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**JFNH Board
 Spotlight:
 Board Member
 of the Month –
 Amy Lester**

Meet Amy Lester from Durham, New Hampshire!

Tell us a little about yourself.

I moved to New Hampshire five years ago from New York with my husband, three kids, and two Australian Shepherds. We printed out a map of the United States and crossed off states one by one until we landed on New Hampshire. We came with the plan of a simpler life, and we have not regretted the move for one moment!



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Shabbat Candle Lighting Times: (Manchester)



April 1	6:54 PM
April 8	7:02 PM
April 15	7:10 PM
April 22	7:17 PM
April 29	7:27 PM

Passover: A Time of Memories and Traditions

Passover is a time we celebrate many Jewish traditions. We eat symbolic goods, recite prayers, and ask thought provoking questions. These timeless traditions have been connecting our families, our cultures, and our communities across the world for centuries.

I love setting the table for Passover. The beautiful seder plate at the center of the table and, each plate has a beautiful siddur placed lovingly on top. Everyone gathers around the table while the familiar story is told. Last year, for the first time, my son Max sang the four questions all on his own. He was beaming with pride, and so was I, knowing what a rite of passage that moment is for children at the Passover seder.

Allyson Guertin

**JFNH
Director**



My favorite Passover memory is of my wonderful Grandpa Sol sitting at the head of our table, proudly leading us in our Passover seder. We would finish each seder singing a version of Deyenu that I thought would never end. Each time, we would finish he would call out "Once more time!" and the final verse of the song would start again and again until



my sisters and I were all giggling uncontrollable and begging for it to end. Our meal would then begin with our matzah ball soup, that my grandfather would savor by loudly slurping each sip until his

bowl was empty! We would all look around at each other from the rims of our bowls, holding in our laughter, as adults bust with love for this wonderful patriarch of our family. As with all great family traditions, in the years since, my mother has since picked up Deyenu right where my grandfather left off. The same matzah ball soup recipe is served, ensuring his memory at the Passover table is never forgotten.

There are many things about Passover that have changed since I was a child but there is something so comforting in knowing the traditions will always stay the same, keeping us connected, wherever we celebrate.

Shmutz, Matzoh Balls, and Passover Memories

By Dinah Berch, Program Coordinator,
Jewish Federation of New Hampshire

Passover. Sense memory is strong, and I can almost taste the matzoh ball soup. I hear my siblings' laughter and remember my father's ridiculous trivia questions that earned us "Goldberg Gelt." I remember my cousins' seder that lasted all night. I think back on the strangest hiding places for the afikomen – and the best gift I ever received for finding it: a red Minnie Mouse watch from my grandfather.

My parents' seders were a well-established and beloved tradition – maxing out at 35 guests I believe. We kids were always encouraged to bring a friend – a Jewish friend without a seder to go to first, but if all our Jewish friends had places to go, then we could invite whomever we wanted.

My husband's family has an equally established seder, more like a family reunion. This will be the first year that a version of the Berch Family Seder will resume in person after two years on Zoom – at our house in Dover, New Hampshire. The Berch Maror tradition of eating raw home-grown horseradish slabs - while bemusedly serving the mild endive or grated horseradish to those of us with more sensitive dispositions – will also continue.

My head is whirling with how to get the house cleaned, de-shmutzified and de-chametzed in time, and where to find enough Kosher for Passover items in New Hampshire. I love the chaotic, family and food-filled nature of Passover, but I also thought that our Zoom seders presented some unique opportu-



Two girls enjoy the recent "Chocolate Havdallah" story time program from PJ Library – New Hampshire.

nities. Zoom backgrounds of the pyramids to make us feel part of the story. Incorporating family who don't usually travel so far. Discreetly omitting some of the more annoying parody songs from our Seder agenda, blaming Zoom's sound issues. Incorporating more "child-friendly" components into what was previously a very adult seder.

I've fallen in love with the PJ Library *In Every Generation Family Haggadah*, which is available as a free PDF from the Passover Hub: <https://pjlibrary.org/haggadah>. We also supplement with some of *Sammy Spider's First Haggadah*. I'm hoping that this year we'll continue to use these resources.

PJ Library has everything from a Step-By-Step Seder video guide to video playlists and podcasts. Last year we printed out and used the "question catcher" from PJ Library as well as the Passover MadLibs, letting our kids choose moments in the Seder to interrupt with a question. This kept them engaged and made the seder more of a

game. I'm thinking we need a Passover Bingo card too this year. I plan to add the "Matza Mania" Charcuterie board to our seder table, thanks to the recipe cards PJ Library sent out to families. Didn't receive these? Email me at Dinah.berch@jewishnh.org.

My kids are already practicing the *Ma Nishtana* (four questions) nightly – it's coming along slowly. The kids are big into heckling as they sing "...she'ar yerakot" "You're a COAT?!" Movie night for "The Prince of Egypt" will likely happen soon.

I hope everyone will join us on Sunday, April 3rd for a fantastic event – the Passover Story Walk – returning this



A young Kira Berch assists her grandfather in preparing Maror for the seder table.

year to a beautiful park and nature trail in Manchester (exact location will be sent to everyone who registers). Several synagogues are coming together to create this fun family experience with a new story, crafts, and games. Mark your calendars and I hope to see you there! Watch your email for more information on how to register.

I hope your seders are raucous and joyful and your preparations easy and stress-free. Happy Passover and Chag Pesach Sameach!

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Thursday, March 31 – Sunday, April 10

New Hampshire Jewish Film Festival 2022
For more information, please visit <https://2022nhjff.eventive.org/welcome>

Friday, April 1

First Friday Alternative Service with Speaker JerriAnne Boggis
6:30PM – 7:30PM, Temple Israel, Portsmouth
Please join Temple Israel Portsmouth, on the "first Friday" of every month for a special Kabbalat Shabbat service. In April, we welcome guest speaker

JerriAnne Boggis, Executive Director of the Black Heritage Trail of NH, sponsored by the Tikken Olam Committee.

About our speaker: JerriAnne Boggis is the Executive Director of the Black Heritage Trail of NH, the founder, and Director of The Harriet Wilson Project; and the previous Director of Diversity Programs and Community Outreach at the University of New Hampshire.

JerriAnne was named one of the 25 Extraordinary Women of Southern New Hampshire by the Nashua Telegraph in 2015; named the 2017 Freedom Fighter by Seacoast NAACP and in 2015, she was named by the New Hampshire Humanities Council as one of the

40 most influential New Hampshireers who have vastly enriched human understanding. Contact Heather Tomlinson 603-436-5301, templeoffice@templeisraelnh.org

Sunday, April 3

Passover Story Walk

2:00PM – 4:00PM, Manchester
Chabad of NH, PJ Library, Temple Adath Yeshurun, Temple Beth Abraham, Temple Israel Portsmouth, and Temple Israel Manchester invite you to bundle up and enjoy the fresh air as you follow a Passover story through the park stopping to complete activities along the way. Registration is required https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf4ds2lWu03rnv18j381JEQZ9AtP4U993E1txWdYudaSX_uRg/viewform Come anytime between 2-4 PM. Masks are required for anyone ages 3+. For security purposes park location will be given with your registration.

Thursday, April 7

Seniors Forever Young trip to the Currier Museum of Art

10:30AM – 12:30PM, Currier Museum of Art, Manchester
Join us for an in-person tour of the Currier Museum, then lunch in the Winter Garden Café. \$18/person (non-refundable), cost of lunch not included. Please register and pay by March 31. Transportation not provided – please meet at museum. All visitors are required to wear securely fitting masks. Proof of Covid vaccination required by museum: Please be prepared to show your vaccination card and ID. To register, please call the JFNH office at 603-627-7679, mail your registration to Jewish Federation of New Hampshire 273 South River Road Unit 5 Bedford, NH 03110, or email Dinah Berch at berch@jewishnh.org

Friday, April 8

Tot Shabbat with Raba Kaya

5:00PM – 5:45PM, Temple Israel, Portsmouth
Join Temple Israel Portsmouth for a kid friendly musical Shabbat experience led by Raba Kaya in the Social Hall! Geared for children aged 5 and under; all are welcome. Kindly register via the website calendar <https://templeisraelnh.shulcloud.com/event/tot-shabbat-with-raba-kaya1.html>

Temple Israel Shabbat Happy Hour

5:45PM -6:30PM, Temple Israel, Portsmouth
Join us in the Temple Israel Social Hall for a festive gathering with potluck appetizers before the Kabbalat Shabbat Service begins. Bring a dish to share, see below for guidelines.
All food brought to the event must be vegetarian, dairy or pareve. Pareve (neutral) refers to foods that are neither meat, nor dairy. This includes all fruits, vegetables, grains, eggs, and fish which have fins and scales. This event assumes that Rockingham County is code green on the CDC County Risk Level. Please contact the temple office with any questions about current Covid protocols. Heather Tomlinson 603-436-5301, templeoffice@templeisraelnh.org

Friday, April 22

Temple Israel Service with Yizkor

9:30AM – 10:30AM, Temple Israel, Portsmouth
Please join Temple Israel in person or on-line, as Raba Kaya Stern-Kaufman leads a Passover service with Yizkor. Contact Heather Tomlinson 603-436-5301, templeoffice@templeisraelnh.org



Join JFNH for a statewide remembrance and celebration of Israel's National Holidays

It's time to Celebrate Israel!

The days between Yom HaShoa (Holocaust Remembrance Day), Yom HaZikaron (Israeli Memorial Day) and Yom Ha'Atzmaut (Israeli Independence Day) are a time to recognize Israel while remembering the many that perished for its founding and survival. For more information and registration visit:



Yom HaShoa Service



Zoom
4/27

Yom Ha'atzmaut Community Picnic



Goffstown
5/15

Zikaron BaSalon



Bow 04/28
Bedford 05/02

PJ Library - Zombie Shabbat



Zoom
05/13

Holocaust and Genocide: from Darkness to Light



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The Mossad Agent Who Rescued the Jews of Syria.



