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Temple Talk

Brought To You By Rabbi Ben: Renewal in the New Calendar Year By: Rabbi Benjamin Chaidell

Shalom!

January marks the new Gregorian year of 2025. How do we as Jews relate to the secular new year?

This relates to a larger question of how we celebrate the non-Jewish holidays of the society in which we live.

Rabbi Micha’el Rosenberg of the Hadar Institute argued this year with regard to Thanksgiving that we can celebrate this holiday not only as Americans, but also as Jews as an expression of our religious value of gratitude. He writes that just as the participants in a

prayer service join in with the prayers of thanksgiving of the leader in the Amidah, so too must we join the gratitude of our neighbors for the harvest and the blessings in their lives as members of a shared society.

I would argue the same for New Year’s Day. Just as we in America look ahead to the new year with hope and renewal, making resolutions of varying degrees of success, the Jewish community, which shares the same values of hope, renewal, and growth, cannot help but do the same. Celebrating New Year’s can be a uniquely Jewish expression of faith in a better future for

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President’s Message

By: Linda Ungerleider

Tikkun Olam: Healing the World

On December 22nd we served just over 20 guests at the Warming Center. The temperature outside was a brisk 14 degrees. Most guests stayed the entire time, taking a nap, watching a movie, talking in small groups but most of all, everyone was WARM. Everyone was appreciative of the food cooked by Food Not Bombs and being offered a new pair of socks and hand/body warmers. Several guests were provided a takeout bag of food to take with them for their next meals.

This is my fifth-year volunteering at the Warming Center. I have known three of today’s guests since the beginning. Their circumstances have fluctuated from having been housed, unable to stay in a shelter, having to move out of the area and now are back in Waltham.

My ask to all of you: Please come and meet our guests on Sundays. The Warming Center needs your help serving food, talking with guests, distributing socks and hand/body warmers and being a greeter if you are CJP trained. The instructions and checklist are easy to follow. [Please click this link to sign up](#)

Contact me and I will be glad to answer your questions or concerns.

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ourselves through teshuvah (personal return) and for society through tikkun olam (healing of the world).

Every month, in fact, we have an opportunity for a fresh start on Rosh Chodesh, the new month festival which renews us as the moon is reborn and expresses our hopes and aspirations for the month. This year, in a special twist of fate, Rosh Chodesh Tevet (the first day of the Hebrew month of Tevet) falls on none other than January 1! What better year to celebrate renewal and hope as Jews and as Americans than this one.

At TBI there are many opportunities to discover renewal in this new year. Join me for our Back to Basics class on Sundays at 4 PM beginning on January 12 to renew your understanding of the beliefs and practices that undergird our lives as Jews. Expand your understanding of the Torah's origin with Tzvi on January 12 and of our Yiddish literary heritage with Martha on January 11. Open a whole new world of sound by experiencing Cantor Band's sound art on January 20 and of delicious tastes at Dina's challah bake on January 14. There are many opportunities to grow spiritually, intellectually, and emotionally at TBI; Caroline continues to teach Hebrew, Susan Haftorah, and Rabbi Ben other ritual skills (contact me if you would like to learn something new!). Lastly, we will trial a newer version of our prayerbook Siddur Sim Shalom this month, opening ourselves to new experiences of prayer and tradition.

I am thrilled to welcome in a new year of renewal, growth, and hope with you at TBI as Americans and as Jews. Happy New Year.

