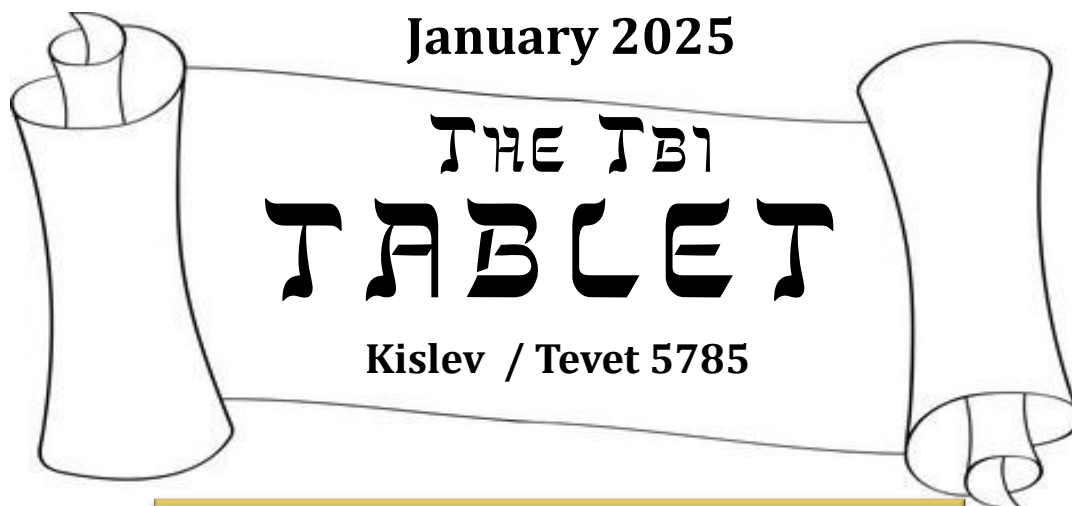


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Join us for Shabbat Services this month beginning at 7:00 am

**January 10 & 11, 2025**

**TBI Welcomes**

**Rabbi Andy Bachman**

Rabbi Bachman will lead the Friday  
evening Shabbat Service

*Oneg Shabbat following the service  
sponsored by the TBI Board*

**Saturday Adult Education**

Program presented by Rabbi Bachman

All TBI MEMBERS are encouraged to  
actively participate in these events and  
share your perspectives of Rabbi  
Bachman as the next rabbi of TBI.

**MEMBERS—**

*Please check your email to RSVP*

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NONMEMBERS may request to attend  
either in person or on Zoom  
[Please Click Here to Register](#)

**Friday evening, January 17**  
**Shabbat Service and Torah Reading**  
*In the sanctuary and [on Zoom](#)\**

**Oneg Shabbat Sponsored by**  
*Paula and Ray Chambers*  
**In Honor of Their Birthdays**

## SPECIAL INTEREST

- [Attend Board Meetings](#)
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*\*Join our "Zoom Community Schmooze" 30 minutes prior to the start of services.*

# Schedule of Upcoming Services

Friday	Jan 10 2025	7:00 pm	Shabbat Evening Service led by Rabbi Andy Bachman in the sanctuary and on Zoom
Friday	Jan 17	7:00 pm	Shabbat Evening Service and Torah Reading In the sanctuary and on Zoom
Friday	Feb 7	7:00 pm	Shabbat Evening Service and Torah Reading In the sanctuary and on Zoom
Friday	Feb 21	7:00 pm	Shabbat Evening Service and Torah Reading In the sanctuary and on Zoom
Friday	Mar 14	7:00 pm	Shabbat Evening Service and Torah Reading In the sanctuary and on Zoom
Saturday	Mar 29	10:00 am	Shabbat Morning Service followed by Model Seder
Friday	Apr 25	7:00 pm	Shabbat Evening Service and Torah Reading In the sanctuary and on Zoom
Friday	May 9	7:00 pm	Shabbat Evening Service and Torah Reading In the sanctuary and on Zoom
Friday	May 30	7:00 pm	Kabbalat Shabbat on Zoom Only
Saturday	May 31	10:00 am	Shabbat Morning Service, Torah Reading and Bar Mitzvah Celebration
Saturday	June 14	10:00 am	Shabbat Morning Service and Celebration of Melody & Joel Funk
Friday	June 27	7:00 pm	Shabbat Evening Service and Farewell to Rabbi Jan

