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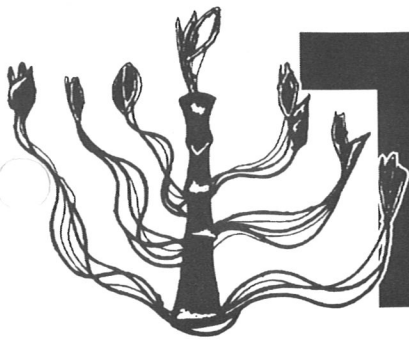
Often, one of our congregants wishes to give a gift to our Temple and asks the question, "What does the congregation need?"

In response, the following column will appear in the Tidings on a regular basis and will be titled, "WISH LIST."

A birthday, an anniversary, a Bar/Bat Mitzvah and/or any life cycle event may inspire your generosity and, thereby, make our wishes come true.

- Travel Money for Youth
- High Holy Days Octet
- Musicians for Holidays/Shabbat
- Musical Artist-in-Residence
- Jewish Enrichment Trips
- Fund for Resource/Special Needs Teacher
- Jewish Software for Computers
- Books for Sitter Service
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Temple Israel Tidings

Hear Celebrated Israeli Writer Amos Oz

**Wednesday, November 19
 7 p.m.
 Temple Israel**

Newsweek magazine describes Amos Oz as "eloquent, humane, even religious in the deepest sense, (emerging) as a kind of Zionist Orwell: a complex man obsessed with simple decency and determined above all to tell the truth, regardless of whom it offends."

Born in Jerusalem in 1939, Oz descends from a family of scholars and teachers, some of whom were militant right-wing Zionists. In 1954, at age 15, he rebelled against his father's world and left Jerusalem to live and work in Kibbutz Hulda. He finished his secondary education and completed his Army service in 1961 and returned to the kibbutz to work in the cotton fields. Later, as a reservist, he fought in the 1967 Six Day War and in the 1973 Yom Kippur War.

While in his twenties, Oz's first short stories were published in the leading literary quarterly *Keshet*. He returned to Jerusalem to study philosophy and literature at Hebrew University. Upon returning to Kibbutz Hulda, he divided his time for the next 25 years between writing, farming and teaching in the high school.

His early books of short stories, *Where Jackals Howl* and *Elsewhere Perhaps* are set on a kibbutz. *My Michael*, which caused a literary and political storm, is considered Oz's best known novel and was made into a movie. Next came *Unto Death* followed by over a dozen more works including *Touch the*

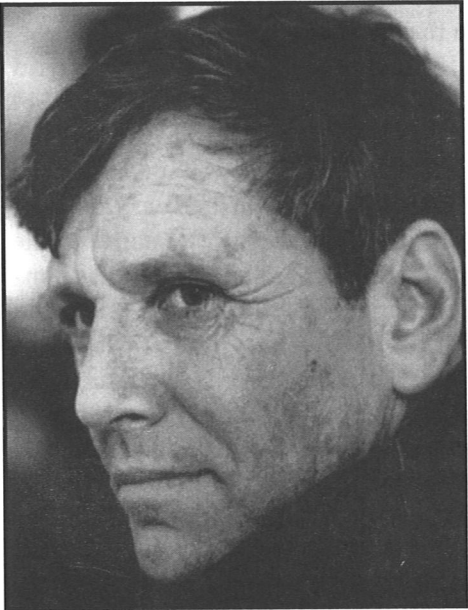
Water, Touch the Wind; A Perfect Peace; To Know a Woman; and Black Box. With an economy of words, his writings present the people of Israel, its political tribulations and biblical landscape.

In 1986, Oz and his wife made the difficult decision to leave the kibbutz and move to the drier climate of Arad for the sake of their son who has asthma. Oz continues to write and teach. He is a full professor at Ben Gurion University of the Negev in Beer Sheva.

Since the 1967 war, Oz has published numerous articles and essays about the Israeli/Arab conflict, which campaign for compromise based on mutual recognition and co-existence between Israel and a Palestinian state in the West Bank and Gaza. "For the first time in 100 years of conflict, the two peoples, the Israeli Jews and the Palestinian Arabs, are ahead of their leaders. They know that the disputed land must be divided into two nation states," according to Oz. "The basic facts are actually very simple. A country that is roughly the size of Sicily is now inhabited by 5.5 million Jews and by 3.4 million Arabs. They cannot share the land so they must divide it into two. The Czechs and the Slovaks did the same not very long ago without shedding any blood at all," he said.

Admitting that the process will be difficult, Oz insists that "the rest of the world offer both sides as much help, empathy and understanding as possible." He adds that "this is the time for compassion not for historical accounting and not for blaming. Let us not expect a sudden honeymoon between deadly

enemies. Let us expect and encourage a painful divorce and a partition of the very small home into two even smaller



apartments. The time is ripe."

What promises to be a most memorable event is co-sponsored by the Harris Center for Judaic Studies at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln and Temple's Hermene Zweiback Center for Lifelong Jewish Learning. There will be a reception following Amos Oz's talk.

From Jerusalem...to Omaha

Rabbi Uri Regev,
 Executive Director
 of the World Union of
 Progressive Judaism
 "Who Cares About the Rest of
 the Jews in the World?"
See page 3 for full details!

President's Tidings

Gary Kaplan

Two Ways To Do Something Good With Your Money

Commemorating Reform Judaism's Role In The Civil Rights Struggle

Rabbi Brooks and many members of Temple were very active in support of the civil rights struggle for decades. More recently Rabbi Azriel and the Black/Jewish Dialogue have continued this work. The model of using non-violence for improving the world is one that we all need to remember and honor in these trying times.

Today a memorial to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is being erected at 24th & Lake in North Omaha. To fund this memorial, churches and other groups are purchasing a brick for \$250 that will be engraved with the name of the organization. Individuals and family members of the organization can donate \$50 to have their own bricks engraved and placed encircling the organizational brick.

Our Board of Trustees has voted to support this project through our Social Justice Funds. I hope that you will join me by sending your own check for \$50 payable to Temple Israel along with the inscription for your brick. Bricks can be inscribed in honor or in memory of someone, or simply list your family name, and are a maximum of three lines. (Or send more if you would like to also help fund the Temple Israel brick.)

Remember Temple In Your Estate Planning

Please consider including a bequest to Temple Israel in your will. It is a wonderful way to perpetuate your values. As you know, it costs over \$2,000 per family to provide all of the services of the temple, clergy and Religious School. Since most members are not able to pay that much, a growing endowment will always be needed to balance our budget.

Meet The Staff!

In this new series, the Tidings is publishing vignettes about the staff working behind the scenes at Temple. Each issue will feature one of the people who keeps the office and Temple running smoothly and with great concern for the congregants. This is a way to get to know "the rest of the staff" upon whom the entire staff and the congregation depend so much.