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05/05

Recipe with a Memory

Portsmouth Laconia
05/03 05/04



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Spotlight *continued from page 1*

I left a long career in software technology management to follow a dream of working in human services, and I am now happily working at Portsmouth Hospital. I enjoy trying new activities, traveling, experiencing life, keeping busy, fresh air, exercise, and making new friends. I am obsessed with checking items off my bucket list, and I also happen to be partial to all kinds of reality TV... all kinds! I am also thrilled and grateful to be part of the MOMENTUM group going to Israel in May. The silver lining, with the trip delays from COVID, is that it has given us a chance to get to know each other. This will make the trip even more special.

Why did you join the Jewish Federation of New Hampshire Board of Directors?

I joined the board because Judith and

Tracy are RELENTLESS... and I joined the board because I would like to see more people on the Seacoast benefit from the amazing work of JFNH.

What committee(s) do you currently volunteer with?

I have joined the Governance Committee, helped out a bit with fundraising, and I'm hoping to get more involved in Israel related programs.

What do you love most about JFNH?

The leadership of JFNH is dedicated to creating a warm and welcoming NH Jewish community. I love that everyone is committed to the same outcomes. I especially have been impressed with the quantity and quality of activities all focused on the advancement of Jewish life in New Hampshire.



Calendar *continued from page 4*

**Wednesday, April 20 –
Sunday, April 23**

Salim Salim

7:00PM – 9:00PM, Hennessy Theater, Paul Creative Arts Center 30 Academic Way, Durham, NH Winner of the 2021 Woodward International Playwriting Prize. Written by Stav Palti Negev. Directed by David Kaye. Cost \$16/ person. Register <https://unh.universitytickets.com/w/events.aspx?id=1535&p=1> Contact Jamie Clavet at 603-862-7222, Jamie.clavet@unh.edu

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Holidays of Israel

Shalom everyone!

I want to start off by wishing everyone *Pesach sameach*—Happy Passover! We're just a few days from Seder and I'm sure you're all in the final stages of finalizing the menu, getting upset that nothing is going according to plan and stressing about "who's going to sit where" – a Jewish tradition!

Even though Passover is the main event of this month, I would like to have you flip your calendar to later this month to talk about the Israeli National Holidays. As I'm sure you know, Israel is a young country with a lot of history. During the month of May (or the Hebrew months of Nissan and Iyar if you want to be correct), there are three important days that every Israeli knows and celebrates from the day they are born.

The order of these days is no coincidence, they are here to tell us a story:

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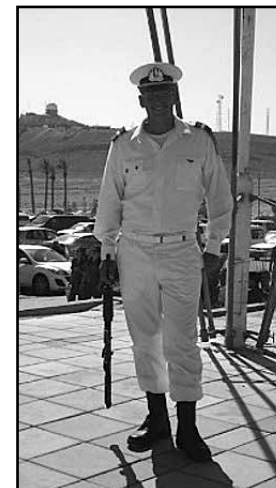
The story of the Jewish people and the founding of Israel.

The first of the three days is Yom HaShoa (Holocaust Remembrance Day) where everyone in Israel stops to "never forget." On that morning, a two-minute siren is heard all over Israel and while it's a time of mourning, it's amaz-



ing to see everyone – young or old, Jewish or Arab, right-wing or leftist, all standing still, and together, as one people in an act of solidarity. It is common to spend that day in a white shirt. All schools, military bases, and many organizations hold a memorial service, and it's custom to host a Holocaust survivor to share their story.

Exactly one week later is Yom HaZikaron (Memorial Day). In Israel, being



a young country with so many wars under its belt, almost everyone one knows someone who has a personal connection to this day. This is one of the most somber days in Israel. It is custom that soldiers in active duty return to their high schools to attend a memorial service. Again, the county wears white and comes together for three minutes of silence.

The harsh transition from Yom HaZikaron to Yom Ha'Atzmaut (Israel Independence) that comes right after it is meant to show that even though we've been through a lot we are still here, still fighting, and that nothing can change that. Yom Ha'Atzmaut is a day of celebration. Families hold barbecues, people go to the beach, there are concerts and fireworks at night – very much like the American Fourth of July (which I'm going to experience for the first time soon).

When looking at these three days, I wondered how to celebrate them in an adaptable way in NH—and I decided to go BIG! If every person in Israel is affected by those days, why can't every person in our community have that same opportunity? I partnered with synagogues to create a statewide program from April 27th to May 15th. There are programs for all ages and in locations all over the state (and on Zoom) to make these important days accessible to everyone.

Join me to one (or more) of these events – Go to the federation website for registration and more information.



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Seniors Forever Young Spring 2022 Calendar



April 7: Field Trip to the Currier Museum

Join us for an in person tour of the Currier Museum, followed by lunch in the Winter Garden Café.

11AM Currier Museum - 150 Ash St, Manchester, NH 03104

\$18/person (non refundable), cost of lunch not included. Please register and pay by March 31. Transportation not provided - please meet at the museum. All visitors are required to wear securely fitting masks. Proof of Covid vaccination required by museum; Please be prepared to show your vaccination card and ID.



May 12: Lunch & Learn - "Jewish History of NH"

Join us for a Lunch & Learn with a presentation by Steve Soreff. Bagel lunch will be provided.

11AM JFNH Community Room - 273 S. River Rd #5, Bedford

\$8/person (non refundable) - pay by May 5



June 1: Shavuot Blintzes & Craft

Join us for a fun craft project and celebration of Shavuot! Lunch will be provided.

11:30AM Chabad of New Hampshire - 1234 River Road Manchester

\$12/person (non refundable) - pay by May 20.

To register for any of these events please call 603-627-7679 to pay by credit card or mail payment to:



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Passover

PASSOVER GREETINGS 2022

Best wishes for a healthy and peaceful Passover
- *The Kalik Family*

Wishing you and yours a very happy Passover
- *Judith Jolton and Family*

May Pesach be filled with happy times for you and your family
- *The Harrisons*

Wishing all a joyous Passover
- *Marc Rubenson*

Wishing the Jewish Federation of NH Family,
a very "Happy and Healthy" Passover season
- *Frankie Shapiro*

Happy Passover!
- *Mike, Hannah, William, and Judith Boyd*

May the joys of Passover fill your home
- *The Regan Family*

May Passover 2022 mark a liberation from hatred and bigotry, a
stronger connection to Israel, a lesser polarized community, a better
stewardship of our planet, good health and peace
- *The Soreff Nation*

Good Yom Tov greetings for a meaningful
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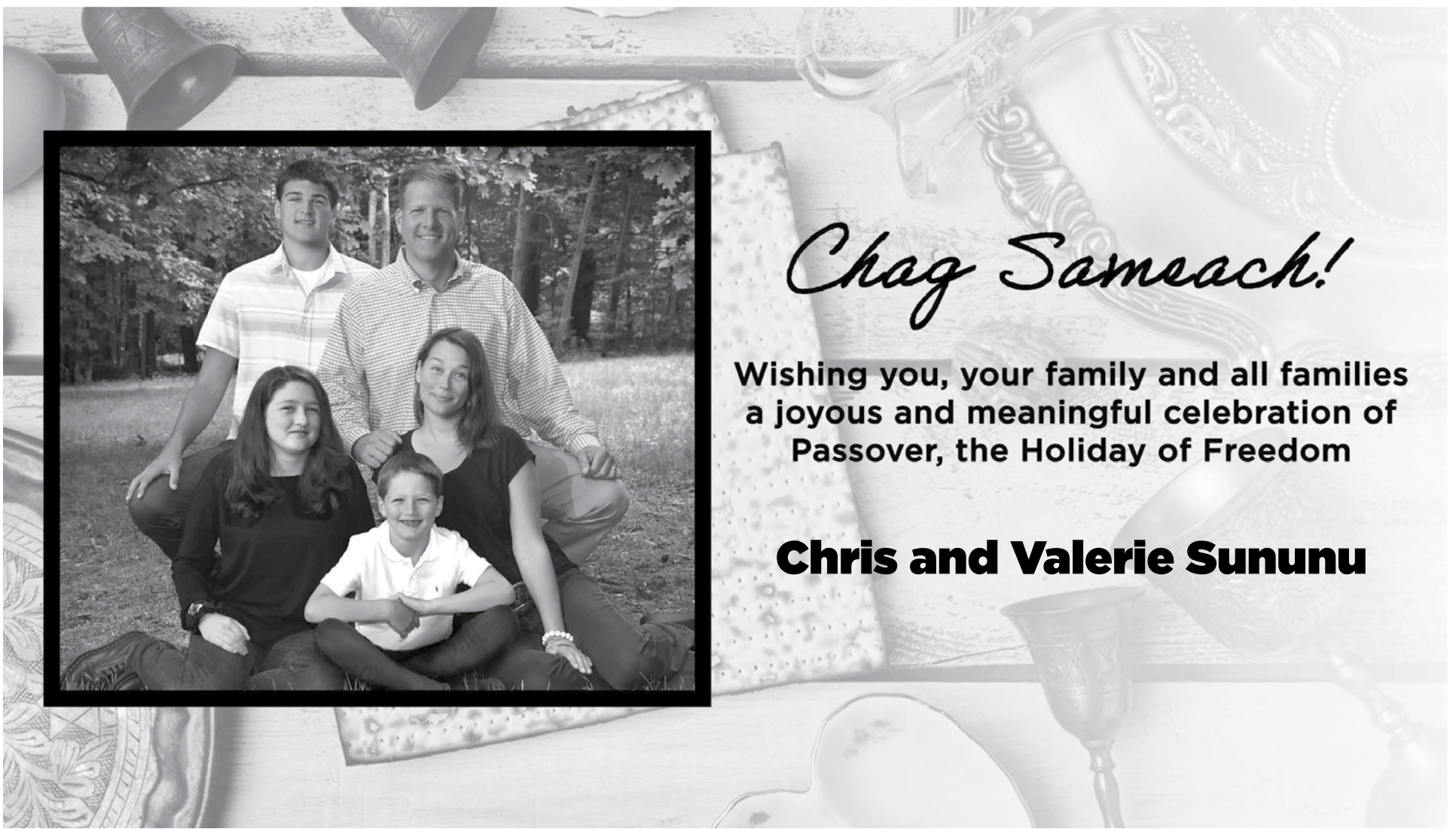
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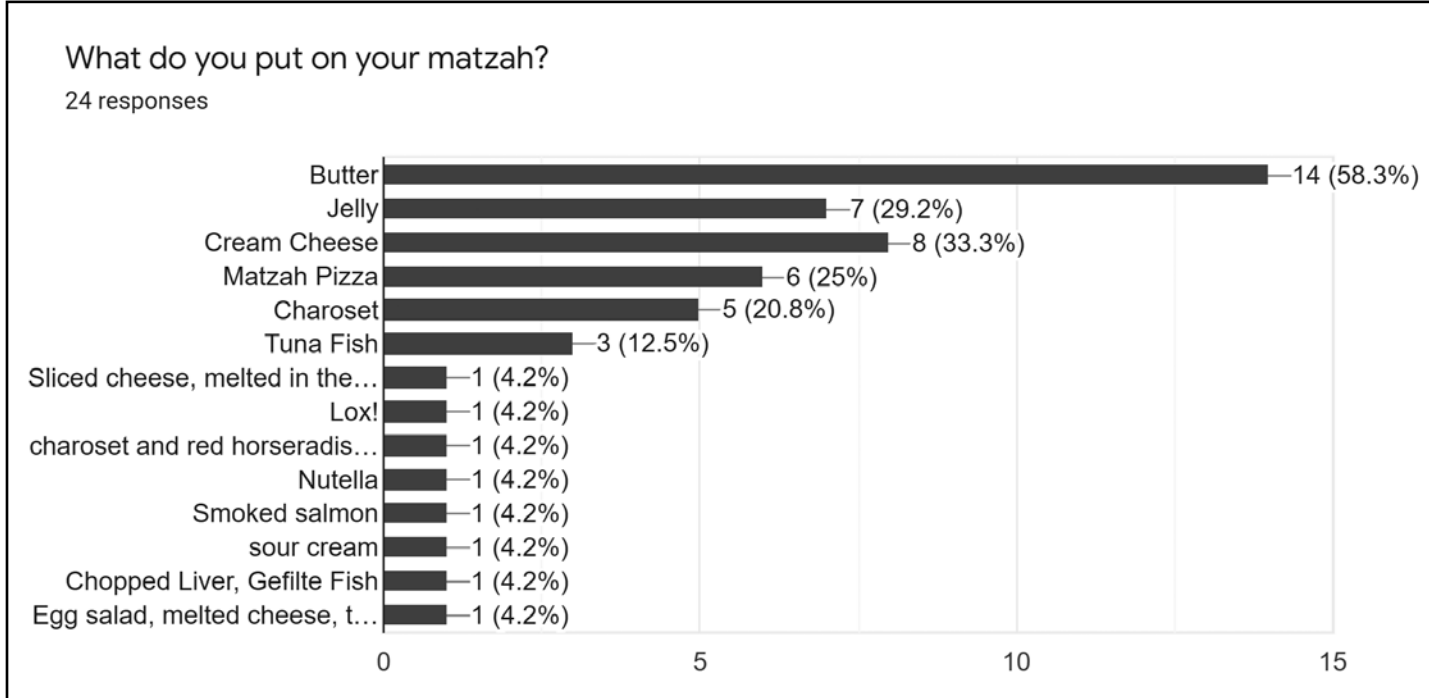
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What Do You Put on Your Matzah?

