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- Rabbis' Discretionary Fund
- Education Fund
- Temple Future Fund
- Harold Garber Memorial Fund
- Heritage-Museum Fund
- Library Fund
- Edna and Adolf Mayer Memorial Fund
- NFTY Fund Temple Youth Group Organ Fund
- Charles Rosenstock Memorial Fund

Gifts of inscribed prayerbooks are available at \$10 each.

Your contribution will be handled promptly by the Temple staff. There is a \$2 minimum for each card sent.

CONTRIBUTIONS MADE TO SPECIAL TEMPLE FUNDS:

- IN HONOR OF:
- Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Brookstein.
 - Birthday of James Farber.
 - Birthday of Paul Goldstein.
 - 50th Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rice.
 - Birth of Gregory Bryan Soshnik.
 - Marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Tauchner.

- FOR THE RECOVERY OF:
- Manning Handler, Mrs. Iz Weiner.

- IN MEMORY OF:
- Grace Bernstein, Sarah Levin, Helen Neff, Albert Schwarz II, Ed Shapiro, Mr. Stamm, Irma Wolf, Mildred Wolf.

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- IN MEMORY OF:
- Mrs. D. David Neff
 - Brad Sperling

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Yahrzeits

Kaddish will be recited for the following departed loved ones whose names are inscribed for perpetual tribute on the Memorial Tablets of our Congregation:

January 18, 1974

- Sarah Milder
- Harry H. Priesman
- Samuel Mandelson
- Minnie E. Spiesberger
- Augusta Rothholz
- Sam Wertheimer, Sr.
- David Markel

January 25, 1974

- Fanny Spiesberger
- M. David Brodkey
- Herman Micky Krupinsky
- Ruth G. Malashock
- J. L. Brandeis
- Ignatz Moskovitz
- Julius Samuel Schiff
- Moses Seth Logasa

Thanks from Mark Dann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerold Dann, for the Marcia and Richard Krasne, children of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Krasne, for the Uniongrams received in honor of their Bar and Bat Mitzvahs.

OUR SYMPATHY

The Congregation records with sorrow the deaths of

JESSE LEVIN
husband of Esther Levin
father of Dr. Hugh Levin

BERNARD MAWRENCE
brother of Silvert Mawrence

and extends sympathy to their bereaved families.

HONORED AT SABBATH SERVICES

December 28, 1973

- Candle Blessing Mrs. Alvin Ross
- Kiddush Alvin Ross
- Torah Blessing Abe Rosenthal
- Torah Blessing Rabbi Joel Epstein

January 4, 1974

- Candle Blessing Mrs. Phillip Spizman
- Kiddush Steven Dloogoff
- Torah Blessing Milton Moskovitz
- Torah Blessing Phillip Spizman

PULPIT ARRANGEMENTS

December 28

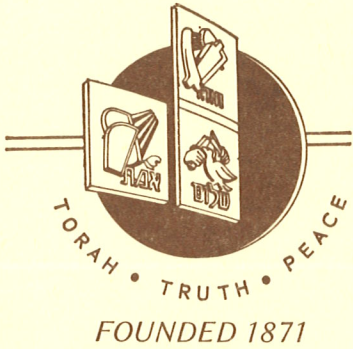
In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Sarah Jane Ross.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January	
16	No Coffee with the Rabbi
19	Couples Club Serendipity Supper at Temple... 7:30 p.m.
20	Men's Club Brunch 10:00 a.m.
22	Confirmation Class 4:30 p.m.
23	Coffee with the Rabbi 10:00 a.m.
27	Men's Club Chess Tournament..... 1:30 p.m.
29	Confirmation Class 4:30 p.m.
30	Sisterhood Study Classes
	First of series of six 10:00 a.m.
February	
3	Gift Shop Open 10:00-noon

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IT SEEMS TO ME

A Personal Message from Rabbi Brooks

Who Knows One?



No, I'm not thinking about Pesach, but rather what comes first in our personal values.

We are living through days of swift change. Now something new has been added in larger proportions than that to which we are accustomed. I think of shifting priorities.

