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and intention.

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You Can Build a Caring Community

During t h e High Holy Days many years ago, I looked out on the packed-to-capacity gathering and said something like this: Rabbi Spira-Savett I imagine a Google



map of everyone here. But instead of a pin with everyone's address, here is what I see:

I see a line connecting the homes of any two people where someone took a ride to check in on a person who can't get out because of age or illness. A pin where the phone rang, after someone heard about something happy or sad in another person's life or family. Many lines converging on a shiva home, a house of mourning, from miles around in all directions. The path of a warm challah or a container of chicken or mushroom-barley soup, delivered when there's a new baby, or someone home from the hospital.

The map I said I hoped to be able to see was a local map of chesed.

Chesed - pronounced with the Hebrew ch, "cheh-sed" - is one of those ultra-important Jewish words that requires lines and lines of translation. Here are some translations: lovingkindness, caring, compassion, devotion, covenantloyalty, covenant-love, duty, paying back, paying forward. Or just: love.

Chesed is an attitude, of wanting to take care of other people. Chesed is a kind of action, whether it's checking in, visiting the sick, comforting the mourning, celebrating a happy occasion.

Chesed is a motivation: I am going to be there for someone, because we are connected through the community, whether we know each other well personally or not.

Chesed is a relationship. It's the connection of people who are part of the same community, and part of the same Jewish community, or the wider Jewish world, Am Yisrael. I am sure I don't have to tell anyone why the attitudes and actions are important and worthwhile. The motivations and the relationships

- that's what require some effort

There are things we do for our friends, and there are things we do for people in general. But there are special circles in our lives, circles of chesed, that are harder to explain. I know that within our Jewish community, there are people you know personally as friends, and there are people who you would only know as names on a phone list.

My claim – the claim of Torah – is that you have a special connection to that last group of people that's different from "the whole world." (There are other groups that you

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Here's to Perfect Vision and Spirituality in 2020

I hope that it is never too late to wish you all a Happy New Year and a Happy New Decade. It is easy to be overawed by a major milestone



and wonder have we achieved everything that we wanted in the past decade. And what about our plans for the next decade? I think back to the high holy days and the Kol Nidrei and Unetane Tokef prayers and am comforted that we as Jews already challenge ourselves annually and we are well-experienced in this look back and look ahead exercise.

I learned a while back that A players are introspective. And this annual introspection is a healthy sign of people looking to improve themselves.

As we think about Temple Beth Abraham and look back and look forward, we can feel both proud and concerned. Of course declining numbers and a global trend away from participation in organized religion could easily raise concern. However, at the same time, we can be proud of how we at TBA are rising to the above challenges.

At TBA over the past year we have taken this introspection on at an

organizational level. We conducted a series of studies under the High Growth Organization Committee. We have learned a lot. We have handed these findings to the various committees to work on prioritizing and implementing those ideas that can fit our congregation and be realized both in the near- and mid-term.

We have made great strides in being more welcoming. We are addressing interfaith burial in January. We have made our facility more environmentally friendly and at the same time lowered our (Continued on the following page ...)

Rabbi's column continued ...

have that kind of connection with; I won't do a whole bit of moral philosophy right here.)

It's not something I can convince you of. But there are spiritual exercises you can do, and before you know it you will feel this bond of *chesed*:

Whenever you see the name of another member of our community in some kind of communication, resolve that this will be a prompt for an act of *chesed*.

If you see that a Bat/Bar Mitzvah is coming up, say to yourself: I want to help that child, that family, and my community celebrate! I'm going to be there, and if I can't be there I'll send a card or make a donation to the synagogue in the child's honor.

If you see an e-mail about a *shiva*, a time of gathering when someone's family member has died, say to yourself: How can I arrange things so I can get there one night. And if I can't do that, I'll make a phone call or send a note or make a donation.

By the way, if you don't know someone's address to send a note, send it to the synagogue and we'll make sure it gets there.

If you've got some free time coming up, call the office and see if anyone needs help baking or cooking for an upcoming celebration in the next couple of months.

