

OUR SYMPATHY

The Congregation records
with sorrow the deaths of

ESTHER COHEN
Mother of Paul G. Cohen

MILLIE PRICE
Mother of Mrs. Alvin
(Celia) Sifry

and extends sympathy to their
bereaved families.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER	
27	Confirmation Class begins 4:00 p.m.
27-Oct. 4-18	Daled Hebrew Class 4:00-5:30 p.m.
28-Oct. 5-12	Gimmel Hebrew Class 4:00-5:30 p.m.
29	Sabbath Evening Services 7:30 p.m.
30	Saturday School 9:00 a.m.
30	Sabbath Morning Services 11:00 a.m.
OCTOBER	
1-8-15	Junior Choir 9:00-9:55 a.m.
1	Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
1	Rosh Hashanah Evening Service . 6:30 & 8:30 p.m.
2	Rosh Hashanah Morning Service 10:00 a.m.
2	Rosh Hashanah Youth Service 3:00 p.m.
3-17	Aleph Hebrew Class 4:00-5:00 p.m.
3-17	Beth Hebrew Class 5:00-6:15 p.m.
3-17	Adult Choir 7:30 p.m.
4	Confirmation Class 4:00 p.m.
6	Sabbath Evening Services 7:30 p.m.
7	Saturday School 9:00 a.m.
7	Sabbath Morning Services 11:00 a.m.
8	Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
8	Annual Memorial Service — Temple Israel Cemetery 2:00 p.m.
10	No Aleph — No Beth Hebrew Classes
10	Yom Kippur — Kol Nidre 6:30 & 8:30 p.m.
11	Yom Kippur — Morning Service 10:00 a.m.
11	Yom Kippur — Youth Service 1:30 p.m.
11	Yom Kippur — Afternoon Service 3:00 p.m.
11	No Daled Hebrew Class
11	No Confirmation Class
13	Sabbath Evening Services 8:15 p.m. New Member Sabbath
14	Saturday School 9:00 a.m.
14	Sabbath Morning Services 11:00 a.m.
15	Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
15	Sukkot — Consecration Service 7:30 p.m.
16	Sukkot — Morning Festival Service 11:00 a.m.

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IT SEEMS TO ME . . .

A Personal Message from Rabbi Brooks

NEW YEAR? WHAT'S NEW?

As I was saying before I was so beautifully interrupted by a summer——! It was a good summer especially almost three weeks of it. It is enough to say that my wife and I were tucked away in those glorious mountains to the west surrounded by nature's rawness and honesty, close to sky and soil, wind and water. And lazy enough to let the horses we rode do the straining while we indulged private thoughts and comfortable feelings.

The rest of the summer was preparation for the fall in addition to the continuing regular rabbinic duties, differing only in the temperature from the regular season. So now we begin again with the hope that what has been anticipated will bear fruit.

I always look upon the New Year with some question about what is really "new". A date? That's silly. I tend, rather, to regard Rosh Hashanah as one more chance for I know not how many more chances any of us will have. I will not yield to the temptation to entertain grandiose promises and unrealistic hopes. Life has not changed that much; nor has the receptivity of most of us to the imperatives of Judaism we want to learn and teach and to which we ought respond. I would hope only to improve upon what was and to make of what will be the best accounting because of what we have learned. No point listing our problems. We all know them. Rather list our opportunities. If these are hazy, let them not be. We have more than we realize. Each day is a blessing.

This year for our High Holidays we will inaugurate our use of the New Union Prayer Book, The Gates of Repentance. I've been reading every line. The traditional prayers are there. But there's so much more. Sheer beauty of style and poetic expression of thoughts and supplications that will, if you open your minds, touch your very souls. I'm eager to share it with you because the Prayer Book is designed for sharing.

I hope the idealism, the statements of old ideas in new and modern forms will leap from the pages into our lives.

There is so much negation of individual thoughts and worth nowadays. Let our New Year worship be the signal for a New Year that will be really "new" in our reaching inward as well as outward, finding within us the resources of goodness and beauty we wish were more evident all about us. If we do, maybe we can change the world. Let's try.



