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Worship Services

Friday, January 5
6 p.m.

D'var Torah
Rabbi Debbie Stiel

Saturday, January 6
9:30-10:15 a.m.
"Bagels and Bible"

10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service

Torah Portion: Vayigash
Genesis 44:18-47:27

Friday, January 12
6 p.m.

**Omaha Temple Youth Group
Creative Service of Tolerance**

Saturday, January 13
9:30-10:15 a.m.
"Bagels and Bible"

10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service

Torah Portion: Vayechi
Genesis 47:28-50:26

Friday, January 19
6 p.m.

Family Shabbat Service
**Singer/Songwriter
Judy Caplan Ginsburgh**

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critical activity
for us to grapple with
what "Essence"
we think Temple should have,
because each of us,
along with each member
of our congregation,
has a slightly different view
as to the components that
make up the
collectively-shared
vision of "Temple Israel."

What is this all about? Only our congregation's future!
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Saturday, January 20
9:30-10:15 a.m.
"Bagels and Bible"

10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service

Torah Portion: Shemot
Exodus 1:1-6:1

Friday, January 26
6 p.m.

D'var Torah
Rabbi Debbie Stiel

Saturday, January 27
9:30-10:15 a.m.
"Bagels and Bible"

10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service

Torah Portion: Va'era
Exodus 6:2-9:35

Welcome New Members

Martha and Seth Frishman
Judy and Herbert Kaiman
Vera and Vidariy Levit

Social Justice Fund Endowed

The newly-created **Mel and Genevieve S. Bornstein Social Justice Fund** has been established to enable our congregation to carry out social justice projects.

The Board of Trustees thanks the Bornsteins for their generosity in funding an area of Temple's activities with which they have been so involved.

**Rabbi Aryeh Azriel will
be on Sabbatical during
the month of January.**

AS I SEE IT...

As I am getting ready for my trip to Israel, I examine the see-saw pattern of events in the Middle East with the return of the PLO to unabashed terrorism. I feel somewhat unbalanced in determining: is it good or bad for us? One thing is for sure. History is surprise after surprise. When least expected, events take an astounding turn. Bleak portents become suddenly transformed with hope. The search toward freedom is suddenly undermined by the outbreak of violent ethnic upheaval. Nothing is inevitable. Everything in life is unpredictable.

The good side of history's unpredictability was a grand feature of Biblical theology. Our patriarchs were the foremost believers of their time that history could move forward toward a sublime conclusion. With vibrant optimism they perceived that moral creativity could foster breakthroughs to reverse patterns of seeming inevitability. War was not inevitable, they believed. Injustice was not intrinsic to human affairs.

Their messianic visions judged history's fulfillment to be an infinite task. They repudiated paganism's conviction about a static reality. In their view, the universe was inexhaustible. We can bring change. We can impose progress. We can choose good over evil. Judaism taught, "...And every man shall sit under their vine and fig tree and none

shall make them afraid."

But right now I'm afraid. Or at least, I am set on edge by uncertainty. The Holocaust taught me that in humanity, equal to the power for good, there resides the power for evil.

Some flee from the time's fearful uncertainty into frenzied ideologies of esoteric and mystical salvation. They hide behind theological fantasies. They escape from this world by a refusal to embrace the dynamic, if clouded, moment. They forfeit their responsibility in this world for some far-fetched world of guiltless and lifeless perfection. They call it heaven. Some aspire to live in a world of total non-involvement and non-being. They call it Nirvana. In either place, there is no fear, no questions, no answers.

Right now I am more afraid than not. But, I find resiliency and strength in remembering the response of my ancestors. They possessed confidence in their power to make the right prevail. They determined to do the best they could with God's gifts of mind and spirit. They lived in the cosmic drama of Divine and human creativity. The future ages, they commanded: "Take courage! Look forward! History is a surprise." Surely, I can help to make it a good surprise. My people did it in ages past. Let us try to do it again. Shalom.

Aryeh Azriel

Birthday Blessings

Family Service

January 19 6 p.m.

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

Out of respect for the sanctity
of the Religious Service,
please turn off your pager
and/or cell phone
before entering the
Sanctuary or the Chapel.

Reminder

From December 29 through January 26, Friday Erev Shabbat Services will be at 6 p.m.

"Bagels and Bible"

In the month of January we will be reading from the Book of Micah during our Saturday morning study sessions. Come join us as we learn from this Biblical prophet.

A Note from the Cantor

Jennifer G. Blum

Shabbat Shira – Sabbath of Song – Will Also Honor Temple's Accompanist

At sundown on February 9, we will usher in a very special Shabbat. This Sabbath like many others on our Jewish calendar has a special name. It is also known as *Shabbat Shirah* - the Sabbath of song.