***The safety and security of all who attend events at Temple B'nai Israel is of utmost importance.***

In line with our security program, we ask that **non-members who wish to attend Shabbat services or programs in the building are asked to register to attend [using the form on our website.](#)**

*Remember loved ones, celebrate good times, share a simcha....*

**Sponsor an Oneg Shabbat!**

*To sign up or for more information*

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**Friday evening service now begins at 7:00 PM**

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## Message from Rabbi Jan Katz

The wheels of time are turning in front of us – a new year and a poignant passing into one quarter of this century! What is our role as Jews, as the Jewish people, at this moment in time?

We are saying *l'hitraot* (“see you again”) to Hanukkah. Its story is not really about oil, a miracle, or destruction, or our homes and synagogues smelling of latkes and *sufganiyot* (jelly doughnuts). The most important message of Hanukkah is one of hope – hope in action. Every act that we do individually and as a people may repel the forces that assail us, but our greater mission is assuredly to build and rebuild a more just and kind Jewish and human civilization, like each candle on the menorah, adding to the collective light that dispels the darkness.

When the Jews were expelled from Jerusalem in ancient days, and exiled to Babylonia, the prophet Jeremiah pleaded with our people to maintain their identity, faith, and laws while at the same time contribute to the welfare of Babylon, in order to dispel despair and preserve the hope of salvation and return. The Talmud expanded Jeremiah’s exhortation to the principle of *darchei shalom* – paths of peace, meaning the pursuit of peace in an unredeemed world, a peace that speaks not to a distant future but to the here-and-now of unredeemed time, a peace which depends on different groups with incompatible ideals living graciously or at least civilly together without one attempting to impose its beliefs on the others.

In the brilliant book by Rabbi Dr. Jonathan Sacks, of blessed memory, *The Clash of Civilizations*, Sacks defines antisemitism as the paradigm case of dislike of the unlike. Jews were hated because they were different. His prooftext is the *Book of Esther*, read on Purim: “There is a certain people dispersed and scattered among the peoples . . . whose laws are different from those of all other people” (Esther 3:8). Sacks acknowledges the challenge of maintaining the dignity of difference in ages dominated by empires with universal aspirations, and we again live in such a time! There are many, understandably, who believe that antisemitism is inevitable and incurable and that any attempt to address it, other than self-defense, is destined to failure. If it were true, it would render all our prayers for peace – and there is virtually no Jewish prayer that does not end with a prayer for peace – futile and in vain.

What is our role as Jews, as the Jewish people,  
at this moment in time?

The Talmudic question arises when someone finds themselves with only enough oil for one light on Friday afternoon of Hanukkah. Should one light it as a Hanukkah candle or as a Shabbat light? Maimonides ruled that the person in the household who customarily lights the Shabbat candles should choose, that is, to **defer** to the happiness and peace of the house. The smallest, most domestic form of peace – between family members – takes precedence over even the greatest victory in war. By extension, the greatest cure for the hatred of difference is the principle that “the pious of the nations of the world have a share in the world to come” (Tosefta, Maimonides), meaning that the redemption of others (and hence their equal rights and dignity) does not depend on their sharing our faith.

Even as we struggle to both make sense of the chaos and animosity towards Israel and the Jewish people, even as we are fraught with grief over the fate of the hostages, and even though we are uncertain of what steps we can take to turn the tide in 2025, our tradition emphatically insists that we actively and proudly and openly celebrate our Jewish identity, and also validate those unlike us who are not our enemies or detractors.

We can take on the divine vision and mission of our biblical prophets of hope in action. Towards that goal, please consider taking on a more active role in our Temple B’nai Israel community to ensure our survival and flowering, and please plan to continually reach out and support our non-Jewish community of allies and upstanders, especially by attending the Martin Luther King, Jr. program on January 19. Just as the Talmud teaches that to save one life is to save the whole world (*Pirkei Avot* 4:1), your singular act is the candlelight that illuminates an entire space and beyond.