Add your name to the contact list for our *Chesed* Committee, which is led by Marsha Feder. The list gets notices all the time of things we can do – bring a meal, drive someone to an appointment, find an item someone needs. If you want to know more, ask me or the office and Marsha will give you a call.

Every so often, the Ritual Committee holds a training here in how to operate in the synagogue's kosher kitchen, and the food that the group makes goes into our freezer so we can take it out and bring it to someone as needed.

If you want to jump start this for yourself in the next few weeks, around Purim in mid-March we

have a congregation-wide delivery of *mish'loach manot*, boxes of sweets. Sign up with Terry Watterson to be a driver, and meet some people in your area or any route you're willing to drive.

You can make a contribution anytime to the Sisterhood *Chesed* Fund for meals we bring after a funeral, or volunteer to Marsha or to Robin Rubin to be part of the crew that buys or prepares food and sets that up.

You can become part of the *Chevra Kadisha*, the groups that do the special preparation of bodies for burial. Let me know if you are interested and I'll put you in touch with the coordinators.

Chesed is the foundation of everything in Judaism. Let's make that map of *chesed* even more busy and colorful.

L'shalom, Rabbi Jon

President's column continued....

utility operating costs. We have launched an alternative service for High Holy Days and Shabbat to embrace multigenerational learning and worship. We will continue to look to open more gates to our Conservative shul, while maintaining our connection to halacha (Jewish law). We will need to continue to look for ways to engage our congregants and students. We welcome your thoughts and ideas.

In the next few months, we will continue to look at ways to make Bar and Bat Mitzvah more accessible to Jews in the area. The subcommittee of the Ritual Committee will explore options and the framework for B'nei/B'not Mitzvah. In parallel, we also need to invest in evolving our

school. We need an approach that better meets the needs of families and students and that our offering in school delivers on the promise of Jewish education.

As we look at our organization, we need to strengthen a few committees, most notably for the school and fundraising. We would welcome your participation. Those who have an interest in boosting these areas of our congregation should reach out to me at president@tbanashua.org.

As always for those who have the means, we would welcome your financial support and donations. You can target donations. We have a variety of funds set up that hopefully align with your interests.

Thank you for making TBA special and supporting this congregation into the next decade and beyond.

L'shalom, David

February Service Schedule

Services are held every Friday evening at 8:00 p.m. (unless otherwise noted), Saturday at 9:30 a.m. and Monday –Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENT SERVICE

February 7

Shabbat Alive 6:30 p.m. Yedidim Build-a-Shabbat 5:30 p.m.

February 15

Shabbalom 9:30 a.m.

February 21 & 22

Aliyah Ader Bat Mitzvah

Oneg & Kiddush Sponsors & Flowers

February 1

Laurie and Rabbi Jon in honor of Alex Spira-Savett's 21st birthday

February 21 & 22

Joseph & Jessica Ader in honor of Aliyah Ader's Bat Mitzvah

February 29

Marsha & Bob Feder in memory of Bob's father, Norman Feder

Community News

Deepest Sympathy to:

- Marc Kolopsky on the loss of his beloved brother, Cary Kolopsky
- David Holt on the loss of his beloved brother, Larry Holt
- Alyssa Cohen on the loss of her beloved father, Selwyn Alan Cohen
- Esther Arlan on the loss of her beloved sister, Pecki Sherman Witonsky

Best Wishes to:

 Kerry & Dennis Schneider on the birth of grandson, McCoy Frazer

All those people in our community who are ill we wish you a complete & speedy recovery

Interested in Chanting Torah or Haftarah?

Contact Stan Juda or Marsha Feder for a Torah reading, or Haftarah assignment.

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Aliyah Ader Bat Mitzvah



Hi there! My name is Aliyah. I live in Brookline, NH with my brothers, my parents and a lot of pets. I go to Hollis Brookline Middle School. My favorite subjects are Social Studies and English, and I play the trumpet. In my free time I like to read. A lot. People will have to tear a book from my hands in order for me to have proper nutrition. I am looking forward to my Bat Mitzvah, partly because I am really excited and partly because I just want to get it over with. My parasha is Ki Tissa, which is about the Israelites and the Golden Calf.

