dance.

*FAME* (directed by Steve Short) will be presented at the theatre on **June 2, 3, and 4**. For more information on all of these shows, please visit [www.mctp.info](http://www.mctp.info).

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## “Seeing the World through Jewish Eyes”: Hoover Dam & Microsoft Office & TAY



*The menorah safety railing at the Hoover Dam. ~D. Garnick pic.*

I often wear Jewish star 3-D glasses, which project Jewish stars onto every point of light (Shabbat candle, birthday candle, and Chanukah candle flames) as well as regular light bulbs—for example those in my dining room “chandelier.” I can’t help but look at the world through Jewish eyes 24/7. At the top of this page is a snapshot my husband took of the stylish railing that keeps pedestrians safe at the Hoover Dam. He immediately thought of a menorah and so did I. Although, depending on where you crop the picture, there could be too many or too few “candleholders.”

This is not one of those ambiguous Rorschach tests where someone sees the Virgin Mary in a parking lot oil slick or Hello Kitty burnt into a piece of toast. The candelabrum is obviously there.



**OFFICIAL MICROSOFT RESPONSE (2/19/10):**  
*Microsoft calls Hebrew letter shapes “coincidental.”*

A less abstract example is when I see a Star of David while looking at a Sheriff’s badge. Jewish stars frequently pop out when I stare at tile floors and the tops of diner salt-and-pepper shakers.

Does this ever happen to you? Where are some of the unlikely spots you see Jewish stars, other symbols, or Hebrew letters?

Perhaps some of you remember the Microsoft Office 2008 software icons for MAC’s Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. Those particular icons looked so much like the Hebrew letters shin, aleph, and koof that in 2010 I asked an official Microsoft spokesperson if this was intentional.

Here’s the official scoop from Microsoft spokesperson Tara Mulcahy: “coincidental.”

*“The Office 2008 for Mac icons are an evolution from the icons in Office 2004 for Mac, and represent the brand guidelines developed for the suite – Approachable, Energetic, Exacting and Elegant. Any resemblance to another icon or symbol is purely coincidental.”*

I agree that those icons were indeed elegant, but intentional or not, they ARE Hebrew letters!

On page 1 of this Bulletin, you’ll see another image I captured when I was in Exeter in September and saw the letters on the building. As new ed director at TAY, this photo was relevant to me. Epiphany! I thought this photo can be the springboard to a “Seeing the World Through Jewish Eyes” photo campaign.

I challenge everyone at Temple Adath Yeshurun to take photographs of both real-life Jewish Rorschach images you see in the patterns of everyday objects as well as actual Jewish or possible Jewish images and share them with us. Even if the holes on the top of a salt-shaker are unintentionally arranged in a shape that looks like a Jewish star, this is a real Jewish star.



Watch the lobby for more information.  
Peace & Pomegranates,  
~Stacy Garnick



*Jewish Star 3-D Glasses ~S. Garnick*

### WE’RE HAVING A TAY-IN!

What’s that? You ask.  
It’s a SHUL-IN at our beloved temple.

What’s a shul-in?

It’s an event when we sleep over in a temple and do fun activities together, play games, maybe watch a movie, eat snacks, and of course sleep.

★ **WHEN : Friday, FEB. 10**, after family services & potluck; pick up: **9:30 AM Saturday**, Shabbat morning

★ **WHO:** Kids in our education program, Grades K-7.

★ **WHERE:** Temple Adath Yeshurun

Hosted by Educational Director,  
**Stacy Garnick** (with chaperones)

**RSVP:**  
<eddirector@gmail.com>



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## TAY Religious School Chanukah Funfest by Brotherhood

**Sunday, December 18, 2016**

Over 60 kids of all ages attended the Temple Adath Yeshurun Chanukah Party on Sunday, December 18, 2016. TAY Brotherhood's own P.T. Barnum, Joel Gordon, led the way, with the theme: on-stage entertainment consisting of contests with a special meal at the tables. This was an audience participation event where the members of the audience were called up to participate in silly party games.

Students arrived from Hebrew school at 11 AM, and were directed to assigned seats by grade. Other tables were reserved for MANTY, teachers, Brotherhood members, parents, and guests. Music was playing in the background as the students arrived.

Tables were set with alternating blue and white dreidels, some chocolate gelt, place settings using plastic and paper goods. Included on the table was the applesauce, sour cream, condiments as well as a bowl of Munchkins, bottled water and Gatorade. Cards and dice on the tables were used to select participants for the games.

