Temple Adath Yeshurun

MANTY & TAY Congregants Feed Needy on Souper-Bowl Sunday

MESSAGE From the **CANTOR**

Shira Nafshi

On Friday, 2-16-18, Cantor Shira Nafshi led services at Temple Adath Yeshurun.

Her sermon was in response to the massacre at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida. We are reprinting her sermon that ties together her ideas about sanctuary and school safety, in lieu of the Rabbi's Message (which will return in the April '18 Bulletin).

An editorial caution for our readers is included in the text because of the strong language in the concluding prayer by Rabbi Joe Blackwho addressed the Colorado State House just one day later, and delivered this prayer on that occasion.



Temple Teens Respond to Rabbi's Challenge: The Rabbi's Souper-Bowl Message called for action. TAY members Ryan Rosenberg, Jacob Herlicka, and Kelly Arnold enthusiastically sort cans for delivery to New Horizons.

INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

A Prayer on Thoughts and Prayers by Shira Nafshi

This week's Parashah, T'rumah, talks about building the tabernacle. It goes into intricate detail of how the construction is to take place. Everything is listed and described in loving detail.

What is a Tabernacle? One definition is "sanctuary." The Hebrew word, "Mishkan," is defined as "dwell," "rest," or "to live in." God dwelt in this sanctuary when among the people while they were travelling in the desert.

Sanctuary. So many definitions of this word. We are in this *sanctuary*. lovingly built and maintained by this holy congregation to be a place where we can gather, study, pray, learn, argue, grow, laugh, sing, and raise our children to do the same.

This sanctuary is a place of peace – a place that, we hope, can help provide strength in stormy times, comfort

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in times of sorrow, and peace to troubled souls.

We have other sanctuaries in our lives or places that should be seen as such. Our homes. Sometimes places where our hobbies are (dance studio, riding stable, art studio, etc). And, for our children, their schools.



Cantor Shira Nafshi with her daughter Liba, age 4.

At least, that's the way it's supposed to be. But there have been 18 school shootings since 2018 began. Eighteen different times, and different places around the

country,

where parents kissed their children goodby in the morning, with no idea that it would be the last time they would say "I love you" as their child walked out the door to board the bus, or closed the car door and headed up the pathway and into the building that was supposed to be a place of safety and learning.

There is a Hebrew phrase that says "Yesh G'vul." It means, "There is a limit." Yesh G'vul—I've reached my limit as to how much I can take.

How many more lives, young or old, have to be lost before real change happens? Before the lives and safety of our children are considered more important than the right of someone who is mentally ill to easily obtain a weapon that can kill so many people within seconds?

There are no easy answers. There are no easy solutions. There is no one answer or solution that will help.

But there are answers and there are solutions—and we need leaders who have the courage to do what needs to be done to make the changes that must come.

We need to have the courage and

wisdom, ourselves, to make it happen.

I am done with thoughts and prayers—they are useless: A platitude that helps nothing and no one and is, in the end, meaningless.

These words, by Rabbi Joe Black, are the only prayer I can offer in this world where what should be sanctuaries for our children, built by our communities in order to help our children build a future for themselves that is as bright and promising as it can possibly be, become bloodbaths echoing with the screams of the wounded, the silence of the dead, and the weeping of those left behind.

[Editor's note: the language in Rabbi Joe Black's prayer which follows is visceral and disturbing. We reprint it here because it powerfully reflects how Cantor Nafshi and others feel in the wake of the shootings.]

Our God and God of all people,

God of the Rich and God of the Poor.

God of the teacher and God of the student.

God of the families who wait in horror.

God of the dispatcher who hears screams of terror from under bloodied desks.

God of the first responder who bravely creeps through ravaged hallways.

God of the doctor who treats the wounded.

God of the rabbi, pastor, imam or priest who seeks words of comfort but comes up empty.

God of the young boy who sees his classmates die in front of him.

God of the weeping, raging, inconsolable mother who screams at the sight of her child's lifeless body.

God of the shattered communities torn apart by senseless violence.

God of the legislators paralyzed by fear, partisanship, money and undue influence.

God of the Right.

God of the Left.

God who hears our prayers.

God who does not answer.

On this tragic day when we confront the aftermath of the 18th School shooting in our nation on the 46th day of this year, I do not feel like praying.

Our prayers have not stopped the bullets.

Our prayers have changed nothing.

Once again, a disturbed man with easy access to a death machine has squinted through the sights of a weapon, aimed, squeezed a trigger and taken out his depraved anger, pain and frustration on innocents: pure souls.

Students and teachers. Brothers and sisters. Mothers and fathers—cut down in an instant by the power of hatred and technology.

We are guilty, O God.

We are guilty of inaction.

We are guilty of complacency.

We are guilty of allowing ourselves to be paralyzed by politics.

The blood of our children cries out from the ground.

The blood of police officers cut down in the line of duty flows through our streets. I do not appeal to You on this terrible morning to change us.

We can only do that ourselves.

Our enemies do not come only from far away places.

The monsters we fear live among us.

May those in this room who have the power to make change find the courage to seek a pathway to sanity and hope.

May we hold ourselves and our leaders accountable.

