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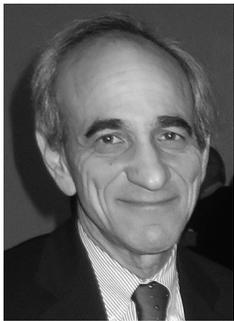
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The Rabbi and the Daf

By Rabbi Edward S. Boraz

One of Judaism's great contributions to Western Civilization is its emphasis on life-long learning. The Torah and our tradition teach that a good Jew must study Torah every day, as much as she or he is able. But, there never seems to be enough time to do so.



I often have stared at the Vilna

Shas folios that remain on the shelf of my rabbinic library.** The majority of the 20 volumes have never been opened. The set was a gift from my Rabbi Ben Zion Wacholder, z'l, the Solomon Freehoff Chair of Talmud at Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati. I had just recovered from a minor surgical procedure when I made a decision: To honor Rabbi Wacholder's memory, I was going to begin daf yomi (lit. "the daily daf").

A daf is a page (both front and back) of Talmud. This study program is like a Jewish intellectual Appalachian trail. The idea is to study one daf every day for seven years, so that by the end, if you never miss a day (including Shabbat, Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, etc.), you will have read the entire Talmud in seven years.

So on August 11, 2015, I began. The world-wide program had already finished a number of volumes, but that didn't really matter. So what if I started in the middle? I'd just go on until I finished. I began at the end of a tractate called Nidarim which deals with vows; we are now completing Nazir, which deals with the laws of the Nazarite

(think Samson).

This is a hard road, and there are times when I neither fully comprehend all the arguments, nor appreciate all the issues at hand. Still, I struggle on in tribute to my Rabbi. The thought of so many of these pages never seeing the light of day is simply too much for me to bear. Like an acquired taste, I actually enjoy the time I devote to study, even if some of the discussions involve such things as the prohibition of drinking wine or hard liquor, what happens if the Nazir becomes ritually defiled, and the types of sacrifices the Nazir must bring at the end of the 30-day period during which he vowed to accept these restrictions, and others, the most famous of which is to refrain from cutting one's hair (remember Samson now?).

I imagine this discipline doesn't sound all that hard to the average reader, but I am already 5 pages behind where I should be had I studied one page each day. At some point, I know that I will read or study something that will have a closer relationship to modernity, though that most likely will not be until after I finish not only this tractate of Nazir, but also Sotah, which involves "the spouse" who is suspected of being unfaithful. Eventually, I will study laws relating to establishing courts of justice, rules of evidence, civil law, criminal law, and on and on.

I wonder what possessed our Sages to write such a comprehensive treatise on Jewish law, even when the topic no longer had any bearing in their world, such as laws pertaining to sacrifices, laws relating to the Temple, and laws about other topics which in their world (Babylonia and other places) long had been destroyed (at least 300 years earlier)? Perhaps it was the assumption that because God had given the Torah to the Children of Israel, come what may, every last detail was to be studied and practiced to the best of their

knowledge and their ability.

Knowledge of the minutest aspects had to be preserved because to the Sages, the words were sacred because they represented the will of God, a will to which they dedicated their lives to discover, preserve and practice. They had to teach the people how to cope with all foreseen circumstances.

For example, imagine a Nazarite who had to be ritually pure (kasher) for 30 days. What if during those 30 days, he was forced to engage in the mitzvah of burial upon finding a corpse along his way, therefore having to prepare the corpse for burial [and thus becoming tamei (impure)] simply because no one else knew how to perform the task he accomplished. Would the Nazarite thus have violated his/her oath to be a Nazir (an oath taken pursuant to Torah in the name of God!) for the sake of performing the other crucial mitzvah related to burial?

If this seems complicated, it's because it is. Many such discussions are never resolved in the Talmud. Moreover, I find that I am unable to explore the daf in depth; I barely scratch the surface of each page.

I am left with the sense that, unlike in science where new discoveries are deemed advancements, when it comes to knowledge of Judaism and Torah, the teachers who preceded me were far superior in knowledge, holiness, and total commitment in order to pursue the knowledge that the Torah sets forth, but still must be learned, re-learned and expounded upon until the end of time. Such is the art of Jewish learning.

**[Editor's note from Wikipedia: The Vilna Edition of the Talmud, printed in Vilna (now Vilnius), Lithuania, is by far the most common printed edition of the Talmud still in use today as the basic text for Torah study in yeshivas and by all scholars of Judaism.]