Stay warm and well,  
Rabbi Jan



**Robert Sawyer,  
Trustee of Trust  
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## Meet Your Board of Trustees

**Maria Cantor,  
Member at  
Large**



My family's connection to Laconia began in the mid-1940s. My father Jack (aka Cecil) was a watchmaker on Washington Street in Boston with his father. An opportunity arose when his uncle, Nat Goodman, a jewelry "shlepper" (Yiddish for "carry"- at this time many salesmen delivered their product - no UPS or FedEx!) introduced him to retiring Myer Kasner whose small jewelry store in Laconia was for sale. Upon arriving in Laconia, Jack and Ellie, my mother, quickly became integral members of the local Jewish community, joining and supporting the synagogue.

Fast forward to the 1950s, and the American Dream took hold. Through hard work and community support, my father achieved prosperity, owning a car and a home—a first for his family—and our family business, Sawyers Jewelry, thrived on Main Street for nearly 75 years until 2020.

During the 1950s, TBI was a vibrant hub of Jewish life here in the Lakes Region. Holidays saw the sanctuary packed, so much so, folding chairs were in the aisles. I was fortunate to grow up immersed in its traditions, attending Hebrew school and becoming a Bar Mitzvah at TBI.

In the early 1970s after completing my education and serving in the Army, I returned to Laconia to work alongside my father. I was "invited" by then TBI president Mike Melnick to join the temple and so began my over 50 years of TBI membership.

My recent active involvement began when I replaced Bob Selig as a Trustee of Trust Funds. My career at Sawyers, as well as RASCO Management, was that of a hands on financial officer. As a self proclaimed prudent financial steward and one who strives to live a generous life as to his means, I thought it a reasonable fit.

Supporting TBI is a family effort. Judi Rogato, my sister, is part of the food festival team and her husband Jim is on the "We Care" entertainment committee. Gary Morse, my cousin, also a TBI Bar Mitzvah, is an associate member.

My dedication to TBI has led me to encourage unaffiliated Jewish community members, regardless of their preferences, to support our one Lakes Region Jewish home of worship and fellowship, if not for themselves, for the next generation. I believe to achieve that goal and for us to prosper, the leadership of TBI must continue to enhance our welcoming environment that is non judgmental, inclusive of all views/sects and ways of life in a non partisan manner. I strongly support TBI as our spiritual home which actively celebrates and addresses issues which are of concern, and hopefully, common to all Jews such as rising antisemitism and the survival and prosperity of Israel.

I have been a member of TBI since October, 2023 and joined the Board of Directors in early 2024. I had a second home on Winnisquam Lake for 12 years while living and raising a family in Needham, MA. I grew to love the Lakes Region and all it has to offer, and planned to move full time to the area when my son graduated from high school in June, 2023. I sold my home on Winnisquam at that time, along with my home in Needham, and bought a wonderful home on Paugus Bay in Laconia. I love being right on the lake - it is definitely a happy place for me.

Earlier in my life, I lived for 10 years in southern New Hampshire and worked for both Elliot Hospital and Catholic Medical Center in Manchester where I oversaw all marketing and communications. Prior to this, I was a television news anchor and reporter in Lowell, MA after graduating from Emerson College and then worked as a press secretary for a member of Congress. For the past 20 years, I worked in the biotechnology industry leading corporate communications and investor relations for three companies based in Cambridge and Lexington. I retired from full-time work this past July and am now enjoying the flexibility to pursue many interests that I was not able to do while working full time and raising a family. A lot of my time is spent outdoors, either boating on the Big Lake or hiking in the White Mountains, biking, cross-country skiing and snow-shoeing, and finally pursuing a yoga practice which has been a long-time goal.

I made a personal commitment and converted to Judaism in early 2005 after studying at Temple Israel in Boston. I was a member of a Reform synagogue, Temple Beth Avodah in Newton, MA for nearly 20 years. My daughter, Emma, also converted to Judaism before becoming a Bat Mitzvah. She is completing her Bachelor's degree in Psychology from Temple University this year. My son, Charley, is in his second year at Syracuse University pursuing History and Economics, and he attends services with me at TBI when home on breaks.

I am very grateful to have the TBI community in my life. Everyone has been so incredibly warm in welcoming me. I think it is very important to have a Jewish presence in the Lakes Region and am happy to contribute in making TBI such a vibrant and important synagogue.



