



# Temple Beth Israel

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## Temple Talk



## Rabbi's Corner - A Shabbes Group D'var Torah for Between the Purims

By: Rabbi David Finkelstein

In Tractate Waltham, which God conveyed to Moses on Mount Sinai, we find the following teaching, Attributed to Rabbi Kalonymos Hippopotamus ben Rafael-Libi, A rabbi who lived through the destruction of the Lego Temple, Known to posterity as *churban ha-buy-it-for-me-or-I'll-scream*, "In between the Purims, a *homantasch* counts in the quorums (in a minyan)."

The Halberstadter Rebbe comments and Rabbi Smith of Florida agrees: "This teaching is just silly. If poetry doesn't need

to rhyme - and it doesn't - then Mishnah certainly doesn't need to rhyme. And a Mishnah that rhymes in English is a Mishnah we should extinguish."

The Gemara is also rather vexed by this Mishnah, Rabbi David said: "Can I just say that this is my first time being on television? Hi, Mom!"

Mom rejects this question: "No, David. There isn't time."

Rabbi David: "Yes, mother. What does 'in between the Purims' mean anyway? Is there

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## Mark's Remarks- How are We Doing on Shabbat Morning?

By: Mark Frydenberg

This month marks one year since COVID 19 necessitated transforming Temple Beth Israel into an online community. During the past year we shared meals together, ate, prayed, mourned and celebrated together.

Our most consistently attended event has been Shabbat morning services. Our attendance on Shabbat morning hovers around 25, give or take a few each week. Only a handful of people who used to come in person haven't made the transition online, and we've seen a few newcomers from time to time. Having services and other events on Zoom has enabled members, and out-of-state guests and relatives to participate in our services. We recently asked several of our Shabbat morning regulars on Zoom for their feedback to reflect on what's working on Shabbat mornings, and what we might continue to adapt, evolve, or change.

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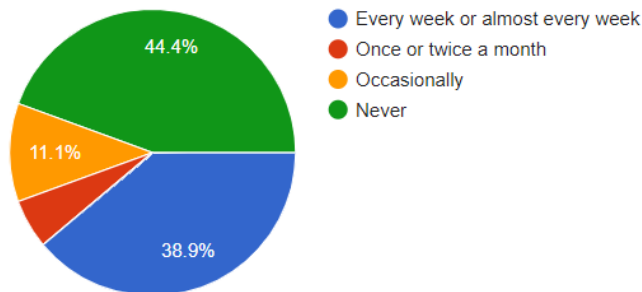
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# Mark's Remarks- How are We Doing on Shabbat Morning?

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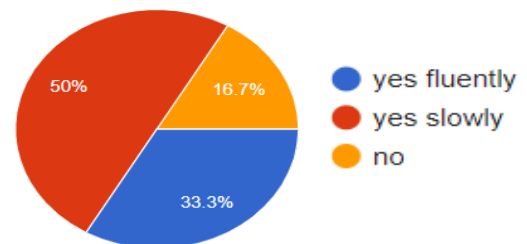
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We received responses from 18 people, all synagogue members living within the greater Waltham area. While 17% were in their 30's, 23.5% were in their 50's, 29% in their 60's and 29% are in their 70's. 72% come every week or almost every week.



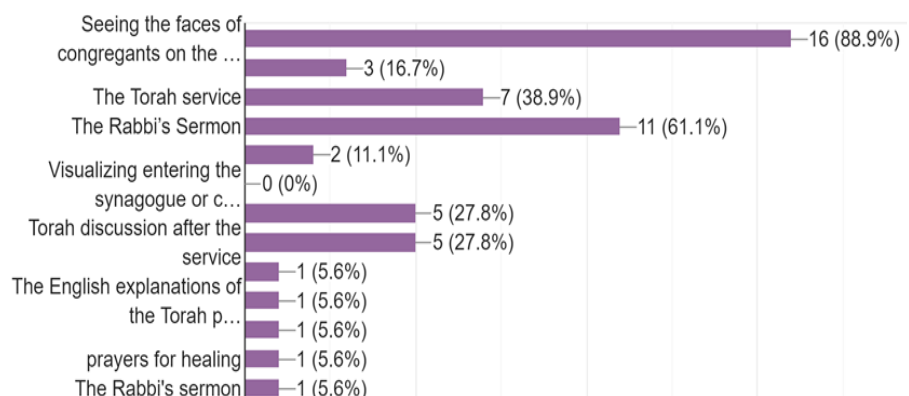
Torah study after services has a strong following with 39% staying on every week, and 11% participating at least once a month (44% don't participate)

89% are happy with our start time of 10:30 am, and if we started earlier, most people would still arrive at 10:30 am or later. 83% like to sing along at home with the prayer leader.



As for Hebrew. 50% can follow slowly; 33% fluently, and 16% don't read Hebrew at all. 50% say it's important for them to hear Hebrew even if they can't understand it. 44% say our services have the right amount of Hebrew.

The three aspects that people enjoy the most about Shabbat morning services are seeing faces of fellow congregants on the screen (88.9%) followed by the



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Rabbi's sermon (61%) and the Torah service. 72% are content with reading one or two selected aliyot each week. 50% would like us to include Haftarah, and 55% like when the Rabbi summarizes the Torah readings. 58.8% say that having their own "virtual Aliyah" is not important to them, while 42% say it is somewhat or very important to them.

