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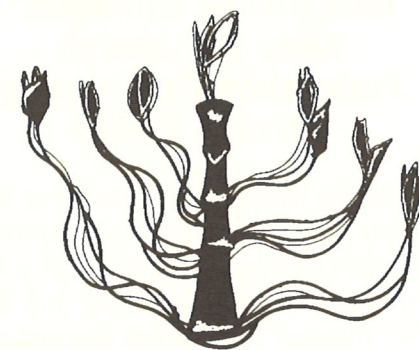
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Worship Services

Friday, May 31
8 p.m.

Special Outreach Service Honoring Rabbi Stiel

Sermon
 Rabbi Debbie Stiel

Oneg Shabbat sponsored by
 the Aunts and Uncles of
 Sarah Sherman

Saturday, June 1
 9:30-10:15 a.m.
 Bagels and Sacred Books

10:30 a.m.
 Shabbat Service

Bat Mitzvah of
Sarah Elizabeth Sherman
 daughter of Debra and Mark Sherman

Torah Portion: Beha'alotecha
 Numbers 8:1-12:16

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This year's B'nai Mitzvah class will be showcasing their completed Mitzvah Projects at the Oneg Shabbat following the June 7 Shabbat Worship Service.

Temple Welcomes Rabbi Craig Marantz

Rabbi Craig H. Marantz, Temple's new associate rabbi, will begin his new position here in early July. Rabbi Marantz comes to Temple from Hebrew Benevolent Congregation in Atlanta, Georgia, where he is the Director of Education.

Born and raised in Los Angeles, Rabbi Marantz was ordained at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR) in New York in 1999. As a rabbinic intern, he served three congregations in California. He also was a group leader on a six-week Exodus trip to Israel for high school students in 1996 and coordinated the Help Our Homeless Project in Chatsworth, California.

Prior to that, when he was a counselor and unit leader at summer camps, Rabbi Marantz realized that he loves to teach. In addition, "I have a real passion for lifelong learning," he said. "I feel a deep responsibility to weave Talmud Torah...into everything I do as a congregational leader."

At the Temple in Atlanta Rabbi Marantz designed and implemented a teacher training institute for congregants and oversaw the planning and development of informal education including family education, youth group programming, shut-ins, and retreats. He created and supervised the programming and logistics for the Teen Living and Learning Center and the Teen College.

Dedicated to "helping people understand their responsibilities as Reform Jews," he hopes "to reach all facets of the Temple Israel family." Rabbi Marantz is also "committed to social action," especially in preserving the dignity of children, making sure people have shelter and food, and caring for the elderly.

Rabbi Marantz and his wife Betsy, also a graduate of HUC with a master's degree in Jewish education and communal service, will be arriving in Omaha with their newborn daughter Cara. Looking forward to his move to Omaha, Rabbi Marantz said, "This is a very exciting opportunity for me."



Betsy and Rabbi Craig Marantz

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Friday, June 7
7 p.m.

Tot Shabbat

8 p.m.

**WRJ-O
Installation**

**Guest Speaker
Jonathan Livny**

Oneg Shabbat sponsored by
Alison and Ken Cowan in honor
of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter

Saturday, June 8
9:30-10:15 a.m.
Bagels and Sacred Books

10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service

Bat Mitzvah of
Eliza Michelle Cowan
daughter of Alison and Ken Cowan

Torah Portion: Shelach-Lecha
Numbers 13:1-15:41

Friday, June 14
8 p.m.

Sermon
Rabbi Aryeh Azriel

Kol Rina Choir

Oneg Shabbat sponsored by
the Aunts, Uncles and Grandparents
of Emily Friedman

Saturday, June 15
9:30-10:15 a.m.
Bagels and Sacred Books

10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service

Bat Mitzvah of
Emily Friedman
daughter of
Sande and Howard Friedman

Torah Portion: Korach
Numbers 16:1-18:32

Friday, June 21
5:30 p.m.

Family Service

Saturday, June 22
9:30-10:15 a.m.
Bagels and Sacred Books

10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service

Bar Mitzvah of
Avi Nathan Wolfson
son of Sara and Doug Wolfson

Torah Portion: Chukat/Balak
Numbers 19:1-25:9

Friday, June 28
5:30 p.m.