Once again, it's time for a fun holiday survey! This time around, JFNH inquired what readers of The Reporter prefer on their matzah whenever Passover rolls around. Here's what you answered – and, additionally, here's some commentary from a handful of local rabbis!

Rabbi Responses:

- Rabbi Robin Nafshi - *Charoset*
- Rabbi Jon Spira-Savet - *Temptee Cream Cheese*
- Rabba Kaya - *Salted butter*
- Rabbi Beth Davidson - *Breakstone's whipped butter (in the red tub) with a sprinkle of salt.*
- Rabbi Levi Krinsky - *We don't put toppings on matzah for the first 7 days of Pesach. But on the 8th day my favorite topping is to make a mock Hillel sandwich with smoked pulled rib, Romaine lettuce, and homemade mayo... yum.*



Farfel Pilaf

By Michele Bank

Ingredients:

- ½ large onion, chopped
- 1 red pepper (or your preference), chopped
- 1 celery stalk, chopped
- 6 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 4oz can drained mushrooms or fresh chopped
- Oil
- 2 ½ cups farfel
- 2 cups boiling water
- Bouillon cube

Directions:

1. Sauté chopped vegetables in large frying pan and remove from pan.
2. Heat 2 tsp oil to the frying pan and “toast” farfel. Stir every few minutes.
3. Dissolve bouillon cube in 2 cups of boiling water. Add to farfel in pan and stir.
4. Add the sauteed vegetables, stir again.
5. Bring to low boil and cook 15-20 minutes until water is fully absorbed.

Matzo Farfel Kugel

By Susan Friedburg

Better than regular kugel!

Ingredients:

- 5 cups matzo farfel
- 5 cups boiling water
- 1 stick margarine, melted
- 7 eggs
- ¾ cup sugar
- ½ pound cream cheese
- 1 tsp salt
- 4 heaping tablespoons cottage cheese
- 2 cups milk
- Cinnamon



Directions:

1. Mix farfel with boiling water. Let stand until absorbed. Drain off the water.
2. Add all ingredients, except cinnamon, to farfel. Pour into a greased 9 x 13 in. pan.
3. Bake at 400 degrees for 30 minutes. Sprinkle cinnamon on top of kugel. Continue to bake for another 20 minutes.

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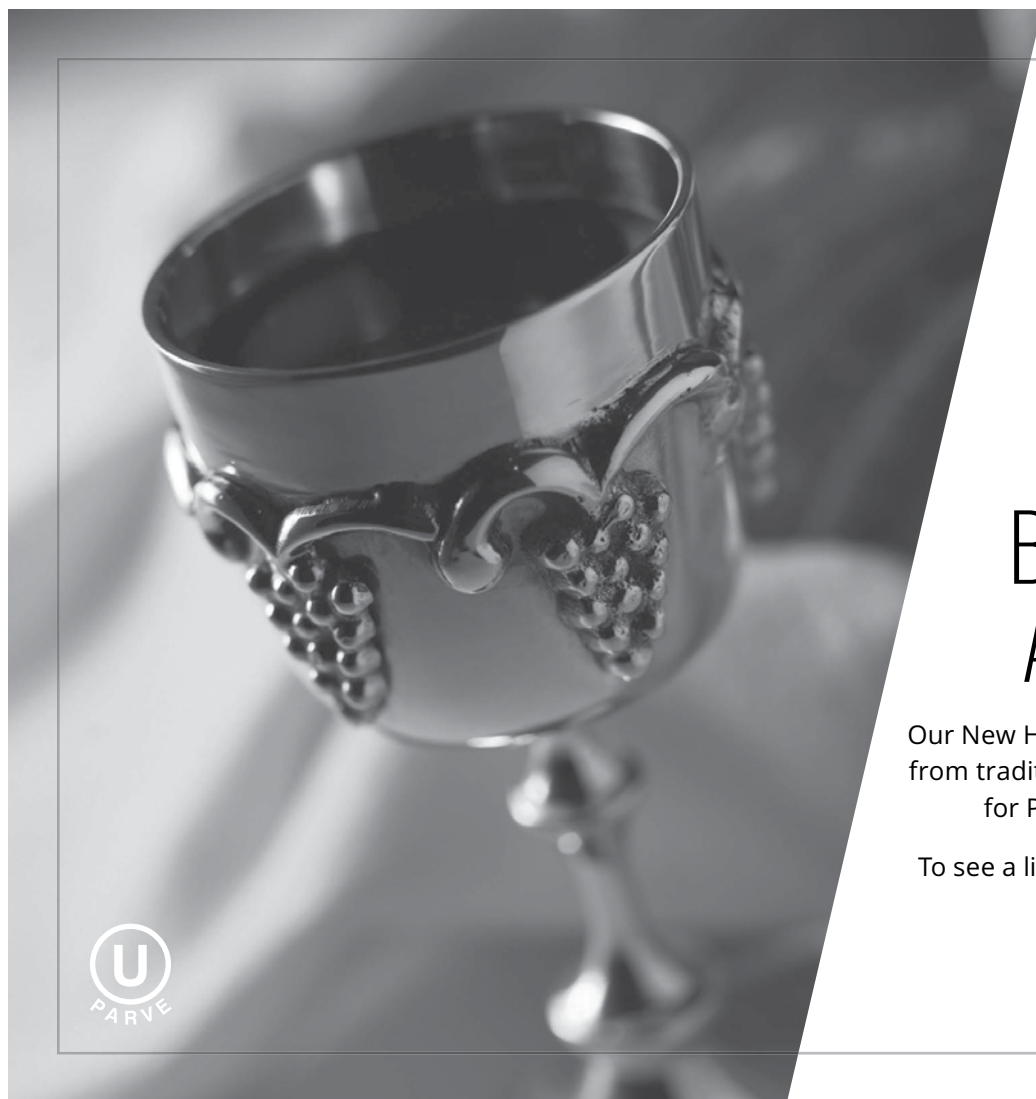
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Why the Soul Loves the Body

Body and soul are opposites. The soul wants nothing more than to escape heavenward, to leave its existence in this world and reunite with its Infinite Source. The body, on the other hand, seeks to experience an earthly life full of earthly pleasures. The body is not interested in abstract spiritual concepts. The body craves instant, tangible gratification.


How then do the body and soul unite so smoothly to become the human being? Why does the soul not escape the confines of the body? The Kabbalists teach that the Divine energy that creates the world—the “soul” of the world—is comprised of two parts: light and vessels. The light is the undefined energy, and the vessels express the energy in a limited and defined way.

Just like the human body and soul, the vessels and light are opposites. The light seeks to escape upward and reunite with its Infinite Source, while the vessels are happy to maintain their own distinct personality. Why then does the light bond with the vessels? Why does the light not retreat to its source?

Let us understand this by way of a parable:

A brilliant professor taught in graduate school, where he had many gifted students who understood the depth of his teaching and appreciated his profound insights. One day, the professor invited his students to join him on a visit to a first-grade classroom, where he would explain his latest discoveries to the children.