She's The Clergy's "Right-Hand"



The rabbis and the cantor depend on her to schedule appointments for them with everyone from B'nai Mitzvah families to individuals considering conversion. She keeps a record of births and deaths among Temple families and sends Yahrzeit notices to congregants. She orders memorial plaques, prints baby naming and brit milah certificates, typing letters and sermons, helping with the Temple Tidings and so much more.

This lady of many talents is Bonnie Sullivan, the clergy secretary at Temple. She has been at Temple for almost 13 years and served Rabbis Aryeh Azriel, Dan Fink, Debbie Stiel, and her newest rabbi, Craig Marantz. There have also been four cantors: Wendy Shermet, Jennifer Blum, Erik Contzius and Karen Webber Gilat. They have all relied on Bonnie's expertise, her professionalism, her abundant patience and her good sense of humor.

Bonnie and her husband of 41 years, Bill Sullivan, have lived on a farm in Plattsmouth for their entire married life. They have two sons: Patrick who lives in Idaho with his sons Ian, seven, and Rory, five; and Matthew who lives nearby in Plattsmouth with his wife Linda and their son Matthew, eight, and daughter, Maddie, five.

Some of Bonnie's favorite pastimes are reading, shopping, cooking and entertaining guests at home including the entire Temple staff and their families every year.

At Temple, "we're all like a family that supports each other," Bonnie explained. "We enjoy the congregants and try to make Temple Israel a welcoming place for them. We try to do everything we can to make them comfortable at Temple."

Undeniably, the clergy agree, "Bonnie is an essential member of our team."

Thanksgiving Interfaith Service

Wednesday, November 26, 7 p.m.

Temple Israel will join five other area congregations for the annual service celebrating the spirit of Thanksgiving and community at **Dundee Presbyterian Church, 5312 Underwood Avenue.**

Rabbi Craig Marantz will read the *Hoda'ah* prayer from the *Amidah* and deliver the benediction. A Navajo prayer will also be read and Joel Passer will blow a *shofar*. In addition, Cantor Wendy Shermet will chant Torah verses.

Choirs from three congregations, First United Methodist Church, Underwood Hills Presbyterian Church and Kol Rina from Temple, will sing. Paul Koenig, who sings with Kol Rina during the High Holy Days and is music minister at Dundee Presbyterian, will direct the choirs.

Other churches participating in the interfaith service are First Christian Church and St. Margaret Mary's Church.

During the service, a collection will be taken for Together Inc. of Metropolitan Omaha, an organization for people who are in financial need. Canned goods and other non-perishable foods can also be brought for donation.

After the service, there will be a dessert reception. Please call Sandy Passer 330-4289 to bake.

Parking will be available across the street from the church at Brownell-Talbot or on the residential streets.

A Weekend With Rabbi Uri Regev

Friday, October 31, 7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Evening Worship

Sanctuary

Rabbi Regev, Executive Director of the Jerusalem-based World Union of Progressive Judaism, will spend an illuminating evening discussing the question, "Who Cares About the Rest of the Jews in the World?"

Saturday, November 1, 9:30-10:15 a.m.

Bagels and Sacred Books

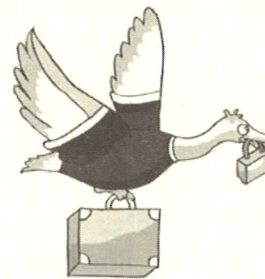
Milder Center

Rabbi Regev will join the study of this week's Torah portion.

Sunday, November 2, 10:00 a.m.

Milder Center

The community is invited to a traditional bagel brunch and timely discussion with Rabbi Regev on "*Judaism, Power and Moral Restraint -- Conflict Resolution in Jewish Tradition.*"



Winter Is On Its Way...Time For "Snowbirds" To Fly

We hope you have returned the card we sent recently, asking for your winter address and phone information so that we can keep the communications going to where you're heading.

Here's a P.S.: If, despite sunny weather, you are "under the weather" and would like a phone call from the clergy, please let us know.

Have a safe trip--and a warm and healthy winter!

Birthday Blessings

Family Service

November 14, 6 p.m.

Children and adults who celebrate their birthdays during the month of November will be invited to the Bimah for a special blessing at the Shabbat Family Service.

On Their Way To The UAHC Biennial!

These fortunate folks will be on their way to Minneapolis, Minnesota, in a few days to attend the Union of American Hebrew Congregations 67th Biennial, November 5-9. They'll meet with about 5,000 other "leading lights" of the Reform Movement from throughout North America and Israel. Wishing them a safe and inspiring "Sacred Journey of Discovery."

Elyce and Rabbi Aryeh Azriel

Larry Gendler

Cindy Goldberg

Wendy and David Goldberg

Andie Gordman

Lynne Jensen

Sally and Gary Kaplan

Colleen Kennealy

Jon Meyers

Ducky Milder

Karli Newman

Nancy Nogg

Magda Peck

Jane Rips

Stacey Rockman

Jeff Schweid

Cantor Wendy Shermet

Michelle Shkolnick

Dorothy Spizman

Michael Walts

Andi Willensky

Rosie Zweiback

Temple Receives UAHC Congregation Of Learners Award

Temple Israel is the recipient of an honorable mention in the 2003 Congregation of Learners Award competition sponsored by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. In a letter to Rosie Zweiback, Temple Program Director, the congregation was praised for "outstanding adult Jewish programming (which) reflects the learning process at its best. Offering both intellectual and spiritual opportunities for all levels of learners, your congregation serves as an exemplar of adult study across the North American Reform Movement." The letter is from Rabbi Jan Katzew, Director of the UAHC Department of Lifelong Jewish Learning; Richard Molish, Chairman and a judge of the Congregation of Learners Award Committee; and Joan Pines, also a judge for the award.

There were four winners in the competition and seven congregations that received honorable mention among the Reform Movement's 900 congregations. There were 70 submissions for the award.

"This is an outstanding achievement for our congregation," said Rabbi Aryeh Azriel. "We are indebted to Dr. Speedy Zweiback and the family of Hermene Zweiback for the endowment they established in tribute to her which supports the Center for Lifelong Jewish Learning at Temple Israel. This award is an honor we accept in her memory."

Along with the other winners, Temple will be officially recognized at the UAHC Biennial in November.

Welcome New Members

Lacie Morgan
Kristin and Eric Posman
Arnold Robinson

The Union Prayerbook Service: A Beautiful Tie To Our Reform Roots

Rabbi Craig Marantz

"Infinite is Thy power, even so is Thy love. Thou didst manifest it through Israel Thy people."

This majestic, exalted language sounds like the stuff of a Shakespearean play. Actually, these beautiful words begin the *Ahavat Olam* blessing in the Union Prayerbook, which Temple Israel uses once a month for its UPB service (held monthly at 6 p.m. opposite our Family Service) For our Union Prayer Book service, 15-30 people gather to relish the mood framed by the exquisite language of the UPB.

