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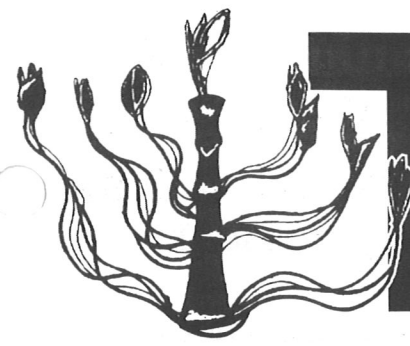
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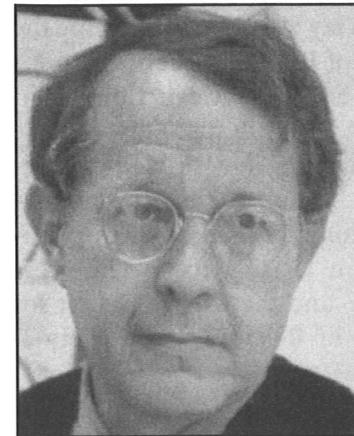
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Temple Israel Tidings



Jonathan Kozol: "The Shame of a Nation: The Restoration of Apartheid Schooling in America"

Friday, November 4 ~ 6 p.m. Shabbat Worship Service

"Many Americans I meet...who have no firsthand knowledge of realities in urban public schools, seem to have a rather vague...impression that the great extremes of racial isolation they recall as matters of grave national significance some 35 or 40 years ago have gradually, but steadily, diminished in more recent years. The truth, unhappily, is that the trend for well over a decade now has been precisely the reverse."

Award-winning author and educator Jonathan Kozol wrote those words in his newest book, *The Shame of a Nation: The Restoration of Apartheid Schooling in America*. In his latest book, he pulls back the curtain to reveal a public education system that, despite the federal government's reports of progress, is rapidly regressing.

According to Kozol, and contrary to popular perception, America's public school system not only segregates black and Hispanic students more intensely than at any point in 40 years but spends far less to educate them than is spent on their white peers, denies minority chil-

dren preschool programs routinely offered to white children, and often links "education" to "job training" as early as first grade.

Kozol grew up in a traditional middle-class Jewish family in the Boston suburb of Newton. He graduated summa cum laude from Harvard University in 1958 and was awarded a Rhodes Scholarship to Oxford.

A defining moment in Kozol's life occurred in 1964 when he learned about the murder of three young civil rights workers by the Ku Klux Klan. He had never been political or involved in race issues prior to that news. Shortly afterwards, he began working as a teacher in a freedom school that had been set up in a black church in a low-income, predominately black area in Roxbury, just south of Boston. His first book, *Death at an Early Age*, was a description of his first year as a teacher.

At several points in his life, Kozol has left his comfortable surroundings to experience how the impoverished live. In 1985, he spent an evening at a homeless shelter in New York. Night-long conversations with mothers and

children who befriended him led him to remain there for much of the winter. Out of that experience came his book, *Rachel and Her Children: Homeless Families in America*. *Newsweek* called the book "bitterly eloquent."

Kozol's 1995 bestseller, *Amazing Grace*, describes his visits to the south Bronx, the poorest congressional district in America. He said that *Amazing Grace* "took the most out of me and was the hardest to write, because it was the hardest to live through these experiences." He hoped that eventually "it would be seen as a book about the elegant theology of children."

His next book, *Ordinary Resurrections*, is an introspective work about the spiritual and moral qualities of children he had come to know in the south Bronx.

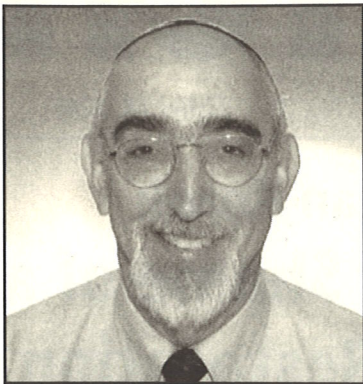
To write *The Shame of a Nation*, Kozol visited and revisited nearly 60 public schools in 30 districts in 11 states. "We have, it seems, been traveling a long way to a place of ultimate surrender that does not look very different from the place where some of us began," he said. "If we have agreed to give up on the dream for which so many gave their lives, perhaps at least we ought to have the honesty to say so."

Reform Judaism in Transition

Rabbi David Forman: “Jewish Schizophrenia in the Land of Israel”

Tuesday, November 8, 7 p.m.

A Freedom Rider and founder of Rabbis for Human Rights, Rabbi David Forman will talk about another one of his passions when he visits Temple Israel next month. Based on his book of the same name, Rabbi Forman paints a portrait of Israeli society that helps navigate the landscape of modern Israel. Body and soul, mind and matter, intellect and emotion often seem to work at cross purposes among Israelis. He'll discuss the notion that in Israel, right and wrong, good and bad, sanity and insanity, can abide together in one happy (or sad) discordant harmony.



Rabbi David Forman served as chairperson of Rabbis for Human Rights between 1988 and 1992 and again from 2002 to 2003. Active in human rights and peace movements in Israel where he has lived for more than 30 years, Rabbi Forman has held a number of key leadership positions during his rabbinic career, including Director of the Israel Office of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (now the Union for Reform Judaism), where he led the struggle for religious pluralism in Israel. Prior to that, he was Chairperson of Interns for Peace, founding Chairperson of both the Jerusalem Council for Soviet Jewry and the Cincinnati Council for Soviet Jewry.

In the United States, the Boston-born rabbi challenged the South's Jim Crow laws and non-compliance with a U.S. Supreme Court decision that prohibited segregation on interstate public transportation facilities.

At the 1993 Nobel Institute Conference in Oslo, Rabbi Forman gave the keynote address on "The Role of Religion in Middle East Peacemaking." He has also spoken at United Nations Conferences in Dakar, Senegal, and Amman, Jordan; the World Conference of Religion and Peace in Kyoto, Japan; the World Lutheran Conference in Greece; and at numerous conferences throughout the United States, Canada, Great Britain, Ukraine and Russia.

Author of the books *Fifty Ways to be Jewish* and *Jewish Schizophrenia in the Land of Israel*, Rabbi Forman's articles on social, political and religious issues in Israel have been featured in *The Jerusalem Report*, *Moment Magazine*, *Journal of Reform Judaism*, *Forward*, *the Jerusalem Post*, and *Ha'aretz*. His newest book, just published in March, is entitled *Over My Dead Body - Some Grave Questions for God*.

Rabbi Forman's lecture is sponsored at Temple Israel by the Hermene Zweiback Center for Lifelong Jewish Learning.

Welcome New Members!

