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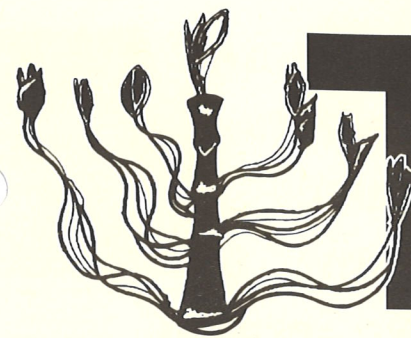
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Temple Israel Tidings

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Turning the Torah...

A few months ago, the American Jewish World Service (AJWS) presented an award to President Bill Clinton for his ongoing commitment to social justice. As part of his remarks, he noted that some Africans have an interesting response to the question, "How are you?" Instead of a trite 'fine' or 'ok,' some respond, "I see you."

Last month, we came together during the High Holidays. I'm sure that each of us, in our individual way, took the challenges of the holidays seriously. We forgave others while also seeking forgiveness. And of course, we prayed to have a year of life, blessing and peace.

In my Yom Kippur sermon, I challenged us to stand not just with each other but **for** each other. If the Yom Kippur Torah portion teaches me anything, it's that we cannot show compassion only to those in our 'social networks.' To re-interpret Clinton's words, we need to see each other.

During my last year of rabbinical school, I worked with Jews for Justice (JFJ) to learn the art of community organizing. Its central principle is that at its heart, social justice work is not about volunteering, money, time, or specific causes. It is about relationships. As I've learned to say, "People, not programs."

Last year, Temple Israel used the theme of "Sh'ma Temple Israel: Many

Voices, One Congregation." Now it is time for us to follow through with some of our thoughts from the High Holidays. It is time to 'hear' each other!

Several months ago, a leader from OTOC (Omaha Together One Community) came to Temple to facilitate a training with some of our members. We learned that community organizing is centered on individual meetings, sometimes called "one-on-ones." In those meetings, the only agenda is to learn about the other person. What in their private lives makes them do what they do in their public lives? What does a meaningful life look like to this person? What really upsets this person? There is an art to these meetings, but there are also skills that all of us can benefit from.

Perhaps not surprisingly, the best way I can convey to you the energy, spirit and wisdom that is shared during these meetings is to actually have one; writing about it would be like talking about a music performance. Sometimes, you just have to "be there."

Eventually, it is our hope that this endeavor will lead to a large-scale social action project, one that will capture the hearts, minds and interests of our congregants. "People, not programs." In following through with this process, we are **not** going to decide what is best for

our temple members. You are.

The "goal" of these relational meetings is really two-fold. On the one hand, we are trying to find shared stories. These can be shared passions, family situations, familial memories, common causes, similar senses of unfairness, etc. Secondly, and by no means minorly, we will really "see" each other.

Perhaps this story can help convey what other words cannot: After my internship with JFJ, I worked with a small congregation in Brooklyn to help start a one-on-one campaign. At the training, a woman demonstrated a 1-1 meeting in front of everyone else. After only fifteen minutes someone raised her hand and said, "Helen. I have known you for fifteen years. Our kids are in Hebrew School together. We live nearby each other. I feel like I know more about you now than in the past fifteen years."

This transformative process is exactly what we are about – as human beings, as Jews, and as members of Temple Israel. I hope that you get in touch with me to find out more about this exciting venture that we have only just begun. Once started, we will begin to see each other with clearer eyes. And, we will act upon our vision.

Eric Linder



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KNOW THYSELF; KNOW THY NEIGHBOR

Same Old Song

Jon Meyers, President

Way back....WAY BACK when our Cantor was a Hazzan...I was just passing through the Social Hall on a Sunday afternoon. My friend Jon Bleicher called to me, "Hey Meyers, come over here and sing with us." I laughed. This was choir rehearsal with about eight or ten people led by Erik Contzius. I protested, "I CAN'T sing let alone read music." I then explained that I had only read music for one semester in the fourth grade. I was going to play the saxophone, but after four brutal months of my complete inability to master the eight note scale, my parents lovingly persuaded me to find another hobby. The choir all told me I did not need to read music. Now before you get the wrong idea about Kol Rina (our volunteer choir), please understand that most in the choir DO read music...including Wendy! Well, for three Cantors and nine years, I've been singing with the basses. I've actually learned to read music and can carry a tune as long as I have a strong voice next to me to mimic. Our choir is *exceptional* in spite of the fact that I sing, too! It has been a lot of work, but most of all it's been a LOT OF FUN!

