

# Chadashot Ha'am

A bi-monthly newsletter for Congregation Bet Ha'am

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By Rabbi Jared Saks

With summer upon us, we have the best that Maine has to offer: long days and cool nights, time at the beach or the lake with family and friends and, for our students, vacation from religious school. That said, time away from religious school doesn't mean time away from Jewish learning. As my grandmother taught me, a day without learning is like a day wasted.

Therefore, I want to share resources for Jewish learners of all ages so you can keep up with Jewish learning, Jewish life and whatever summer has in store for you. I have a few go-to websites for Jewish questions in need of answers. Of course, as is often the case with Jewish learning, the more answers I find, the more questions I have - but I hope these resources prove to be useful to you during the summer and even into the year ahead.

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One of my first stops on the internet in search of Jewish knowledge is [MyJewishLearning.com](http://MyJewishLearning.com). This website is, in their words, “the leading trans-denominational website of Jewish information and education.” In addition to wonderful articles about Jewish life and ritual, theology, history and Israel by scholars and rabbis of just about every movement within Judaism, MyJewishLearning.com offers weekly Torah commentaries, quizzes, recipes, and more! There’s a simple search tool at the top of the page. For fun, I put “summer” in the search bar and found great books with Jewish themes for summer reading. Among them is *Bee Season* by Myla Goldberg, that tells the story of fifth-grader Eliza Naumann, who impresses those around her with her supernatural ability to spell as she makes her way to the finals of a national competition. There is also a book that I’ve been reading for a while, *The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier & Clay*, by the renowned author Michael Chabon. You might even learn a little bit about the historical role that Jews have played in the creation of comic book superheroes if you read this book, since the two main characters create a comic book character, The Escapist.

If you’re the parent or grandparent of young children or a Jewish learner of any age looking for accessible approaches to Jewish life and culture, your first stop should be [kveller.com](http://kveller.com). Kveller.com describes itself as “a website for those who want to add a Jewish twist to their parenting,” acknowledging that, “for many of us, this is no simple matter.” Well, kveller.com makes it much simpler! You may be surprised to learn that Mayim Bialik, known for her roles as television’s Blossom and as Amy Farrah Fowler on “Big Bang Theory,” is an accomplished writer and teacher of Judaism. She is a regular contributor to kveller.com, writing on topics ranging from movie reviews to mourning to anti-Semitism on college campuses. Kveller.com also offers some local resources if your summer plans will take you to Baltimore, Long Island or New York.

If you want to take a break from traditional methods of study, then [G-dcast.com](http://G-dcast.com) should be your first stop. On its home page, G-dcast asks, “Feel awkward about your Jewish knowledge? G-dcast has you covered.” The website has videos, apps and interactive experiences for educators, kids, teens, families and adult learners. One of my favorite reasons to visit G-dcast.com is the short animated videos on the weekly Torah portion. These videos are narrated by notable scholars and are accessible yet profound. There are also videos on holidays, life cycle, *Kabbalah* and other Jewish texts. G-dcast.com describes itself as meaningful Jewish screentime, so perhaps you’ll pop your earbuds into your iPhone or iPad while relaxing at the beach and take in a little Jewish knowledge while you take in the sun’s rays.

The final site I want to recommend to you is [www.biblebeltbalabusta.com](http://www.biblebeltbalabusta.com). *Balabusta* is a Yiddish word for the female boss of the home. It is a term of high praise. Joan Brichetto, who runs the site, says that she only aspires to be a *balabusta*, but until then, she’ll continue to play one on the internet. She is a resident of Tennessee and has a keen sense for living a Jewish life where you’re distinctly in the minority. She presents hands-on activities and crafts, along with creative ideas for engaging in Jewish life, especially if you can’t just run to the local craft store and expect to find any Jewish content. Sounds kind of familiar, doesn’t it?





She writes that being Jewish in the Bible Belt means you have to work for it. So, even as you're enjoying the best that summer offers, I hope you'll also explore what Biblebeltbalabusta.com has to offer toward a meaningful Jewish life.

