



# Temple Beth Israel

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## Temple Talk



## Rabbi's Corner: Celebrating a Radical Rabbi with Truah, Understanding Israel

By: Rabbi David Finkelstein

In honor of Hanukkah, which we recently celebrated, and in honor of the upcoming Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday (Monday, January 16), I present to you a piece from Truah ([www.truah.org](http://www.truah.org)), formerly known as Rabbis for Human Rights, from Truah's very recent Hanukkah publication, [8 Nights of Rights 2022](#). Below is an introduction to a radical 17th century Kurdish rabbi (recently celebrated in an excellent [children's book](#)) followed by links to lectures about Israel and Zionism in our historical moment. I am a Zionist, and I have grave concerns about some current trends in Israel, including some coalition members of her incoming government. I

find that Truah is a guiding organization for me at this time, as it was before.

Wishing everyone good health, and sufficient light and warmth this January.

Sincerely,

Rabbi David

**Each night this Chanukah [now past], T'ruah is introducing you to a different radical rabbi through the ages. Tonight, meet... Osnat Barzani (also spelled Asenath) is arguably the first woman to serve a community as a rabbi. She was**

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## Fresh from the Bakery: A Letter to the Congregation

By: Dina Wolfman Baker

Dear members and friends of Temple Beth Israel:

At the Temple Beth Israel board of directors meeting on December 5, I told the leadership that I will not seek another term as president of TBI. Now, I am sharing that information with you.

This means that my term will end on Sunday, July 2, 2023—three weeks after the election at the membership meeting scheduled for June 11, as our bylaws build in this transition period.

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born into a family of scholars in Kurdistan in 1590, and since she had no brothers, she was raised to succeed her father as *rosh yeshiva* (head of school). Her husband initially took over the school but delegated most of the teaching to her; when he died, she ascended to head of school, taking the title *Tanna'it* (the feminine form of *Tanna*, a rabbi of the Mishnaic period).

In addition to authoring writings on Jewish law and textual interpretation, Barzani was a poet. **One of her *piyyutim* (liturgical poems), written in Kurdish, was "Ga'agua L'Zion" (Longing for Zion).**

Many of us long for Zion in one way or another, but what exactly is the Zion we imagine — and how does it compare to the actual State of Israel? **T'ruah, and our new thought leadership institute Emor, are working on that question — helping us all think more precisely about Israel in ways that reflect reality, not our hazy memory of what Israel was like a generation ago.**

Our current project, The Threefold Cord, investigates the relationship between democracy, nationalism, and human rights in the Jewish State. **This winter, we present a three-part webinar series with our first round of learnings.**

## Tonight's action:

**Honor Tanna'it Barzani's memory by engaging in some learning of your own.**

**Watch** a recording of Professor Julie Cooper, PhD, of Tel Aviv University speaking on "Zionism Before and After the Nation-State" last week.

**Register** for our session with Amit Gvaryahu, PhD: "What do we mean by a Jewish State?" (Thursday, January 19, 3pm ET)

And **stay tuned** for the concluding talk by Yali Hashash, PhD, about the role American white evangelicals are playing in shaping democracy in the State of Israel.

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I came to this decision after a lot of deliberation. It wasn't easy. I am drawn to the opportunity and obligation to serve this community, one that has so much warmth and has in so many ways reached out to and held me in its heart and arms.

At the same time, I believe it to be in the best interest of the congregation to promote ongoing turnover in leadership. We have some constraints around this provided by the term limits in our bylaws, and that is a good thing. My personal perspective, though, is that still shorter stays on the board are better. As it now stands, a person must have served on the board for at least two of the past five years to become president. They then could serve up to six years as president (three two-year terms) followed by up to six years as immediate past president. This amounts to 14 years on the board in the course of 14 to 17 years. And it could be longer—years served prior to the presidency get expunged from the accounting for term limits, for the purposes of qualifying to remain on the board as president. I respect and understand that this is the approach we have chosen as a congregation. But I find that I must act upon and model my personal views of more frequent governance turnover.