At 11:15, Rabbi Beth Davidson welcomed all participants to the party. Joel Gordon started the entertainment by explaining the contests and party games, along with the outstanding special candies for prizes to go to the winning contestants.

The games included Stacking glasses, Speak-out competition, Balloon-blowing competition, Balloon-sitting competition, and Whipped cream toss.

After the one-half hour program, it was on to the "feast." The Brotherhood Kitchen Krew had cooked about 250 latkes and 60 hot dogs. There was applesauce and sour cream, Gatorade and bottled water... and 300 Munchkins.

The festivities ended at 12:45PM, with words of thanks from Director of Education Stacy Garnick.

The smiles and engagement told the tale: a good time was had by all.

*At right, Chanukah Party Master Joel Gordon asks Zosia Yellin to speak out on the TAY stage on Sunday, 12-18-16. ~Photo by D. Rosenzweig. Also his photo below.*



*MC Joel Gordon introduces his novel Speak Out Competition to kiddie contestants of all ages at the 2016 Chanukah party.*

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## GEMILUT HASADIM 2016: Once More, Again with Feeling

BULLETIN

TevetShevat

5777



At left, **Elliott Hospital Information desk**  
**Christmas Day 2016**  
Volunteers:  
Richard Cohen,  
Stephanie and Mark Flanders  
with daughter Brooke  
(seated in front of her Dad).  
~Linda Abels photo.

The Jewish Almanac notes: "In Jewish tradition, *gemilut hasadim* are a category of *mitzvot* (good deeds) that obligate the individual to act in certain ways on certain occasions as a mark of basic human decency and respect towards others, living or dead, rich or poor, using one's time, effort, and money whenever necessary." They are deeds of lovingkindness involving "a degree of gentleness, extreme care, affection, tenderness—a summoning of all the human resources of sympathy for the benefit of others."

At right, Nathan, Audrey, Jessica and Joe Gallant with luncheon platter and rolls to go to Manchester Police Department on Christmas Day, 2016.  
~Sol Rockenmacher photo.



The Temple Adath Yeshurun Christmas Mitzvah Program, organized by the TAY Brotherhood, has been in existence now for well over thirty-five years. It is a fine example of how members of our Manchester Jewish community have been giving back to their non-Jewish community, with enthusiasm, feeling and caring.

This year, once again, more than 100 adults and children participated on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Some staffed the Information Desks at Catholic Medical Center and the Elliot Hospital as friendly greeters to visitors.

Cont. at MITZVOT, page 9, Col. 1.

### New Horizons Morning Crew 2016



At left,  
On Christmas morning 2016,  
New Horizons volunteers  
Elda Cordero-Goodman,  
Lynne Snierson,  
Rachel and Mel Spierer—  
with staff person  
Carlos Morales.



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*MITZVOT, cont. from p. 8.*

Others, with their children, brought lunch-platters to the Police and Fire Stations in Manchester and Bedford on Christmas Day. Some served and prepared food at New Horizons Soup Kitchen on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, providing hospitality as well to those less fortunate. Another group helped with the evening Bingo game at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Manchester on Christmas night.

The volunteers came from not only TAY, but also from Temple Israel and Etz Hayim. Some were as yet not affiliated with a congregation. We again worked side-by-side with Christian and Muslim colleagues, providing another pathway toward helping to improve interfaith relations. "Think globally, act locally," can be one starting point directive in the process of *tikkun olam* (healing the world).

Thank you to all who participated, some of whom have been on board for many, many years. Judging from the very warm messages of gratitude we have received, this program is very much appreciated by our Christian friends.

Dr. Sol Rockenmacher  
TAY Brotherhood

*Top right corner, Veterans Administration hospital had Bingo games, courtesy of Bingo caller Mark Starin. He was assisted by grandkids Noah, Nate and Maddie on 12-25-16.*

*Bottom right, Rabbi Beth Davidson and Ted Yegerman organize socks for donation to homeless and needy in Manchester on Saturday morning just before Torah Study on 12-24-16.*

*~ David Rosenzweig photo.*



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For your convenience, cut out and copy this form the next time you're making donations or contributions: Send with your check.

## Temple Adath Yeshurun Donation Form

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## SISTERHOOD NEWS

Linda Rockenmacher

Many thanks to all of you who helped to make our Chanukah Fair a success, but especially to Ruthie Gordon and Emilie Kaplan who ordered and stocked the shelves; Gail Ellis, Sherry Goldberg, Cate Tanzer, Ruth Kleinfeld, Benita Lebow, Judith Jolton, and Jane Bogursky who helped with sales; and of course all our shoppers.