Of course, there's no replacement for the real thing, and I hope to see you around Bet Ha'am for *Shabbat* and also at Fort Williams for our summer family *Shabbat* picnics (Fridays, July 10 and August 14, at 5:00 PM). Summer's short in Maine, so let's get the most out of it!



***Mazel tov to our upcoming B'nai Mitzvah!***

We look forward to celebrating with them as a congregation.  
*All are welcome!*

**Lucy Medd** | Saturday, August 22, 2015

**Xander Lemieux** | Saturday, October 10, 2015

**Isabella Levine** | Saturday, October 17, 2015

**Isabel Berman** | Saturday, October 24, 2015

***Welcome New Members!***

**Margaret Boyle and Andrew Lardie**

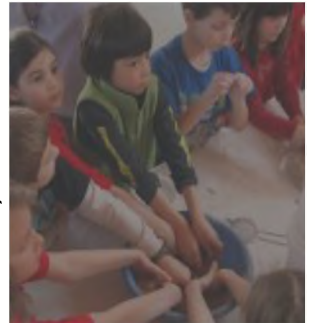
# President's Message



By Andrew Kosak, President

I'm very excited to be writing my first column as Bet Ha'am's president. Over the years, I have taken great pleasure in reading the Presidents' columns in *Chadashot*, and I must confess that it is much easier to read columns written with great clarity and style than it is to write one. My predecessors have set a high bar, both with their writing and their accomplishments. One of those achievements is our Strategic Plan, our Congregation's blueprint for enriching our spiritual and communal life. In the next few issues, I will be providing updates on how we are implementing this plan.

Among the Plan's elements is life-long learning, and we have some incredible new plans for our religious school program. Our traditional Sunday morning program is being revamped, while retaining an emphasis on Jewish traditions, Hebrew and community. Once a month, our students will devote their Sunday morning to *Tikkun Olam* as they focus on a project. Family and synagogue members are encouraged to join our students as we make efforts to heal the world. During the weeks with *Tikkun Olam* projects, participation in our Friday evening Family Worship Service will replace that week's Sunday morning classes. Students in all grades will participate in every month's service, and there will also be an interactive educational activity during the *Oneg*. Our hope is that monthly participation in these services will help begin a lifetime of regular worship. These services begin a half hour earlier to accommodate children's bedtimes. The other Sunday mornings each month will continue the high quality education Bet Ha'am has always offered, including Hebrew instruction, historical and cultural study and exciting activities.



Our educational programming for middle and high school students is also changing, and we are shifting to a credit-based system. While we will continue to have some required classes, students and their families will have choices of learning experiences that better meet their personal interests and schedules. Taking part in a social service project, reading Torah on a Saturday morning or mentoring younger students in our religious school will all be ways to earn credits. Since one benefit of attending religious school is the opportunity to build relationships with classmates, more credits can be earned for options that help foster community, whether attending youth group events or taking a traditional class. For more information about our educational programming, please contact either Rabbi Saks or Orly Biggie.

In closing, it is a great honor for me to be president of Bet Ha'am, an institution I love and cherish. I am eager to hear your thoughts and concerns as we move forward with this plan. Please feel free to contact me either via email ([andrewkosak@gmail.com](mailto:andrewkosak@gmail.com)) or by phone 729-0207. I promise I don't have King Albert in a can, but my refrigerator is running.

*B'shalom, Andrew*



# A place to learn *Tikun Olam*, to make the world a better place.



## Introducing a NEW and IMPROVED Religious School Program!

*Where kids actively learn Hebrew and Judaica with a sense of purpose and meaning.*

- Monthly *Shalom Yeladim* for children ages 3-5 and their parents
- K-6 program will be mixed with monthly Friday Family Services and *Tikun Olam* programs
- *B'nai Mitzvah* students and teens can now design their own Jewish Journey through our new *Chavayot (Experiences)* program, with a blend of dynamic classes, community engagement and exciting social programs

**Registration is happening now for ages 3-18.**

**Please call the office for more information:**

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# Notes from Our Religious School Director



By Orly Biggie, Religious School Director

Religious School is never in session during the month of *Av*, which usually falls somewhere between the middle of July and the middle of August. *Av* brings two lesser known Jewish holidays that are very different from each other.