Additional comments:

- I think we should do as much as we can to make it feel "normal" while recognizing none of this is normal.
- I want to participate, and do, but it's really hard to be on screen that long on Saturday morning after being on screen all day, every day, Mon-Fri. Makes it feel like work instead of Shabbat
- What is working is that we see each other. I would like a few more readings or opportunities to hear the voices of the community. I would like more member participation
- I prefer as full Torah service with Haftarah and musaf.
- I like it just the way it is. I've fallen into the procedure and cannot think of any way to significantly improve on it
- I like how everyone gets a blessing and following prayers and torah reading on the screen. Added time for personal prayers during the service would be great too.

The next step will be for the Ritual Committee and Rabbi David to consider these and other results, keep what's working, and decide where else we will experiment with our services online to keep them relevant and engaging. Thanks to everyone who replied to our questions and gave their insights.

As for when we can gather in person for services in our building, we need to follow the guidance from state and local authorities along with the comfort level of our members. I attended a meeting of local synagogue presidents recently sponsored by synagogue council of Massachusetts where this topic was on everyone's minds. The consensus is to err on the side of caution. Some synagogues are considering outdoor services once the weather gets a bit warmer, and hybrid services, where some people attend in person, and some attend on Zoom. As more people are vaccinated, and as we check in with our membership about their thoughts on reopening, we will be able to make an informed decision.



## A Tribute to Morris and Edith Hollender


By Mark Frydenberg and Hankus Netsky

# Morris Hollender

*A Bountiful Source*

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## Morris Hollender: A Bountiful Source



The cultural world of our Jewish past is, in many ways, more vibrant than ever. Indeed, in recent years, that world has become a wellspring for creative individuals all over the globe. Jewish traditional objects, music, rituals, and even the Yiddish language itself have not only endured but have taken on new meaning. The mikveh has been re-born as a feminist symbol, Hassidic melodies have been transformed into secular anthems, Jewish mysticism is used as a powerful point of departure in contemporary literature. These are only a few examples of the contemporary adaptation,

Temple Beth Israel now celebrates the accomplishments and contributions of Morris and Edith Hollender on a new website featuring performances of Morris's music, recordings of him singing, and bios and oral histories of Morris and Edith, and other artefacts. The website was launched to coincide with the "Shabbes in Upper Remety" annual tish led by Hankus Netsky in memory of the Hollenders on Feb 19<sup>th</sup>.

Located online at [morrishollender.tbiwaltham.org](http://morrishollender.tbiwaltham.org), this website celebrates Temple Beth Israel's commitment to Jewish cultural continuity and creativity. The pages on this website will lead you to the legacy of Morris and Edith

Hollender, beloved members of our congregation for over forty-five years. Morris generously shared musical and liturgical treasures from his family and from the small Carpato-Ruthenian farming village where he was raised with our congregation. His legacy is also honored in an extensive permanent exhibit at the Yiddish Book Center in Amherst, MA (and much of that content is featured on the website).

We hope that this material will inspire you to pass along your own stories, songs, recipes, photographs, and whatever other irreplaceable treasures you have to offer, so that they might also inspire future generations – in ways that we can't even yet imagine!

Thanks to Hankus Netsky for providing much of the historical content; to Jim Baron for providing photos and letters from Morris, and to the Yiddish Book Center for allowing us to include information from the Hollender exhibit, and to Mark Frydenberg for designing and developing this website.



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more than one Purim?"

Mom: "Yes, David. There is more than one Purim. Didn't you learn this in rabbinical school? Didn't you learn this *in Hebrew school?*"

Rabbi David: "No, Mom. I didn't. In rabbinical school, I learned how to say, 'Please rise, in body or spirit,' and 'You may be seated.' In Hebrew school, I learned that *carob* is Hebrew for 'bad chocolate'."

Mom: "Oy vey. I should have sent you to Hebrew school at the Reform synagogue. Okay. Yes, there are two Purims. There is Purim on the 14th of Adar, and then there is Shushan Purim, which is observed on the 15th of Adar, in cities like Jerusalem that were walled at the time of Joshua."

Rabbi David: "Great. I got it. There are two Purims. But if first Purim is on the 14th and Shushan Purim is on the 15th, then how can there be a time that is *between the Purims*?"

Mark: "I tried to say this earlier, but I guess I was muted. The time between the Purims is today! When the 14th of Adar lands on a Friday - as happened yesterday - then Shushan Purim is postponed until after Shabbat. That makes today a Shabbat *between the Purims*."

Rabbi David: "I knew that."

Mark: "No, you didn't. If you knew it, why didn't you say it?"

Rabbi David: "Who's the rabbi here anyway?"

(Dina and Devin both speaking very slowly)

Dina: "Aagghhh. We're trying to...we're...Can you hear me, Devin?"

Devin: "I can hear you, Dina. I think it's a filter..."

Dina: "It is, and I don't know how to remove it. I've got my assistant here, and he's trying to remove it. Aagghhh...I'm prepared to go forward with it...that's...I'm here live...that...I am not a cat."

Devin: "I can see that. I think if you click the up-arrow next to the..."