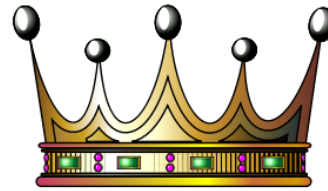
On Tuesday, February 7 we will have a Sisterhood pot-luck dinner and Tu B'Shvat seder at the temple at 6 PM. We hope many of you can join us as Rabbi Beth leads us in a celebration of fruits in the midst of our winter while we enjoy the culinary talents of our members.

Our next fund-raising event will be a Queen's Feast dinner scheduled for March 8 at the Quill—the student-run restaurant run by the culinary students at Southern New Hampshire University, just before we celebrate the holiday of Purim.

This event, planned and chaired by Ruth Kleinfeld, promises to be a fun event for all participants. But space is limited, so be sure to reserve your place. More information to the right on this page of the *Bulletin*.

The selection for our book discussion on Tuesday, March 28 at 7 PM will be *And After the Fire* by Lauren Belfer.

Loretta Greenberg will lead us in a discussion of this deeply-researched and compelling novel inspired by historical events. It interweaves the story of two women, one European and one American, and their families through a period of over 200 years through the Holocaust into the present. A mysterious choral masterpiece by Johann Sebastian Bach with a disturbing message changes both their lives. All interested readers are welcome to join us.



## HEAR YE HEAR YE

All men and women of the realm

Are summoned to partake of

## Queen Esther's ROYAL FEAST

To benefit Sisterhood of Temple Adath Yeshurun

On Wednesday, March 8, 2017 at 6:30 pm

At QUILL, the culinary student restaurant of  
SNHU, 2500 River Road, Manchester NH

Reservations Essential, limited to 65 places

Priced according to menu plus \$20 per person  
donation to Sisterhood

To reserve your place(s), please send check for your donation payable to TAY Sisterhood to Karen at Temple Adath Yeshurun, 152 Prospect Street, Manchester NH 03104

Pay at table for your meal, estimated at \$25-\$35 per person. Credit cards are accepted.

Optional tips for student server are cash only.

# TEMPLE ADATH YESHURUN



## January Birthdays

Alexa Cannon  
Spencer Cannon  
Adam Flanders  
Jacob Herlicka  
Daniel Lahnstein  
Mataya Oppenheim  
Ryan Rosenberg  
Elias Rosenfield  
Jesse Sag

## Birthday Blessings

At FAMILY SERVICE (usually the first Friday of each month) children under the age of Bar or Bat Mitzvah are called to the Torah for birthday blessings.

February's Family Service will be on  
Congregants are welcome.  
Thanks to the volunteers who have helped organize the dinners.

*See you on Shabbat.*

## February Birthdays

Eadric Granok  
Joshua Hill  
Jacob Menken  
Danielle Taub

★HAPPY★  
BIRTHDAY!

## DONATIONS

*Donations are listed from December 1, 2016 through January 3, 2017.*

### Endowment Fund

By David and Elaine Penchansky to Dr. and Mrs. Robert Feins & family in memory of Ann Feins.

By David and Elaine Penchansky to Ruthie and Joel Gordon in memory of Julian Shlager.

By Marc Rubenson to Bruce Harwood, in honor of the birth of your grandson, Kevin Brady Harwood-Karlik.

### Chapel Restoration Fund

By Rikki and Michael Bornstein to Sue Niederman and family in memory of Mark Younger.

By David and Elaine Penchansky to Sue and Jay Niederman and Do Younger, in memory of Mark Younger.

## Special Purpose Funds

*May only be used for a specified purpose.*

### Cemetery Fund

By Muriel and Ed Broad to Do Younger, Susan and Jay Niederman, in memory of Mark Younger.

### Chesed Fund

By Lee and Jeffrey Forgosh to Dr. and Mrs. Robert Feins and family, in memory of Ann Feins.

By Lee and Jeffrey Forgosh to Susan Niederman and family, in memory of Mark Younger.

By Lee and Jeffrey Forgosh to Do Younger in memory of Mark Younger.

### Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

By Fran and Dick Winneg to Dr. and Mrs. Robert Feins and family, in memory of Ann Feins.