- Mimi Rogers-Farkas & Scott Farkas
- Cleo, 11, Forest, 20, Isaac, 9, Jordan, 20, Max 18

Mimi and Scott were married at Temple in April 2004 and settled in Des Moines where Scott was living at the time. Scott and Mimi's new business, Valpak of Omaha, and Mimi's long-time roots and love for Omaha, brought them back in May 2005. Cleo and Isaac attend Friedel Jewish Academy. Jordan is a junior at the School of Visual Arts in NYC. Forest is studying engineering at Washington University in St. Louis. Max attends Mercuz HaTorah Yeshiva in Jerusalem. Mimi first joined Temple 11 years ago and is delighted to be back "home."

Panel Examines Jewish-Catholic Relations in Omaha Sunday, October 30 2-4 p.m.

Cathedral Cultural Center,
3900 Webster

A panel of Jewish and Catholic clergy and lay leaders will examine the evolution of Jewish-Catholic relations since the Second Vatican Council of the 1960s. They'll also discuss the current state of Jewish-Catholic relations in Omaha. This community conversation is sponsored by the Anti-Defamation League, the Archdiocese of Omaha, and the Kripke Center for the Study of Religion and Society at Creighton University.

In addition to creating greater awareness of the content and impact of *Nostra Aetate* (the Catholic Church's relationship to non-Christian religions) regarding Jewish-Catholic relations, the discussion is intended to provide an opportunity for members of the two faith communities to identify and discuss ways to strengthen their relationship.

Open to the public at no charge, refreshments will be served after the panel discussion.

Omaha Jewish Film Festival Opens November 5

After its very brief and successful engagement in Omaha theaters, the Omaha Jewish Film Festival will be showing the critically-acclaimed Israeli film "Walk on Water," at 7 p.m., November 5 and 6, in the JCC Theater.

"Walk on Water" is the first of a series of films to be selected for showing at the Festival. Tickets are \$5 each.

The Omaha Jewish Film Festival is sponsored by Jewish Educational Library Services. For more information, contact Gary Katz at 334-6462 or gkatz@jewishomaha.org.

Congregants Fill Sanctuary to Hear More About Move to New Site

On September 15, Temple congregants came to hear what the next step would be following a three-year process of discussion and community conversations culminating in a vote to move forward, investigate, look for land, and continue the process to relocate Temple.

President Wendy Goldberg addressed the congregation proclaiming that "collectively we will create sacred space that will tell our stories and honor our tradition. I am confident," she continued, "we are prepared to and capable of building a new Temple that will reflect the mission of our congregation. We are blessed with great talent, strong will and unmatched dedication."

"I assure you," Wendy pledged, "we are all committed to the openness of the process and (the leadership) will continually be held accountable to the congregation." She added that it is her "sincere intent that we build more than a building -- this endeavor promises an opportunity to build community as we find strength and support from each other, deepening our understanding of and relationship to our fellow Jewish people, our tradition and, most importantly, God."

Rabbi Aryeh Azriel spoke next, calling for "this family of ours to move on! To dream again! To imagine and create our next home. We have the opportunity and the privilege to be summoned to the holy task of building, both physical and spiritual, the next Temple Israel," said Rabbi Azriel.

President-Elect Jon Meyers explained that since spring 2002, more than 25 locations were considered by a site selection committee. "In November 2004, the Board voted to accept a gift of land located at approximately 168 Street and West Dodge Road. The gift was structured with an incredible amount of flexibility, allowing the site selection committee to continue to look for sites," Meyers said.

Jon insisted that "this is not a done deal. It is a process. We are totally com-

mitted to continuing this open process." "We have begun the process of selecting an architect," added John Waldbaum, Building and Grounds Chairman. "Ten members of the congregation have volunteered to review and evaluate materials we receive from various architectural firms." Information has been requested from three Omaha architects and nine outside of Omaha. The Architectural Selection and Design Committee could possibly recommend an architect by mid-December. By April or May 2006, Waldbaum speculated, "We could begin to see preliminary plans."

Amee Zetzman, Co-chairman of the Long Range Planning Committee (along with Orly Gilat), asked the congregants to move to separate rooms for smaller group discussions. The small-group conversation centered on topics such as what the groups like and don't like about the current building; and what they have seen that impresses them about other buildings.

Orly pointed out that "all participants had a great opportunity to share their thoughts and expectations, filling the rooms with hope and a sense of togetherness."

Afterwards, the crowd reconvened for informal conversation in the Friedman Social Hall "where people shared experiences and reviewed input from other groups," said Orly.

Jon Meyers said he noted "a feeling of cooperative excitement" and that most congregants support "that we are staying the course on the process."

Orly added, "Everyone left knowing that this was only the beginning of discussion and that there will still be plenty of other opportunities to contribute."

"We were very excited about the level of enthusiasm that everyone had," mentioned Amee. "Our congregation has terrific ideas, and we were happy that they were willing to share their thoughts and ideas with us. It was an important night, and the beginning of something great."

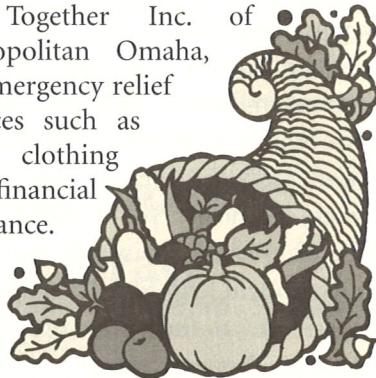
Thanksgiving Interfaith Service Hosted by Temple Israel

Wednesday, November 23
7 p.m.

This year, Temple Israel will host the annual Thanksgiving Interfaith Service, a gathering of congregants belonging to First United Methodist Church; Dundee Presbyterian Church; First Christian Church; St. Margaret Mary's Church; and Underwood Hills Presbyterian Church. *Kol Rina* will sing with choirs from the churches, and a bell choir will also present music of peace and thanksgiving.

All participating congregations will host a dessert reception at the conclusion of the service. Temple members can call Sandy Passer at 330-4289 to help provide baked goods.

Monetary donations will be collected during the reception for Together Inc. of Metropolitan Omaha, for emergency relief services such as food, clothing and financial assistance.



Sitter Service

is available...

- each Friday evening for the 7:30 p.m. service;
- Saturday mornings when there is a bar or bat mitzvah;
- Sunday mornings when there is Religious School.

Advance reservations and a \$5 donation are appreciated. Sorry, there are no facilities for infants.

Adult Education

Guess Who's Coming to the Bar Mitzvah!

How to Include Non-Jewish Members of the Family in Your Simcha

Sunday, November 13 at 10 a.m.

Your child is studying Torah, practicing trope, and writing a meaningful *D'var Torah* in preparation for his or her Bar or Bat Mitzvah. You have driven your almost 13-year-old youngster back and forth to Temple for Hebrew School, to meet with the cantor and study with a mentor for the past few years. Now you are planning one of the most important gatherings of family and friends you'll ever host. But it's your first time and you want all your family – even those who have never attended a Bar or Bat Mitzvah – to feel welcome and to be a part of this significant celebration in your child's life.