Only then will our prayers be worthy of an answer.

AMEN

Opening Prayer For the Colorado State House in the Aftermath of a Tragedy February 15, 2018 Rabbi Joe Black

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Cate Tanzer

Dear Congregants,



It's hard to believe Passover is upon us. I am looking forward to spending the holidays with family and friends. I might even try making my own Matzo to supplement the "Matzogram" printed Matzos I ordered from the

Temple Sisterhood.

March is a very busy beginning with Purim. Steve Short, and Rabbi Beth wrote the lyrics for this year's Rock & Roll Purim Spiel, which was funny and informative. The choir and various soloists brought the story to life under the able musical direction of Joe Rojek, whose piano accompaniment was enhanced by Elliott Frank on drums. See lyrics and pictures on pages 7 to 9 of this Bulletin.

Joel Gordon is chairing the Brotherhood Purim Party, a carnival of exceptional games and food. This event is open to the community and Parents are strongly encouraged to enjoy the games with their children.

The Temple Sisterhood will again provide a catered **Second Night Seder**, on March 31, chaired by Dot Warsaw. Last year's dinner was a big success and tickets are still available. If you don't have plans, or don't feel like doing the cooking yourself, consider joining us for a community event led by Rabbi Beth with her guitar.

Looking ahead to April, Temple Adath Yeshurun is hosting the annual Manchester commemoration of Yom Hashoah on April 11. The community will be able to remember those we lost at a formal service.

On Saturday night, April 14, we will present the Aryaloka Quartet in concert, performing works by Jewish composers who perished in the Shoah. These include Erwin Schulhoff, Pavel Haas, and Leo Smit. More information

can be found in the article on page 13 of this Bulletin.

Bagels and Biscuits 5K, our spring fundraiser, will be held on April 15, 9 AM, at Derryfield Park. Hopefully, we will have great weather, and lots of runners and walkers, both two-legged and four-legged. It is a fun family event in its fifth year.

For the 2018 Bagels and Biscuits, we have extended categories and more chances to win prizes. And back by popular demand will be a massage therapist to sooth your aching muscles after the mad dash.

As always, I hope to see you soon at one or all of our events. Happy Pesach!

~Cate Tanzer

SISTERHOOD NEWS

Linda Rockenmacher

As I write this, the teens who came for



Winter Wonderland this year are probably heading home after a to all of the sisters who generously contributed goodies for the Oneg on Friday, 2-2-18. Elaine Penchansky also helped with the set-up that weekend. A good

The first night of Passover is March 30. time was had by all MANTY guests.

We resumed our Breakfast with the Rabbi on March 23.

Reservations for the Sisterhood Second Night Seder are required for this catered meal, and must be in to the temple by March 23. It's nice to celebrate this holiday together with temple and family. The meal—with Seder-reading and song—will be on Saturday night, March 31—the second night of Passover, 2018. Thank you to Dot Warshaw for coordinating and organizing this challenging undertaking.

We are planning a Sisterhood luncheon outing to Pickety Place on Sunday, April 29. A poster to Sisterhood members was sent out by email last month.

The deadline for Pickety Place is Friday, March 23. If you have any questions, call Ruthie Gordon at 582-2949, or email her: ruthiehsgordon@gmail.com.

BROTHERHOOD NEWS

Sol Rockenmacher

After a busy month of December, with the Chanukah Party and Christmas Mitz-



vah Program, it was on to a fabulous Deli Night on January 27 and a spirited MAN-TY Winter Wonderland Breakfast on February 4. Both of these events are reviewed in articles in this Bulletin.

On Sunday, March 11, Joel Gordon organized this year's TAY Purim Party on Sunday. Pictures will follow in the April Bulletin.

We have scheduled a Brotherhood Breakfast for Sunday, April 22, and will have what should be a very entertaining presentation by Derry Temple Etz Hayim's Dr. Steve Soreff, who will tell us about "The Roots and Routes of Jewish Humor."

busy weekend. Thanks Down the road is the Spring Dinner Concert on Thursday, May 10, the Brotherhood-Sisterhood Service on Friday, May 25, the Memorial Day Service on Monday, May 28, and the Annual Meeting/BBQ on Tuesday, June 5.

> We continue to keep busy, working for TAY and for our community in general. Guys, if you are not aboard, please get on the train.

MAZEL TOV MARCH!

Mazel Tov to Steve and Fran Short of Windham, NH, on the arrival of their second grandchild—Samuel Benjamin Short—who arrived in the fourth week of February, 2018. Samuel is the first child of Brendan Short and Sheryl Kane of Somerville, MA. Guess what happened eight days later? Steve reports, 'No one fainted!"

Congratulations to Ted Yegerman on being interviewed on videotape about his World War II service, by a representative of the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. His story will be archived in the national library, and will eventually be available for viewing online by library patrons.



Brotherhood once again Hosts MANTY Winter Wonderland Breakfast



2-4-18. MANTY advisor Jordan Leikin and President Adam Flanders rally the troops at the Winter Wonderland breakfast.