Shabbat Shirah derives its name from the exuberant and majestic song of thanksgiving to God that Moses, Miriam and the Israelites sang after their miraculous crossing of the Sea of Reeds from their Egyptian pursuers. *Shabbat Shirah* is a time for us to become better acquainted with our incomparably rich musical heritage and to introduce more Jewish music into our homes and into our lives. It has become our tradition at Temple to celebrate this Shabbat weekend with a special musical program - this year is no different. Join us as we present Aminadov Aloni's *Hallel*.

Aminadav Aloni was born in Tel Aviv, Israel. Educated at the Haifa Institute of Music, Los Angeles City College, New York University and the Juilliard School of Music, he received first place prizes in national piano competitions and concertized in the United States and Israel. In addition to his accomplishments as a pianist, Mr. Aloni composed extensively for film, television, plays, musicals, and commercials. He wrote over one hundred works of Jewish music, including many complete services, songs and prayers commissioned by synagogues, cantors and individuals. For over 30 years his music enriched the congregation of Valley Beth Shalom in Encino, California where he served as musical director.

The great success of his music is attributable to an unusual blending of talents. He was a superb classical pianist, teacher and classical musicologist, a remarkably creative jazz artist and a highly skilled arranger and conductor. All of this emerges in his impeccable, daring, and sometimes outrageous musical writing, full of light, wit, dance, and poignancy.

This past August, Ami Aloni succumbed after a long battle with cancer. Ami was a quiet, modest person, but his life and accomplishments were truly remarkable. In Ami's last days he expressed his concern with immortality. As Rabbi Schulweis expressed it, Ami's immortality of influence is inextricably bound up with his music, music that has already penetrated the life of many synagogues and which is destined to inspire future generations.

Julie Sandene Marks 10th Year at Temple



As we celebrate the joy of Aloni's special Hallel service, we will also honor Julie Sandene for her remarkable service to our congregation for the past 10 years.

We will have a special opportunity to recognize her for her many years of devotion and dedication.

A gifted teacher and accompanist, Julie has worked as organist and bell choir director at Morning Star Lutheran, Luther Memorial Lutheran, St. Luke's Lutheran and Grace Lutheran churches and has taught extensively in Millard, Westside, and Omaha schools.

An avid organ recitalist, she performs regularly at UNO's Strauss Performing Arts Center, St. Cecilia's Cathedral and other churches.

I hope you will join us for this evening of song, worship, and gratitude.

Torah and Haftarah Trope Adult Education Class

Simchat Torah is a holiday that our Jewish calendar sets aside specifically to honor the wisdom of the Torah. It is unquestionably one of the most joyous celebrations our tradition provides. We literally embrace the Torah, dance with it, and hear its closing and opening phrases chanted with no pause in between. During most of the year, the Torah is treated with delicate reverence. We are careful about how we handle it. We have rules about when the Torah should be covered, how it should be dressed, the manner in which it is chanted, and which blessings are to surround its reading. We touch it only with a *Tallit* or prayerbook as it is carried past us during worship.

Yet, once a year we flout such structured behavior and simply allow ourselves to pass the Torah scroll around for all to handle and celebrate. On *Simchat Torah* we remind ourselves that the Torah's wisdom is not so esoteric and, with the right guidance, can be easily grasped by all of us.

How can we maintain this feeling of accessibility to the Torah during the remainder of the Jewish year?

Learning to chant a portion of Torah allows us to partake of a truly ancient tradition. It is a practical and easy way to explore the Torah's wisdom and to feel close to it. When we read the Torah's words, we become a direct link in a chain that stretches back thousands of years. We become active participants in the most sacred task in Judaism and connect ourselves with the Jewish people past, present, and future.

Beginning January 23, I will be offering a class in the skills of chanting both Torah and Haftarah. Together we will study the ancient melodic sounds of our text as well as the history of cantillation. If you have basic Hebrew reading skills and an ear for music, you will find this course challenging, stimulating and rewarding.

Tuesday mornings 11:00-11:45 a.m. January 23, 30; February 6, 13, 20, 27; and March 6, 13. Call Temple, 556-6536 to register.



Judy Caplan Ginsburgh

Friday evening, January 19, at 6 p.m., Temple Israel will welcome singer/songwriter Judy Caplan Ginsburgh. Judy and her guitarist, David Marler, will join Cantor Blum for an evening of Shabbat worship and song featuring solos and duets. Judy is well known for the innovative and expressive way she combines sign language and music.

Saturday, January 20, at 7 p.m., Judy and David will present a **Havdalah Pajama Concert** for the entire community at the Jewish Community Center. Judy and David will entertain families with an interactive concert of music that encourages participation and instills pride in being Jewish.

The evening will begin with a brief *Havdalah* service led by Judy and the concert will be followed by a bedtime snack.

The concert is best suited for children ten and under and all are encouraged to attend in their pajamas. Judy and David will be wearing theirs!