D'var Torah
Rabbi Aryeh Azriel

Saturday, June 29
9:30-10:15 a.m.
Bagels and Sacred Books

10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service

Bat Mitzvah of
Anne Rips
daughter of Jane and Harlan Rips

Torah Portion: Pinchas
Numbers 25:10-30:1

Annual Reports

Committee, Auxiliary and budget
reports will be distributed at the May
29th Annual Congregational meeting.

If you are unable to attend this
special evening, they will be available
in the Temple office.

Please Note For Your Convenience

Temple's East entrance has 3
handicap-parking spots - and, no steps
into the Temple.

"Jews, Christians, and Muslims in Dialogue" Wins the Jewish Federation Community Service Award

Temple Israel will be honored at the
99th Jewish Federation Annual
Meeting on Monday, June 3, 7:00 p.m.
for its tri-faith program led by
Dr. Richard Freund last December.
The program brought members of our
congregation, the Islamic Center of
Omaha and the First United Methodist
Church to Temple Israel to premiere
the documentary film: "On the Road
to Morocco." The dialogue has
continued this spring, culminating in a
picnic for all three communities on
May 19 on the front lawn of the First
United Methodist Church.

**Remember to turn
off your pagers and
cellular phones
before entering
the sanctuary
or chapel.**

**Our most
sacred prayers are
recited when the
congregation is
standing.**

**Therefore, we
ask that you wait
to enter or leave
the sanctuary or
chapel until the
worshippers are
seated.**

**When ushers are
present, they will
be happy to assist
you in finding seats.**

Temple Finances II

Mike Walts, President

In last month's Tidings, we provided a
brief explanation of how much it costs to
operate our Temple and how expenses
are appropriated. It is very important for
all congregants to understand our
financial picture and join with us in
building and maintaining a rich, viable
and meaningful Jewish environment.

In some respects we are the victims of
our own success; all the activities we
desire and have come to expect from
Temple continue to bring escalating
fiscal challenges. The professional staff
and lay leadership of Temple Israel are
committed to making congregational life
warm, inviting, meaningful and
comfortable, and to provide
opportunities to learn, grow and
experience spiritual renewal. In order to
make all this happen, we voluntarily pay
fair share dues.

But many issues are facing us these
days that you may not be aware of or
have had a chance to think about. Of
course, inflation is a way of life, and we
all realize that just about everything costs
more now than it did ten or more years
ago. And did you know that we have
not had an increase in "fair share" dues
percentages since 1988? Your
individual yearly contribution to Temple
certainly may have gone up - but that is
a reflection of a perceived higher
income, since we base our dues on
annual income ("fair share" dues policy).
In addition to the general rise in the cost
of doing business, other issues have
compounded our financial picture. We
have seen large increases recently in
benefit costs, particularly in health
insurance, for our superb professional
staff, and this has far exceeded general
inflation expectations.

So, it becomes clear that our expenses
have risen in recent years. At the same
time, our income has not kept up with
these expenses. Since we've not
increased dues, and our membership
has not increased significantly, dues
income has not kept pace. Furthermore,
our investment income has likewise
not kept up with our operational
expenses. Interest income from the
monies in all our funds has declined.

We are therefore looking at our
investment income, and more
importantly, at additional voluntary

contributions by generous congregants,
to help us meet our needs. Please
remember all of the contribution
opportunities in the forms of our various
funds listed on the back page of the
Tidings. Also remember our Patron and
Sponsor programs. Patrons donate
\$2,000 above the top dues. Sponsors
donate 25% above their fair share dues
amount. The additional income brought
in by all these contributions is absolutely
vital to our ability to continue to provide
the services we all need and have come
to expect.

Ours is one of the most vibrant, active,
committed and progressive Reform
congregations in America. I am so
proud to be a member of this Jewish
community, to know and work with such
wonderful volunteers, lay leaders, and
professional staff. I feel privileged that
my family and I have the opportunity to
share with all of you the experience that
is Temple Israel. We have a bright and
creative future ahead, and I know we will
all work together to keep our
congregation strong and successful for
many, many years to come.



Save the Date for the Third Adult Spirituality Retreat!