Women of 3 Faiths Speak at IWNH:

Rabbi Davidson Speaks on "Shabbat as Renewal in Judaism"

Reprinted from *The Manchester* Union Leader, March 2, 2018:

MANCHESTER — Interfaith Women of NH will explore the topic of "Nurturing Your Soul" from the perspectives of three women of the Christian, Jewish and Muslim faiths on Tuesday, March 20, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 105 Wind Song Avenue, Manchester.

"Today, in the multicultural community of Manchester, NH, how do diverse faiths consistently renew and nurture souls?" is the question posed by Interfaith Women, which has a mission to share religious beliefs, cultures, and traditions among women of diverse faiths in order to develop understanding and friendship among all women, their families and in the community.

Sister Pauline Maurier, CSC, will discuss "Sabbath - The EvoluCatholic Tradition. Rabbi Beth Davidson's topic will be "Shabbat as Renewal in Judaism." Reyhane Oztekin will discuss "Muslim Day of Prayer."

A question-and-answer session will take place as time allows.

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Representing perspectives of Jewish, Christian and Muslim faiths, from left, Rabbi Beth Davidson, Sister Pauline Maurier, CSC, and Reyhane Oztekin will give a presentation for Interfaith Women of NH on "Nurturing Your Soul" on Tuesday, March 20, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Manchester.

Sunday morning, February 4, 2018, saw the TAY Brotherhood serving breakfast to 85 teenagers and 15 advisors at the Temple Adath Yeshurun social hall.

It was a farewell gathering for representatives of Jewish youth groups from across New England who had come to share a weekend with their friends from the Manchester area.

The Brotherhood served juice, bagels, shmeers, pastries, coffee and tea in the social hall at Temple Adath Yeshurun.

The busy weekend schedule started off with very lively and musical religious services on Friday night and Saturday morning.

The group then headed off to Gunstock Ski Area in Guilford for an afternoon of skiing and tubing (with, fortunately, no significant injuries). Saturday night activity was a dinner dance.

From the feedback so far it was another wonder weekend event for the MANTY sponsors. Thanks to the host families and to the Brotherhood for the Sunday send-off.

The presenters and guests are invited to mingle during a refreshment and social time after the main program.

Check-in will begin at 6:15 PM for the 6:45 PM presentation.

An RSVP is requested online at interfaithwomennh@gmail.com.

> Rabbi Davidson Rabbi Beth said, "I am always delighted to be part of interfaith education, and look forward to being part of this panel.sharing Jewish views and

[Ed.Note:

values."]

The Carp Family's 2011 Passover in Palermo, Italy

Peace & Pomegranates

Stacy Garnick



In 2011, after her short trip during *Pesach*, to Sicily, Italy—my friend Marilyn Carp sent me this letter, which I am sharing with you now because it tells a very special Passover story.

Our Passover Journey to Largo Cavalieri di Malta, 18, Palermo, Italy

Dear Family and Friends,

I wanted to share our amazing Passover Seder experience in Sicily. I know it's long, but I truly think it is worth reading. It is a reminder of the many "dayenus" we have as Jews who know our roots and live in a place where we have Jewish community.

When we began planning our trip to Sicily during Passover we knew we wanted it to include a Passover Seder. There are Jews everywhere, right? There must be a Chabad House in Italy. With my daughter, Iris, I Googled "Jews in Sicily," and so the journey began.

Turns out there were plenty of Jews in Sicily, at least until the Spanish Inquisition. Sicily has been subject to invaders from all over the world and in the late 1400s we were under Spanish rule, and were expelled. There is no synagogue and no Jewish community in Palermo. We wondered is it possible that there are no Jews left in Sicily?

Next we Google "Passover in Sicily"...

Rabbi Barbara Aiello comes up in our Google search, a Jewish-American of Italian descent.

She led us to Salvo in Palermo:

IT'S ME SALVO PARRUCCA THE ASSISTANT RABBI AIELLO, WE PLAY

SEDER SHEL PESACH APRIL 18 TO PALERMO, ILL BE VERY HAPPY IF YOU WANT STAY WITH US. The address of the place where we will SEDER SHEL PESACH is: LARGO CAVALIERI DI MALTA, 18 PALERMO (side street of VIA CAVOUR) at 19.30.

So who would these people be, with whom would be sharing *Pesach*? Was this address someone's home? How observant would they be? What should we bring them? And for starters how do we find LARGO CAVALIERI DI MALTA, 18 PALERMO (side street of VIA CAVOUR)?

We try Google, we try the GPS. A 16 and a 17 show up on this street, but no 18. Okay we will go early on "Carp" time and figure it out. Serendipity reigns: the address is only a 15-minute walk from where we are staying.

The address is in the Medieval section.

We find the street, and finally we find #18. It is a wine bar carved out of an old Medieval building. Could this be it? Iris notices a long table set and theorizes it must be the place; I see a DJ set-up and think this can't be the place. The bar owner has no idea what we are talking about when we inquire about the Seder.

Iris suggests we sit - order a little wine and appetizers and wait to see if people start to arrive. It's 7:15 and the Seder is supposed to begin at 7:30. At 7:30 there is still no sign of a Salvo or a Seder.

At 7:40 I see a man in a suit with a woman in a purple flowery dress. Could that be matzah in the plastic bag she is carrying? They are waiting around and I start to follow them. Then another woman joins them.