Judy and David perform over 100 concerts a year throughout North America. Judy has produced 12 recordings and received a Seal of Approval from the National Parenting Center, a Mazel Tov Award and three awards from the Parents Choice Foundation.

All of Judy's recordings will be available for sale following Saturday's concert. We invite you to come and enjoy these two special evenings.

Don't Let Your Brain Hibernate! A Potpourri of Classes Start in January

Hasidism – Tuesday evenings, 7 – 8:30 p.m., beginning January 9, for 10 weeks

Through the reading of Hasidic tales, Professor Guy Matalon, Assistant Professor in the Philosophy and Religion Department at UNO, will help us discover the joy of Hasidic ideology, theology and philosophy.

Jewish Medical Ethics – Wednesday evenings, 7 - 8:30 p.m., beginning January 17, for six weeks

Dr. Howard Needelman, a Temple member and neonatologist as well as Head of the Ethics Committee at Children's Hospital, will lead this Jewish Journey Group. The group will first explore the basics of Jewish medical ethics followed by discussions on some of the current controversies in medicine such as assisted reproduction and abortion.

Who's Afraid of the Dead Sea Scrolls? – Friday mornings, 10 – 11:30 a.m., beginning January 19, for seven weeks

Israeli archeologist and UNO Professor Dr. Rami Arav will talk about the content of Dead Sea Scrolls, the people who wrote them and the community where they were discovered.

Chant That Trope – Tuesday mornings, 11-11:45 a.m., beginning January 23, for ten weeks

Learn to chant Torah with Cantor Jennifer Blum using the system of punctuation and accent marks known as trope. If you have basic Hebrew reading skills and an ear for music, this class is for you! See article on page 3.

The Jewish Way in Death and Mourning – Wednesday evenings – 6:30-7:30 p.m. beginning January 31, for eight weeks.

Rabbi Shlomo Levin, the Director of the Omaha Center for Torah Learning, will help us understand Jewish philosophy of life through an exploration of the Jewish traditions and customs surrounding death, burial and mourning.

Call the Temple office at 556-6536 to register. All classes (except for Jewish Medical Ethics which is free) are \$18 for Temple members and \$25 for non-members.

All classes are sponsored by the Hermene Zweiback Center for Lifelong Jewish learning.

Save the Date – February 2-4 Dr. Adolfo Roitman

Dr. Adolfo Roitman, the Curator of the Shrine of the Book at the Israel Museum in Jerusalem, will be the Scholar-in-Residence for this weekend. The Shrine of the Book houses Israel's collection of the Dead Sea Scrolls and the Bar Kochba Cave of Letters materials. Dr. Roitman's topics for the weekend are:

Friday, February 2, 8 p.m. –
"Who Were the People Who Wrote the Dead Sea Scrolls?"

Saturday, February 3, 9 a.m. –
"The Scrolls and the Shrine: Past and Future"

Sunday, February 4, 10 a.m. –
"The Origins of Evil"

Board Meets to Chart Course

Mitzi Delman

Sunday, November 19, 2000, the Temple Board of Trustees met at Mahoney State Park for an intense all-day planning session to chart the course of Temple Israel into this decade and beyond.

Led by Bob Gordman as facilitator, the board and professional staff shared ideas for long-range planning that included suggestions for immediate action as well as longer-term commitments that Temple should explore.

The morning focused on a discussion of Temple's image and the revitalizing of our mission statement. It was an easy task to identify what has contributed to Temple's success: professional staff, vibrant clergy, and active congregants; a variety of quality programming including educational, religious, spiritual, community-based etc.; a remodeled facility and financial stability, a strong Jewish community.

We discussed what elements make Temple a vital component of members' lives and formulated our "brand-essence." This term encapsulates that critical feature which is at the heart and soul of a group or product. For example, Bob explained that when you think of "the Marines" you probably imagine "elite warrior." The American Red Cross would likely conjure the image of "saving lives."

It was a critical activity for us to grapple with what "essence" we think Temple should have, because each of

us, along with each member of our congregation, has a slightly different view as to the components that make up the collectively-shared vision of "Temple Israel."

We put forth such ideas as, "Temple helps me live a meaningful Jewish life," "helps to serve the needs of the community," "supports Jewish education and identity," "it pursues justice," "it enhances, inspires, enriches, and connects us." Rabbi Azriel used the term, "a holy congregation," not in the overzealous or sanctimonious sense, but in the sense of prayerfulness and consecration. Bob Freeman proposed the words: "impact," "improve," "inspire" and "involve." The discussion was lively as we struggled to articulate this important concept. A definitive mission statement was examined at the December board meeting.

In the afternoon the Board began to look at some of the goals that they want Temple to achieve in the future. It identified the following as areas of concern: the physical space, leadership development, recruitment of professional staff, education, fund-raising and budgeting, programming, and worship.