# Did you know?

**TBI Board Meetings are open to all members in good standing!**

**The next TBI Board Meeting will take place on  
Tuesday, January 28, 2025  
at 7:00 pm on Zoom**

**Board Meetings occur on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm on Zoom.**

**Rules of attendance:**

- Zoom link must be requested for each meeting you wish to attend. [Send Request](#)
- TBI members are welcome to observe the proceedings as guests of the board.
- Guests are not eligible to vote on motions or engage in discussions.
- Questions or comments may be submitted to the meeting moderator by email or text, after the meeting is adjourned.

**[Email us for more information](#)**



**NOW IS THE TIME**

**To B E INVOLVED**



**Members who are interested in having meaningful engagement on a committee, team, or task for TBI, this is your opportunity! Let us know what your interests are.**

**These are areas of immediate need:**

- **Ritual Committee Chair**—working with the rabbi and the Gabbai to create meaningful Shabbat and Holiday services and rituals as well as assigning aliyot and honors.

**Check out our**

**[WEBSITE COMMITTEE PAGE](#)**

**for the full list of opportunities.**

**Thank you to our new volunteers:**



New member **Kurt Iske** is taking on the role of **Kitchen Manager** and will be responsible for replenishing our pantry and kitchen supplies.

**Saragene Davis** has volunteered to be the chair of the **Kindness & Caring Committee** and is looking for additional members to join with her to support those in our TBI family when the need arises.



**Mark Weinreb** has volunteered to manage Rubbish & Recycling—taking trash cans out to the curb in time for Friday trash collection and putting the cans back after pick up. Hats off to Mark for taking on this much needed task!

*Thank you Kurt, Saragene, and Mark for stepping up!*



## AT TBI

### Exciting News From the Rabbi Search Committee

The TBI Rabbi Search Committee has been hard at work for the past five months to find a successor to Rabbi Katz upon the end of her contract tenure on June 30, 2025. While we are all sad to see Rabbi Katz leave us, we have been working closely during this time with the placement service of the Union for Reform Judaism to find a rabbi who can provide the high level of rabbinical leadership we have come to expect at TBI.

Even with our unique needs as a congregation, in particular our geographic location and the part time nature of the pulpit, I'm happy to report that we were able to meet with nine rabbinical candidates since we began our search back in July. I'm even happier to report that one of these candidates, Rabbi Andy Bachman, has progressed through multiple stages of our interviewing process, and is now coming to TBI for the equivalent of a "working interview" on January 10th and 11th.

TBI members have received a schedule of events for this weekend which includes a Shabbat service on Friday evening January 10th and an adult education program on Saturday January 11th. This weekend provides a valuable opportunity for you to experience Rabbi Bachman's leadership style, engage with him personally, and share your valuable feedback.

**While the Search Committee is impressed with Rabbi Bachman, your input is crucial. We encourage all members to actively participate in these events and share your perspectives on his suitability as the next rabbi of TBI.**

Let's welcome Rabbi Andy Bachman to our community and together, make an informed decision about the future of TBI.

– Michael Eisenberg, Chair, TBI Rabbi Search Committee  
Committee members

Maria Cantor , Ray Chambers, Barbara Goren,  
Julie Hart, David Rothman, Reva Tankle, Co-chair

### FINANCIAL MATTERS

Thank you for your continued support of Temple B'nai Israel. Your dues payments and donations make it possible for us to bring you the programs and services that are so important to the TBI community.

All the best in 2025!

**Reva Tankle**  
**TBI Finance Secretary**  
**info@tbinh.org**

### 5 FOR '25



Announcing a new **STRATEGIC PLAN** to secure the future of TBI.  
More information will be coming to your inbox soon

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We welcome our most recent members:

- Amy and Jeffrey Cardella
- Claudia and David Ferber
- Carol Harwood
- Margie and David Sheris
- Miriam and Gerry Tourville

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



### Meet The Sheris Family– David, Harrison, Ethan, Margie, and Lauren

We recently moved to Laconia from Hudson, NH where we spent 3 years after moving from Beverly, MA where we raised our 3 children Harrison, Ethan, and Lauren. Harrison graduated Arizona State University last May and is living in Scottsdale Arizona. Ethan and Lauren are seniors in

college. Ethan is studying Packaging Engineering at Michigan State University. Lauren is studying Film and New Media at Marymount Manhattan after receiving her certificate in Musical Theatre from AMDA (American Musical and Dramatic Academy). She is looking forward to seeing what performance opportunities the Lakes Region will offer.

