



Welcome to  
**Temple Beth El of Augusta, Maine**

*embracing a spirit of community, lifelong Jewish learning, commitment to inclusiveness, and active participation in Jewish life in Central Maine*

artwork by Lenora Leibowitz

### January Calendar

**Fri., Jan. 10 (hybrid)**

Shabbat Services @ 6pm

**Sat., Jan. 11 (hybrid)**

Daf Yomi @ 10:00

Torah Study @ 10:30

Potluck lunch @ 12

**Mon., Jan. 13 (hybrid)**

Board Meeting @ 6pm

**Sat., Jan. 18 (hybrid)**

Torah study @ 10am

Shabbat Services @ 11am

Potluck lunch @ 12:15

**Sun., Jan. 19 (in person)**

Fiber Arts @ 1-3pm

**Mon., Jan. 20 (in person)**

Israel/Palestine Discussion

@ 2-3:30pm

**Wed., Jan. 22 (hybrid)**

Soup and study @ 6pm

**Fri., Jan. 24**

Family Shabbat @ 5:30pm

Potluck dinner @ 6:15pm

Shabbat Services @ 7pm

**Sat., Jan. 25 (in person)**

Wine Tasting @ 5pm

### *From the desk of Rabbi Asch...*

I love December 26th. Not just because it is Robin's birthday, but because when we move past Christmas and anticipate New Year's. It means not more deciding how to return the heartfelt greetings of "Merry Christmas," and getting to join in wishing people a "Happy New Year." Of course it isn't the Jewish New Year, but we are all more likely to know the Gregorian than the Hebrew date, and New Year's is a mostly secular celebration.

This is also the time of year when many people make New Year's resolutions. You might have found yourself reading all sorts of advice about how to make resolutions and change your habits during 2025. You'll notice, that we don't talk about resolutions during Rosh Hashanah. The Jewish New Year doesn't last one day, but is a period stretching from Rosh Hashanah to Yom Kippur. We get ten days of introspection (and more if you count the preceding month of Elul). The goal of this time is not to make a resolution, which can be easily forgotten, but to change our habits. And, in Judaism, Rosh Hashanah isn't the only time we think about changing our behaviors. In fact, every weekday service contains a prayer where we confess our wrongdoings. Our Hebrew School students learn that "sorry" is one of the prayers we say during silent prayer. We don't have one day where we resolve to do better. Rather, we have the opportunity to do better each and every day.

So, as we move into this secular New Year together, I invite you to make a resolution not to let your resolutions be made only on one day or at one season. Judaism teaches us that we can change our actions any time of year we wish; we don't need a countdown, a dropped ball, noisemakers, and shouts of "Happy New Year!" to be our best selves.

## February Calendar

### Friday, February 7 (hybrid)

Shabbat services @ 6pm

### Saturday, February 8 (in person)

Hike with Hildie @ 10am  
Potluck lunch at the home of Fran Rudoff to follow

### Saturday, February 15 (hybrid)

Daf Yomi @ 10am  
Torah study @ 10:30am  
Potluck lunch @ 12pm

### Friday, February 28

Family Shabbat @ 5:30pm (in person)  
Potluck dinner @ 6:15pm  
Shabbat Services @ 7pm (hybrid)

### Hebrew School

January 5, 12, 19, 26  
February 2, 9  
We'll celebrate Tu BiSh'vat  
February 9th.

### Teen Program

*Pottery in Lewiston with CSTJL:* January 12  
*Zoom with Rabbi Asch:*  
January 26  
February 9 & 23

### Sabbatical

**Rabbi Asch will be on sabbatical from January 30<sup>th</sup> to February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025.**

## Todah Rabah!

The **Bikkur Cholim Committee** would like to say a heartfelt Todah Rabah to **Cindy and Doretta** for coming out to help with our meal prep afternoon. These women were a joy to work with and made many delicious meals for the benefit of us all!