In small groups, board members were challenged to "think outside the box" as each group was asked to generate at least three new recommendations for one of the aforementioned areas. This brainstorming produced numerous

ideas and suggestions that will be explored.

In order to strengthen our vision, the board agreed that a seven-member committee be formed, each member representing one of the above mentioned topic areas. These people will be leaders who demonstrate a passion for their subject and will address issues of importance to that area. Their role as a planning group will be to examine potential for change and to make recommendations to the board.

Angela Krieger has agreed to serve as chairman for this group. She is currently a vice-president and member of Temple Israel's executive committee and has served as chairman for both the Religious School and the Hermene Zweiback Center for Lifelong Jewish Learning committees.

It was also unanimously agreed by the board that before any changes be made, a systematic in-depth needs assessment of the congregation be conducted. Wendy Goldberg agreed to investigate this process.

This retreat proved to be an important first step in the planning that is paramount to Temple Israel's future. Equally critical is your input and co-operation in the process. Your comments are appreciated and encouraged! Temple's future rests on the strength of this planning, so, as a board, we welcome and invite your interest.

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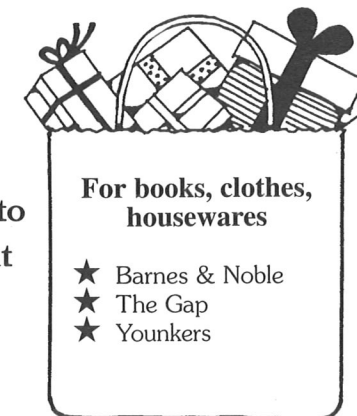
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What's Happening In Religious School

Joan Cooper, Religious School Coordinator

No Religious School January 2, 3, 4
Religious School resumes Sunday, January 7 for grades PK through 6. Family School resumes Tuesday, January 9, Keep-Up on Wednesday, January 10 and the first Thursday of the year will be January 11.

Family Worship Assembly Sunday, January 7
Parents are encouraged to join Religious School for the first family worship assembly of 2001 from 11:30 a.m. to Noon.

Grade 2 Visits the Kripke Federation Library Sunday, January 14
Students will meet at the JCC Library from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Grade 4 Service and Luncheon Saturday, January 27
At 10:30 a.m., Fourth Grade students will conduct a Shabbat morning service that will enable students to apply their study of Hebrew prayers and Bible to actual Jewish worship. A family Shabbat luncheon will provide a wonderful opportunity for Fourth Grade Families to extend their joy. The congregation is invited to attend the Shabbat morning service.

Parent/Teacher Conferences for grades 1-6 Sunday, January 28
1st through 6th grade parents and teachers meet to discuss student progress on a Sunday morning! Families with last names beginning with A - L come from 10 - 11 a.m. Families with last names beginning with M-Z come from 11 a.m. - Noon. This is a "free" make-up day for students IF a parent attends the brief conference.

Grade 2 visits Blumkin Home Sunday, February 4
Students will meet at the Rose Blumkin Jewish home to celebrate Tu B'Shevat with the residents, at 10:15 a.m. Parents are welcome to join.

Torah Tot Classes - New session beginning Friday, February 9
Back by popular demand Torah Tots will be moving to Friday mornings. This special learning time is for parents and their child between the ages of 18-48 months. Classes are from 9:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m. Call 556-6536 for additional information.

Room Parents Add to Chanukah Parties

Congratulations to: Betsy Baker, Michelle Bucher, Jackie Cohn, Katherine Finnegan, Deb Finnicum, Robyn Freeman, Jordana Glazer, Jacquie Gribens, Kathy Hirshman, Amy Katz, Ivy Kohll, Julie Martin, Patricia Newman, Stacey Rockman, Stephanie Saferstein, Lynn Salzinger, Lisa Scheet, and Leslie Slutzky for making this year's Chanukah parties so successful. The students enjoyed your creative efforts and delicious treats! A round of applause and a special "Thank You" on behalf of the students and Religious School teachers.

Thanks From.....

Mr. and Mrs. David Maged for the Uniongrams received on the occasion of their marriage.



Tot Shabbat Services

Friday, February 2

7 p.m. Livingston Chapel

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

Did you know that sitter service is available

- Every Friday evening at the 6 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)

Join the Group - Don't Miss Out!

Seventeen campers have already signed up for OSRUI. Get your application in soon so you can join the following campers: Jake Bleicher, Adam Goldberg, Scott Goldberg, Hannah Grossman, Nate Joseph, Molly Needelman, Alexa Newman, Emily Newman, Michael Nicoara, Benjamin Ozeroff, Joel Passer, Olga Patkovsky, Max Rogers-Marcovitz, Amy Schweid, Becky Smedlund, Chelsea Taxman, and Caroline Terry.