David is originally from Freehold, NJ and Margie is from Winthrop, MA.

David recently retired after working in the investment banking industry over 30 years. Margie is still working as Packaging Engineer at Sylvania Automotive in Hillsboro, NH.

We are happy to be members of TBI and are looking forward to meeting everyone and becoming more involved.

**JUNE 14, 2025**

SAVE THE DATE

**TO HONOR MELODY & JOEL FUNK**  
And celebrate 35+ years  
of dedication to TBI!



## **Hanukkah at TBI on December 27th Latkes & Laughter—A Fun Time Was Had by All!!**



***The Hanukkah Party was fun, festive, and educational. The food was prepared with much love by Leslie and Mark Aronson and it was delish!!***

***- Carol Harwood***

***Thank you to Leslie and Mark Aronson, Linda and Lee Darish, and Debbi Finkelstein for all the hard work involved in planning, decorating, and cooking for the Chanukah Party. I hope the rest of the attendees enjoyed it as much as Stu and I and our son Michael's family did. In my mind it was a spectacular success!! I hope it will be repeated every year. Thank you again.*** - Sue Needleman





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## Adult Education

Life Long Learning  
And Engagement

**Saturday, January 11 — 11:00 am to 12:00 pm**  
**In the Sanctuary and on Zoom**

**TBI MEMBERS** - Please check your email to register to attend if you have not already done so.

**NONMEMBERS** are welcome to attend either in person or on Zoom. [Nonmember link to register for Rabbi Bachman's presentation.](#)



Attend a special adult education program by Rabbi Andy Bachman. Join with us to experience Rabbi Bachman's educational style and interact with him personally.

***History, Memory, and Civic Responsibility:  
Why Memorials are Vital to Jewish Life***



**Saturday, January 18—2:00 pm ON ZOOM**

**"SURPRISING JEWISH MUSIC STORIES"**

**PRESENTED BY FRANK KING, MUSICOLOGIST**

Frank King's engaging presentation includes the back-stories of Jewish composers and librettists of American patriotic songs:

- The unknown but prolific polio-stricken songwriter of early rock and Elvis hits whose personal story and related songs are a tear-jerker.
- The secretary turned songwriter who wrote the beautiful music to Mary Martin's *Peter Pan* as well as *Young at Heart*, *Witchcraft*, and *Hey Look Me Over*; plus the beautiful "lost" ballad from *Peter Pan*.
- The Canadian pianist who wrote one of Sinatra's earliest hits as a result of the passing of her own beloved husband.
- A pair of songs from the wonderful parody writer Allan Sherman.



Mr. King holds a Masters in Broadcasting from Boston University and a BA from Princeton. A lifelong devotee of recorded music, he has hosted music programs on WBUR radio, was a News Producer at WCVB TV and an Asst. Professor at B.U. His lectures draw from the music and art from his personal collection of over 2500 record albums. He's presented over 800 highly acclaimed music lectures around Greater Boston and Cape Cod since 2014.

TESTIMONIALS FROM RABBI JAN AND TBI MEMBER IRVING FOX

*"Frank King is riveting, full of endless knowledge. He is passionate about the topic. humorous, and responsive. He played numerous clips of music to bring the presentation alive, and wowed his audience. Thoroughly enjoyable!" - Rabbi Jan*

*"I've heard him twice and enjoyed the program each time - very interesting and informative. He does his homework and places the music in context. I am looking forward to seeing him again!" - Irving Fox*

[Click Here to Register for Frank King](#)

Zoom link will be sent via email after registration.



**Saturday, January 18, 2025**  
**10:00 am to 12:00 noon**



**At The Wayfarer**  
**on Main Street in Laconia**



**Tuesday, January 21**  
[Request Zoom Link](#)  
**Beginning at 7:00 PM**

<sup>1</sup>A first-century CE teacher, Ben Bag Bag, taught his students, "Turn the Torah, and turn it again, for everything you want to know is found within it." (Avot 5:25)

The study of Torah can be both an intellectual adventure and a spiritual journey. The many meanings of Torah offer the potential to add greatly to one's life.