The Reform movement first began using the Union Prayerbook in 1895. It was revised in 1922 and then again in 1940. The blue Gates of Prayer came along in 1975. So for eighty years, the Union Prayerbook was the staple of Reform prayer.

For those who participate in the UPB service, revisiting our Reform roots can be a great spiritual exercise. According to Jane Brooks, she adores the Union Prayerbook. "Just pick a page and you will find God motivating us to make a difference. The language in the UPB is so exalted and beautiful." Once, the head of the English department at the University of Cincinnati (across the street from Hebrew Union College) told her and Rabbi Brooks that the UPB was the finest piece of liturgical English he had come across. More importantly, the language of the UPB was understandable. A language Brooks says allowed people to place their burdens on God. A language that connected many to meaningful prayerful experience. A language that did not have to be uttered by rote.

As we know, Hebrew has become more and more the primary sound of prayer in our worship. But just as Hebrew can provide all sorts of amazing meaning, the meaning can be nuanced and difficult to comprehend. So, it is vital that our community has the opportunity to learn more Hebrew in order to make the service more accessible. And, accessibility of prayer is the very lesson we learned to value through the language of the UPB.

A prayer service should foster spirituality, creating a mood that lifts us and God to spiritually high places. The prayerbook is but a ladder. We have to invest ourselves in creating a more uplifting experience.

While even Jane agrees that we cannot go back fulltime to the "Thee's" and the Thou's" and the "he's" and the "his's", we can, from time to time, embrace the language with which our movement spoke to God for eight decades. In the words of contemporary Rabbi Peter Grumbacher, just as there is a place for liturgy that our teens and adults create, so is there a place for liturgy of bygone days."

Temple's next Union Prayerbook Service is Friday, November 14, 6 p.m.

Three Cheers For Temple Volunteers!

- Gretchen Radler
- Kimberly Robinson
- Melany Weinstine

Please roll up your
sleeve for the
Temple Israel Blood Drive
Monday, November 3
1 to 7 p.m.

Call the Temple office,
556-6536, to sign up!

It's easy, it's safe and it can
save someone's life!

Important Information For You Or For Someone You Love

Part of the cycle of life includes facing new circumstances and challenges as we age. Please join us in the Milder Center for a two-part series on choices and options available through Jewish Senior Services and the community at large.

**Part I: Jewish Senior Services: We're
More Than Just The Blumkin Home**
Thursday, November 13, 2 p.m.

Michael Silverman, Executive Director of the Rose Blumkin Home, and Shane Kotok, Director of Community Outreach Services, will explain the many vital services Jewish Omaha offers to help seniors live full and meaningful lives.

**Part II: The Rhetoric vs. The
Reality: Issues Relating To Aging**
Thursday, November 20, 2 p.m.

Jim Farber, Gary Katelman, Bob Nelson and Margo Rosen, all experts in the field of insurance, will lead a workshop on what long-term care insurance can do for you and your loved ones.

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.

Senators To Speak On Nebraska Budget Cuts

Sunday, November 16 at 10 a.m., Omaha area senators from the Nebraska Unicameral will participate in a panel discussion in the Milder Center.

Some of the questions that will be answered will address the closing of the Regional Center: how will it impact the people who are there and what are the effects on Nebraska's budget?

Key senators who will speak about their priority bills and the coming session include: Jim Jensen, Chairman of the Health and Human Services Committee and Loren Kruse from the North Omaha area. Nancy Thompson, a candidate for the second congressional district seat, will also participate.

Decisions made by the Unicameral are important to us all. Please mark your calendars!

Social Justice News

**Dr. Magda Peck Elected to
UAHC Commission**

Temple congregant Dr. Magda Peck has been elected to serve a two-year term with the Commission on Social Action of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the central body of the Reform Movement in North America. There were a large number of qualified candidates for a small number of openings on the Commission, according to the chairman.

Magda is the Director of the University of Nebraska Medical Center/University of Nebraska at Omaha graduate program in Public Health; CEO/Executive Director of City MatCH; and Professor and Associate Chair for Community Health and Chief of the Section on Child Health Policy, Department of Pediatrics at UNMC. She is also a past chairman of Temple Israel's Social Justice Committee.

Mazel Tov Magda!

A Tradition of Quiet Caring For Our Community

Temple Israel's tradition of caring for the community based on the Jewish values of *gemilut chasadim*, acts of loving kindness, and *tikkun olam*, repairing the world, are in many ways facilitated by the Temple Caring Committee.

Most of the Caring Committee's work is "behind the scenes," explained Shelly Fox who has been chair of the committee for six years. "It's quiet and should be that way," she said.

Bikkur Cholim, a Caring Committee project, assists members of Temple who are ill or whose physical restrictions may limit their ability to participate fully in the life of the congregation. Shelly works closely with Rabbi Craig Marantz, *Bikkur Cholim* advisor, and the other clergy who advise her of congregants who have suffered a death in the family and do not have relatives in the area. Other families might not have a Jewish background and need assistance in the Jewish aspects of arranging for a *shiva* house. Shelly calls this "special needs Outreach."

On an ongoing basis, Jewish transplant paties at the University Medical Center are offered transportation to worship services. Additionally, someone from the Caring Committee brings the family a *challah* or takes them out to lunch.

At times, outside professionals offer training for some Caring Committee roles such as "the correct way to visit terminal patients," Shelly explained.

Shane Kotok from Jewish Senior Services talked to the Caring Committee about how to visit nursing home residents.

Bikkur Cholim also reaches out to Blumkin Home residents and to others who are homebound. "We personally delivered gifts--teddy bears with cards from the Caring Committee--to all the Blumkin Home residents for Passover," Shelly said.

Speaker phones and prayer books were also delivered to anyone unable to attend Temple so they could all be part of High Holiday services.

Several times a year, along with one of the clergy and Omaha Temple Youth Group members, the Caring Committee conducts worship services at Remington Heights. Florence Brody is chairman of this project called "Shabbat Comes to You."

Meals are offered to congregants recently released from the hospital. The Caring Committee can also connect them with Meals-on-Wheels or other needed services.

In another project, the Caring Committee organizes Temple's annual blood drive (see page 4).

There are about 20 members of the Caring Committee. Shelly said new volunteers--especially to deliver meals to patients recently home from the hospital--are always welcome. If anyone is in need of Caring Committee assistance, please contact Shelly at 397-1578.

Light the First Chanukah Candle at
Temple's Congregational Dinner
Friday, December 19, 6 p.m.

Followed by Shabbat Worship Services

A happy holiday for your family to share with the Temple family.

Save the date and we'll save some latkes for you!