The Gemara continues: "'In between the Purims' is like 'in between the straits'. The former refers to an instance of postponing Shushan Purim for Shabbat, while the latter refers to the so-called "Three Weeks" leading up to Tisha b'Av."

Rabbi Korzenik asks, "Since the Three Weeks are a period of semi-mourning, how can the Shabbat between the Purims be like the Three Weeks? Isn't Shabbat supposed to be a festive occasion?"

Rabbi Holbert strengthens the challenge: "Shabbat is a time when we stop all work, even spiritual work. On Shabbat, we are perfect just as we are. So, yes, you are right: we cannot mourn on Shabbat. This Gemara makes no sense. How typical."

Rabbi David resolves the difficulty: "The Shabbat between the Purims is like a time of semi-mourning because it falls on the first anniversary of an ongoing pandemic. Five hundred thousand people have died from the pandemic in this country alone, so it's really more than a period of semi-mourning that we're in. We're in a period of prolonged national emergency and prolonged, complicated grief. We like seeing each other's faces on Zoom, but we're still traumatized and many of us are very lonely."

Rabbi Weiss: "Thanks a lot, Rabbi. Now I'm depressed."

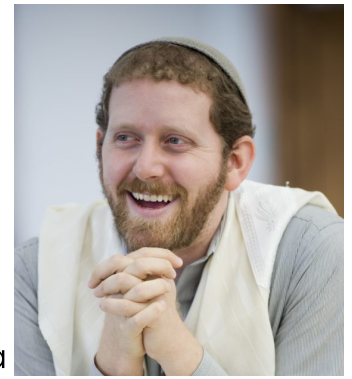
Rabbi David: "At least I didn't pray publicly for the soul of Haman."

Rabbi Sara says: "But look at what we were able to do. We had a wonderful Megillah reading last night on Zoom, with participants from hundreds of miles away. We celebrated Purim together from the comfort of our own homes. Yes, we miss being in shul together - *L'shanah haba'ah be-25 Harvard Street!* - Next year at 25 Harvard Street in Waltham! - but there are great things about gathering together virtually. The name "Esther" is a hint at the hiddenness of God's face (*hester panim*) in the Megillah and in our lives. So, too, the blessings of this time may be hidden, but we can still find them if we look."

And the *halakhah* is according to Rabbi Sara.  
Next year at 25 Harvard Street!

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## Rabbi David's Discussion Groups



### MONTHLY KABBALAT SHABBAT with MAARIV

**Time:** 5:30-6:30pm on 1st Friday of the month on Zoom

**Dates:** Fridays March 5, April 2, May 7

**Description:** Now, back by popular demand, Rabbi David (and/or a lay leader) will lead the evening service after Kabbalat Shabbat once a month. Sharing of *tov me'od* - a good thing from your week to sweeten the arrival of Shabbat - will occur after the evening service, at 6:25pm. Lay leaders are encouraged to lead portions or all of Kabbalat Shabbat and/or maariv, as they are able. Please be in touch with Rabbi David ([rabbidavid@tbiwaltham.org](mailto:rabbidavid@tbiwaltham.org)) if you want to lead some part of Friday night.

**Zoom Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86094088277>

### EVENING TALMUD STUDY (monthly)

**Time:** 7:00-8:30pm on 4th Wednesdays, on Zoom

**Dates:** Wednesdays March 24, April 28 and May 26

**Description:** March: This month's session will be our third in a sequential study of one volume of Talmud: Tractate *Taanit*. *Taanit* means "fast," a day of deprivation or austerity, which the Mishnah teaches could be decreed in a community during a drought. We will mine Tractate *Taanit* for ancient Jewish wisdom about how to respond to environmental and even epidemic crises. Other subjects will arise, too, as they always do in Talmud study. No prior experience necessary...

**Zoom Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83365026963?pwd=SytiQ0tqK3hraGFRdZdlc1NJQVFhQT09>

### LUNCHTIME TORAH STUDY (monthly)

**Time:** 12:00-1:30pm on 2nd Thursdays, on Zoom

**Dates:** Thursdays March 11, April 8, May 13

**Description:** We continue our study of the Abraham and Sarah story in *Sefer Bereishit* (the Book of Genesis), beginning with chapter 16, the first part of Hagar and Ishmael's story. We cover roughly one chapter per session. Discussion is largely driven by participant interest and observation. Rabbi David gently guides discussion back to the Biblical text as needed, peppers discussion with occasional rabbinic, Hasidic, or contemporary sources to aid in seeing the stories as Torah. All are welcome and encouraged to participate.

**Zoom Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87353443111?pwd=b0hQYXcvekVXWVBqMnpvRlISMSS2QT09>

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## Notice of Temple Beth Israel Annual Meeting and Elections

The Temple Beth Israel Annual Membership Meeting will be held on **Sunday, June 13, 2021 at 10 am on Zoom**. **Offices to be elected at this meeting are President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Membership Secretary, as well as at most three at-large board positions. each for a two-year term.** A nominating committee recommends individuals for these offices.

According to the Temple Bylaws, these milestones apply:

- By March 15—Announcement of committee members and open offices for re-election sent to membership. (This is that announcement)
- By April 29— Nominating committee shares a slate nominees with the membership .
- By May 14—Members not on the slate by the nominating committee may place themselves on the ballot
- The annual membership and election meeting will be held on Sunday, June 13.