***Tishah B'Av***, the ninth of *Av*, is a mourning and fast day that commemorates the destruction of *Bet HaMikdash*, the Temple in Jerusalem. According to tradition, both Temples were destroyed on *Tisha B'Av*, the first by the Babylonians in 586 B.C.E. and the second by the Romans in 70 C.E. The restrictions on *Tisha B'Av* are similar to those on *Yom Kippur*: no eating, drinking, studying, working, shaving or wearing of leather shoes. In many synagogues, the Book of Lamentations is read. This year *Tisha B'Av* will start at sunset on Saturday, July 25, and end at sunset on Sunday, July 26.

# Av

The second special day is ***Tu B'Av***. This day's focus is on love and romance with special concerts, programs, restaurant meals, flowers and much more! *Tu B'Av* literally means the fifteenth day of the Hebrew month of *Av*. The holiday began during the time of the Second Temple to mark the beginning of the grape harvest. On *Tu B'Av*, according to the Talmud, young women would borrow white clothing (so no one would stand out by her wealth) and dance in the vineyards, where single males would watch with hopeful eyes.

"The King's daughters would borrow from those of the High Priest. Daughters of the High Priest would borrow from the Assistant High Priest's daughters; daughters of the Assistant would borrow from the daughters of the Priest designated to lead the People in times of War, the *Kohen* Anointed for War's daughters would borrow from the daughters of the Ordinary Priest. And the daughters of the rest of the Jewish People would borrow from each other, so as not to embarrass those who didn't have."

The Talmud states that the young men were advised to choose wisely and not focus only on a woman's physical beauty, but on her overall virtues. States the Talmud, "Vanity is false, and physical beauty is empty, [but] a God-fearing woman is to be praised." (*Ta'anit* 31a).



The most widespread modern Jewish custom is to hold weddings on *Tu B'Av*, and brides and grooms are released from the traditional custom of having to fast on their wedding day if it is on *Tu B'Av*.

I hope everyone has a joyful summer!



# Bet Ha'am School Gallery

*New members of the Kiddush club.*

Members can chant and explain the Friday evening *Kiddush*. Congratulations!



*Mazel tov* to our graduates this year,  
from our kindergarten class...

to our confirmation class!



# Congregant Interview: Natasha Goldman



By Kris Dorer, Executive Director

This month, we meet Natasha Goldman of Brunswick who, as chair of Bet Ha'am's Art & Beautification Committee, recently was in charge of overseeing a placement of donated art for the Adult Library. Natasha is an art historian, research associate and adjunct faculty member at Bowdoin College. She is married to Joachim Homann and they have two sons, Tobias (10), and Adam (5).

**Hobbies:** gardening, traveling

**Volunteer Work, especially at Bet Ha'am!:** Currently I am the chair of the Art Committee; I've also been a helper in the Religious School.

**Some life accomplishments:** A wonderful family, a commitment to my research and a flower garden in every place I've lived since 2000 (and we've moved almost every three years; hopefully we're sticking around this time!)

**How long have you been a member of Bet Ha'am?:** Since 2012.

**Tell us about a few funny, interesting, fond memories of your life as part of Bet Ha'am:** One of my fondest memories is being a sub in the fourth grade classroom. I was teaching the students about a Bible story where Jewish soldiers tricked their enemies into thinking they were a bigger army by waving around pots of lights and blowing horns. So I had the students re-enact the scene, using flashlights, bike lights and *shofars*. Orly burst in to see what was going on-It was hilarious.-I think she thought I had totally lost control of the students! *Purim* is always so much fun, and I remember each one since we've joined. A highlight was when Adam won the *Purim* raffle and later said, "I felt like the most awesome guy in the world." I'm glad that he felt that way at Bet Ha'am.