Four experts will share their suggestions on how to make everyone feel comfortable in sharing this milestone. *B'nai Mitzvah* veterans and Temple Israel members Jill Idelman, Matt Placzek, Melany Weinstine and Robyn Freeman will help parents navigate the experience in the most positive way possible. They will explain what *bimah* honors are available to non-Jewish family members and what is essential to communicate to your extended family long before the big day arrives. Even the thorniest of questions will be welcome at this how-to-guide.

There is no fee for this class sponsored by the Hermene Zweiback Center for Lifelong Jewish Learning.

Register for these classes with Program Director Rosie Zweiback at 556-6536 or rzweiback@templeisraelomaha.com.

Enroll now for Jews and Christians: In the Pursuit of Understanding Each Other

with Rabbi Craig Marantz and Christian Scholars

Thursdays,
7 to 8:30 p.m.
October 27 through
November 17

\$18 for members/
\$25 for non-members

Jewish Journey Group Lifting the Veil: Using New Models of Thinking to Reveal Insights Hidden in Judaism

Tuesdays, 7-8:30 p.m.

November 15 through December 13



Some of the essays in Steven Evans' new book, *Lifting the Veil – Hidden Judaism Revealed*, have applied several paradigm-shattering advances of modern science

to Judaism that have altered our fundamental understanding of the universe. This Jewish Journey Group, which Steve will facilitate, will use his book as a basis for discussing how these advances and other models of thinking can completely change our understanding of our religious heritage and Jewish practice.

Steven has an extensive background in engineering, rocket science, national healthcare, genetics and pharmaceutical research. He has published more than 100 articles, chapters, books, and/or technical papers on medical education and informatics and a variety of medical subjects. He is also an avid student of Judaism, Kabbalah, Torah and Talmudic teachings.

There is no fee for this adult learning opportunity of the Hermene Zweiback Center for Lifelong Jewish Learning.

Rabbi Azriel Unplugged "You Didn't Know That?"

Tuesday, November 29, 7 p.m.

I've always wanted to ask the rabbi...Can I use orange juice if I am out of wine for Shabbat dinner? Where do I buy those special candles for Friday night? Is *Knesset* some kind of exciting new board game? Do I have to know Hebrew to go to a service? What's the difference between the Torah and the Old Testament? What can I do to deal with anti-Semitism? Does Jewish belief condemn gays? How can I create a Jewish home when everyone already assumes I have one?

Dumb questions? Only if they are not asked! By definition, dumb questions are those that are not spoken or articulated, so bring your "dumb" questions to a fun night of questions, comments, inquiries, and perhaps a few answers as well. Even if you are an expert on all things Jewish, you should come to see the adage, "two Jews, three opinions" in action. Mark your calendar and plan to attend *Rabbi Azriel Unplugged*. How will you ever find out what the difference is between a *menorah* and a *chanukiah*, if you don't show up?

Klezmer Music Event Coming to JCC

Sunday, October 23, 2 p.m.

In conjunction with the 350th Anniversary of Jews in America, the Nebraska Jewish Historical Society will sponsor an afternoon of Klezmer music. The afternoon begins with a brief history of Klezmer music followed by the film, *Jewish Soul Music: The Art of Giora Feidman*. Tuffy's Klezmerim, featuring Debbie Greenblatt-Seay and a special guest, will perform in the JCC Gallery during a dessert reception featuring treats as good as your bubbe makes.

Outreach & Synagogue Community

Chavurah Havdalah

Saturday, November 12

5 p.m.

Chavurah comes from the root word *chaver*, meaning "friend." In many congregations, *chavurot* are small groups that get together around common interests – perhaps the children are around the same age, perhaps they are empty nesters looking for new friendships, perhaps they are newcomers trying to put down roots in the community. Through participating in a *chavurah*, people build deeper personal relationships and feel more connected to the Temple family.

Join Rabbi Aryeh Azriel at the home of Temple congregants Bonnie and Jochen Pfrenger for a *Chavurah Havdalah*. The Pfrengers had a very positive *chavurah* experience in their congregation in California and would like to help explore the possibility of launching similar groups at Temple.

Say goodbye to the Sabbath and hello to a new idea in Omaha! RSVP to the Temple office at 556-6536, and get directions to the Pfrenger home.

Taste of Judaism

Are you Curious?

Can you help?

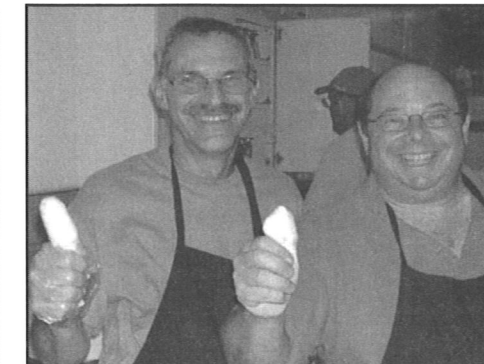
In February, Temple Israel will host a "Taste of Judaism" class for unaffiliated Jews and members of the Omaha community.

When we offered this three-part series in 2002, our classes were overflowing. It takes many volunteers to respond to all the inquiries and greet the students when the classes commence. We could use your support!

Attend the planning meeting on Sunday, November 6 at Noon in the Temple Library to get involved! RSVP to Rosie Zweiback, 556-6536 or rzweiback@templeisraelomaha.com. A light lunch will be available for \$5.

Temple's Annual Deli Nite Always a Tasty Success!

On September 18, about 200 people enjoyed noshing on homemade kreplach, matzah ball soup and chopped liver before savoring a variety of deli sandwiches. Many thanks to the following volunteers who helped keep the fun and food rolling: Kathy Beauchaine, Len Burrell, Josh Danon, Steve Danon, Pam DePorte, Penny Endelman, Randy Endelman, Rick Fox, Dora Goldstrom, Jeff Laudin, Mike Makoid, Todd Manvitz, Wendy Manvitz, Denise Meyers, Jon Meyers, Lee Needelman, Ann Noodell, Dave Noodell, Fefe Passer, Jeff Passer, Sandy Passer, Gretchen Radler, Mimi Rogers-Farkas, Jeff Schweid, Jeff Skog, Ricki Skog, Debi Smedlund, Jeff Smedlund, Sharon Sobel, and Sarah Swarts.



(Pictured top, left) Dave and Sue Meyers work ahead of time to make the incredible kreplach. (Pictured top, right) Jeff Schweid, left, and Dennis DePorte gave the night two thumbs up in spite of injuries from tangling with the meat slicer. (Pictured lower left, l to r) Ann Noodell, Steve Danon, Sarah Swarts, Sandy Passer, Jeff Passer and Lee Needelman provided service with a smile.

Turn Five Minutes and Seven Dollars Into Ten Million Dollars for Israel

It's election time! No, not to elect a president of the United States. This election will affect the future of Reform Judaism.