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President's Message

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This afternoon, I attended the 4th Annual Micah Awards Ceremony, an event sponsored by the United Valley Interfaith Project (UVIP). The Micah Award refers to the call by the prophet Micah to consider what it means to live up to God's expectations for us, and give us guidance on how to live up to those expectations: And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

The Upper Valley Jewish Community (UVJC) is proud to recognize Harold (Hal) and Karen Manning and their son Ben as our 2015 Micah heroes. Working through the Village2Village project, the Mannings have provided impoverished Ugandan children, many of whom lost parents to AIDS or the Ugandan civil war, with education, medical care, and, especially, compassionate friendship and hope for the future.

Karen Manning taught the entire UVJC Hebrew School the meaning of Tikkun Olam – the repairing of the world – by creating personal links between Hebrew School students and Ugandan children. All of us were touched to see an entire classroom of beaming Ugandan children proudly wearing new t-shirts, each individually decorated by a UVJC Hebrew School student. Karen also organized a purchase of desks for the children in V2V using contributions from Hebrew school children and their families.

Hal Manning, a physician, has volunteered in a hospital in Kampala, Uganda. In 2012, Ben, then a high school student, independently organized a fundraising campaign for Village2Village, travelling to Uganda with suitcases full of donated goods, to spend a month doing construction work, helping children with their schoolwork, and teaching them soccer skills.

The Mannings' deep and evident personal ties with the Ugandan village and presentations that they have organized have influenced many families here in the Upper Valley to sponsor the education of Ugandan children. The Mannings' love and dedication have profoundly affected the lives of many Ugandan children and has also enriched the lives of those in the Upper Valley who have been inspired by their example.

The United Valley Interfaith Project is a coalition of 16 faith communities working to bring people together with common values to build grassroots power and create long-lasting systemic change. Their current campaigns include Aging with Dignity, and Economic Justice.

For the past two years the UVIP has asked local seniors, "What does it mean to age with dignity?" UVIP interviewed more than 400 seniors in an anecdotal fashion. As news of their efforts spread throughout the Community, UVIP was contacted by public officials, agencies, and hospitals eager to learn of their findings. As a result, the UVIP is continuing to gather data from seniors, but now more formally: they are partnering

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Cold Days, Warm Hearts

By Education Director Maggie Duford



The landscape has changed since last I shared with you all that is happening in our school. Where the magnificence of fall once blazed, there lies ahead of us another long New England winter to complain about! Despite the inevitability of winter, we remain and weather it: the children arrive on Sunday mornings, bundled as if for a walk on the moon.

As we gather for our traditional assembly, a tradition begun long before I joined the school, one by one the children's hearts turn toward the front of the synagogue. They listen to ideas that make them think and explore their own Jewish minds. They learn the songs of our people and they take turns holding the Israeli flag wide for all to see, as HaTikva is sung, the words of our people filling the walls of the Roth Center. Why not plan to join us one cold morning, just to witness hope?

I have spoken before of our hope: acknowledging our mutual wish that the children you have lovingly placed in our care will carry forward the heritage of the Torah, the central hope of our people.

Together we have learned that as not only their גוף (body) grows, so grows their הנשמה (soul). The children are learning to articulate how this happens, learning the narratives of the תורה (Torah) with a sincere heart of הליפת (prayer), and with the giving of self.

I watch your children climb up that ladder of knowledge and awareness from the youngest of grades to those achieving so much leading to their bar and bat mitzvah, to the High School of Jewish Studies. The credit for learning belongs to them alone, and to the collective hands of our dedicated teachers and volunteers who make the school the family that it is.

Cold days, yet warm hearts. We are blessed.

PRESIDENT, *from page 2*

with ReThink Health. UVIP also continues their work on building stronger senior self-advocacy.

The UVIP's second campaign focuses on economic justice. Their fight against predatory lending practices at the state level has broadened, as UVIP is part of a national campaign to curb malicious lending practices through the Consumer Financial Protection Board. Recognizing that bad lending practices are not the only obstacle prohibiting people from financial stability, they are mobilizing around issues of increased minimum wage and earned sick time.

I am proud of the board's decision to join the UVIP just about three years ago. Our participation in their important work in a community context is an important part of the UVJC's growth and development as a community. If you are interested in participating in our Social Action Committee and/or the UVIP, please contact our Social Action Chair, Carolyn Gordon, at Carolyn.S.Gordon@Dartmouth.EDU.

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Volunteer to Sponsor a Shabbat Morning Kiddush

Responsibility to prepare our weekly Shabbat *kiddush* is rotated among UVJC volunteers who attend services. Preparing *kiddush* for the congregation is a great way to celebrate a birthday, graduation, wedding anniversary, or to commemorate a loved one's *yahrzeit*. It's also an opportunity to get together with old friends and make new ones.