Programs Happening in January

View flyers and information on all these events on our website www.tbiwaltham.org

Back to Basics - Sundays January 12 - March 30 at 4:00pm on Zoom - Rabbi Ben Chaidell

Who Wrote the Torah - Sunday January 12 at 10:30am - with Dr. Tzvi Abusch

Tasty Tuesday—Challah Baking - Tuesday January 14 at 6:00pm - with Dina Baker at her home

My Life as a Sound Artist - Monday January 20 at 1:00pm - with Cantor Ellen Band

Rosh Chodesh Group

Rosh Chodesh
Women's Group



**Join Us on Sunday
January 5th at 5pm for
Rosh Chodesh Tevet.**

**We will discuss dreams and other
aspects of the month.**

Yiddish Stories

Saturday January 11 at 1pm

**Join Martha Tolpin after services when
she will share a story by her father.**

**Coming on April 27th - Morris Hollender 100th
Birthday Concert. See page 12 for details**

TBI Book Club



Thank you to those who attended one of the listening sessions or expressed interest in forming a book group at TBI. Those in attendance decided that the group would read books by Jewish authors or with Jewish themes. In time, each member of the group will pick a book and facilitate the discussion. Our first meeting will be in February.

THERE IS STILL TIME TO BECOME A MEMBER.

We will meet on Tuesday, January 7 at 7:00 on Zoom.

Bring two or three titles of books of interest to you to share with the group.

Who will lead the first book discussion? Together the group will pick a date and time.

Please let Andrea know if you are interested in attending the January 7 meeting or be placed on the book group distribution email list. The Zoom link will be in a reminder email sent closer to the meeting.

Problematic Promises By: Rose Myers

Join us on Saturday, January 25th at 1:00pm

We will look at hasty, well-meaning, but potentially deadly promises in:

- *The Wisdom Bird: A Tale of Solomon and Sheba*, a picture book by Sheldon Oberman,
- *Don't Fidget a Feather* and *Gittel's Hands* by Erica Silverman,
- Some stories from the Prophets about:

Jephthah's daughter as a thanksgiving sacrifice

Saul nearly executing his son, Jonathan

Whatever else comes to mind or gets suggested to me before I present the program.

[Click Here](#) to view this on Zoom.

Prayerbook Hebrew Class with Caroline Nudelman

A Zoom class for adults who wish to improve their Hebrew reading fluency and basic prayerbook word translation.

Second Session Begins: Thursday, January 9th and runs for 6 weeks ending on February 13th

Time: 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Contact Caroline to sign up for this course at crnudelman@gmail.com

Hadar Community Groups Grant Opportunity

In partnership with Hadar, TBI invites members to submit proposals to form a Hadar Community Group as a Group Leader. Group Leaders will bring together a group of at least 8 people 8 times in a year for inspired learning, meaningful prayer, soulful singing or music, volunteering, or any other activity that expresses Torah, Avodah (prayer), or Hesed (caring). Group Leaders will receive a \$500 stipend and \$1000 toward program costs from Hadar. TBI will support its members in publicizing and organizing their groups. Group Leaders will apply directly to Hadar, which will manage the program funds. Group Leaders will also benefit from mentorship and training in group leadership from Hadar. Please contact Rabbi Ben at rabbiben@tbiwaltham.org if you are interested in forming a Hadar Community Group at TBI with your proposal for who your group would engage and what activities you envision it doing.

Siddur Sim Shalom Trial: Shabbat 1/18, 1/25, and 2/1



TBI is considering switching our Shabbat prayerbook to the 1998 edition of Siddur Sim Shalom. We are able to acquire these books at no cost to the Temple. The ritual committee decided to launch a trial of the new prayerbook at upcoming Shabbat services. Many of these books are in better condition than the older editions of Siddur Sim Shalom that we have been using at Temple Beth Israel since it was first published 40 years ago. We will use the newer edition of Siddur Sim Shalom on Shabbat services 1/18, 1/25, and 2/1. Please share your feedback with Rabbi Ben and Mark Frydenberg. If you will join us virtually, or would like a sneak peak, you can access an electronic version of this prayerbook [here](#). If we switch, we will ensure everyone who participates remotely has access to a hard copy of the new prayerbook.

GUARDIAN: Identify. Protect. Respond. - Training

an in-person training on Monday, January 27 at 6:15pm. It is designed for all congregants and will focus on the mindset and skills needed to help identify suspicious people, vehicles, and packages-all principles critical to protecting yourself, your family, and your community, as well as principles surrounding how to respond during an emergency.