In June 2006, the World Zionist Congress (WZO) will hold elections that will determine numerous policies in Israel and how millions of dollars will be spent. It's important for all Reform Jews to stand up for their values and beliefs and register to vote in this key election. The cost of registration is \$7 (\$5 for students) which is used to cover the cost of the election. The Reform Movement's victories in past WZO elections helped to:

• Increase respect and support for

the Association of Reform Zionists of America (ARZA).

- Support progressive Jews across the former Soviet Union and Israel.
- Train Israel's next generation of Reform rabbis.
- Develop Reform Jewish programming on six continents.
- Provide funding for the Israel Religious Action Center (IRAC), our legal advocacy arm in Israel.

For more information on supporting ARZA's voter registration campaign, visit www.VoteReformJudaism.org or contact Temple member Dorothy Spizman at 399-9490 or ordorothy26@cox.net. Help Temple Israel raise a voice of celebration and support for Reform Judaism.



Save These Dates!

It's the Pancake Man!

Sunday, November 13
9 a.m.

Yes, it's time to bring your family to Temple for the infamous Pancake Man Breakfast! See the Pancake Man's cool batter pouring machine. Watch him turn the pancakes at lightning speed. Try to catch a couple on your plate – if you dare! Children age three and younger are free! Adults and kids over three, \$4.



Join Us at the Biennial

November 16-20

It's not too late to join WRJ-O Board members Cindy Goldberg, Deb Marburg and Rosie Zweiback at the 68th URJ Biennial in Houston, TX. It promises to be a Texas-sized Jewish experience!

Comfort Crockpot Cooking

Tuesday, December 6
Noon at Temple Israel

Yes, it's back and it's much cooler than when your mother cooked with it! Come learn new uses for an old, beloved appliance.

Do you have a great crockpot recipe? Please email it to Amee Zetzman (azallmakes@aol.com) or snail mail it to Temple.

The luncheon includes great recipes, great dishes to taste and a raffle for the crock-pot of your dreams! Invitations to follow...but save the date now.

Cradle Roll

Sunday, December 11
10:30 a.m.

This event for preschool-aged children and their families will have a Chanukah theme. Please plan on joining us for a fun hour of activities, snacks, stories and songs!

WRJ-O Needlepoint Trunk Show a Great Success

With an exhibit of Judaic works of some of Temple's finest "stitch wizards," and over 400 beautiful needlepoint canvases on display, the trunk show, hosted by Personal Threads needlework shop, was a big hit. This was the largest selection of Jewish needlework projects ever assembled in Nebraska. Beginners got one-on-one instruction and dozens of women loaded up on canvases to enjoy for many months to come.



(Pictured l to r) Danielle Gordman, Bonnie Pfrenger and Rosie Zweiback with Julie Wynn, owner of Personal Threads, who supplied the Judaic needlepoint canvases for purchase.

The Women of Reform Judaism-Omaha is an organization with a purpose. Our membership consists of a diverse group of women who function under the following Mission Statement:

We, the members of the Women of Reform Judaism, shall strive to further the values and principles of Judaism, to promote closer fellowship among women, and to support the mission of the entire Temple Israel congregation by sponsoring religious, social and educational activities that will enrich our connection to each other, to the broader community and to Judaism.

Are you a WRJ-O member who would like to be more involved? Would you like to become a member? Do you have an idea for an activity that supports our mission statement? If so, contact our President, Cindy Goldberg at cgoldberg5@cox.net or 398-5448.

WRJ-O Makes Gift to Hineini Project

WRJ-O is both pleased and honored to announce that a \$500 gift has been made to Temple's Hineini Project. This nationwide project was initiated to strengthen the Movement's connection to Reform Judaism around the world and in the State of Israel. WRJ-O is proud to join many other Temple members in support of this vital project.

Voices From the Pews

"It seems like I've always belonged to Temple," said Arlene Beber, who came to Omaha and joined Temple as a bride some 40 years ago. She was President of Temple Israel Sisterhood, her husband, David Edward Beber, was President of the congregation; and their daughter, Neena Bixby, was President of the Youth Group. Arlene said she worked hard as a Temple lay leader and enjoyed all she did.

Ann Osborne has been a member for six years. "I feel really comfortable at Temple," she said. She enjoys the different programs, such as those for children, which helped her meet people and were a good introduction to the congregation. "My kids like it here too," she added.

"I've been a member for about 15 years," estimated Jim Bresel. He's seen a lot of different cantors and changes to the building over the years. He also noted that "there are more programs now." He likes to see "the diversity of people" at Temple. He said he is satisfied with Temple "the way it is," including the services, programs and the building. As for moving to a new location, that would be "okay-if it's within reason financially."

Men's Club

Temple's Men's Club Softball Team Evens Series With Beth El



Thank you to all of our great fans who came out to watch the softball game on September 25 at the JCC. Temple won 19-9. (Pictured above, l to r) Lauren Sklarsky, Ruth Sklarsky, Ellen Long, Cantor Wendy Shermet and Ann Noodell joined many others to cheer the team to victory. (Pictured below, l to r) The Temple team includes Matt Kirshenbaum, John Fletcher, Frank Sklarsky, Jeff Schweid, Dave Noodell and Len Burrell.



A Note of Thanks

Our sincere thank you for the many Uniongrams and good wishes received for the New Year. May the year ahead be one of good health and contentment for all.

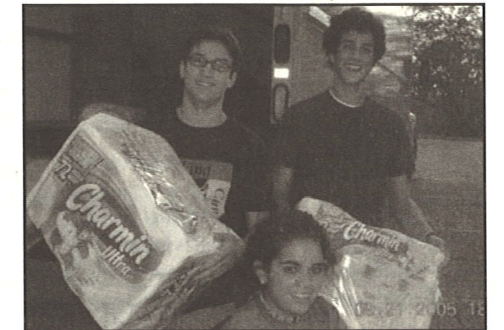
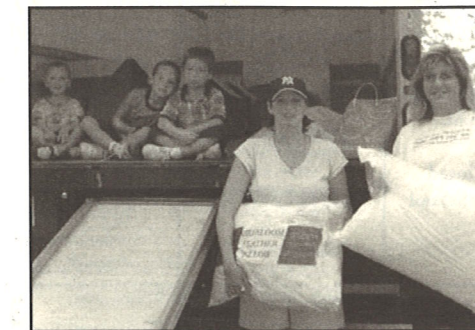
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Tikkun Olam in Action:

Jacob's Ladder Project Meets Needs

"Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses..." and we'll supply them with fresh pillows, sheets and towels! Temple's efforts to make life more comfortable for the thousands of Hurricane Katrina evacuees included a month-long collection of vital personal items.

With the leadership of Mimi Silverman and her crew of volunteers, Temple managed to fill a 26-foot straight truck and send it off to a FEMA distribution center housed at the Union for Reform Judaism's Jacobs Camp in Utica, MS. Cash donations in excess of \$11,000 enabled the project organizers to purchase supplies in massive quantities from Sam's Club, Gordman's and Omaha Compound.