The 12th Annual New Hampshire Jewish Film Festival is coming to theaters March 19 - 29!



Love Your Neighbor As You Love Yourself

The month of February begins with Groundhog Day. While this day is not part of our Jewish calendar. think that the movie with Bill



Director of Education Noreen Leibson

Murray has a

lot to teach about changing one's behavior.

Released in 1993, "Groundhog Day" was about a man who is a total blockhead. He cares only for himself and is very curt with others. He scoffs at the world around him and puts forward nothing to make himself a better person. But wait; here is the glorious part of the movie. Bill's character awakens everyday to the same day. This happens everyday for many days. Through the repetition of his day, he begins

to learn about respecting and caring for his neighbors. He notices his callous ways and really transforms into a caring and engaging man.

Bill Murray's character is a great mentor for us. We too must reflect on how we treat other people. Are we respectful to others? Do we help both friends and strangers? The more we reach out to others, the more the world will lift its head, and blessings and goodness will abound.

Living a life defined by Jewish values will indeed make not only our lives richer but also the lives of others. Values are an important part of what we teach at the school. It's totally great to learn to read Hebrew, study and be able to retell the stories of our ancient relatives, and practice holy day rituals. But I would add that knowing how to treat others is paramount to living a good life.

I hope you will all take some time to research Jewish values. Assess yourself in how you are doing in regard to these values. While I refer to them as Jewish values, many are universal values. We must always remember to "love your neighbor as you love yourself". This, of course, means that we all have to find the goodness in ourselves and then share it with the other.

Finally, let's hope that Punxsutawney's groundhog doesn't see his shadow. I am ready to move into the buds of spring. Stay warm!

> B'Shalom Noreen

School and Family Events

Yedidim Popup Potluck Havdalah

Saturday, February 1, 5:30 p.m.

Yedidim Build-a-Shabbat

Friday, February 7, 5:30 p.m.

NH Shlicha Avia Sagron Visits the Sunday School

Sunday, February 9, 10:00 a.m.

Yedidim Family Sunday School

Sunday, February 9, 10:00 a.m.

Tu BiShevat Seder for All

Monday, February 10, 5:30 p.m.

No School - NH Primary

Tuesday, February 11

Shabbalom

Saturday, February 15, All Morning

No School

Sunday, February 16

Kid Mini-Yan

Tuesday, February 18, Dinner 5:30 p.m., Service 6:00 p.m.

School Vacation

February 23 to March 1

Coming up in March!

March 9 – Purim Dinner and Service

March 15 – Purim Carnival

March 28 – Shabbat Morning School and

Family Service

March 29 – Field Trip to Chabad for Matzah Bakery

Judaism 201: Introduction to Judaism for People Who Know a Lot but Want to Know More About Judaism!

Judaism 201 is an introduction to the experience of the Jewish people at an adult level. A lot of us would like to know about Jewish culture, practices, and beliefs at the same level of sophistication as what we know about other things in our life and culture. Judaism 201 is for people who may or may not have learned about Judaism before, or who may or may not be interested in becoming Jewish. Come to one session, several, or all of them!

Shabbat — Sunday, February 2, 10:00 a.m. How-to's about Friday night rituals, and the big ideas you can use to create your own Shabbat

Torah — What is the Torah, where does it come from, what's the line of connection from the original Torah to Jewish belief and practice today.

Spring Holy Days — Purim and Pesach (Passover) how-to's and big ideas

Jewish History, Part 1 — From the Bible through the Middle Ages, where and how Jews have lived

Jewish History, Part 2 — The transformation of Judaism and the place of Jews in the world since the 1700s

Chesed — "Lovingkindness" practices

Prayer and Services — Roadmaps and choreography and how to participate when you don't know Hebrew

Life Cycle — From birth to death and beyond, how Jews mark moments of change in life

Israel Today — A virtual tour of the land, life in Israel today

5:30 p.m., Monday, February 10 Tu BiShevat Seder Join Us to Celebrate the Birthday of the Trees



Celebrate the birthday of the trees thorugh a "seder" drawing on mystical themes and connections with the Land of Israel

Seder is open to all ages and is organized by Rabbi Jon, Jessie Mocle, and Karen Herman

Cost is \$5/person. Please RSVP on our website or contact the main office.