Members of the nominating committee are Carmen Cooper, Mark Frydenberg, Julie Gagnon, Merrill Griff, and Paul Smith. To express your interest in being considered for nomination to the board in an elected position, or to recommend member(s) with whom the nominating committee might speak about serving on the board, please contact Merrill Griff at [mdg584@gmail.com](mailto:mdg584@gmail.com) or 781 354-3278.

Thank You! Mark Frydenberg, President

## Say "Thank You" by Sponsoring a Lunch at the TBI Warming Center

**The Warming Center has had a successful opening and is providing our unhoused neighbors with a place to receive warmth and sustenance each Sunday afternoon.**

While it's safer now, during the pandemic, for our members to stay out of the building, it's also safest for the unhoused in our community to find warmth and nourishment within TBI's walls.

Remember, before the pandemic moved us to virtual gatherings, when you sponsored a kiddush lunch? Maybe it was to honor a special occasion or a loved one, or to express your appreciation for the community. **You can return to this tradition, sponsoring lunches that will be served in the TBI social hall this winter.**

Please give to honor someone special to you, express your thanks for the warmth and food you have, or simply to help welcome our neighbors. Every gift increases the potential to keep the Warming Center operating through the winter. As with kiddush lunch, while our requested sponsorship is \$150, we encourage you to give at whatever level you can.

**How to Contribute:** [Link here to the TBI online donation page](#). Select "in honor of," and on the next page add a note that includes "Warming Center." If you have other tribute information, you can add it here too.

Or, send a check—with "Warming Center" notation—to:  
Temple Beth Israel  
25 Harvard Street  
Waltham, MA 02453



**Thank you for your continued support!**



## Zoom with Us!

## March 2021

We are now meeting by computer and by phone, instead of in person.

**To join by phone--no computer needed:** Dial (301)-715-8592. You will hear a prompt to enter a meeting ID. Enter the meeting ID, followed by #. In the listing of events below, we show the meeting ID for each event.

**To join by computer or mobile device,** visit [zoom.us](https://zoom.us) in a web browser, click *Join a Meeting*, and enter the meeting ID and password for the event (or click the direct link to the event posted on our website or in our weekly email update). **The current list of events appears below.**

For the latest schedule of online events, visit <http://www.tbiwaltham.org/virtual-tbi/>.

	March Shabbat Services Online	Meeting ID
March 5 March 12, 19, 26	<b>Kabbalat Shabbat with Maariv 5:30pm—6:30 pm</b> <b>Shabbat Shalom - 5:30pm—6:00 pm</b>	860 9408 8277
March 6, 13, 20, 27	<b>Shabbat Morning Together - 10:30 am</b>	898 2996 2372
	<b>Thursday Morning Minyan</b>	
March 4, 11, 18, 25	<b>Morning Minyan 8:00am</b> <b>SIYYUM FOR THE FIRST BORN after Minyan on Mar 25</b>	860 6404 5288
	<b>Rabbi's Discussion Groups</b>	
Tuesdays	<b>12:30pm-1:30pm Rabbi David's Open Zoom Hour</b>	811 0356 9244 pw: 157389
Thurs. March 11	<b>12:00pm—1:30pm Lunchtime Torah Study</b>	873 5344 3111 pw: 922863
Weds. March 24	<b>7:00pm—8:30pm Evening Talmud Study</b>	833 6502 6963 pw: 615895
	<b>First and Last Day Passover Morning Services</b>	
Sun. March 28	<b>First Day of Passover—9:00 am</b>	874 3438 3397 Pw: 195737
Sun. April 4	<b>Last Day of Passover and Yizkor - 9:00 am</b>	896 9929 8451 Pw: 824016



# Social Justice Committee

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The Warming Center continues to welcome new and returning unhoused community members each Sunday. It has just been announced that the Bristol Lodges (shelters) have reversed their decision and have extended their 24/7 operations until April 4. Each week, we distribute new socks to the unhoused. Donations can be left in the CDC bin in our lobby. Please consider volunteering by using this sign up link: [https://bit.ly/TBI\\_WCP\\_Volunteers](https://bit.ly/TBI_WCP_Volunteers)

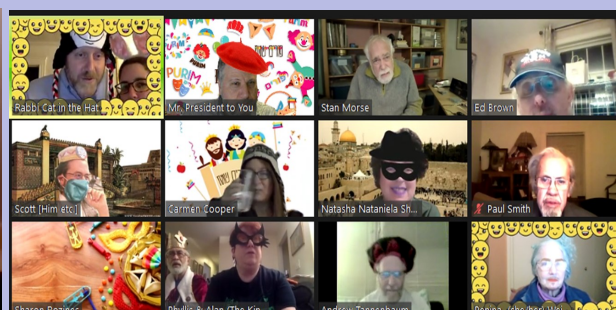
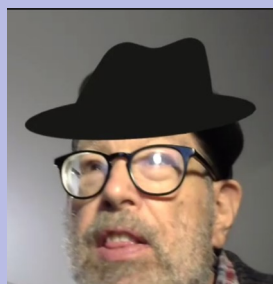
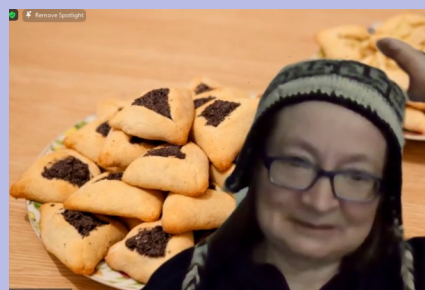
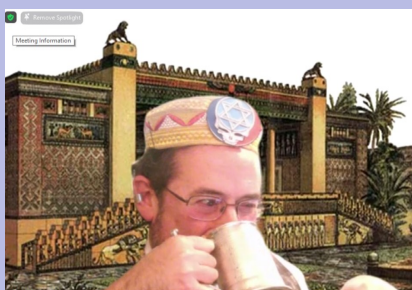
A very special thank you to Pastors Joseph and Ophelia Ardayfio of Mars Hill Fellowship Church who gave a thoughtful sermon and then joined us for Kiddish with a lively discussion on February 20. They founded their majority Black congregation in 2008 with a grounding in justice. The Social Justice Committee hopes to continue this conversation centered on racial justice with them and others.