(Pictured above left) Loading the truck with helpers in tow, Mimi Silverman and Debbie Hale rely on Adam and Jeremy Silverman, and Noah Hale to find the right spot for new pillows. (Right) Squeezing the Charmin with a smile, David Anderson, Jackie Neesman and Joe Goldberg take time out from Religious School to receive deliveries for the truck.

Did You Know?

What Reform Jews Believe . . .

Belief in Deity: Beliefs vary among Reform Jews, including that of non-belief or questioning belief, and all are welcome and considered personal, but the official stance is that there is one God Almighty-Creator, all-powerful, ever-present, and all knowing – a formless, incorporeal spirit.

Origin of Universe and Life: Most believe that Genesis is to be understood symbolically. God created and controls all phenomena revealed by modern science.

After Death: Reform Jews believe in the world to come and a messianic age (but no individual Messiah). Personal beliefs in the details of afterlife are diverse as there is no official position. Some believe in heaven and hell but only as states of consciousness; some believe in reincarnation; some believe God is all forgiving; and some may not believe in an actual afterlife. Regardless, Judaism generally focuses on living a virtuous life rather than working toward reward after death.

Incredible Lineup for the Annual Jewish Book Fair

The 32nd Annual Jewish Book Fair jump starts on Wednesday, November 2 at 7 p.m. with Omaha native Eric Konigsberg speaking on his first book, "Blood Relation." He tackles a long-suppressed family secret that his great-uncle was a legendary Mafia hitman.

Humorist Judith Viorst will be speaking on her latest collection, "I'm Too Young to be Seventy," at the Women's Luncheon on Thursday, December 8 at 11:45 a.m. The cost is \$15 and reservations are required.

All featured books (and more) will be available for purchase in the Kripke Jewish Federation Library during the six-week long fair.

For a complete schedule of activities, or to make reservations, contact Gary Katz at 334-6462 or gkatz@jewishomaha.org.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					21	22 Sparks Beneath the Surface 9:30-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.
23 Teacher Meeting 9:30 a.m. Religious School Grades K-6 10 a.m.-Noon WRJ-O Baking 10 a.m. Beginning Hebrew 10:15 a.m. Club 56 Sukkot Party Noon-2 p.m.	24 <i>Erev Simchat Torah</i> Consecration 7 p.m.	25 Simchat Torah Morning Service & Yizkor 10:30 a.m. Office Closed No Family School	26 Religious School Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m. Bible Quiz Practice 5-6 p.m. Middle/High School Teacher Meeting 5:30-6 p.m. Grades 3-12 Dinner 6-6:30 p.m. Tikkun Olam Day 6:30-8:30 p.m.	27 Adult Study With the Clergy 10-11:30 a.m. In Pursuit of Understanding 7-8:30 p.m.	28 Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m.	29 Sparks Beneath the Surface 9:15-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m. Bar Mitzvah of Josh Danon
30 Teacher Meeting 9:30 a.m. Religious School Grades K-6 10 a.m.-Noon Beginning Hebrew 10:15 a.m. Grade 6 Parent Meeting 10:45 a.m. Jewish/Catholic Conversation 2-4 p.m. Cathedral Cultural Center	31	1 Family School, Dinner & Keep Up 5:30-8 p.m. AA, Alanon & Gamblers' 12-step 7:30 p.m.	2 Religious School Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m. Bible Quiz Practice & Dinner 5:00-6:30 p.m. Scrapbook Club & Dinner 5:00-6:30 p.m. Grades 7-12 6:30-8:30 p.m.	3 Adult Study With the Clergy 10-11:30 a.m. In Pursuit of Understanding 7-8:30 p.m. OTYG Board Meeting 7 p.m.	4 Tot Shabbat Dinner Following 6 p.m. Shabbat Service Guest Speaker Jonathan Kozol 6 p.m.	5 Sparks Beneath the Surface 9:15-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.
6 Teacher Meeting 9 a.m. Religious School Grades K-6 10 a.m.-Noon Prayer Assembly 10 a.m. Beginning Hebrew 10:15 a.m. The 4Bs 10:30 a.m. Summer in Winter Noon-2 p.m.	7	8 Family School, Dinner & Keep Up 5:30-8 p.m. Rabbi David Forman "Jewish Schizophrenia in the Land of Israel" 7 p.m. AA, Alanon \$ Gamblers' 12-step 7:30 p.m.	9 Religious School Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m. Bible Quiz Practice 4:30-5:30 p.m. Grades 7-11 6:30-8:30 p.m.	10 Adult Study With the Clergy 10-11:30 a.m. In Pursuit of Understanding 7-8:30 p.m.	11 Military Services Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m.	12 Sparks Beneath the Surface 9:15-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m. Bar Mitzvah of Ethan Workman
13 Pancake Breakfast 9 a.m. Teacher Meeting 9 a.m. Religious School Grades K-6 10 a.m.-Noon Guess Who's Coming to the Bar Mitzvah? 10 a.m. Beginning Hebrew 10:15 a.m.	14	15 Family School, Dinner & Keep Up 5:30-8 p.m. Lifting the Veil 7-8:30 p.m. Board of Trustees 7:30 p.m. AA, Alanon & Gamblers' 12-step 7:30 p.m.	16 Religious School Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m. No Middle/High School Classes	17 Adult Study With the Clergy 10-11:30 a.m. In Pursuit of Understanding 7-8:30 p.m.	18 Shabbat comes To You @ Remington Heights 4 p.m. Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m.	19 Sparks Beneath the Surface 9:15-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.
20 Teacher Meeting 9:30 a.m. Religious School Grades K-5 10 a.m.-Noon Grade 6 @ Federation Library 10:15-11:45 a.m. Beginning Hebrew 10:15 a.m.	21	22 Family School, Dinner & Keep Up 5:30-8 p.m. Lifting the Veil 7-8:30 p.m. AA, Alanon & Gamblers' 12-step 7:30 p.m.	23 No Religious School OTYG Interfaith Program & Dinner 6 p.m. Thanksgiving Interfaith Service @ Temple Israel 7 p.m.	24 Thanksgiving Office Closed	25 Shabbat Service 6 p.m.	26 Sparks Beneath the Surface 9:30-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.