GUARDIAN is an updated Greeter training presented by Tony Neves, CJP Regional Security Advisor.

Please register at <https://bit.ly/GuardianTrainingJan22> by January 22. A light dinner will be served from 5:30-6:10.

Social Justice:

On December 1st, the TBI Warming Center opened again for the winter. We are still seeking volunteers! [Click Here to sign up and volunteer.](#)

The Warming Center and Community Day Center are in need of the following during these cold winter months:

Boots - Socks - Underwear - Hats - Warm Jackets - Gloves

Please bring your donations to the Temple on Sunday (1-4) or Monday or Thursday (10-1).

Thank you!



Written by: Martha Tolpin

Tzvi was born in 1940, a preemie at 2 pounds, fourteen ounces, and grew up in the South Bronx, in a neighborhood where there was still a goat grazing in a nearby lot. The Yiddish-speaking household consisted of Tzvi, an only child, his parents and his grandparents on his mother's side. At the age of three, he understood enough of the news on WEVD, the Yiddish language radio station, to cry when the events of the Holocaust were described; his parents stopped listening to the news when he was around. When Tzvi was four, his father discovered that Tzvi did not understand any English, and started to speak to him in English, so he did not have the shock experienced by many children of immigrants when he started at public school kindergarten. Tzvi's public-school experience lasted only 2 weeks, when Tzvi's mother took him out of public school and entered him in a Yeshiva.

Tzvi went to Yeshiva thereafter, first at Salanter, then at Yeshiva University high school and college, from the ages of five to twenty-one years of age. At the College, he chose to go to the Teachers' Institute, which gave a broad education in secular subjects, as well as traditional Yeshiva subjects such as Talmud. The household was not completely observant, but Tzvi's father was eager for his son to become learned in Judaica, and as a result Tzvi was for a while more observant than his parents. After a while, this seemed an untenable situation, and the household as a whole became more observant.

One of the most significant aspects of Tzvi's upbringing was the strong Zionism of his parents, who were members of the Tsire Tsion movement. He himself became a strong Zionist at quite an early age, which influenced his educational choices later in life and some of his experiences growing up.

However, Tzvi was not always a "good Jewish boy," and at the rebellious age of about 13 or 14, he was hanging out with gangs, made up of Jewish and non-Jewish boys.

(As it happens, even his Zionism got him into trouble at Yeshiva, but that is something I, your author and Tzvi's wife, know about and for you to find out.)

In any case, Tzvi's strong Zionism and deep love of Yiddishkeit in all its aspects strongly influenced his educational and life choices. By the age of 15, he was committed to the B'nei Akivah youth movement, both religious and socialist, which had a goal of preparing young Jews for life on a kibbutz in Israel. At the age of 17, already quite fluent in Hebrew, he went to Israel as part of a Makhon, an educational and leadership training program. He was committed to study for 4 months, kibbutz life for 4 months, and training for a final 2 months, after which he was committed to two years of working within the movement back in the United States.

Although Tzvi originally intended to go to college for 2 years and then to a kibbutz-preparatory farm in the US, his love of learning got the better of all his plans. He got a Fulbright to Israel, and his studies first at Brandeis and then at Harvard, led him to choose the path where he could avoid studying the Holocaust as a life's work, and follow his interest in the ancient, rather than the modern, world. Tzvi moved from Biblical to another ancient world of Mesopotamia, particularly Assyria and its culture and language (Akkadian). Eventually, Tzvi received a Harvard PhD. while teaching at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario. Having discovered that his wife was pregnant while at Harvard, they had moved to Hamilton for his first job in higher education, and that is where both his children, David and Ra'anah, were born. Eventually, Tzvi and family went to New York City, where Tzvi taught at the Jewish Theological Seminary. While there, Tzvi received an invitation to teach at the Hebrew University, and he and his family made Aliyah in 1973, just in time for the Yom Kippur War! At the Hebrew University, he lectured in Hebrew and the family worked to find its footing in the new land. Eventually, for family reasons, Tzvi and family returned to the United States where Tzvi taught at Yale and The Hebrew College, and eventually at Brandeis, where Tzvi taught just short of forty years, while continuing to teach part-time at the Hebrew College for many of those years.