**What are 3 words/phrases that you would use to explain what Bet Ha'am is or means to you?** Bet Ha'am is beautiful, caring, thought-provoking. For me, it is a place to grow and learn.

**Other items to share:** Since my husband and I are both arts professionals, we really value our visual environment. The sanctuary, with the windows onto the garden and reflecting pool, is for me the most ideal place to worship and learn. But even more important are the caring, wonderful and thoughtful people who truly make the sanctuary the heart of Bet Ha'am.

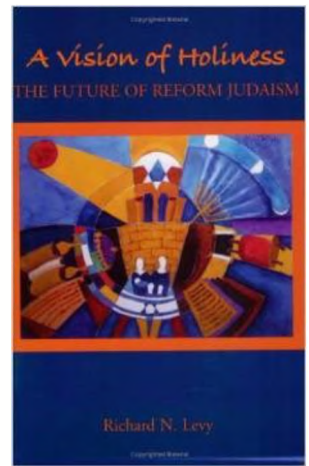


# Book Review

## A Vision of Holiness: The Future of Reform Judaism

by Richard N. Levy  
(URJ Press)

by Rabbi Rachel Rembrandt; reprinted with permission from the URJ \*



### About the Book

In order to make clear the thought and practice of North American Reform Judaism, the rabbinate has passed several comprehensive statements. These statements or platforms, issued in 1885, 1937, and 1976, were in response to the changing climate of society in general and the Reform Jewish experience in particular. Since 1976 much has changed, including the impact of women in the rabbinate, the increase in mixed marriages, the desire for more serious Jewish learning, the religious practices of many Reform Jews and the way that Reform Jews view Israel. For this reason it was believed that, on the eve of the millennial shift, a new statement of principles was needed that would address these changes and more.

The result was the 1999 Statement of Principles of Reform Judaism, also known as the Pittsburgh Principles. This document examines contemporary Reform Judaism through the lens of the central tenets of Judaism—God, Torah and Israel. The book *A Vision of Holiness*, written by the central architect of the Principles, Rabbi Richard N. Levy, explores the entire text through explanation and example.

This book was created for those who are interested in modern Liberal Judaism. Though written in a somewhat scholarly style, *A Vision of Holiness* will appeal to all who are searching to identify their own religious place. As Rabbi Levy said, “my hope is that [the book’s] pages will challenge all of its Jewish readers, Reform or not, to reflect on the nature of their religious lives and deepen their relationships with God, their absorption in Torah, and their critical commitment to the destiny of the Jewish people and the Jewish state.” By reading and discussing this book, we will further our growth as North American Jews.

### About the Author

Rabbi Richard Levy is the director of the School of Rabbinic Studies of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, Los Angeles. After receiving his rabbinic ordination from HUC-JIR in 1964, Rabbi Levy served various congregations and university Hillels as their spiritual leader. He also served as the executive director of the Los Angeles Hillel Council. He has been a member of the Editorial Committee for both of the Reform Movement’s most recent prayer books, *Gates of Prayer* and *Mishkan T’filah*. In 1998 he began a two-year term as president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis (CCAR). During this time he became aware of the need for a revised statement that would guide Reform Jews into the next century. This became the Pittsburgh Principles, which was overwhelmingly approved by CCAR members. The book *A Vision of Holiness: The Future of Reform Judaism* reflects his expanded understanding of that platform and develops his vision of what Reform Judaism will look like for many years to come.

# Executive Director's Message



By Kris Dorer, Executive Director

**Facility Rentals are booming at Bet Ha'am!** We have enjoyed a full year of renting our award-winning facility to corporations and non-profits. These groups bring in dozens to hundreds of people from the greater community for meetings and events.

Groups that have rented or have booked space at Bet Ha'am this year include:

- Day One
- Island Institute
- Maine Clinical Counselors' Association
- Maine Coast Heritage Trust
- Maine Peoples Alliance
- National Council of Jewish Women
- Portland Ballet
- Restorative Justice Institute of Maine
- Quimby Family Foundation



Rental of our facility is not only a revenue source, it also introduces Bet Ha'am to many people who would not otherwise have been aware of us. It is a form of grass-roots marketing, and these folks, whether Jewish or not, spread the word that we're here. At almost every event, we are approached by Jews who are interested in learning more about us.