[<sup>1</sup>Torah: The Tree of Life | Reform Judaism](#)

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*Have you heard  
the News?*

**There is now a  
Secure Member Portal on the TBI Website!  
Enhanced Security & Exclusive Access  
Information for TBI members only**

The Member Portal is a password protected dedicated space that offers information and resources exclusively for our members.

- Access a comprehensive calendar featuring all upcoming events, activities, and Shabbat services. You will find detailed information, Zoom links, and program descriptions for each event.
- Conveniently register for programs directly through the portal.
- The page containing The TBI Tablet Archives has been moved into this secure space.
- New features and resources are being planned that will allow members more options and information.

**We encourage you to register today and it's so easy to do!**

Simply click this link: [Member Portal Registration - Temple B'nai Israel](#)

*Please note: Each registration request is reviewed for security purposes before account activation. You'll receive a confirmation email once your account is active.*

Questions may be directed to  
Barbara Katz, Website Administrator  
[templebnaiisrael@tbinh.org](mailto:templebnaiisrael@tbinh.org)

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**Stay  
connected!**  
**The TBI Website  
is your source  
for all the latest  
news!**

## MEMBER PROFILES

**Looking for a few good stories to share about our members**

***Let's get to know each other!***

Where did you come from and how did you end up living in the Lakes Region?

What drew you to join TBI? What is your ancestry?

Tell us about your family, friends, career, interests, hobbies.

Answer any or all of these questions. Write your own story and send it to  
[templebnaiisrael@tbinh.org](mailto:templebnaiisrael@tbinh.org) with a picture you want to include OR

Barbara will be happy to set up an interview with you  
to write the story you would like to share in a future TBI Tablet.

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# Y A H R Z E I T S



## FIRST YEAR OF MOURNING

**Brenda Baer — November 4, 2024**

*Mother of Brenda Korach*

**Harold G Weinreb — August 29, 2024**

*Father of Mark Weinreb*

**Martin "Marty" Cooper — July 15, 2024**

*Brother-in-law of Saragene Davis*

**Myrna Lieberman — July 7, 2024**

*Mother of Glenn Lieberman*

**Marshall Keltz — June 17, 2024**

*Father of Ira Keltz*

**Sharon Fleischman — June 7, 2024**

*Wife of Jerry Fleischman*

**Sonny Stern — April 12, 2024**

*Husband of Sue Stern*

## ON OUR MEMORIAL BOARD\*

2-Jan	John Morgenstern
4-Jan	Harry Gozonsky
8-Jan	Conrad Tardiff
14-Jan	Rebecca Kurinsky
15-Jan	Bessie Auerbach's Father
16-Jan	Aaron Zulofsky
17-Jan	Charles Alpert
19-Jan	Rolf Baum
23-Jan	Edwin "Sonny" Chertok

## WE REMEMBER

1-Jan Mae Korn*	Great Aunt of Lori Reitsma	17-Jan Ruth Aronson*	Mother of Mark Aronson
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5-Jan Esther Nasser	Aunt of Karen Lukeman	20-Jan Abraham Lipman	Grandfather of Henry Lipman
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6-Jan Sylvia Epstein	Cousin of Joyce Selig	21-Jan Marcus Selikovitz*	Grandfather of Bob Selig
6-Jan Elsie Lukeman	Grandmother of Joe Lukeman	23-Jan Barbara Broom	Wife of Gary Broom
6-Jan Henry Oredson	Brother of Olivia Saunders	23-Jan Irvin McArthur	Father of John McArthur
6-Jan Pamela Tourville	Wife of Gerry Tourville	25-Jan Everett Brenner	Father of Amy Mitz
7-Jan Sally Cicero	Grandmother of Lori Boelig	26-Jan Florence Paris*	Aunt of Bob Selig
7-Jan Helen Houran	Mother of Steve Houran	26-Jan Sylvia Sandhaus	Aunt of Rachel Achber
8-Jan Bernard Rosenberg	Father-in-law of Jerry Fleischman	26-Jan Rebecca Sawyer	Grandmother of Judi Rogato and Robert Sawyer
10-Jan Lorraine Bogursky	Mother of Stephen Bogursky	27-Jan William Danson	Father of Dan Danson
10-Jan Borah Kreimer	Grandfather of Deborah Finkelstein	27-Jan Harry Needleman	Father of Stuart Needleman
11-Jan Margaret McArthur	Mother of John McArthur	27-Jan Libbie Rosenberg	Relative of Jerry Fleischman
12-Jan David Burrell	Father of Len Burrell	27-Jan Barbara Rush*	Mother of Larry Rush
13-Jan Linda Achber*	Cousin of Lois Kessin and Rachel Achber	28-Jan James Pawlowski*	Husband of Lori Reitsma
14-Jan Phyllis Fox	Mother of Irving Fox	30-Jan Esther Elmakiss	Mother of Ariana Zaminsky
14-Jan Phyllis Raye Ziner	Wife of Saul Ziner	30-Jan Jennie Steinman*	Grandmother of David Lurie and James Lurie
15-Jan Shirley Lipman	Mother of Henry Lipman	30-Jan Natalie Ziner	Mother of Saul Ziner
16-Jan Samuel Lurie*	Father of David Lurie and James Lurie	31-Jan Marion Lang	Aunt of Joe Lukeman
16-Jan Phillip Abramowitz	Uncle of Rachel Achber		