Audience questions elicited answers about languages and cultures from the Third Millennium forward, about writing systems, about the educations and work of his sons and grown grandchildren, about his marriage to Martha, about regrets. About being pressed about his religious belief vs. modern Biblical criticism, Tzvi answered, "I am an Academic."

Remembering Yosi Weintraub z"l

Written by: Mark Frydenberg



Yosi Weintraub was a beloved cantor and spiritual leader, and we remember his beautiful voice, his ability to connect with people, and his deep love and commitment to Jewish tradition. He showed up at Temple Beth Israel in Waltham one day and started singing. He would lead morning minyan several times a week. He loved learning: his apartment in Newton had bookshelves everywhere. He was an avid Torah reader, and whether praying or leading the community, he got caught up in his davening, with such kavanah. He helped members of our congregation edit a siddur for a learner's minyan, he offered pastoral care and loved davening to the extent that he became his prayers. His sincerity, his humility, his spirituality. He appreciated his community, and he sensed God's presence in the everyday moments, telling a story, sharing a meal, singing a song. His warmth and sincerity touched many of our lives. We celebrated with him when he completed his studies to be a hazzan. The compassion he showed to everyone he knew was remarkable. That's just who he was.

Yosi formed a special bond with Morris and Edith Hollender. (z"l). They were Holocaust survivors, Morris came from a cantorial family in Eastern Europe, and they had a shared appreciation of hazzanut. Morris and his wife Edith were everyone's adopted parents/grandparents, as they had no children of their own. When he went into a nursing home, Morris gave Yosi his tefillin "to take care of them" for a while. Yosi was with him throughout his last moments. For years he would carry on Morris's tradition of picking willows from a tree on the banks of the Charles River for hoshanna rabbah. Upholding traditions (and creating new ones) meant a lot to him.

Even after Yosi left Waltham for the west coast, he occasionally made a surprise appearance on Zoom at our morning minyan when it was 5 am in Oregon and 8 am here, if he knew a congregant who he remembered had Yahrzeit.

When a mutual friend of ours passed away, Yosi wrote to me in an email: "The time has come to shift our prayers and brachas from refuah to those of uplift and even greater shining of their neshamah." And so I end with Yosi's own words of blessing: "Zichnono liv'racha l'chayei olam haba - may [Yosi's] spirit find perfect completeness, and may his vision for the world as it can be, find fulfillment speedily."

Strategic Planning Facilitator Updates

All the action groups have met at least once and have begun to create plans for the future. **We are hoping to increase our member participation** so we are letting you all know when the next Zoom meetings will take place. **Please contact the Facilitator if you would like to participate on the Zoom meeting.**

Joan Kent - jartseid@yahoo.com - Jewish Education and Activities Group- January 12, at 2:00pm

Marilyn Racette - marilynracette@gmail.com - Reimagining the Use of the Building Group - January 5, at 11am

Brad Baker - Brad@White-Oak-Consulting.com - Fundraising Action Group - January 12, at 6:00pm

Denise Dickinson - dickinsondr@hotmail.com - Advertising Action Group



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 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/>.