November 1-2, 2002

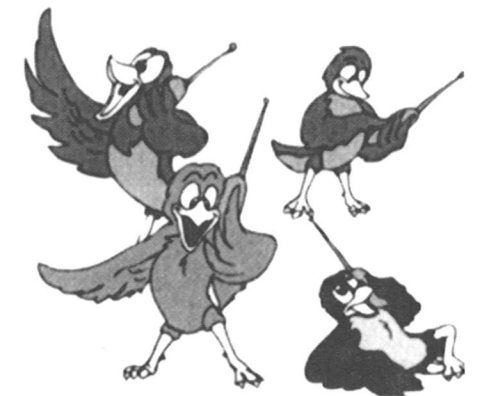
**Back by popular demand!
Danny Maseng will be our
Musician-in-Residence**

Mark your calendars for the Third
Spirituality Retreat for adults. It will
take place Friday - Saturday, November
1-2, at the Lied Conference Center in
Nebraska City. Our spiritual leader
will be Danny Maseng, the talented
composer and musician.

If you attended a previous retreat (or
even if you didn't) and would like to
help plan this year's event, please call
Ducky Milder at 397-3093.

Temple Israel "Checking-In"

As Temple Israel strives to be a
caring place, we periodically need to
take stock of how we are doing and
see how we can do better. We look at
how our programs serve our
congregants and try to find out what
more our members would like from us.



This month, we will be "checking-
in" with those in the Temple Israel
family who are 75 years young and
up!

Volunteers on the caring committee
will be calling many of our senior
members the week of June 10-13.
The purpose of this telephone "visit"
is for our congregants to share any
special concerns that they may have.
It will be an opportunity for people to
let us know how we can better address
their needs.

We look forward to "checking-in"
with the elders among us who merit
our respect, attention and love.

Temple Is On-Line!

Add these e-mail addresses to your
directory:
Temple Israel tisrael@qwest.net
Rabbi Azriel aazriel@qwest.net
Rabbi Stiel dstiel@qwest.net
Cantor Shermet. .wshermet@qwest.net
Dorothy Spizman..dspizman@qwest.net
Joan Cooper j_cooper@qwest.net
Elyce Azriel eazriel@qwest.net
Rosie Zweiback rzweiback@qwest.net

Summertime—And The Livin' is Jewish!



Summer Services Shine Spotlight on "Remarkable Jews: Revolutionaries, Rabbis and Romantics"

From July 5 through August 30, shortened Friday night Shabbat services beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the chapel will focus on Jews throughout history who have made a difference.

For example, the clergy will describe the lives of such remarkable Jews as Aaron Copland, one of America's leading musicians. Nelson Glueck, another distinguished Jew, conducted a series of explorations in the Negev proving that hundreds of towns and settlements thrived in antiquity in an area which for many centuries had been a great wasteland.

Then there was Emma Goldman, a revolutionary who came to the United States from Lithuania in 1885. She lectured in favor of anarchism, birth control, and women's rights, was imprisoned for her political views, and eventually deported back to Russia. These people and others will be the subjects for study this summer.

Families can pray and learn together at these early services and then return home in time to share Shabbat dinner.

Services in the Park July 26 and August 16

Welcome Shabbat this summer in the park with a bring-your-own picnic supper at 6 p.m. followed by a worship service.

On July 26, services will be at the pavilion behind the Jewish Community Center. Zorinsky Lake, 156 and 'F' Streets, will be the site for the August 16 service. Meet near the north side of the park.

A sitter will be provided for young children.

The regular service will be held in the Temple Chapel at 5:30 p.m.

In Celebration of Life

"to Life, to Life, L'chayim!"

**Friday, August 23
5:30 p.m.**

This very Jewish value is the premise of a special service we have planned for Friday, August 23 at 5:30 p.m. We invite the entire congregation to gather together to celebrate and bless the lives of our senior congregants. This promises to be a festive Shabbat where the generations can join together to honor some of the pioneers, long-time leaders and the wise senior men and women at Temple Israel. We will also honor the families who have four generations of participants in the life of this congregation.

This service in celebration of life will be followed by a special Oneg Shabbat featuring a bountiful feast of savory and sweet delights.

Tuffy Epstein's band will add joy to this occasion. Please mark August 23 on your calendar and plan to bring the entire family.

Summer Schedule

From July 5, through August 30, Shabbat Evening Services will be held at 5:30 p.m. Shabbat Morning Services will begin at the usual hour of 10:30 a.m. Bagels and Sacred Books will begin at 9:30 a.m.