Community Day Center, one of our partners, has asked for donations of individual bottles/containers of water and juice and individual packages of snacks. Next month, CDC will need shoes, jerseys, pants, sweatshirts and jackets for both men and women. Donations can be left in our lobby. More Than Words continues to collect books which can be left near their front door at their building on Felton Street or in the container in our lobby.

Thank you for your commitment to making our Temple a welcoming and inclusive community for all.

Linda Ungerleider, Chair

Purim  
2021



## Yiddish/Klezmer Dance Workshop on Sunday, March 7 at 3 PM.

Balancing individual expression and community togetherness, traditional Yiddish dance, sometimes called Klezmer Dance, is as beautiful as it is fun. Join Avia Moore for a workshop that will have you shining in your living room! With plenty of room for variation, these are traditional dances that everyone can enjoy together (once we are back together). We will learn steps and style for the core Yiddish dance repertoire - including freylekhs, bulgars, and zhoks. Along the way we will chat about the historical and contemporary contexts of the dances. This introduction to Yiddish dance is for new dancers, experienced dancers, and even those that think they are not dancers. This is also a great class for klezmer musicians – better understanding the dances is a step towards becoming a great dance band leader.



Avia has joyfully taught and led Yiddish dance at festivals and events transcontinentally. She is a PhD Candidate in Theatre and Performance Studies at York University (Canada) where her research examines the ways in which heritage and traditional cultural practices are performed on modern stages and in contemporary life.

This program is free but donations are greatly appreciated.

Register in advance for this meeting: <http://bit.ly/TBIDanceworkshop>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.



## Waltham Ministerial Alliance Interfaith Service Marking One Year

**March 14, 2021**

**5:00 PM**

Please join Rabbi David and the Waltham Ministerial Alliance for an interfaith service marking one year of missed connections, connecting in new and different ways, and bravely moving forward together while honoring the work of our Waltham community. There will be an invitation to donate your time, talent, and treasure to Healthy Waltham and Chaplains on the Way. **To RSVP, visit: [bit.ly/WMA\\_Service](http://bit.ly/WMA_Service). Your RSVP will come with an automated response email that will include a link to the service!**



JOIN WITH THE TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL COMMUNITY FOR YOM HASHOAH  
ON YOM HASHOAH (HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY) WE REMEMBER THE SIX MILLION JEWS  
AND OTHERS WHO PERISHED DURING THE HOLOCAUST. YOM HASHOAH OCCURS ON THE 27<sup>TH</sup>  
DAY OF NISAN, WHICH BEGINS AT SUNDOWN ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 2021.

### Wednesday, April 7 at 7:00 PM

We will gather on Zoom from our homes to light our Yellow Candles together as a community.

After the candle lighting, we will share a screening of the 90-minute documentary *The Windermere Children*. The film tells the remarkable story of how Britain saved 300 children who survived the Holocaust and took them to a new life in Windermere, in Northern England's Lake District. The orphaned Polish children forged life-long friendships which became a lifeline to their promising future. The dramatization of their story was produced by the BBC, and it was first broadcast in the UK in January 2020 to coincide with the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their liberation. Temple Beth Israel's President, Mark Frydenberg, whose father was one of the children taken to Windermere, will introduce the documentary. If you are unable to watch the documentary with us, you may find it on Amazon Prime Video, Netflix, and other streaming services.

**Zoom Meeting ID: 862 1459 6983 Passcode: 726259**



### Sunday, April 11 at 11:00 AM

We will gather on Zoom for a discussion of *The Windermere Children*.

Our special guest will be **Trevor Avery**, Holocaust Historian and Director of the Lake District Holocaust Project in Windermere, in the United Kingdom.

Since 2005, Trevor has been involved in an ongoing project looking at the connections and legacy of the 300 child survivors of the Holocaust who came to Windermere in the Lake District of England in 1945 directly after their liberation from concentration camps of Nazi-occupied Europe. Trevor recently presented the story of the Windermere Children at the United Nations Holocaust Remembrance Program.

**Zoom Meeting ID: 814 6052 1662**

**Passcode: 361248**



**The act of lighting a candle reminds us that we must remember, teach, and never forget the stories of those who died, and celebrate the stories of those who survived. Watch for your Yellow Candle in the mail. It should arrive during the month of March.**



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## Thursday Morning Minyan 8:00am

Our morning minyan is a vital part of what makes TBI a caring community. It's important to have a minimum of ten Jewish adults present, and visible on the screen to gather as a virtual minyan. By attending, you can show your support to our community and to those saying Kaddish.