Dates	January	Meeting ID
January 3 Jan. 10, 17, 24, 31	Happy Half Hour & Friday Night Service 5:45pm - 7:30pm Shabbat Service - 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm Online only	Click Here to Join
January 4, 11, 18, 25	Shabbat Morning In-house and Online 9:30 am	Click Here to Join
Thursday Morning Minyan		
January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	Morning Minyan 8:00 am Online only	Click Here to Join
All Online Services	All Online Services	858 6689 6770 pw: TBIservice

Rabbi Ben's Monthly Classes

Thursday, January 16	New Lenses on the Weekly Parsha - Online Only Third Thursday of the Month at 12:00pm	Click Here to Join on Zoom
Sunday, January 26	Minyan and Breakfast and Hot Topics Begins at 9:00am in house and online (Breakfast is in house only) Personal and Social Renewal in 2025 January is a month when many make resolutions to improve their personal lives and contribute to the renewal of society. Join us to discover insights from the Jewish wisdom of mussar on making resolutions stick and cultivating our middot (character traits) this new year and beyond! Sunday Jan, 26, 10:30 AM in-person and on Zoom here Follows minyan at 9 AM in-person and on Zoom here and breakfast	Click Here to Join On Zoom

WHO WROTE THE TORAH?

DR. TZVI ABUSCH

Sunday, January 12, 2025
10:30 am at TBI



Did the Torah have one author or many authors? We will learn about the history of how the Torah was transmitted, composed, and preserved through the ages. Using passages from the book of Genesis as examples, we will see how a critical reading can lead to discovering new insights and interpretations.

Dr. Tzvi Abusch is the Rose B. and Joseph Cohen Professor of Assyriology and Ancient Near East Religion, Emeritus at Brandeis University. His primary fields of research and publication are Mesopotamian religion, magic, literature, and thought, as well as biblical and Babylonian interconnections.

Zoom Link: <https://bit.ly/WWTTJAN12>



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BACK TO BASICS

THE MEANING AND PRACTICE OF JEWISH LIFE

RABBI BEN CHAIDELL



Sundays, January 12 through March 30, 2025 at 4 pm

Join Rabbi Ben for "Back to Basics," an overview of Jewish life covering fundamental Jewish values, prayers, holidays, and history. Whether you're born Jewish or are new to Jewish life, the class will provide new perspectives and deeper meaning on what we do as Jews, increasing fluency in keva (ritual) skills as well as kavannah (intention) in your practice.

Regular participation in this class will fulfill learning requirements for conversion.

To sign up: Contact Rabbi Ben (rabbiben@biwaltham.org) or the Temple office (office@biwaltham.org) before January 10. Class will meet on Zoom. Link sent upon registration.

Cost: \$50 TBI members / \$100 non-members. Pay online at biwaltham.org or send a check to the Temple Office.





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TASTY TUESDAYS FEATURES

Dina's Challah Baking Class

Tuesday, January 14, 2025, 6:00 pm

At the home of Dina & Brad Baker
(Waltham address provided upon registration)

- Learn everything from preparing, kneading and rising the dough; to variations in braiding (even the round challah braid); to the optimal egg wash.
- Leave with challah you've prepared, ready to enjoy at home.
- The class will last approximately 2 to 2-1/2 hours.
Pizza dinner provided.

RSVP: Advance registration absolutely required by January 10. Dina must do significant advance prep based on the number of registrants, so no exceptions will be made. **\$10/person payable at the event.**

SCAN, CALL or EMAIL the Temple office to sign up.

<https://bit.ly/ChallahMakingJan14>



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MY LIFE AS A SOUND ARTIST

MONDAY,
JANUARY 20, 2025

1:00 PM

Click this link to view on Zoom
bit.ly/soundartistjan20

CANTOR ELLEN BAND

As a way of deepening the Portraits experience, I will discuss my life and work in Sound Art. Our time together will include:

- An introduction to Sound Art and its history
- Audio examples of my work as a Sound Artist
- Descriptions of my working style
- Discussion of how sound figures in your lives

Sound artist and composer Ellen Band creates solo and collaborative works for performance, sound installation, and sound sculpture. She performs in numerous venues in the USA, Canada, Europe, and Israel; has presented sound installations at Logan International Airport Boston, festivals such as the Sound Symposium, and SoundCulture 96; and is the founder and director of Audible Visions, a sound and music series in her Somerville, MA loft.