The TEMPLE TIDINGS will not be published during the summer months. The Temple office will be open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, as usual.

Save This Date!

Outreach Havdalah

The Outreach Committee kicks off the new year with a social event on August 17.

Say "Good-by" to Shabbat and "Hello" to each other. New and current members are all welcome.

Watch for an invitation in the mail later this summer or call Temple (556-6536) if you're at all interested in being part of this educational, understanding, congenial group.

It's Not Too Early to Shop for a Sukkah

Sukkot begins on September 20, but don't wait until the High Holy Days arrive to begin preparations for building your very own backyard sukkah. You don't have to be an architect, a contractor, or even handy with a hammer to experience the joy of assembling and decorating a sukkah with your family. Consider purchasing a "pre-fab" sukkah. Check out the website: www.sukkot.com for more information.

We are assembling a volunteer team of skilled sukkah builders to provide "technical support" for congregants who could use extra hammers and hands with this project. Call Rosie Zweiback, Program Director, at 556-6536, if you would like more information about this helpful service or if you would like to volunteer to be on the building team!

Swim Wear – Skin Care – Picnic Fare

Use Temple Gift Certificates
During the Summer for many things



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or quarterly orders.
It's an easy way to benefit Temple.

YOU CAN BENEFIT TEMPLE
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Redeemable like cash, these certificates are an easy way for you to buy your groceries - or shop at any Younkers. You pay no more and Temple benefits. It's a flexible, "win-win" situation for you and Temple.

IT'S SO EASY TO BUY GROCERY
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- Pick them up at Temple.
- Have them mailed to you.
- Pay by cash or check - or charge them on your VISA or Mastercard.
- Set up a standing order charged weekly, monthly, or quarterly.



Get a Grip on Some Fun!

Leave Your Bunker and Bogey on Down the Course to Temple Israel's Annual Golf Outing!

**Monday, August 26
Shadow Ridge Country Club**

Before you tee off, stop off for lunch at noon at Shadow Ridge, 187th and Pacific Streets, to be followed by a shot-gun start golf match. Everyone is invited to dinner afterwards in the Clubhouse.

Even if you don't golf, you're welcome to attend the dinner.

To participate in this fund raiser (\$150 per person) for Temple, call the office at 556-6536. If you would like to help on the Golf Outing Committee, call Rick Fox, chairman, at 397-1578.

On Sunday, August 25, the day before the Golf Outing, the second annual Family Mini Golf Event will swing into action at Boulder Creek Amusement Park at 14208 S Street in Millard.

Even if you end up in the hole, don't worry. This round is free for the entire family.

The fun begins at 4 p.m. Call Temple to register.

We Need Voices, Low & Higher To Sing in Temple's Kol Rina Choir!

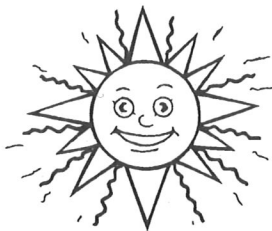
Guess what is coming soon?

Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are a mere three months away. Rosh Hashanah is Friday evening, September 6 and Saturday, September 7. Kol Nidre is Sunday, September 15 and Yom Kipur, Monday, September 16.

If you are interested in singing with Kol Rina for the Holidays, please contact Bonnie at the Temple office by mid-June.

Requirements: Ability to read music well (or, you already know all of it), attendance at all rehearsals, stamina and a sense of humor.

A Journey to Jewish Spain



The details on our congregational trip to Spain are finally available in print! Please take a moment to look over the flyer inserted in this issue of the Tidings which describes the itinerary and costs.

We encourage you to hurry and sign up for this once-in-a-lifetime experience. Temple Israel members will have first priority. However, on August 1, we will open the trip up to other members of the Omaha Jewish community. Non-Temple members will pay a \$100 surcharge.

Please note that the fees for the trip include the cost of Guy Matalon's yearlong course entitled "The Jews of Spain," which begins this fall. This course will be a wonderful companion to the tour and will make the journey that much more meaningful.