**The minyan will begin promptly at 8 am,** and will end by 9 a.m. We include Torah reading. We use Siddur Sim Shalom for Weekdays. (Note, this is a different edition of the siddur than what we have used at the synagogue.) You can borrow a prayer book at TBI (contact Andrea to arrange), download at <http://www.tbiwaltham.org/pray/morning-minyan/> or [click here](#). We also share the pages on the screen.

**Please attend when you can  
and start your Thursday with us!**

[Click to Zoom in to the Minyan](#)

## Join Our Book Club

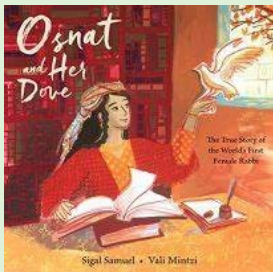
Catherine Cantrell and Carmen Cooper would like to start a book club March 16 at 7pm on Zoom. The first book will be *A Bend in the Stars*.

If you would like to join contact Catherine Cantrell [backpackinggranny1@gmail.com](mailto:backpackinggranny1@gmail.com), Carmen Cooper [crmncoope@outlook.com](mailto:crmncoope@outlook.com) or the Temple Office.

The Zoom link will be emailed to participants on March 15th.



## TBI Bookshelf by Marilyn Racette



As March is designated Women's History Month, I'd like to spotlight **Osnat and Her Dove**, a children's picture book written by Sigal Samuel and beautifully illustrated by Vali Mintzi. Osnat was born in 1590 in Mosul, located in modern day Iraq. Her father, a rabbi, gave her the rare gift of an education in Hebrew, Torah, Talmud, Midrash, and Kabbalah. After her father, and later her husband, died, she became the leader of the Yeshiva that her father had built. She was such a loved and respected teacher that her gender was not an issue. Folktales tell of her supernatural abilities, but perhaps her most remarkable ability was that

in addition to being a wife and mother, she transcended the roles typically assigned to women in those times to become, as far as we know, the first woman rabbi.

I'd also like to thank Celia Shneider, who has often read Torah for us at TBI, for her gift of **Chanting the Hebrew Bible: The Complete Guide to the Art of Cantillation** by Joshua R. Jacobson, made in honor of her parents, Beatrice and Harold Shneider.



Edward Gilman	Adar1 17	1-Mar
Dr. Samuel Messer	Adar2 17	1-Mar
Al Bloom	Adar2 17	1-Mar
Yetta Fischer	Adar1 18	2-Mar
Fannie Beecher	Adar1 19	3-Mar
Louis Freedman	Adar1 19	3-Mar
Gertrude Levison	Adar1 19	3-Mar
Alex Lietsky	Adar1 20	4-Mar
Bernard Sharfman	Adar1 20	4-Mar
Robert Fox	Adar1 20	4-Mar
Elizabeth Rosenberg	Adar2 20	4-Mar
Sal Aratan	Adar1 22	6-Mar
Marshall Kreidberg	Adar1 22	6-Mar
Dora Milesky	Adar1 22	6-Mar
Jennie Goldberg	Adar1 22	6-Mar
David Goldstein	Adar2 22	6-Mar
Martha Mikelbank	Adar1 23	7-Mar
Rose Nussinow	Adar1 23	7-Mar
Larry Webb	Adar1 25	9-Mar
Rose Braverman	Adar1 25	9-Mar
Gerald Woolf	Adar2 25	9-Mar
Annie Alpert	Adar1 26	10-Mar
Judith Smith	Adar1 27	11-Mar
Leonard Kaufman	Adar1 27	11-Mar
Sandra Gustin	Adar1 27	11-Mar
Aaron Greenblott	Adar1 27	11-Mar
Rose Wolk	Adar1 27	11-Mar
Bessie Levison	Adar1 28	12-Mar
Harry Wolf	Adar1 28	12-Mar
Clara Wiggetman	Adar1 28	12-Mar
Abraham Feinsand	Adar1 29	13-Mar
Aaron M. Smith	Adar1 29	13-Mar
Alice Wolf Cohen	Adar1 29	13-Mar
Lena Smith	Adar1 29	13-Mar
Patricia Wexler	Adar2 29	13-Mar
Ruth Etta Gans	Nisan 01	14-Mar
Pauline Chernoff	Nisan 01	14-Mar
Louis Goldman	Nisan 01	14-Mar
Claire Braitman	Nisan 01	14-Mar
Wilbert Mayrent	Nisan 02	15-Mar
Ethel Griff	Nisan 02	15-Mar
Barbara Leboff	Nisan 02	15-Mar
A. H. Sheer	Nisan 02	15-Mar
Dr. Rosa Kubin	Nisan 02	15-Mar
Phillip Levine	Nisan 03	16-Mar
Julius "Yukie" Kennen	Nisan 03	16-Mar
John Jacobs	Nisan 04	17-Mar
Lillian Mallick	Nisan 04	17-Mar
Ina Moses	Nisan 07	20-Mar
Louis Levine	Nisan 07	20-Mar
Gedalia Chosed	Nisan 08	21-Mar
William Cohen	Nisan 08	21-Mar
Maurice Milesky	Nisan 08	21-Mar
Dr. Max Tauber	Nisan 08	21-Mar
Morris Trachtenberg	Nisan 08	21-Mar
Rose Israel	Nisan 09	22-Mar
Sara Cohn	Nisan 10	23-Mar
Madeline Sidell	Nisan 11	24-Mar
Sophia Rosenfield	Nisan 12	25-Mar
Morris Goldman	Nisan 13	26-Mar
Shana Chosed	Nisan 13	26-Mar
Ida Koocher	Nisan 13	26-Mar