We are also increasing our income by providing in-house catering as an option for simple breakfasts and lunches for corporate events. Our professional, experienced staff, beautiful gardens and break areas, and impressive facilities are leading to repeat bookings from many groups.

Please help spread the word that Bet Ha'am is available for rental for events from small corporate meetings to full-day conferences with smaller-space breakout rooms.







# High Holy Days Schedule of Services 2015-5776

*All services are held at Congregation Bet Ha'am, 81 Westbrook Street, South Portland, Maine*

## **SELICHOT**

Saturday, September 5, 7:30 PM

## **ROSH HASHANAH**

*Erev Rosh Hashanah Service*  
*Children's Service\**  
*Torah Study*  
*Worship Service^*  
*Tashlich*

Sunday, September 13, 8:00 PM  
Monday, September 14, 8:30 AM  
Monday, September 14, 9:00 AM  
Monday, September 14, 10:00 AM  
Monday, September 14, 12:30 PM  
(Time is approximate; after worship service)

## **SHABBAT SHUVAH**

*Shabbat Evening Service*  
*Torah Study*  
*Shabbat Morning Service*

Friday, September 18, 7:30 PM  
Saturday, September 19, 9:00 AM  
Saturday, September 19, 10:00 AM

## **KOL NIDRE**

Tuesday, September 22, 8:00 PM

## **YOM KIPPUR**

*Children's Service\**  
*Torah Study*  
*Worship Service^*  
*Meditation & Healing Service*  
*Afternoon Study*  
*Afternoon Service*  
*Yizkor Service*  
*Neilah*  
*Break the Fast Potluck*

Wednesday, September 23  
8:30 AM  
9:00 AM  
10:00 AM  
12:45 PM  
2:30 PM  
3:30 PM  
4:30 PM  
5:00 PM  
5:30 PM (Time is approximate; after *Neilah*)

## **SUKKOT and SIMCHAT TORAH:**

***Sukkot Celebration with Oneg***  
***Sukkot Morning Service with Potluck***

Sunday, September 27, 7:30 PM  
Monday, September 28, 10:00 AM

***Erev Simchat Torah and Consecration***  
***Atzeret – Simchat Torah and Yizkor Service***

Sunday, October 4, 6:30 PM  
Monday, October 5, 10:00 AM

\* Our Children's Services are designed for children in third grade and younger with their families.

^ During the *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur* morning services, we will be offering Project *Shofar*, a program for our children three years old through third grade. The program is free, but children must be pre-registered.

We will also be offering childcare for children under three. Childcare is free for children who are pre-registered. There will be a \$25 childcare fee for those not registered in advance. Please contact the office at 879-0028 for registration and more information.





## High Holy Days Schedule of Services 2015-5776

### **BREAK THE FAST**

Please join us at the close of *Yom Kippur Neilah* services for our annual Break the Fast meal. We need food contributions of all kinds for this terrific pot-luck event: entrees, side dishes, salads, desserts. Please do not mix milk and meat in the same dish or include pork or shellfish. Label your dishes and supply serving utensils if needed. We always have a big turn-out. We ask that the serving size of food you bring be equal to the number of people in your party times four. **Please arrange to have your food in the Bet Ha'am kitchen as soon as possible after 12:00 PM on Yom Kippur day.** To volunteer, please contact karen@bethaam.org, or call (207) 879-0028.

### **FOOD DRIVE**

Bet Ha'am will again be coordinating an annual food drive. There will be two ways to contribute: through direct food donations or, to maximize the impact of your gift, through cash or check donations. Cash or check allows agencies to buy up to eight times the amount of food that you can purchase by yourself for the same amount. Envelopes for donations will be handed out after services and available at the courtesy tables in the hallway.