There is a personal aspect to this as well. Just as I believe organizations thrive with governance change, I find that I thrive with change in focus and challenge. At the end of my term as president, I'll have served on the TBI board for nearly six years—as founding chair of the Social Justice Committee and then as Vice President, before moving into my current role. Under the bylaws, I'll be expected to continue serving as immediate past president as long as my successor is in that position, which could be up to an additional six years. For me, at least, that's a very long stretch! Throughout my TBI board service, I have been navigating changes in my work life, my other areas of volunteerism, and my family commitments. This type of variety and readjustment constitutes a large part of how I find satisfaction and joy.

We still have a half-year to go before someone else—whom you will elect—steps up as president. I'm excited about everything we will do together during my remaining term as well as after. That's because of the great and committed group of people who make up TBI. So, the most important thing I have to say in this letter is: "thank you."

With appreciation,



Dina

### Save the Date:

**Friday March 3:** Services at 6:30 (in person and on zoom) followed by a catered Persian-themed dinner in honor of Purim and Return to Upper Remety:

**The annual Morris and Edith Hollender Tisch with Hankus Netsky (in person and on zoom) will begin at approximately 8:30 pm**



## Health and Wellness Fair

TBI Waltham is planning a health and wellness fair. Right now it is scheduled for March 19, 2023 2pm. If bad weather, March 26, 2023. We received a \$1000 grant from CJP to do so.

We are planning to have a speaking program as well as info tables by the vendors. There will be refreshments served and we could use help with marketing this event.

We have a number of people on the committee planning the event, but we can always use more help. Let Howard Trachtman [hdt@mit.edu](mailto:hdt@mit.edu) 781 642 0368 know if you are interested in helping on the committee, want to suggest a vendor, know of a speaker or want to help with marketing this event on social media.



**NextGen will be hosting our monthly Havdalah on January 10th at 6pm, and our hot chocolate and crafts night will be January 22nd at 6pm!**

If you are between the ages of 22 and 45 years old, you are welcome to Join in. Just email Erika [mackined@gmail.com](mailto:mackined@gmail.com) or Joshua [joshua6781@gmail.com](mailto:joshua6781@gmail.com)

## Social Justice Committee Report

**Joshua Mandell**

The Social Justice Committee is currently running the Warming Center and is actively seeking volunteers. Please sign up via this form: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f44aea829a0f4cf8-warming#/>.

We are also collecting books for More Than Words and winter clothes for Waltham clothes drives, which can be placed in the bins in the Temple entrance.

## Donations

### General Fund Donations

- ◆ Catherine Cantrell, in honor of her Bat Mitzvah Anniversary
- ◆ Catherine Cantrell, in honor of her son, Steven Cantrell's yahrzeit
- ◆ Karin Kreigsmann, in honor of her sister Ellie Handel's yahrzeit

### Saturday Kiddush Fund

- ◆ Sylvia Hobbs - Dec. 24
- ◆ Toni Wolfman - Jan 7 in memory of Bob Macauley

### Thank you to those who have made a High Holy Day Contribution:

- ◆ Tzvi Abusch and Martha Tolpin
- ◆ John and Dana Fine
- ◆ Rob and Catherine Solomon

### TBI Community Projects

- ◆ In honor of Brad Baker's hard work in her garden from Doria.

## A Joyous Evening at TBI

On Friday, Dec. 2nd we welcomed new and current members to our first Kabbalat Shabbat dinner in almost three years. Rabbi David chose joyous melodies for the sing along and gave a welcoming d'var. The kitchen crew provided a delicious dinner, and many joyous conversations were observed at the tables. Others provided assistance in getting the social hall ready for the Shabbat dinner.

Thank you to Mark Frydenberg, Phyllis Werlin, Marilyn Racette, Erika Mackin, Catherine Cantrell, Carmen Cooper and Joshua Mandell for all of the expertise they shared and the help they provided.