There are so many ways to be involved at Temple. Just browse our website (www.templeisrael-ne.org) - the opportunities are there for the taking. Of course, there are all of the committees that do so much of the work of the congregation: Informal Education, Adult Education, Religious School, Social Justice, Outreach, Chavurah groups, WRJ, Men's Club, OTYG, Golf Outing, Worship, Torah Study, Finances...the list goes on and on. I, along with many of my predecessors, have implored you all to have passion to do what is right. To help repair the world. That still rings true. But maybe this year, look for something that is just plain fun. Any one of the aforementioned can provide enjoyable activities. Play golf or softball with fellow congregants. Travel to a regional or national Biennial. Go to dinner; attend musical programs; join a Tri-Faith book group; attend the Thanksgiving Interfaith Service; come to Purim and act silly; go to the park or JCC pavilion with the Youth Group. These activities can really be good fun. This list also goes on and on. These are great ways to spend quality family time. You might also attend alone and enjoy Temple family whom you may not know.

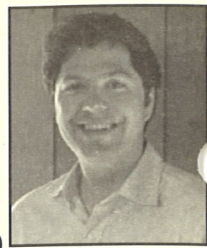
Temple life and being a good Reform Jew is serious stuff. But it can be fun. Enjoy yourself. All work and no play makes for unhappy people. On the other hand, happy people are productive people. I've got a secret to share. Your involvement in fun activities may actually lead to more serious stuff. But if I told you that, I'd just be singing the *same old song*...what else would you expect from a President who is also in the choir?

Your Favorite Hebrew Blessings are Just a Click Away

If you've been invited to do an *aliyah* and want to be "in tune," or if you're helping your *Bar* or *Bat Mitzvah* child learn the melodies of prayers, Cantor Wendy Shermet is "on call 24/7." Just visit Temple's website at www.templeisrael-ne.org and click on Cantor's Classroom under Quick Links (lower right corner on the home page).

You'll soon have access to Cantor Shermet singing or reading everything from "Adon Olam" to "Sim Shalom." You can even listen to the prayers and see the words on your computer screen at the same time. If you prefer, you can print the blessings and prayers in Hebrew with translations or transliterations.

Rabbi Josh Zweiback Returns "Home" to



Give Sermon Friday, October 12 7:30 p.m.

Rabbi Josh Zweiback, who now serves Congregation Beth Am in Los Altos Hills, CA, will be back "home" at Temple Israel, "his first congregation." He has been invited to give the *d'var Torah* (sermon) at the Shabbat worship service. The title of Rabbi Zweiback's *d'var* is: "That We May Make a Name for Ourselves: The Tower of Babel and the Evil Inclination."

New Fund To Be Used For Leadership Development

Sue and Dave Meyers have established the Jon Meyers Leadership Development Fund to honor their son Jon as President of Temple's Board of Trustees. "We are very proud of him," said Sue Meyers. "We wanted to honor him with something that he would be proud of, and I happen to think you learn a lot and bring new ideas back home by attending conventions."

The fund will be used to train Temple Israel members to serve as congregational leaders by subsidizing costs of attending programs and conferences, by bringing in speakers to address leadership issues and for training and development materials.

20th Annual Klutznick-Harris Symposium "Jews and the Environment" Sunday, October 28

At the Jewish Community Center

Monday, October 29

At Creighton University

Speakers include two of Israel's leading environmentalists, executive directors of prominent Jewish environmental organizations, scholars and rabbis. For more information, contact Fran Minear, 280-2303 or fminear@creighton.edu or Dr. Leonard Greenspoon, ljgrn@creighton.edu.

Cantor Lisa Levine To Be Temple's Guest Friday, November 9, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, November 10, 9:15 a.m.

As a guest at the Shabbat worship service on Friday, Cantor Lisa Levine, interim cantor of Temple Sinai of Stamford, CT, will sing songs of her original music with Cantor Wendy Shermet and *Kol Rina*.