I ask "Do any of you speak English?" She responds "Yes, are you here for the Passover Seder?"

We reply "Yes," and indeed it was *mat*zah in the bag.

We greet each other and find out that in fact we are having the Seder at the long table in the wine bar, but Salvo has not arrived yet (clearly he is not on Carp time). A short time later, Salvo, a warm-

hearted man in his 30s, arrives with a big smile and a bag full of "Seder shel Pesach."

Out of this one bag comes candlestick holders, a plastic Seder plate, all the items for the Seder plate, a Tupperware© full of *charoset*, photocopies of a *Haggadah* in Hebrew and Italian, and for us, a *Haggadah* in English and Hebrew, and Salvo's *Talit* (which he wears during the seder).

Next Kirsten (from Germany) wearing a Jewish star, arrives with her husband and a menorah (which she places in the middle of the table).

Now we see that someone has put bitter herbs at each place setting at the long table (raddichio – perhaps there is no horseradish in Sicily). In fact, a Seder is unfolding in front of our eyes. I give Salvo the *Afikomen* cover we brought for him and he adds it to his Passover bag.

So who are these wonderful Jewish Italians with whom we are sharing our Seder?

Carolina (who is the only person fluent in English and is delighted to serve as our translator) tells us her story. It turns out her story is in some form the story of many around the table, and probably the story of many Jews who remained in Europe after WWII.

She was raised as a Catholic in Italy by a French mother and an Italian father. In her teens she began to read every piece of fiction she could find by Jewish authors. When she was 12 years old, her grandmother asked her "Why do you read so many books by Jewish authors?" She had no idea why, but continued to read.

When Carolina was 14, her grandmother asked her again. And then her grandmother told her that in fact Carolina had born Jewish in France. She was a baby during WWII and she and her mother (Carolina's great-grandmother) were hidden and saved during the Holocaust. Carolina's mother had never told even her own husband that she was Jewish.

CARP FAMILY, cont. from p. 6.

Thus began Carolina's Jewish Journey. While she lived in Rome, she began to study Hebrew and to learn more about Judaism. When she moved to Sicily she sought out any Jewish connections she could find, and that is what led her to Salvo.

And what about Salvo? He also was not raised as a Jew; his mother was of Libyan Jewish descent. Somewhere as a young adult he began to study his Jewish roots and made a connection to Rabbi Barbara (Rabbi Mama) in Milan. in Jerusalem" in Hebrew.

He is studying to become Bar Mitzvah in June and has taught himself to read Hebrew. He was the only Italian person at the table who could read Hebrew and he did so beautifully throughout the Seder—following each passage with an Italian translation.

So who was Kirsten from Germany? Her mother is Italian and her father is German and she was raised as a Christian. She was looking through family documents at age 16 and discovered that her mother was Jewish. And so

Cont. at CARP FAMILY, p. 7. began Kirsten's Jewish Journey. She is working on a "return" to Judaism and the 7-branched menorah she brought to the table is one of the few ritual items she owns. She said it is im-

> Then there was the French Catholic woman who was married to a Morrocan Jew for 12 years. She was so excited to be celebrating Passover again. She started the Seder with a Moroccan tradition of walking around with the Seder plate and putting it over each person's head

> It turns out she was the "religious" one who kept encouraging Salvo to do more Hebrew and less Italian throughout the Seder (there is one in every crowd—but they usually aren't French Catholic).

> And then there was Viviana. After Iris and I sang Dayenu (they didn't know the melodies) she asked us to PLEASE sing some Jewish melodies. We did a couple of versions of "Hinei Ma Tov" and told them what it meant. She was so excited and teary-eyed.

She kept hugging us and thanking us for the simple melodies. She is a musician in search of the sound of Jewish music.

So this is the *Chevra* that gathers for all the possible to get any Jewish items in all of Jewish holidays in Palermo, Sicily. They clearly are amazed and thrilled to have found each other. Each on their own circuitous path to a tradition they know so little about with Salvo in the center.

When Kirsten talked about how much she treasured the few Jewish ritual items she owned. Iris and I both had the same idea. Let's send them some of the extra Jewish while reciting "This year here, next year ritual items we have at home to this fledgling community. (How many chanukiyot do we need?)

> We could send new ones, but L'Dor v'dor is so much more meaningful for all of us, but especially for these people in search of their Jewish roots and desperate for Jewish connections.

> We will send them a care package in honor of Salvo becoming Bar Mitzvah in June.

> Chag Pesach Same 'ach (Happy Passover!)

With love from Marilyn and Iris Carp

Beauty Contestants from the 2018 Purim Spiel



3-2-18. From left, Ms. Shushan—Mandy Frank; Ms. Gomorrah—Emilie Kaplan; Ms. Persopolis—Nancy Frankel; Ms. Sodom— Brooke Flanders. Queen Vashti—Mary Singer—looks on from back center. Photo by David Rosenzweig. For more info on the Cast and excerpts of the parody lyrics, see pages 8 and 9.



3-2-18. Front row: Mandy Frank, Mary Singer, Emilie Kaplan. Second row: Brooke Flanders, Elliott Frank, Nancy Frankel. Back row: Jonathan Baron, Eric Lafleur, Jet Goldberg, Joe Rojek, Steve Short, Alan Kaplan.