We welcome the following new member(s) in December: Melissa Tallal from Lexington and Mishael Inya-Agha & Lindsay Nwokeji from NJ.

Hoping to see you at more joyous gatherings at TBI.

Linda Ungerleider, Membership



## Hanukkah Candle Lighting at TBI - December 18th



The Social Hall was lit up with smiling faces and candles as TBI celebrated Hanukkah together.



## Join Us For Our Next In House Gathering Seder Tu Bishvat (multi-access)

**DATE:** Saturday, February 4th, 2023

**TIME:** 12:20-1:00pm

**PLACE:** in the TBI social hall and on Zoom (please use the Shabbat Morning Zoom link)

**DESCRIPTION:** Come celebrate trees and their many gifts to life on planet Earth at this early seder ritual (Tu Bishvat actually falls on Monday February 6th this year). Like the Passover seder, the Tu Bishvat seder is a meal punctuated by various readings or speeches, in this case, all having to do with trees and/or their fruit. We eat from plates full of fruit and drink grape juice and/or wine, in the manner established by Rabbi Isaac Luria and his group of late 16th century Jewish mystics in Tzfat (Safed). A Jewish ritual still in its infancy, the Tu Bishvat Seder has already evolved and been inflected by the establishment of the State of Israel, by the global climate crisis, and more. **If you can, please bring a favorite poem or short reading about trees to recite/share. All are welcome.**



# Rabbi David's Initiatives

## MONTHLY KABBALAT SHABBAT with MAARIV

**\*\* Online and In House \*\***

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

**Place:** In-house at TBI and on Zoom

**Date:** Jan 6, Feb 3, Special Event March 3

**Description:** This monthly service is multi-access, in the synagogue and online. Rabbi David and/or a lay leader leads the evening service in addition to and after Kabbalat Shabbat once a month. In memory of God's assessment that Creation was "very good" (*tov me'od*) *at the end of the sixth day, all participants in this service are encouraged to share a few sentences about something from their week that was - or may become - very good. In this way, we join the tranquil spirit of Shabbat with a smile.*

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

## Afternoon Shabbat Community (online only)

*How do I keep my Shabbat practice going on Shabbat afternoon, after services? For millenia, Jews have imbued Shabbat with holiness by gathering for meals, blessing together, singing, and studying Torah. TBI supports your afternoon Shabbat practice with the offerings below:*

### "Blessing and Song" on 2nd Shabbat, 2-3pm EDT

**Dates:** Jan 14, February 11, March 11

**Description:** In generations past, table-singing was more common. Today, Shabbat is a precious access point to this neglected spiritual practice. On "Blessing and Song" Shabbat, we come together to sing *birkat hamazon* - the Jewish blessings after the meal - and other Shabbat and Jewish songs. *So that we can all be on the same page and see each other on the screen, participants are encouraged to acquire a copy of [Let Us Sing: L'chu N'ran'nah](http://www.Haggadahsrus.com) (\$4.25 at [www.Haggadahsrus.com](http://www.Haggadahsrus.com)), also available at the Israel Book Shop and at Kolbo Fine Judaica Gallery in Brookline.*

**Zoom Link:** [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85276646999?pwd=eGrFdUEi7rUKE\\_L-q6GIT5tSwAOt7G.1](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85276646999?pwd=eGrFdUEi7rUKE_L-q6GIT5tSwAOt7G.1)

Meeting ID: 852 7664 6999

Passcode: 072162

### "Torah Talk Table" on 4th Shabbat at 2-3pm EDT

**Dates:** Jan 28, Feb 18 (adjusted for February Break) March 25

**Description:** For some of us, the Torah Service and sermon whet our appetite for Torah on Shabbat but they do not quench our thirst. "Torah Talk Table" provides that additional Torah discussion you yearn for on Shabbat. We often discuss a part of the weekly Torah portion, or a part of the Haftarah (weekly reading from the Prophets), but all are encouraged to share Torah questions and reflections of all kinds.