Heartsaver CPR & AED Training, February 4 or February 9



Heartsaver CPR*/AED** training is being offered to the TBA membership by an American Heart Association-certified educator. Two training methods are available: One course involves blended learning leveraging both on-line and inperson training, and the second method involves only classroom training.

Heartsaver CPR/AED is geared for anyone with limited or no medical training. After successful completion of the training you will earn a **Heartsaver CPR AED card** which is valid for two years. The course also covers how to relieve choking in adults, children, and infants.

Blended learning involves an **online portion followed by a hands-on** skill session. Upon completion of the online portion, students must

print their certificate of completion and bring it on Tuesday evening, February 4, 6:00-7:30 p.m. in order to participate in the hands-on skill session. It is estimated that the online training portion can be completed in approximately 1¾ hours.

Classroom-only training will take place Sunday morning, February 9, 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. This instructorled course teaches adult, child, and infant CPR and AED use.

All in-person training is provided by American Heart Association (AHA)-certified instructor.

To learn more about the Heartsaver CPR/AED course, follow this link: https://cpr.heart.org/en/courses/heartsaver-cpr-aed-course-options

The blended course (both e-learning and in-person learning) requires two fees: \$15 for the online training portion and \$17 fee for the inperson training and Heartsaver certification. Alternatively, the instructor-led, in-person-only training requires just the payment of \$17.

Students who successfully complete either training will have a Heartsaver CPR/AED certificate valid for two years.

To register go to our website and pick just one course. Additional details, and payment instructions, will be provided to those who register. If you have questions, please call the TBA office (603) 883-8184

*CPR= cardiopulmonary resuscitation

**AED= automatic external defibrillator



Tax Statements Mailed

The tax statements for 2019 were mailed at the end of January. You should receive yours by email or U.S. Mail if you don't have an email on file or you have specified that as your preference. If you don't receive your statement or have any questions, please contact the treasurer at treasurer@tbanashua.org or call the office at (603) 883-8184.

Southern NH Jewish Men's Club

My Big Story: From Customs Inspector to the Bureau of Narcotics, the FBI to the Department of Labor IG's Office Via the Whiskey Pier and Katz's Delicatessen!

Join us for a fun and exciting trip down memory lane with Nashua's



own Peter Gallaher on Sunday, February 16, at 9:30 a.m. at Temple Beth Abraham.

Come learn how Peter started his career wearing a silly blue uniform and a big hat while riding in an old beaten-up squad car, annoying longshoremen and wandering through ships for six months. Hear all about Peter's first boss, Ike Feldman, a little Jewish guy who always walked around with a cigar almost as big as he was! You'll feel like you personally knew Peter's first partner, Morty Benjamin, otherwise known as "Pickles," you won't have to ask why.

Peter will introduce you to Howie Safir, who later became of Chief of the New York City Police Department. Hear all about how Peter, Howie, Pete Srocca and "Shakey" O'Neill got involved in

Peter's first shooting, and more. Be ready to relish (and laugh) in these stories as Peter recounts his career culminating with 20 years investigating organized crime and labor racketeering. Be assured that Peter will be bringing several hundred copies of his speech which will be made available at a decent price and will come complete with his own camera crew to record every word!

The Southern New Hampshire Jewish Men's Club is proud to sponsor Peter's presentation, which will start off with our monthly Sunday breakfast at 9:30 a.m. Our kitchen crew will be preparing a sumptuous feast of eggs, potatoes, bagels, lox and whitefish salad with veggies, fruit, juice, coffee and tea. The cost for breakfast is \$8 for Men's Club members and \$12 for nonmembers. For more information, and to RSVP for breakfast (please), email breakfastrsvp@snhjmc.org.