By Fran and Dick Winneg to Do Younger, and Susan & Jay Niederman, in memory of Mark Younger.

By Merle Treisman to Annebelle Cohen in memory of Arnold Cohen.

By Susan Stahl Hardy and family to Do Younger and Susan & Jay Niederman in memory of Mark Younger.

By Susan Stahl Hardy and family to Dr. and Mrs. Robert Feins and family, in memory of Ann Feins.

By Susan Stahl Hardy and family, in loving memory of all of the Stahls we've lost.

By Jeannette Popovsky to Cynthia Popovsky, in memory of Harry and Molly Popovsky.

By Nancy Stahl Wilsker and family.

### Trees in Israel

By Rabbi Beth D. Davidson to the family of Caleb Dolman, in honor of Caleb's college graduation.

### Whitaker Music Fund

By Seniors Forever Young to Alan Kaplan in appreciation for entertainment at the Seniors' Chanukah party.

## Named Funds

*Income helps fund temple operations.*

### Harry and Sophie Katz Fund

By Judy Sandler to Mrs. Lewis Wayne in memory of Lewis Wayne.

By Judy Sandler to Nancy Katz in memory of Lewis Wayne.

*Cont. at DONATIONS, on p. 13.*

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## DONATIONS, *cont. from p.12.*

### Maurice and Dorothy Katz Fund

By Barbara and Barry Scotch to Dr. and Mrs. Robert Feins and family in memory of Ann Feins.

By Barbara and Barry Scotch to Lee and Jeffrey Forgosh in memory of Alan Krentzel.

By Barbara and Barry Scotch to Susan and Jay Niederman in memory of Mark Younger.

By Barbara and Barry Scotch to Annebelle Cohen in memory of Arnold Cohen.

By Barbara and Barry Scotch to Ruthie and Joel Gordon, in honor of the upcoming marriage of Jocelyn and Andrew.

### **Yahrzeit Fund**

By Do Younger in memory of Frank Abrams.

By Bruce and Becky Krasnoff in memory of Ed Krasnof.

By Stephen Dolman & Donna Lenz-Dolman in memory of Ben Dolman.



## Joke for January & February 2017

by Ted Yegerman

Bernstein visits a Kosher Chinese restaurant on the Lower East Side, and to his great surprise, the Chinese waiter addresses him in Yiddish.

On the way out as he is paying the check, he says to the proprietor:  
"You run a nice restaurant. And a Chinese waiter who speaks Yiddish!  
What a wonderful gimmick, that is."

"Not so loud," says the proprietor.  
"He thinks we're teaching him English!"

### **TAY Security Reminders for ALL**

Please remember that as part of our plan to increase security in the building, the front doors will be locked 15 minutes after the start of any service or class that is held when the office is not open.

We understand this may sometimes be an inconvenience. When the office is closed, we don't have anyone working the buzzer to screen visitors.

Thanks for helping us make Temple Adath Yeshurun a safer place.



### *January Anniversaries*

*Nancy Frankel and Mary Atwell  
Shirley and Jeffrey Ginn  
Barbara and Kenneth Lerner*



### *February Anniversaries*

*Patricia and Paul Gladstone  
Frances and Stephen Keefe  
Fran and Steven Short*

## **MAZEL TOV!**

To Miri Singer of Goffstown, who celebrated the wedding of son Douglas Singer to Sarah Bournival in Meredith, NH in early December, 2016. The couple lives in Nashua with their two cats and their dog Lucy Liu.

Mazel tov to Ruthie and Joel Gordon of Amherst, who celebrated the Auf-Ruf of their daughter Jocelyn Gordon and her espoused Andrew Gordon at TAY on January 13, 2017. Their wedding will take place in February in Portland, ME.

Congratulations to Caleb Doman and his parents Stephen Dolman and Donna Lenz-Dolman—all of Manchester, on his college graduation.