Middle/High School

Footnotes

Elyce Azriel, Director

January is "Intermodules Month" for Middle School

"Intermodules Month" enables students in seventh and eighth grade to choose their own educational path for four weeks. These mini-sessions foster creativity through classes on aspects of Jewish culture, including music, newspaper, social justice and Hebrew.

Students will work with knowledgeable and experienced teachers who will explore and analyze with them.

Cantor Blum will lead a class that will explore various types of music, along with forming a choir to perform at the Rose Blumkin Home.

Elinor Matalon will explore the Hebrew language as a living and modern language.

The Social Justice class will be led by Stephanie Grossman and Rita Paskowitz and will have the opportunity to act on their Jewish values of *tzedakah* and "*tikkun olam*," repairing the world.

Students who choose to participate in the Newspaper intermodule will work closely with Joanie Jacobson, Feature Editor of the Jewish Press "Teen Page," and Deb Marburg.

Bible Quiz

B'nai Brith, along with all Omaha congregational high schools, sponsored a local Bible contest Wednesday evening, December 13 at the JCC. Rabbi Azriel studied with our students to help familiarize them with the assigned books, the Book of Leviticus and Esther.

Representing Temple this year were Keith Graul, Aron Neesman, Sara Rips, Steve Sternberg and Hannah Wolf.

We congratulate the Temple Israel winners: Steve Sternberg, 2nd place, and Aron Neesman, 4th place.

OTYG Presents Service on Tolerance

Steve Sternberg

"Despise no man and consider nothing impossible. For there is no man who does not have his hour and there is nothing that does not have its place."

Shimeon Ben Azzi reflected the spirit of tolerance when he wrote the preceding quote. Tolerance has been a very important idea in Judaism for thousands of years. It is for this reason that OTYG has chosen to do a service on this theme.

The service will bring together views from scholars, our prayer book, and members of our youth group. This service is compiled and led by members of Omaha Temple Youth Group.

Please join us on **Friday, January 12 at 6 p.m.** We look forward to sharing our ideas and visions with you.

Temple Library Book Review

Tamra Willett-Johnson

The Secret Book of Grazia dei Rossi

by Jacqueline Park

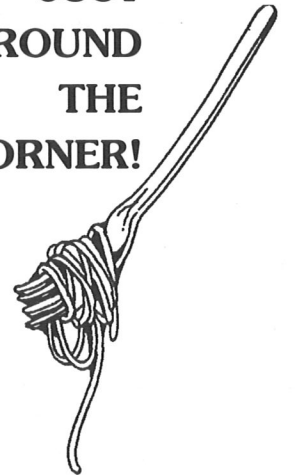
The tale begins in 1526 as Grazia sits down at a palace's desk in Rome. She has just seen her husband, famed healer Judah del Medigo, sail off to take the position of physician to Suleiman the Magnificent. Sharpening a quill and touching it to ink, she begins to write her life story for her young son to read when he is older. And what a book it is!

Renaissance Italy is brought to colorful life as each page details Grazia's life - the food, clothing, rituals, court intrigues, religious fanaticism and family bonds are so deftly described that the era comes to brilliant life.

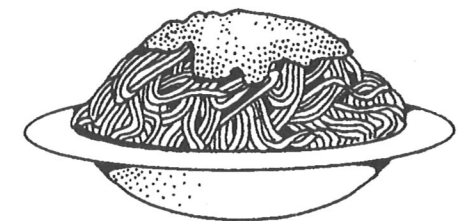
An entertaining read about the Jewish life in the 16th century featuring an engaging heroine.

The Secret Book of Grazia dei Rossi is available in the Temple library.

IT'S
JUST
AROUND
THE
CORNER!



OTYG SPAGHETTI DINNER and AUCTION



Sunday, February 11

5:30 p.m.

**Adults - \$8.00
Children - \$4.00**

An exciting Auction of
goods and services

Proceeds will benefit Camp Rainbow
(for terminally ill children)
and the Omaha Temple Youth Group

Call the Temple office, 556-6536,
by **Monday, February 5**
to make your reservation

If you can donate an item or a service to be auctioned, please contact the Temple office, 556-6536; Stephanie Grossman, Youth Group Director, 556-4596 or Ben Delman, 397-4314

The Road Show Begins!

What a great way to help fund the many projects of the Women of Reform Judaism – while having plain old fun!

Sushi, Anyone?

Saturday, January 13 7:30 p.m.
1207 South 117 Street \$35/person

Wine Tasting

Saturday, January 27 9 p.m.
9743 Fieldcrest Drive \$25/person

Girls Night Out

Wednesday, February 7 7 p.m.
One Pacific Place Club House
103rd and Pacific \$15/person

Right Down Your Alley

Family Bowling Party Sunday,
February 11 1-3 p.m.
Cougar Lanes
3510 South 144 Street \$25/family

All events are open to Temple Israel members and their guests. Send in your reservations and checks, payable to WRJ-O, to Temple Israel, 7023 Cass, Omaha, NE 68132.