Friday~October 21
7:30 p.m.
Shabbat Service
Rabbi Aryeh Azriel
Oneg Shabbat sponsored by the
Women of Reform Judaism-Omaha

Saturday~October 22
9:15-10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Torah Portion:
Exodus 33:12-34:26
Haftarah: Ezekiel 38:18-39:7

Monday~October 24
Erev Simchat Torah
7 p.m.
Consecration Service

Tuesday~October 25
Simchat Torah
10:30 a.m.
Morning Service & Yizkor

Friday~October 28
7:30 p.m.
Shabbat Service
Rabbi Craig Marantz
Oneg Shabbat sponsored by the
Women of Reform Judaism-Omaha

Saturday~October 29
9:15-10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Bar Mitzvah of Josh Danon
Son of Veronica Danon and Steve Danon
Torah Portion: Bereshit
Genesis 1:1-6:8
Haftarah: Isaiah 42:5-43:11

Friday~November 4
6 p.m.
Tot Shabbat
Dinner immediately following
6 p.m.
Shabbat Service
Guest Speaker Jonathan Kozol
*"The Shame of a Nation:
The Restoration of Apartheid
Schooling in America"*

*Please call Temple, 556-6536,
by Monday, October 24 to have
a loved one's name read at the
Simchat Torah Morning Service
and Yizkor, Tuesday, October 25.*

Saturday~November 5
9:15-10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: Noach
Genesis 6:9-11:32
Haftarah: Isaiah 54:1-55:5

Friday~November 11
7:30 p.m.
A Tribute to Our Military Services
Shabbat Service
D'var Torah ~ Howard Silber
Oneg Shabbat sponsored by the
Women of Reform Judaism-Omaha

Saturday~November 12
9:15-10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Bar Mitzvah of Ethan Workman
Son of Keri and Tom Workman
Torah Portion: Lech-Lecha
Genesis 12:1-17:27
Haftarah: Isaiah 40:27-41:16

Friday~November 18
4 p.m.
Shabbat Comes to You
at Remington Heights
7:30 p.m.
Shabbat Service
Rabbi Craig Marantz
Oneg Shabbat sponsored by the
Women of Reform Judaism-Omaha

Saturday~November 19
9:15-10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: Vayera
Genesis 18:1-22:24
Haftarah: II Kings 4:1-37

Friday~November 25
6 p.m.
Shabbat Service
Rabbi Aryeh Azriel

Saturday~November 26
9:15-10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: Chaya Sarah
Genesis 23:1-25:18
Haftarah: I Kings 1:1-31

“This was a great experience for the teens as well as the veterans,” said Renee Corcoran, Executive Director of NJHS.

Tot Shabbat Expecting Surprise Guest

Friday, November 4, 6 p.m.

Families with young children, five years old and younger, can expect the upcoming Tot Shabbat to focus on the importance of Thanksgiving, according to Rabbi Craig Marantz. He added that "a special surprise guest" will attend the short worship service, which includes songs and a story, and is followed by a family-friendly dinner.

Come and bless the candles, bless your children and sing with spirit that Tot Shabbat is here!

If you'd like to stay for dinner, please make your reservation with Maureen in the Temple office, 556-6536. However, "all families are welcome, even if you forgot to call," said Jennifer Cohn, who helps coordinate Tot Shabbat on behalf of WRJ-O.

What's Happening in Religious School

Rabbi Craig Marantz, Elementary School Director

No Family School or Keep Up Tuesday, October 25

All School Dinner Wednesday, October 26

Grades 3-12 will convene for a wonderful opportunity for dining and community building at 6 p.m.

Sixth Grade Parent Meeting.....Sunday, October 30

This is a very important meeting (10:45 a.m.) for sixth graders and their parents. "Putting God on the Guest List" will focus on how families can prepare for the coming year in which they will be celebrating a *bar* or *bat mitzvah*.

Prayer Assembly and 4Bs Sunday, November 6

Join us and your child for an enjoyable worship experience and then stay for another wonderful 4Bs session with Rabbi Azriel. See article below for more details.

Pancake Man Visit Sunday, November 13

Yum yum! Join us for breakfast at 9:00 am. See page 6 for details.

Sixth Grade Trip to the Federation Library Sunday, November 20

Sixth graders will begin working on Personal Research Projects with the assistance of Maya Wertheimer and Elyce Azriel. We will meet at the Kripke Federation Library in the JCC from 10:15-11:45 a.m.

No Religious School..... Wednesday, November 23 and Sunday, November 27

Classes will resume on Tuesday, November 29 for Family School, and Wednesday, November 30 for Grades 3-12.

PLEASE NOTE: The Grade One and Two Family Service and Dinner has been POSTPONED until Friday, December 2, 6 p.m.

Club 56 Kicks-off the Year!

Fifth and sixth graders were surprised when Club 56 turned their Hebrew classes into a kickball competition! Classes chose a Hebrew name for their teams, created a cheer in Hebrew and performed their cheer as part of the competition.

As part of the kickball game, players had to call out the name of the base (*basis rishon, basis, shenay, basis shlishii*) before they could advance around the field. Also, those in the outfield had to call out in Hebrew, *tafasti* (I got it!), before they could make an out. A trophy was awarded to the winning team.

Check out all the pictures on Temple's website, www.templeisrael-ne.org.



Mark your calendars for the rest of this year's Club 56 programs:

Sukkot Party

Sunday, October 23, Noon-2 p.m.

Pizza, Floats & a Movie

Sunday, December 4, Noon-2 p.m.

Bowl-a-Rama

Sunday, January 22, Noon-2 p.m.

Costume Booth for Purim

Monday, March 13, Noon-2 p.m.

Crazy Olympics

Wednesday, May 17, 4-6 p.m.

And the trophy goes to: Sydney Robinson, Bailey Newman, Megar Bucher, Vince Long, Justin Schrage, Jonathan Baker, Alex Fox, Sophia Miller, Lauren Sklarsky, and Jordan Jensen (kneeling).

Yellow Ribbon Program Teaches: It's OK to Ask for Help

Wednesday, November 30, 6:30 p.m.



Temple Israel's Middle/High School will host Dave Carlson, Director of Yellow Ribbon in Omaha. He'll speak to seventh through twelfth graders and their parents.

Yellow Ribbon is a community-based program that involves everyone from parents to clergy to mental health professionals and the teens themselves. Everyone gets involved because everyone is affected. The goal of Yellow Ribbon is to save lives through the simple message: "It's OK to ask for help." By teaching basic life skills, helping parents talk with their children about teen suicide, and letting people know it's OK to talk about the issue of suicide, lives are saved, according to Dave, who has been an Omaha police officer since 1982.

Suicide is the third leading cause of death for 15 to 19-year-olds, taking the lives of 4,000 young Americans every year. To address this tragedy,

As a police officer, Dave has been a field training officer, accident investigator, selective enforcement motorcycle officer, and has worked in uniform patrol where his duties include answering 911 calls. Officer Carlson is a drug recognition expert instructor as well as a field sobriety testing instructor. He also conducts alcohol and drug awareness classes at schools throughout the metropolitan area.

"Ten to 14-year-olds are the fastest growing group of young suicides," said Dave. He will share his family's personal story of losing his youngest son, Thomas, at the age of 13, to suicide in December 2003. His presentation at Temple will be "a heart-to-heart talk," he explained. "The subject of teen suicide and depression should be talked about," he emphasized. Every year, several teens die of suicide in Omaha. Dave believes that talking about it helps save lives.

There are Yellow Ribbon Programs in all 50 states and in 47 countries. The program at Temple is funded by the Lazier Singer Memorial Fund and Jewish Family Service.