*Please **SHARE** your simchas:  
Send to [taynews@comcast.net](mailto:taynews@comcast.net).*

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Sisterhood Organizers for Chanukah Shop Fair 2016



*At the Judaica Shop at TAY, Sisterhood members get ready to help shoppers find what they need for Chanukah gift-giving on Sunday, Dec. 18, 2016, from 10 AM to 1 PM: gelt, books, special craft items and jewelry were all available. From left, Sisterhood Co-presidents Linda Rockenmacher and Ruthie Gordon, Emilie Kaplan, Judith Jolton, Jane Bogursky, and Gail Ellis. ~David Rosenzweig photo.*

**SAVE the  
DATE:**

*Sisterhood  
2nd Night  
Seder*

will be on

**TUESDAY,  
APRIL 11, 2017**

**More info will follow  
in March Bulletin**

*TeveShevat 5777*

**Shut the Front Door!**

## PURIM:

### RETURN OF THE CARNIVAL

Brought to you by the TAY Brotherhood

**NEW GAMES      NEW PRIZES      GREAT FOOD**

**"BEST DAY EVER OF HEBREW SCHOOL!"**

**SUNDAY MARCH 12, 2017**

**10:45AM-12:15PM**

**(and you thought Chanukah was a gas...)**

Everyone receives 5 free game/food tickets at the door, lots more available for purchase.

Parents: come early and show your kids who rules....



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## DATES & TIMES : MARK YOUR CALENDAR



### JANUARY

#### FRIDAY, January 20

Shabbat Service 7 PM

#### SATURDAY, January 21

Shabbat Service with 6th grade, 10 AM  
With Cantor Shira

#### Sunday, January 22

Religious School 10 AM—Noon

#### Tuesday, January 24

Religious School 3:45—5:45 PM

#### FRIDAY, January 27

Shabbat Service 7 PM

#### SATURDAY, January 28

Torah Study 10 AM

#### BROTHERHOOD DELI NIGHT

Starting at 6 PM

NOTE: Deli Night is Sold Out.

*If you bought tickets but cannot attend,  
please let Dave Penchansky know.*

#### Sunday, January 29

Religious School 10 AM—Noon

#### Tuesday, January 31

Religious School 3:45—5:45 PM

### FEBRUARY

#### FRIDAY, February 3

MANTY

Winter

Wonderland

Shabbat Service, 8 PM



#### SATURDAY, February 4

MANTY Shabbat Service

at TAY 7:30AM

Torah Study 10 AM

#### Sunday, February 5

MANTY Brotherhood hosts MANTY

Winter Wonderland Breakfast 9 AM

Religious School 10AM—Noon

#### Tuesday, February 7

Religious School 3:45—5:45 PM

Sisterhood Members Tu B'Shvat  
pot-luck supper 6 PM

#### Wednesday, February 8

Brotherhood Meeting 7 PM



#### FRIDAY, February 10

Family Shabbat Service 6 PM, led by  
4th and 5th graders. Followed by pot-  
luck supper.

#### SHUL-IN at TAY for Religious

School students in grades K through 7.  
Special overnight with pick-up on  
SAT. morning, Feb. 11. [See p. 6 for  
more information & RSVP info.]

#### SATURDAY, February 11

Tu B'Shvat Seder Breakfast with the  
Rabbi, for families and congregants.  
9 AM.

NO Torah Study

#### Sunday, February 12

Religious School 10 AM—Noon

#### Tuesday, February 14

Religious School 3:45—5:45 PM

#### FRIDAY, February 17

Shabbat Service 7 PM

With Cantor Shira

#### SATURDAY, February 18

Torah Study 10 AM

Saturday night program:

"Leonard Cohen's Jewish Songs" be-  
ginning after Havdalah service 7 PM  
[See more info on page 5 under  
Life-Long Learning.]

#### Sunday, February 19

NO Religious School

#### Monday, February 20

OFFICE CLOSED—Presidents' Day

#### Tuesday, February 21

Religious School 3:45—5:45 PM

#### Thursday, February 23

TAY Board Meeting 7 PM

#### FRIDAY, February 24

Shabbat Service 7 PM

### TEMPLE OFFICE HOURS:

The Sisterhood Gift Shop is open dur-  
ing normal office hours. Office hours  
sometimes vary due to holidays/  
construction.

### Normal OFFICE HOURS:

**Mon.** 9 AM—5 PM  
**Tue.** 11 AM—5 PM  
**Wed.** CLOSED  
**Thu.** 9 AM—5 PM  
**Fri.** 9 AM—2 PM

*(Call to check before you drive over.)*

with Cantor Shira

#### SATURDAY, February 25

Torah Study 10 AM

#### Sunday, February 26

NO Religious School—February  
School Vacation week

#### Tuesday, February 28

NO Religious School—February School  
Vacation Week

### MARCH

#### FRIDAY, March 3

Family Service 6

PM followed by pot-  
luck supper.



### NEXT

### BULLETIN- DEADLINE:

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By **MARCH 1, 2017**

For  
**Mid-March  
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