The daily news tells us of rising prices, material and energy shortages, and limitations on our mobility. No doubt, more changes in our way of life between this time of my writing and your time of reading will have taken place. Many to whom I talk feel threatened. Others do not. What makes the difference?

I think the key to much of happiness and adjustment in life is the continued on page 2

SIDNEY H. BROOKS, M.H.L., D.D.
Rabbi

Barry L. Weinstein, M.A.H.L.
Assistant Rabbi

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, January 18
8:15 p.m. Sabbath Evening Services

"IF YOU ASK ME"

What Rabbis Think Of and With Each Other

Rabbi Sidney H. Brooks and Rabbi Barry L. Weinstein
in Dialogue with each other and with you.

Reflections on the Meeting of the
Midwest Association of Reform Rabbis

SABBATH COFFEE HOUR

Saturday Morning, January 19
11:00 a.m. Sabbath Morning Services

Bar Mitzvah of
DANIEL BUCHALTER, son of
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hancock

Friday Evening, January 25
8:15 p.m. Sabbath Evening Services

RABBI BARRY L. WEINSTEIN
will speak on

"WHAT IS THE MEANING OF PEOPLEHOOD?"

SABBATH COFFEE HOUR

Saturday Morning, January 26
11:00 a.m. Sabbath Morning Services

Bar Mitzvah of
PHILLIP GINSBURG, son of
Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Ginsburg

IT SEEMS TO ME

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ability to rearrange one's priorities. They cannot always be the same. At different stages of life, our priorities perform must be rearranged. Number one at a particular stage of life falls far beneath at a later date.

So we will learn to live within an ever-changing context of life style. Which may be all to the good. Perhaps we will rediscover our homes, a bit of family relaxation and comradeship. Perhaps we will learn that we do not have to traverse the city or the nation or the world to be amused. And when we do travel it will be all the more exciting.

In the matter of acquiring new things: cars, clothes, luxuries of all sorts, it might be all to the good to learn that what we once thought dispensable is now number one again. That old rag, the creaky car, the time worn possession may do very nicely for a bit longer. And if that makes the difference between happiness and depression of spirit, then we'd better ask: "Who knows one?"

Because in any case, number one is life, life with health and loved ones, home and stable relationships, just knowing the people we care about are there. That's the blessing of God. That's first in any situation. That's stable, healthy and good.

Who knows one? One God of the world, a world of sensible priorities: peace and love and life and health.

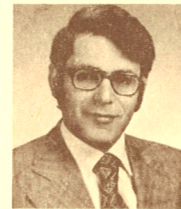
So we'll do without some things. And we'll be the better for it. I hope so. Don't you?

ALL MEMBERS OF TEMPLE ISRAEL
ARE INVITED TO TOUR THE
NEW JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER
132nd between Dodge and Pacific
Sunday, January 27th
1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

IF YOU WERE IN OUR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL . . .

by Rabbi Barry L. Weinstein

Hellos and Goodbyes!



Those of you who have been reading this column know that from time to time I introduce new members of our faculty to you.

This year we have been privileged to have several new teachers join our staff, and I would like you to know who they are, and their roles in our school.

Mrs. Barbara Levitan has joined our school as Kindergarten teacher, and Mrs. Jacqueline Covenko has become part of our staff as First Grade teacher.

Mrs. Micki Rubin is our new Third Grade teacher. Mr. Arnold Weintraub is our new teacher on Saturdays of Grades 8-9.

Each of these teachers has had extensive experience teaching in public or religious schools, as well as having served as substitute teachers in our own school. Mrs. Covenko is presently also teaching at Boys Town, and Mr. Weintraub is a member of the faculty of Omaha's Central High School.

Both Mrs. Levitan and Mrs. Rubin have professional experience as teachers prior to joining our staff, in

public and religious school education.

Earlier this year I introduced Mrs. Gail Verlin, our Junior Choir Director, to you and since then many of you have personally become acquainted with her and her fine leadership of our religious school choir.

Each of these new members of our faculty exemplifies the highest degrees of excellence in devotion to Judaism and in their abiding concern and warmth for our children.