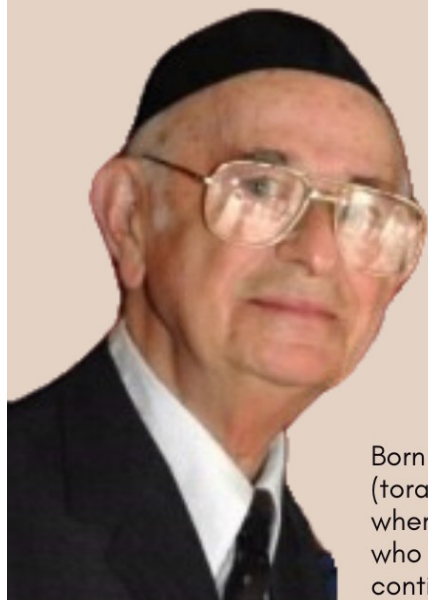
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Morris Hollender: A 100TH BIRTHDAY CONCERT

featuring

HANKUS NETSKY
JESSICA KATE MEYER
EDEN MACADAM-SOMER
ITAY DAYAN

Born in Czechoslovakia in 1925, Morris Hollender (1925–2014) served as baal kore (torah reader) and baal tefile (lay cantor) at Temple Beth Israel in Waltham, MA, where he generously shared stories, songs, jokes, and folk-wisdom with anyone who listened. A survivor of Auschwitz, his music is a testament to his resilience, and continues to inspire communities around the world.

SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2025, AT 3:00 PM

Temple Beth Israel, 25 Harvard Street, Waltham, MA

Sponsorships and Ticket Information

BAAL KORE - \$1000

- Full Page Ad/Greeting in Program Booklet and recognition at the event
- VIP Seating for 4 guests
- Pre-concert reception with performers

BAAL TEFILE - \$500

- Half-Page Ad/Greeting in Program Booklet and recognition at the event
- VIP Seating for 2 guests
- Pre-concert reception with performers

MINYAN - \$250

- Quarter-Page Ad/Greeting in Program Booklet
- VIP Seating for 2 guests
- Pre-concert reception with performers

For custom business packages, contact Andrea Baron at andrea@tbiwaltham.org or 781-894-5146.

ADS AND GREETINGS

- Purchase an ad in the concert program
 - Full Page (\$ 100)
 - Half Page (\$ 75)
 - Quarter Page (\$ 50)
 - One-line greeting in concert program (\$ 25)
- Donate a prize for the raffle or sponsor refreshments (contact us for details)

TICKET INFORMATION

- \$54 per person / Reserved Seating
- \$36 per person / General Admission

Purchase your tickets online at tbiwaltham.org, contact the Temple office at 781-894-5146, or send your check to Temple Beth Israel, 25 Harvard Street, Waltham, MA 02453.





Last Chance for Annual Appeal Donation

The Annual Appeal has been open for donations since the High Holidays. This is separate from membership dues or any other type of donation. This coming month will be your **last chance** to donate to the Annual Appeal. Listed below is the current list of everyone who has donated to the Annual Appeal. The final, complete list of everyone who donated will be printed in next month's newsletter. We are still a bit short of our \$15,000 goal, so if you have not yet donated, and want to be included in the final list of Annual Appeal donors, please be sure to get your donation in within the next couple of weeks. Thank you.

Jim Baron

Treasurer and Finance Committee Chairperson

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Donations

Saturday Kiddush Donations

Jan 4 - Mark Frydenberg

Jan 11 - Toni Wolfman, in memory of Bob Macauley

Jan 18 - Alan Corman

Jan 25 - Joan Friedman

General Fund Donations

- Patricia McCue, in memory of Arthur Marion

Mark Frydenberg Event Participation Fund

- Scott Tepper

Warming Center Donations

- Leon Schiff
- Waltham Community Foundation

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to volunteer to be gabbai, to read from the Torah or chant a Haftarah, You can also contact Mark Frydenberg or Rabbi Ben if you would like to give a D'var Torah in the coming months.