For those unfamiliar with the tradition of Shabbat morning *kiddush*, it is the time following the service when we gather over wine, grape juice, challah and other goodies.

But most of all, we come together to enjoy Shabbat with good fellowship.

Wine, grape juice, paper goods and cups are supplied by the UVJC. The weekly *kiddush* volunteer supplies the challah. One may add to the fare if one wishes. For example, herring, gefilte fish, cheese, cookies, coffee cake, sweet rolls, pretzels, or fruit make nice additions to the *kiddush* table.

If you have questions, or would like to sponsor a *kiddush*, please contact Yoni Neirman who may be reached evenings at 802-649-3234, or by email at Yoni.Stevens.Neirman@hitchcock.org.

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KIDDUSH SCHEDULE

December 2015 –
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NOVEMBER

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Maggie Duford

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Diane Roston

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Kathy and Jeff Parsonnet

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All School and Tot
Shabbat Services

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Bonnie Kimmelman

There are many opportunities for donors to designate a gift to the UVJC.

*Please give generously throughout the year.
Please make your check payable to either "UVJC" or
"Upper Valley Jewish Community,"
noting the name of the fund on the memo line.
Donations may be directed to the UVJC General Fund
or specifically to one of the following funds:*

Adult Education Fund:

To support guest speakers and other special adult programs

Beautification Fund:

To be used toward furnishings, decorations, and ornamentation to enhance the Roth Center for Jewish Life.

Cemetery Fund:

To help with landscaping and maintenance of the UVJC cemetery.

Endowment:

Contributions of cash or securities, payable to the UVJC Endowment Fund. Interest will be used to support the activities of the community.

Library Fund:

For purchase of books and/or other library materials.

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:

For charitable purposes as determined by the Rabbi.

School Programming Fund:

To support special programs over and above the curriculum.

Teen Programming:

To provide support for young adults in our community to participate in Jewish programs.



Yahrzeit Memorial Plaques

Bonnie Kimmelman in loving memory of her father, **Bernard Kimmelman**

REMEMBRANCE

The act of remembrance is a profound experience in Jewish tradition. Remembrance brings to present consciousness the influence, love, and nurturing the departed brought to us, our children, and our children's children.

A *yahrzeit* board provides a spiritual means of paying respect and offering tribute to the memories of our departed loved ones.

The *yahrzeit* board in the Alperin Sanctuary at the Roth Center for Jewish Life at Dartmouth College provides each member of our congregational family the opportunity to engage in the profound mitzvah of remembrance by acquiring a *yahrzeit* plaque.

On the anniversary of the *yahrzeit* (the date of death), a light is illuminated adjacent to the deceased's name. If you are interested in acquiring a *yahrzeit* plaque, contact Carole Clarke at 603-646-0460 or at uvjc@valley.net.

Volunteer Profile: Barbara Brown

By Liza Draper • ldraper@dartmouth.edu • 603-477-4753

Those who know Barbara Brown know that she prefers to stay out of the limelight. Nevertheless, we cannot let her contributions to the history committee go unrecognized. Barbara's determination to document Jewish life in the Upper Valley over the past eighty years provided the impetus for the Oral History Project now underway.

Barbara conducted some of the project's first interviews to ensure that key community members' memories would not be lost to future generations. We have relied on her knowledge of local businesses to guide our research. She has generously shared personal recollections of many aspects of community life, including raising two daughters and celebrating the Jewish holidays in a string of different venues before the establishment of the Roth Center. Barbara also has given us unique insights into the early days of the religious school (which she co-founded) and the cemetery (which her husband Channing lobbied hard to create).

It's easy to see why Barbara has received multiple

awards over the years for her volunteer work. She is a retired registered nurse, having worked at local hospitals and then for eighteen years at Planned Parenthood of the Upper Valley. In addition to the hours Barbara has devoted to the history project, she also has been a member of the UVJC "Soup Group", supplying homemade chicken soup to ill community members, remains active on the Cemetery Committee, and serves as a volunteer at Alice Peck Day's Gift Shop. Her experience and energy seem boundless. We are all thankful that Barbara is committed to being part of the history project team.

If you have an interest in oral history and some time to volunteer, we would love to hear from you. Please email LDraper@dartmouth.edu, or phone 603 477-4753. Special thanks to all those who already have returned their interview transcripts; however, many remain outstanding. We would appreciate having everyone's back as soon as possible so that the next stage of the project may begin.