**Zoom Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88502507881?pwd=TuHADXvZKgJ6wxo-dagUPHISFzJD-r.1>

Meeting ID: 885 0250 7881

Passcode: 872677

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## Lunchtime Torah Study \*Online only\*

**Time:** 12:00-1:30pm on the 2nd Thursday of the month

**Date:** Jan 12, Feb 9, Mar 9

**Description:** TBI Lunchtime Torah Study continues its sequential study of the Book of Genesis/Sefer Bereishit on January 12th with Chapter 31. Here, Jacob uses all the skills and smarts at his disposal to make his exodus from his father-in-law Laban's house, along with Leah, Rachel, Bilhah, Zilpah, and their 12 children (Benjamin has not yet been born). In what ways is this exodus similar to the later, more famous Exodus from Egypt? In what ways is it different? Come and find out! English is the primary language of study. Hebrew and English texts provided. All are welcome.



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

## Dinnertime Midrash Study \*Online only\*

**Time:** 6:00-7:30pm on the 3rd Tuesday of the month

**Date:** Jan 17 Feb 28 (adjusted for February Break), March 21

**Description:** This Midrash Study Group focuses primarily on narrative elaborations on the Biblical text of Genesis / Sefer Bereishit. In December, we studied midrash on light and darkness that drew connections between Adam and Eve's first Saturday night, Psalm 139, and Hanukkah. In January, we will be studying midrash on the immediately post-Eden chapters of Genesis. English is the primary language of study. English and Hebrew texts provided. All are welcome.

**Zoom Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83365026963?pwd=SytiQ0tqK3hraGFRdzdlc1NJQVFhQT09>

## Hashmiini: Let Me Hear Shabbat

**DATES:** Jan 21, Feb 18, March 18

**DESCRIPTION:** Found in the Song of Songs 2:14, "Hashmi'ini" comes from a phrase meaning "Let me hear your voice." Hashmiini Shabbat features a sermon (dvar Torah) that lifts up at least one contemporary Jewish voice. While lively and respectful disagreement is a foundational Jewish value, on Hashmiini Shabbat we focus on opening our ears and our hearts to the voice of another. Come hear and celebrate the voices of contemporary Jews whose lived experience enables them to make a special contribution to Jewish life and to Torah.