[Link to the 5785/2024 Memorial Book—These We Remember](#)

Reminder: TBI has transitioned to sending Yahrzeit reminders via email only . Please watch your inbox.

Temple B'nai Israel has a designated area for burials as part of the Union Cemetery in Laconia.

[See our Cemetery Page for more information.](#)

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Your gifts to Temple B'nai Israel are a meaningful way to celebrate life's milestones - birthdays, weddings, anniversaries - or honor loved ones on special occasions. They can also commemorate a yahrzeit, offer a heartfelt expression of sympathy or a simple gesture of gratitude.

Like many synagogues, we rely on a combination of membership dues and generous donations to thrive. While membership provides a strong foundation, it cannot fully cover the costs of enriching Jewish life in our community.

Your support directly impacts:

- **Vibrant Worship Experiences:** Inspiring services, engaging Shabbat celebrations, and meaningful holidays.
- **Life-Long Learning:** Innovative educational programs for all ages, from children to adults.
- **Meaningful Social Action:** Projects that make a positive difference in our community and the world.
- **Thriving Community:** Cultural events, social gatherings, and programs that connect us all.

Every gift, big or small, makes a difference. Consider a one-time donation or explore the benefits of becoming a monthly supporter. Your generosity ensures that Temple B'nai Israel continues to be a vibrant hub for Jewish life for generations to come.

### GENERAL FUND

Judith & Steven Siegel

Lynn & Gary Goodnough in honor of Marilyn Lezberg's 90th Birthday

### YAHREIT/CEMETERY FUND

Neil Blume in memory of his father Henry Blume

## Make Meaningful Donations to TBI Funds

	<b>GENERAL FUND</b> Our General Fund allows for the most flexibility in directing your donation to where it is most needed.
	<b>RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND</b> Enable our rabbi to lend support and resources for our Temple, our members, and to supporting other worthy causes when the need arises.
	<b>YAHREIT/CEMETERY FUND</b> Donations made for an annual Yahrzeit of loved ones support our cemetery.
	<b>THE CAPITAL BUILDING FUND</b> Provide for construction of major Temple building additions and improvements.
	<b>THE YAD B'YAD ('Hand in Hand') COMMUNITY SUPPORT FUND</b> Assist TBI members with meals of condolence, meals when recovering from illness, or in other trying times.
	<b>THE PRAYER BOOK FUND</b> Replenish and restore prayer books including our Shabbat and Daily siddurim, Machzorim for the High Holydays, and Tanakhim (Torah).
	<b>THE ACHBER FAMILY SOCIAL ACTION FUND</b> Support TBI's community social action outreach to various agencies throughout the Lakes Region including The Salvation Army, St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry, and Hands Across the Table.
	<b>THE NEEDLEMAN WE CARE FUND</b> Created by the children of Susan and Stu Needleman to honor their parents' commitment to leading the TBI We Care Fundraising effort.
	<b>EDUCATION AND YOUTH FUNDS</b>
	<b>THE FRANCES SELIG MEMORIAL SCHOOL FUND</b> Support major expenses for the religious school such as computer(s) and software and to provide students with enhanced learning opportunities.
	<b>THE CLEVENSOM FUND</b> Support operating costs for the religious school.
	<b>THE STEINMAN-LURIE YOUTH FUND</b> Provide special activities for Temple youth such as trips to Israel.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS


### Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Observance in Laconia

There are two showings of the film "Lost Boundaries" – one before and one after the celebration at the Colonial. "Lost Boundaries" is a film about an African American doctor from Keene, NH who passed for many years as white, until his race was discovered when he went to serve in World War II, and he lost his access to the local hospital as well as was stigmatized in Keene. Dr. Larry Benaquist helped produce this film, and will be speaking at the Colonial event about the film and its aftermath. The city of Keene has publicly apologized to Dr. Johnson's family and Dr. Benaquist has a clip of the event which he will show at the Colonial.