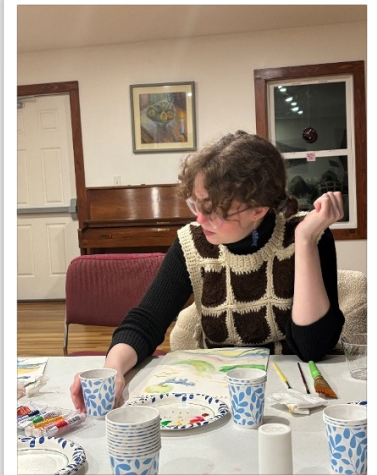
## Save the Dates for Rabbinic Apprentice Annie Prusky

We are so excited to welcome Annie back to Maine! She will be with us Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>. She'll be teaching Soup and Study on Wednesday, Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>, leading services on Friday night, joining us for the wine tasting and more! And Annie will be back February 28<sup>th</sup> to March 2<sup>nd</sup> for a full Shabbat of services, study, Hebrew School and more. Rabbi Asch and Annie have some time for visits in their schedule. Let Rabbi Asch know if you want to spend some time with Annie while she is here!

# TBE in Action!



*The end of 2024 was as busy time at TBE, with Frances Bayless's bat mitzvah, the Hanukkah party, art with Annie Prusky, a special musical guest, and more!*



*TBE would like to introduce you to the members who joined in 2024. Instead of us simply listing names, we have asked 2024 members to introduce themselves. Grab a cup of hot cocoa (or beverage of choice), sit back and meet some of the wonderful people that joined our community this past year:*



☼ **We are the Gallaghers:** Kevin and Amanda, and our daughters Laurel (4) and Ruth (2). Our family moved here almost 2 years ago from interior Alaska, where we lived in a one-room cabin with no running water - by choice! We are self-employed civil and environmental engineers, and we live in Woodstock (it's near Bethel). We enjoy traveling, hiking, bikepacking, cross-country skiing, tapping our maple trees, and reading books together. We feel so lucky to have found TBE; it's exactly the kind of small but vibrant community we dreamed of finding when we were in Alaska. Laurel would like everyone to know that her favorite Jewish food is sufganiyot!

☼ **About the Monaghan Family:** We are a family from Gardiner, Maine, who loves embracing life's adventures! Whether we're camping in the great outdoors, kayaking along peaceful waters, or discovering new places and cuisines, we are always seeking opportunities to explore and connect. One of our favorite traditions is enjoying latkes, especially during Hanukkah. We love the endless flavor combinations and the way they symbolize the miracle of the season—a perfect reminder of joy and resilience. At TBE, we feel at home in the warm sense of community and the spirit of partnership that brings everyone together. It's a place where traditions are honored, friendships flourish, and belonging is celebrated. We're grateful to be part of such a special community and can't wait to continue making memories together!

☼ **Meet Cindy Rehagen Langewisch:** I do not feel nor think of myself as a 'new' member, but I suppose comparatively, I am. I live in Hallowell in the 'Senior' community of Granite Hill Estates, which is located on the town line so that part of the community is in Augusta and part in Hallowell (though I feel too young to be here- 68, again comparatively some very active residents are well into their 90's). In my free time I enjoy cooking ( especially for TBE events), sewing, ( trying) to creatively paint, hiking and walking trails locally, reading and gardening ( growing food and flowers). I LOVE potato latkes, homemade challah, and just about any recipe I have tried from a variety of Jewish and Israeli cookbooks. I really like the loving comradery and welcoming atmosphere at TBE, and especially our Rabbi. Additionally, by extension I am fond of my connections at 'Center for Small Town Jewish Life' events.

☼ **Meet Dean Corner:** I live in Augusta. I spent the first 50 years of my life in upstate New York. (I'm still working on the second 50 years). As a former librarian, I am a voracious reader. I love to cook all types of food and am a passable baker. I am a dedicated exerciser. Pastrami is my favorite Jewish food because.....just because, who would argue! A vegetarian option would be full sour dill pickles. TBE is a welcoming place in a world that doesn't offer enough welcomes.



## You are cordially invited to the TBE Wine Tasting Academy Awards

January 25, 2025

5 pm at Temple Beth El in Augusta

Come dressed in your finest to drink incredible wines, taste delicious treats,  
bid on items during our fabulous auction, and jam out with a live band!