What's Happening In Religious School

Joan Cooper, Elementary School Coordinator

Grade 6 Visit to Federation Library..... Thursday, November 6 & Sunday, November 16

Sixth graders will begin working on Personal Research Projects with the assistance of Maya Wertheimer, Marvin Parilman and Elyce Azriel. We will meet at the Library in the J.C.C. from 4:15-5:45 p.m. on Thursday, November 6 and 10:15-11: 45 a.m. on Sunday, November 16.

Torah Tot Classes..... Friday, November 7 Torah Tot classes provide a variety of activities with Jewish topics for parents and toddlers age 18-48 months. Joan Cooper will lead the Friday morning class with guest appearances from Rabbi Aryeh Azriel, Rabbi Craig Marantz and Cantor Wendy Shermet. Our next class begins Friday, November 7, 10-11:15 a.m. Call 556-6536 for additional information.

Grade 5 to Visit Omaha Area Shelter.....Sunday, November 9 Students will travel in carpools driven by parent volunteers to an area shelter. As part of our commitment to doing mitzvot in our community, we are collecting personal care products to take with us. If you are interested in helping with this day's special activities, please call the Religious School office.

Grades 1 and 2 Family Shabbat Service.....November 14 Parents and extended family are invited to attend this special evening. First and second graders will participate in the 6 p.m. Family Shabbat Service. Sitter service is available during the worship services by advance reservation.

Family Prayer Assembly Sunday, November 23 Following our 10 a.m. Prayer Assembly, parents are invited to attend the 4B's from 10:30 a.m. to Noon. Parents not attending the learning session or the Prayer Assembly are asked to pick up their child(ren) at Noon.

Thanksgiving Break - No Religious School..... November 27 & 30 Due to Thanksgiving and public school closings throughout the city, there will be no Religious School classes these dates. Classes resume Tuesday, December 2 for Family School, Thursday, December 4 for grades 3-6 and Sunday, December 7 for K-6.

Please join us Sunday, November 23 10:30 a.m.-Noon (immediately following Prayer Assembly)

The Four B's: Behaving, Belonging, Believing & Bagels

Chanukah is almost here. What will your children take away from this holiday? An extravagance of gifts spread out over eight nights? A stomachache from too many latkes? A lighter piggybank because all the change has been gambled away in late-night dreidel games?

Join Rabbi Aryeh Azriel for "Taking the 'Hallmark' Out of Chanukah - How to Find Meaning in the Story of the Maccabees." At this time of year, the pressures of Christmas and all the trimmings can be challenging for Jewish families. This workshop will help parents think about the holiday season in new ways and prevent Chanukah from turning into eight days of commercialized hype.

Accompany your children to the Prayer Assembly at 10 a.m. in the sanctuary and then come to the Milder Center for a bagel and more.



Middle/High School Footnotes

Elyce Azriel, Director

Mitzvot of the Month

Tikkun Olam (repairing the world) and Gemilut Chasadim (acts of loving kindness) are cornerstones to Judaism. In past school years, we have offered ideas of how students can participate individually or with the entire school: collecting used glasse for Sight Night, donating winter apparel and hygiene items to the Youth Emergency Services, contributing old cell phones to the Women's Center of Methodist Hospital--and the list goes on.

This year, rather than support a different project each month, we have decided to concentrate our mitzvot on a project every three months, plus three special groups that specifically support the Jewish community locally and worldwide.

It is not too late to participate in our September, October and November collection for "Shoes for Orphan Souls." Since 1999, this organization has sent over 700,000 footwear items to orphanages in the U.S. and over 28 countries.

Help make a difference in the life of a child by collecting SOCKS and SHOELACES. Donations can be dropped off in the basket outside the Middle/High School office.



Did you know that sitter service is available

- Every Friday evening at the 7:30 p.m. service
- Every Saturday morning when there is a bar or bat mitzvah
- Every Sunday morning during Religious School (Reservations and a \$2 donation are appreciated)

Worship Services

Friday~October 31

7:30 p.m.
Sermon
Rabbi Uri Regev
"Who Cares About the Rest of the Jews in the World?"
Oneg Shabbat sponsored by The Women of Reform Judaism

Saturday~November 1

9:30-10:15 a.m.
Bagels and Sacred Books
Rabbi Uri Regev
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Bar Mitzvah of Dylan Jack Saferstein
son of Stephanie and Mike Siedschlag and Lynda and Mark Saferstein
Torah Portion: Noah
Genesis 6:9-11:32
Haftarah: Isaiah 54:1-55:5

Friday~November 7

6 p.m.
Tot Shabbat
Dinner immediately following
7:30 p.m.
Sermon
Rabbi Craig Marantz
Oneg Shabbat sponsored by The Women of Reform Judaism

Saturday~November 8

9:30-10:15 a.m.
Bagels and Sacred Books
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: Lech-Lecha
Genesis 12:1-17:27
Haftarah: Isaiah 40:27-41:16

Friday~November 14

6 p.m.
Family Service
6 p.m.
Early Worship Service
Union Prayer Book

Saturday~November 15

9:30-10:15 a.m.
Bagels and Sacred Books
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Bat Mitzvah of Molly Noodell
daughter of Ann and Dave Noodell
Torah Portion: Vayera
Genesis 18:1-22:24
Haftarah: II Kings: 4:1-37

Friday~November 21

7:30 p.m.
Sermon
Rabbi Aryeh Azriel
Oneg Shabbat sponsored by Robyn and Bob Freeman in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter

Saturday~November 22

9:30-10:15 a.m.
Bagels and Sacred Books
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Bat Mitzvah of Susan Freeman
daughter of Robyn and Bob Freeman
Torah Portion: Chaye Sarah
Genesis 23:1-25:18
Haftarah: I Kings 1:1-31

Wednesday~November 26

7 p.m.
Thanksgiving Service
at Dundee Presbyterian Church

Friday~November 28

6 p.m.
Sermon
Rabbi Craig Marantz

Saturday~November 29

9:30-10:15 a.m.
Bagels and Sacred Books
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: Toledot
Genesis 25:19 - 28:9
Haftarah: Malachi 1:1-2:7

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Remember Our Funds

Your contributions to the following funds ensure the continuation and support of many vital activities of the Temple. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated.