Sidney H. Brooks, M.H.L., D.D.
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CANTOR’S CORNER

by Cantor Gail P. Karp

(The following article was written by a colleague of mine, Cantor Sheldon Merel of Congregation Holy Blossom in Toronto. I hope that you will enjoy it as much as I did!)

“A Musical Trip Ticket Through the Holy Days

The majestic and stirring music of the Holy Days will soon resound again in our Temple. You will hear this music only on Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur. Its special melodies, themes and cadences will permeate our worship during these Days of Awe and then fade away as timeless echoes. Although you may recognize some familiar words from the Sabbath worship service, they will now be heard with a very different musical accompaniment to make it part of the spirit and mood of the Holy Days. Music for this season is distinct in sound from any other holiday or festival and might well be labelled “only to be sung on the Holy Days.”

What makes Holy Day music distinctive are its melodies, musical themes, cadences, musical intervals. There are even specific melodic themes which introduce different sections of the service. The singing of the “Amen” (cadence) will be repeated in the same manner through the entire service like a thread connecting the two days into one unity.

Here are some of the highlights for you to listen for and hopefully to enjoy all the more:

1. *Repeated Musical Themes:* a) Bar’chu, Mi Chamocha, Bayom Ha-Hu, parts of the Kiddush; b) Aleynu theme (Adoration); c) Yom Kippur afternoon opening prayer “Ochila La-ayl”

2. *Musical Settings for Individual Prayers:* a) Kol Nidre — a significant melody that has become more popular than the content of the prayer itself; b) Avinu Malkaynu — a contemporary melody composed for the Holy Days that has won instant acceptance in our congregation.

3. *Musical Cadences:* The singing of the “Amen” at the conclusion of many prayers is usually a minor triad and only done during the Holy Days.”

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES	
Friday, September 29 7:30 p.m.	Sabbath Evening Services
Saturday, September 30 11:00 a.m.	Sabbath Morning Services
HIGH HOLIDAYS ROSH HASHANAH	
Sunday, October 1 6:30 and 8:30 p.m.	Evening Services
RABBI SIDNEY H. BROOKS “LIVE BEFORE YOU DIE”	
Monday, October 2 10:00 a.m.	Morning Services
RABBI BARRY L. WEINSTEIN “WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF MY LIFE?”	
Monday, October 2 3:00 p.m.	Afternoon Services
YOUTH SERVICE	
Friday, October 6 7:30 p.m.	Sabbath Evening Services
SHABBAT SHUVAH	
Saturday, October 7 11:00 a.m.	Sabbath Morning Services
Sunday, October 8 2:00 p.m.	Temple Israel Cemetery North 42nd & Redick Avenue
ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE Rabbi Sidney H. Brooks will speak.	
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To make our musical trip ticket complete, we are certainly pleased to introduce you to some of the participants in the services who will lead you in song and produce the marvelous music for our worship. Joyce K. Mynster will be our organist. Dorothy Caskey, Robert Hahn, Mary Jenkins and Vaughn Fritts will be singing in the choir as our Soprano, Tenor, Alto and Bass. The total result will be a real treat for you.

My husband, Henry, and I join together in extending our best wishes to you and your dear ones for a very healthy and fulfilling New Year. May the music of our worship resound in your hearts and lift your spirits.

Information on Religious School

Copies of the newly revised curriculum for each grade level have been mailed to all Religious School parents. If you have not received yours, please call the Temple office immediately.

In order to help keep you informed, **monthly News Letters** from each grade level will be given to your youngsters at Saturday and Sunday School as in Hebrew School. Please alert us if your child does not bring one home.

IF YOU WERE IN OUR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL . . .

by Rabbi Barry L. Weinstein

TEACHERS AND STUDENTS — A MATTER OF PERSPECTIVE!

What are the rewards of religious school teaching? How do we really know when we achieve success? Is our goal solely the communication of Jewish knowledge, or must we also try to build loyalties to Judaism and the Jewish People?



The answer of course is both! While the communication of information **about** Judaism is essential, so are the nurturing and careful development of the proper attitudes toward the synagogue, the Jewish community, and Jewish life itself.