\$70 per person

Raffle Tickets are \$5 for 1 or \$20 for 5!!!

Please email [bethelaugusta@gmail.com](mailto:bethelaugusta@gmail.com) to RSVP and purchase raffle tickets.

Babysitting available for an additional charge.



## Calling All Auction Items!

The Wine Tasting Committee is excited to be back in person for the 2025 event including a LIVE Auction! Our theme – The Academy Awards – means that we are looking for the “best of the best” auction items! What can you offer to tempt bidders to open their wallets to support the Temple?

Popular items in the past have included: special property rentals, fun experiences, event tickets, special baked goods and meals delivered to your home, handcrafted items, art, and more!

Engage your creativity and let **Fran Rudoff** know what you've got! She'd love to hear from you ([frudoff@gmail.com](mailto:frudoff@gmail.com)) as soon as possible, but no later than January 10, 2025!

# TBE HAS MANY GREAT COMMITTEES – JOIN ONE!

By Nancy Kelly

As we begin the new year, it is good to reflect on the blessings of our faith and the importance of our temple practices, including the many dedicated members of our TBE community who contribute so much. One agenda item at our summer Board Retreat was to examine the needs of our various committees and to form a small group to examine ways in which we could involve more members. Several discussions have taken place at the board level as to how we could ascertain these needs and how we could share these needs with the TBE community. Jamie Orenstein, Ellen Freed, and I are members of this group. Currently we are working on a draft to send to all committee chairs with perhaps a sign-up google doc that all committees and members could use.

The purpose of this article is to let you all know the various committees, their purposes and their chairs, but first I want to extend my thanks to all of you that have (in the past) or are now serving on a committee. The board of TBE is most grateful to all of you for your gifts of time and commitment. We would not be able to function without all that you do. As many of you know, we have a plethora of committees! Each one serves a somewhat specific purpose and provides for a need for our temple, and each one provides an opportunity for an individual with specific interests to join. Currently there are at least nine committees:

## **BIKKUR CHOLIM**

*Chair Enigmah Archer Hirsch*

This group is dedicated to providing meals and rides for members in recovery. They also have been known to provide dog-walking! If you enjoy cooking and / or are able to provide transportation, this is your committee.

## **BUILDING COMMITTEE**

*Chair John Agee*

This group provides direction and advice on any building issue/replacement/update. If you have an interest and/or knowledge about construction, renovation, or remodeling of a building, you might want to look into this committee.

## **ETHICS COMMITTEE**

*Chair Julia Undewood*

This is a fairly new committee formed at the suggestion of the URJ. The committee's primary role is to ensure that our Temple's ethics standards are clear and documented. They can be asked to address ethical concerns or complaints that arise within the congregation.

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**Committees, continued from page 7****FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

*Co-chairs: Julia Underwood and Fran Rudoff*

This committee is in charge of our investments and our fundraising. There is also a separate group which runs our annual wine tasting, chaired by Emily Bessey. We are looking for people to help us think about fundraisers in the coming years and welcome new members.

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

This committee is charged with attracting and retaining members, and for monitoring membership levels. Some duties may include: identifying members needs, increasing membership through recruitment and keeping members updated on relevant events and information. If you are an outgoing person who enjoys meeting new people, this committee may be for you.

**HANNAFORD and GOOS COMMITTEE**

These committees are funded by memorial donations from family members with specific requests. They may include guest lecturers, musical, artistic and /or religious presentations. If you are interested in expanding Jewish music, art, literature, this may be for you.

**SECURITY COMMITTEE**

This committee is charged with ensuring the safety and security of the Temple's property and people. They coordinate training with our local law enforcement and safety experts. Volunteers are trained in security techniques and act as greeters for Temple activities. In addition, this committee is interested in increasing its members to include people willing to set up for Shabbat services; chair set up, candles, challah and wine as well as oneg. If you might be interested, please do let us know.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE**

*Chair Chuck Cohen*

This committee identifies and addresses social injustices within the community. They work closely with the RAC, the Religious Action Center, the political and legislative outreach of Reform Judaism in the United States. Recently they have participated in several postcard writing projects for our national elections. They are currently working with local groups to support a daytime warming center for our unhoused population. They are a voice against local incidents of anti-semitism and racial discrimination.