~All Purim pictures by D. Rosenzweig.

TAY Purim Spiel 5778

Rock and Roll

Parody Lyrics
by
Steven Short
&
Rabbi Beth D. Davidson

CAST

Narrator: Rabbi Beth D. Davidson

Queen Vashti: Mary Singer

King Ahasveros: Jonathan Baron

Beauty Contestants: Brooke Flanders,

Mandy Frank, Nancy Frankel,

Emilie Kaplan

Queen Esther: Mandy Frank

Bigthan & Teresh: Eric Lafleur, Sr.

& Jonathan Baron

Haman: Alan Kaplan

Mordechai: Steve Short

Zeresh: Jet Goldbert

Drums: Elliott Frank
Piano: Joe Rojek

Musical Director: Joe Rojek

Opening Song 59th Street Bridge Song

"The 59th Street Bridge Song (Feelin' Groovy)" is a song by folk music duo Simon & Garfunkel, appearing on their 1966 album *Parsley, Sage, Rosemary and Thyme*, written by Paul Simon.

Slow down, don't go too fast, You got to make the story last, Just waltzin' through our history, Looking for fun and read Megilla! Ba da-da da-da da-da, read Megilla— Ba da-da da-da da-da, read Megilla. Hello Shushan, what'cha sayin'?
I've come to watch your Jews a-prayin'.
Will they beat that evil guy?
Doo-ait-n-doo-doo, read Megilla!
Ba da-da da-da da-da, read Megilla—
Ba da-da da-da da-da, read Megilla.

I got stories to tell, and promises to keep. There's action and romance, you won't go to sleep!

Drunken kings and brave uncles and beauties galore—

There's candy for ya', read Megilla! Ba da-da da-da da-da, read Megilla— Ba da-da da-da da-da, read Megilla.





Steve Short brings heart to the role of Esther's protective uncle, Mordechai.

Mordechai—Roxanne

"Roxanne" is a song by English rock band The Police. Written by lead singer and bassist Sting, the song was released in April 1978 as a single from their debut album *Outlandos d'Amour*—written from the point of view of a man who falls in love with a prostitute.

Esther, you will have to put on the red light. The days are coming you'll have to sell your body to the night.

Esther, you do have to wear that dress tonight. Please the king now, honey... just don't care if it's wrong or if it's right.

At right, Jonathan Baron and Eric Lafleur create comic relief as the two plotters, Teresh and Bigthan, whose song is based on Sonny and Cher's "I Got You, Babe."

They say we're dumb and we don't know How bad it is, he really needs to go. Well I do know, and all that's true; And you got me, and Biggy, I got you—Big—
I got you, Big—
I got you, Big.

Below, Jet Goldberg reminds us that even bad guys have someone who loves them. She plays Haman's wife, Zeresh.





Mandy Frank once again thrills the audience with her golden voice and stage presence as beautiful and brave Queen Esther—whose Hebrew name was Hadassah.





Alan Kaplan is the evil villain whose name must be drowned out.

Haman – Impossible Dream

"The Impossible Dream (The Quest)" is a popular song composed by Mitch Leigh, with lyrics written by Joe Darion. The song is the most popular song from the 1965 Broadway show *Man of La Mancha*.

To dream the so possible dream, To fight the so beatable Jew, To give them unbearable sorrow, To cut them down to a few.

And I know if I'll only be true To my glorious quest, That my heart will lie peaceful and calm When I'm laid to my rest.

And my land will be better for this: That one man planned and plotted with lots, And strove with his last ounce of malice To make sure that my enemy rots!

Closing Song—Sweet Caroline

"Sweet Caroline" is a song written and performed by American recording artist Neil Diamond and released in June 1969 as a single with the title "Sweet Caroline (Good Times Never Seemed So Good)."

Where it began, you'd know if you were list'ning, But then we know it's growing late! It was *Adar*, before spring becomes summer. Who'd have believed we would be saved? Jews, saving Jews—
Reaching out, saving me, saving you. . .

[Chorus] Sweet Hadassah, Being Jewish seems so good (so good, so good) Now we are saved.

They believed we never would...

But now we look at tonight, and it don't seem so scary—
We filled it up with mirth and joy.
And when we sing,
Evil runs off our shoulders.
How can we fear when we look to you?

Jews, saving Jews—
Reaching out, touching me, touching you
JEWS HELPING JEWS!
JEWS HELPING JEWS!
(chorus)

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Such a Jokester!

Ted Yegerman, below, front row on the far right—with his family on Deli Night. The audience loved Ted's solo with the Comedian ~D. Rosenzweig photo.



Capital Campaign UPDATE. Thank You to Our Donors!

Dear Temple Members,

June 2018 will conclude our three-year Capital Campaign. I want to thank each of you who has contributed and made possible many of the planned renovations of our building. Your names will be listed on our honor wall plaque in the foyer.