This is why the faculty list printed elsewhere in this bulletin should be of interest. Look it over, and consider the large number now teaching who are graduates of our school, returnees, Temple members, and present or former members of our youth group.

I believe this to be no accident. While each has chosen to be a teacher of Judaism for individual reasons, all share an abiding devotion to Temple, our students, and perpetuation of the ideals of Reform Judaism. There is little doubt that they were influenced by their teachers and rabbis, as well as by the example of their parents and families.

Some teachers are recent graduates of our school, while others may have graduated some time ago. The point is that in our school, as in all educational processes, many of the rewards are often not immediately evident.

After all, who can determine the impact of a particular lesson, a thoughtful remark, or simply the continued demonstration of our love of Judaism?

And yet we know that our words and the example of our lives do play a role in the attitudes of our young people. On more than one occasion students and parents have spoken to me of their gratitude for all they learned and experienced here at Temple, and in our school.

SERVICE SCHEDULE—Continued

YOM KIPPUR

Tuesday, October 10
6:30 and 8:30 p.m. Evening Services
Kol Nidre

RABBI SIDNEY H. BROOKS

“MORAL MALPRACTICE”

Wednesday, October 11 Morning Service

10:00 a.m.

RABBI BARRY L. WEINSTEIN

“CORRECTING OUR RECORD”

1:30 p.m.

YOUTH SERVICE

RABBI SIDNEY H. BROOKS

SERMONETTE

3:00 p.m.

AFTERNOON SERVICE

RABBI SIDNEY H. BROOKS

“WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR CROWN?”

Friday, October 13 Sabbath Evening Services
8:15 p.m.

NEW MEMBER SABBATH

A worshipful and social welcome to New Members.
An informal gathering will be held following Services to allow conversation with our Rabbis, officers and affiliate presidents.

Oneg Shabbat in Social Hall

Saturday, October 14 Sabbath Morning Services
11:00 a.m.

Perhaps the greatest compliment of all is reflected in the desire of so many to return to Temple, as to other Reform synagogues, as teachers. Graduates of our school now serve the Jewish community throughout America in the fields of Jewish communal work, education, music, and the rabbinate itself.

It is with these thoughts in mind that I look forward to the year ahead. Of course we will have our problems and difficulties. No single approach or methodology is perfect. Nor is any single teacher or rabbi. But perfection is not the

point. Rather, the central issue is the spirit in which we teach and our students learn. If we are realistic, honest with ourselves and our youth, reasonable and kind, I believe we will continue to achieve our long term goals.

So here at Temple as within your homes, we will continue to teach all we can about Judaism, while at the same time attempting to build long term love and loyalty for Jews and Jewish life.

May all of us achieve these goals in a New Year of health, contentment, and peace, for our congregation, for all Jews everywhere!

Temple Israel Religious School
1978-1979 Faculty Quiz!

SUNDAY DIVISION

KINDERGARTEN Mrs. Maynard (Pat) Tatelman
FIRST GRADE .. Mrs. Morris (Margie) Kirshenbaum
FIRST GRADE Mrs. Richard (Bea) Blumstein
SECOND GRADE .. Mrs. Norman (Elinor) Whitman
SECOND GRADE Mrs. Murray (Marlen) Frost
THIRD GRADE Mrs. Steven (Dodie) Redler
FOURTH GRADE . Mrs. Arnold (Sharon) Weintraub
FOURTH GRADE Dr. Arnold Weintraub
FIFTH GRADE Mrs. Karl (Fritzi) Luefschuetz
FIFTH GRADE Mrs. Marvin (Barbara) Taxman

ASSISTANT TEACHERS: Robin
Schneiderman, Marcy Frost,
Mandy Frost, David Cohn, Kevin
Saltzman.
OFFICE-LIBRARY ASSISTANT:
Cari Cohn.