Understandably, the graduate students declined to join him. They preferred to experience their great professor's brilliance in graduate school, not in grade school. They had no desire to limit their learning to the intellectual ca-

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capacity of a first grader.

One student, however, decided to go along with his professor. The student understood that for a theory to be projected to the distant world of a first grader, the professor would need to reach far deeper within himself. In order to communicate with people so intellectually far from himself, he would search for and discover the essence of the idea. The student understood that the first-grade classroom was the place where the professor's true brilliance would be expressed. The ability to communicate with a distant reality comes from the deepest resources of one's intellect.

And so, as the first graders were listening to the older gentleman talk, they were oblivious to the greatness of his wisdom. They would have preferred to play with the toys piled up in the back of the classroom. Yet the graduate student marveled at every word that emerged from his teacher's mouth. Never before had he experienced this element of the professor's awesome intellectual power. Never had he heard such deep ideas expressed in such simple words. Interestingly, the first graders—the cause of this revelation—were not mature enough to appreciate it. It was the graduate student, alone, who appreciated the lofty nature of what was transpiring in the first-grade classroom.

Similar to the graduate student appreciating the lecture given to the first grade, the soul appreciates the greatness of the body. The body, like the first graders, does not understand that the body is a deeper expression of G-d's greatness than is the soul. In order to create a body, in order for G-d to express His energy in a spiritually distant place, G-d must express an even deeper part of Himself. And yet, it takes a soul to understand the great spiritual source of a body.

And so, it is with the Divine light. It, too, feels that the vessels, specifically because they are limited and defined, are rooted in a higher place within the Divine. The undefined abstract light senses that the creation of vessels is G-d projecting a deeper part of Himself.

This, then, illuminates Judaism's attitude toward all things physical. Physicality, left to its own devices, is empty of spiritual light and is a distraction from one's purpose in life. Yet when the soul engages with the physical, the soul re-

veals the truth, that physicality is a greater expression of the awesome power of G-d. For when an infinite G-d expresses Himself in a finite realm, that is the true indication of His infiniteness.

In Parshat Re'eh, the Torah describes the Jew's ultimate spiritual experience during the thrice-yearly pilgrimage to Jerusalem:

And you shall eat before the L-rd, your G-d, in the place He chooses to establish His Name therein, the tithes of your grain, your wine and your oil, and the firstborn of your cattle and of your sheep, so that you may learn to fear the L-rd, your G-d, all the days. How does the Jew reach the epitome of spiritual heights? By eating his grain, wine, oil, cattle and sheep!

For light feels the superiority of the vessels. The soul feels the superiority of the body. And the Jew senses that if while engaging in delicious meat and wine he can simultaneously experience a spiritual joy, he has reached the essence of G-dliness.

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Genetic Screening: Prenatal Screening for Those With Jewish Ancestry — What You Need to Know

By Dr. Marissa Baltus and Dr. Stephanie Wolf-Rosenblum

Last month, we wrote about the importance of genetic testing, in general, for those with Jewish ancestry. In today's article, our goal is to promote healthy babies by explaining why prenatal screening should be done in advance for any individual who may be thinking about pregnancy/parenthood – now, or in the future. Even if this is not you, please read on. The information you gain may help a friend or family member.

What is Prenatal Parental Screening?

Screening for many gene mutations linked to known conditions can be done before pregnancy. This is especially important for those with a history of genetic diseases that run in the family. Genetically speaking, those with any Jewish lineage are connected in this way. All Jews, whether descended from Ashkenazim (European), Mizrachim (Asian/African) or Sephardim (Spain, Portugal), tend to be at increased risk of having children

with hereditary disorders. It is important for both (potential) parents to be screened, even if one is not of Jewish ethnicity. This is important because these medical conditions are also found in the general population.

Why is this Important Even if There are No Known Problems in My Family?

There are many serious conditions that can be passed on to children when parents who are healthy are carriers of a gene. When both parents have a copy of this altered gene, there is a 25% chance with each pregnancy of the child having the disorder, such as Tay-Sachs or Cystic Fibrosis.

How Would Knowing that I am a Carrier Help?

If the healthcare team knows in advance that a child may be born with various conditions, they may be able to offer various testing and treatments while the fetus is developing in the womb or immediately at birth. It can also help couples make informed reproductive choices. For example, using the now-common tech-

nique of in vitro fertilization (IVF), along with “pre-implantation genetic diagnosis” (PGD), the healthcare team can even help a family to avoid the heartbreak of a child with a condition like Tay-Sachs, which remains uniformly fatal in early life.

How is Such Screening Accomplished?

Screening is done through a simple blood test or saliva test.

Should the Testing be Done More than Once? What if my Parents Were Already Tested and Were Negative?

Genetic testing was more limited in the past, so their clear results don't necessarily mean that there aren't other risks. Science has improved, and we are now able to screen for even more potential risks to the fetus, including various blood, nervous system, and metabolic conditions. It is not recommended to rely on companies that advertise directly to the public, as many have not been approved by the FDA and/or they do not provide pre-and post-test counseling. It is recommended that a couple work with a trained health profession-

al to test and review their results.

Where Can I Get Such Testing? Isn't it Very Expensive?

The availability, cost, and ease of genetic screening has improved greatly. One option is to contact your Primary Care for a referral in your network. Another option is getting a referral to J Screen, a non-profit that is part of Emory University. J Screen provides pre-and post-test counseling and mails a saliva kit to your home.

While people can access testing in many ways, it can be emotionally challenging to think about screening. Equally as important as testing is a discussion with a trained genetic counselor, who will be able to help with questions, concerns, and the fear of knowing versus not knowing.

This is the second article in a series which The NH Jewish Reporter is publishing on the importance of genetic screening. If you missed the first article, it can be found on pg.10 of last month's issue, available on the JFNH website. As always, we welcome your questions.



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A New Museum and a Mystery

By Stephen Soreff, MD

This article has three purposes. First, it is to acquaint you with the Museum of the Jews of New Hampshire (MJNH). The second is to enlist your help in solving the mystery of three window panels at the museum. And third, we want to ask for your participation, support, and contributions to the MJNH.

The Jews of New Hampshire have a long history of making significant contributions to the state in areas such as medicine, industry, education, politics, entertainment, and commerce, as well as its culture. Therefore, it is only right for the Jewish population to have our own museum. The MJNH celebrates, documents and preserves these achievements. It officially began on October 18, 2021, and it is housed within the Jewish Federation of New Hampshire. Throughout this past fall, Sol Rockenmacher, Mel Spierer, and Steve Soreff began reviewing, sorting and cataloguing the large amount of historic records, pictures, and material which have accumulated at the Federation.

The MJNH also grew out of New England Jewish History Collaborative initiatives to find common themes of the Jewish experiences in all six New England states. The MJNH not only gathers, preserves, documents, and displays the history of the Jews of New Hampshire, but it also serves as a depository for important objects from “lost” Jewish places such as from the congregation Beth Israel in Berlin. In addition, it has memorabilia and artifacts from the Jewish Community Center of Manchester. The MJNH first exhibit will show the life and times of Dr. Ben Bronstein and the ship, the U.S.S. Bronstein, which was named for him.

Now, here is the mystery.

The Federation acquired three large



window panels. The top of one of the panels is a depiction of Mount Sinai with the Ten Commandments above it, with – in Hebrew – Shavuot on the mountain. That panel’s lower part says “**In loving memory of Abraham Goldstein by his wife Ida.**” The other two lower panels read as follows: “**Louis Isgur, beloved husband and father**” and finally, “**In memory of Debrah and Jacob Spector by their children.**”

Can you please help us to identify its origin?

The MJNH has just begun. There are many ways you can be involved. We need folks to help sort, identify and exhibit material. One can donate money to the Federation, a non-profit organization, designated specifically for the MJNH. You could also help guide specific tasks, or donate objects of historical interest and value. For any of these, or for more information, please contact the MJNH’s head, Stephen Soreff, by email at soreffs15@aol.com, or call 603 895-6120.

Praying Together for Peace in Ukraine

By Rabba Kaya Stern-Kaufman

On Monday evening, March 7, over 80 people from many different faith traditions and backgrounds gathered at Temple Israel in Portsmouth to pray together for peace in Ukraine. This interfaith prayer circle is a new initiative in the Seacoast region, initiated by Rabba Kaya Stern-Kaufman. It is guided by the following vision and principles:

The Interfaith Peace Prayer Circle honors the integrity of all faith traditions and welcomes people from all backgrounds and traditions to express their unique voices and prayers for peace in a circle of connected heart and intention.

This initial event was co-sponsored by North Church-UCC, New Hope Baptist Church, St. John’s Episcopal Church, Seacoast Shared Ministry, Shilo Farm,



Green Acre Bahai Center of Learning, Portsmouth Buddhist Center, and Temple Israel Portsmouth.

Attendees of this inaugural gathering shared prayers, songs, chants, and wisdom from many different traditions, all focused on peace. It was an uplifting and connecting experience. Plans are underway to make this a regular gathering hosted by a different faith community each month. If you are interested in being added to the mailing list, please contact the Temple Israel office, templeoffice@templeisraelnh.org.

Etz Hayim: The Midrash and Moses presented by Rabbi Peter Levy

By Stephen Soreff, MD

The Midrash and Moses will be presented by Rabbi Peter Levy on Thursday, April 14, 2022, 7 PM in person at Etz Hayim Synagogue. Just in time for Passover, Rabbi Levy will talk about this fascinating subject matter, and as the rabbi says, “If you think you have questions about the life of Moses, then



Rabbi Peter Levy

you are not alone. We will explore the midrash that will bring new insights and understandings into a very critical and complex time in the evolution of our people.” The talk will be in person, with CDC protocols in place: that means masks are required and seating will six feet apart. This is part of Etz Hayim Synagogue’s Adult Continuing Education Program Hot Topics and Cool Contemporary Stuff. For more information, please contact: Stephen Soreff, MD, at soreffs15@aol.com or 603-895-6120.

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Yom HaShoah – What Is It?