Originally from Bakersfield, CA, Cantor Levine began singing and playing the guitar when she was eight. "All the country western stars used to come into my father's pawn shop," she said, sparking her interest in music. She was a UAHC (Union of American Hebrew Congregations now called the Union for Reform Judaism) camp song leader during her college years and was active in the Reform Jewish youth movement while in high school. After earning her bachelor's degree in music from the University of California at Irvine, she continued her education at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in New York completing her master's degree in sacred music. She was invested as a cantor in 1989.

Cantor Levine has served congregations in Dallas, TX; Des Moines, IA; Kansas City; and Baltimore, MD. While in Des Moines, she co-founded and was a guest conductor of an interfaith community choir.

She recorded a music CD for the High Holy Days for Iowa Public Radio and has released numerous original musical compositions including a solo album entitled "Reaching for Peace" in March 2005. "Soulful Shabbat," a collection of Cantor Levine's songs from her Friday evening services, written for interfaith and outreach, was published last summer. Check out her website at www.cantorlisalevine.com.

"My Songs for the Jews of Cuba" was released last fall and features Cantor Levine's favorites from concerts sponsored by congregational missions to Havana in 2006 and 2007. All proceeds from the CD go to B'nai B'rith Cuban Jewish Relief Fund.

Co-creator and author of "Yoga Shalom," a unique Jewish spiritual worship experience, Cantor Levine has introduced the concept at conferences with great success. She'll present it on Saturday morning at Sparks Beneath the Surface at Temple Israel.

Looking Back Fifty Years and Moving Forward

Temple was "more traditional Reform" when Jack Cohen was as a young man. Very little Hebrew was spoken then. Jack grew up at Temple attending Religious School at the Park Avenue Synagogue. "Rabbi (Lou) Silberman was here when I was confirmed," Jack said.

Over the years, Jack served on the Temple Board of Trustees as vice president at one time. Currently, he is president of Temple Bat Yam in Sanibel, FL, where he and his wife Marcia spend a large part of each year.

The Cohens have six children: Gary and Sally Cohen, Julie and Mark Martin, Lynne and Mike Bonham, whom all live in Omaha. The Cohens' other children include Julie Rochman of Washington, D.C., Daniel and Sayaka Rochman of Japan, and Michael and Tammy Rochman of Sacramento, CA. Jack and Marcia also have 11 grandchildren.

Jack said he's remained a member of Temple Israel for all these years simply because "I like Judaism. I've always enjoyed Temple and the pleasant feeling when I'm at Temple. I've enjoyed our various rabbis, and I feel a lot of friendship from Rabbi Azriel. I enjoy his approach to Judaism and his enthusiasm."

Save Darfur and Dream For Darfur

Darfur Torch Relay Sunday, October 28 9:30 a.m. at Temple Israel 1 p.m. at Memorial Park

As China prepares to host the 2008 Summer Olympics, one of the world's most powerful symbols of peace and brotherhood, it is failing to help end genocide in Darfur, one of the world's worst humanitarian crises.

As many as 400,000 people have already been killed in Darfur, and 2.5 million people have been driven from their homes.

All countries have a responsibility to stand up for the people of Darfur. China's economic, political and military ties to the Sudanese government give it considerable influence over Sudan's decisions. Sudan's relationship with China has allowed part of the country to prosper even as the Sudanese government commits horrific atrocities on its people. We are trying to pressure China to do more to help end the genocide.

The torch has been lit in Darfur, Sudan, and has been passed throughout the world where genocide has occurred: Rwanda, Germany and Bosnia. It has begun to pass throughout the United States and will end in China.

The Hermene Zweiback Center for Lifelong Jewish Learning

Adult Study With The Clergy Begins

Thursday, October 11, 10-11:30 a.m.

Rabbi Eric Linder will open the new season of this popular class with the topic, "Theodicy: What is God's Role in Suffering and Pain?" Rabbi Linder will continue with this topic through December. To register, contact Program Director Rosie Zweiback, 556-6536, or rzweiback@templeisraelomaha.com. Class fee is \$45 for Temple members, \$55 for non-members.

Torah Therapy: Jewish Ethics at Work

Thursday, October 25, Noon

Tom Vann will host the first of four "Torah Therapy" discussions at Vann Realty Company, 10330 Regency Parkway Drive. Cantor Wendy Shermet will lead a thought-provoking conversation on Jewish ethics. Sessions will address moral principles related to law, business and medicine. Lunch will be provided for \$6. Please make a reservation by calling Temple, 556-6536.

