



BACK To SCHOOL

The Jewish Federation of New Hampshire Welcomes Erik Martin, Our New Executive Director!

Dear Friends and Community Members,
It is with deep honor, humility, and enthusiasm that I introduce myself as the new Executive Director of the Jewish Federation of New Hampshire. This role marks a significant professional milestone for me—and, equally, a heartfelt return home.

Although I was raised in New York and Connecticut, my family and I are deeply rooted in New Hampshire. My wife grew up in Rye, and we were married at Temple Israel in Portsmouth. We now live in Dover where we are raising our two daughters, Abby (15) and Izzy (12).

Our connection to Jewish life in the Granite State and to Israel is profound. Abby is preparing for a "mini-mester" at Alexander Muss High School in Israel next year, and Izzy will celebrate her Bat



Mitzvah this spring. Both attend Berwick Academy and spend summers at Camp Young Judaea in Amherst—experiences that continue to shape their Jewish identities and deepen our ties to this community.

Professionally, I bring more than 15 years of experience in Jewish communal leadership, education, and development. I previously served as the NextGen Director at the Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford, where I had the privilege of cultivating emerging leaders and raising



vital funds to support our mission. Most recently, I served as Head of School and Family Programming Coordinator at Temple Israel in Portsmouth, where I led the design and implementation of an experiential K-7 curriculum, created inclusive community outreach programs, and launched JAM Fest—a multigenerational Jewish Arts & Music Festival that cel-



brates the richness and diversity of Jewish culture.

Throughout my career, I have been guided by a commitment to making Jewish life personal, meaningful, and enduring. I believe that a strong Federation is the connective thread that binds our diverse communities—supporting agencies,

Executive Director continued on page 6

Look for the 2025 Annual Report included in this issue of the *Jewish Reporter*.

What's Inside

Federation Voices	3
Calendar	4
Education	6
In The Community	10
Arts & Entertainment	16
Book Review	16
Movie Review	16
Mitzvahs	18
Israel News and Events	21
Tributes	22
Business & Professional Services	23

jewishnh.org

JFNH Says Goodbye to Exec. Director Allyson Guertin



This summer, the staff of the Jewish Federation of New Hampshire officially said goodbye to our beloved executive director, Allyson Guertin. We also said a fond farewell and good luck to our Office Assistant, Abbie Law. We wish her the best of luck in her new position!



CONGREGATIONS

JRF: Jewish Reconstructionist Federation **URJ:** Union for Reform Judaism
USCJ: United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

AMHERST

CONGREGATION BETENU

Dena Glasgow (Rabbinic Intern)
5 Northern Blvd., Unit 1, Amherst
Reform, Affiliated URJ
(603) 886-1633
www.betenu.org

Services: Friday night Kabbalat Shabbat services at 7:30 PM

BETHLEHEM

BETHLEHEM HEBREW CONGREGATION

Rabbi Donna Kirshbaum
39 Strawberry Hill Road
PO Box 395, Bethlehem
Unaffiliated-Egalitarian
(603) 869-5465
www.bethlehemsynagogue.org
Weekly services from July through Simchat Torah with Zoom services and Torah study from November to June. Please check our website for service times and event information.

CONCORD

TEMPLE BETH JACOB

Rabbi Robin Nafshi
67 Broadway, Concord
Reform, Affiliated URJ
(603) 228-8581
www.tbjconcord.org
office@tbjconcord.org
Services: Friday night - 7 PM
Saturday morning - 9:30 AM

DERRY

ETZ HAYIM SYNAGOGUE

1½ Hood Road, Derry
Reform, Affiliated URJ
(603) 432-0004
www.etzhayim.org
office@etzhayim.org, rabbi@etzhayim.org
Services: Fridays 7:15 PM,
Saturday 9:30 AM.
Torah Study - Sundays 9:00 AM. Check the website for updates
Please visit www.etzhayim.org/calendar for optional Zoom link.

HANOVER

THE ROHR CHABAD CENTER AT DARTMOUTH

Rabbi Moshe Gray
19 Allen Street, Hanover
Orthodox, Chabad
(603) 643-9821
www.dartmouthchabad.com
chabad@dartmouth.edu
Services: Friday Evening Shabbat services and Dinner
Shabbat morning services
Call for times

KOL HA'EMEK UPPER VALLEY JEWISH COMMUNITY

Rabbi Mark Melamut
Roth Center for Jewish Life
5 Occom Ridge, Hanover
Nondenominational, Unaffiliated
(603) 646-0460

www.uvjc.org
office@uvjc.org
Services: Friday night Shabbat service at 6 PM
Saturday morning Shabbat service at 10 AM

KEENE

CONGREGATION AHAVAS ACHIM

Rabbi Dan Aronson
84 Hastings Avenue, Keene
Reconstructionist, Affiliated JRF
(603) 352-6747
www.keenesynagogue.org
rabbida@keenesynagogue.org
office@keenesynagogue.org
Services: Regular Friday night services at 7 PM
Weekly Shabbat Torah study at 9:30 AM.
Shabbat morning services on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 9:30 AM.
Meditation and Pirkei Avot study on the 4th Saturday of each month at 10:30 AM.
All services are in-person and online.
Check the website for schedule changes and Zoom links.

LACONIA

TEMPLE B'NAI ISRAEL

Rabbi Andy Bachman
210 Court Street, Laconia
Reform, Affiliated URJ
(603) 524-7044
www.tbinh.org
info@tbinh.org
Services: Every other Friday night at 7:30 PM

MANCHESTER

CHABAD CENTER FOR JEWISH LIVING

Rabbi Levi Krinsky
1234 River Rd., Manchester
Orthodox, Chabad
(603) 647-0204
www.Lubavitchnh.com
rabbi@lubavitchnh.com
Services: Shabbat Services
Saturday morning at 9:30 AM
Sunday morning minyan at 9 AM

TEMPLE ADATH YESHURUN

Rabbi Beth D. Davidson
152 Prospect Street, Manchester
Reform, Affiliated URJ
(603) 669-5650
www.taynh.org
office@taynh.org
Services: Shabbat services the first Friday of the month at 6 PM
All other Friday nights at 7 PM with some exceptions.
Alternating Shabbat services or Torah study Saturday mornings at 10 AM

TEMPLE ISRAEL MANCHESTER

Rabbi Marc Philippe
66 Salmon Street, Manchester
Conservative Affiliated USCJ
(603) 622-6171
office@templeisraelmht.org
www.templeisraelmht.org
Shabbat Services: Every month we offer

one Friday night Shabbat with a catered community dinner (rsvp required), and two Saturday Shabbat services followed by a light kiddush (no rsvp necessary). Every Wednesday, we offer a 7:00 AM in-person morning minyan and a 6:30 PM Torah study via ZOOM. Please check our website www.templeisraelmht.org, call our office at (603) 622-6171 or email office@templeisraelmht.org for information on specific service dates and times.

NASHUA

TEMPLE BETH ABRAHAM

Rabbi Jon Spira-Savett
Conservative
(603) 883-8184
www.tbanashua.org
rabbijon@tbanashua.org
office@tbanashua.org
Services (generally):
Every Friday at 8:00 PM
Every Saturday at 10:00 AM
Evening Minyan Monday-Thursday at 7:30 PM
All services are in-person and on Zoom (check our website for schedule changes and Zoom links)

NEWINGTON

UNH & SEACOAST CHABAD JEWISH CENTER

Rabbi Berel Slavaticki
2299 Woodbury Avenue, Newington
Orthodox, Chabad
(603) 584-4111
Rabbi@JewishSeacoast.com
www.JewishSeacoast.com

NORTH CONWAY

KEHILAT HAR LAVAN

Hazzan Marlena Fuerstman
PO Box 474, Bartlett
(978) 853-4900
harlavancommunity@gmail.com
Services: Wed. mornings 9 AM online via Zoom
Enter meeting ID <https://zoom.us/j/381930069>
Holiday service times, locations TBA

PORTSMOUTH

TEMPLE ISRAEL

Rabbi Rosalind Glazer
200 State Street, Portsmouth
Conservative, Affiliated USCJ
(603) 436-5301
www.templeisraelnh.org
templeoffice@templeisraelnh.org
Services: Friday, 6:00 PM
Saturday, 10 AM
Tues. minyan 5:30 PM
Temple Israel has a fully licensed M-F preschool.

The New Hampshire Jewish Reporter

Volume 45, Number 9

AUGUST 2025

Av - Elul 5785

Published by the
Jewish Federation of New Hampshire

273 South River Rd. Unit #5
Bedford, NH 03110
Tel: (603) 627-7679

Editor: **Nicholas Conley**
Layout and Design: **Tim Gregory**

Advertising Sales:
(603) 627-7679
info@jewishnh.org

The objectives of The New Hampshire Jewish Reporter are to foster a sense of community among the Jewish people of New Hampshire by sharing ideas, information, experiences and opinions, and to promote the agencies, projects and mission of the Jewish Federation of New Hampshire.

The New Hampshire Jewish Reporter is published monthly ten times per year, with a deadline for submissions of the 10th of the month before publication. There are no January or July issues. All items, including calendar events, for the December-January or June-July newspaper must be submitted by Nov. 10 or May 10, respectively.

Please send all materials to:
thereporter@jewishnh.org

To submit Calendar items for the print and online JFNH Calendar and E-News, go to <https://jewishnh.org/community-calendar>, click the red "Suggest an Event" button, then fill in the form with your event information.

Opinions presented in the paper do not necessarily represent the views of the Federation. Photos submitted by individuals and organizations are published with their permission.

Neither the publisher nor the editor can assume any responsibility for the kashrut of the services or merchandise advertised in this paper. If you have questions regarding kashrut please consult your rabbi.

The New Hampshire Jewish Reporter is overseen by the JFNH Publications Committee, Merle Carrus, chairperson.

All materials published in The New Hampshire Jewish Reporter are ©2025 Jewish Federation of New Hampshire, all rights reserved, unless noted otherwise.

Shabbat Candle Lighting Times: (Manchester)



August 1 7:49 PM
August 8 7:40 PM
August 15 7:30 PM
August 22 7:19 PM
August 29 7:07 PM

Back to School, Back to Connection

The school year begins with sharpened pencils, charged devices, and—for Jewish parents like me—a quiet hope: that our kids will not only learn well, but grow Jewishly, meaningfully, and in connection with others.

When we moved to New Hampshire in 2017, I didn't just need a school district—I needed a Jewish community. I craved Jewish moments, friendships, and guidance as a parent. I signed up for every Facebook group and email list I could find. That's how I found a "Popsicles in the Playground" event at Temple Israel in Portsmouth.

That's also where I met Allyson Guertin. While my kids got sunburned, stained red from popsicle juice, and fought over playground trucks, I found something I hadn't realized I was missing—a strong Jewish connection. Allyson greeted me with warmth, kindness, and openness. She made space for me. She helped me feel like I belonged.

Dinah Berch

**JFNH
Program
Coordinator**



I didn't know it then, but Allyson would become a guide, a mentor, and a role model to me—both personally and professionally. Allyson, thank you for all you did to help me find my place here. I'm deeply grateful.

Now, a few years (and one more child) later, I'm sending an 11-year-old into 6th grade, a soon-to-be 8-year-old into 3rd, and a baby into the school of hard knocks as she toddles her 178th lap up and down the stairs. And I'm still asking: Am I doing enough?

My kids attend public school. They go to Hebrew School at our synagogue twice

Back to School continued on page 6

As One, We Build a Brighter Tomorrow

In a time of war in Israel and rising antisemitism, it's natural to feel overwhelmed and uncertain. But one message continues to echo through Jewish history: "As One."

We are not simply individuals — we are a resilient, united people bound by tradition, culture, and shared responsibility. And together, we can achieve more than we ever could alone. The Jewish Federation of New Hampshire supports Jewish life every day—and your generosity makes it possible.

As one, we stand with Jewish communities worldwide.

Through global partners like the Jewish Agency for Israel, JDC, and World ORT, we reach over 1.2 million Jews in 70+ countries—offering aid, education, and connection.

As one, we combat antisemitism.

Nearly two-thirds of Jews feel unsafe today. Your support helps fund education, security, and advocacy so our communities can stay safe and proud.

As one, we nurture vibrant Jewish life.

From PJ Library and school endowments to Israel engagement and senior programs, Federation strengthens Jewish identity at every age and stage—right here in New Hampshire.

Together, we are building a Jewish future that is bold, proud, and thriving.

Will you make a gift today that helps us grow stronger—as one?

With gratitude and hope,

The Jewish Federation of New Hampshire

Please visit jewishnh.org/donate to make your gift today.



STAY IN TOUCH AND IN-THE-KNOW



Subscribe to Emails

Check your spam folder occasionally and mark [@jewishnh.org](mailto:info@jewishnh.org) as a safe-sender.

Read

To subscribe, please send your name and address with "Reporter Subscription" in the subject to: info@jewishnh.org or 603-627-7679.



Follow JFNH on Social

[@JewishFederationofNewHampshire](https://www.facebook.com/JewishFederationofNewHampshire)

[@jewishfederationNH](https://www.instagram.com/jewishfederationNH)

Watch our Calendar

Regularly visit our Community Calendar on our website www.jewishnh.org



Join a Committee

We'd love to meet you and discuss ways for you to get more involved with JFNH and the larger New Hampshire Jewish Community. Email questions to info@jewishnh.org.