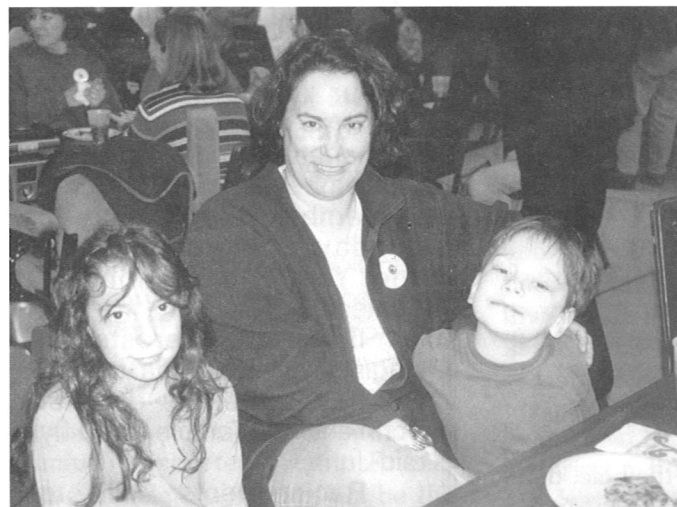
Special thanks go to the women who worked diligently to plan this trip: Donna Givner, Ducky Milder, Rosalie Saltzman, Silvia Roffman, Susan Rothholz, and Suzanne Singer.



Following the exciting 4 cantors Concert with (left to right) Cantors Wendy Shermet, Jennifer Blum, Erik Contzius and Karen Weber-Gilat, the audience enjoyed the fabulous reception.



Families and Friends Participate in Mitzvah Day



Munching on a pizza lunch, Carrie, Liz, and Andy Adkisson participated in Temple's annual Mitzvah Day on April 21. Following a prayer assembly and lunch, organized by Women of Reform Judaism, the Adkissons along with about 150 others set out on their various mitzvot destinations which included Quality Living, the Ronald McDonald House, the Rose Blumkin Jewish Home, and the Children's Museum among other places. Carrie and Andy accompanied their mother Liz to the Child Saving Institute for their mitzvah.



Another group included (left to right) Molly Noodell and Julianna Scheet who both participated in Mitzvah Day with Club 56 members. Others in the group are Jack Noodell, Esther Bogdanoff, Bernie Bogdanoff, and Maxine Noodell who signed up for various spots to help including the Humane Society and around Temple to clean up the grounds.

Maria Neesman was chairman of Mitzvah Day. She and her committee were busy that day matching up participants with numerous mitzvot destinations.

Congratulations

On the Birth of:

Alexa Jae Winograd, daughter of Debbie and Stuart Winograd, Alamo, CA. Grandmother is Barbara Lashinsky.

On the Marriage of:

Mr. and Mrs. Evan Kleeberg. Mrs. Kleeberg is the former Amy J. Frankel. Parents are Barbara and Dean Frankel, and Mr. and Mrs. James Kleeberg, Chicago, IL.

Mr. and Mrs. Joel B. Patton. Mrs. Patton is the former Marcy J. Shrader. Parents are Delores and Dan Graves, Scottsdale, AZ, and Muriel and Charles Kamp, Palm Beach, FL.

8 Ways You Can Help Israel

1. Check Israeli newspapers online once a day: Jerusalem Post at www.jpost.com Haaretz at www.haaretzdaily.com
2. Read books about the history of Israel. Check with the libraries at Temple or the Federation.
3. Discuss Israel every night at the dinner table.
4. Come to Temple for Shabbat worship. Listen carefully to the prayers for the State of Israel and the *Mi Shebeirach* prayers for healing. Israel needs our communal prayers.
5. Visit Israel.
6. Buy goods made in Israel. Look at labels in clothing and on food items.
7. Rent some movies about the history of Israel, such as "Hill 24 Doesn't Answer," "Judith" and "Exodus."
8. Buy a map of Israel and hang it where you and your family can find the places in the news. Familiarize yourself with the region.



Tree of Life

Commemorating the joyous moments in families' and friends' lives

The following leaf has been added to our Tree of Life:

In Honor of the Birth of
Alexa Jae Winograd
Love,
Barbara Lahinsky



Rabbi Baruch Halevi Hired by Des Moines Tifereth Israel

Newly-ordained Rabbi Halevi grew up in Omaha and recently led the High Holy Days alternate services in the Livingston Chapel.

Rabbi Halevi is the son of Jan Perelman and Sheldon Perelman. His grandparents are Florence and Jack Brody.

Rabbi Halevi was graduated from the University of Kansas in 1994 with a B.A. in Philosophy.