## Rabbi David's Office Hours:

**Drop-in:** Wednesdays 12:30-1:30pm.

Zoom Meeting ID: 811 0356 9244 Passcode: 157389

**By Appointment Only:** Every Wednesday 10:30am-12:30pm.

## January Yahrzeits

Morris Hollender	Tevet 08	1-Jan
Morris Rothman	Tevet 08	1-Jan
Gail Tushin	Tevet 09	2-Jan
Hannah Handel	Tevet 09	2-Jan
Daniel Wolk	Tevet 10	3-Jan
Robert Macauley	Tevet 10	3-Jan
James Herbert Seilers	Tevet 10	3-Jan
Michael S. Laufer	Tevet 10	3-Jan
Sadie Cumenes	Tevet 10	3-Jan
Jennie Sulkin	Tevet 11	4-Jan
Rudy Seigler	Tevet 11	4-Jan
Harry Rosenthal	Tevet 12	5-Jan
Ida Hollicker	Tevet 13	6-Jan
Harriet Lietzky	Tevet 14	7-Jan
Jerry Resnikoff	Tevet 14	7-Jan
Joseph Sherman	Tevet 14	7-Jan
Nafthali Shapiro	Tevet 14	7-Jan
Dolores Simon	Tevet 15	8-Jan
Archie Sudhalter	Tevet 16	9-Jan
Harry Kniznik	Tevet 17	10-Jan
Bertha Creveshay	Tevet 18	11-Jan
Dora Geller	Tevet 18	11-Jan
Jacob Trachtman	Tevet 18	11-Jan
Richard Cotton	Tevet 18	11-Jan
Steven Cantrell	Tevet 18	11-Jan
Abraham Alper	Tevet 19	12-Jan
Eva Wolf	Tevet 19	12-Jan
Harris Posner	Tevet 19	12-Jan
Irving Etkind	Tevet 19	12-Jan
Betty Ullman	Tevet 20	13-Jan
Harold Levison	Tevet 20	13-Jan
Aaron Tushin	Tevet 22	15-Jan
Joseph Pill	Tevet 22	15-Jan
Newell Goldberg	Tevet 22	15-Jan
Frank Rosenburg	Tevet 23	16-Jan
Samuel Gordon	Tevet 23	16-Jan
Abraham Kennen	Tevet 24	17-Jan
Harry Levison	Tevet 24	17-Jan
Nathan & Rae Sudhalter	Tevet 24	17-Jan
Samuel Cron	Tevet 24	17-Jan
Sarah Rachel Greene	Tevet 24	17-Jan
Nathan Goldstein	Tevet 25	18-Jan
Rose Tatelman	Tevet 26	19-Jan
Caryl Goldstein	Tevet 27	20-Jan
Eugene Binyamin Stavis	Tevet 28	21-Jan
Dr. H Myer Bloomenthal	Tevet 29	22-Jan
Lawrence Carni	Shvat 01	23-Jan

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.

- ♦ Jan 1 - Amy Rothman, in memory of her uncle, Morris Rothman
- ♦ Jan 3 - Zach Roe, in memory of his grandfather, James Herbert Sielers
- ♦ Jan 3 - Toni Wolfman, in memory of Robert Macauley
- ♦ Jan 11 - Howard Trachtman, in memory of his father, Jacob Trachtman
- ♦ Jan 11 - Carole Cotton, in memory of her husband, Richard Cotton
- ♦ Jan 11 - Catherine Cantrell, in memory of her son, Steven Cantrell
- ♦ Jan 12 - Stephen Etkind, in memory of his father, Irving Etkind
- ♦ Jan 13 - Miriam Chernoff, in memory of her aunt, Betty Ullman
- ♦ Jan 17 - Steven Kennen, in memory of his father, Abraham Kennen
- ♦ Jan 17 - Alan Levine, in memory of his grandmother, Sarah Rachel Greene
- ♦ Jan 20 - Stanley Goldstein, in memory of his mother, Caryl Goldstein
- ♦ Jan 21 - Hillel Stavis, in memory of his father, Eugene Binyamin Stavis
- ♦ Jan 23 - Jill Carni, in memory of her father, Lawrence Carni