This is the majority of our committees. If you are interested in learning more, please reach out to any board member, Rabbi Asch, or Arwen Agee. We are especially looking for new members of the membership committee, people to help set up for services and events, and people who want to help with our development work. We also need people for the Hannaford and Goos Committees. Toda Raba to all our volunteers. We appreciate all that you do.



NEW THIS YEAR!

# Family Shabbat

A special Shabbat service for children birth through age 9 and their families

FRIDAYS AT 5:30PM

JANUARY 24TH

FEBRUARY 28TH



At 6:15 we'll join together for a potluck Shabbat dinner. Adult services will begin at 7pm.

# The Social Justice Committee Corner

By Chuck Cohen

This fall was a busy one for the Social Justice Committee (SJC). First, we finished up our Every Voice Every Vote postcard writing campaign which was part of the Religious Action Center's (RAC) national campaign. TBE's dedicated postcard writers sent out over 1,500 post cards to voters in Florida in support of the reproductive choice referendum in that state and to minority population voters in key states encouraging such voters to get out and vote. When we look at the statistics collected the RAC nationally, it is very clear that TBE on a per capita basis, "punched above our weight." So, a huge thank you and congratulations to our volunteers!

Following the election, the SJC decided to concentrate its efforts on local issues and how we as a congregation may be able to help those in our community in need. As part of this effort, members of the Committee have been participating in the bi-monthly meetings of the Augusta Area Interfaith Social Justice Coalition. At the November meeting, several coalition members noted the increased demand being placed on the area food banks as result of the sharp increase in food prices. To help address this need, we conducted a food drive in December and made a significant contribution to the Augusta Food Bank shortly after New Years.

Finally, with the approval of the Temple Board, TBE sent a letter in support of the United Community Living Center's (UCLC) application to the Augusta Planning Board to operate a Community Center at 12 Spruce Street in Augusta. The proposed Community Center will provide a space for the unhoused population in Augusta to shower, prepare light meals, receive mail, access computers and securely store belongings. The Center will also serve as a daytime warming and cooling center for the unhoused. On December 10th the Augusta Planning Board approved the UCLC's application!

Having secured the Planning Board's approval, the next step in the process of making the Community Center a reality is to raise the funds and the financing to purchase the building. On December 18th, the Temple hosted Jacqui Clark, a key driver in the UCLC project, at a Soup and Study where Rabbi Asch led a discussion on the obligation to provide housing to those in need under Jewish law. Jacqui then addressed the need for the Community Center and the need for funds. As described by Jacqui, the need for the Center is great. Last year, the Augusta Emergency Overnight Warming Center served 283 distinct individuals. It is estimated that the UCLC Center will serve between 200 and 300 distinct individuals.

Jacqui noted that the purchase price for the property that will house the Center is approximately \$600,000. The UCLC has raised approximately \$150,000 to cover the down payment for the

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## Opening Hearts and Minds: Intentional Dialogue about Israel/Palestine

We as a congregation represent different knowledge of and perspectives about Israel. Current estimates from the United Nations report that 1,200 people were killed on October 7, 2023 and since then 45,000 Palestinians in Gaza have lost their lives. This number grows every day.

The principle of Tikkun Olam calls Jews to help make the world less broken. When the world is too much it is all the more important that we find and connect to one another.

This series will establish discourse in our temple community around Israel and Palestine. Come to share, to learn, to listen, and to reflect. All adults (18+) are welcome with the intention of opening our hearts and minds to one another and to those directly impacted. As each session builds on the last, we ask that attendees commit to attending all 5 meetings.

Our first meeting is Martin Luther King Day, Monday, January 20th from 2-3:30pm. The next dates are Sundays: 2/23, 3/30, 4/27, 5/18 all from 1:00-2:30pm. Please RSVP to Rabbi Asch if you are interested. We are also looking to provide babysitting if there is a need.