### **PARKING**

In addition to our own parking lot, you may also park on Braeburn Avenue and across Westbrook Street at the Thornton Heights United Methodist Church parking lot (100 Westbrook Street).

### **NO FRAGRANCE POLICY**

Reminder: In keeping with Bet Ha'am's "No fragrance" policy for the comfort and enjoyment of all, please avoid wearing perfumed health and beauty aids to Bet Ha'am events. Some of our members are allergic to the scents. Thank you.

### **HIGH HOLY DAY OPEN DOOR POLICY FOR WORSHIP SERVICES**

Since its founding in 1985, Bet Ha'am has been committed to being a house of worship where all feel welcome. In keeping with this goal, Bet Ha'am invites anyone seeking a place to worship on *Shabbat* and other holidays to join us for services. During High Holy Day services, everyone—members and non-members alike—wears name tags to allow us to get to know each other better. Members receive their name tags automatically. We ask non-members who wish to attend High Holy Day services to contact the office in advance so that we can send them their "invitations."

To ensure the strength of our synagogue community, we must have volunteer and financial support year-round. We, therefore, rely on people of good will to contribute their fair share. We anticipate that those who choose to attend our Sabbath or holiday services year after year will recognize the importance of formally joining our community. Our dues policy, based on the ability to pay, ensures that everyone can afford to join. We welcome you to become members of the Bet Ha'am family.

***Donations are appreciated.***





## Condolences

Condolences to Erin & Chris Koepf on the loss of Erin's grandfather, Charles Alter  
Condolences to Kirk Boettcher & Rabbi Saks on the loss of Kirk's grandmother, Leota Hamlin  
Condolences to Craig & Sarah Lapine on the loss of Craig's father, Chuck Lapine  
Condolences to Ian Meng & Dara Saffer on the loss of Ian's father, John Meng  
Condolences to David & Jerri Donn on the loss of David's father, Albert Donn  
Condolences to Rosie Wohl on the loss of her step-mother, Joyce Wohl  
Condolences to Julie Russem on the loss of her father, Jerome

## Do You Want to Write?



The Editors and Newsletter Committee invite you to write articles for *Chadashot*. As you know, our newsletter format changed this year to a more magazine-style, including longer articles of thought-provoking content. Submissions should be no longer than 500-700 words and we encourage you to include photos when possible. Publication is subject to review, editing and space available.

Please consider writing an article for our newsletter and please submit your article to [kris@bethaam.org](mailto:kris@bethaam.org) by the fifth day of either February, April, June, August, October or December for consideration in the following bimonthly issue.

## Join the Bet Ha'am Donor Gallery

We invite you to join the Bet Ha'am Donor Gallery today! We have many needs and many ways for you to contribute. If you have an event you would like to celebrate, a person you would like to honor, a *yahrzeit* to remember, or you just want to help support our programs, please fill out the form and send it along with your check to Bet Ha'am. Include an address if you would like an acknowledgement to be sent.

Please acknowledge to: \_\_\_\_\_

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Check enclosed for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Fund choice (please check one of the options at right):

- ☐ Annual Fund
- ☐ General Fund
- ☐ Rabbi's Discretionary Fund
- ☐ Adult Library Fund
- ☐ Rabbi Berkowitz Open Door Fund
- ☐ Building Capital Campaign
- ☐ Rabbi Cohen Fund for Worship & Learning
- ☐ Rabbi Goldfinger Fund for Israel Travel
- ☐ Lehman Fund for Gardens & Grounds
- ☐ Religious School Library Fund
- ☐ Rosalyn S. & Sumner T. Bernstein Scholar in Residence Fund
- ☐ Rabbi Jared H. Saks and Kirk J. Boettcher Artist in Residence Fund
- ☐ Rabbi Sandmel Education Fund
- ☐ Tutor Fund
- ☐ Youth Fund