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

If your loved one is remembered here, we remind you that it is customary to acknowledge the yahrzeit with tzedakah. TBI appreciates any gift you wish to make in memory of your loved ones.

January Yahrzeits

Jan 1 - Joan Friedman, in memory of her father, Arthur Friedman
Jan 2 - Gita Foster, in memory of her mother, Hella Hakerem
Jan 3 - Diana Korzenik, in memory of her grandfather, Rav Daniel Ben Zalman
Jan 6 - James Baron and Audrey Kennen, in memory of their uncle, Howard Kaplan
Jan 8 - In memory of Morris Hollender
Jan 10 - Zach Roe, in memory of, James Herbert Seilers
Jan 10 - Merrill Griff, in memory of Michael Laufer
Jan 10 - Toni Wolfman, in memory of Robert Macauley
Jan 12 - Karin Kriegsman, in memory of her mother, Hannah Handel
Jan 18 - Howard Trachtman, in memory of, Jacob Trachtman
Jan 18 - Catherine Cantrell, in memory of her son, Steven Cantrell
Jan 19 - Stephen Etkind, in memory of his father, Irving Etkind
Jan 20 - Miriam Chernoff, in memory of Betty Ullman
Jan 22 - Paul and Albert Smith, in memory of their sister, Margaret Smith
Jan 24 - Steven Kennen, in memory of Abraham Kennen
Jan 24 - Alan Levine, in memory of his grandmother, Sarah Rachel Greene
Jan 27 - Stanley Goldstein, in memory of his mother Caryl Goldstein
Jan 30 - Jill Carni, in memory of her father, Lawrence Carni
Jan 30 - Erika Mackin, in memory of her grandfather, Robert Terrance Mackin

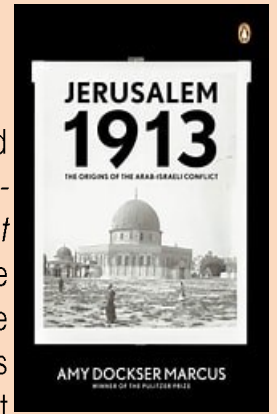
February Yahrzeits

Feb 1 - Marilyn Racette, in memory of Eleazer Weitzenberg
Feb 2 - Dianne Levine, in memory of Milton Popolow
Feb 3 - Robert Kaitz, in memory of Anita Kaitz
Feb 5 - TBI, in memory of Edith Hollender
Feb 7 - Steven Kennen, in memory of his mother, Sarah Kennen
Feb 9 - Jill Carni, in memory of Ira Zinkerman
Feb 10 - Miriam Chernoff, in memory of Max Chernoff
Feb 12 - Amy Rothman, in memory of, David Rothman
Feb 12 - Howard Trachtman, in memory of Eva Trachtman
Feb 12 - Erika Cohen, in memory of her mother, Ilona Viltschek
Feb 12 - Dana Fine, in memory of her father, Martin Albert
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TBI Bookshelf

By Marilyn Racette

As we look to move forward into a new year, we might stop to think about where we are, and where we have been, in order to move forward. In *Jerusalem 1913 The Origins of the Arab-Israeli Conflict*, Pulitzer Prize winning journalist Amy Dockser Marcus, *The Wall Street Journal's* Middle East correspondent from 1991–1998, the author takes us back to a time when the Ottoman Empire ruled a city in which Christians, Jews, and Muslims lived in relative security in one of the world's holiest sites. She recounts the shattering of the precarious balance, and through the lives of a handful of the city's leading citizens traces a struggle that will reverberate for generations to come. We have a hardcover copy in our library which you can borrow, or buy the paperback copy from our sale cart!



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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 \$3,600 per grave, which includes one year of membership.

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—Jim Baron and Alan Levine
Cemetery Committee Chairs

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