Ida Greenberg	Nisan 14	27-Mar	Nathan Sheer	Nisan 23	5-Apr
Mary Kaplan	Nisan 14	27-Mar	Ruth Seigler	Nisan 23	5-Apr
Gittle Edelman	Nisan 16	29-Mar	Goldie Gammernan	Nisan 24	6-Apr
Alfred "Al" Simon	Nisan 16	29-Mar	Jeanne Bloom	Nisan 24	6-Apr
Charles Cumenes	Nisan 17	30-Mar	Morris Ullman	Nisan 24	6-Apr
Myron Stroum	Nisan 17	30-Mar	Ethel Stroum	Nisan 24	6-Apr
Abraham Slatrow	Nisan 18	31-Mar	Anna Macklin	Nisan 25	7-Apr
Frances Hoffman	Nisan 18	31-Mar	Moshe Ben Aaron	Nisan 25	7-Apr
Lena Sheer	Nisan 19	1-Apr	Anna Wolf	Nisan 25	7-Apr
Sonia Weiner	Nisan 19	1-Apr	Richard Cutter	Nisan 26	8-Apr
Gertrude Wolk	Nisan 20	2-Apr	Francis Chorney	Nisan 27	9-Apr
Samuel Goodman	Nisan 21	3-Apr	Max Eisenberg	Nisan 27	9-Apr
Eli Weiner	Nisan 21	3-Apr	Robert Elliot Weinberg	Nisan 27	9-Apr
Belle Freedman	Nisan 22	4-Apr	Edith Canter	Nisan 27	9-Apr
Samuel Seidman	Nisan 23	5-Apr	Goldie Ramler	Nisan 30	12-Apr
			Nathan Kauffman	Nisan 30	12-Apr
			Samuel Trager	Nisan 30	12-Apr

**We wish a long life to our members who are observing a Yahrzeit in the coming weeks.**

**If you would like assistance to arrange a *virtual minyan* so that you may say kaddish for your loved ones, please contact the Temple office at least one week in advance.**

- ♦ **Mar 1 - Larry Bloom, in memory of his father, Al Bloom**
- ♦ **Mar 4 - Bruce Trager, in memory of his grandfather, Robert Fox**
- ♦ **Mar 6 - Marilyn Racette, in memory of her father, Sal Aratan**
- ♦ **Mar 6 - Jordan Kreidberg, in memory of his father, Marshall Kreidberg**
- ♦ **Mar 9 - Julian Webb, in memory of his father, Larry Webb**
- ♦ **Mar 9 - Caroline Nudelman, in memory of her father, Gerald Woolf**
- ♦ **Mar 11- Albert Smith, in memory of his wife, Judith Smith**
- ♦ **Mar 14 - Miriam Chernoff, in memory of her grandmother, Pauline Chernoff**
- ♦ **Mar 15 - Sherry Mayrent, in memory of her father, Wilbert Mayrent**
- ♦ **Mar 16 - Alan Levine, in memory of his father, Phillip Levine**
- ♦ **Mar 16 - Thelma Kennen, in memoyr of her husband, Yukie Kennen**
- ♦ **Mar 17 - Irving Malick, in memory of his mother, Lillian Malick**
- ♦ **Mar 20 - Janet Moses, in memory of her mother, Ina Moses**
- ♦ **Apr 4 - David Freedman, in memory of his mother, Belle Freedman**
- ♦ **Apr 6 - Larry Bloom, in memory of his mother, Jeanne Bloom**
- ♦ **Apr 6 - Miriam Chernoff, in memory of her uncle, Morris Ullman**
- ♦ **Apr 7 - Ed Brown, in memory of his father-in-law Moshe ben Aaron**
- ♦ **Apr 8 - Judith Isaac, in memory of her brother, Richard Cutler**
- ♦ **Apr 9 - The Lesnicks, in memory of Francis Chorney**
- ♦ **Apr 9 - Penina Weinberg, in memory of her brother, Robert Elliot Weinberg**
- ♦ **Apr 12 - Bruce Trager, in memory of his grandfather, Samuel Trager**

## Passover 2021

### Important Dates and Services

Thursday, March 25	8:00 am	MORNING MINYAN followed by SIYYUM for FIRSTBORN
Friday, March 26	9:00 am	DUE DATE for HAMETZ SALES
Friday, March 26	5:30 pm	Shabbat Shalom Service
Saturday, March 27	10:30 am	Shabbat Morning Service
Sunday, March 28	9:00 am	Pesach Day 1 Morning Service
Thursday, April 1	8:00 am	Pesach Day 5 Morning Service
Friday, April 2	5:30 pm	Shabbat Pesach Shalom Service (30 min)
Saturday, April 3	10:30 am	Shabbat Morning Pesach Day 7 Service
Sunday, April 4	9:00 am	Pesach Day 8 Morning Service with Yizkor

Watch your email for information about possible in-person, outdoor services during Passover.