I know you join me in welcoming each of them and I am certain you will want to become better acquainted as our school year progresses. Together with our entire staff and Rabbi Brooks and myself, each of them is available to you for your questions or suggestions.

But I must also reluctantly add these introductory greetings of welcome a note of farewell to Mrs. Jolene Thompson, one of our Fourth Grade teachers. Jolene and her husband, Allen, and their children are moving from Omaha, and therefore we are regretfully losing her as our teacher. To Jolene, on behalf of all her students and their parents, I express our deepest thanks for the excellence with which she served our congregation and school. And to both Jolene and Allen I would express gratitude for all their help and support in every aspect of our congregation.

The dedication of each of our teachers to the education of our children is clear and deep. Now it is for you to provide a similar environment within your home, for without your support our work shall not be complete.

And now that you have become "formally" introduced, I hope you will feel free to become better acquainted with each of our teachers and their work. As you do so, I am certain you will discover why I am proud of our entire faculty and feel privileged to serve our school together with them.

Couples Club Extends Good Will to Staff at Hospital

The success of the Couples Club's program to relieve non-medical employees at Lutheran Hospital during Christmas is evidenced in the following letter.

"Please express our deep appreciation to the Temple Israel volunteers who worked here at Lutheran Medical Center Christmas evening and Christmas day.

We've heard many good comments about the work you undertook — how efficiently you organized and managed it all.

Thanks so much — and we'd love to make a date now for the same help next year. We'll plan well in advance and find even more ways you can help, if your group would like us to.

Again — thanks — from all of us!

Kay Currey, Director
Public Relations"



Mr. and Mrs. Robert Krasne and Mrs. Martin Warren man the Gift Shop at Lutheran on Christmas.

Men's Club's Varied Program to Include Topical Breakfast and Chess Tournament

Temple Men's Club will hold Breakfast with the Rabbi on Sunday, January 20 at 10:00 a.m. at which time Mr. Howard Weinstein will be the guest speaker.

Mr. Weinstein, Plains States Regional Director of B'nai B'rith Anti Defamation League, will speak on "Anti-Semitism and the Energy Crisis."

He is well-known in the Omaha area, having come to this city in October of 1972. He is a native of Chicago, and has attended the University of Chicago and University of Colorado. He started his association with B'nai B'rith in Denver. His present coverage area is Nebraska, Iowa, and parts of Missouri, Kansas and South Dakota.

Howard Covenko, chairman of the Breakfasts, said guests are invited.

Men's Club is sponsoring a Chess Tournament in the Temple Social Hall on Sunday, January 27th at 1:30 p.m. The tourney is open to all. There will be special age categories for children. Trophies will be presented to the winners.

The Men's Club Dads' and Kids' ice skating night Dec. 30th at the Benson rink proved fun in spite of the below zero weather. Our thanks to Milt Moskovitz for all the arrangements.

Please send in your Men's Club dues as soon as possible \$10.00 this year.

For you skiers, we're interested in knowing if you'd like a Sunday afternoon, before mid-February, at Crescent, Iowa. Approximately \$8.50 for adults and \$5.00 for kids, including tows and equipment. Call Marty Warren at 334-1618 if you'd enjoy this kind of outing.

Congratulations . .

On The Wedding of:

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Richard Tauchner. Mrs. Tauchner is the former Miriam Irma Brooks, daughter of Rabbi and Mrs. Sidney H. Brooks. Mr. Tauchner is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Abraham P. Tauchner of Rego Park, N.Y.

RABBI LEADS STUDY GROUP

"The Philosophy and Varieties of Practice in Reform Judaism" will be the topic of a Sisterhood study group led by Rabbi Sidney H. Brooks.

Beginning on January 30th at 10:00 a.m., and running for six weeks, the session will deal with contemporary reform thought, comparison with the traditional movements, and the direction Reform Judaism is taking.

Couples Club invites you to their Serendipity Supper

Saturday, January 19
7:30 p.m.
Temple Social Hall
\$5 per couple

Gail Verlin will lead
Israeli folk songs

R.S.V.P.
Sharon Weintraub, 333-3483
Michelle Dloogoff, 334-1211