Jewish Federation of New Hampshire | 273 South River Road, Unit #5, Bedford, NH 03110
www.jewishnh.org | 603-627-7679 | info@jewishnh.org

Connect with Us



& PJ OUR WAY
in New Hampshire



Subscribe
to our monthly email newsletters & events



Join
the WhatsApp Community of New Hampshire PJ Library / PJOW families



Follow
us on Instagram
[@pjlibrarynh](https://www.instagram.com/pjlibrarynh) or
Facebook
[@pjlibraryNH](https://www.facebook.com/pjlibraryNH)



Visit
your parent portal at
pjlibrary.org to check
your address or add a
sibling.



Email
dinah.berch@jewishnh.org



9-12yos
go to pjourway.org to
enroll or choose books
each month.



Events
are listed in the
community calendar at
jewishnh.org



Become
a PJ Grandparent:
pjlibrary.org/beyond-books/grandparents



Office
Jewish Federation of
New Hampshire
273 South River Road
Unit 5
Bedford, NH 03110
Open Tuesdays & Thursdays 9-4
by appointment: 603-627-7679



Donate
to PJ Library New
Hampshire in Honor of
Allyson Guertin

Enroll at pjlibrary.org



Statewide Calendar of Events

DISCLAIMER: Events are submitted weeks in advance of publication, and are subject to change. For information on format changes, rescheduling, and so on, please contact the event's host.

To submit Calendar items for the print and online JFNH Calendar and E-News, go to <https://jewishnh.org/community-calendar>, click the red "Suggest an Event" button, then fill in the form with your event information.

Thursday, April 17-Monday, September 1

The Art of 20th Century Yiddish Poster Design

10AM-4PM, Sunday to Friday, Yiddish Book Center, 1021 West St., Amherst, MA

If you were to take a walk through the crowded Jewish neighborhoods of New York, Warsaw, Buenos Aires, and other centers of Yiddish life in the early twentieth century, you would have come across streetscapes full of posters. Theatrical extravaganzas, political discussions, public health talks, literary celebrations—all were publicized in elaborate and striking displays of graphic art. These posters, now on view at the Yiddish Book Center, tell the story of the yidishe gas—the slogans, sounds, and laughter of the Jewish street. <https://www.yiddishbookcenter.org/visit/how-view/art-20th-century-yiddish-poster-design-theaterpoliticslectures> Plan your visit: <https://www.yiddishbookcenter.org/events-and-store/plan-your-visit-hours-and-directions>.

Friday, August 1

Sounds in the Sanctuary

4:30PM - 6PM, Bethlehem Hebrew Congregation, 39 Strawberry Hill Rd, Bethlehem, NH
The NEK's Halcyon Chorale, led by Lucas Weiss, will perform Eric Whitacre's "The Sacred Veil." A 12-movement work, and the most recent collaboration between Whitacre and poet/lyricist Charles Anthony Silvestri, "The Sacred Veil" is based on the experiences of Silvestri and his wife, Julie, who died of ovarian cancer at age 36 in 2005, leaving two young children. Including texts from Silvestri, Whitacre and Julie herself, the intimate, compelling score tells a story of courtship, love, loss, and the search for solace. A light reception with the musicians follows. Tickets are available online at <https://www.bethlehemsynagogue.org/concert-series-2025> or at the door. \$25 General Admission/\$20 BHC Members. Season pass (4 Concerts) \$75 General Admission/\$60 BHC Members.

Temple Adath Yeshurun Family Shabbat Service

6PM - 7PM, Temple Adath Yeshurun, 152 Prospect Street, Manchester
Family Shabbat Service geared toward younger families. Light nosh following. Contact Karen Roth at office@taynh.org with questions.

Tuesday, August 5

New Hampshire Fisher Cats Jewish Heritage Night

5:30pm, Delta Dental Stadium, 1 Line Drive, Manchester, NH
The New Hampshire Fisher Cats, the Double-A affiliate of the Toronto Blue Jays, and the Jewish Federation of New Hampshire are inviting you to enjoy a baseball game to celebrate Jewish Heritage Night on Tuesday August 5th 2025 at Delta Dental

Stadium. The Fisher Cats will be facing the Reading Fightin Phils, the Double-A affiliate of the Philadelphia Phillies. Gates will open at 5:35 pm and the first pitch will be at 6:35 pm. This will be the first Jewish Heritage Night that the Fisher Cats have hosted since before the Covid-19 pandemic. Jewish Heritage Night is a great way for Jewish people in the area and beyond to come together and enjoy a baseball game. There will Jewish baseball trivia announced in between certain innings. Kosher food is available for purchase for \$25 before July 30th. Normal safety procedures will be followed, as security will be patrolling inside and outside the stadium, as well as a Manchester police officer. Join us in the private air-conditioned JFNH Suite! To purchase \$48 tickets for seats in our reserved suite please go to <https://givebutter.com/c/JewishHeritageNightNH> and use the button in the upper right for "Donations & Tickets". General stadium seating NOT in the JFNH suite must be purchased through JFNH's special referral link: <https://www.gofevo.com/event/JewishFederation60>. Ticket prices are between \$15-\$17. \$5 of every ticket sold using this link will be donated to JFNH. There will also be an optional \$5 non-kosher food voucher available to purchase that will include a hot dog, drink, and soda.

Wednesday, August 6

Books of Jewish Interest Club

4PM-5PM, Bethlehem Public Library and Zoom
So, who doesn't really like to go shopping? Join the Bethlehem Hebrew Congregation this summer as we read about the shopping experience and the Jewish merchants who changed retail forever. Our third great read this summer is *The Joy of Costco* by David and Susan Schwartz, a married Jewish couple who take their readers on a whirlwind tour of Costco warehouses around the globe. The Costco concept dates back to a Jewish San Diego lawyer named Sol Price, who founded Price Club, Costco's predecessor. Jim Sinegal, Price's protégé, and Jeff Brotman, a Jewish Seattle retailer, went on to found Costco itself. We meet simultaneously in-person at the Bethlehem Public Library and on Zoom. For more information, visit our website at <https://www.bethlehemsynagogue.org/books-2025>

Beth Abraham's Sundaes on Wednesdays

6:30PM - 7:30PM, Sundae Drive, 346 Rte 13, Brookline, NH 03033
Join Beth Abraham for ice cream (on us!) at 6:30 pm! Stay for Minyan at 7:00 pm at a nearby field. Come find us to get your ice cream! Contact Rebecca White at office@tbanashua.org with questions.

Thursday, August 7

White Mountain Jewish Film Festival - MIDAS MAN

6pm-9pm, Colonial Theatre, 2050 Main Street, Bethlehem, NH
"Midas Man" (2024) tells the story of Brian Epstein, the mastermind behind The Beatles' meteoric rise, a visionary who transformed music history. From running a Liverpool record store to shaping the sound of a generation, Epstein's journey is a roller-coaster of ambition, passion, and the relentless pursuit of greatness. Our guest speaker is Erik Taros, a noted Rock 'n Roll Historian, Filmmaker, and Archivist, who has specialized in documenting The Beatles legacy. As a WMJFF EXCLUSIVE, he will show never-before-screened footage of an interview with Epstein. WMJFF audiences enjoy the magic of watching great theatrical presentations on the big screen of Bethlehem's historic Colonial Theatre, one of the oldest

continuously operating movie theaters in the country. As always, your ticket includes our festival's famous patio party beginning at 6PM with complimentary refreshments and an assortment of beverages. The guest speaker will introduce the film and then stay for a Q&A as the houselights go on afterwards. Movie Time - All Films: Box office opens: 5:30PM/ Patio opens: 6:00PM/ Guest Speaker: 6:30PM/ Film: 7:00PM.
General Admission \$10; BHC and JFNH Members: \$9; Season Pass (5 Films): \$40
Tickets are sold at the door or can be purchased online: www.bethlehemsynagogue.org/films-2025

Sunday, August 10

CAA's 56th Annual Kosher-Q

11:30AM-1:30PM, Congregation Ahavas Achim, 84 Hastings Avenue, Keene, NH
Imagine the sound of BBQ chicken sizzling on the grill as its mouth-watering scent fills the air. With kosher BBQ'd chicken using Charlotte's Secret Sauce, fresh picked local corn steamed in the husk, rolls, cold drinks and juicy watermelon - this celebration of community, tradition and delicious kosher BBQ is sure to delight all! There will be veggie burgers as well! Enjoy your meal under the trees with friends and family or order your meal "to go." And don't forget about our incredible gift raffles! So much to win including \$50 gift cards, toys for kids and more! Tickets may be purchased at the Kosher-Q: \$20 per adult, \$10 per student-aged child. Credit cards now accepted! Rain or shine. Contact Daniella Yitzchak at office@keenesyndagogue.org with questions.

New Hampshire Jewish Festival 2025

12PM-3PM, Seacoast Chabad Jewish Center, 2299 Woodbury Avenue, Suite 5, Newington, NH
The New Hampshire Jewish Festival- CELEBRATING JEWISH LIFE & CULTURE
Music - It's always exciting to experience a variety of music that is both culturally significant and enjoyable to listen to.
The Brooklyn Café - The delicious foods, from the new local cafe will include NY bagels, Falafel and much more.
Games & Activities - The Jewish Festival offers an assortment of crafts, games, Giant COMMUNITY wall of hope and rock climbing, trains and much more. All for Free!
Contact New Hampshire Jewish Festival at 603-584-4111 or email Info@TheJewishFestival.com, <https://thejewishfestival.com/>

Thursday, August 14

Beth Abraham's 2025 Annual Golf Tournament

7:30AM-2PM, Souhegan Woods Golf club, 65 Thornton Ferry Road, Amherst, NH
Join Beth Abraham for our annual golf tournament at Souhegan Woods Golf Club. Open to all, space is limited! \$125 per player, with sponsorship opportunities available. Follow the link to register, <https://tbanashua.shulcloud.com/event/tba-2025-annual-golf-tournament.html>. Contact Rebecca White at office@tbanashua.org with questions.

Friday, August 15

Sounds in the Sanctuary

4:30PM - 6PM, Bethlehem Hebrew Congregation, 39 Strawberry Hill Rd, Bethlehem, NH
For our third concert of the summer, our sanctuary will transform into an 18th century Viennese salon for a special concert in honor of the Robinson and

Mautner families. Dr. Andrus Madsen will perform on a period-appropriate pianoforte, along with soprano Anastasia Robinson and classical guitarist Gary Robinson. A light reception with the musicians follows. Tickets are available online at <https://www.bethlehemsynagogue.org/concert-series-2025> or at the door. \$25 General Admission/\$20 BHC Members. Season pass (4 Concerts) \$75 General Admission/\$60 BHC Members.

Beth Abraham's Community BBQ and Shabbat Alive Service

5:30PM - 7:30PM, Temple Beth Abraham, 4 Raymond Street, Nashua, NH
Join us for a Community BBQ dinner at 5:30 pm, followed by a musical Kabbalat Shabbat at 6:30 pm. Oneg Shabbat (Dessert) will be available after the service at around 7:15 pm. Open to all!
Adult (12 yrs old and older) \$10.00 Each. Child (between 5 and 12 yrs old) \$5.00 Each. Child (under 5 years old) Free. <https://tbanashua.shulcloud.com/event/community-bbq1.html> Contact Rebecca White at 603-883-8184 or office@tbanashua.org with questions.

Sunday, August 17

Beth Abraham's Breakfast - Theodore Roosevelt and the Jews

9:30AM - 12PM, Temple Beth Abraham, 4 Raymond Street, Nashua, NH
Author and history professor Andrew Porwancher comes to Temple Beth Abraham (TBA) in Nashua on Sunday, August 17 at 9:30 am to discuss his new book, *American Maccabee: Theodore Roosevelt and the Jews*. A light breakfast will be served. Andrew previously gave an enlightening presentation at TBA in 2022 about his book, *The Jewish World of Alexander Hamilton*.

In *American Maccabee*, Andrew chronicles Theodore Roosevelt's deep connection with the Jewish people at every step of the president's dazzling ascent. The book also reveals a man of contradictions whose checkered approach to Jewish issues was no less conflicted than the nation he led. As a rising political figure in New York, Roosevelt barnstormed the Lower East Side, giving speeches to packed halls of Jewish immigrants. He rallied for reform of the sweatshops where Jewish laborers toiled for pitiful wages in perilous conditions. And Roosevelt repeatedly venerated the heroism of the Maccabee warriors, upholding those storied rebels as a model for the American Jewish community. Yet little could have prepared him for the blood-soaked persecution of Eastern European Jews that brought a deluge of refugees to American shores during his presidency. Andrew Porwancher is a professor of history at Arizona State University. His five books include *The Jewish World of Alexander Hamilton*, winner of the Journal of the American Revolution Book-of-the-Year Award; and *The Devil Himself*, which was adapted for the stage at Dublin's historic Smock Alley Theatre. He previously served as the May Fellow at Harvard, the Garwood Fellow at Princeton, and the Horne Fellow at Oxford. Andrew's writing has also appeared in the Wall Street Journal and Washington Post. Follow the link to register, <https://tbanashua.shulcloud.com/event/theodore-roosevelt-and-the-jews.html>. Open to all, donations are welcome. Contact Rebecca White at office@tbanashua.org with questions.

2025 JFNH Annual Meeting

6PM-8PM, Bedford Event Center, 379 South River Road, Bedford, NH
The community is invited to join the Jewish

Calendar continued on page 5

Statewide Calendar of Events

Calendar

continued from page 4

Federation of New Hampshire, in person or virtually, for our Annual Meeting and Shem Tov presentation. Doors open at 6pm with a kosher appetizer reception, and the meeting will begin promptly at 7pm. Federation leadership will celebrate and thank Allyson Guertin for her dedicated leadership as Executive Director of JFNH. In recognition of her impact—especially her passion for Jewish family engagement—we are proud to announce the creation of the Allyson Guertin PJ Library Fund, which will support Jewish books, programming, and connection for families across New Hampshire. The evening will also include a special welcome for Erik Martin, our new Executive Director, as he begins his journey with the Federation and our statewide community.