When Rabbi Halevi and his wife Ariela move to Tifereth Israel, it will be a home-coming. The Brodys are originally from Des Moines, and Florence remembers being a child when the synagogue was dedicated. When the Halevis' first child is born soon, the family will celebrate its seventh generation in that congregation.

Temple Israel takes very special pride and extends a Mazel Tov to Baruch, Ariela, and the entire family.

Our Sympathy

The Congregation records with sorrow the deaths of:

Edward Singer, father of Susan Aizenberg;

Evelyn Marie Davidson, mother of Deirdre Evans;

Lee Schwartz, grandmother of Miriam Moran;

Dr. Arthur Greene, husband of Deborah Greene, father of Silvia Roffman and Larry Greene, and grandfather of Susan Norton, Julie Rosenquist, Elana Greene and Jonathan Greene;

Mimi Steiner, sister of Jane Brooks;

Mildred Wine, mother of Norman Wine, Jerry Funes and Dorene Goldfinger, grandmother of Bryan Wine, and sister of Rose Piltor;

Sharon Monsky, sister of Henry Monsky;

Milton Hirshman, father of Stan Hirshman;

Leona Cohn, mother of Jarold Kohll and Marvin Kohll, and grandmother of Louis Kohll

and extends sympathy to their bereaved families.

Healing

Mi Shebeirakh, the prayer for physical and emotional healing, is recited at the Friday evening Shabbat service. If you are ill and would like a mi shebeirakh recited on your behalf, please call the Temple office (556-6536) before noon, Fridays, so the congregation may offer its prayers for you.

If you know another person who needs the same, please ask the individual for permission to read his/her name before calling the office.

What's Happening In Religious School

Joan Cooper, Elementary School Coordinator

Special Thanks To 2000/2001 Room Parents

Our Room Parents have made a commitment to our Religious School. They are always available to provide help with field trips, preparing for special events, and activities in the classrooms. The efforts of these parents help to make Temple a home-away-from-home for all our children. *Cindy Stoneking, Nancy Kutler, Marcee Rogers, Jordana Glazer, Stacey Rockman, Gretchen Radler, Karli Newman, Debbie Hale, Rosie Zweiback, Helen Burns, Lesley Slutzky, Patricia Newman, Martha Frishman, Julie Martin, Linda Sadofsky and Sandy Bleicher.*

Special Thanks to Teachers

One of our greatest assets is our Religious School faculty. Our teachers really care and guide our students to grow more each year. THANK YOU to *Vicki Chesen, Jackie Christensen, Lynne Jensen, Kim Schwartz, Dora Goldstrom, Deb Finnicum, Steve Danon, Katherine Finnegan, Doris Parker, Jen Gates, Anne Joseph, Wendy Goldberg, Rini Gonsher, Patsy Wallace, Marvin Parilman, Elinor Matalon, Elyce Azriel, Fritzi Luefschuetz, Maya Wertheimer, Eileen Kader, Rita Paskowitz, Jayne Schaben, Lesley Slutzky, Jeremy Passer, Jeff Taxman and Rabbi Debbie Stiel.*

Also, **Madrichim**, our teen assistants, make a big difference. Thank you to *Leora Azriel, Eli Bloom, Naomi Fox, Aly Friedman, Josh Finnicum, Samantha Friedman, Jon Gates, Jenny Laudin, Molly Needelman, Aron Neesman, Joel Passer, Becki Smedlund, Sarah Spooner, Chelsea Taxman, Brandon Thomas, and Aaron Wolfson.*

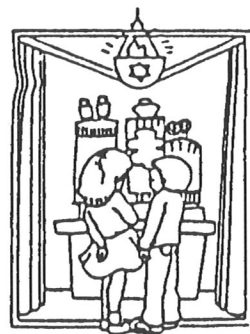
Special Thanks to the Religious School Committee

Behind the scenes and generally out of the spotlight, are the devoted members of the Religious School Committee. THANK YOU to *Marge Bresel, chairman, Jeff Smedlund, Teresa Eirinberg, Katherine Finnegan, Cindy Goldberg, Vic Gutman, Anne Joseph, Kathy Beauchaine, Maria Neesman, Patricia Newman, Ann and Dave Noodell, Rita Paskowitz, Leslie Slutzky, and Melany Weinstine.*

An extra round of applause for . . . Lesley Slutzky who continues to serve as a Room Parent, Religious School Committee member and a Third Grade Teaching Assistant. Lesley has brought a tremendous amount of experience and shows constant dedication to educating our children.