Our annual Children's Breakfast will be held on Sunday, March 1. See flyer in bulletin on page __ for more information.

About The Southern New Hampshire Men's Club

The Southern New Hampshire Jewish Men's Club was founded in 1982 and meets monthly for Sunday brunches. The Club's mission is based on building a brotherhood of like-minded men who wish to share their commitment and values to those in the greater NH Jewish community. The SNHJMC has provided quality programming, such as a town hall-style political event each fall and our annual children's breakfast, which this year featured; a science exhibit designed to both educate and entertain young minds. The Southern New Hampshire Jewish Men's Club is a non-profit organization serving all of southern NH's Jewish communities regardless of synagogue membership for over thirty years. If you or someone you know would like to join our Men's Club please contact our President, Don Gorelick, via email: president@snhjmc.org or visit our website at http://www. snhjmc.org.

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Chocolate and Coffee: What Could Be Better?

Saturday, February 1, 7:00 p.m.

Come to our Chocolate Cafe for delicious chocolate desserts (dairy) and samplings of coffees and teas all made from fair trade products.



Enjoy an evening listening to our local talent perform.

Program will begin with Havdalah and a brief presentation on fair trade.

Presented by TBA Sisterhood

Charge: \$12 per person (proceeds benefit the Chesed fund that provides meals for member families at difficult times)

All are welcome to attend, but the talent show is limited to teenagers and adults.

Please email <u>marshafeder@gmail.com</u> to volunteer your talent for the show.

Beth Abraham Sisterhood Gift Shop

Why shop at the Gift Shop?
There are so many things to choose from!

Hours:

Thursdays 4:30 - 8:00 p.m., during non-Shabbat synagogue events, and by appointment

Email Eileen at giftshop.tba@gmail.com for more info

Coming Events and Programming

Brought to You by the Lifelong Learning Committee

BABKA, Wednesday, February 5, 8:00 p.m.

The Great Escape by Kati Marton

Lunch & Learn, Saturday, February 8, After Services Meet the TBA Leadership

Officers and other Beth Abraham Board of Directors members will talk about their responsibilities, their reasons for participating, and their impressions upon first joining the Board.

Ongoing:

Torah Study with Rabbi Jon and Noreen Leibson

Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. to Noon. Come once or many times.

Judaism 201: Introduction to Judaism for People Who Know a Lot but Want to Know More About Judaism!

See article on page 7 for dates and topics.

Rabbijon.net and @TBARav

Teachings on the weekly Torah reading and current events through a Jewish lens, podcasts, and music.

Rabbi Jon's high holy day sermons are posted.

https://www.librarycat.org/lib/tbanashua

Search the TBA Library catalog for a book to read

Save the Date!

BABKA, Wednesday March 4

The Flight Portfolio by Julie Orringer

Sunday Speaker, March 29

Bialystock Cemetery Restoration project - http://bialystokcemeteryrestoration.org/

The Ethics of Compromise and Integrity With Rabbi Jon

Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Temple Beth Abraham Fridays, March 6, 13, 20 9:30-11:00 a.m. at OLLI, Granite State College

When is it or isn't it ethical to compromise? We will look at the philosophical grounds behind certainty, commitment and humility. We will explore both principled and prudential justifications for compromising and for not compromising.

There will be light dinner at the sessions at Beth Abraham, which are free of charge. To participate at OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute), go online to <u>olli.granite.edu</u> to register and pay.

Have Ideas? Want to Help? Join Our Committee?

Contact Jeff Masors at jmasors@gmail.com or Rabbi Jon at rabbi@tbanashua.org.

Contribute to the Elizabeth Fischer Memorial Fund to support TBA's ongoing scholarly and cultural programming.

Considering sponsoring a speaker or event? Contact the office or Rabbi Jon.

Annual Children's Breakfast The Southern New Hampshire Jewish Men's Club

Proudly Presents

Up, Up and Away





Sunday Morning, March 1 at 9:30 a.m.