- \$6.00 fund contributions:
- David Bleicher Camp Scholarship
 - Mel and Genevieve Bornstein Social Justice
 - Rabbi Sidney H. Brooks Institute on Judaism for Clergy
 - Caring
 - Cemetery Improvement
 - Education
 - Endowment
 - Samuel and Ida Kaiman Endowment
 - Sol and Jeanette Krizelman Social Justice
 - Landscape
 - Library
 - Music
 - Outreach
 - Ruth and Bernard Raskin Youth Activities
 - Margaret and Arnold Robinson Family Jewish Education
 - Milton and Rosalie Saylan Jewish Education
 - Jennifer Soshnik Scholarship
 - Brad Sperling Memorial Fund for Education of Young Children
 - Temple Youth Group
 - Elinor Whitman Religious Education
 - Janis L. Yale Enrichment
 - Hermene Zweiback Fund for Lifelong Jewish Learning
 - Rabbi Azriel's Discretionary
 - Rabbi Marantz's Discretionary
 - Cantor Shermet's Discretionary
 - Michelle Shkolnick's Discretionary
- If you wish to contribute to any of these funds at a different level, please advise the Temple staff.
- Tree of Life leaves are \$300. Tree of Life Boulders are \$3,000. If you would like information on these donations, please call Michelle Shkolnick, Executive Director, at 556-6536.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					31 Torah Tots 10-11:15 a.m. Israeli Shabbat Dinner 6 p.m. Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m. Rabbi Uri Regev Scholar-in Residence	1 Bagels & Sacred Books with Scholar 9:30-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m. Bar Mitzvah of Dylan Saferstein Camp Fair, 3-7 p.m. OTYG Dance 8-11 p.m.
2 Bible Quiz Study 9-10 a.m. Religious School Teacher's Meeting 9:30 a.m. Kindergarten-Grade 6 10 a.m. - Noon Rabbi Regev, 10 a.m. Club 56, Noon-2 p.m. Best in Show, 2 p.m.	3 Blood Drive 1-7 p.m.	4 Family School 6:15-8 p.m. Basic Judaism 6:15-8 p.m. The Jewish State 7-8:30 p.m. AA, Alanon, Gambler's 12-Step 7:30 p.m.	5 Bible Quiz Study & Dinner 5:30-6:30 p.m. Religious School Grades 7-12 6:30-8:30 p.m. Adult B'nai Mitzvah 6:30-8:30 p.m. History of Israel 6:45-8:30 p.m.	6 Adult Study with the Clergy 10-11:30 a.m. Religious School Grades 3-5 4-6 p.m. Grade 6 @ Federation Library 4:15-5:45 p.m.	7 Torah Tots 10-11:15 a.m. Tot Shabbat 6 p.m. Tot Shabbat Dinner Following Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m.	8 Bagels & Sacred Books 9:30-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.
9 Religious School Kindergarten-Grade 6 10 a.m. - Noon Grade 5 @ Shelter 10 a.m. - Noon Men's Club 10 a.m.	10	11 Family School 6:15-8 p.m. Basic Judaism 6:15-8 p.m. The Jewish State 7-8:30 p.m. AA, Alanon, Gambler's 12-Step 7:30 p.m.	12 Religious School Grades 7-11 & Dinner 6-8:30 p.m. Adult B'nai Mitzvah 6:30-8:30 p.m. History of Israel 6:45-8:30 p.m.	13 Adult Study with the Clergy 10-11:30 a.m. Senior Series, Part I 2 p.m. Religious School Grades 3-6 4-6p.m. Kol Rina 6:30-8 p.m.	14 Torah Tots 10:00-11:15 a.m. Family Service 6 p.m. UPB Service 6 p.m. Grades 1 & 2 Shabbat Dinner 7 p.m.	15 Bagels & Sacred Books 9:30-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m. Bat Mitzvah of Molly Noodell
16 Religious School Teacher's Meeting 9:30 a.m. Kindergarten-Grade 6 10 a.m.-Noon Grade 6 @ Federation Library 10:15-11:45 a.m. Social Justice Forum 10 a.m.	17	18 Conversations with Rabbi Azriel Noon-1 p.m. Family School 6:15-8 p.m. Board of Trustees Meeting 7:30 p.m. AA, Alanon, Gambler's 12-Step 7:30 p.m.	19 Social Justice Club & Dinner 5:30-6:30 p.m. Religious School Grades 7-12 6:30-8:30 p.m. Adult B'nai Mitzvah 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Amos Oz 7 p.m.	20 Adult Study with the Clergy 10-11:30 a.m. Senior Series, Part II 2 p.m. Religious School Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m. Kol Rina Choir 6:30 - 8 p.m.	21 Torah Tots 10:00-11:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m.	22 Bagels & Sacred Books 9:30-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m. Bat Mitzvah of Susan Freeman
23 Religious School Teacher's Meeting, 9 a.m. Kindergarten-Grade 6 10 a.m.-Noon Family Prayer Assembly 10 a.m. 4B's, 10:30 a.m. OTYG Board Meeting 2-4 p.m. New Member Reception @ Azriel home, 7 p.m.	24	25 Family School 6:15-8 p.m. Basic Judaism 6:15-8 p.m. The Jewish State 7-8:30 p.m. AA, Alanon, Gambler's 12-Step 7:30 p.m.	26 No Religious School OTYG Dinner & Thanksgiving Service 5-9 p.m. Thanksgiving Service @ Dundee Presbyterian 7 p.m.	27 Office Closed No Religious School	28 Office Closed Shabbat Service 6 p.m.	29 Bagels & Sacred Books 9:30-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.
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New This Month!

Tot Shabbat

Daven & Dining!

Join us November 7 at 6 p.m. for our regular Tot Shabbat Service in the chapel. Stay afterward to celebrate Shabbat with old and new friends, and a pasta dinner, in the Milder Center.

The traditional cookies and juice will still be available, but consider taking the time to eat together, as friends and families, creating fun and friendship throughout the evening.

Cost for the meal is \$5 per family. Please RSVP to the Temple office, tisrael@qwest.net or 556-6536.



You'll Flip For The Pancake Man!

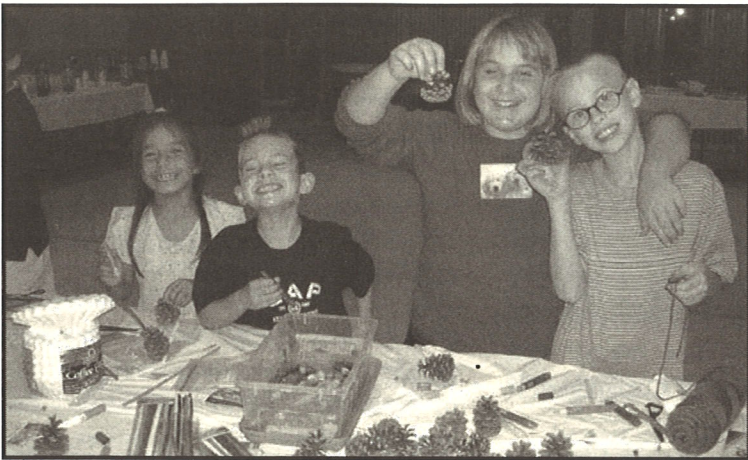
Pancake Breakfast
Sunday, December 7
9 to 10 a.m.

Women of Reform Judaism-Omaha is again sponsoring a pancake breakfast, featuring Jim the Pancake Man.