The completed projects include:

- 1. The Sanctuary and social hall lighting that enhances both worship (you can now read the prayer books) and social activities.
- 2. New individual well-padded seating that can be re-configured for different events, as well as cushioned carpet, have added to the comfort as well as the functionality of the Sanctuary. The old dividing wall between social hall and Sanctuary that took two days and several volunteers plus the custodian to change has been replaced with a functional wall that can be opened and closed in less than five minutes by one person.
- 3. A renovated sound system for both the Sanctuary and the social hall. A new paging system throughout the building for announcements from the office.
- 4. The patio with handicap access ramp, beautifying landscaping and a new entrance directly into the foyer that expands our use of the outside space for gatherings and social programs.
- 5. A new storage shed to accommodate our maintenance equipment as well as much needed storage.
- 6. Mylar coating of windows throughout the building and better security doors to protect our school and worshipers from unauthorized entrance into the building.
- 7. In progress is renovation of the bathrooms off the foyer.

If you have not already made your contribution there are several projects awaiting funding—including renovation of the foyer with new lighting, changing the windows in the sanctuary and social hall from the colored glass to a frosted glass etched with biblical themes, providing a secure and fireproof enclosure for the Torahs behind the curtains, and enclosing the portico with a new and more secure access to the building directly from the lower patio and parking lot. We are also setting aside a portion of funds for future infrastructure maintenance.

Please send your contribution—large or small—or an additional donation to the Temple so we can build for ourselves and the future Manchester Jewish generations the TAY home of prayer, study and social programs.

Dr. Alan D. Kaplan Chairman, Capital Campaign

Joke for March 2018

by Ted Yegerman

A rabbi was invited to speak to the patients at St. Elizabeth Hospital, an institution in Washington, D.C., for people with psychological problems. The rabbi came prepared for any reaction that might occur, so he was scarcely surprised when the chief psychiatrist warned him to disregard any comments the patients might offer during his address.

After the rabbi had talked for about half an hour, a member of the audience stood up in the center aisle and, in a loud voice, declared, "My God! This is awful! I have never heard such a lousy speech in my life!"

The rabbi carefully ignored the interruption. When he was through speaking, the psychiatrist ran up to him and warmly shook his hand.

"Rabbi," enthused the doctor, "you have no idea how much you've helped that poor man. Why, that was the first rational statement he has uttered in three years!"

Letter to Rabbi Beth D. Davidson

Reprinted here with her permission.

From: Jeffrey Ohrenstein, [Memorial Scrolls

Trust Organization] **Sent:** March 5, 2018 **To:** Rabbi Beth Davidson

Subj: MST#1257 Manchester Holocaust Scroll

Dear Rabbi Beth:

Many thanks for sending me the link [to your recently published article about the Manchester Holocaust Scroll in your January-February 2018 Bulletin]. The article is not just good, it is really special and will make an excellent Czech Torah page for your website. Please let me know when it is ready so I can reciprocate the link.

With best wishes, Jeffrey London, England

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TAY Spring Concert:

The Aryaloka String Quartet **Commemorates Holocaust Composers** In Observance of Yom HaShoah



At 8:00 PM on Saturday April 14, 2018 the Aryaloka String Quartet will perform works by three composers who perished in the Holocaust; Erwin Schulhoff, Pavel Haas and Leo Smit.

All are powerful works, deserving of being performed as part of the standis especially poignant as it was never with each instrument dropping out one by one.

The quartet will round out the program with the celebrated 8th Quartet of Dimitri Shostakovich which was "dedicated to the victims of fascism and war."

The work was written in Dresden, where Shostakovich wrote the music for the film Five Days, Five Nights, about the bombing of Dresden in World War II. ard string quartet repertoire. The Smit Each work will be preceded by a very short introduction to the composer and his completed and is performed as written music, and by a brief reading from the works of Nobel Laureate and Holocaust survivor Eli Wiesel, who died in 2016. This presentation of works of artists who perished during the Shoah—like Wiesel's

family-will bring to the foreground that art

and music transcend evil and banality.

The Aryaloka String Quartet has performed concerts all around New England, and has toured in the United Kingdom. Its name, 'Aryaloka' is Sanskrit for 'abode of the noble ones', and the quartet, through its music, seeks to entertain, but also to bring out and highlight the potential of music to uplift, to inspire and to bring harmony to a beautiful but troubled

charge, donations are appreciated. Preregistration is required. Please register by calling 603-669-5650.

This program has been funded in part by a grant from The Jewish Federation of New Hampshire.

Brotherhood Plans Breakfast: Doc Speaks on Jewish Humor

The TAY Brotherhood breakfast on Sunday morning, April 22, 2018 at 10 AM will feature "Doc Steve" Soreff, MD, will speak on "Roots and Route of Jewish Humor: What Hebrews?" Open to ALL!

Jewish humor is legendary. A quick check of Google on that topic reveals about

941,000 results.

Puns abound in the Hebrew literature and laughter has sustained Jews throughout history.

This talk looks at the roots. routes and characteristics of Jewish humor.

It will be punctuated with examples of Jewish jokes and other humor.

If you know Steve, you know that this will be a fun event.

There is no charge—but please let the TAY office know that you are coming (669-5650) so that we don't run out of bagels.



Aryaloka String Quartet

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Oh, What a Night! Brotherhood Deli Night 2018

ple Adath Yeshurun for the 31st annual TAY Brotherhood Deli Night on Saturday night, January 27, 2018. They did not leave hungry.