High Holy Days a Busy Time for OTYG

Once again OTYG wrote and led a morning service on Rosh Hashanah and an afternoon service on Yom Kippur. These services are a tremendous amount of work and this year, Samantha Long, OTYG Member-in-Service, did a fantastic job preparing them!

Thank you to our terrific Torah readers: David Anderson, Aaron Bleicher, Hamutal Ginsburg, Nimrod Ginsburg, Chelsea Taxman, Caroline Terry and David Trubnikov; and to Aaron Passer, who blew the shofar.

OTYG also helped Temple Israel with the food drive for the Omaha Area Food Bank. Members gathered to help staple volunteer sheets and organ donation flyers to 750 grocery sacks. OTYG members distributed the sacks on Erev Rosh Hashanah, and collected filled bags on Yom Kippur day. Thanks to everyone who helped with



this wonderful mitzvah, and, of course, to all the congregants who helped fill up the Food Bank truck!

OTYGers (standing, l to r) Caroline Terry, LaShanna Bernstein, Ashley Bernstein, Annie Rips, Max Halsted, (seated) Hamutal Ginsburg and Jackie Neesman practice the group's Rosh Hashanah service with Rabbi Craig Marantz.

Xciting Xbox Xtravagnza

Junior Youth Group got the year off to a fun start with an Xbox competition and sundae-making party. Seventeen seventh and eighth graders joined Advisor Leora Azriel in the youth lounge for a fun-filled afternoon of DDR and motorcycle racing!

The seventh graders competed against the eighth graders. And, when not dancing or racing, everyone made themselves an ice cream sundae.

Check out the rest of the JYG programs for this year:

Return of the Battle of the Sexes

Wednesday, November 30, 5-6 p.m.

Painted Furniture

Wednesday, January 18, 5-6 p.m.

JYG Chavurah in St. Louis

March 3-5

Chocolate Seder

Saturday, April 15, 7 p.m.

Hope you can join us!

Don't miss the most exciting summer of your life!

ARTZA is back

June 25 - July 23, 2006

This amazing trip to Israel is open to all current 9th, 10th and 11th graders.

Find out more at the

ARTZA Information Night

Sunday, October 30

12:30 p.m.

in the JCC auditorium.

Questions?

Contact Lisa Shkolnick, J.C.C. Executive Director,

at 334-6425 or

lshkolnick@jewishomaha.org.

Forget the Cold Weather at Temple's Summer-in-Winter Day

Temple Israel will host Summer-in-Winter Day on Sunday, November 6, during Religious School hours. "Wear your Jewish camp sweatshirts, and we'll make s'mores, learn some Israeli dances and have a song session," promised Lynne Jensen, Temple's Director of Youth and Informal Education. Jewish camp information will be available.

All Temple members are eligible for a \$1,000 Eisenberg campership for their first Jewish camp experience. The Jewish Federation also offers \$500 to all *B'nai Mitzvot* who attend Jewish camps the summer before and the summer after their *Bar* or *Bat Mitzvah*. The Jewish Federation of Omaha also has financial aid scholarships for summer camps, and additionally, some camps themselves offer financial help.



Mother & Daughter Kallah

**November 11-13
at OSRUI, Oconomowoc, WI**

This is a weekend for mothers, grandmothers and aunts, and the girls they love (age 6-13) to sample all that camp has to offer.

A main focus of the *Kallah* will be the creation of a mitzvah project from the Gary Rosenthal Collection. Participants will create a pair of candlesticks for themselves, as well as one to donate to a family in need.

The cost is \$250 per family, which includes lodging, meals and all programming, as well as the mitzvah project.

To register, contact Barbara Gordon at 847-509-0990 ext. 12 or bgordon@urj.org.

Organ Donations: The Ultimate Mitzvah

"It's the ultimate *mitzvah*," believes Ron Brodkey. "God says, 'Choose life!'" Ron pointed out. That tenet transcends through all movements of Judaism, he emphasized.

A college friend of Ron's had a double lung transplant 15 years ago and, later, a kidney transplant. "He bounced back to a normal life," said Ron. Another friend had a kidney transplant, and so did a cousin of his wife, Beth. "This was a wake up call for me," he insisted.

Four years ago, Ron brought the issue of organ donation up before Temple's Social Justice Committee which embraced the idea. Unfortunately, due to illness, the chairman of the project was unable to proceed. So when Ron finished his term on Temple's Board of Trustees in 2003 and was looking for something to do, he took on the project.

Ron became a volunteer with the Nebraska Organ Recovery System (NORS). He was mentored and learned how to put an organ donation program in place at Temple. In September of this year, Ron presented his ideas to Temple's Board of Trustees which "warmly accepted the project," he said. He also talked to Rabbis Aryeh Azriel, Craig Marantz, Mordechai Levin of Beth El Synagogue, and Jonathan Gross of Beth Israel Synagogue.

Everyday, 26 people in America die waiting for an organ donation that isn't

available. Every day, 300 new patients in need of an organ donation are added to the list.

"There is an acute shortage," Ron explained. Those waiting, 89,000 of them in the United States, "would fill up Memorial Stadium" in Lincoln.

At this point, Ron is looking for donors and people who have received a transplant. "We have living testimonials in our congregation," he said. Anyone from an infant to an 80-year-old is eligible to donate one or any number of 60 parts of the body that can be used for organ donation. "It's a decision that should be discussed with your family, lawyer, doctor and your clergy," added Ron. "It should be part of your living will."

"I want volunteers who have a personal interest and/or believe in this program," he said. "They can contact me, (at 334-1700 or ron91336@aol.com), or the Social Justice Committee, to volunteer or if they just want to know more."

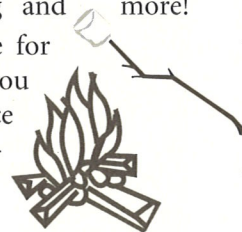
Flyers about the organ donation program were stapled to the grocery bags distributed on Rosh Hashanah for Temple's annual Omaha Food Bank collection. Ron thanked Jonathan Rockman of Industrial Label Corporation who printed the labels on the organ donor brochures that explained how to obtain more information. "This is a long-term educational awareness program," Ron said. "And it's something I'm very passionate about."

OSRUI Prospective Camper Visiting Day!

Sunday, November 13, Noon-4 p.m.

If your child wants to attend camp next summer for the first time, bring the family and spend the day at OSRUI. Enjoy games, singing and more!

There is no charge for the program, but you must make advance reservations. Call 847-509-0990 ext. 25 or email osrui@urj.org.