Wednesday, August 20

Books of Jewish Interest Club

4PM-5PM, Bethlehem Public Library and Zoom So, who doesn't really like to go shopping? Join the Bethlehem Hebrew Congregation this summer as we read about the shopping experience and the Jewish merchants who changed retail forever. Our last great read this summer is *Merchant Princes: An Intimate History of Jewish Families Who Built Great Department Stores* by Leon A. Harris. This compelling history of America's famous Jewish shopkeepers shows how the Filene, Gimbel, and Marcus families, and others, created renowned retail empires out of small pushcart beginnings. We

meet simultaneously in person at the Bethlehem Public Library and on Zoom. For more information, visit our website at <https://www.bethlehemsynagogue.org/books-2025>

Thursday, August 21

White Mountain Jewish Film Festival - DANIEL

6PM – 9PM, Colonial Theatre, 2050 Main Street, Bethlehem, NH In "Daniel" (1983), a '60s graduate student (Timothy Hutton) recalls his parents (Mandy Patinkin, Lindsay Crouse), who were executed in the '50s for selling atomic secrets. The film, directed by Sidney Lumet, is based on E. L. Doctorow's novel inspired by the execution of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg for espionage. Our guest speakers for this film are Robert and Ellen Meeropol, with Rick Winston. Robert is the Rosenbergs' son.

WMJFF audiences enjoy the magic of watching great theatrical presentations on the big screen of Bethlehem's historic Colonial Theatre, one of the oldest continuously operating movie theaters in the country.

As always, your ticket includes our festival's famous patio party beginning at 6PM with complimentary refreshments and an assortment of beverages. The guest speaker will introduce the film and then stay for a Q&A as the houselights go on afterwards. Movie Time – All Films: Box office opens: 5:30PM/ Patio opens: 6:00PM/ Guest Speaker: 6:30PM/ Film: 7:00PM. General Admission \$10; BHC and JFNH Members: \$9; Season Pass (5 Films): \$40

Tickets are sold at the door or can be purchased online: www.bethlehemsynagogue.org/films-2025

Friday, August 22-Sunday, August 24

Chabad presents New Hampshire Regional Teen Shabbaton

1PM-3PM, Location: a private estate in Connecticut (address given upon registration)

Who: Jewish teens across New Hampshire, entering grades 7-11 (12th grade can attend as madrichim/ot)

Why: Because it's about time for a Shabbat like no other – full of Jewish friends, excellent food, inspiration, and fun!

This unique Shabbaton will be a weekend to connect with other NH Jewish teens, experience meaningful Shabbat moments, engage in relevant discussions about being a Jewish teen in 2025, strengthen our bond with Israel and enjoy exciting activities, all in a warm and welcoming atmosphere. There is no cost for this event.

Contact Chanchie Krinsky at chanchie@chabadof-nh.com, <http://ChabadofNH.com/shabbaton>.

Saturday, August 23

Beth Abraham's Soul Shabbat

9:45AM - 10:45AM, Temple Beth Abraham, 4 Raymond Street, Nashua, NH 03064

Join Beth Abraham for an interactive Shabbat experience featuring music, mindfulness, and accessible prayer, to get in touch with our Jewish souls.

Open to all.

Did you know? Soul Shabbat is a one-hour long musical adapted service for adults and older children featuring musical prayers, interactive discussion and short guided meditations. The service is led by Cantorial Soloist David Rothberg accompanied by his guitar. Contact Rebecca White at office@tbanashua.org with questions.

Beth Abraham's Family Shabbat

11AM-12PM, Temple Beth Abraham, 4 Raymond Street, Nashua, NH 03064

Join Beth Abraham for a Family Shabbat. Led by Cantorial Soloist, David Rothberg.

Play time and snacks will be available from 9:30 am. Community luncheon to follow service.

Open to all! Contact Rebecca White at office@tbanashua.org with questions.

Friday, August 29

Sounds in the Sanctuary

4:30PM - 6PM, Bethlehem Hebrew Congregation, 39 Strawberry Hill Rd, Bethlehem, NH

Our season concludes with a return performance by Israeli-American cellist Amit Peled, along with pianist Martin Labazevitch, playing music by Weinberg and Chopin. A light reception with the musicians follows. Tickets are available online at <https://www.bethlehemsynagogue.org/concert-series-2025> or at the door. \$25 General Admission/\$20 BHC Members. Season pass (4 Concerts) \$75 General Admission/\$60 BHC Members.

Calendar continued on page 6

An Advisor You Can Trust



Contact us for a complimentary consultation:
(603) 232-8350 or info@investwithcohen.com
investwithcohen.com

COHEN INVESTMENT
ADVISORS

FINANCIAL PLANNING • INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT • INDEPENDENT ADVICE

Calendar

continued from page 5

Sunday, August 31

TAY Family Picnic – August 31

12-4pm, contact for location

Temple Adath Yeshurun will be hosting a Family Potluck Picnic. Please join us for a Jewish Family Fun

Day. Everyone will bring something to share, and we will send out a sign-up genius to those who are interested in coming. Please reach out to 603-759-3697 for location and further e-mails. Activities will include swimming; pony rides; yard games and more! This will be a time to meet other Jewish families and socialize. The children will be able to get to know each other and play. Bring your children and grandchildren!

Executive Director

continued from page 1

empowering leadership, combating anti-semitism, and fostering a sense of belonging across generations and geography.

As I step into this role, I am eager to travel across the state, listen to your stories, celebrate your milestones, and part-

ner with you to strengthen Jewish life in New Hampshire. Together, we will build on the Federation's strong foundation and ensure that our Jewish community continues to grow with resilience, creativity, and pride. I am grateful for the warm welcome I have already received and look forward to all that we will accomplish together.

Back to School

continued from page 3

a week. I'm a practicing Jew and a Jewish professional, so they're certainly getting a good amount of Judaism at home. But what about the in-between moments? The questions at bedtime, the conversations in the car, the things they wonder about that don't come up in school or synagogue?

Living Jewishly in New Hampshire often means trying a little harder. There are no Jewish day schools here. No kosher grocery stores or Judaica shops down the block. For most of us, Jewish life doesn't happen automatically—it's something we have to build with intention. That's where PJ Library comes in.

Over time, I've learned to turn to PJ Library not just for bedtime stories, but for parenting support. I visit the PJ Library website when I need talking points about scary current events—like war or wildfires. I scroll through booklists, podcasts, and bingo cards. I explore their resources on Jewish values, holidays, and how to frame tough conversations. Even as the 'PJ Goes to School' initiative is no longer active, its public online Educators' Center quietly houses a wealth of free lesson plans and insights: pjlibrary.org/beyond-books/educators-center.



And of course, we've got a bookshelf

full of PJ books for ages 0–12, plus parent guides and holiday resources I can pull out at just the right moment.

It no longer feels scary or unreasonable to be that supplemental Jewish educator for my kids. I have a free curriculum at my fingertips. I have a community of other parents doing the same thing. And as your PJ Library Coordinator, I want to help you find that same sense of support.

At the heart of all of this is Talmud Torah (תלמוד תורה)—the Jewish value of learning, not just for our children, but for us as parents, too. We grow alongside our kids. We teach and are taught in return. PJ Library helps make that sacred exchange easier, more joyful, and more accessible for families, especially in communities like ours.

So as you sharpen pencils, charge tablets, and send your kids off to school this fall, know that PJ Library is here for you—not just with books, but with connection. With Jewish parenting resources. With ideas, inspiration, and yes, even popcicles.

How can I support you this year? How can PJ Library help your family's Jewish journey in New Hampshire? Come find me at a program this summer or fall—let's have a conversation.

You can reach me anytime at [dinah.berch@jewishnh.org](mailto:berch@jewishnh.org), or join our PJ Library and PJ Our Way communities on Facebook and WhatsApp to connect with other families across New Hampshire.

From Laughter to L'dor V'dor: Growing Jewish Kids at Camp Hadar

At Camp Hadar on Captain's Pond in Salem, New Hampshire we're more than just summer fun, we're building the next generation of proud, connected Jewish children. Every season at camp tells a story and our campers are creating lifelong friendships and memories that are part of their stories about being Jewish. We all know that those stories are so important to our children growing up with strong Jewish values; that is what we strive for at Camp Hadar.

This summer, we're partnering with local rabbis and clergy to bring meaningful, age-appropriate Jewish experiences to our campers through engaging activities, storytelling, music, and learning that align with our weekly camp themes.

Every Friday, the entire camp comes together for a beautiful Camp Shabbat celebration filled with song, community, and ruach (spirit). Campers light candles, say kiddush and motzi, and participate in joyful rituals that make Shabbat a highlight of the week and a memory that lasts

a lifetime. This summer we have invited local clergy coming to teach our campers about being Jewish and to lead our Shabbat services!

This is part of our goals for our children to:

- Feel good about who they are as Jewish individuals
- See themselves as valued members of the Jewish community
- Build friendships and confidence in a fun, supportive environment
- Expand their interests while gaining new skills all rooted in Jewish values like kindness, cooperation, and fair play

Come see how Jewish identity thrives at Camp Hadar. Limited spaces are still available for remaining weeks of our 2025 season so enroll today and let your child experience the magic of camp and the heart of Jewish community. Learn more at camphadar.org, proudly serving the Jewish communities of Southern New Hampshire and Northeastern Massachusetts since 1960.

A gift from the
Jewish Federation of New Hampshire



Sign up your children ages birth through 12 years old and enjoy the gift of Jewish children's books and resources delivered to your home each month. Explore Jewish heritage and culture through PJ Library's high-quality stories about Jewish values, traditions, and heritage.

Through the program your family will be enriched by experiencing the joys of Jewish life.

Funded by the Jewish Federation of New Hampshire, it's a gift that will nourish a Jewish life from the start.

Harold Grinspoon
FOUNDATION

Jewish Federation
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
jewishnh.org

SIGN UP
Ages birth through 8
pjlibrary.org
Ages 9 through 12
pjourway.org

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS
Tell Them You Saw Their Ad in The Reporter!



Jewish Federation
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Keeping you connected

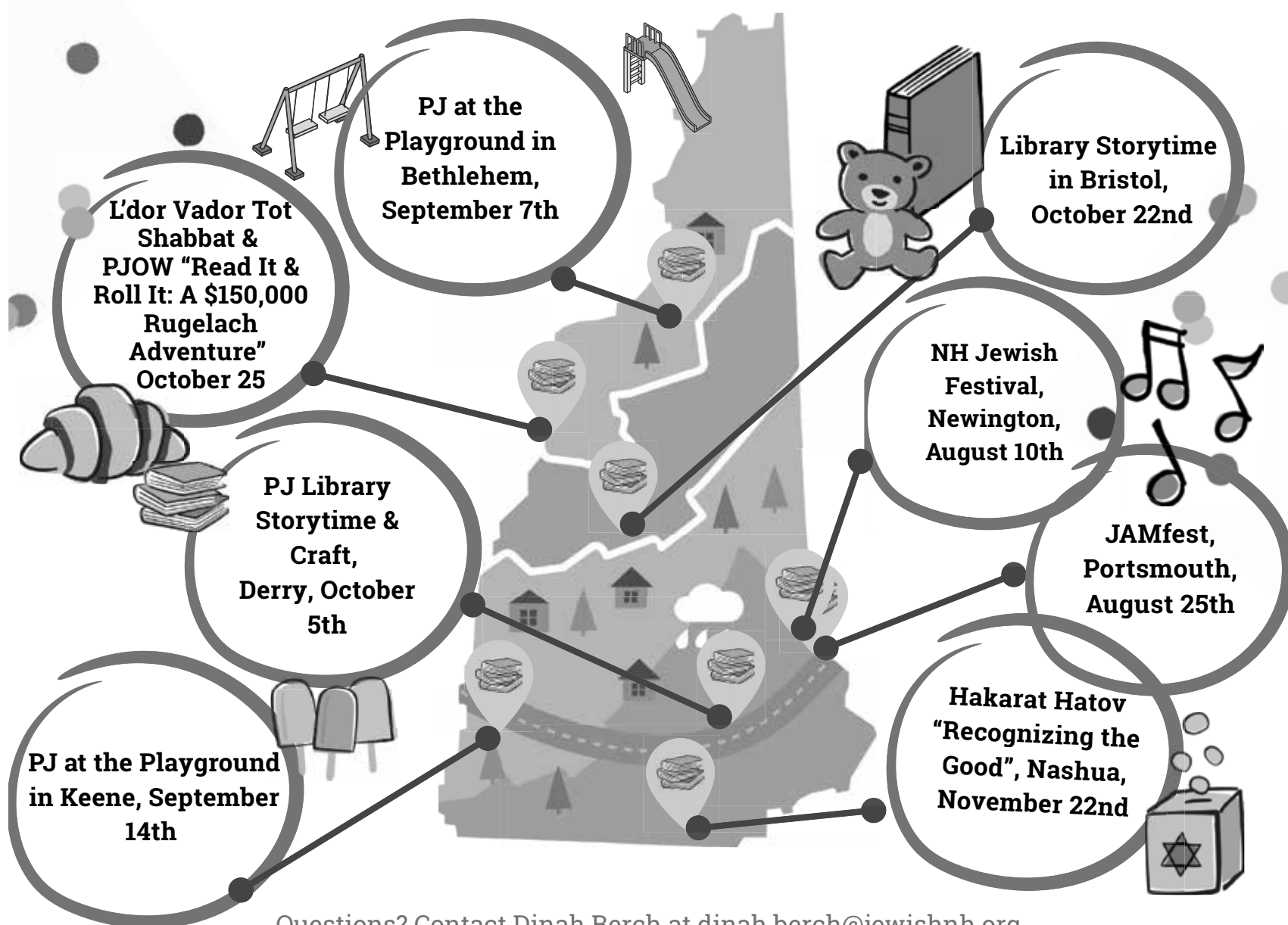
eNEWS

jewishnh.org

facebook

PJ Library is coming to you!