## January & February Yahrzeits



Eleazer Weitzenberg	Shvat 04	26-Jan
Pearl Portnov	Shvat 04	26-Jan
Sadie Shay	Shvat 04	26-Jan
Anita Kaitz	Shvat 05	27-Jan
Clara Loewy Lustig	Shvat 05	27-Jan
Lillian Wigod Stroum	Shvat 05	27-Jan
Esther Weiner	Shvat 06	28-Jan
Louis Perlmutter	Shvat 06	28-Jan
Richard Lustig	Shvat 06	28-Jan
Edith Hollender	Shvat 07	29-Jan
Julius Handel	Shvat 07	29-Jan
Benjamin Freeman	Shvat 08	30-Jan
Samuel Seskin	Shvat 08	30-Jan
Sylvia Kurtzman	Shvat 08	30-Jan
Rubin Elkins	Shvat 09	31-Jan
Sarah Kennen	Shvat 09	31-Jan
Charles Silver	Shvat 10	1-Feb
Joseph Benjamin	Shvat 10	1-Feb
Joshua Mikels Webb	Shvat 10	1-Feb
Ira Zinkerman	Shvat 11	2-Feb
Beril Novick	Shvat 12	3-Feb
Max Chernoff	Shvat 12	3-Feb
Edythe Simon	Shvat 13	4-Feb
Louis Kniznik	Shvat 13	4-Feb
Molly Hauser	Shvat 13	4-Feb
Morris Katz	Shvat 13	4-Feb
David Rothman	Shvat 14	5-Feb
Eva Trachtman	Shvat 14	5-Feb
Ilona Viltschek	Shvat 14	5-Feb
Rose Leavy	Shvat 14	5-Feb
Samuel Cutler	Shvat 14	5-Feb
Dinzie Cutler	Shvat 15	6-Feb
David Ullman	Shvat 16	7-Feb
Ida Chansky	Shvat 16	7-Feb
Sarah Fischer	Shvat 16	7-Feb
Harry Kritzman	Shvat 19	10-Feb
Jacob Rosenfield	Shvat 19	10-Feb
Joseph Milesky	Shvat 19	10-Feb
Sadie Krinsky	Shvat 19	10-Feb
Monroe M. Frankel	Shvat 21	12-Feb
Saul Cohen	Shvat 21	12-Feb
Shirley Benjamin	Shvat 21	12-Feb
Dora Dame	Shvat 22	13-Feb
Morris Freedman	Shvat 22	13-Feb
Gussie Kniznik	Shvat 23	14-Feb
Renee Brown	Shvat 24	15-Feb
Samuel Wolk	Shvat 24	15-Feb
Ida Kulin	Shvat 25	16-Feb
Solomon Harris	Shvat 25	16-Feb
Maurry Furman	Shvat 26	17-Feb
Sadie Baron	Shvat 26	17-Feb

William Becker	Shvat 26	17-Feb
Dorothy Ullian	Shvat 27	18-Feb
Florence Lipkin	Shvat 27	18-Feb
Irving Norman	Shvat 27	18-Feb
Louis Nochemsohn	Shvat 27	18-Feb
Sarah Milesky	Shvat 27	18-Feb
Sarah Mindel Freedman	Shvat 27	18-Feb
Sylvia Weinstein	Shvat 27	18-Feb
Mildred Rothbart	Shvat 29	20-Feb
Regina Greenbaum	Shvat 29	20-Feb
Helen Rose Justice	Shvat 30	20-Feb

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- Jan 26 - Marilyn Racette, in memory of her grandfather, Eleazer Weitzenberg
- Jan 27 - Robert Kaitz, in memory of his aunt, Anita Kaitz
- Jan 29 - TBI in memory of Edith Hollender
- Jan 31 - Steven Kennen, in memory of his mother, Sarah Kennen
- Feb 1 - Eric Benjamin, in memory of his father, Joseph Benjamin
- Feb 2 - Jill Carni, in memory of Ira Zinkerman
- Feb 3 - Miriam Chernoff, in memory of her grandfather, Max Chernoff
- Feb 5 - Amy Rothman, in memory of her uncle, David Rothman
- Feb 5 - Howard Trachtman, in memory of his grandmother, Eva Trachtman
- Feb 5 - Erika Cohen, in memory of her mother, Ilona Viltschek
- Feb 7 - Miriam Chernoff, in memory of her grandfather, David Ullman
- Feb 12 - Barbara Camann, in memory of her father, Saul Cohen
- Feb 12 - Eric Benjamin, in memory of his mother, Shirley Benjamin
- Feb 15 - Ed Brown and Julie Gagnon, in memory of their wife and mother, Renee Brown
- Feb 17 - Beth Cormier and Susan Furman, in memory of their father, Maurry Furman
- Feb 18 - Ed Kaufman, in memory of his mother-in-law, Dorothy Ullian
- Feb 20 - Ben Nudelman, in memory of his mother, Regina Greenbaum
- Feb 20 - Zachary Roe, in memory of his grandmother, Helen Rose Justice



## Zoom with Us!

## January 2023

We meet by computer, by phone, and in person (though we do close the building temporarily in COVID-19 surges—please check the website).