By Rabbi Gary Atkins

I learned a while ago that many members of the Jewish community are not familiar with this commemorative remembrance day for the victims of the Holocaust. So, what is the day, formally?

According to the BHebcal website, “Yom HaZikaron laShoah ve-laG'vurah (יום הזיכרון לשואה ולגבורה; "Holocaust and Heroism Remembrance Day"), known colloquially in Israel and abroad as Yom HaShoah (יום השואה) and in English as *Holocaust Remembrance Day*, or *Holocaust Day*, is observed as Israel's day of commemoration for the approximately six million Jews and five million others who perished in the Holocaust as a result of the actions carried out by Nazi Germany and its accessories, and for the Jewish resistance in that period. In Israel, it is a national memorial day and public holiday. It was inaugurated in 1953, anchored by a law signed by the Prime Minister of Israel David Ben-Gurion and the President of Israel Yitzhak Ben-Zvi.”

So, on this date, it has become traditional for synagogues and communities

to come together, to remember, and to reaffirm “never again.” Over the years, the number of immediate survivors has dwindled. We see photos of those survivors, now in their 90s generally, returning for commemorative events at Auschwitz or other camps, sometimes accompanied by their children, the “Second Generation” children of survivors. It is essential to “Zachor,” to Remember. In Manchester it has been traditional for the community to gather together as one with a commemorative program.

This year, the program will be held at Temple Israel, 66 Salmon Street, Manchester, at 7pm. At the time of this writing, the program is being developed, but it will include the lighting of memorial candles, remarks by survivors and/or their children, commemorative readings, and songs.

Please put the event on your calendar and check the Temple Israel of Manchester website (or the Federation website) for updated information. The program will also be livestreamed: Those seeking to watch remotely should check the Temple Israel website for the link.

Temple Beth Jacob: Living Jewishly in an Online World

Temple Beth Jacob in Concord invites all from the community to join us on May 10, 2022 for a Zoom webinar with Daniel Libenson, as a part of the TBJ Shapiro Lecture Series. Dan is the founder of Judaism Unbound, and he will speak on Judaism and living Jewishly in an online world. Please contact Temple Beth Jacob (tbjconcord.org or 603-228-8581) to receive the Zoom link.

About Dan Libenson: He is the founder and executive director of Judaism Unbound. He is also the co-host of the Judaism Unbound podcast and The Oral Talmud videocast. Dan was Executive

Director of the University of Chicago Hillel for six years and Director of New Initiatives at Harvard Hillel for three years. He is a 2009 AVI CHAI Fellow and has also received the Richard M. Joel Exemplar of Excellence award, Hillel International's highest professional honor. Dan attended Harvard College and Harvard Law School. He has published articles in *Ha'aretz*, *The New York Jewish Week*, *Zeek*, *eJewishPhilanthropy*, and elsewhere, and he is the translator of *The Orchard* by Israeli novelist Yochi Brandes, as well as the translation editor of *The Secret Book of Kings* by the same author.

Youth Event Coordinator needed at Concord's Temple Beth Jacob!

Temple Beth Jacob in Concord, NH is seeking to fill the position of Youth Event Coordinator. Responsibilities include all aspects of events for our teen group—about two events per month, mainly on weekends. Candidates will have a strong commitment to supporting

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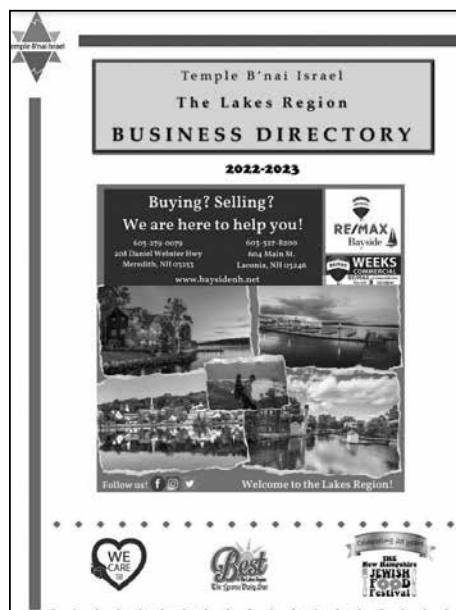
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Laconia, NH – Next month, Temple B'nai Israel will be unveiling the first digital edition of its sponsor book with exciting upgrades from the previous print version. Now titled *The Lakes Region Business Directory*, this online flipbook showcases businesses in the Lakes Region with full color advertisements and hyperlinks to the businesses' websites. The digital format allows for a navigation menu that brings the reader directly to the page for the listed business. The directory is set in an easy-to-use format by flipping pages, just like reading a book. *The Lakes Region Business Directory* will be available on the TBI website beginning in May 2022, 24/7, 365 days a year, until April 2023. The digital directory will be featured at both *We Care* concerts this year, during *The New Hampshire Jewish Food Festival*, and in monthly temple communications to a growing list of subscribers. In past years, the print version of the sponsor book was distributed just three times. This new format gives advertisers a platform to reach the growing list of TBI subscribers, those who attend the concerts, as well as the households that order from The New Hampshire Jewish Food Festival, an online event. For more information or to



place an ad, send an email to tbibizdir@tbi.org.

The Lakes Region Business Directory will be center stage on Memorial Day Weekend, Saturday, May 28 when The Jersey Tenors perform at 7:30 p.m. at the Inter-Lakes High School Auditorium in Meredith. The directory will be prominently displayed onscreen onstage prior to the show and during intermission. Patrons will have a QR code to check out



the digital book on their cell phones as well as have the link to bring up the book for reference to the advertisers throughout the year.

Kick off the summer season with an explosive musical experience by The Jersey Tenors who will astound the audience with iconic opera classics and tributes to rock n' roll industry greats such as Queen, Journey, Elton John, Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons, just to name a few. These four charming "wise guys" will raise the roof with their powerful voices, for one night only in the Lakes Region. Tickets are available on the TBI website for \$40 per person for general admission seating. The doors will open at 7:00 p.m.

We Care proudly presents their 14th concert where the entire net proceeds from the event will be returned to the selected beneficiary for this concert, Inter-

lakes Community Caregivers, Inc., a 501(c)3 nonprofit volunteer organization that "provides supportive services and information for our neighbors to assist them in their daily lives." Learn more about ICCI on their website (<https://interlakescares.org/>). The *We Care* concert model provides a platform for both the beneficiary and the event sponsors, Miracle Farms Landscaping, Audi Nashua, and Interlakes Family Dental to bring awareness to the public of their presence, their mission, and their commitment to the importance of community involvement.

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Temple Israel Book Club

By Benay A. Birch

The excitement and reading continues at Temple Israel of Manchester!

The Binding of Isaac was the selection for the February 16th book club. The story is about Isaac Abrams, a rabbi who had escaped the Holocaust, and is now rabbi in a small university town. He walks the streets at night talking to himself. On one of these walks, he encounters a secular man, Jack Israel, who walks with his two Newfoundland dogs. Through their walks together, they face tragedy with humor and love. We were honored to have the author, Jeff Sallo-way, who serves as co-chair of the Northeast District of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, UNH Professor of Health Management (Ret.) and Chair of UNH Faculty Senate (emeritus). His presence added more depth to the story along with great conversations.

On March 9th, we discussed, *Where the Crawdads Sing*, by Delia Owens. In this

book, rumors of the "Marsh Girl" bother Barkley Cove's residents, a quiet fishing village. Kya Clark, barefoot and wild, is unfit for polite society. When the popular Chase Andrews is found dead, locals immediately suspect her. The town doesn't see that Kya is a born naturalist with just one day of school. Her lessons are life itself as she has learned from the land, learning the real ways of the world from the dishonest signals of fireflies. But while she has the skills to live in solitude forever, the time comes when she yearns to be touched and loved. Drawn to two young men from town, who are each intrigued by her wild beauty, Kya opens herself to a new and startling world—until the unthinkable happens. In our book club, in addition to enjoying an admiration for Delia Owens' writing and the mystery of the story, we could relate to Kya's isolation as we have experienced the same feelings these past two years dealing with the Covid viruses. Please read this great story.

Does the Soul Survive? A Jewish Jour-

ney to Belief in Afterlife, Past Lives & Living with Purpose, by Elie Kaplan Spitz, will be discussed on April 6th at 6:30 PM. Quoted from Goodreads, "With a blend of candor, personal questioning and sharp-eyed scholarship, Rabbi Elie Kaplan Spitz relates his own observations and the firsthand accounts shared

with him by others, experiences that helped propel his journey from skeptic to believer that there is life after life."

Do you believe in the afterlife? Please join us on April 6th as Rabbi Gary Atkins leads us in this interesting and fascinating subject. Contact Ken Cohn, newbegin04@yahoo.com to join us!

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Book Review

Reviewed by Merle Carrus

It's Haggadah Time

Passover is right around the corner, and we are getting ready this year to possibly gather around the table for a seder in person with family and friends. This is a great moment to look at some new Haggadot to share at the Seder table. You can all use the same version, or you can mix it up and have different people share from a variety of Haggadahs.

This year, there are the reliable standards from years past, like the *Passover Haggadah* by Nathan Goldberg, *A Different Night, The Family Participation Haggadah* by David Dishon and Noam Zion, and even the Maxwell House Haggadah. Those publications will be tried and true and tell the story in the correct order. To shake up your table a little and keep some

of your middle school children entertained, there is *The (Unofficial) Hogwarts Haggadah* by Moshe Rosenberg and Aviva Shur. This book offers discussion topics about the number four, slavery and freedom that will engage your audience with enchanted lessons from both Hogwarts and Jewish traditions.

The Haggadah About Nothing: The (Unofficial) Seinfeld Haggadah, by Rabbi Sam Reinstein, is entertaining and offers many quotes from Seinfeld, connecting all nine seasons to the Exodus story, the Haggadah, and Jewish texts in general. This is an entertaining addition to the main haggadah you are using. If you choose to have everyone at your seder use a different Haggadah, save this for

someone who is known to add levity to social gatherings.

Another fun Haggadah for the teens and lovers of graphic novels is the *Passover Haggadah Graphic Novel (English and Hebrew Edition)* by Jordan B. Gorfinkel and Erez Zadok. This is the Exodus story and the Passover seder in graphic comic book form. All the elements of the Seder are there with colorful pages of illustrations.