Find PJ Library New Hampshire all around the state this summer and fall. Watch our emails, calendar and social media for updates and more information!



Questions? Contact Dinah Berch at dinah.berch@jewishnh.org.

Program dates subject to change. See www.jewishnh.org/community-calendar for updates.

All programs listed are in partnership with New Hampshire synagogues.



The Jewish Learning Collective of Manchester

Temple Adath Yeshurun and Temple Israel (Manchester) are thrilled to announce the creation of The Jewish Learning Collective of Manchester (JLCM). This joint religious school program for children in grades K–8 (ages 5–13) will meet weekly from September to June and will bring together students from both

synagogues in a single, unified educational experience. Heading the program will be Stacy Garnick (the TAY Education Director), teaching staff will be drawn from both synagogues and the community, and Rabbi Beth D. Davidson (TAY)/Rabbi Marc Phillippe (TI) will also teach. “I am very excited to be able to have the

majority of Jewish students in and around our city in one school, building social relationships as well as their Jewish identities,” said Rabbi Davidson.

“Our youth are our future, and we are in the business of minting Jews,” said Ms. Garnick, “and we will be doing so by teaching our students the building blocks

of Jewish identity and Jewish values.” The school will combine both classroom learning (subjects like Bible, Jewish History, Jewish Identity, and Hebrew) and multisensory experiences called Chugim, group activities. “Chugim help to place a focus on the experience of Judaism, putting what the kids learn into action. Having a Soferet (Torah scribe) teach calligraphy and decorate Megillat Esther, learning Israeli dances, singing, baking challah, sufganiyot, and hamenstaschen, along with all sorts of holiday and Jewish life-cycle activities are some of the things that we have planned for the coming year,” said Dr. Josh Nathan, Past President of TI. “Students will also create social action projects—opportunities for them to do hands-on mitzvot—working to make our world a better place,” said Rabbi Davidson.

JLCM will be a unique opportunity for students to learn about Conservative and Reform Judaism. “We are coming together to learn about the beauty of Judaism in all of its facets,” said Rabbi Phillippe “the beauty of Judaism is that it is so broad and deep,” said Ms. Garnick. “Religious aspects combined with cultural ones gives us a boundless pool of relevant and relatable themes and concepts from which to pull to help support the education of our students.

“We are constantly polishing our curricula to reflect what we want our students and their families to know, to feel, and be able to do in their Jewish lives. Inspiring joyful Jewish living is our core. Our education program is proud of our intimate, friendly, and warm environment, and overflows with enduring meaning-making. Holiday celebrations, experiential family learning opportunities, prayer-based Hebrew curriculum, biblical history through modernity, mitzvot (commandments and good deeds), Jewish music and art, Tikkun Olam (repairing our world), counting our many blessings, and exploring God are some of the glorious drops in our teaching and learning buckets,” added Ms. Garnick.

Classes will meet on Sundays, with individualized Zoom Hebrew sessions during the week. Some weeks will be at TAY, some at TI, so that the kids learn about their Manchester Jewish community. “We’re so excited to bring our students and our congregations together with this new initiative. Most importantly, it will make for a better learning and social environment for our kids, but it will also

Learning Collective continued on page 9

Temple Adath Yeshurun and Temple Israel Manchester are thrilled to announce

The Jewish Learning Collective **a joint education program**



Students will learn the building blocks of Jewish identity and Jewish values, both in classes and through multisensory experiences.

Together the synagogues will be building reciprocal relationships, inspiring our young people, their families, and our congregants to live joyful Jewish lives.

Our youth are our future, and we are in the business of minting Jews.

The Jewish Learning Collective will be open to members and non-members alike and is a weekly religious school for children grades K - 8 that runs from September 2025 - June 2026.

For more information, please contact

TAY at office@taynh.org or TI- Manchester at office@templeisraelmht.org

Come Join Us!

Join Our Teaching Team! We're Hiring a 3rd Grade Hebrew School Teacher at Temple Israel Portsmouth

Portsmouth's Temple Israel Hebrew School is growing — and we're on the lookout for a passionate, creative educator to join our team!

We are currently hiring a 3rd Grade Hebrew School Teacher for the 2025–26 school year. This position meets on Wednesday afternoons and Saturday mornings and offers a meaningful opportunity to inspire and guide the next generation of Jewish learners in a warm, inclusive, and dynamic environment. Our

school prides itself on being student-centered, experiential, and joyful. We use Project-Based Learning, Hebrew Through Movement, and Shabbat-friendly activities to bring Jewish learning to life. Our faculty members are valued collaborators who work together to build community, support each other, and make learning relevant, engaging, and fun.



The ideal candidates will:

- Love working with children and bring positive energy into the classroom
- Be organized, dependable, and open to creative approaches to teaching
- Have experience in Jewish education and/or general classroom settings (we're open to training the right person!)
- Be available for Wednesdays (4:00–6:00

PM) and Saturdays (9:00 AM–12:00 PM)

- Whether you're an experienced teacher or someone looking to dip your toes into Jewish education for the first time, we'd love to hear from you.

Interested? Know someone who might be? Please reach out to our Head of School at headofschool@templeisraelnh.org to learn more or apply. Come help us create an inspiring space where Jewish learning thrives — one student, one story, one Shabbat at a time.

Historian Andrew Porwancher to present new book on Theodore Roosevelt and the Jews – Sunday, August 17 in Nashua

Renowned historian and award-winning author Andrew Porwancher is returning to Nashua on Sunday, August 17 at 9:30 a.m. for a special presentation at Temple Beth Abraham (TBA). This time, he'll share insights from his latest work, *American Maccabee: Theodore Roosevelt and the Jews*. A light breakfast will be served.

Porwancher, whose previous book *The Jewish World of Alexander Hamilton* earned the 2021 Journal of the American Revolution Book-of-the-Year Award, captivated TBA audiences in 2022 with a talk that blended scholarship and compelling storytelling. His new book promises to do the same — offering a fresh lens on the 26th president's evolving relationship with the Jewish community. *American Maccabee* explores how

Roosevelt, both as a rising political force and as president, formed lasting ties with Jewish Americans. From his speeches at packed halls on the Lower East Side to his vocal support for labor reform in Jewish sweatshops, Roosevelt embraced causes close to Jewish communities. He also repeatedly invoked the bravery of the Maccabees as a symbol of Jewish resilience; yet he often struggled with how best to respond to the horrific violence driving Jewish refugees from Eastern Europe.

Porwancher is a professor of history at Arizona State University and the author of five books. In addition to his academic accolades, his work has appeared in national outlets such as *The Wall Street Journal* and *The Washington Post*. His book *The Devil Himself* was adapted for

the stage at Dublin's Smock Alley Theatre. He previously served as the May Fellow at Harvard, the Garwood Fellow at Princeton, and the Horne Fellow at Oxford. To attend the August 17 event at

Temple Beth Abraham, please register at: <https://tbanashua.shulcloud.com/event/theodore-roosevelt-and-the-jews.html>. Contributions are welcome and appreciated.

Learning Collective

continued from page 8

help strengthen the greater Manchester Jewish community," said TAY President Eric Ratinoff.

To support its communal goals, The Jewish Learning Collective of Manchester will be open to TAY and TI students, and non-member children as well. For more information about this, and the program in general, you may contact Education Director Stacy Garnick (eddirectortay@gmail.com.)

As excited as TAY and TI are about this new venture, the program is missing

one of its biggest supporters. "It breaks my heart that TI President Jeff Klein z'l is not here to see this endeavor come to fruition, as he was instrumental in making it happen. Jeff, being a product of a combined Hebrew school program himself, would often say 'the greatest thing about this whole initiative is that there will be more Jewish kids learning and being together!'" said Linda Kropp Sinkow, incoming President of Temple Israel (Manchester). Jeff's memory, and his enthusiasm, will help generate excitement and energy for The Jewish Learning Collective of Manchester, and we look forward to the coming year.

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS
Tell Them You Saw Their Ad in The Reporter!




PLANNED GIVING

Secure the future of our Jewish community

As you envision the future of the Jewish community that means so much to you, consider creating a planned gift with the Jewish Federation of New Hampshire that will touch the lives of generations to come.

ENDOWMENT AND PLANNED GIVING

By making a planned gift to a JFNH endowment fund, you can ensure that your generosity and vision will have an impact that extends far beyond your lifetime. Endowment funds that were established decades ago are still providing important support to our community today. At JFNH, we have the knowledge and expertise to help you design a planned gift that meets your needs while also endowing your personal vision for the future.

- **Unrestricted Endowment.** A gift to JFNH's Unrestricted Endowment will support the full spectrum of initiatives and programs essential to the future of our Jewish community.
- **Perpetual Annual Campaign Endowment (PACE).** You can create an endowment to perpetuate your Annual Campaign gift. This is a wonderful way to sustain your lifelong investment in the community you have helped build.
- **Restricted Endowment.** Our planned giving professionals will work with you to craft a gift that supports the work of a valued partner organization or an area of particular interest to you, such as caring for the most vulnerable, engaging people of all ages in Jewish learning, and supporting Israel.

WAYS TO ENDOW YOUR VISION

- **Bequests:** A bequest through your will, trust, or retirement account is an easy way to create an endowment. We will work with you and your advisor to create a gift that clearly reflects and honors your intentions.
- **Retirement Plan Assets:** You may designate JFNH as a beneficiary of a qualified retirement plan such as an IRA, 401(k), or 403(b). To do so, simply contact your plan administrator and complete the appropriate beneficiary designation form. By naming JFNH as a beneficiary, you may avoid significant and often unanticipated estate and income taxes that would otherwise be paid by your heirs.
- **Life Income Gifts:** A Charitable Gift Annuity or a Charitable Remainder Trust can provide an immediate tax deduction and lifetime income for one or more beneficiaries. After the death of the last beneficiary, the remainder becomes part of an endowment fund to be used in accordance with your wishes.
- **Life Insurance:** You may purchase a life insurance policy that names JFNH as both owner and beneficiary. After your passing, JFNH will redeem the policy and the proceeds will support JFNH's endowment.

LEARN MORE:
Contact Foundation Chair through the JFNH Office at 603-627-7679



THE STRENGTH OF A PEOPLE.
THE POWER OF COMMUNITY.

In the Community

Tragedy, Transition, and Resilience – A Letter from Temple Israel Manchester

By Linda Kropp Sinkow, Incoming
President, Temple Israel Manchester

Dear Temple Israel Family and the Jewish Community of New Hampshire, I admittedly have spent the past 2 weeks lying awake at night thinking about how I was going to address all of you. The sudden and tragic passing of our beloved President, Jeff Klein, has left an unimaginable void in our community. Jeff was a devoted leader, a passionate advocate for Jewish life, and above all, a kind and generous soul – by far the truest definition of a mensch. His loss is deeply felt by all who had the honor of knowing him. Like so many of you, I have spent time reflecting on Jeff's legacy. He brought passion and purpose to everything he did for our congregation—from leading board meetings with clarity and conviction to greeting everyone with a genuine smile and a heartfelt welcome each Wednesday morning Minyan and Shabbat Service. Jeff's leadership was rooted in acts of service, kindness, and love: love for Judaism and for Temple Israel.

I am humbled—and heartbroken—to step into this role under such circumstances. While I never imagined assuming



the presidency in this way, I am committed to carrying Jeff's legacy forward with integrity, purpose, and the same unwavering dedication that he so beautifully embodied. As we come together to grieve and remember, we are also committed to supporting Jeff's beloved wife and fellow congregant, Michelle Rosenthal, during this time of unimaginable loss. A Meal Train has been organized to help ease her burden in the days ahead. I encourage all who are able to participate, as a small but meaningful gesture of love and comfort. If you are interested in assisting, please contact me at president@templeisraelmht.org and our team can send you the information to sign up.

And while this time is marked by profound loss, it is also a moment that reminds us of the resilience and strength that lies at the heart of Temple Israel. In recent weeks, we have experienced significant transitions coupled with glimmers of hope.

This past week, we said goodbye to our longtime Office Administrator, Christine Dame, whose 13+ years of dedication helped shape so much of the behind-the-scenes life of our shul. I speak for myself and for the Board of Directors to say that we are deeply grateful for her dedication and for all that she gave to our community, especially in these challenging times. **THANK YOU, CHRISTINE!** With Christine's departure, we warmly welcome Rachael Caron as Temple Israel's new office administrator. Rachael brings a sense of purpose, warmth, and genuine excitement to the role, and we are so fortunate to have her join our team. Rachael joined us on Thursday, June 26th and hit the ground running. Please make sure to stop by and say hello the next time you're in the neighborhood! Other leaders and I on the board have been working closely with her to ensure she is set up for success as we navigate these new waters.

Continuing on the roller coaster that was June 2025, Thursday, June 12th, marked the 8th annual Schmooze and Booze fundraiser—which turned out to be one of the most well-attended and successful events in Temple Israel's history. It was an evening filled with laughter, reconnection, and incredible performances by world renowned mentalist, Craig Karges, D.J. Darwin Almonte, as well as an autographed Taylor Swift guitar! Fundraising efforts helped us exceed our goal, resulting in a gross profit of almost \$65,000. My utmost gratitude to my co-chairs Aida Koocher and the renowned Stephen Singer – whose tenaci-

ty and commitment is a testament to the Singer legacy. Stephen – I am forever indebted to you! The evening would not have been a success without the volunteer efforts of Carol Pressman, Aida Koocher, David Sky, Rebecca Sky, Sara Warner, Helen Arnold, Zoe Zeballos, Rabbi Marc, Talia Oranburg, and most notably Michelle Rosenthal and our beloved Jeff Klein who stayed with me until the early hours of the morning the night before the event to ensure everything was perfect.