They were treated to plenty of appetizers, pastrami, corned beef (via Howard Tocman and Steve Rothstein), tongue, sliced turkey, salami, macaroni salad, coleslaw (via Elaine Penchansky), potato salad (via Jet Goldberg), fresh salad, sour pickles and tomatoes, mustard, rye bread, cookies and cakes etc.

Those attending also enjoyed an evening of top-notch entertainment. The MC of the evening was once again David Penchansky, this year alias the Phantom of the Deli! (Last year's Deli Woman had gone on well-deserved holiday.)

Two hundred hungry folks entered Tem- The opening act consisted of a delightful presentation by the Manchester Community Players of Deli Nightthemed scenes from "My Fair Lady," in a production staged by Alan Kaplan and Steve Short. Then it was on to Boston-based comedian-musician Dave Andrews—ably assisted by our own Ted Yegerman in a Frank Sinatra-based duet that really delighted the house!

> It was a lively evening with a packed function room. Hats and yarmulkes off to the TAY Brotherhood Kitchen Krew, which included Sisters as well as Brothers, for all their many hours of hard work setting up the room, running a very successful raffle and auction,—for preparing, slicing, portioning out and serving. And cleaning up.

Joining those hard workers already

mentioned were David Rosenzweig (slide show, numerous photo enlargements around the room), Marty and David Warshaw, Joel Gordon, Lee Hill, Jonathan Baron, Tom Sullivan, Adam and Cate Tanzer, Mark Granoff, George Bruno, Len Ruvinsky, Dick Lutsk, Bill Siroty, Bill Stelling, Bob Katchen, Beth Goldberg, Bob and JoAnne LeFevre, Matt McLeod, and Linda and Sol Rockenmacher.

And thank you as well to those of you who donated the wonderful auction and raffle items. It takes a village.

Deli Night is always a night of camaraderie and fun—a night that brings the community together. That is what it is all about. Still going strong now for 31 years.

DELI NIGHT 2018 SET-UP CREW

Standing: Mark Granoff, Lee Hill, Joel Gordon, Jonathan Baron, Alan Kaplan, Howard Tocman, Steve Rothstein, Bob Katchen, Steve Short, Sol and Linda Rockenmacher, Matt McLeod, David Rosenzweig Kneeling: Jay Hodes, Bob LeFevre, Steve Goldberg, David Penchansky, Judson Belmont, Marty Warshaw, Len Ruvinsky



Deli Night 2018





George Bruno Auctions off a bottle of vintage Scotch at Deli Night.





Phantom of the Deli (AKA Deli Night MC, and Co-President of Brotherhood—David Penchansky)





Alan Kaplan & Manchester Theater Company sing songs from My Fair Lady at Deli Night.

Boston-based Comedian-Musician **Dave Andrews**

Manchester-based Comedian-Musician

hook up for a MEMORABLE Duet at Deli Night. Really, it was Ted's Solo moment.



JANET GRAYSON LECTURE IN LITERARY STUDIES

"Who Will Remain?" What Will Remain?"



DR. NONA FIENBERG

Wednesday, April 18, 2018 4 p.m. Centennial Hall Alumni Center Keene State College

Philosopher, rabbi, and Holocaust survivor Emil Fackenheim formulated the great post-Holocaust obligation: not to grant Hitler a posthumous victory. Responding to catastrophe, Jewish literature formulated questions: Who will remain? What will remain? Who will write our history? This talk will look at ways three writers remember the Holocaust.

Dr. Nona Fienberg, professor emeritus at Keene State College, taught in the English and the Holocaust and Genocide Studies departments and served as dean of Arts and Humanities. She has pursued research and writing in English Renaissance Literature, Jewish studies, and Holocaust Studies.

For more information, contact Dr. Brinda Charry at bcharry@keene.edu.

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By Bobbie Brayer to Rabbi Beth D. Davidson in honor of Jacob's Bar Mitzvah.

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By Janice Belmont to the Herlicka family in honor of Jacob becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

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March Birthdays

Shannon Arnold Harrison Bogursky Valerie Cadugan Mia Fishman Olivia Menken Zofia Rosenfield Matthew Schwartz



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Volunteer to Host Oneg?

The lovely Onegs that follow our Shabbat Services each week are provided by just a few generous members, who shop, donate food and drinks, prepare, set up.

We need more volunteers to do this. If every member who is able took one turn, each person would only be asked to sponsor once every one to two years.

Of course, you can always work with another person.

To help, please contact JoAnn Meyers: joannmeyers@comcast.net

Post Passover Progressive Dinner

Don't recognize all the faces at TAY?

We want to help members know members and celebrate our community with a progressive dinner! Please mark your calendars now, and plan to join us at TAY on

Saturday, April 7, at 6 PM.

Our evening will begin with appetizers and cocktails in the Social Hall. We will then disperse to North End homes for dinner, meeting back at TAY for dessert.

The Membership Committee has reached out to TAY congregants who live around the synagogue, asking them to host small dinner parties; once we have host homes, the Committee will create 4-8 person groups, mixing members so that long-time and new members, singles and couples, families with kids and empty-nesters, are given a chance to meet and mingle.