For the more detailed seder Haggadah, look for the *Night of Beginnings*, a new publication this year. Beautifully designed by poet, translator, and liturgist Marcia Falk, it is illustrated with original watercolor drawings by the author. This Haggadah will keep you at the

table while you can read the entire Exodus story connecting the ancient text to the ancient origins of the text. Falk uses psalms, songs and poems in her retelling of the Passover story, while highlighting its female characters, including Miriam (Pharaoh's daughter, who adopts the baby Moshe) and the midwives Shifrah and Pu'ah, who save the Hebrew male infants. Falk has created new blessings, in Hebrew and English, to replace the traditional, patriarchal seder blessings, and her kavanot—meditative directions for prayer—introduce a genre new to the seder ritual.

Whatever Haggadah your family uses, may you have a delicious and meaningful Passover holiday.

Post-Festival Binge Fest Announcement and Wrap-Up of 14th NH Jewish Film Festival

By Zach Camenker, NH JFF Committee Member

While the 14th Annual New Hampshire Jewish Film Festival is well underway, folks can start planning their next "Binge Fest" event for May when the Festival is over.

Much as we did in March with the Israeli TV series *The New Jew*, we will be offering another series over a two-week period for audiences to enjoy from the comfort of their home. Our Post-Festival "Binge Fest" TV series is *Labyrinth of Peace*, a six-part dramatic miniseries that takes us back to 1945 in Switzerland just after World War II has ended.

Told through the eyes of Klara, her fiancé Johann, and his brother Egon, *Labyrinth of Peace* traces a multitude of themes that affect the characters and highlight Switzerland's neutrality as a country that was all but spared in the war. Klara cares for young, displaced survivors of the Holocaust while Johann works for his father-in-law in the hopes of modernizing his textile company. Egon's mission to hunt down escaped Nazis stems from his own military service and work with the Attorney General's office.

As their stories unfold, all three char-



acters realize that peace is bought with bloodshed. Johann's eyes are opened to the many people who committed war crimes, Klara grows close with a young survivor named Herschel but burns some bridges in the process, and Egon finds himself in a flawed system that turns a blind eye toward Nazi criminals.

A fascinating period piece that examines the response of post-World War II Switzerland, a country we don't often



Labyrinth of Peace

hear much about in this era, *Labyrinth of Peace* is available from May 1 to 15. Tickets cost \$24 and with a purchase of one per household, you get access to all six episodes. This is a fabulous way to enjoy some more Jewish-themed content after the Festival ends and to learn more about the response to the Holocaust following World War II.

As a reminder, the New Hampshire Jewish Film Festival continues until Sun-

day, April 10. Following the last day of our in-theater events, we will have a "bonus week" through Sunday, April 24. During this period, folks will have virtual access to all of the in-theater titles, except *Cabaret*. You can visit our website at <https://www.nhjewishfilmfestival.com/> for more information.

We look forward to seeing you at the movies and hope you enjoy access to this multitude of entertainment!

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Film Review

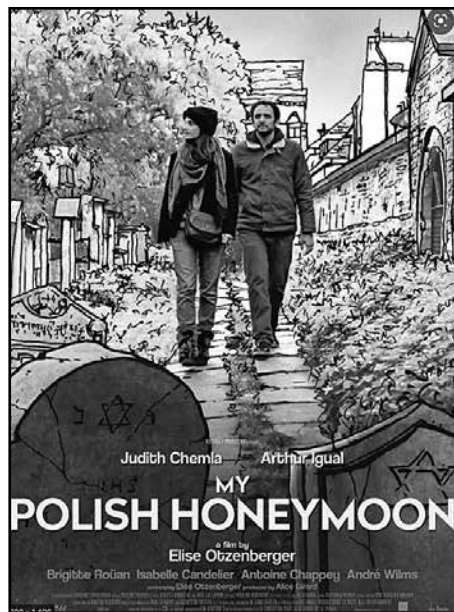
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Movie Review: My Polish Honeymoon and Tick...Tick...Boom!

I recently browsed some comedy selections on Chai Flicks, the premiere streaming service for Jewish and Israeli content, and came across a film that seemed to float my boat for a variety of reasons. A 2018 dramedy with sprinklings of the rom-com genre embedded, *My Polish Honeymoon* had a lot going for it based on its synopsis. The film follows a young married couple with a new baby as they embark on a weekend getaway/belated honeymoon. Natives of Paris, Anna and Adam decide to take a trip to Poland to discover their Jewish roots. What ensues is both a highly personal dive into their family history and a unique comedy of errors. It's a fun and light, albeit personal, film that runs just under 90 minutes.

In reading the plot, I was drawn in by the Parisian roots of the couple. I spent a summer in Paris several years ago where I took French classes and studied art history. Talk about a perfect place to do it! I fell in love with the beauty of the city, so despite the title of this film, I was hoping for at least some glimpse into French life. That, however, was limited. Instead, the focus was, as the title indicates, on Poland, a country I know little about but was definitely drawn into by the location shooting.

What drew me in more was Anna and Adam's relationship, one that was portrayed with some great balance of fun and serious. Given the nature of their visit to Poland for both pleasure and historical understanding, it is an intriguing premise. Both of their families have roots that tie to Poland's troubling actions during World War II and the Holocaust, something that the movie does not gloss over. The shift to the more serious side, however, seems a bit abrupt and lacks substance until the tail end. This does not distract too much from the film luckily. The music also draws you in, particularly the Klezmer sections. It makes the film feel tied to its characters' Jewish roots even before it takes a deeper dive into the Jewish history. Filled with some good dialogue, funny moments, and two fine performances from the leads, *My Polish Honeymoon* is well worth your time and can also be found to rent for \$2.99 on Amazon. If you like French culture or language as I do, it will also please you to hear the language spoken so beautifully by Anna and Adam!



Another option on Amazon right now is Season 4 of *The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel*, which dropped its final episodes on Friday, March 11. If you're a fan like me and have missed the show during the pandemic, you'll be in for a treat to see all your favorites back in NYC! While this season continues to bring a lot to the table, I will say that it lags a bit in the "new ideas" department as I felt Season 3 did. It's wise of the production crew to finish out the show with Season 5, something that many comedies are doing nowadays due to audience attention span and a fear of "jumping the shark" so to speak.

The new season still delights in its vivid portrayal of life in New York, the realistic depiction of Jewish culture, and of course, its memorable characters. My favorite is still Susie Meyerson, Midge Maisel's hilarious and quirky manager played by the inimitable Alex Borstein. Her one-liners are simply the best! Featuring more guest appearances by the always enjoyable Jane Lynch and a cameo from the legendary John Waters, the show still has a lot of pizzazz, glitz, and excitement!

One final plug I have to make is for the highly praised film, *Tick... Tick... Boom!*, which is competing at this year's Oscars. By the time this goes to print, the Oscars will have already passed and while I doubt the movie will win either of its two nominations (for Best Actor and Best Editing), it is great to see the attention it has gotten.

The film tells the story of Jonathan Larson, the late, great composer, lyricist,



and playwright who famously penned the Tony-winning rock musical *Rent*. Born in New York to first generation Jewish-American parents, he chased his dream of the theatre straight to the heart of Broadway and had some great success in his all too short life. What amazes me about this film and Larson's story overall is his enduring legacy more than a quarter-century after his death.

The movie is an adaptation of his own musical of the same name, dramatized for the screen with direction by Lin-Manuel Miranda, who makes his first appearance in the director's chair. Semi-autobiographical in nature, the film traces Larson (called "Jon" here) as he lives the career of a "starving artist" all the while chasing his Broadway dream.

Playing Larson is Andrew Garfield, a Jewish actor with American and British roots who rose to prominence following

his role in the 2010 film *The Social Network*. Nominated for Best Actor and delivering a career best performance, Garfield is a superb Larson, channeling what little is known about the man himself into a believable and fascinating character. What's most impressive here is that Garfield sings beautifully despite minimal experience in the past.

He truly delivers a breakthrough performance and is worthy of much praise, particularly in a year of such success for him, both with the *Spider-Man* franchise and as Jim Bakker in *The Eyes of Tammy Faye*, which won his co-star Jessica Chastain the Best Actress trophy at the Screen Actors Guild Awards recently. Not a lot of the films at this year's Oscars have Jewish content and while *Tick... Tick... Boom!* certainly does not fit the boat much either, to see a real Jewish artist with a deep legacy on Broadway portrayed on the screen by another Jewish artist is truly special. I can only imagine that this film will be instrumental in developing Garfield's own legacy as a performer in the years to come.

While I am rooting for Garfield to win Best Actor, I think Will Smith will edge him out slightly for *King Richard*, another really good film and perhaps a more transformative performance, albeit not as impressive in that Smith does not demonstrate the triple threat of singing, acting, AND dancing!

As always, happy film viewing to all!