Looking ahead, we are filled with hope and excitement to share that we are preparing to launch our new combined Hebrew School with Temple Adath Yeshurun this fall, thoughtfully named The Jewish Learning Collective of Manchester. This partnership promises to enrich Jewish learning for our children and create new opportunities for friendship and shared growth. I am thankful for the tireless efforts of Josh Nathan, Rabbi Marc Philippe, our counterparts at Temple Adath Yeshurun, Rabbi Beth Davidson, School Director Stacy Garnick, School Chair Kelly Williams, President Eric Ratinoff, and most importantly, Jeff Klein, who in his final days brought this venture to the finish line.

Lastly and from the bottom of my heart, I would like to thank our incredible Rabbi Marc Philippe, whose support, love, and commitment for our community has been unwavering. I am honored to work alongside him in this new role and will be forever grateful for his support, collaboration, and guidance, especially these past few weeks. In the days to come, we will find meaningful ways to continue to honor Jeff's memory. But perhaps the most powerful way we can do so is to live out the values he cherished: to show up for one another, to care deeply, and to continue to build a strong, compassionate, and joyful Jewish community here at Temple Israel. As we move forward, I invite you to reach out to me. I certainly don't have all the answers, but together, we can persevere. I truly believe we have the opportunity to turn pain into empowerment. Your participation, support, and engagement in our community is one of the greatest and most meaningful gifts you can give.

May Jeff's memory be a blessing and may we all find comfort in the love and unity of our Temple Israel family as we embark on this journey together.



We Need You

Review your favorite PJ Our Way book for The Reporter!

Do you have a favorite PJ Our Way book?
Something you just couldn't put down
or that you think **EVERYONE** should read?

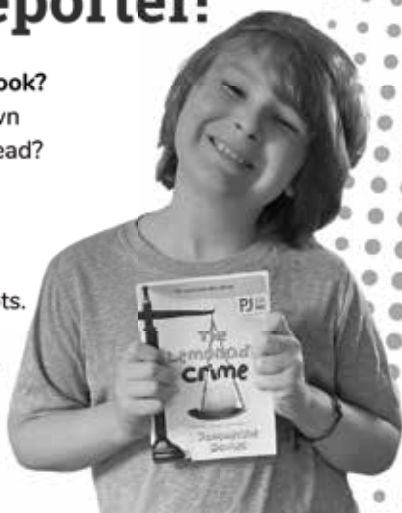
Tell us all about it!

Send your reviews to
Dinah.Berch@jewishnh.org
or email for details & question prompts.

**We'll publish your review in
upcoming issues of The Reporter
and on Facebook!**



PJ Our Way sends FREE Jewish middle-grade books for
kids ages 9 through 12. Sign up at pjourway.org/enroll





dPilgrim
Care

Runs Hits Errors Balls
1 2 0 Strikes
0 0 1 Outs

NESN redsox
380

Join the New Hampshire Fisher Cats
& Jewish Federation of New Hampshire for

Jewish Heritage Night

Delta Dental Stadium, Manchester

Tuesday, August 5th

Gates open at 5:35 pm

First pitch at 6:35 pm



Be the Big Macher on the Mound

JFNH is raffling off the opportunity to throw the first pitch of the night! Don't just sit in the stands - be the one to start the whole megillah!



ENTER NOW TO WIN!

Learn more, donate,
enter the raffle or order your Kosher meal at
GiveButter.Com/JewishHeritageNightNH
Questions? Contact info@jewishnh.org



\$48 JFNH Suite Seats

Scan QR to purchase seats to watch the game together from the air-conditioned JFNH suite. Kosher meals can also be purchased through this link. [GiveButter.com/JewishHeritageNightNH](https://www.givebutter.com/JewishHeritageNightNH)



\$15-\$17 General Tickets

Scan QR to use the JFNH Promo Code and purchase tickets anywhere in the stadium. \$5 of every ticket sold will be donated to JFNH. <https://www.gofevo.com/event/Jewishfederation60>

Lotte Jacobi's America: Images of Her Adopted Land – Currently on Display at Temple Israel Portsmouth

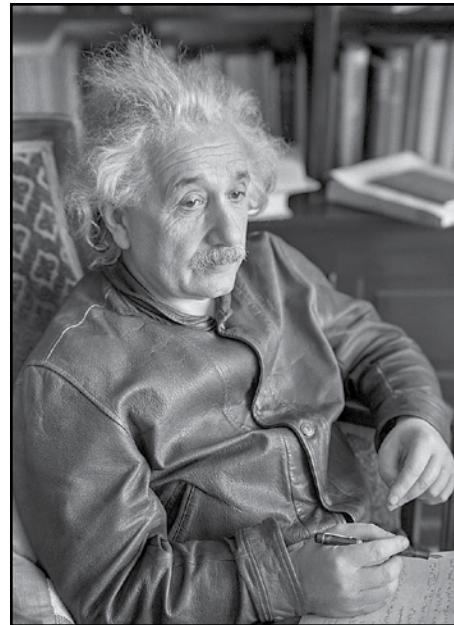
Portsmouth, NH – *Lotte Jacobi's America* is a compelling retrospective photography exhibition honoring the life and legacy of renowned photographer Lotte Jacobi. On view at Temple Israel in Portsmouth, this special exhibition shines a spotlight on a Jewish woman who fled Nazi Germany and went on to capture some of the most iconic figures of the 20th century through her lens. Known for her powerful portraits, Jacobi's work speaks to the intersection of art, politics, and humanity. In today's charged political landscape, her vision of America resonates deeply, underscoring the enduring role of artists in shaping dialogue and documenting their world. In partnership with the New Hampshire Art Association (NHAA), this exhibition celebrates her creative influence with a rare selection of her photographs, many of which are seldom seen by the public.

A trailblazer in both her personal and professional life, Lotte Jacobi was a force in the photography world. Her portraits documented the pulse of modern intellectual life, and her commitment to nurturing creativity and dialogue still resonates today. The NHAA, inspired by Jacobi's lifelong support of emerging artists, is concurrently hosting the *Lotte Ja-*

cobi Open Juried Photography Exhibition, featuring contemporary works that echo her legacy of fostering fresh perspectives and artistic courage.

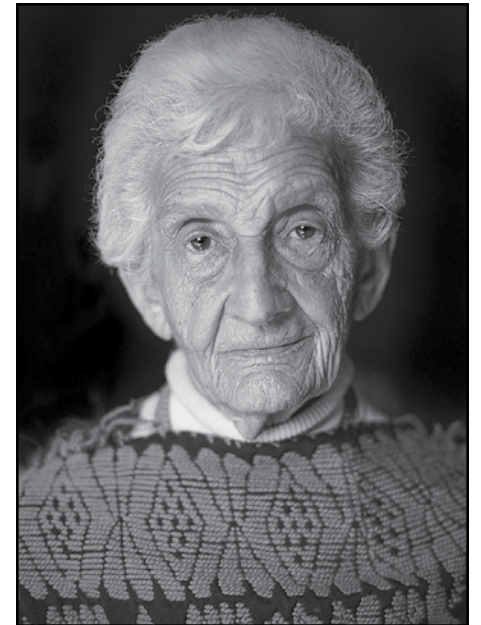
Recognizing Jacobi's work as an NHAA member and leader is essential to preserving the region's artistic contributions within the larger context of art history.

While the exhibition on view at NHAA honors her influence on today's image-makers, Temple Israel's retrospective offers an intimate look at Jacobi's prolific output. Visitors can expect to see arresting portraits of cultural giants such as Albert Einstein and Eleanor Roosevelt, along with lesser-known gems from her archive. The exhibition is curated by NHAA Board Director, Gary Samson, an accomplished New Hampshire photographer and former NH artist laureate, who worked closely with Jacobi for six years and considered her a mentor. "Lotte was like a 25-year-old inside an 85-year-old body," says Samson. "She was energetic, deeply engaged, and always surrounded herself with intellectuals and artists who could challenge her worldview. I was in my twenties when I met her and found her intimidating, but she had a gift for welcoming young people and encouraging their voices."



Born in Thorn, Germany, Jacobi took her first photograph with a pinhole camera at age twelve. She studied literature, art history, and photography, eventually taking over her father's Berlin studio in 1927. Her early work captured the artistic vibrancy of Weimar Germany, photographing legends like Lotte Lenya and László Moholy-Nagy. Forced to flee Nazi persecution in 1935, she immigrated to New York and opened her own studio, where she documented a new generation of thinkers, from scientists to political figures. Her work was featured in the Museum of Modern Art's 1942 exhibition *Twentieth Century Portraits* and, later, in retrospectives at the International Center of Photography. In the 1950s, her practice evolved to include "photogenics"—abstract, cameraless images made with light and materials like cellophane and glass—demonstrating her constant exploration and reinvention.

Though best known for her portraiture, Jacobi's real genius was in capturing the soul of her time. Her photographs act as visual conversations—thoughtful, intimate, and always attuned to the human condition. This exhibition not only revisits her place in photographic history but



also reminds us of her enduring relevance in today's world, where truth and representation are as vital as ever. Don't miss this rare opportunity to experience the transformative power of *Lotte Jacobi's America*. Whether you're a lifelong admirer or discovering her work for the first time, this exhibition invites you to look closely and think deeply.

NH Art Association is pleased to collaborate with the Arts Review Team of Temple Israel to present *Lotte Jacobi's America*. This exhibition was made possible by the University of New Hampshire Special Collections and Archives and the generous support of Ken and Linda Cohen.

Lotte Jacobi's America is on view at Temple Israel, located at 200 State Street, Portsmouth, NH 03801, from July 30th to October 14th. An opening reception will be held on August 8th at 7:30 pm, and a gallery talk hosted by curator Gary Samson will take place on September 14th at 1 pm. General gallery hours are by appointment on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please reach out to Temple Israel at 603-436-5301 or email templeoffice@templeisraelnh.org to make an appointment or RSVP to the gallery events.



**Summer
Ch-ch-ch-changes!**

Jewish Federation of New Hampshire
Summer Office Hours:
Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9am-4pm
by appointment only

Mailing Address:
PO Box 10041
25 S River Rd Ste 110
Bedford, NH 03110

Email info@jewishnh.org or call (603)627-7679 with questions.



Keeping you connected

eNEWS
jewishnh.org

facebook

Welcome to the TAY Family Picnic – August 31 from 12-4pm

By Dot Warshaw

Temple Adath Yeshurun will be hosting a Family Potluck Picnic. Please join us for a Jewish Family Fun Day. Everyone will bring something to share, and we will send out a sign-up genius to those who are interested in coming. Please reach out to 603-759-3697 for location and further e-mails. Activities will include swimming; pony rides; yard games and more! This will be a time to meet other Jewish fami-

lies and socialize. The children will be able to get to know each other and play. Bring your children and grandchildren.

Also, do you have PJ Library or PJ Our Way books at home that your children have outgrown?

Bring your gently used books with you to our program and leave with new-to-you titles to refresh your bookshelves or bring on spring trips!

Looking forward to seeing all who wish to come!

Welcome Shabbat at Strawberry Banke This Summer

By Fran Berman

Portsmouth – On two Fridays this summer, August 1 and September 5, Temple Israel will welcome Shabbat with a special 6 pm outdoor service on the green at Strawberry Banke. This summer tradition has become a favorite for attendees of all ages.

Attendees are welcome to bring a dairy/pareve picnic dinner and chairs or a blanket and settle down on the lawn to enjoy the historic setting in the late afternoon light, beginning at 5 pm. Parking is available at the temple, a short walk away. For quick access, enter the Strawberry Banke grounds using the white wooden

gate on Washington Street. Starting at 6 pm, Rabbi Rosalind Glazer will begin the beautiful Kabbalat Shabbat service. The evening will end at around 7:30 with kiddush blessings over shared wine or juice and challah as the sun fades.

Services continue at Temple Israel throughout the rest of the summer, with Friday night services at 6:30 pm and Saturday morning services at 10 am, followed by a kiddush lunch. Visitors are welcome – just contact the temple office in advance to guarantee access.

Questions? Call or email the office (603-431-5301 or templeoffice@templeisraelnh.org).

Guiding the Journey: Interim Rabbi Rosalind Glazer Begins at Temple Israel Portsmouth

The community at Temple Israel is delighted to welcome a new interim rabbi, Rabbi (Reb) Rosalind Glazer, to our congregation. Reb Rosalind brings with her a wealth of experience, deep spiritual insight, and a warm, inclusive presence. "Our members are truly excited to begin this journey with her", said Ian Kaner, President of the Board.

Temple Israel is doing the important work of searching for a permanent rabbi with the recent and planned departure of Rabbi Kaya Stern-Kaufman. The dedicated Rabbinic Search Committee has been engaging with congregants, holding listening sessions, and connecting with potential candidates to find the right long-term spiritual leader for our diverse and vibrant community. The membership is treating this process with much patience and thought as we move forward.

As the summer months roll on, we're also beginning to prepare for the return to Hebrew school in the fall. The Temple Israel Hebrew School staff are already planning a rich curriculum that blends Jewish learning with creativity and community-building. We're also happy to announce that our Early Learning Center (ELC) is now a full-day program and currently has openings for the fall! We encourage families looking for a nurturing, play-based Jewish early childhood



Reb Rosalind Glazer of Temple Israel Portsmouth

education to contact us soon, as spots are filling quickly.