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SAVE THE DATE...

TIYPO Game Night

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Saturday, February 24

Join us at Kevin and Linda
Saltzman's house

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7:30 p.m.

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One Couple – Two Faiths

This eight-session workshop is offered to intermarried couples as an opportunity to explore the richness and diversity within the relationship and to develop practical strategies for bridging any differences. Topics such as expectations of parents and extended families, holidays, the religious identity of children, cultural stereotypes, the impact of two faiths on the parents' relationship, and options available within the Jewish community as well as any other topics of special interest to group participants will be discussed.

Facilitators: Sally Kaplan, LCSW, and
Steve Stiel, MSW, PLMHP
Dates: Tuesdays, February 20, 27,
March 6, 13, 20 and 27
Location: Jewish Community Center
Time: 7 – 8:30 p.m.
Fee: \$36.00 per couple

To register, call Jewish Family Service,
330-2024.

UAHC 2001 Adult Study Programs

Youth Workers Conference
February 16-20; Los Angeles, CA

**The Synagogue as a Center For
Healing and Caring Conference**
April 22-23; Colorado Springs, CO

Consultation on Conscience
March 11-13; Washington, D.C.

Meditation Kallah
March 28-April 1; Prescott, AZ

Summer Kallah
June 26-July 1; Roger Williams
University; Bristol, RI
July 17-22; University of California at
Santa Cruz, CA
July 31 to August 5; University of
Colorado; Colorado Springs, CO

Hava Nashirah
May 30-June 3; Oconomowoc, WI

Synagogue Musicians Kallah
June 26 – July 1; Roger Williams
University; Bristol, RI

Para-Rabbinic Fellows Program
July 6-13 and July 20-27; HUC-JIR;
Cincinnati, OH

Mifgash Musicale
July 15-19; UAHC-JIR; Cincinnati, OH

Jewish Educators Kallah
August 1-5; HUC-JIR; Cincinnati, OH

**Outreach Fellows Program for
Conversion Certification**
August 1-5; HUC-JIR; Cincinnati, OH

**12th Annual North American
Jewish Choral Festival**
August 5-8; Ellenville, NY

Call the Temple Office, 556-6536, for
more information on these and other
programs of the UAHC.



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Honoring
Howard Silber
on his 80th Birthday
With love and affection,
Sissy

In Honor of
the 10th Anniversary of
Frances and Sam Fried
Love,
All Your Children and Grandchildren

Bequest

The Board of Trustees was notified that the late Jeanette Nepomnick directed a bequest to our congregation.

We are very grateful for her including Temple Israel in her estate planning.

If you wish information about Temple's endowment program, please call Dorothy Spizman, Executive Director, 556-6536.

Our Sympathy

The Congregation records with sorrow the deaths of:

Burton Sapoznick, uncle of Elyce Azriel;

Sylvia Sara Jaeger, mother of Stan Jaeger;

Mildred Solomon, grandmother of Joan Cooper;

Ruth Liebenstein, mother of Iris Ricks;

Sidney Gorelick, brother of Edwin Gorelick and uncle of Martha Slosburg;

Anthony Crabb, brother of Ian Crabb;

Louise Grant, sister of Angela Krieger;

Ben Rifkin, husband of Helen Rifkin, father of David, Gary and Tom Rifkin and brother of Paul Rifkin;

Betsy Fredricks Levine, wife of Thomas Levine, daughter of Arlene and David Fredricks, sister of Alan Fredricks and daughter-in-law of Maria Gallner

and extends sympathy to their bereaved families.

Congratulations

On the Birth of:

Max Lewis Kushner, son of Julie and Timothy Kushner. Grandparents are Jolene and John Corbin, Lincoln, NE, and Barbara and Marshall Kushner. Great-grandparents are Herbert Uhing and the late Mildred Uhing, Craig, NE, Janice Corbin and the late John Corbin, Oakland, NE, the late Eva and Meyer Ruback and the late Dorothy and Max Kushner.

Zachary Epstein Poscover, son of Randi and Michael Poscover, Chesterfield, MO. Grandparents are Lois and Mel Epstein and Maury and Lorrie Poscover, St. Louis, MO. Great-grandparents are Dave and Jeanne Dvorkin.

Nehemiah Maximilian Kohll, son of Janet and David Kohll. Grandparents are Virginia and Chester Stefanski and Sandra and Marvin Kohll. Great-grandmother is Leona Cohn.

Jeremy Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Green. Grandparents are Andrea and Irv Green, Asheville, NC. Great-grandparents are Pearl and Jerry Gross.