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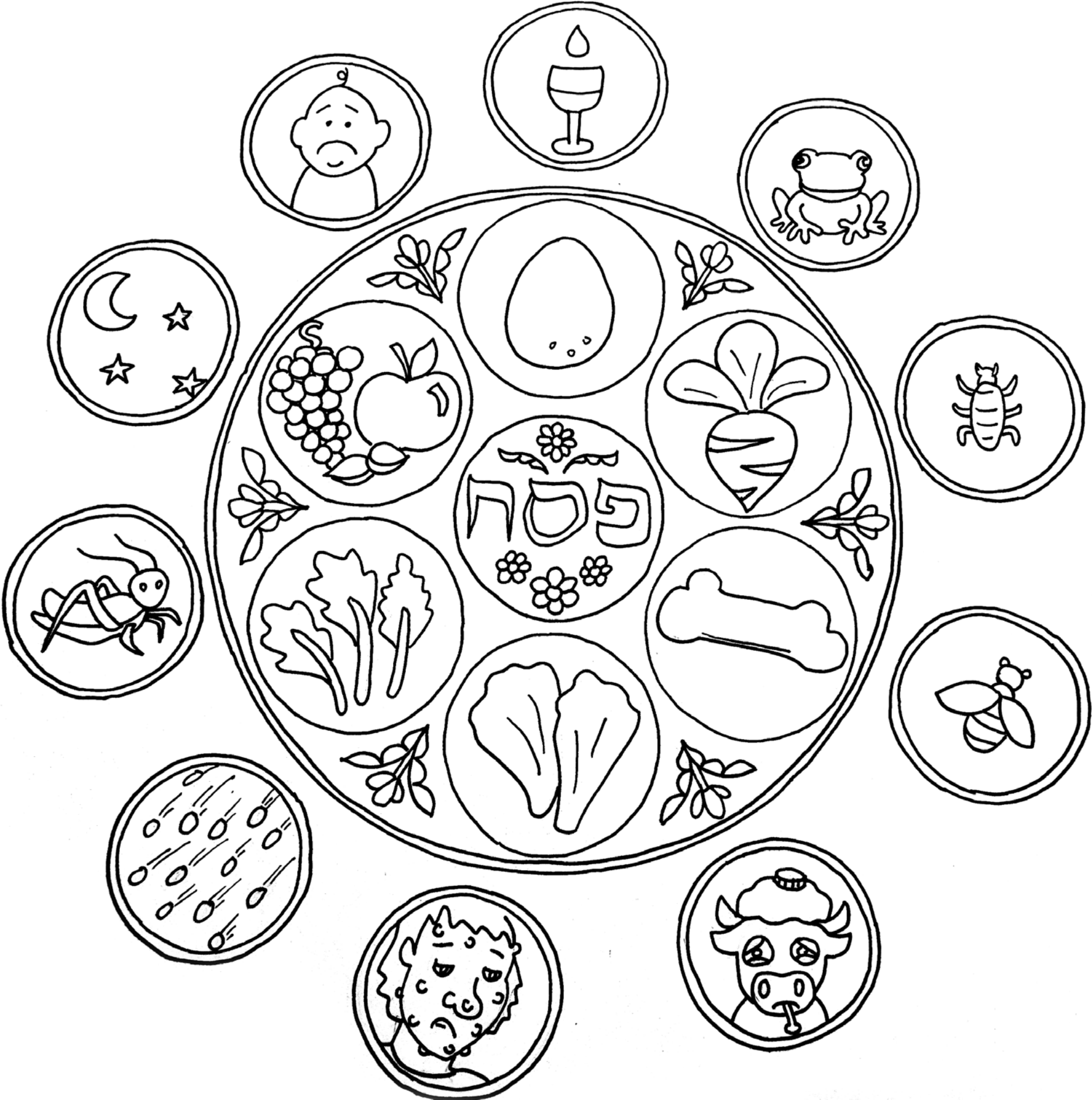
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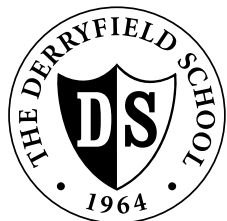
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Passover Memories from BHC

By Eileen Regen, Bethlehem Hebrew Congregation

Family, friends, frivolity – and most of all, memories! We here at Bethlehem Hebrew Congregation wanted to share some of our favorite memories of this special holiday with the rest of New Hampshire, and here are some highlights.

For me, as I grew up in Cleveland, Ohio, my parents, sister, and I always joined two completely different family gatherings for the annual celebration. Both first and second nights were spent at grandparents' homes with aunts, uncles, and cousins. First night, we attended the family seder at the home of my mother's parents, and second night, we joined my father's family. Although both seders were "By the book," each was completely different.

First night was a raucous gathering under the booming (almost on key) leadership of Zeide Meyer while Bubby Rose put the final touches on the celebratory feast. As the adults and older cousins chanted various parts of the text – or shared the latest gossip, the youngest children scrambled under the table, took turns sitting on Zeide's lap, and generally had a fine time. Second night was, by total contrast, a solemn time. As Bubby checked the cooking pots, Zeide Lippman rapidly chanted the entire text in Hebrew, allowing no shenanigans at the table and absolutely NO stealing of the afikoman.

In later years, my husband and children and I celebrated at my parents' home and enjoyed simplicity and seder fun together. Then, my family began our travels and celebrated Passover in various parts of the USA, Europe, and Thailand



Servers Mon and Wein enjoy Passover festivities in Bangkok, Thailand, 1969.

– all places in which my husband worked as a civilian engineer with the US military. We attended group seders in Europe and Thailand led by US Army Chaplains, and often conducted our own seder with US troops as guests. No seder I have ever attended has ever been without at least 10 to 20 guests!

In our Bangkok, Thailand home during the 1960s while the war was raging in Vietnam, we hosted US troops at our seders each year, with at least 10 guests at each seder. Our two Thai employees enjoyed the festivities of the seder, hoping that their newly acquired cooking skills with matzah and matzah products would be well-received. How did we acquire Passover products in Bangkok? My mother (Cleveland, Ohio) always shopped, packed up, and shipped three to four cases of Passover goods each year.

Other BHC friends shared some of their favorite Passover memories. From the Fred and Jan Apple family I learned that over the years they established the tradition of "plague bags" for the children at the seder. All participants at the seder were expected to write haikus of plagues listed in the seder as well as modern day plagues, and these haikus were



The Regens' Pesach seder brought US troops on leave from Vietnam into our family celebration, 1969. Our two sons are in the foreground.

read throughout the seder.

Sarah Wolfberg recounted that one of their traditions was that all at the table, from youngest to oldest, had to ask the four questions – but with a twist! As Sarah wrote: "The questioner was to chant the four questions in a new language or style/ accent that had not yet been used. The youngest leads with the first question in Hebrew in the traditional tune. The next child proudly leads the whole set of questions in traditional Hebrew. After that, it's a total 'Choose Your Own Adventure' experience – a fun way for guests to dust off their high school French or middle school pig Latin, or share a language recently learned or even in a language they grew up with if they are first generation Americans, have an international background, or can converse in ASL. Also permitted are heavy regional accents, stylized renditions (NY cab drivers, over-caffeinated baristas, Shakespearian actors, preschool teachers, Cross Fit instructors, etc.). One might chant as an Instagram Influencer. It reminds us all of the importance of making the Passover story our very own, and approaching the Haggadah as a personal ongoing redemption journey rather than

as an ancient narrative."

Seders with the family of Nancy and Geoff Fages are themed: Beach Blanket Seder, Pretty in Pink Seder, Black and White Ball Seder, and everyone dresses accordingly. "Jo, Jess, and I put on a Ten Plagues Show with props and songs. It makes the matza go down!"

Melissa Potter's family always "went to the home of Aunt Sandy and Uncle Hy for Passover seder because they kept kosher and we did not. [They had] Passover dishes and silverware, covered countertops and oven racks Aunt Minette, always in attendance, was very observant and very strict, and she would frown whenever we tried to make jokes during the very lengthy reading of the entire Haggadah. As children, we enjoyed seeing our cousins and having fun. One of our traditions was to do different hand motions with each chorus of "Dayanu" by waving our arms overhead, patting ourselves on top of our head, or even patting the person next to us on the back. We took turns, and everyone followed the leader. In our tradition, the children stole the afikomen and then all the cousins would run around laughing as they tried to find a hiding spot. After the parents looked in a few places, they would give up and agree to give each of us a few dollars. One year one of my cousins went to retrieve the afikomen and it was wet. Where had it been hidden? The toilet tank!!! After that, we had a strict rule that was repeated at the start of every seder: NO AFIKOMENS IN THE BATHROOM! We laugh about this every year."

Members of BHC send their best wishes to everyone for joyful, memorable 5782 seder gatherings.

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Israeli Team Led by Former Top WHO Official Will Provide Medical, Trauma Care to Refugees at Poland-Ukraine Border

TEL AVIV, Israel, March 2 – A leading volunteer disaster relief team of doctors, nurses and social workers from Israel are heading to Poland tomorrow to provide medical and trauma care for refugees escaping the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

Heading the humanitarian aid team from NATAN Worldwide Disaster Relief is **Dr. Dorit Nitzan**, until recently a World Health Organization regional emergencies director in Europe and representative in

Ukraine. Joining her are physicians, nurses, social workers and a logistics expert from hospitals around Israel, all of whom are trained and experienced in disaster and humanitarian relief worldwide.

NATAN, an all-volunteer organization of medical and health professionals from across Israeli society, will partner with the WHO, the US-based aid group Operation Blessing and the Mexico-based aid group CADENA, in coordination with Polish

authorities, to also deliver food, hygiene, medical and other relief supplies to some of the estimated 500,000 Ukrainian refugees fleeing the violence.

The team will be agile, working wherever they are needed near the Poland-Ukraine border for at least two months, providing tailored support including primary medical and psychosocial care and determining if further treatments are required.

“We dedicate ourselves to the more than half a million refugees and aim to leave no one behind,” said Dr. Nitzan. “The situation is grave. Many of the refugees are elderly, women and children. They are exhausted, sick, injured and traumatized. Ukraine’s neighbors have opened their hearts and homes to these refugees and we are joining in this enormous and critical undertaking to help those in need.”

Hadassah: Supporting Ukraine

By Michele Bank

Hadassah Medical Organization responds to humanitarian crises worldwide. We are proud to let you to know that the Hadassah Medical Organization (HMO) has responded swiftly to the war in the Ukraine, providing treatment in both the Ukraine and Poland.

At the request of the Foreign Ministry of Ukraine, and thanks to contributions from generous supporters, the Hadassah Medical Organization donated \$25,000 in medical supplies, which were airlifted to the Ukrainian/Polish border with the help of the Ukrainian Embassy in Tel Aviv. The shipment included: sterile surgical covers and clothing, disposable scalpel blades, equipment for wound therapy, orthopedic devices for external fixation, bag valve mask resuscitators, as well as surgical thread and other wound dressing materials.

Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc. (HWZOA), National President Rhoda Smolow and CEO Naomi Adler released the following statement expressing the organization's solidarity with and concern for the Ukrainian people and the Ukrainian Jewish community as they face what President Joe Biden has rightly characterized as unprovoked and unjustified Russian military aggression

"Hadassah is deeply concerned for the well-being of the hundreds of thousands of Ukrainian Jews and tens of millions of other Ukrainians. Together, they are facing the largest and most lethal military action on the European continent since World War II. We stand with them in full solidarity and pray for their safety.