FREE FILM PRESENTATION  
**LOST BOUNDARIES**  
Celebrate Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. legacy

Saturday 1/18/25      Saturday 1/25/25

both showings @ 1pm  
At Laconia Public Library  
refreshments & discussions




ALL ARE WELCOME

ADDITIONAL MLK EVENT: SUNDAY 1/19/25  
2PM @ COLONIAL THEATRE

FILM DOCUMENTARIAN  
PANEL DISCUSSION & REFRESHMENTS

CALL FOR FREE TICKETS

**Get your free tickets  
at the Colonial Box Office**



*to the celebration of*

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Legacy**

**'How Has the Legacy of Dr. King Impacted Your Life?'**

With Speaker: Dr. Larry Benaquist, Film Producer

Panel Discussion, Singing by the Power Chords, Audience

Participation, Refreshments!

**When: January 19, 2024 2:00 to 4:00 pm.**

*(Doors open at 1:30 pm).*

**Laconia Colonial Theatre**

**(800) 657-8774**



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OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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ISRAEL** ???


**WITH RA'ANAN DE HAAS**

Join Former JFNH Shalich Raanan deHaas once a month to discuss news and hot topics in Israel from politics and the war with Hamas to Euro Vision to the Olympics.

Monthly on the 3rd Monday  
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HYBRID: JFNH office  
273 S River Rd. Bedford  
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with questions.

**SPOTLIGHT  
ON ISRAEL**



[Link to register for Inside Israel with Ra'anan](#)

[JFNH Community Calendar](#)

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**L'DOUGH  
V'DOUGH**

Hear personal stories of the Holocaust while braiding challah together  
**SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH, 2 PM**  
**\$18 GENERAL TICKETS—\$9 STUDENTS OR YOUTH**  
**The Millspace, 55 Main Street, Newmarket, NH**

[Link to register for L'Dough V'Dough](#)

**NEW HAMPSHIRE JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL  
MOVIE CLUB**

**"THE COMMANDANT'S SHADOW"**

Post Film Discussion via Zoom Only  
**SUNDAY, JAN 12, 2025  
3PM**

No film screening. The movie is available to watch on your own through HBO or Max prior to joining the post-film discussion.

[Link to register for Movie Club Zoom](#)

TBI is proud to be a member of the JFNH



Helping Hands for the Lakes Region (HHLR) has been offering services, equipment and supplies to Seniors and Adults with Disabilities throughout Belknap County, at no charge to recipients, since March 2020 at start of COVID shut-downs.

We are fully volunteer based, providing assistance such as rides, errands, phone check-ins, light homecare and maintenance, food or household items, referrals and more, currently through the HHLR FaceBook page. We also have a "closet" of available donated items: durable medical equipment for loan, and medical or personal hygiene supplies for free.

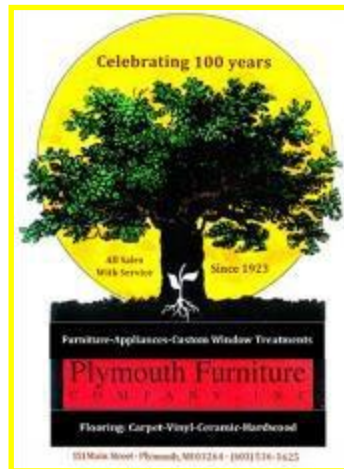
If you know of a Senior 65+ or Adult with Disabilities who would benefit from these services, please refer them or have them contact HHLR directly:

Phone: (603) 273-5410, [call or text] ✧ Email: [info@HHLRNH.org](mailto:info@HHLRNH.org) ✧ FaceBook: [www.facebook.com/groups/2611445905792257/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/2611445905792257/)

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