# Bet Ha'am Donor Gallery

## We thank our generous contributors:

### Annual Fund

- To honor Ben's teachers: Cory Kuhl, Lisa Tabenken, Wendy Hayes & Orly Biggie by the Tillman-Stone family
- In honor of Steve Steinbock by Cathy & Lance Prichard
- Jill & Michael Epstein
- Ray & Ginger Spiro
- Tom & Elizabeth Rosen
- Peter Scott & Larisa Semenuk
- Laura Kittle & Jeremy Moser

### Adult Library Fund

- In appreciation of Donna Landau by Marilyn & Gerry Sherry
- In honor of Nathan Szanton & Jennifer Harriman becoming *B'nai Mitzvah* by Rabbi Bill & Ki Leffler

### Berkowitz Open Door Fund

- In honor of Hannah Dubinsky as she became *Bat Mitzvah* by Bill & Ki Leffler

### General Fund

- In celebration of Nathan Szanton becoming *Bar Mitzvah* by Orly Biggie
- In celebration of Jennifer Harriman becoming *Bat Mitzvah* by Orly Biggie
- In memory of Joel Polisner on his *yahrzeit* by Duane & Evie Polisner
- In honor of Nathan Szanton as he becomes *Bar Mitzvah* by Barbara Riegelhaupt & Mo Mehlsak
- In honor of Nathan Szanton as he becomes *Bar Mitzvah* by Lynn Urbach & Jerry Olshan
- In appreciation of a wonderful *seder* and Rabbi Saks's great *Pesach* humor by Bill & Ki Leffler
- In honor of Jen Harriman as she becomes *Bat Mitzvah* by Lynn Urbach & Jerry Olshan
- In honor of Nathan Szanton becoming *Bar Mitzvah* by Prudence Steiner
- To honor the teachers and congregation by Prudence Steiner
- In memory of Craig Lapine's father by Charlie & Ellie Miller
- In honor of Nathan Szanton becoming *Bar Mitzvah* by Charlie & Ellie Miller
- In honor of Nathan Szanton & Jennifer Harriman becoming *B'nai Mitzvah* by Rachel Stamieszkin
- In honor of Nathan Szanton & Jennifer Harriman becoming *B'nai Mitzvah* by Paul Rothman & Emily McEntee
- From a friend
- In memory of Lena Rickless on her *yahrzeit* by Wendy & Bill Sirois
- In memory of Alan Goldstein on his *yahrzeit* by Trudy Goldstein

- In memory of Jerome Schick on his *yahrzeit* by Andrea Schick
- With thanks to Jane Snerson and Lisa Pierce by Marilyn & Gerry Sherry
- In recognition of Steve Steinbock and his commitment to education by Leora Rabin & David Inger
- In memory of Kathryn Rooks by Ki & Bill Leffler
- In memory of Williams Kopans by Rona & Robert Rosenthal
- With profound gratitude to Ellie Miller by Rabbi Alice Goldfinger
- In appreciation of Kerri Berman, Denise Mancall, Debbie Meagher, Patricia Wasserman, Fran Schneit, Carol Will and Jane Snerson without whom celebration would neither be possible or sweet by Rabbi Alice Goldfinger
- In honor of Ray & Ginger Spiro by Tom & Elizabeth Rosen
- In honor of Steve Steinbock by Lee & Lisa Tabenken
- In memory of Sally Kittle on her *yahrzeit* by Laura Kittle & Jeremy Moser
- In memory of Eleanor Kohn on her *yahrzeit* by Laura Kittle & Jeremy Moser
- In memory of Rosie Wohl's step-mother by Maxine Farber & Susan Berkman
- In honor of Ray & Ginger Spiro on their 35th wedding anniversary by Rosalyn Bernstein

### Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

- In appreciation by Marilyn & Gerry Sherry
- Thanks to Rabbi Saks for leading our congregational *seder* by Lee & Jamie Broder
- In appreciation, on the occasion of the adult *B'nai Mitzvah* ceremony, by Nathan & Sarah Szanton
- In appreciation of Rabbi Saks by Rabbi Alice Goldfinger