**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.**

	<b>January Shabbat Services Online</b>	<b>Meeting ID</b>
Jan. 6  Jan. 13, 20, 27	<b>Kabbalat Shabbat with Maariv Shabbat TIME: 5:30-6:30 pm (in person and online)  Shabbat Service - 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm Online only</b>	860 9408 8277
Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28	<b>Shabbat Morning In-house (when building is open) and Online 9:30 am</b>	898 2996 2372 pw:204635
	<b>Thursday Morning Minyan</b>	
Jan. 5, 12, 19, 26	<b>Morning Minyan 8:00 am  Online only</b>	860 6404 5288
	<b>Rabbi's Initiatives</b>	
Jan. 4, 11, 18, 25	<b>12:30 pm-1:30 pm Rabbi David's Open Zoom Office Hours  See page 7 for details</b>	811 0356 9244 pw: 157389
Jan 14	<b>Blessing and Song 2:00-3:00 pm See page 6 for details</b>	852 7664 6999 pw: 072162
Jan 28	<b>Torah Talk Table 2:00-3:00 pm See page 6 for details</b>	885 0250 7881 Pw:: 872677

# Temple Beth Israel Memorial Park

Temple Beth Israel has maintained a cemetery for its members since 1951. Beth Israel Memorial Park is located on South Street, between the Stanley Elementary School and



Children's Hospital. Graves are available in Section A (the right side as you enter the cemetery), Section B (the left side as you enter the cemetery) and in Kulanu (the left side, after Section B). The cost to purchase an individual grave in Sections A or B for Temple members is \$2,200 (\$4,400 for two). The cost for non-members is \$3,200 per grave, which includes one year of membership (\$600).

Kulanu is dedicated to serving the needs of Jewish Temple members who are married to a non-Jewish spouse. 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).

If you are interested in purchasing one or more graves, please contact **Jay Trilling** of Menorah Cemetery Management Corporation at (857) 636-9440.

—Jim Baron, Cemetery Committee Chair

## Sign Up for TBITalk

**TBITalk** is Temple Beth Israel's members' only discussion list on email. Sign up to send and receive messages from subscribing TBI members on the TBITalk discussion list by entering your email and contact information in the Subscribe section of this page:

**<http://listserve.tbiwaltham.org/listinfo.cgi/tbitalk-tbiwaltham.org>**

After you have subscribed, you are welcome to communicate with all members of TBITalk by sending an email message to **[tbitalk@tbiwaltham.org](mailto:tbitalk@tbiwaltham.org)**. By participating, you agree to the terms of use.

## Planet Aid Bins

Did you know that we get .05 cents per pound of clothing deposited into the Planet Aid boxes on the Hannaford side of our building? **Planet Aid donated \$3500 to TBI last year which amounts to 70,000 pounds of clothing donated during the year.**

Now that Waltham does not allow clothing to be put in the trash, we hope more people will utilize these donation bins.

## Social Media

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Friday Night Shabbat Service	Kabbalat Shabbat with Maariv 5:30-6:30 pm January 6 - In House and Online Welcoming Shabbat Service- 5:30pm—6:00 pm January 13, 20, 27 - Online Only
Shabbat Morning	Shabbat Morning Services - Saturdays at 9:30am In House and Online Hashmiini: Let Me Hear Shabbat— January 21
NextGen	January 10 6:00pm Havdallah January 22 6:00pm Hot Chocolate and Craft Night
Book Club	Jan 24 - Watch your email for event details
Rabbi Office Hours	Office Hours will now be on Wednesdays 12:30pm-1:30pm See page 7
Rabbi's Initiatives	The Rabbis new and updated programs Check pages 6-7 for details
Coming Soon	Tu B'Shvat Seder—Saturday February 4th Kabbalat Shabbat Dinner and Tisch—Friday March 3rd