We're proud to be hosting a range of summer programming that brings people together through music, learning, and fun. This is an exciting time for Temple Israel Portsmouth. With new leadership, vibrant programming and a community dedicated to Jewish life and learning, we feel deeply grateful and hopeful for the future. We invite you to join us—this summer and beyond—as we continue to grow together.

L'Shalom!



Share life's greatest milestones

The perfect backdrop to your celebrations, featuring indoor and outdoor event spaces for groups of 2 to 300

WEDDINGS | BAR AND BAT MITZVAHS | SPECIAL OCCASIONS | CORPORATE EVENTS



Unforgettable events are for everyone; membership is not required to host here.

manchestercountryclub.com.com | (603) 624-4096 ext. 4



See what's happening in the community at www.jewishnh.org

Celebrate Unity and Jewish Pride at New Hampshire's Biggest Jewish Event!

Get ready for an unforgettable celebration of Jewish pride, unity, and joy at the 4th Annual New Hampshire Jewish Festival — the largest statewide Jewish event, bringing together families, friends, and communities from all backgrounds!

- Sunday, August 10, 2025
- 2299 Woodbury Ave, Newington, NH
- 12:00–3:00 PM
- Absolutely FREE – registration required!

This high-energy afternoon will feature live music, headlined by Meir Green, an internationally acclaimed Israeli superstar, and a lively Klezmer-infused band that will have the whole crowd dancing. From toddlers to teens, parents to grandparents, there's something here for every age and every soul.

Festival Highlights:

- A trackless train weaving through the festival grounds

- A giant rock-climbing wall for adventurous fun
- A wild and refreshing foam party
- Hands-on arts & crafts and creative activity stations
- A vibrant lineup of local vendors and fun booths
- Delicious kosher food catered by The Brooklyn Café — the only kosher restaurant in New Hampshire!

More than just fun, the festival is a powerful expression of Jewish pride and unity. Local mayors and elected officials will join us on stage to share their support and solidarity with the Jewish community of New Hampshire. Bring your friends, your family, and your neighbors — this celebration is for everyone! Let's come together to celebrate Jewish life, strength, and joy in the Granite State.

FREE ENTRY – Just register at: www.thejewishfestival.com

YOUR'E INVITED TO
THE 4TH NEW HAMPSHIRE JEWISH FESTIVAL

WORLD RENOWNED ISRAELI SINGER
MEIR GREEN

YAEKO
 INTERNATIONALLY CELEBRATED VIOLINIST

MUSIC FOOD VENDORS RIDES UNITY ART

AUG 10 | 12:00 – 3:00 PM
LOT OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER
 2299 WOODBURY AVE. NEWINGTON NH 03824

THE NEW HAMPSHIRE JEWISH FESTIVAL
 CELEBRATING JEWISH LIFE, PRIDE & UNITY

HOSTED BY: SEACAST
 IN PARTNERSHIP WITH: MICHAEL & EVELYN MILLER, IAC, StandWithUs, CAMERA, ADL, AJC, ZOA, SAUNDERS WHOLESALE, cjp

Embracing Change with Gratitude, Reflection and Anticipation at Temple B'nai Israel

By Carol Milden Harwood

Change, although often accompanied by mixed emotions, is an inherent reality of any community. The Board of Trustees of Temple B'nai Israel (TBI) announces transitions that carry great significance for its congregation, leadership, and enduring legacy. It is with a deep sense of gratitude, reflection, and anticipation that we share these important developments and invite you to journey with us into our next chapter.

Throughout TBI's history, we have been shaped and sustained by individuals who have given generously of their time, wisdom, and passion. As we announce transitions in significant leadership roles, we do so while honoring those who have helped guide us thus far. Each chapter of our synagogue's journey has been enriched by the dedication of leadership, volunteers, members and communities who have embodied our values and traditions. Today, we recognize the years of service that come to a close and the new beginnings that await.

Leadership Transitions

We extend our heartfelt appreciation to Rabbi Jan Katz, Cantorial Soloist Melody Funk and her husband, Joel, Piano Accompanist. Their contributions have been many and varied, from guiding us through times of celebration and challenge, to fostering a sense of unity and purpose. Their voices and inspiration will continue to echo in our sanctuary and in the lives they have touched.

For the past three years, Rabbi Jan brought meaningful worship, life cycle guidance, Torah study, pastoral care, and interfaith outreach in congregational and community settings.

Perhaps most importantly, we will always treasure Rabbi Jan's ability to interpret biblical passages to teach and engage us. And even in the most difficult times, insert her smart sense of humor "To share all the joys, and even the 'oys' of being Jewish in today's reality."

Melody and Joel Funk served as the musical cantorial duo and proverbial thread to generations of families. Congregants who worshiped at TBI starting in the 1960s had the joy of experiencing

the Funk's debut in the 1980s. Their special blend of music offered warm welcomes and inspiration to all, including our newest members in 2025.

After more than three decades of unwavering dedication, TBI bid a heartfelt farewell to Melody and Joel Funk. This milestone marks the end of an era defined by a voice that carried the prayers, hopes, and spirit of generations. For more than thirty years, Melody and Joel have been the heart of our musical worship, weaving melodies into the fabric of our faith.

We wish Rabbi Jan and Melody and Joel Funk every blessing as they embark on new journeys, knowing that their time with us will be forever cherished and remembered.

Welcoming New Leadership

With gratitude for the past, we now turn to the future. On July 11, 2025, Rabbi Andy Bachman was welcomed as the spiritual leader of Temple B'nai Israel. Rabbi Bachman's diverse experiences and enlivening spirit promises to enrich our community.

At the heart of his rabbinic work is the teaching of Shimon HaTzadik in Pirke Avot: "The world stands on three things; Torah, Avodah and Gemilut Hasadim—Learning, Worship and Deeds of Loving Kindness."

A fervent believer in the uniqueness and depth of experience in small town Jewish life, along with the preservation of history, memory and civic responsibility, Rabbi Bachman has also served as guest rabbi in several communities through the Institute of Southern Jewish Life, as well as Sioux City, Iowa and Sioux Falls, South Dakota. In addition, he is at work on efforts to preserve Jewish legacies, buildings and cemeteries in smaller communities across the Midwest and has traveled to Belarus and Lithuania to support efforts at the memorial-

Change continued on page 17



Cantorial Soloist
Melody Funk



Piano Accompanist
Joel Funk



Rabbi Jan
Katz



Rabbi Andy
Bachman



Shavua Tov Story Time

A program for families with children ages 2-5

Join us for a 20-minute interactive story time on Zoom one Sunday each month from 8:30am to 9:00am. Register once for \$18.00 per family to receive monthly crafts in the mail for the year! The zoom link will be provided to registered families each Monday ahead of the program. Scan QR code to register or go to <https://bit.ly/shavuatovNH>.



September

21

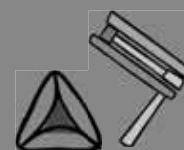
Theme: Rosh Hashanah



February

15

Theme: Purim



October

12

Theme: Simchat Torah



March

29

Theme: Passover



November

16

Theme: Shabbat



April

19

Theme: Lag B'Omer



December

14

Theme: Chanukah



May

17

Theme: Shavuot



January

25

Theme: Tu B'Shevat



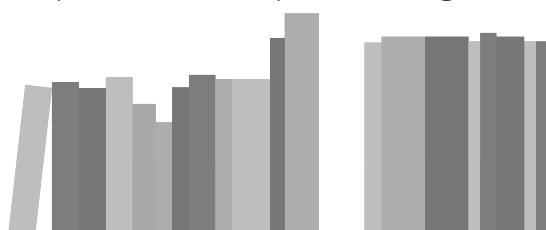
June

7

Theme: Mitzvot



No Shavua Tov Story Time July or August for Summer Vacation



Jewish Federation
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Visit <https://bit.ly/shavuatovNH> to register or email alane.sabel@jewishnh.org with questions.

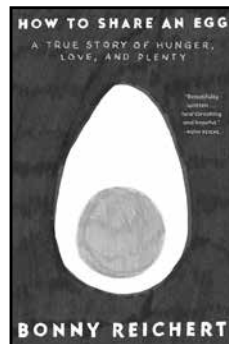
Book Review

Reviewed by Merle Carrus

How to Share an Egg: A True Story of Hunger, Love, and Plenty by Bonny Reichert

How to Share an Egg: A True Story of Hunger, Love, and Plenty is a delightful memoir written by Bonny Reichert. This is the story of one woman's search to find her voice as a writer, chef, mother, and daughter. Though there were no recipes in the book, which I was hoping for (I always find them an added bonus), this was an interesting memoir about what it is like to grow up the child of a Holocaust survivor. We each grow up through both nature and nurture and it is always fascinating to try and figure out what the combination is that makes us who we are.

Bonny is the child of a father who was a Holocaust survivor. He escaped the war and tries to downplay the experience he went through to his children. He always tries to have a very positive



outlook on life. He looks for the good in every situation. He tells his children to be happy and not take things too seriously, not to work too hard. But Bonny takes on the guilt of having a wonderful, safe and happy life knowing that her father suffered in his early years. She has trouble enjoying the present and feels guilty about her father's past. She is experiencing the struggles as the second generation, child of a Holocaust survivor, goes through. She is trying to understand where she fits into

the family, finding her own identity and how to come to grips with her father's past. This is the unfolding of Bonny's life and where she finds herself fitting in.

This is the story of how she and her father relate to each other through food. Maybe in an effort to balance the deprivation he suffered in his early years, Bonny's father is a restaurateur. After having to sustain himself on potato peels and coffee grounds, he wants to provide for his family and others with an abundance of food.

Bonny finds the best way to communicate with her father is through recipes of foods he remembers from his childhood before the atrocities of the war. We hear parts of her father's story and the family does travel back to Poland

and taste some memorable foods together. She finally finds her coping mechanism is through food. Creating and trying to replicate the tastes her father remembers for Cholent and *putterkuchen*. Of course, the reader will have to find their own recipes so they can taste the foods recreated in the book. But you can always share an egg.

Bonny Reichart is a National Magazine Award winning journalist and chef. She has written about food for the *Globe and Mail*, *Style Advisor*, *Report on Business* and *Best Health*. She was an executive chef for Sobeys and has also worked for Unilever and RBC. Bonny lives in Toronto with her husband. Her book won the Dave Greber Award for social justice writing in 2022, while it was still in progress.

Movie Review

Reviewed by Zach Camenker, NH JFF Steering Committee

Pee Wee As Himself

If you love good documentaries as much as I do, then you should look no further than HBO Max for some of the best ones. There have been a lot recently that caught my eye, including the two-part documentary film *Pee Wee as Himself*. It details the life of the late Paul Reubens, who was best known for playing the eccentric character of "Pee Wee Herman" over the course of his long and sometimes challenging career.

Prior to his death on July 30, 2023, Reubens sat down for hours with documentarian Matt Wolf to answer personal questions for the first time. Unfortunately, he was privately battling cancer, which kept the production from finishing some of his final interviews.

Born to a Jewish family on August 27, 1952 in New York as Paul Rubinfeld, he eventually moved to Florida. Interestingly, Paul's father Milton was heavily involved with the Israeli Air Force in the 1948 war and he also flew for the US in World War II. From a young age, Paul delighted in the circus, particularly because the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey were based partly in Sarasota where his family settled.

Wolf's piece does a fantastic job not only highlighting Paul's upbringing and



gravitation toward the creative side, but it also explores his beginnings as a "starving artist" at the California Institute of the Arts where he flourished in many ways in the 70s. Paul lived very openly with his sexuality as a young man and experimented with various forms of art while at CalArts. Paul's interviews about his youth are dense and informative, fascinating and at times also heartbreaking. He dives deeply into a backstory that his biggest fans likely know nothing about, which is a really unique exploration of both life and career. Ultimately, the documentary is the first time that Paul acknowledges his gay identity, which he eventually started to

close off as he was launched into success with the comedy world, then *The Pee Wee Herman Show* in 1981. The film also makes clear that while Paul and Pee Wee share similarities, they are ultimately two very different people. Paul chose to live much more as Pee Wee over the course of the 80s and 90s, especially as his fame launched him to heights he never could have imagined. Gone were the days where his bohemian, avant-garde lifestyle defined him. Instead, he had fame, which he almost acknowledges never fully served him well.

What's great about this piece is that it's crafted to explore the personal and the professional pretty equally. As much as

the professional component defines more of the narrative, we see over time that Paul's life was not always sunshine and rainbows. The documentary goes quite deeply into his 1991 arrest for indecent exposure in an adult movie theatre, his collection of gay erotica, and how those challenges lead him to start giving interviews as Paul in the public eye.

It's a revealing and intriguing look into how the limelight can both increase happiness and alter one's personality traits at the same time. Paul comes off as endearing and creative yet also demanding and enigmatic. While you do see a side of him that you never may have expected to experience, it's also a bit sad given the circumstances of his private illness and premature death, especially at a time where his personal life was actually thriving.

Many celebrities have triumphs and tribulations. Paul Reubens is no exception. The film *Pee Wee as Himself* explores this paradox quite well and is sure to make you feel a host of emotions. I definitely recommend it if you like these types of films and especially if you know little about him or his long-time character Pee Wee Herman, who will surely live on forever.

PJ Our Way: Free Jewish Books for Tweens

By Amanda Raven

Did you know that out of more than 500 kids in New Hampshire enrolled in PJ Library, only about 25 percent of them move on to PJ Our Way? For those who are unfamiliar with them, both PJ Our Way and PJ Library are programs through the Jewish Federation of New Hampshire that give free, Jewish books to kids being raised Jewish in New Hampshire. PJ Library will send a pre-determined, age-appropriate book every month to kids through age eight. In PJ Our Way, kids ages nine through twelve go to the website to choose one of four book options that change every month.