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The Social Action Committee is delighted to prepare the baskets. You pay only for the contents.

For further info, contact UVJCSocAction@gmail.com

Becoming a More Caring Community

Most of us don't find it easy to ask for help, and many of us are fortunate enough to have our own personal supports. But sometimes, we all can use a bit more (or less) extra help.

The Social Action Committee of the UVJC has developed a volunteer database that helps us match those who could use some help with those who would like to provide it. Thanks to everyone who completed the recent survey we sent out, we compiled a list of over 50 people who are interested in offering a bit of their time in one of the following ways.



- Delivering a meal
- Doing some grocery shopping
- Sharing a meal with someone
- Helping with light house repairs
- Visiting someone who is sick

It is rare that there is only one way to do things. UVJC members are, of course, invited to self-refer. Close friends may help support this caring process by having a casual chat with the individual needing help, and offering to contact us on the friend's behalf.

**So together let's put the
"U" and the "Unity"
back in "COMMUNITY"!**

If you, or someone you know, would like to have a helping hand, or if you would like to be added to the list of volunteers, please contact us at UVJCSocAction@gmail.com.

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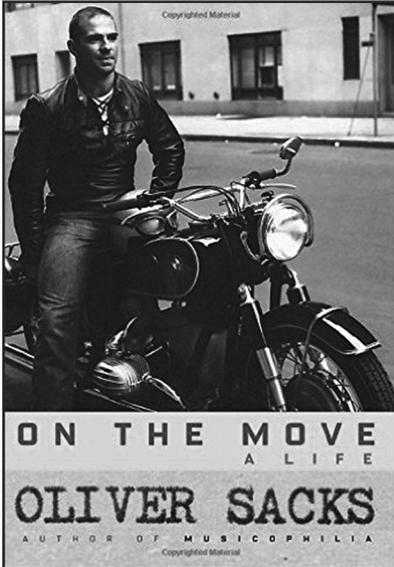
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6 24 KISLEV NO HEBREW SCHOOL 5:00 p.m. First Night - Chanukah Party	7 25 KISLEV  Chanukah - Day 1	8 26 KISLEV  Chanukah - Day 2 12:00 p.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Boraz 1:30 p.m.. Torah Study 4:00 p.m. Hebrew School - Grades 3-7	9 27 KISLEV  Chanukah - Day 3	10 28 KISLEV  Chanukah - Day 4 12:00 p.m. Guide for the Perplexed	11 29 KISLEV  Chanukah - Day 5  3:52 6:00 p.m. Shabbat Service	12 30 KISLEV  Chanukah - Day 6  Rosh Chodesh Tevet - Day 1  Miketz 10:00 a.m. Shabbat Service - Guest Speaker Kiddush: Yoni and Stephen Neirman
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 <small>20 TEVET</small>  4:02 7:00 p.m. Reform Shabbat Service	2 <small>21 TEVET</small>  Shemot 10:00 a.m. Shabbat Service Kiddush: Maggie Duford
3 <small>22 TEVET</small> 10:00: Hebrew School - All Grades	4 <small>23 TEVET</small>	5 <small>24 TEVET</small> 12:00 p.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Boraz 1:30 p.m.. Torah Study 4:00 p.m. Hebrew School - Grades 3-7	6 <small>25 TEVET</small> 7:00 p.m. UVJC Film Festival - Carpenter 13 "Conspiracy" 7:00 p.m. Full Borad of Trustees Meeting	7 <small>26 TEVET</small> 12:00 p.m. Guide for the Perplexed	8 <small>27 TEVET</small>  4:09 6:00 p.m. Hillel Shabbat Service - Dinner to follow - All are welcome	9 <small>28 TEVET</small>  Va'era 10:00 a.m. Shabbat Service Kiddush: Diane Roston 5:00 p.m. Havdalah
10 <small>29 TEVET</small> 10:00: Hebrew School - All Grades 2:00 p.m. UVJC Social Event - Ladies Clothing Swap	11 <small>1 SHEVAT</small>  Rosh Chodesh Shevat	12 <small>2 SHEVAT</small> 12:00 p.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Boraz 1:30 p.m.. Torah Study 4:00 p.m. Hebrew School - Grades 3-7	13 <small>3 SHEVAT</small> 7:00 p.m. UVJC Film Festival - Carpenter 13 "Ida"	14 <small>4 SHEVAT</small> 12:00 p.m. Guide for the Perplexed	15 <small>5 SHEVAT</small>  4:17 6:00 p.m. Hillel Shabbat Service - Dinner to follow - All are welcome	16 <small>6 SHEVAT</small>  Bo 10:00 a.m. Shabbat Service Kiddush: Kathy and Jeff Parsonnet
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24 <small>14 SHEVAT</small> 11:00 a.m. Tu B'Shevat Special Celebration for students and their family	25 <small>15 SHEVAT</small>  Tu B'Shvat	26 <small>16 SHEVAT</small> 12:00 p.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Boraz 1:30 p.m.. Torah Study 4:00 p.m. Hebrew School - Grades 3-7	27 <small>17 SHEVAT</small> 7:00 p.m. UVJC Film Festival - Carpenter 13 "This is Where I Leave You"	28 <small>18 SHEVAT</small> 12:00 p.m. Guide for the Perplexed	29 <small>19 SHEVAT</small>  4:34 6:00 p.m. Hillel Shabbat Service - Dinner to follow - All are welcome	30 <small>20 SHEVAT</small>  Yitro 10:00 a.m. Shabbat Service Kiddush: Bonnie Kimmelman
31 <small>21 SHEVAT</small> 10:00: Hebrew School - All Grades 12:30 p.m. UVJC Social Event: Skate, Sled at Occom Pond						