"Too many civilians have already been killed. Many are fleeing for safety to neighboring countries, and some have found refuge farther afield – in Israel. We

applaud the Government of Israel, the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC), The Jewish Agency for Israel and other nongovernmental organizations risking their lives to provide support for Jews still in Ukraine and working to bring new Ukrainian olim to Israel. As Jews, we believe that whoever saves one life saves the entire world, and we are grateful for the bravery of those working to do so on the ground today."

In early March, a Hadassah Medical Organization emergency delegation made its way from Israel to southern Poland, where Ukrainian refugees are streaming across the border by the tens of thousands. The four-person delegation went to the Medical University of Lublin, the city's largest hospital, just 70 miles from Poland's border. They will share their experience with the local medical teams in how to triage trauma patients, and work with the Lublin hospital to assess the resources and personnel that will be needed to treat the refugees, whose swelling numbers may soon stretch the hospital's capacity to its limit. As of this writing, about 2 ½ million have fled Ukraine, most to Poland.

These Israeli doctors bring with them an intimate knowledge of wartime medicine and the physical and human infrastructure needed to handle sudden large influxes of patients. That hard-won expertise comes from treating countless fellow citizens injured in war and terrorist attacks.

The Hadassah team is made up of experts in different areas, such as general surgery, trauma, orthopedics and internal medicine. This is a fluid situation and additional doctors and nurses will be going to assist. This mission is part of a joint humanitarian effort launched by Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, the Hadassah

Medical Organization, and Hadassah International.

Hadassah's two hospitals are ready to treat Ukrainian refugees who are airlifted to Israel. All three organizations have launched fundraising campaigns to support this important endeavor. Your sup-

port is urgently needed. To donate go to: Hadassah.org. Additionally, Mei Shfeyah, one of the Hadassah Youth Villages, accepted fifteen Ukrainian students to live there.

For more information about Hadassah, please contact michele.bank@gmail.com.

Israel: Did You know?

By Elsa Conrad

What are major moments in the life of a young Israeli?

Perhaps it is because we have a new driver in the family, but lately, I have been thinking a lot about rites of passage, and life-changing moments in general. Here are some moments that deeply impact the lives of young Israelis.

September 1 – The official start of the Israeli school year, unless it falls on Shabbat, in which case school begins the following day. In religious schools, the official start date is the first of Elul.

Age 3 – Many Israeli students start pre-school, though some start even earlier and not all three-year-olds and four-year-olds attend public schools.

4th grade – Israeli students start English classes in school.

Age 15 – Students can start to work, though hours and jobs are limited, as Israelis consider school their primary job.

Age 17 – Young Israelis can start to drive on their own. Technically, they can drive at 16 years, nine months, but need a



licensed adult in the car. With gas prices nearing the equivalent of \$8 per gallon, they may not be in a big hurry!

End of 12th grade – Students take “bagrut,” end-of-studies exams. Success on these extensive exams determines eligibility for higher education and certain elite military units.

Age 18 – Students prepare for their military service. Workshops and activities prepare them during grades 11 and 12.

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Jews of Color Initiative Announces New York City Hub Incubator Projects

Submitted by Jason Edelstein

NYC Incubator Supports Jews of Color in Developing and Scaling Projects to Engage Diverse Jewish Community

(New York, NY) – The Jews of Color Initiative announced four projects for their New York Incubator Initiative, which supports Jews of Color (JoC) in developing projects that engage and support other JoCs in Jewish life. The Incubator is from February - August 2022 and includes a range of learning opportunities. In collaboration with UpStart, Incubator learning sessions cover “Articulating Your Values,” “Budgeting Basics,” and “Win Win Partnerships.” Participants also will reflect and resource-share as a cohort to co-create a brave and cross-pollinated community of JoC col-

leagues.

“We are excited and inspired by these four projects, led by talented leaders committed to centering Jews of Color in Jewish communal life,” says Riki Robinson, Program Director of the Jews of Color Initiative’s New York Hub. “Collectively and individually, each of the projects chosen for the Incubator will create change we need so that Jewish communal life reflects the diversity of our community.”

All Incubator projects are housed at organizations led by Jews of Color, and serve Jews of Color. Each project leader serves an audience in New York City. The four projects accepted into the program are:

Black Mussar Va’ad -

Black Jewish Liberation Collective

Black Jewish Liberation Collective is a

5-6 year-old volunteer-based organization working to sustainably build and grow. The Black Mussar Va’ad Project is a program of the larger BJLC project and is specifically focused on offering leadership with Mussar practice, collective study, and reflection.

Kamochah

Kamochah supports Black Orthodox Jews and engages with the broader Orthodox community, including through their New York chapter. They aim to normalize the presence and experiences of Black Orthodox Jews in all sectors of Jewish communal life, including, camps, schools, and shuls. Additionally, Kamochah hopes to serve as an accessible entry point into Orthodox Jewish life for Black Jews across denominations.

LUNAR

LUNAR: The Jewish-Asian Film Project creates media content about the experiences of Asian Jews and holds community events in three strategic regions and virtually. Currently, LUNAR has a Community Organizer on the ground in Manhattan.

The Workshop

The Workshop was created as a premier Jewish and Arts fellowship to ensure the best experience possible for JoC participants, collaborating with four Jewish institutions and creating infrastructure for JoC artists. Through the Incubator, The Workshop will focus on JOCISM Artists’ Residency which is a professional arts fellowship centering the work of JOCISM artists & culture-makers.

Repair the World launches Economic Access Fund (EAF) to remove economic barriers for Repair the World service corps members, fellows, and staff impacted by injustice

Submitted by Jason Edelstein

March 16, 2022 – Repair the World mobilizes Jews and their communities to take action to pursue a just world, igniting a lifelong commitment to service. We believe service in support of social change is vital to a flourishing Jewish community and an inspired Jewish life. Our approach is centered on the principle of serving in solidarity, *achdoot*, with people and communities. When one serves alongside others, new relationships and bridges are formed across lines of difference.

In our most recent evaluation, 93% of corps members and 96% of fellows (participants of our full-time and part-time stipended immersive service and learning experiences where young Jews and their peers develop skills and experiences around volunteering, program facilitation, and Jewish service learning) said they felt more connected to local neighbors because of Repair. Service with Repair provides volunteers with an increased connection to meaningful service and learning as a Jewish value, builds capacity for nonprofit partners to meet their missions, and deepens connections across lines of difference. Simply, service is a powerful experience for all involved. That’s why we are committed to making service accessible to all who want to serve.

To that end, as part of a recent investment to build the framework and infrastructure of our Equity Commitments, Repair launched an **Economic Access Fund (EAF)** to remove economic barriers for Repair the World service corps members, fellows, and staff impacted by injustice. In the first eighteen months, this fund provided \$119,517 in financial assistance to staff, fellows, and corps members to increase their access to serve alongside their communities. To meet increasing demand, the fund was recently increased to \$100,000 for year two. The fund covers immediate economic needs, such as transportation, mental health support, required technology, appropriate clothing, and other unexpected costs, and can provide additional personal and professional support, such as professional development and mentorship.

Grounded in Repair’s values of the preciousness of each human, *kavod ha’briyot*, and justice, *tzedek*, the goal of the Economic Access Fund is to bridge the economic gap that exists in service and nonprofit spaces. Qualified applicants have been impacted by systems of oppression such as racism, colonialism, ableism, fatphobia, sexism, homophobia, biphobia, transphobia, cissexism, classism, and religious and ethnic oppression.

Drawing inspiration from partner or-

ganizations like Avodah, this fund began by launching a Racial Equity Fund for fellows and staff in summer 2020 who were impacted by racial injustice to access additional funding for mental and physical health, professional development, transportation, housing, and other financial assistance needs. We also launched an additional equity fund for corps members in need of additional financial support. As we reviewed learnings from year one, living out our value of action & learning (*na’aseh v’nishma*), we:

- Established a task force of staff across the organization that reviewed learnings and data from year one, made recommendations for year two, and implemented the approved plan;
- Set quarterly check-ins with this task force to analyze data and learnings, make tweaks to the process, and ensure communication to corps members, fellows, and staff is continuous; and
- Shifted the name to Economic Access Fund and expanded the program in year two because we recognize that the fund is integral to our belief that Repair programs move us towards a more equitable and just world.

In our Repair the World programs, young adults create social change around pressing issues such as education, food, and racial justice in neighborhoods

throughout the country. Full-time fellows and part-time service corps members serve with local nonprofits. Fellows also build authentic and impactful volunteering and education experiences using peer-to-peer outreach and recruitment to engage thousands of other young adults in volunteering and learning.

Repair’s vast network is composed of individuals from different backgrounds and experiences. According to Repair’s recent external evaluation, 27% of corps members and 18% of fellows identify as BIPOC, 47% of fellows & 39% of corps members identify as LGBTQIA+, and 24% of fellows and 14% of corps members identify as people with disabilities. Repair’s fellows, corps members, and staff come from a diversity of backgrounds and perspectives, and they are all integral to Repair’s large-scale efforts. And at the same time, the communities with whom they serve alongside, and the Jewish community writ large, all benefit from their deep and ongoing service engagement.

At Repair, we aspire for every young Jew and their peers to meaningfully serve and want to ensure access to our programs to a diversity of individuals as a part of this vision. Our goal by 2030 is to inspire and catalyze one million acts of service towards repairing the world.



JFNH Tributes

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Campaign

From Dardana Hoyt in Memory of a dear friend Ellie Handel

Film Festival

From Gail Herman in honor of Pat Kalik and Ross Fishbein

Kushner-Tumen Family Children's Fund

From Andrea and Norm Kushner in memory of Harry B. Tumen
 From Andrea and Norm Kushner in memory of Betty Kushner
 From Andrea and Norm Kushner in memory of Charlotte Krentzel

Theodore and Charlotte Krentzel Fund

From Ann and Stephen Foster in memory of Charlotte Krentzel
 From Eleanor and Alan Rudnick in memory of Charlotte Krentzel
 From Bernice Taube in memory of Charlotte Krentzel
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