SATURDAY DIVISION

SIXTH GRADE Mrs. Norman (Elinor) Whitman
SIXTH GRADE Mrs. Arnold (Sharon) Weintraub
SEVENTH GRADE Mr. Joel Brooks
SEVENTH GRADE Mr. Morris Hoffman
EIGHTH GRADE Mrs. Spencer (Lori) Brookstein
EIGHTH GRADE Dr. Arnold Weintraub
NINTH GRADE Mr. Marc Delman
NINTH GRADE Mr. Sherman Poska

HOW MANY OF THESE TEACHERS ARE:

- A. GRADUATES OF **OUR** RELIGIOUS SCHOOL?
- B. PRODUCTS OF **OTHER** REFORM JEWISH SCHOOLS?
- C. PRESENT OR FORMER STUDENTS IN **OUR** SCHOOL?
- D. RETURNEES TO OUR FACULTY FROM LAST YEAR?
- E. MEMBERS OF OUR TEMPLE?
- F. MEMBERS OF OUR TEMPLE YOUTH GROUP?

(ANSWERS ON PAGE 5.)

CONGRATULATIONS

On the Wedding of:

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Perlmeter.
Mrs. Perlmeter, the former Rose-
mary Cooper, is the daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. O. Quentin Cooper, Dal-
las, Texas. Mr. Perlmeter is the son
of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley E. Perlme-
ter.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Goodman.
Mrs. Goodman, the former Ilene
Sheff, is the daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. Leon Sheff, Charleston, W. Va.
Mr. Goodman is the son of Mr. and
Mrs. Danny Goodman.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Gerelick. Mrs.
Gerelick is the former Larraine Lam-
bert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ro-
nald F. Lambert. Mr. Gerelick is the
son of Mrs. Mortimer Greenberg,
Irvine, California, and Mr. Robert
Gerelick.

Mr. and Mrs. James Kirshenba-
um, Brookline, Mass. Mrs. Kirshen-
baum is the former Judith Dolgoff,
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward

Dolgoff. Mr. Kirshenbaum is the
son of Mr. and Mrs. Kevee Kirshen-
baum.

On the Birth of:

Jessica Ann Green, daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Marc Green. Grand-
parents are Mr. and Mrs. Abby
Schwartz and Mr. and Mrs. Mannie
Green. Great-grandparents are
Mrs. Rose Lazarus, Mrs. Gertrude
Brezak, Mrs. Estelle Greenblum,
and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Putter-
man.

Daniel Laurence Zien, son of Mr.
and Mrs. Perry Zien. Grandparents
are Mr. and Mrs. Al Nepomnick and
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Zien. Great-
grandparents are Mr. and Mrs.
Morris Turitz, Temple City, Califor-
nia, and Mrs. Sam Rosen, Milwau-
kee, Wisconsin.

Jeremy David Passer, son of Dr.
and Mrs. Jeffrey Passer. Grandpar-
ents are Mr. Richard Gummers, Mr.
and Mrs. Stanley Passer.

TEMPLE YOUTH HOLD
SUCCESSFUL RUSH!

Over sixty Ninth through Twelfth
graders travelled with our Temple
Youth Group to the farm of Dr. and
Mrs. Jerome Bleicher for our an-
nual Fall Rush and Freshman Orien-
tation.

We all enjoyed a great weekend
at Pony Creek State Park and at the
Bleicher Farm. Our rush was high-
lighted by a hay rack ride at sunset,
an evening camp fire and creative
Havdallah service marking the con-
clusion of Shabbat, a special pro-
gram on the "Jews For Jesus" and
other cults, and several other rec-
reational and social activities.

Our rush was especially enjoy-
able thanks to the exciting song-
leading and music of our two visit-
ing college students, Mr. David
Meyer and Mr. Michael Gilbert.
David and Michael travelled from
the University of Kansas and the
University of Wisconsin to be with
us, and they helped to make our
rush an experience none of us will
forget.

If your son or daughter has not
yet joined the Omaha Temple
Youth Group, please encourage him
or her to sign up now by calling our
President, David Peebler (393-3811)
or Advisor, Rabbi Weinstein, at the
Temple. Our youth group has be-
gun its year, and it promises to be a
full and exciting one!

NO SPEEDING PLEASE!

We all share concern about
the safety of our Sunday School
children.

There are no speed signs post-
ed on our driveways, but we ask
you NOT to exceed 10 MPH on
the Temple grounds.