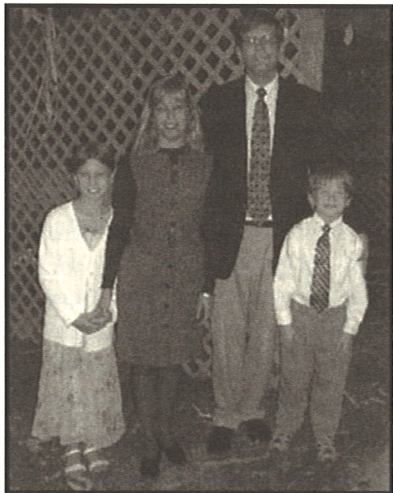
Fill up on flapjacks, join your kids in the sanctuary for Prayer Assembly and then meet for a special Four B's (actually it will only be Three B's because you will be too full of pancakes to eat a bagel!). Professor Jonathan Adelman of Denver University's Graduate School of International Studies, will address the topic of "How Did We Get Here? Israeli History 1881-2003" as part of his all-day Israel teach-in.

Cost is \$4.25 for adults and \$3.50 for children 12 and under for an all you can eat breakfast including pancakes, beef sausage, juice, milk and coffee.

The Fall Festival Brings Family And Friends Together



(Above) Two guests join Lindsey Thomas and Vincent Long make decorations for the outdoor sukkah during the Sukkot Poluck Dinner.



(Right) Mallory, Marcee, Chuck and Gavin Rogers visit the outdoor sukkah.



Twenty-one students were consecrated at Erev Simchat Torah services. (Front row, left to right) Joan Cooper, Alison Goldstein, McKenna Bates, Cole Horner, Jack Goldstein, Brandon Idelman, Solomon Marburg, Rabbi Aryeh Azriel; (Middle row) Rabbi Craig Marantz, Abigail Reiss, Michael Militzer, Abby Hack, Phoebe Placzek, Sierra Simpson; (Back row) Monica Siegel, Ali Brehmer, Gavin Rogers, Elias Ginsberg, Brett Robinson, Rachel Zetzman

Winter Is Almost Here...Camp Time Is Near?

Maybe not near...but the time to think about sending in those camp applications is NOW!

Not quite sure what camp is right for you? We can help! Temple's Camp Fair will be held Saturday, November 1 and will include information about about:

- Olin-Sang-Ruby Union Institute (OSRUI) in Oconomowoc, WI
- Shwayder Camp of Congregation Emanuel in Denver, CO
- KUTZ Camp Leadership Academy in New York
- NFTY 2004 in Israel Programs
 - L'Dor V'Dor
 - Eastern Europe and Israel
 - NFTY EIE: High School in Israel academic semester

You will have the opportunity to visit with Jerry Kaye, Director of OSRUI, and Zim Zimmerman, Director of Shwayder. Each segment will include presentations by our guest speakers, as well as time for families to browse for information on all the programs. Former participants of each program will also be available to answer questions and share pictures!

Please contact Stephanie Grossman, Director of Youth and Informal Education, at s_grossman@qwest.net or 556-6536 to RSVP or ask questions.

Camp Fair Schedule

- 3-4:30 p.m.
Students currently in
Grades 2-5 and parents
- 4:30-6 p.m.
Students currently in
Grades 6-9 and parents
- 6-7 p.m.
Students in Grades 10-12
(Parents are optional)
Dinner & Discussion
with the Directors:
- What are my options at camp?
 - When can I be a counselor?
 - What do counselors do?

Want to find out how to get your grocery and merchandise shopping done and help support Temple Israel's campers at the same time? IT'S EASY...

Use the following certificates every time you shop--you pay no more and Temple receives 5-20% of every one you buy.

Buying them is easy, too. You can pay by cash, check, Visa or Mastercard. Certificates are available:

- weekdays in the Temple office
- Sundays during Religious School in the main hallway
- or by mail! Your standing order can be sent weekly, monthly or quarterly.

Fill out the information below to start your standing order OR mail it in today!

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

Please send me the following certificates:

Store	# Certificates	Total Cost
Albertson's		
No need to purchase certificates--just show your Community Partner's card at the checkout stand! ____ Please send me an Albertson's Community Partner's card.		
Bag 'n Save	_____ x \$ 10	\$ _____
**Bag 'n Save certificates cannot be charged--cash or check only		
Barnes & Noble	_____ x \$ 10	\$ _____
Bakers	_____ x \$ 25	\$ _____
**Redeemable for gasoline at area Kwik Shops		
The Bookworm	_____ x \$ 15	\$ _____
The Gap	_____ x \$ 20	\$ _____
Spirit World	_____ x \$ 25	\$ _____
Younkers	_____ x \$ 25	\$ _____
Younkers	_____ x \$100	\$ _____

Add postage (\$.50 for regular/\$1.50 for certified) \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Send me my certificates now! Please begin a standing order (circle below)

- Weekly
- Monthly
- Quarterly
- Charge to the credit card listed below.
- Include a statement with my order--I will mail a check upon receipt.

____ Enclosed is my check payable to Temple Israel.

____ Please charge my VISA or Mastercard

Account # _____

Expiration Date _____ Signature _____

Women of Reform Judaism

Sisterhood would like to welcome our 30 new members:

Liz Adkisson, Mara Bates, Laura Chait, Jane Doman, Sue Finkle, Marta Fox, Jamie Friedland, Patty Goldstein, Rini Gonsher, Danielle Gordman, Marti Harris, Kerry Hollst, Joan Kaiman, Jennifer Kirshenbaum, Nikki Kirshenbaum, Rachel Levitsky, Denise Meyers, Ellie Militzer, Shayna Ray, Nancy Rech, Merilee Rimerman, Marcee Rogers, Lynn Salzinger, Laura Schrager, Mimi Silverman, Debi Smedlund, Stacie Spies-Matz, Wendy Vann, Joodi Veitzer and Jodi Vinci

Thank you for joining!!

Make Time For These Events!

- December 1 "What Does Leadership Mean?"
- December 7 Pancake Man breakfast
- December 14 Cradle Roll
- December 19 Chanukah Dinner
- ...more details later!

Did You Know...

The national WRJ convention/UAHC Biennial is November 5-9 in Minneapolis!

The following members of Temple Israel's Sisterhood are representing our congregation: Cindy Goldberg, Wendy Goldberg, Andie Gordman, Lynne Jensen, Karli Newman, Nancy Nogg, Stacey Rockman, Andi Willensky and Rosie Zweiback.

Needed: Used Books

The Women of Reform Judaism will be holding their Used Book Sale during the summer of 2004. It's not too early to begin saving your books. Just bring them to Temple Israel or call the office, 556-6536, for a pick-up.

Acceptable Magazines: Arts & Crafts, Bon Appetite, Gourmet, Architectural Digest, National Geographic. We are unable to accept travel guides prior to 2000, Reader's Digest magazines or condensed books, textbooks or encyclopedias.