Literature Lovers



We are an enthusiastic reading group who love to discuss books proposed by group members. We welcome new participants. Literature Lovers usually meets at 7:00 PM the last Sunday of the month, unless otherwise noted.

For location or information, contact Susan Cohen at 603-643-3611, or sncohen037@gmail.com.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31

ON THE MOVE: A LIFE

by recently deceased Oliver Sacks

Oliver Sacks, perhaps best known as the author of **The Man who Mistook His Wife for a Hat**, shares with the reader in **ON THE MOVE: A LIFE** an engaging memoir of his wide ranging and accomplished life, written after his diagnosis with terminal prostate cancer.

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DO YOU KNOW????

- ... where everything Jewish is going on in the Upper Valley?
- ... where you can find the entire TANACH read to you in Hebrew?
- ... where there are links to popular local destinations and local weather?
- ... where there is a database of everything Jewish for your region, including learning links and candle-lighting times?

Visit the UVJC website OFTEN, for ALL the news!

www.uvjc.org



for 2016 Upper Valley Jewish Community Social Events

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10

2:00 p.m. – Roth Center

Ladies' Clothing Swap

Clean out your closet and plan for
a fun afternoon of swapping not shopping!

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

JANUARY – FEBRUARY:

UVJC Film Festival – showings at 013 Carpenter

Watch for the movie listings and
schedule in the UVJC Weekly Update
or at UVJC's web site uvjc.org.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31

12:30 p.m.

Skate, Ski, Sled at Occom Pond

MARCH 21–APRIL 10

NH Federation Jewish Film Festival showings
at 013 Carpenter

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schedule in the UVJC Weekly Update
or at UVJC's web site uvjc.org

SUNDAY, APRIL 9

An Afternoon at Northern Stage:

The Mountaintop

Tickets will be available for
the matinee performance
followed by a cast Q&A and
a UVJC snack/discussion of the play

TUESDAY, APRIL 19

7:00 p.m.

"Tablescapes" –

the Art of the Beautiful Table

SUNDAY, MAY 1

(tentative date)

UVJC Annual Dinner and Fundraiser

SUNDAY, MAY 22

12:30 p.m.

Picnic and Game Day at Huntley Meadow

SUNDAY, JUNE 5

UVJC Annual Meeting and Barbeque

Also, in the planning stages:

UVJC Literary Night

Murder Mystery Evening

UVJC-Hillel Film Series 2016

All films screen at 7:00 p.m.
in Carpenter 13

~ January 6 ~

Conspiracy

~ January 13 ~

Ida

~ January 20 ~

Hava Nagila, The Movie

~ January 27 ~

***This is Where
I Leave You***

Please Welcome UVJC's Newest Members

**David Leib & Audra Charron
and family**

**Rachel and Cliff Darrow
and family**

**Aaron and Aileen Panitz
and son, Alexander**

***Please Welcome Back*
Ellen Fisher**

The Upper Valley Jewish Community Cemetery

The Upper Valley Jewish Community owns and maintains its own cemetery for your comfort and service in times of need.

We encourage you to think today about your future needs.

Plot locations may be selected, and information you want family members to have may be recorded informally, at a time when there is not a present need.

Inquiries about the cemetery or individual plot acquisition may be directed to Carole Clarke at 603/646-0460.



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