Abigail Carolyn O'Keefe, daughter of Karen and Pat O'Keefe, Washington, D.C. Grandparents are Connie and Bob Kully, and Judy and John Warne, Evergreen, CO.

Abigail Rose Siegel, daughter of Jackie and Richard Siegel, Denver, CO. Grandparents are Fefe Passer and the late Jerry Passer, and Clarie Siegel and the late Arthur Siegel, Florida.

On the Engagement of:

Jennifer Ricks and Ken Zeidman. Parents are Sandi and Marc Scholnick, Long Beach, CA, Iris and Marty Ricks, and Zelda and Jerry Zeidman, Portland, OR.

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.

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Donations That Remember and Honor Family and Friends

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IN HONOR OF RECOVERY OF: Alan Cohen: Sandy and Paul Epstein, Barbara and Dean Frankel, Leona Kasin, Jeanie and Sherm Neff, Jay Noddle family, Nancy and Harlan Noddle, Jerry Slusky; **Lottie Colick:** Yvette Roffman; **Jack Diamond:** Doris and Milton Parker; **Mike Erman:** Silvia and Larry Roffman; **Anne Joseph:** David Krantz, Doris and Milton Parker; **Sol Kass:** Sharon, George, Michelle and Adam Quittner; **Marty Lehr:** Barbara and Marshall Kushner; **Rose Levine:** Selma and Is Tretiak; **Jenny Meyerson:** Renee and Sandy Kasner, Joie Simon, Speedy Zweiback; **Larry Roffman:** Doris and Harry Alloy, Margie Alperson, Phyllis and Harvey Aronson, Debbie and Dennis Baack, Jackie and Gary Christensen, Pam and Dennis DePorte, Sandy and Paul Epstein, Dee Fox, Frances and Sam Fried, David Goodman, Pearl and Jerry Gross, Adele Hornstein, Renee and Sandy Kasner, Debra and Johannes Koch, Barbara and Marshall Kushner, Louise and Reuben Lippett, Fritz Luetschuetz and family, Sally and Ed Malashock, Roie and Bernie Meyers, Fran and Jerry Milder, Lee and Howard Needelman, Jeanie and Sherm Neff, Nancy and Harlan Noddle, Mrs. Ernest A. Nogg, Gwen and Ray Pred, Dodi and Steve Redler, Yvette Roffman, Charney and Jerry Rosinsky, Linda and Kevin Saltzman, Rosalie and Ernie Saltzman, Eve and Fred Simon, Margie and Marlon Somberg, Selma and Is Tretiak, Andi, David, Amy and Allie Willensky, Speedy Zweiback; **Beth Schrager:** Speedy Zweiback; **Marlon Somberg:** Barbara and Marshall Kushner; **Edye Vitek:** Dora and Mark Goldstrom, Judy and Buddy Roffman, Yvette Roffman, Jerry and Jay Slusky and Gretchen Long; **Rabbi Barry Weinstein:** Phyllis and Dick Glazer, Joanie and Marty Lehr

IN HONOR OF BIRTHDAY OF: Walter Appel, Jr.: Gen and Mel Bornstein; **Lillian Ban:** Barbara and Dean Frankel; **Lucille Brodkey:** Jim Friedman, Babe and Leo Nogg; **Betty Fisher:** Rita Rosen; **Alice Ann Gilinsky:** Anne and Alan Cohen; **Sylvia Kaiman:** Samuel Karlin; **Sandy Kasner:** Barbara and Gary Goldstein; **Marvin Kohll:** Suzy

Rubin; **Susie Landow:** Renee and Mo Handleman; **Marty Lehr:** Sharon and Howard Kooper, Silvia and Larry Roffman; **Howard Marcus, Jack Noodell:** Joan and Milton Marcus; **Jerry Rosinsky:** Soralee and Jerry Cohn, Dodi and Steve Redler; **Marvin Taxman:** Millie and Harold Bernstein, Suzy Rubin, Judy and Howard Vann

IN HONOR OF ANNIVERSARY OF: Joanne and Jerry Freeman: Sophie Freeman; **Frances and Sam Fried:** Silvia and Larry Roffman, Sissy and Howard Silber; **Alice Ann and Harry Gilinsky:** Anne and Alan Cohen; **Nancy and Harlan Noddle:** Carol and Steve Bloch; **Beverly and Millard Seldin:** Soralee and Jerry Cohn, Eve and Fred Simon

IN HONOR OF BIRTH OF: Grandchild of Carol and Steve Bloch: Jerry Slusky; **Charles Parker Cohen, Noah James Hale:** Renee and Mo Handleman; **Yarden and Maya Mor:** Jean Epstein, Dora and Mark Goldstrom; **Abigail O'Keefe:** Margo and Steve Riekes; **Grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Noddle:** Jerry Slusky; **Abigail Rose Siegel:** Phyllis and Harvey Aronson