Among the 20 youth who attended the recent NFTY-MV Conclave in St. Louis were, left to right: Allie Willensky, Lauren Freeman, Emily Sternberg and Margaret Terry.



Tot Shabbat Services

Friday, June 7
7 p.m.

Livingston Chapel

A short service of song and prayer, followed by cookies and juice. Toddlers through children in the primary grades are encouraged to bring their families. Come enjoy songs and a story with Cantor Shermet and Patty Nogg.

Omaha Habitat ReStore

1003 S. 24 Street
1 block south of Leavenworth
omahahabitarestore@yahoo.com
934-1033

Habitat For Humanity building material store has plenty of new and used building materials such as cabinets, light fixtures, 18" x 18" carpet squares, toilets, sinks, windows, doors, paint, etc. Inventory changes daily.

All proceeds support Habitat For Humanity's building efforts in the Omaha area. Donations of usable building materials are welcome.

Store Hours: Monday-Friday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. & Saturday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Scamper down to your
local library and join

"The Winner's Circle"

Be a
VOLUNTEER!

Summer Reading Club
2002



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Public Library
for information.

Middle/High School Footnotes

Elyce Azriel, Director

Temple Israel Youth Participate in L'Taken In Washington, D.C.

Our seniors traveled to the nation's capital recently to participate in *L'Taken*, at the Reform movement's Religious Action Center. The political action seminars are an intensive four-day Shabbaton centered on the theme of Judaism and Social Justice. Our young people leave Washington with an understanding of the political process and of their obligation as Jews to be involved, of the awareness of the Jewish community's political agenda and a firm belief in their ability to make a difference. Invariably, they also leave excited about their experience and enthusiastic about Judaism.

L'Taken is partially funded by a generous donation from the Rips family.

"Middle East Awareness— Bringing It Home" A Workshop for Parents and Youth

The issue of Israel's place in the war on terrorism is an important one. In an attempt to present a view of some of the many perspectives on the Middle East crisis and on the terrorist activities in Israel, students and their parents were invited to participate in this current affairs dialogue on Wednesday, April 24.

Introducing the evening and panel was Rabbi Aryeh Azriel who also led the group of over 150 in *Oseh Shalom*. The panel was comprised of: Professor Larry Raful who gave an overview of the Israeli wars and territories; Bob Wolfson, Executive Director of the Anti-Defamation League, who defined anti-Semitism from the past to present; Patrick McNamara from the Omaha Hate Crimes Project who spoke about resolving conflict and moving forward; Stephanie DePorte who gave a college student's eyewitness account; and Carol Katzman, editor of the Jewish Press, who gave guidelines on what to watch in the media and how to understand it. (See photo)

During the evening \$275 was raised as a contribution to the Israel Terror Relief Fund of the Jewish Federation of Omaha.

WRJ-O

The Books Are Back!

2002 Used Book Sale

Sponsored by Women of Reform
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1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Sunday, July 21

10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Monday, July 22

12 to 7 p.m.

Tuesday, July 23

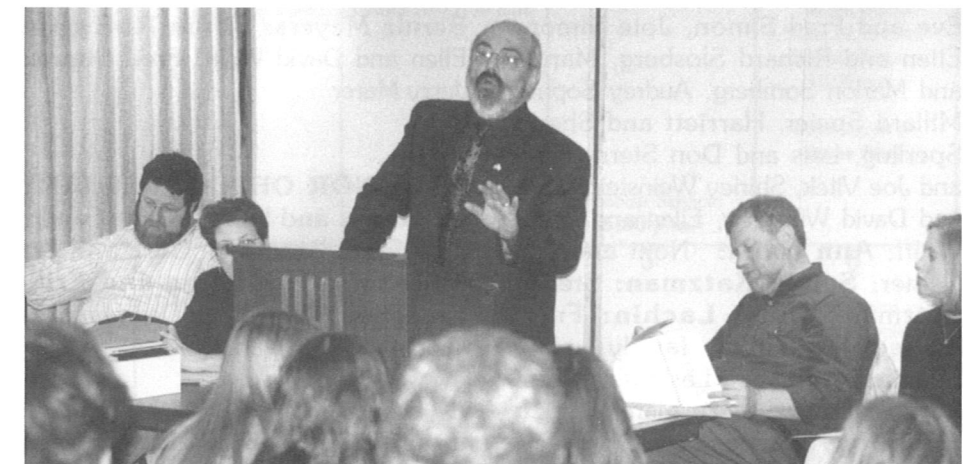
12 to 5 p.m.