After our famous Sunday Breakfast (including waffles!) our children will have a fantastic time learning about pressure (definitely not the homework type). The kids will be left flying high as the Mad Scientist explains how the weight of the earth's atmosphere pushes down on them with the force of an elephant! They'll explore how Bernoulli's principle creates enough lift to make a jumbo jet fly or how air pressure can be used to launch a hot air balloon. Our kids will watch in amazement as the Mad Scientist's vortex generator creates giant smoke rings and much more.

Want even more pressure? One lucky child will actually take a ride on the amazing Mad Science Hovercraft!

The Southern New Hampshire Jewish Men's Club is proud to sponsor our Annual Children's Breakfast featuring the Mad Scientist starting at 9:30 a.m. Our kitchen crew will be preparing a sumptuous feast of waffles, eggs, potatoes, bagels, lox and whitefish salad with veggies, fruit, juice, coffee and tea.

The cost for breakfast is \$8 for Men's Club members and \$12 for non-members.

All Children eat FREE!

For more information or just to let us know you're coming, RSVP for breakfast (please), to: breakfastrsvp@snhjmc.org.

Vote Now in the Elections for the World Zionist Congress

The international elections for representatives to the World Zionist Congress are underway. This is the one forum where Jews from around the world and Jews in Israel are represented together, and create policies and allocate funding related to Judaism in Israel.

For a fee of \$7.50 (\$5 if you are ages 18-25), you can vote between now and March 11. MERCAZ (Slate #6) is the international Zionist organization of Conservative Judaism. A vote for MERCAZ is a vote to advocate for



The Conservative Movement Slate #6

more religious pluralism in Israel — the right for Jews to practice all forms of Judaism without discrimination and with support of the government, to have conversions and marriages officiated at by non-Orthodox rabbis. A vote for MERCAZ helps direct funding from Israeli government and

other nongovernment sources to the educational programs of Conservative Judaism (known in Israel as "Masorti"/traditional) which bring a modern approach to Judaism to Israeli students and educators whether they identify as religious or not.

For more information and to register and vote, visit mercaz2020.org

SAVE THE DATE!!

NEXT TBA MAH JONGG TOURNAMENT

SUNDAY, MARCH, 22 12:30 - 5:00 p.m.







Thank You to Shirley Lelchuk

We would like to thank Shirley Lelchuk for her many many years of polishing the silver which adorns our Torahs. Shirley comes to the Temple 2 – 3 times a year to do this with Richard Bryant so that our Torahs sparkle at our High Holy Days and *s'machot* (joyous occasions)

Support Our People, Celebrations and Programs By Sponsoring Food or a Speaker!

If you have an occasion such as a birthday or anniversary, or want to honor a special person in your life or the community, sponsoring an event is a beautiful way to do it! We have regular opportunities almost every week and absolutely every month, and if you would like to sponsor a bigger program or would like to know what those are, contact the office.

- Monthly Lunch and Learn --\$375 cosponsor, \$750 sponsor
- Weekly Kiddush -- \$350
- Periodic Speaker -- \$500 cosponsor, \$1000 sponsor
- Shabbat Alive light dinner monthly -- \$250
- Build-a-Shabbat dinner for young families -- \$250
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Social Event of the 2020 Season

Joint Sisterhood/Men's Club

Purim Masquerade Ball

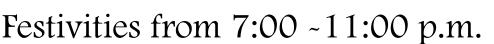
DJ Dance Music

Dancing, Appetizers

Drinks and Desserts

(costumes optional)

Saturday, March 7



Sisterhood and Men's Club Members and Guests, \$25 in advance

Non-Members \$30 in advance

At the door, \$30

RSVP by February 23 at

https://www.tbanashua.org/event/purim-masquerade-ball1.html

For more information contact:

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(Adults only, please)

Mishlo'ach Manot



It is time again for our wonderful mitzvah tradition of Mishlo'ach Manot! This Purim custom expresses joy over the victory of Esther, who frustrated Haman's plot to annihilate the Persian Jewish community in the 5th century B.C.E. **Send a gift basket** of sweets, treats, Hamantashen and a few new surprises to your friends and family. If you would like to give a basket to someone outside the congregation, you can purchase additional baskets for you to give out. These will be delivered to you, not to the non-congregant.