### **Social Justice, continued from page 10**

purchase including a significant amount from congregations and individuals in the faith-based community in the Augusta area. The remainder of the purchase price will be covered through a mortgage provided by a local bank giving organizers time to raise more funds. Many Temple members have already contributed to the project. If you are so moved to make a donation to the UCLC to help in their purchase of the Center and to reduce their mortgage as part of our duty to provide tzedekah to those in need, you can do so [here](#). More information about the UCLC and be found on their [website](#).



# ***SUPPORT THE TEEN LOUNGE!***

**\$18-LED lights**

**\$25 Pillows**

**\$50 Bluetooth Speaker**

**\$80 Carpeting**

**\$125 Mini Fridge**

**\$300 Couch**

**\$500 Bean bag chairs**

# Bliss in Hebrew School

by Rich Goldman

I wonder at times what we are doing at Hebrew School. I'm not worried about the lesson plans or the quality of the education. Rather, it is more existential. What is the ultimate purpose of this exercise that has intersected with so many years of my life?

Every now and then, Rabbi Asch suggests a book for me to read. "You may like this." Many times, the suggestion comes as a gift. Thank you. Most recently it was *Lights in the Forest: Rabbis Respond to Twelve Essential Jewish Questions*, edited by Rabbi Paul Citrin. In his preface, Rabbi Citrin notes that today we may ponder what is the "Jewish faith and how (can we) partake in it."

I'm interested.

Isn't this the question we at least implicitly ask ourselves at Hebrew School? Rabbi Citrin points us first to the Hebrew word *Emunah*—faith, meaning confidence and trust. As such, "a person of *emunah* has confidence that the universe is undergirded by a life sustaining, unifying force, that is the source of moral insight and ethical imperative...(It) flows from a searching heart, a heart of openness and yearning."

Hmm.

That seems like a lot to teach, a lofty endeavor for our Hebrew School. I wonder how does reading to our youngest students *Latke, the Lucky Dog* square with Rabbi Citrin's notion of *emunah*? But then again I kind of know it does when one of our youngest students responding to the book's describing one of Lucky's misdeeds tells me that "we don't say bad dog, we say bad dog behavior."

I realize, without really having specifically thought about it, that when I sit with our children, I must try to "demonstrate (emunah)...(its)..living reality and power in our interpersonal relations, our *tzedakah*, our compassionate deeds, our honest self-reflection."

I will try to do that.

And yet, there are times that I will savor something less lofty. So I appreciate and savor the myriad blissful moments that occur at our Hebrew School.

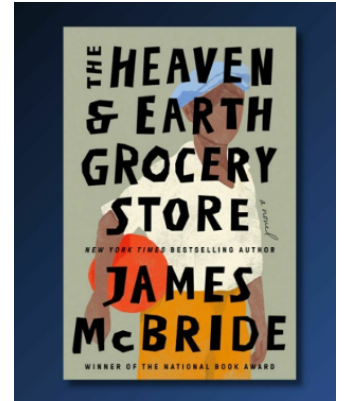
What is bliss? The dictionary says it is perfect happiness or great joy. I marvel at how often we somehow reach this point at Hebrew School.

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## Join us for the next Multi-Media Group gathering

Monday, Feb. 3 @ 6:00pm

Our next Multi-Media meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 3, 2025 from 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm on ZOOM. We will discuss **The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store** by New York Times Bestselling Author James McBride.



The novel is set in a small Pennsylvania town in the 20's and 30's and focuses on immigrants in the black and Jewish communities. This book, winner of the National Book Award, is dedicated to the concept of Tikkun Olam, "repairing the world", that is represented in progressive Judaism today. Read this novel to find out why this book has won so many book awards and rave reviews.

### **Bliss, continued from page 13**

Of course, I understand that we don't always attain joy. After all, we ask our students and their parents, and our teenage teachers and their parents, and our teachers to arise early on a Sunday morning and trek to the synagogue. Some come from many, many miles away. In the early morning hours, we ask everyone to learn or to teach and thus learn some more. And, if possible, we ask everyone to be in high spirits. But not too high. We ask ourselves to walk in the woods, even on cold days, and experience our community. We delve into the Torah, Jewish values, the Hebrew language, and our prayers. We ask and answer profound questions, and simple ones too.