Wednesday, July 24

at Temple Israel

In addition to books on every possible topic from aardvarks to zucchinis, there will be a large selection of magazines including Arts and Crafts, Bon Appetite, Gourmet, Architectural Digest, and National Geographic for sale. Bring your spouse, your kids, your parents and other relatives, your friends and neighbors.....the Book Sale is open to the public.

If you would like to donate books to the Book Sale or volunteer to pick them up or staff the sale, please call Wendy Goldberg, chairman of the Book Sale, at 393-6391. Wendy will schedule a pick-up time for you. Receipts for donated books will be provided for tax purposes.



WRJ-O to Install New Officers at June 7 Worship

8 p.m.

Members of Women of Reform Judaism-Omaha (WRJ-O) will participate in the Shabbat service, 8 p.m. Friday, June 7, when the new slate of WRJ-O officers will be installed.

Stacey Rockman will serve another term as president of WRJ-O. Other officers are: **Linda Saltzman**, vice president of public relations; **Michelle Bucher**, vice president of religious living; **Rabbi Debbie Stiel**, vice president of education; **Wendy Goldberg**, vice president of religious action; **Lynne Jensen**, vice president of development and projects; **Rosie Zweiback** and **Andi Willensky**, co-vice presidents of membership; **Arlene Adelson**, treasurer; and **Allyson Wilczewski**, recording secretary.

Jonathan Livny, a prominent attorney from Jerusalem, will give an update on the current situation in Israel. Livny was the presiding judge of the military court in Judea and Samaria and holds the rank of lieutenant colonel in the Israel Defense Force. He is also the former attorney general of the West Bank.

A past chairman of the Israel Movement for Progressive Judaism (the Reform movement in Israel), Livny is also a vice president of the World Union for Progressive Judaism.

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The gates are open Sunday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			MAY 29 Annual Congregational Meeting honoring Rabbi Stiel 7 p.m.	30 Beyond Basic Hebrew 9:15-10 a.m. Adult Study with the Clergy 10-11:30 a.m. Kol Rina Choir 7:15-9 p.m.	31 Shabbat Service 8 p.m.	JUNE 1 Bagels and Sacred Books 9:30-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m. Bat Mitzvah of Sarah Sherman
2	3	4 AA, Alanon & Gamblers 12-Step 7:30 p.m.	5	6 Adult Study with the Clergy 10-11:30 a.m. Kol Rina Choir 7:15-9 p.m.	7 Shabbat Comes to You @ Remington Heights 3:45 p.m. Tot Shabbat 7 p.m. Shabbat Service 8 p.m.	8 Bagels and Sacred Books 9:30-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m. Bat Mitzvah of Eliza Cowan
9	10	11 AA, Alanon & Gamblers 12-Step 7:30 p.m.	12	13 Adult Study with the Clergy 10-11:30 a.m. Kol Rina Choir 7:15-9 p.m.	14 Shabbat Service 8 p.m.	15 Bagels and Sacred Books 9:30-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m. Bat Mitzvah of Emily Friedman
16	17	18 Conversations with Rabbi Azriel 12-1 p.m. AA, Alanon & Gamblers 12-Step 7:30 p.m.	19	20 Adult Study with the Clergy 10-11:30 a.m.	21 Family Shabbat Service 5:30 p.m.	22 Bagels and Sacred Books 9:30-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m. Bar Mitzvah of Avi Wolfson
23	24	25 AA, Alanon & Gamblers 12-Step 7:30 p.m.	26	27 Adult Study with the Clergy 10-11:30 a.m.	28 Shabbat Service 5:30 p.m.	29 Bagels and Sacred Books 9:30-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m. Bat Mitzvah of Anne Rips
30 Men's Club Baseball Outing 11:30 a.m.	JULY 1	2 AA, Alanon & Gamblers 12-Step 7:30 p.m.	3	4 Independence Day	5 Shabbat Service 5:30 p.m.	6 Bagels and Sacred Books 9:30-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.