IN HONOR OF ENGAGEMENT OF: Jennifer Ricks and Ken Zeidman: Lois and Joel Finkel

IN HONOR OF B'NAI MITZVAH OF: Nicholas Laudin: Toby Fellman, Sharon Sobel and Jeff Schweid; **Chelsea Taxman:** Margo and Jay Parsow

IN HONOR OF CONVERSION OF: Ken Below: Lee and Howard Needelman

IN HONOR OF RETIREMENT OF: Ron Brodkey: Barbara and Dean Frankel

IN HONOR OF HOMECOMING OF: Rosie Zweiback and Mace Hack: Barbara and Dean Frankel, Jay Noddle family

IN HONOR OF AKSARBEN HONOR: Phil Schrager: Speedy Zweiback

CHANUKAH GREETINGS: Patricia and Jeff Newman: Emily and Bobby Newman

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			JANUARY 3 No Religious School	4 Adult Study with the Rabbis 10-11:30 a.m. No Religious School Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class 7-9 p.m. Kol Rina Choir 7-9 p.m.	5 Shabbat Service 6 p.m.	6 Bagels and Bible 9:30-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.
7 Religious School Pre-Kindergarten-Grade 6 10-Noon Spirituality in Judaism 10-11:30 a.m. Family Prayer Assembly 11:30 a.m. OTYG Pizza Fundraiser 12 Noon	8	9 Family School 6:15-8:15 p.m. WRJ Executive Committee 6:30 p.m. and WRJ Membership Meeting @ Rockman's Home 7 p.m. Hasidism Class 7-8:30 p.m. AA, Alanon & Gamblers 12-Step 7:30 p.m.	10 Midrashah 10-Noon Religious School & Dinner Hebrew Club 5-6 p.m. Grades 7-12 6-8:30 p.m.	11 Adult Study with the Rabbis 10-11:30 a.m. Religious School Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m. Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class 7-9 p.m. Kol Rina Choir 7-9 p.m.	12 Torah Tots 9:30-11:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 6 p.m.	13 Bagels and Bible 9:30-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.
14 Religious School Grades Pre-Kindergarten- Grade 1 and Grades 3-6 10-Noon Grade 2 @ Federation Library 10:30-11:30 a.m. Temple Tones 12-12:30 p.m.	15	16 Family School 6:15-8:15 p.m. Hasidism Class 7-8:30 p.m. Board of Trustees Meeting 7:30 p.m. AA, Alanon & Gamblers 12-Step 7:30 p.m.	17 Religious School JYG Dinner 6-6:30 p.m. Grades 7-11 6:30-8:30 p.m. Jewish Medical Ethics 7-8:30 p.m.	18 Adult Study with the Rabbis 10-11:30 a.m. Religious School Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m. Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class 7-9 p.m. Kol Rina Choir 7-9 p.m.	19 Torah Tots 9:30-11:15 a.m. Dead Sea Scrolls Class 10-11:30 a.m. Shabbat Comes to You @ Livingston Plaza 3:45 p.m. Shabbat Service 6 p.m.	20 Bagels and Bible 9:30-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.
21 Religious School Pre-Kindergarten-Grade 6 10-Noon Temple Tones 12-12:30 a.m.	22	23 Trobe Class 10-11:45 a.m. Family School 6:15-8:15 p.m. Hasidism Class 7-8:30 p.m. AA, Alanon & Gamblers 12-Step 7:30 p.m.	24 Midrashah 10-Noon Religious School Hebrew Club 5-6 p.m. OTYG Dinner 6-6:30 p.m. Grades 7-12 6:30-8:30 p.m. Jewish Medical Ethics 7-8:30 p.m.	25 Adult Study with the Rabbis 10-11:30 a.m. Religious School Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m. Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class 7-9 p.m. Kol Rina Choir 7-9 p.m.	26 Torah Tots 9:30-11:15 a.m. Dead Sea Scrolls Class 10-11:30 a.m. Shabbat Service 6 p.m.	27 Bagels and Bible 9:30-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.
28 Parent/Teacher Conferences Grades 1-6 10-Noon	29	30 Trobe Class 11-11:45 a.m. Family School 6:15-8:15 p.m. Hasidism Class 7-8:30 p.m. AA, Alanon & Gamblers 12-Step 7:30 p.m.	31 Religious School Grades 7-11 6:30-8:30 p.m. Death and Mourning Class 6:30-7:30 p.m. Jewish Medical Ethics 7-8:30 p.m.	FEBRUARY 1 Adult Study with the Rabbis 10-11:30 a.m. Religious School Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m. Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class 7-9 p.m. Kol Rina Choir 7-9 p.m.	2 Ministers' Institute 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Tot Shabbat 7 p.m. Shabbat Service 8 p.m.	3 Bagels and Bible 9:30-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m. Bat Mitzvah of Caroline Terry