I have been getting PJ Our Way books since I was nine and a half. Sadly, I will no longer be eligible for PJ Our Way, since I'm turning thirteen. By now, I have gotten more than 40 books from PJ Our Way, most of which I would not have read without the program. My favorites include *The Blackbird Girls* by Anne Blankman, *The Length of a String* by Elissa Brent Weissman, and *Sorry for Your Loss* by Joanne Levy. My older brother particularly liked the Rabbi Harvey books by Steve Sheinkin. I've enjoyed PJ Our Way far more than I ever expected, so now I'm trying to encourage other kids to join.

Some people might worry that all of the book options are about the Holocaust or other depressing subjects, but that is not the case. While there are sometimes books about the Holocaust, there are also books about famous people, and stories about family, friendship, getting ready for a bar or bat mitzvah, going to summer camp, and many other subjects.

If you are worried about the content of a book, read the book's Parent Guide. In the Parent Guide there is a content advisory, which will include warnings about bad language, antisemitism, flirting, violence, or death that may occur in the book. The website also has a suggested age for the book, as well as the genre and number of pages.

Tips for kids: If the book's description is too short, switch to Parent Mode and read the Parent Guide's summary. It's also okay to choose a book that you're not sure you'll like—some of my favorite books were not obvious choices. And don't worry about it if you don't like a book—there's always a new one next month!

Join at pjourway.org. Happy reading!

Amanda lives in Durham and is about to enter 8th grade at the Oyster River Middle School. In her spare time, she likes to read, make crafts, play violin, and watch movies with her friends.



PJ OUR WAY

SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS by Joanne Levy

THE LENGTH OF A STRING by Elissa Brent Weissman

THE BLACKBIRD GIRLS by Anne Blankman

RABBI HARVEY Rides Again by Steve Sheinkin

THE ADVENTURES OF RABBI HARVEY by Steve Sheinkin

Amanda's PJOW Favs

PJ Our Way sends FREE Jewish middle-grade books for kids ages 9 through 12. Learn more by scanning the QR code or go to pjourway.org. Contact Dinah Berch at dinah.berch@jewishnh.org with questions or if you'd like to receive a sample book!

Etched in Glass

A poignant moment from the screening of *Etched in Glass: The Legacy of Steve Ross*. Pictured from L to R: Jody Kipnis, Holocaust Museum Boston CEO; Mike Ross, New England Holocaust Memorial Founder; Glenn Frank, Co-author "From Broken Glass" book; and Tony Bennis, Editor and Co-producer of "Etched in Glass" film. Courtesy of Holocaust Museum Boston.



Change

continued from page 14

ization of destroyed Jewish communities in those areas.

Rabbi Bachman offered greetings to the members of TBI, "As we start this journey together, let's celebrate who we

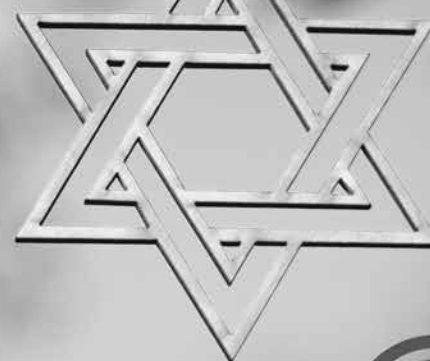
are and the sacred tradition we are called upon to fulfill. And let's go from strength to strength in doing what is just and right to build a world of peace and lovingkindness for TBI Laconia and our neighbors, for our nation, for Israel and for our world." Contact Rabbi Andy Bachman by email at rabbi@tbinh.org.

Don't know whom to turn to?

JFNH can help.

JFNH's consulting social worker can provide support, referral, follow-up services, and resources to you and your family.

- Food and shelter
- Unemployment
- Medical and drug costs
- Spousal, parental, or child abuse
- Drug or alcohol addiction
- Mental health
- Children with learning, physical, and/or emotional disabilities
- Senior care/dementia
- Legal aid, incarceration, police matters



Don't let your problems simmer until they boil over. Call the JFNH social worker at 603-310-9941.

All calls and assistance are confidential.



Jewish Federation
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

See what's happening in the community at www.jewishnh.org

Flood Recovery in Keene: Synagogue Seeks Community Support

By Selena Katz, President of CAA

On May 10th, after several consecutive days of heavy rain, the entire downstairs of our synagogue experienced significant flooding. We hired a remediation company to remove the water and address mold that had accumulated from both this and previous flooding. The mold removal was necessary throughout the downstairs, including the kitchen and the elevator shaft.

The remediation process required removing two feet of drywall throughout the downstairs, as well as all the lower kitchen cabinets. The bookshelves in the synagogue library also had to be removed. The work crew filled two 30-yard dumpsters with drywall, cabinetry, furniture, and other mold-affected materials.

Repairs are now well underway.

Sheetrock has been replaced, painting is nearly complete, and new kitchen cabinets, countertops, and two sinks have been ordered. We have selected new flooring to be installed over the existing floor. In a critical step to prevent future flooding, the pipe connecting our under-slab drainage to the city system has been replaced.

The cost of repair and replacement of the damages is estimated at \$225,000. To help manage these unanticipated and substantial expenses, we have established the Flood Repair Fund. Thanks to the generous support of several CAA members and friends, we have made significant progress in the funding for remediation and repair. In addition, we received \$50,000 from the insurance company.

Donations of any amount are deeply appreciated and can be made online

through our website or by check (please write Flood in the memo line). Checks can be mailed to: Congregation Ahavas

Achim, 84 Hastings Ave, Keene, NH 03431. Use the CAA website for online donations: <https://keenesynagogue.org/>

Confirmation

These three teens — Lauren, Ethan, and Mia — celebrated their confirmation on erev Shavuot, June 1, 2025. They chanted the Ten Commandments, read from the Book of Ruth, and led the congregation in worship. We wish them and their families a hearty *mazal tov*. Significantly, these three young people became BMitzvah during or near the end of the years of COVID restricted services, with limited attendance and masking. TBJ is incredibly proud of these young people, all of whom serve as *madrichim* (classroom aides) at the TBJ religious school, called *Kadimah*.



September 11, 2025, 11:00am

Lunch & Learn: 603 LegalAid Consumer Law Unit presents "Scams and Identity Theft"

Join Jewish Federation of New Hampshire for a Lunch & Learn with special guests from the 603 Legal Aid Consumer Law Unit as they teach about common scams and how to avoid identity theft. Pizza lunch provided.

In person at:

Jewish Federation of New Hampshire
273 South River Road, Unit 5
Bedford, NH 03110

\$10/person. Registration requested. Zoom link available upon request.

To register please scan the QR code below to pay online, call 603-627-7679 to pay by credit card over the phone, or mail payment to:



JFNH
273 S. River Rd. #5
Bedford, NH 03110

603 LEGAL AID

Consumer Law Unit Presents:
Scams and Identity Theft



603 Legal Aid is a non-profit organization that is here to help you!

This presentation focuses on the growing risks of scams and identity theft, exploring how personal information is stolen and misused by criminals. You will learn how to identify red flags, secure sensitive information, and respond effectively to potential threats.

OFFERING LEGAL INFORMATION, REPRESENTATION, ADVOCACY, AND EDUCATION FOR ALL OF NH

Contact Us

Call: 603-224-3333 9am-2pm Mon-Thurs

Visit: www.603legalaids.org

93 N. State St, Suite 200, Concord NH 03301



Funding in part by The Jewish Federation of New Hampshire, The Ben and Zelma Dorson Fund, The Maurice Foster Fund, The Saul Sidore Fund, The Paul and Fran Gordon Fund and The Singer Family Trust Fund



Share your High Holiday Greeting

High Holiday Greetings with a donation of \$18 or above will be listed in the September Reporter. Please print your greeting *clearly* below:

High Holiday Donation: \$18
Additional Donation: \$____
Total Donation Enclosed: \$____

(your name/family name)

Deadline: August 8th

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Mail this form with your payment to:

Jewish Federation of New Hampshire, 273 South River Rd. Unit 5, Bedford, NH 03110

If you prefer, scan and email this form to info@jewishnh.org

OR call us at 603-627-7679 OR scan the QR code to submit your greeting and pay online.



Payment Information:

Make check payable to "JFNH" or Mastercard/Visa # _____

Expires: _____ Security Code: _____ Your Signature: _____

A Service of Thanks and Remembrance

On Memorial Day the traditional Jewish Manchester community service was once again at the Manchester Hebrew Cemetery, with 40 attendees in person and 5 on Zoom. Rabbi Beth Davidson welcomed the audience: "We gather as a community this afternoon, to honor our Armed Forces, those who gave their lives in defense of our Country."

Linda Rockenmacher then led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Sol Rockenmacher was the Speaker for the event, and this is his speech, which is titled We Remember and Honor:

"This is a special day in our United States of America, when we honor members of our military, such as Manchester's own Lt. Ben Bronstein, Robert Isenberg, Jack Perolman, Zolman Rosenberg and Max Slovack, who are buried here, who died and made the ultimate sacrifice while serving our country. But it is also an opportunity to honor all veterans who have served, including the 143 from our Manchester area Jewish community who are buried here, and whose names will be read later in the program by Michael Sydney, Jeff Klein, Dot Warshaw and Jonathan Baron. Thank you David Rosenzweig and his crew of fifteen, who planted the flags at the grave sites. These are sites at both the Temple Israel and Temple Adath Yeshurun areas, but I stress that this is our Manchester area Jewish community.

We are so proud to honor these veterans of our Manchester Jewish community, and of all other New Hampshire Jewish communities, those who have passed and those still with us, including our own Alex Schwartz and Sam Katchen, who are serving now. They are just a very representative sample of Jews who have participated in military service to our country.

Dr. Steve Soreff has done a wonderful job gathering this information, initially for an exceptional exhibit at the Jewish Museum at the Federation, and then putting together an excellent booklet, which is available there.

This is not only Memorial Day, but we are in Military Appreciation Month and Jewish American Heritage Month. In that heritage there is Simon Magruder Levy, one of the first two cadets at West Point. In our continuing American Heritage we have served in all wars and in peace-time. In World War II, out of a population of 4 million Jews in our USA (3.7% of the population at the time), 500,000 Jews served their/our country. To those who have said that Jews have dual loyalties, I want to emphasize that we believe that our country is the United States of America



Dot Warshaw reads the names of veterans.



Jeff Klein reads names of veterans buried in the cemetery.



Speaker Sol Rockenmacher, Michael Sydney, Rabbi Beth Davidson and Rabbi Marc Philippe.



The flag planter mishpuchah.



The audience at Manchester Hebrew Cemetery.

and our dual loyalties are to God and our country, the USA. Yes, we clearly are forthright as we strongly bond to the land of Israel and we stand with our Israeli brothers and sisters in their fight for survival.

Most likely we all have veterans in our families and maybe are a veteran as well, and have memories to share. I served in our United States Navy Medical Corps, as a pediatrician to families of staffs at the US Naval Training Center and Station Hospital and Navy Prep School in Bainbridge, Maryland. My three older brothers served in World War II in the US Army and Army Air Corps. We were sons of Samuel Rockenmacher and Sadie Berger, Jewish immigrants from Poland in the first decade of the 20th century.

In looking back to my own happy recollections, I think back to the end of World War II block party celebration on Sackman Street in Brooklyn, a street with Italians and Jews, with Welcome Home posters for returning soldiers, sailors and airmen, including my three brothers.

When my brothers returned to civilian life, I recall my brother Joe, who had been a navigator on a B-17 in Europe, telling me how, on a bombing run, an engine had been shot out by enemy fire. To save fuel they had to drop out of the returning formation of planes heading back to their base in Italy. And then, in the distance,

they saw fighter-planes heading toward them and thought that they were most likely German Messerschmitts and that they were in very serious trouble. But as the fighter-planes got closer it was clear that the planes had red tails, the sign of the black Tuskegee Airmen in the red-tailed Mustangs. One of the fighter planes got closer and the black pilot tipped his plane's wings, and the B-17, like so many other American aircraft in need, was escorted safely to their base in Italy. Years later, when Joe was on the staff of a high school in a black neighborhood in New York he invited Tuskegee airman Col. Lee Archer to give a talk during Black History Month. When my brother passed away Col. Archer was at the funeral.

On a sad memory note, I vividly remember Linda and I getting a phone call that Saturday morning in September 1971 from our sister-in-law Barbara in Florida. She informed us that her husband, Linda's brother, West Pointer Col. John Lawrence, Jr., who was on his second tour of duty in Vietnam, had been killed in an ambush. We were living in Durham at the time. I was asked to go and tell his parents, who were working in Dover. It is a day that remains forever etched in my mind.

We are here today because of the contributions of those who have served our country, Jews and Christians, white and colored, many of whom, like Benjamin Bron-

stein, Robert Isenberg, Jack Perolman, Zolman Rosenberg, Max Slovack and John Lawrence, Jr., have died protecting us while continuing the legacy of their/our United States of America. May their memories be for a blessing, and may God Bless America."

Rabbi Beth then led the audience in a responsive reading of prayers, concluding with "Until the swords have been beaten into plowshares, the spears into pruning hooks, it is our duty to remember those who gave their lives in defense of our ideals. Standing before the chapel dedicated in their names, we recall the following members of this community, as well as those who are near and dear to us, whose sacrifice we remember today." Then the names of all the 143 veterans buried in the cemetery were read by Michael Sydney, Jeff Klein, Dot Warshaw and Jonathan Baron.