It's hard work.

We also reach great joy. When a madrich who carries a guitar also bends down to carry a little child who needs a boost. When a student asks me if I am ok after I slip in the woods. When new words and prayers are understood. When friendships are made and then deepened.

I find that we demonstrate *emunah* and reach great joy each Sunday when we sit in our circle and sing. While I like to kind of sing, I don't sing well. It's not a problem. We sit together, at times in chaos, to sing with our students, Madrachim, teachers, parents, and assorted friends. And as I sit there, I hear the most beautiful sound: people of all ages and generations, joining together in prayer and song, each in their own way and each at their own level. We help and support each other. We appreciate each other and our community.

Isn't this bliss? And isn't this our *emunah*, our "searching hearts," our "hearts of openness and yearning"?

## **Rabbi Asch's Sabbatical Leave Frequently Asked Questions**

Jan. 30, 2025 - February 27, 2025

### **What is a sabbatical?**

The term "sabbatical" is related to the word Shabbat (a time of rest). In the Torah, every seventh year is a sabbatical year where the land lies fallow. Sabbaticals are typically taken by rabbis in their seventh year of work for a congregation. During this period Rabbi Asch will not be working and will have the opportunity to rest and study as well as spend time with her family. Rabbi Asch's new contract states that she will be on sabbatical one month each year.

### **Who will serve the congregation during Rabbi Asch's sabbatical?**

We have a talented group of lay leaders who will keep the Temple running in Rabbi Asch's absence. Daf Yomi, Torah study, services, Hebrew School and our Tu BiSh'vat Seder will all still be happening.

### **Who do I call if I have an emergency?**

Nancy Kelly is serving as the contact person in case of a death or serious illness. Several local rabbis have volunteered to be available to officiate at funerals and support families through the grieving process. We also have a dedicated group of volunteers under the leadership of Enigmah Archer Hirsch who can help those who are ill with visits or meals. Please note that Rabbi Susan is not available to officiate for life cycle events.

### **Will Rabbi Asch be in contact with us during her sabbatical? Will she be checking email or answering her phone?**

Rabbi Asch will not be checking in on the synagogue during her absence. One goal of the sabbatical is for Rabbi Asch to have the ability to step back from the day-to-day work of the synagogue to gain distance and clarity. This will help her return refreshed and renewed.

- ♦ Email: Rabbi Asch will not be checking her email during her sabbatical. Please do not send her emails. If you forget and email her, you will receive a detailed "away" message directing you who to contact in her absence. When Rabbi Asch returns to work, she will delete all emails in her inbox without reading them.
- ♦ Phone Calls and Texts: Rabbi Asch will also not be answering calls or texts to her emergency cell phone. Temple President David Offer will be in touch with Rabbi Asch if an emergency arises which the board feels needs her attention.
- ♦ Social Media: Rabbi Asch will not be checking social media during absence and will not see your posts or Facebook messages.

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# Teen Lounge: Your Help Needed

#letmypeoplelounge

The Jewish teens of TBE just want to spend more time at the Temple. We want to spend more time being Jewish together. We want a place where we can do all that. And you can make that happen! We represent the future of Judaism and we spend our Sundays teaching kids about Judaism. We also learn with Rabbi Asch on Sunday evenings. We love it! But we want a place where we can hang out and just be Jewish Teens!

We want a teen lounge! A teen lounge would encourage teens to come and hang out at the Temple even more often! Please support us, we need money! We are looking to raise \$1,500 to make this dream a reality. To prove our dedication to the Temple we have all donated some of our hard earned money to this project. #letmypeoplelounge

Editor's note: You can support the teen lounge through a [gift online](#) or a check made out to TBE. Please put "Teen Lounge" in the memo. **We are already 45% of the way to our goal!**

## ***Sabbatical, continued from page 15***

No doubt some of you will see Rabbi Asch around town during her time "away." We ask that you not discuss synagogue business with her when you see her around town. You should feel free to ask her if she has read any good books or cooked any new recipes lately!