**Passover begins with the First Seder on Saturday, March 27 in the evening.**

### DO YOU HAVE SPACE AT YOUR ZOOM SEDER? ARE YOU LOOKING TO ATTEND A ZOOM SEDER?

Please email Rabbi David ([rabbidavid@tbiwaltham.org](mailto:rabbidavid@tbiwaltham.org)) if you would like us to match you with a Zoom seder for Passover, or if you would like to host one or more of our beloved community members as guests at your Zoom seder. Please email Rabbi David with the number of guests you would like to have at your Zoom seder. Rabbi David will then match you with one or more of our beloved community members who will help you do the great mitzvah of providing Zoom hospitality by being your guest.



Visit <https://www.rabbinicalassembly.org/story/kashrut-subcommittee-recommendations-pesah-5781> to view the Rabbinical Assembly's recommendations and guide and for preparing your home for Passover.

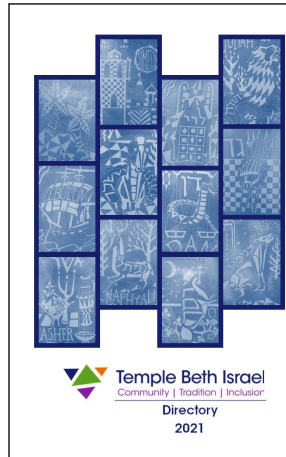
### POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR MECHIRAT HAMETZ

*Note: If possible, all hametz should be eaten or removed before the holiday begins. Should this be financially difficult, the hametz may be stored in such a way that we are sure not to use it during the holiday and its actual ownership is transferred to a non-Jew until the holiday ends. Please complete the form on page 15, which must be received in the mail no later than Thursday March 25th, to make sure it gets to the Rabbi in time. You may deliver it to the Rabbi in person by 9 am Thursday, March 25th. You can also email the form to the Rabbi by Friday, March 26th at 9:00am.*

***It is customary to use this as an opportunity to give tzedakah.***

## Donations

- Merrill and Carol Griff, in memory of Lester Macklin, Renee Brown, Edith Hollender, and Lila Booth
- Merrill and Carol Griff, in memory of his father, Harris Griff, made a generous donation to sponsor the shalach manot for Purim
- Bright Funds Foundation
- Erika Cohen, to the Warming Center
- Sylvia Hobbs, in memory of Lester Macklin



## TBI Directory is Published!

Thanks to Andrea Baron for printing the Membership Directory, and to everyone who delivered it to our members with the Shalach Manot on Purim. Please use it to stay in touch.

Please notify the office of any updates or corrections.

## Temple Beth Israel Memorial Park

The cost for an individual grave in Temple Beth Israel Memorial Park for members is \$2,200. The cost for non-members is \$2,800, which includes one year of membership (\$600). Graves in the Kulanu interfaith section are sold in lots of two, at a total cost of \$4,400 for members. The cost for non-members is \$7,600 for a lot of two, which includes one year of family membership (\$1,200). Please contact **Jay Trilling** of Menorah Cemetery Management Corporation, at (857) 636-9440 for further information. —Jim Baron, Cemetery Committee Chair

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I, the undersigned, fully empower and permit Rabbi David Finkelstein to act in my behalf to sell all *hametz* possessed by me – knowingly or unknowingly – as defined by Torah and rabbinic law, and to lease all places wherein *hametz* owned may be found. Rabbi David Finkelstein has the full power and authority to assign or appoint a substitute to act in my behalf with all the same powers and authority that I have invested in the rabbi. This transaction will be in effect for the duration of Pesach, which this year begins on Saturday, March 27th and runs through nightfall of Sunday, April 4th, 2021.

And to this I hereby affix my signature on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year 2021.

Signed Name \_\_\_\_\_

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## Mark Your Calendar! March 2021 Highlights

<b>Shabbat</b>	<b>Fri March 5 - Kabbalat Shabbat and Maariv (5:30 to 6:30 pm)</b> <b>Fri March 12, 19, 26 - Shabbat Shalom (5:30 to 6:00 pm)</b> <b>Saturday Mornings at 10:30 am</b>
<b>Sunday March 7</b>	<b>Yiddish / Klezmer Dance Workshop</b>  Register in advance for this meeting: <a href="http://bit.ly/TBIDanceworkshop">http://bit.ly/TBIDanceworkshop</a>
<b>Tuesdays</b>	<b>Rabbi's Office Hour 12:30-1:30pm (note the new time)</b>
<b>Thurs. March 11</b>	<b>12:00pm—1:30pm Lunchtime Torah Study</b>
<b>Wed. March 24</b>	<b>7:00pm—8:30pm Evening Talmud Study</b>
<b>March 14</b>	<b>Waltham Ministerial Alliance Interfaith Service</b> marking one year of missed connections. 5:00pm To RSVP, visit: <a href="http://bit.ly/WMA_Service">bit.ly/WMA_Service</a> .
<b>Passover</b>	<b>See Pages 8 and 14 for Zoom Meeting IDs and Service Schedule</b>