WRJ-O Salute To Leadership A Memorable Event

Over 60 people gathered in the Milder Center to celebrate the dedication of ten past-presidents of the Women of Reform Judaism. Following a Middle Eastern lunch catered by the Mediterranean Bistro, Joie Simon, Noni Selner, Sandy Nogg, Dora Goldstrom, Debbi Josephson, Debbie Freidman, Sandy Passer, Sally Zipursky, Diane Graul and Wendy Goldberg were presented with a red rose and a silver "tree of life" bookmark in appreciation of their service. Several shared their words of wisdom and humorous stories. Jane Brooks was also honored for her leadership as Sisterhood District President and current president Stacey Rockman received recognition for serving three consecutive terms.



Past presidents Debbi Josephson, Debbie Friedman and Sandy Nogg were among those honored at the luncheon.



Joie Simon, a WRJ-O past president, and current president Stacey Rockman

As part of a membership drive, WRJ sponsored several excellent raffles. Shayna Ray won a pearl necklace compliments of Bergman's Jewelry Store in the "new member" raffle. Lee Needelman won a \$500 gift certificate from Mulhall's Nursery in the "leadership" raffle for members who increased their dues to WRJ. Rosie Zweiback won a digital camera as part of the "recruiter's" raffle. Rachel Levitsky took home a Dell Home Computer. Another woman won a PDA but she asked to remain anonymous. These prizes were donated by eFrame Technology. Door prize recipients Ann Osborne and Marta Fox won restaurant gift certificates from Julio's and the Mediterranean Bistro.

Outreach

Best In Show
Sunday, November 2
2 p.m.

Pipal Park
(78th & Center)

Is your pet looking for new friends? A place to show off new tricks? An opportunity to be a part of the Temple family? We have just the right program for you and your four-legged friend!

Join us for a fun afternoon for humans and canines alike. Cantor Wendy Shermet and her dog Schmoo will acquaint us with what Judaism teaches about how to treat animals. We'll have some hot chocolate, prizes and treats for all. (Please make sure your pet is sociable.)

Temple Israel Outreach is hosting this ultimate outreach. Even if you don't have your own pet to bring, join us!

Israel Teach-in Day

Whether you know a little or a lot about Israel, you won't want to miss this opportunity to learn with

Dr. Jonathan Adelman

Professor at the Graduate School of International Studies
University of Denver

Sunday, December 7
Temple Israel

A highly acclaimed expert on the Middle East, Dr. Adelman will present several talks throughout the day addressing modern Israeli history and the current crisis.

The Israeli Teach-in Day begins at 10:30 a.m. and includes a lunch program and afternoon lecture.

Watch your mail for a full description of the day's sessions, but mark you calendars now!

Thank You To All Who Participated In The High Holy Day Services

Our congregation thanks these members who accepted pulpit honors: Elyce Azriel, Kathy Beauchaine, Sarah Bleicher, Ron Brodkey, Sharon Brodkey, Jane Brooks, Len Burrell, John Dacey, Paul Epstein, Katherine Finnegan, Rick Fox, Shelly Fox, Bob Freeman, Robert Friedman, Harry Gates, Larry Gendler, John Glazer, Cindy Goldberg, Wendy Goldberg, Andie Gordman, Stephanie Grossman, Gary Kaplan, Colleen Kennealy, John Lehr, Betsy Marantz, Joan Marcus, Jon Meyers, Ducky Milder, Jackie Neesman, Murray Newman, Nancy Nogg, Aaron Parsow, Jeff Passer, Magda Peck, Jane Rips, Kimberly Robinson, Richard Robinson, Stacey Rockman, Silvia Roffman, Larry Roffman, Rosalie Saltzman, Jan Schneiderman, Michelle Shkolnick, Dorothy Spizman, Sherry Taxman, Mike Walts, Allie Willensky, Amee Zetzman, Judy Zweiback and Rosie Zweiback.

Thanks also to our ushers: Vicki Chesen, Justin Cooper, John Dacey, Harry Gates, Jeff Gates, Paul Gerber, Stephanie Grossman, Barry Grossman, Steve Levinger, Todd Manvitz, Dave Noodell, Sandy Passer, Jeff Passer, George Quittner, Craig Saylan, Jeff Skog, and Jeff Smedlund.

And to our greeters: Harry Alloy, Debbie Alpert, David Anderson, Sam

Anderson, Joyce Ashley, Barbara Ault, Len Burrell, Sam Burrell, Bette Evans, Toby Fellman, Jeanette Gaudreau, Joan Gordon, Jon Gordon, Hannah Grossman, Noah Grossman, Colleen Kennealy, Manny Kreitstein, Angela Krieger, Stan Krieger, Ellen Long, Sarah Long, Mike Makoid, Lee Needelman, Dorothy Parilman, Magda Peck, Sharon Quittner, George Quittner, Joan Rieder, Albert Rieder, Merilee Rimerman, Phyllis Roffman, Norman Roffman, Suzy Rubin, Monica Sacks, Sheila Tomps, Adam Trubnikov, David Trubnikov and Maya Wertheimer.

And special thank yous to Magda Peck and Michael Walts who so beautifully led our Yom Kippur services in the chapel, and to all those who sounded the shofar.

Thank You Kol Rina

Our High Holy Days worship this year was enhanced by the melodic voices of:

Sopranos: Jaclyn Adelson, Rachel Combs, Tami Field, Sarah Schondelmeyer, Sharon Sobel

Altos: Elyce Azriel, Jill idelman, Patsy Wallace

Tenors: Lonnie Gaul, Barry Grossman, Sam Anderson, Marvin Parilman

Basses: Jim Anderson, Tom Friedman, Jon Meyers, Jon Rathsam, Jeff Schweid

In The Mail

The Women of Reform Judaism-Omaha mail Rosh Hashanah treats and greetings every year to Temple's college students. Their overwhelming responses were "THANKS!" and...

"I enjoyed the package. It made my day."

"This really made my Rosh Hashanah very special!"

"I loved the treats!"

"It really meant alot!"

"It was a nice surprise."

In September, students enrolled in a world religions class at Bellevue West High School visited Temple Israel and were given a tour by Rabbi Aryeh Azriel. The students wrote the following comments in their thank you notes:

"I greatly appreciated you allowing me and my class to come and visit with you in the synagogue. I know I did learn some things from you. I would like to come and see a Bar or Bat Mitzvah sometime."

"Thank you for talking to us about Judaism" and "showing us the Torah and reading from it."

"I would like to thank you for taking time...to teach me and my fellow classmates the importance of Judaism and its impact on society."

"You're the coolest guy who runs a place of worship I know."

"I really appreciate your liberal point of view, especially here in Nebraska. You really gave me a new view of Judaism."

"It was a wonderful experience that I will never forget!"