### Rabbi Sandmel Education Fund

- In appreciation of Rachel Stamieszkin for her participation in my becoming *Bar Mitzvah* by Nathan Szanton
- In honor of Nathan Szanton as he becomes *Bar Mitzvah* by Laura Kittle & Jeremy Moser
- In appreciation of Rachel Stamieszkin for her tutoring our adult *B'nai Mitzvah* class by Laura Kittle & Jeremy Moser
- In honor of Ellie Miller by Pam Weiss & Ken Lemieux

### Rabbi Jared A. Saks & Kirk J. Boettcher Artist-in-Residence Fund

- In appreciation by Marilyn & Gerry Sherry

### Rosalyn S. and Sumner T. Bernstein Scholar-in-Residence Fund

- In celebration of Nathan Szanton becoming *Bar Mitzvah* by Rosalyn Bernstein

### Youth Fund

- In honor of Hannah Dubinsky as she became *Bat Mitzvah* by Laura Kittle & Jeremy Moser
- In honor of Dora Chaison-Lapine as she became *Bat Mitzvah* by Laura Kittle & Jeremy Moser



# July 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> Morning <i>Minyan</i> 7:00 AM	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> <i>Kabbalat Shabbat</i> Service 7:30 PM	<b>4</b> Torah Study 9:00 AM  Worship Service 10:00 AM
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Office Closed  Membership Committee Meeting 7:00 PM	<b>7</b> Executive Committee Meeting 5:00 PM	<b>8</b> Morning <i>Minyan</i> 7:00 AM	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Family <i>Shabbat</i> Service and Picnic at Fort Williams Park in Cape Elizabeth 5:00 PM	<b>11</b> Torah Study 9:00 AM  Worship Service 10:00 AM
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Office Closed	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Morning <i>Minyan</i> 7:00 AM	<b>16</b> Education Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	<b>17</b> <i>Kabbalat Shabbat</i> Service 7:30 PM	<b>18</b> Torah Study 9:00 AM  Worship Service 10:00 AM
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Office Closed	<b>21</b> Garden Committee Meeting 5:30 PM	<b>22</b> Morning <i>Minyan</i> 7:00 AM	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <i>Kabbalat Shabbat</i> Service 7:30 PM	<b>25</b> Torah Study 9:00 AM  Worship Service 10:00 AM
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Office Closed	<b>28</b> Bet Ha'am Volunteers at Wayside Food Program 4:00 PM	<b>29</b> Morning <i>Minyan</i> 7:00 AM	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> <i>Kabbalat Shabbat</i> Service 7:30 PM	

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> Torah Study 9:00 AM  Worship Service 10:00 AM
<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Office Closed	<b>4</b> Executive Committee Meeting 5:00 PM	<b>5</b> Morning <i>Minyan</i> 7:00 AM	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> <i>Kabbalat Shabbat</i> Service 7:30 PM	<b>8</b> Torah Study 9:00 AM  Worship Service 10:00 AM
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Office Closed	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Morning <i>Minyan</i> 7:00 AM	<b>13</b> Education Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	<b>14</b> Family <i>Shabbat</i> Service and Picnic at Fort Williams Park in Cape Elizabeth 5:00 PM	<b>15</b> Torah Study 9:00 AM  Worship Service 10:00 AM
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Office Closed	<b>18</b> Garden Committee Meeting 5:30 PM  Board Meeting 6:30 PM	<b>19</b> Morning <i>Minyan</i> 7:00 AM	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> <i>Kabbalat Shabbat</i> Service 7:30 PM	<b>22</b> Torah Study 9:00 AM  Worship Service with <i>Bat Mitzvah</i> 10:00 AM
<b>23</b>          <b>30</b>	<b>24</b> Office Closed          <b>31</b> Office Closed	<b>25</b> Bet Ha'am Volunteers at Wayside Food Program 4:00 PM	<b>26</b> Morning <i>Minyan</i> 7:00 AM	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> <i>Kabbalat Shabbat</i> Service 7:30 PM	<b>29</b> Torah Study 9:00 AM  Worship Service 10:00 AM