We all wish to protect our
children!

NEW MEMBER SABBATH

Those wishing to be host couples
for the New Member Sabbath
which will be October 13, 1978 at
8:15 p.m. should contact Carol
Gladden, 496-0589; Lois Epstein,
330-1134; or Barbara Shulman, 330-
4479.

This is a special service held annu-
ally to welcome new members who
have affiliated with Temple Israel
during the past year.

Teachers Annual Workshop

Temple Israel Religious School teachers recently participated in their Annual In-Service Training Seminar with guest lecturers Rabbi Joel Wittstein and Ms. Ailene Avner. Rabbi Wittstein and Ms. Avner are with the Isaac M. Wise Temple in Cincinnati, Ohio where Rabbi Wittstein serves as Educational Director.

At the workshop Rabbi Wittstein and Ms. Avner shared the newest methodologies in effective religious school teaching with our religious school faculty. They also responded to individual questions and concerns of each teacher, presenting new approaches for effective classroom teaching.

This annual in-service seminar is part of an ongoing program of teacher training in which all Temple teachers participate. Separate monthly workshops for Saturday and Sunday Division Teachers are conducted by our rabbis as well as by other experts in the field of religious education. Dr. Marilyn Kapel, Director of Curriculum at the College of St. Mary and a member of Temple, also has led workshops in classroom management for our teachers, and shared of her expertise with all our staff.

These continuing workshops help our school teachers sharpen their skills while exposing them to a variety of approaches in the teaching of Reform Judaism.

HONORED AT SABBATH SERVICES

September 15, 1978
Candle Blessing Mrs. Jeannie Gilinsky
Kiddush Cindy Anne Cohen
Torah Blessing Marc Cohen
Torah Blessing Dr. Rick Gilinsky

CHOIR CALENDAR

Junior Choir Sunday, Oct. 1, 8, 15 — 9:00 a.m.
Adult Choir Tuesday, October 3, 17 — 7:30 p.m.

SUKKOT

Sunday, October 15 Consecration — 7:30 p.m.
Monday, October 16 Morning Services — 11:00 a.m.
Sunday, October 22 Conclusion of Sukkot
Hakofat-Simchat Torah — 7:30 p.m.
Monday, October 23 Morning Services — 11:00 a.m.

Successful Sisterhood Luncheon

Sisterhood's opening luncheon was truly a gala event for over 100 women, with wine and flowers, and the best food in the world, thanks to Carol Farber, Arlene Beber, and Helen Stern.

Terri Zacharia and Phyllis Glazer did a tremendous job of arranging our most interesting program.

We greeted 5 new members: Corinna Annenberg, Bobbi Epstein, Nancy Greenberg, Deenie Meyerson, and Joyce Schmidman.

We are all looking forward to our next get-together on November 14 when Dr. Eugene Zweiback will speak on the test-tube baby controversy.

Sisters, come out and be with us!
Hermene

NEWS DEADLINE FOR TIDINGS, Issue No. 3

Thursday, October 5, 1978

The issue will cover Fridays October 20, 27, and November 3.

MUSIC LIBRARIAN

A volunteer is needed to assist Cantor Karp in organizing the Music Library. The ability to read music is preferred, but not essential. If interested, please contact Cantor Karp at the Temple.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Adler
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Annenberg
Mr. and Mrs. Marc E. Green
Mr. and Mrs. Alan S. Hackel
Mr. and Mrs. Philip Max Hirsch
Mr. and Mrs. Larry B. Meyerson
Mr. and Mrs. D. Michael Platt

GIFTS OF PRAYER BOOKS

IN MEMORY OF: Albert Kohn, Lottie R. Gummers.
IN HONOR OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF: Mr. and Mrs. Morris E. Jacobs.
IN HONOR OF BIRTHDAY OF: Louis Somberg.

A few High Holiday Uniongram packets are still available. 4 for \$1.00 — in Temple Office.

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Answers To Faculty Quiz, pg. 4.

- A. Eight
- B. Three
- C. Thirteen
- D. Sixteen
- E. Fifteen
- F. Three

This is only one illustration of the long term rewards of our educational system!