Please note that each family will receive only one basket, with a card listing all those thoughtful individuals who made a donation on their behalf.

If you received one last year and you would like to send a basket back, remember, it is a mitzvah, and a wonderful way to support the religious school!



ON-LINE ORDERS can be completed through March 1 Temple Beth Abraham Website - tbanashua.org

- O Baskets are \$9 each with a minimum purchase of 2 for \$18
- O If you send 15 or more baskets, your name will be listed on the cards to all congregants receiving a basket
- O \$360, if you would like to make sure every member of the congregation receives a basket from you
- O You can additionally purchase cards to be sent to non-congregants outside the area for \$4 each

If you prefer a paper order form, please use the form on the other side of this flyer. Checks are payable to Temple Beth Abraham Religious School. Please return the completed form found on the reverse side of this flyer by March 1.

ALL BASKET ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN March 1
(We cannot guarantee delivery for late orders)

Baskets will be delivered on Sunday, March 15



Order Form for Mishlo'ach Manot

Ordering:

Baskets are \$9.00 each with a minimum purchase of 2 baskets. If 15 or more baskets are ordered, your name will put be on every card that congregants receive.

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Your Jewish Connection

Brought to you by the Lifelong Learning Committee – Written by Linda S Trapasso

Travel and Do Jewish Things

Do you like to travel? Do you like to find out about the Jewish community wherever you go? If so, let's travel in the U.S. and then to Europe to see what kinds of Jewish things we can do.

We can start in our backyard in Boston. Did you know Eastern European Jews began settling in the North End in the 1870s? The Rabinovich family was among them and they opened a grocery store that eventually led to the creation of Stop & Shop. By the 1920s, Iewish families moved to Roxbury, Newton, Revere, and Brookline, and few signs remain of their presence. Go to NorthEndBoston. com and find out what remnants of Jewish life are still in the North End.

What can I say about New York



the Carlebach Shul, and the Jewish Theological Seminary, among many other places. And what of Machpelah Cemetary? Go there to visit Houdini's grave.

In Baltimore, MD, the Jonestown neighborhood is historically Jewish and is where you can find the Lloyd Street Synagogue (part of The Jewish Museum). Built in 1845, it is one of the oldest synagogues in the United States and the first synagogue erected in Maryland, a state known for its religious tolerance.



though the Atlanta Jewish Life **Festival**

was in January, you can go to the web site and see the lists of Jewish businesses, synagogues, schools, and more in the Atlanta area. The Jews live all over the city, and this one-day festival brings everyone together.

In Miami, FL, you can find many kindred spirits. Shalom Miami can help you find kosher food, Jewish events, historical sites, and more. Also check out Shtetl by the Sea for a list of Jewish landmarks.

Jews arrived in New Orleans, LA, when it was under French control and have been there for over 200 years. In spite of French and Spanish governments wanting to remove the Jews, they have stayed and continue to thrive, and have made significant contributions to the city, even taking part in the Mardi Gras parades.

Moving west, visit Jewish Things to Do Los Angeles CA for lists of activities suggested by local Jewish families. Whether indoors or out, there are many choices plus a short list of Kosher restaurants. At the bottom of the website are links to synagogues and events.



Heading to Europe, many places have Jewish quarters and we can find Jewish things to do in:

- London, UK
- Paris, France
- Madrid, Spain
- Venice, Italy
- Rome, Italy
- Vienna, Austria
- Prague, Czech Republic
- **Budapest**, Hungary
- Bucharest, Romania

So have fun planning your next adventure and include Jewish things to do!

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This committee meets three to four times per year to provide a forum for discussions between the rabbi and a representative group of congregants.

If you have an issue relating to the rabbi that you aren't able to resolve directly, you can contact one of the committee members.

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