Those members who wish to attend, and who live outside of Manchester, will be asked to bring either appetizers or desserts. Every participant will contribute to this special evening by providing delicious food and good company.

Please watch your email for your invitation, and be sure to contact the office if you are interested in attending to confirm your preference ofember bringing an appetizer or dessert to share.

Meet fellow congregants, and celebrate the end of Matzah! We hope you'll join us for this exciting event.

~Kaitlyn Woods, Membership Committee

Sisterhood Second Night Seder

TRADITIONAL PASSOVER MEAL

Outside Caterer. Advance Reservation Required by MARCH 23.

Look forward to Community Sharing On

> **SATURDAY** MARCH 31, 2018 Αt 6 PM

Letters to Editors

July 21, 2017 To taynews@comcast.net Dear Marv:

I want to give you a big thank you for bringing the TAY Bulletin up to date. Dick and I have enjoyed seeing new and familiar faces at TAY and reading the wonderful articles. Keep up the good work.

Thank you and anyone else involved, Nancy & Dick Katz Boynton Beach, FL

January 29, 2018

To: Mary Singer, Jonathan Pollack [Editors of the TAY Bulletin]

Miri and Jonathan.

Thank you both for the wonderful work you do in putting together the Bulletin. This latest edition was another gem. Thank you for the article on the odyssey of the Torah.

> Gratefully, Sol and Linda Rockenmacher Bedford, NH

Temple Adath Yeshurun Family Services UPDATED CALENDAR

Due to sundry logistical issues, a few changes have been made from the original dates that were listed in the Religious School calendar sent in September, 2017. Please update your personal calendars.

Friday, April 6: Grade 3 Class Service (PASSOVER) 6:00 PM—Pot-Luck Dinner to follow

TEACHER APPRECIATION SHABBAT Friday, April 13:

Pot-Luck Dinner at 6:15 PM, FOLLOWED BY 7:00 PM Service

Grades 1 & 2 Class Service 6:00 PM—Pot-Luck Dinner to follow Friday, May 4:

DATES & TIMES: Mark YOUR Calendar

MARCH

Sunday, March 11

Religious School 10 AM-10;45 10:45—Festival of Lots—Brotherhood Purim Party

Monday, March 12

Intro to Judaism Class 11, 7 PM

Tuesday, March 13

Religious School 3:45—5:45 PM

FRIDAY, March 16

Shabbat Service—7 PM

Hadassah

March 17

Breakfast with the Rabbi 9:30 AM Torah Study with breakfast.

Sunday, March 18

Religious School 10 AM—NOON

Monday, March 19 Intro to Judaism Class 7 PM

Tuesday, March 20

Religious School, 3:45 to 5:45 PM

Thursday, March 22

TAY Board Meeting 7 PM

FRIDAY, March 23

Shabbat Service with Joe Rojek

SATURDAY, March 24

Torah Study 10 AM

Sunday, March 25

Religious School 10 AM—NOON

Monday, March 26

Intro to Judaism Class 7 PM

Tuesday, March 27

Religious School 3:45—5:45 PM

FRIDAY, March 30

NO Shabbat Service. First Night of Passover, for family observance.



SATURDAY, March 31

Sisterhood 2nd Night Seder, 6 PM by reservation only.

APRIL

Sunday, April 1

Religious School 10 AM—Noon

Monday, April 2

Intro to Judaism Class 7 PM

Tuesday, April 3

Religious School 3:45—5:45 PM Sisterhood Meeting, 7 PM Brotherhood Meeting, 7 PM

FRIDAY, April 6

OFFICE CLOSED: 7th Day Passover Family Shabbat Service, 6 PM Followed by Potluck supper.

SATURDAY, April 7

Torah Study, 10 AM

Post-Passover Progressive Dinner, 6 PM

Sunday, April 8

Religious School 10 AM—Noon

Monday, April 9

Intro to Judaism Class 7 PM

Tuesday, April 10

Religious School 3:45—5:45 PM

Wednesday, April 11

Yom HaShoah Service

with Cantor Shira, 7 PM

FRIDAY, April 13

Teacher Appreciation Shabbat, with Cantor Shira 7 PM

SATURDAY, April 14

Torah Study, 10 AM

Yom HaShoah Concert 7 PM

Sunday, April 15

Bagels & Biscuits

5K Fundraiser 8 - 10 AM

NO Religious School

Monday, April 16

Seniors Forever Young Board Meeting,

Sisterhood Rosh Chodesh, 5 PM

Intro to Judaism Class—last class 7 PM

Tuesday, April 17

Religious School, 3:45—5:45 PM

Thursday, April 19

TAY Board Meeting, 7 PM

FRIDAY, April 20

Shabbat Service, 7 PM

With Joe Rojek

SATURDAY, April 21 NO Torah Study, 10 AM

SATURDAY, April 28

NO Torah Study, 10 AM

NEW EMAILS for TAY!

Make a note of the NEW email addresses below, and update your phones and online address books.

These emails are now active and will be in use by April 1, 2018, for the April Bulletin.

Please have patience with us as we transition to new email addresses:

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Thank you to Jonathan Baron



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