It's Never Too Early to Plan for Summer Camp

B'nai B'rith Beber Camp

www.bebercamp.com/

Camp Sabra

www.campsabra.com/

Herzl Camp

www.herzlcamp.org/

OSRUI

www.osrui.urjcamp.org/

Shwayder Camp

www.shwayder.com/

Thank You to All Who Participated in the 5766 High Holy Day Services

Our congregation thanks these members who accepted pulpit honors: Doris Alloy, Elyce Azriel, Judy Baker, Amanda Bucher, Len Burrell, Mindy Clark, Mike Erman, Katherine Finnegan, Rick Fox, Bob Freeman, Roz Friedman, Barbara Frohman, Orly Gilat, Adam Goldberg, Cindy Goldberg, Wendy Goldberg, Barry Grossman, Matthew Heyman, Justin Idelman, Joan Kaiman, Gary Kaplan, Sally Kaplan, Beth Katz, Joanie Lehr, John Lehr, Ellen Long, Alissa Manvitz, Joan Marcus, Jon Meyers, Lee Needelman, Harlan Noddle, Kim Noddle, Nancy Noddle, Rebecca Noddle, Sam Noddle, Mike Norton, Danny Pachman, Aaron Parsow, Vicki Perlmeter, Barb Platt, Jonathan Rathsam, Jane Rips, Stacey Rockman, Sarah Schondelmeyer, Jeff Schweid, Mike Silverman, Frank Sklarsky, David Slosburg, Jordan Slutzky, Mike Weinberg, Sam Weinstein, Ilie Willensky, Andi Willensky, Adam Yale and Amee Zetzman.

Thanks also to our ushers: Harry Alloy, Barb Ault, Ron Brodkey, Len Burrell, Justin Cooper, Toby Fellman, Hillary Fletcher, Harry Gates, Paul Gerber, Kevin Gilinsky, Larry Ginsburg, Bruce Goldberg, David Goldberg, George Idelman, Patrick Jensen, Richard Katz, Colleen Kennealy, Manny Kreitstein, Allison Latenser, Denny Lewis, Ellen Long, Todd Manvitz, Howard Marcus, Milton Marcus, Mark Martin, Howard Needelman, Aron Neesman, Dave Noodell, Mike Norton, Lou Pachman, Jeff Passer, Albert Rieder, Craig Saylan, Jeff Skog and Steve Wigodsky.

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Phyllis Roffman, Mimi Rogers-Farkas, Andy Ruback, Teresa Ruback, Suzy Rubin, Sarah Swarts, Bernie Wolf and Julie Wolf.

Our worship this year was enhanced by the melodic voices of: Jaclyn Adelson, Jim Anderson, Elyce Azriel, Tami Field, Tom Friedman, Lonnie Gaul, Barry Grossman, Hannah Grossman, Jill Idelman, Amy Katz, Deb Marburg, Jon Meyers, Marvin Parilman, Jonathan Rathsam, Sarah Schondelmeyer, Jeff Schweid, Sharon Sobel, Patsy Wallace and Taylor Workman; their accompanist, Julie Sandene; and conductor, Jerry Brabec.

And special thank yous to: lay leaders Magda Peck and Mike Walts, David Anderson, Orly Gilat, Gary Kaplan, Sally Kaplan and Dorothy Spizman who so beautifully led our Yom Kippur Service in the Chapel; Rabbi Aryeh Azriel, Orly Gilat, David Jacobson, Gary Javitch and Jonathan Rathsam for their participation in the thought-provoking Ethics Panel; Jim Farber for his eloquence on Yom Kippur; Rita Paskowitz for her engaging storytelling at the Yom Kippur Tot Service; and to those who sounded the shofar: Yaniv Azriel, Len Burrell, Sam Burrell, Josh Danon, Barry Grossman, Hannah Grossman, Noah Grossman, Jordan Kohll, Alex Pachman, Danny Pachman, Aaron Passer and Lauren Sklarsky.

Our Religious School students and faculty are grateful to: Marla Cohen, Tami Field-Gendler, Jill Idelman, Debbie Meiches-Simpson, Susie Norton, Wendy Reiss, Kimberly Robinson and Stacy Simon for bringing the sweetness of the New Year to each classroom with apples and honey.

We greatly appreciate George Eisenberg's funding of the string quartet and harpist whose music added serenity and beauty to our worship.

And to all who brought food donations on Yom Kippur Day, thank you for helping fill the shelves of the Omaha Area Food Bank with 5,407 pounds of food.



Tree of Life

*Commemorating the joyous
moments in families'
and friends' lives.*

The following leaves have been added to the Tree of Life:

To the Perfect Couple!
Judy and Jim Farber
For Their
30th Wedding Anniversary
With All Our Love,
The Family
Happy Birthday!
Roz Friedman
From,
Fran and Louie Blumkin
Harriet Singer

Dereck Torah: Judaism 101 Mondays, 7:30-9 p.m.

Jewish Educational and Library Services (JELS) is offering this course to introduce adult learners to the wealth and richness of Judaism as a religious culture.

JELS Director Guy Matalon will teach the course, which is described as a gateway into Judaism for those exploring spiritual options, and a starting point for Jewish adults looking for a comprehensive course to give them the background to pursue Jewish learning.

Dereck Torah: Judaism 101 will meet November 7 through May 22 at the Kripke Jewish Federation Library. Call the JELS office (334-6446) for class fee and more information.

Temple Tidings - October 21, 2005 13

Congratulations

On the Birth of:
Samuel Chia Schwartz, son of Esther Reed and Mordechai Schwartz. Grandparents are Barbara and Mike Kessler, NJ, Alan Reed, CA, and Ann Kibel Schwartz and Don Schwartz, Baltimore, MD.

On the Engagement of:
Tracy Barnard and Daniel Kasin. Parents are Lynne and Tony Barnard, Mill Valley, CA, and Frankie and Sandy Kasin.

On the Marriage of:
Mr. and Mrs. Michael French. Mrs. French is the former Venus Simon. Parents are Barbara and Gary Goldstein, Basalt, CO, Eve and Fred Simon, the late Pearl Henry, and the late Michael Gwira.

To Ensure
a Future
as Great as its Past,
Remember
Temple Israel
in Your
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All donations received will be placed in the Endowment Fund unless specifically directed otherwise.

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Our Sympathy

The Congregation records with sorrow the deaths of...
Donald Bramar, brother-in-law of Arthur Davidson, and uncle of Mary-Beth Muskin and Doug Davidson;
Adele Hornstein, mother-in-law of Nancy Hornstein, and grandmother of Jill Goldstein, Beth Hornstein, and Joe Hornstein;
Marva Sherman, mother of Marc R. Sherman;
Jaunda Thompson, aunt of Lucille Thompson
...and extends sympathy to their bereaved families.

Healing
Mi Shebeirach, the prayer for physical and emotional healing, is recited at the Friday evening Shabbat service. If you are ill and would like a mi shebeirach 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.

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Your contributions to the following funds ensure the continuation and support of many vital activities of the Temple. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated.
If you wish to contribute to any of these funds at a different level, please advise the Temple staff.
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Cantor Shermet's Discretionary
Executive Director's Discretionary
Prayer Book (\$30 donation)

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