## **What do I do if I hear of a need in the community?**

If you hear of someone in need you don't need to solve the problem yourself. Please pass that information along to the appropriate person (usually Enigma or Nancy). If they need more help from the community they will let you know. Sending requests to one person makes sure we aren't duplicating efforts (and contacting other rabbis multiple times!)

## **What will Rabbi Asch be doing on her sabbatical?**

Rabbi Asch has three goals for her sabbatical: rest, learning and time with family. Rabbi Asch plans to tackle some books she has been wanting to read and do some travelling with her family. She plans to spend her time in Maine enjoying the outdoors (ice permitting) cooking, listening to podcasts and maybe organizing the house!

## **Who do I contact with questions about the sabbatical?**

You may speak with sabbatical committee chair David Faigin with questions. He can be reached at (207) 808-1082 or [dfaigin@gmail.com](mailto:dfaigin@gmail.com).

**More information including who to contact for other needs will be included in upcoming emails and on the TBE website.**



# Supporting TBE



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- Deborah & Jeffrey Gussoff
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- Paul Linet
- Angela Sclar

## **Rabbi Discretionary Fund**

- Rich Dana
- Cindy Langewisch & Nick Rehagen
- David & Sue Offer

## **Yahrzeits/Memorials**

- Rich Dana, in memory of Lenora Dana
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- Ellen Freed, in memory of Murray Freed
- RaeAnn French & Fern, Raegan and Lauren LaRochelle, in memory of Seth Greene
- Lowell & Joan Freiman, in memory of Beatrice Freiman
- Anya & Allen Goldey, in memory of Beatrice Freiman
- Deborah & Jeff Gussoff, in memory of Minnie Gussoff

- Deborah & Jeff Gussoff, in memory of Miriam Shankman
- Deborah & Jeff Gussoff, in memory of Norman Lipson
- Cindy Langewisch & Nick Rehagen, in memory of Rose Adelson Devore
- Lou & Peg Metzger, in memory of Mollie Metzger
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## January Yahrzeits

Jan. 2 Judith Shankman Kosak  
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Jan. 22 Bernard Marienhoff  
Jan. 23 Rose Orenstein  
Jan. 24 Jay Bass  
Jan. 24 Gladys Harding  
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Jan. 26 Virgilio Gonzaga  
Jan. 26 Frank J. Lipman  
Jan. 26 Louis Sizeler  
Jan. 27 Leonard Fels  
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Jan. 28 Idel Rosenbaum  
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## February Yahrzeits

Feb. 2 Clara Greenberg  
Feb. 3 Alice Karp Gross  
Feb. 4 Leah Deborah Freed  
Feb. 4 Rabbi Jacob Kestin Shankman  
Feb. 4 Eunice Kuehnert  
Feb. 5 Louise Macy  
Feb. 5 James Montell  
Feb. 6 Jacques Grunblatt  
Feb. 7 James Carvutto  
Feb. 7 Betty Franzel  
Feb. 7 Odell Kominers  
Feb. 8 Erik Eckert  
Feb. 8 James LaPerriere  
Feb. 8 Lauraine Goodrich  
Feb. 8 Eleanor Viles  
Feb. 9 Katherine Kotopoulos  
Feb. 10 Jacob Dana  
Feb. 12 Thelma Gross  
Feb. 12 Betty Brody Kraus  
Feb. 12 Theodore Kuehnert  
Feb. 13 Richele Amy Gross  
Feb. 13 Beatrice Schatz  
Feb. 13 Davis Spalding  
Feb. 14 Walter Barlow  
Feb. 14 Rosa Belle Orenstein  
Feb. 15 Douglas Schair  
Feb. 17 Selma Dana  
Feb. 17 Harry M. Slosberg  
Feb. 18 Wilbur Viles  
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Feb. 20 Richard Goldman  
Feb. 21 Morris L. Cohen  
Feb. 21 John Stanhope  
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Feb. 23 Fred Freed  
Feb. 23 Virginia Seager  
Feb. 23 Harold Shapiro  
Feb. 24 Ezra David Bessey  
Feb. 25 Henry Thielman  
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