5,362 pounds of food and many cash donations were collected for The Omaha Area Food Bank during Temple's Yom Kippur Food Drive! Thank you to all who made this year's fast a meaningful one!

Thank You For Supporting Our Congregation Through Donations That Remember And Honor Family And Friends

IN MEMORY OF: Alan Baer: Nancy and David Jacobson; **Harriet Cherniack:** Barbara Rips; **Scot Elwood:** Judy and Buddy Roffman; **Ida Fellman:** Dave Adams, Walt Ahlstrom, Jim Deignan, Charlie Venditte; **Harold Firestone:** Noni and Hal Selner; **David Frank, Minnie Frank:** Barbara Lashinsky; **Ida Gitlin:** Ann R. Cohen; **Harold Greenberg:** Phyllis and Harvey Aronson; **Phil Handleman:** Doris and Harry Alloy, Ida and Sam Fedman, Joe Frank, Martha Mason-Frishman and family, Nancy Hornstein, Nate Mandell, Vicki Perlmeter, Fran and Norman Plotkin, Noni and Hal Selner, Lois and Rod Shkonick; **Peg Hutton, Herbert Levine, Dodo Rosenthal:** Lisa and Denny Lewis; **Liz Karnes, Ben Kutler:** Phil Sokolof; **David Krantz:** Edye and Joe Vitek; **Jerry Marer:** Ducky and Mike Milder, Harriett and Sherm Sperling; **Bernard Raskin:** Betsy and Gary Gullickson; **Miriam Shafer:** Nancy Hornstein; **Adele Slutzky:** Anne, Ed and Nate Joseph, Noni and Hal Selner; **Morton Soiref:** Lois and Bob Endelman, Eileen and Leonard Jacobson, Lisa, Denny and Travis Lewis, Nate Mandell, Marian Nogg, Ruth Quade, Rosalie and Milt Saylan, Lillian and Jack Schrager, Audrey and Morrie Shapiro, Terri and Dick Zacharia; **Walter Stark:** Wendy and David Goldberg, Sandy and John Lehr; **Judy Swartz:** Lillian and Jack Schrager; **Janis Yale:** Sandy, Paul, Kari and Cory Epstein

IN HONOR OF RECOVERY OF: Lisa Brunkhorst: Joan and Milton Marcus; **Bob Endelman:** Rose Pitlor; **Edith Epstein:** Naomi Cohn; **Melinda Fischer, Rose Pitlor:** Audrey, Morrie and David Shapiro; **Shirley Goodman:** Doris and Harry Alloy; **Diane Zipay:** Rosalie and Milt Saylan

IN HONOR OF BIRTHDAY OF: Edith Epstein: Eileen and Leonard Jacobson; **Jack Epstein:** Rosalie and Milt Saylan; **Jillard Friedman:** Roie and Bernie Meyers, Rita and Harold Novak; **Janet Glass:** Stacey Rockman; **Barbara Gorelick:** Connie and Bob Kully; **Eileen Jacobson:** Ronnie and Art Jacobson; **Ann Kaiman:** Margo and Bill Rosen;

Joan Marcus: Toby Fellman; **Marvin Parilman:** Rosalie and Ernie Saltzman; **Jack Schrager:** Lolly and Jeff Stern

IN HONOR OF BIRTH OF: Naomi Daniella Zweiback: Ann Kaiman, Tevee and Bernie Turkel

IN HONOR OF B'NOT MITZVAH OF: Sarah Schondelmeyer: Toby Fellman, Sheila Tomps; **Emily Davis:** Selma and Jim Shamberg

IN HONOR OF NEW HOME OF: Flori and Zeph Telpner: Audrey, Morrie and David Shapiro

IN HONOR OF PILLAR OF TEMPLE ISRAEL AWARD RECIPIENT: Silvia Roffman: Phyllis and Normand Roffman

IN HONOR OF EAGLE SCOUT AWARD: Aron Neesman: Debi, Jeff and Becky Smedlund

IN HONOR OF CENTRAL HIGH HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES: Jerry Hoberman, Phil Schrager: Phyllis and Dick Glazer

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS: Jane Brooks: Aileen and Leo Eisenstatt; **Toby Fellman:** Joan and Milton Marcus, Phyllis and Normand Roffman, Debi, Jeff and Rebecca Smedlund; **Marvin Parilman:** Joan and Milton Marcus; **Doris Shukert:** Audrey, Morrie and David Shapiro

IN APPRECIATION OF: Rabbi Aryeh Azriel, Rabbi Craig Marantz, Cantor Wendy Shermet, Michelle Shkolnick, Elyce Azriel, Joan Cooper, Stephanie Grossman, Claudia Sherman, Rosie Zweiback, Lori Bennett, Marie Briggs, Willie Clark, Vicki Ducharme, Gloria Ketter, Maureen Kube, Bonnie Sullivan, Lonnie Williams

Women Of Reform Judaism Tribute Fund

IN MEMORY OF: Sophie Kahn: Marilyn and Marty Warren

IN HONOR OF BIRTH OF: Jordan Marissa Maged and Jacob Karl Maged: Marilyn and Marty Warren

Our Sympathy

The Congregation records with sorrow the deaths of...

Scot Elwood, son of Lori and Patrick Elwood, brother of Rachel, Christopher and Jonathan Elwood, grandson of Barbara and Jerry Wolpa, and nephew of Leslie Wolpa;

Philip Handleman, husband of Eva Handleman, father of Janet Alloy and Bob Handleman, brother-in-law of Noni and Hal Selner and Ruth Oruch, and uncle of Joan and Justin Cooper;

Gerald Z. Marer, father of Beth Marer-Garcia and Laura Marer;

Miriam "Mickey" Shafer, wife of George J. Shafer, and mother of Bunny Rothenberg and Patty Sherman;

Adele Slutzky, wife of Charles Slutzky, mother of Debbie Chasen and Jeff Slutzky, and sister of Ruth Keller;

Morton Soiref, husband of Helen Soiref, father of Brian and Gary Soiref, brother of Etta Onat and Charney Borin, and brother-in-law of Sarah and William Lohrman;

Walter Stark, father of Danielle Gordman

...and extends sympathy to their bereaved families.

Congratulations

On the Birth of:

Gabriel David Cohn, son of Jennifer and Travis Cohn. Grandparents are Marilyn and Tom DiMartino, Grand Island, NE, and Linda and Steve Cohn.

Zev Dan Gordman, son of Danielle and Jeff Gordman. Grandparents are Linda and the late Walter Stark, St. Louis, MO, and Linda Stark and Jerry Gordman.

On the Marriage of:

Mr. and Mrs. Brandon Becker. Mrs. Becker is the former Robin Hoberman. Parents are Cookie and Jerry Hoberman, and Eileen Becker and the late Norbert Becker, Chicago, IL.