The concluding part of the service was led by Rabbi Marc Philippe. Leading the attendees, he sang a beautiful rendition of Eil Malai Rachamin, followed by a translation. He quoted Dr. Laurence Milder: "On this Memorial Day we remember those who gave their lives in the service of democracy, and rededicate ourselves to fulfilling the vision upon which this nation was founded and of which the prophets dreamed when they said 'May each human being be able to sit under his or her fig-tree and vine, in security, comfort and peace.'"

We recited the Mourner's Kaddish, followed by the playing of "Taps." It was a very moving service of remembrance on a very important day.



Hadassah is About Hope

By Michele Bank

Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, is a non-political, volunteer organization that inspires a passion for and commitment to the land, the people, and the future of Israel. Through education, advocacy, and youth development, and its support of medical care and research at Hadassah Medical Organization (HMO), Hadassah enhances the health and lives of people in Israel, the United States and worldwide. It strives for positive change in the world.

Hadassah's internationally known medical organization treats over one million patients a year without regard to race, religion, or nationality. HMO is recognized for its humanitarian efforts around the world.

Hadassah is all about hope. We, Hadassah women, practice active hope every day by supporting Israel, its people, and each other. We do this through fundraising, through advocacy and by providing each other with an emotionally safe space in which to express our hopes and fears. Hope is something we do, day after day, even when the glass feels empty, and the path forward is unclear.

While we are providing critical lifesaving medical care at our hospitals, our youth villages have become a safe haven for teens from around the world. Hadassah Neurim Youth Aliyah Village hosted an event marking 25 years of Hadassah's Joy of Judaism program, bringing together Hadassah members and friends in celebration. The Joy of Judaism pro-

gram teaches youth about Jewish thought, tradition, and practice through hands-on, nondenominational experiences. For many of our students, this is their first exposure to the richness of their Jewish heritage.

A highlight of the event was a moving panel featuring past participants of the program. Two mother-daughter pairs shared how the annual Shabbaton deepened their bonds — to each other and to Judaism. Simion, a student from Meir Shfeyah Youth Aliyah Village who made aliyah on his own from Ukraine, spoke about how the program's classes and trips have helped him better integrate into Israeli society. One student described visiting the Chagall windows at Hadassah Hospital Ein Kerem as a powerful highlight of the Eshet Chayil (Women of Valor) program's graduation journey.

Distinguished guests included Youth Aliyah Chair Michele Rubin, former Youth Aliyah Chair and Past National President Marcie Natan, Executive Director of Hadassah Offices in Israel Suzanne Patt Benvenisti, Meir Shfeyah Board Chair Eli Wagner and Hadassah Neurim Board Chair Einat Reich. In a touching tribute, Dr. Esther Serok — who has led the program since its inception — was honored for her decades of dedication and vision by Rubin and Natan.

We invite you to join us at our chapter meetings where you will hear about the successes of this powerful medical institution. For information about Hadassah, please contact Michele Bank at michele.bank@gmail.com.

Israel: Did You Know?

By Richard England

Israel's Central Bureau of Statistics announced in April that there are now 10.1 million residents in Israel, twelve times the number of residents in 1948. This includes 7.7 million Jews, nearly half of all Jews in the world. Israel's population also includes 2.1 million Arab speakers (Muslims, Christians and Druze). Israel is the only nation in the Middle East with a growing Christian population.

Nearly 3.5 million people have immigrated to Israel since 1948, almost half since 1990 when Jews gained the right to leave the Soviet Union. During recent years, the number of Israelis has contin-

ued to grow faster than the global population but not only because of immigration. For a relatively developed society, Israel has a high fertility rate. Jewish Israelis average 3 children per woman and Muslim Israelis average 2.9 children per woman, much higher fertility rates than in East Asia, Western Europe or even the U.S. Fertility remains high among the ultra-orthodox but has begun to decline — in part because of improved education and employment opportunities for young haredi women. Fertility is surprisingly high even among secular Jewish women in Israel.

Sources: *Times of Israel* and *Jewish Press*.

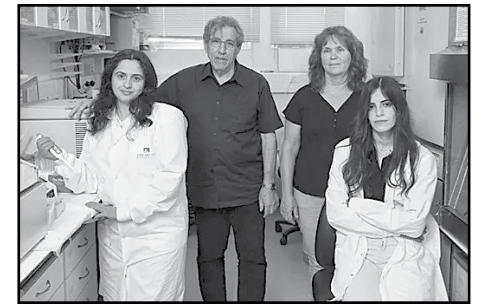
An Israeli Center of Scientific Excellence

By Richard England

Half an hour's drive south of Tel Aviv sits a global center of scientific excellence, the Weizmann Institute of Science. Located in Rehovot on a 280-acre campus, the institute hosts cutting-edge research in the fields of biology, biochemistry, chemistry, mathematics and computer science, and physics. The Weizmann Institute was founded in 1934 during the British Mandate, and the Sieff family of the United Kingdom provided the initial funding for this new center of scientific research and education. In 1948, it was renamed in honor of Dr. Chaim Weizmann, renowned chemist and the first president of the State of Israel.

The Weizmann quickly established itself as a center of scientific discovery and technological innovation. In 1954, scientists and engineers designed and built WEIZAC, one of the first digital computers in the world. In 1959, the Institute launched Yeda, a technology transfer company that turns basic research findings into commercial products. Yeda has become an important source of patent royalties that help to fund new basic research projects. Copaxone, for example, is an FDA-approved treatment for multiple sclerosis developed and licensed by Yeda.

Several Nobel Prize laureates and Turing Award winners have been associated with the Weizmann Institute. Prof. Ada Yonath, for example, won the 2009 Nobel Prize in chemistry for her research on the structure and function of ribosomes, the cell's protein "factories." Her basic



Cancer Research Team at Weizmann Institute

research has practical implications for combatting antibiotic resistance.

There are scientists pursuing research at the Weizmann Institute who might be future Nobel laureates, but their scientific work has been interrupted by a devastating ballistic missile attack by Iran on June 15. This attack destroyed 45 laboratories and years of research findings. Thankfully, no one died in the attack because potential victims sought shelter before the missile landed. After the attack, Prof. Liran Shlush and his Weizmann team announced that they had saved experimental samples despite the destruction of their research lab. These samples could aid in the development of leukemia-detecting blood tests that would end the use of invasive bone marrow biopsies by oncologists.

The Weizmann Institute has come a long way since 1934 and will be a key source of scientific knowledge in years to come. If you would like to learn more about the Institute's activities and how you can support those activities, go to <https://weizmann-usa.org>.

Do you live in Keene, Laconia, Bethlehem, Hanover, or another NH community and want to help produce the Jewish Reporter?

We are looking for people all over the state who are interested in writing about their local Jewish community.

To get involved, contact thereporter@jewishnh.org



Jewish Federation
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Keeping you connected

eNEWS

jewishnh.org

facebook



JFNH Tributes

Received by July 10, 2025

Allyson Guertin PJ Library Fund

Allyson, Thank you for your invaluable contribution and dedication the NH Jewish Family Ed and I wish you continued success, good health and happiness as you begin the next chapter of your life. Mazel Tov, Gail Ellis

General Fund

In memory of Tracy Richmond's beloved mom –Michael and Joy Sydney

Kushner-Tumen Family Children's Fund

To Joel Match, Mazel Tov on AVI, from Andy and Norm Kushner

How to submit an obituary

The Reporter publishes obituaries for any member of the community, past or present, for a \$36 fee. Please send obituaries and one photo, if desired, as a separate jpg attachment to thereporter@jewishnh.org or to the office along with payment at: JFNH, 273 S. River Road Unit 5, PO Box 10041, Bedford, NH 03110

Simchas

New! B'nai mitzvah, engagement, wedding or new baby in the family? Share your happiness with the community with a notice in the Reporter's new Simchas section. Your \$36 payment will support JFNH's nonprofit mission. Submit a short notice and photo to thereporter@jewishnh.org or JFNH, 273 S. River Road Unit 5, PO Box 10041, Bedford, NH 03110

When submitting a Letter to the Editor, please include your name, town of residence, and contact information. Letters to the Editor must be under 300 words in length to be considered for publication. Send your letter by email to the reporter@jewishnh.org with "letter to the editor" in the subject line.

Keeping you connected



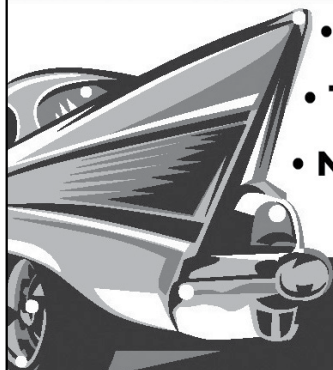
Jewish Federation
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

eNEWS

facebook

jewishnh.org

ANNOUNCING OUR CAR Donation Program



- Free pick-up
- Tax receipt given
- No smog required



Jewish Federation
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

TURNING CARS INTO CARE

To Donate, Call Today Toll Free

866-985-4483

JFNH Tribute Cards: A Double Mitzvah

Sending a tribute card from the Jewish Federation of New Hampshire is one of the best ways to honor someone for any *simcha*, e.g. birthday, anniversary, bar/bat mitzvah. It is also the perfect way to say "Thank you" or to send your condolences.

Your JFNH tribute card serves double duty by helping to support the vital programs serving the New Hampshire Jewish Community.

All tributes will be listed in The Reporter.

Amount of Contribution:

☐ \$10 ☐ \$18 ☐ \$36 ☐ Other \$ _____

Designated to the following fund:

- ☐ Annual Campaign
- ☐ Friends of the Reporter
- ☐ NH Jewish Film Festival
- ☐ PJ Library
- ☐ Senior Programs
- ☐ Shlichut (Israeli Emissary) Program
- ☐ Social Services
- ☐ Other: _____



Contribution: ☐ in honor ☐ in memory of ☐ on the occasion of

Name of Tribute Card recipient

Address of Tribute Card recipient

Name of Sender

Address of Sender

Make your check payable to "Jewish Federation of NH" and mail with this form to: Jewish Federation of NH
273 S. River Road Unit 5, PO Box 10041, Bedford, NH 03110

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS
Tell Them You Saw Their Ad in The Reporter!

Business & Professional Services

DENTAL SERVICES

GENERAL DENTISTRY

Bow Family Dentistry

Sarah K. Katz, DMD
Jordan T. Rucinski, DMD
514 South Street
Bow NH, 03304
603-224-3151
office@bowfamilydentistry.com
www.bowfamilydentistry.com

Lindner Dental Associates

Pediatric, Ortho, Adult, Oral Surgery
72 South River Road
Bedford, NH 03110
603-624-3900
www.LindnerDental.com

GENERAL AND COSMETIC DENTISTRY

Elizabeth Sandler Spindel, DMD

Victoria Spindel Rubin, DMD

862 Union St., Manchester
(603) 669-9049
https://elizabethspindel.com

**SUPPORT
OUR
ADVERTISERS**

**Tell Them
You Saw
Their Ad
in
The Reporter!**



Jewish Federation
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

FINANCIAL SERVICES

CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNERS

Daniel Cohen, CFP®

Cohen Investment Advisors
264 South River Road, Suite 414
Bedford, NH 03110
(603) 232-8350
www.investwithcohen.com

TAX PLANNING & PREPARATION

Richard LeSavoy, EA

FairTaxPlanning, LLC
P.O. Box 395, Newmarket, NH 03857
(978) 994-2793
rich@fairtaxplanning.com
www.fairtaxplanning.com

REAL ESTATE

Alyse Savage, Broker/Owner

Resolute Realty Group, LLC
Opening Doors to your Future
Residential ~ Commercial ~ Business
ASavageRealtor@gmail.com
ResoluteRealtyNH.com
195 McGregor St. Suite 325, Manchester
o: 603-824-5794, c: 603-493-2026



Jewish Federation
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Keeping you
connected

jewishnh.org

facebook

eNEWS

Thinking of Selling?

DAVID ORLICK
(157^ +ROXQ1YK7R5^ Realtor

603-724-7237
603-232-8282
dorlick@kw.com
www.dorsgroup.com

SCAN HERE

Q19^MNY^
1,623#

kw METROPOLITAN
KELLER

YOU

JAPANESE BISTRO

Discover refreshing sushi and Asian-fusion cuisine in Southern NH!

150 Broad Street, #4
Nashua, NH 03063
(603) 882-8337
http://www.youyoubistro.com/

f

NorthEast
Computer Services
NE Tech, NE Time, NE Ware

Eric M. LaFleur
Jonathan E. Baron

143 Essex Street, Suite 709
Haverhill, MA 01832

Phone: 978.373.1010
www.NECompServices.com

Jewish Federation
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

See what's happening in the community at
www.jewishnh.org

Advertise in our Business & Professional Services Directory

Call JFNH office at
603-627-7679
or contact our sales rep.

Michelle Harrison
603-845-9194
RunFree94@yahoo.com





Jewish Federation
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR OUR

Annual Meeting

2025 Community Shem Tov Awards
& Recognition of Former
JFNH Executive Director
Allyson Guertin



SUNDAY, AUGUST 17TH, 6PM

Bedford Event Center and Livestreamed
379 South River Road, Bedford

*\$18 suggested donation / livestream no charge.
Doors open at 6pm with a Kosher Appetizer Reception
catered by The Brooklyn Cafe.
Meeting begins promptly at 7pm.*

Scan QR code or visit
<https://givebutter.com/JFNH2025>
for tickets



www.jewishnh.org
info@jewishnh.org
Jewish Federation of New Hampshire
273 South River Road, Unit 5, Bedford, NH 03110

Special thanks to our 2025
corporate sponsor, Pressed Cafe.



www.jewishnh.org

The strength of a people, The power of a community.