Four B's: Behaving, Belonging, Believing and Bagels! "An Insider's Guide to Israeli Politics"

Sunday, November 4, 10:30 am

Dr. Guy Matalon, Executive Director of the Center for Jewish Education and Professor of Judaic Studies at UNO, has a unique perspective on Israel in the 21st Century. With the eyes of a native-Israeli, the head of a scholar, and the heart of a Jew, Dr. Matalon will illuminate the challenges Israel faces, both externally and internally, as it approaches its 60th birthday.

The Four B's, a once-a-month class taught by our clergy and special guests, covers everything from parenting to the Patriarchs. Enjoy some Jewish learning, meet a variety of interesting people in the congregation and have a bagel and a shmear! No reservation and no fee; just come! Try it, you'll like it!

Know Thy Muslim Neighbor

A Wednesday Series:

- October 24, 7:30 a.m. Village Inn (81st & Dodge)
- October 31, Noon Temple Israel
- November 7, 7:30 a.m. Village Inn (81st & Dodge)
- November 14th – Noon Temple Israel

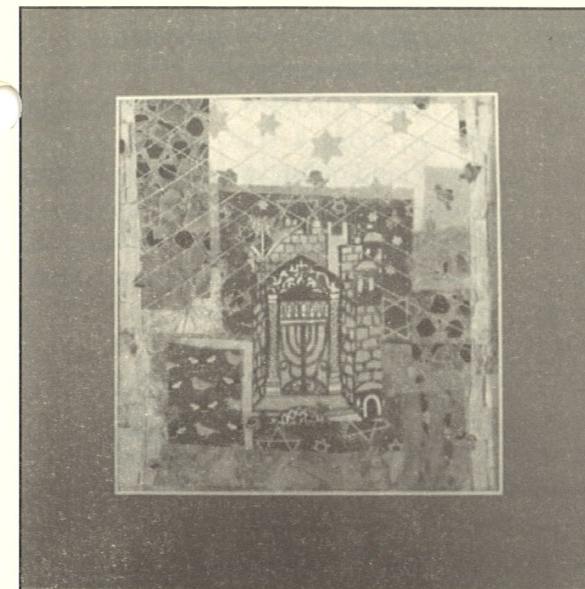
Over breakfast or lunch, deepen your understanding of Islam through text and conversation. Rabbi Azriel and Muslim community members promise a lively hour of study. Each session stands alone so come when you can. This series is excellent preparation for our scholar-in-residence November 16-18 when Dr. Reuven Firestone will address Judaism, Christianity, and Islam in Dialogue and Dissent. There is no fee but please register with Program Director Rosie Zweiback, 556-6536, or rzweiback@templeisraelomaha.com. \$6 box lunches are available, with advance notice, for the noon sessions.

Scholar-in-Residence Dr. Reuven Firestone November 16 - 18

Director of the Institute for the Study and Enhancement of Muslim-Jewish Interrelations, University of Southern California
Judaism, Christianity, and Islam in Dialogue and Dissent

Jerusalem, the heart of three faiths. So whose Jerusalem is it? What does Islam really say about Judaism? Is there a problem with "chosenness?"

And The Temple Tapestry Continues To Grow...



Pictured:

Marge Bresel and Family.

Our three children had their B'nai Mitzvot at Temple Israel. Their learning became our learning as we all prepared. It was a growing experience for all of us.

Note: Date Changes!

Theology Cafe: Big IDEAS in Jewish Thought

Thursdays, November 15, 29 and December 6, 7 - 8:30 p.m.
Barnes & Noble, 144 & West Center

Look for complete details in the next Tidings!

Temple Tapestry Project Workshop Sunday, November 4 10:30 a.m.

We hope every family will create a block for our congregational "heirloom." Questions? Please contact Marge Bresel, 553-2667, or bresel@cox.net.

State Senators To Participate On Temple Panel Wednesday, November 7 6:30 p.m.

As of press time, two state legislators, Gwen Howard (District 9, Omaha) and Lowen Kruse (District, 13), have agreed to participate on a panel at Temple Israel. Howard is interested in early intervention for at-risk families while Kruse will advocate for drunk driving legislation. Additional senators might also be on the panel. Everyone is welcome to attend this adult education learning opportunity.

Tot Shabbat Friday, October 12, 6 p.m.

Have you ever been to a Tot Shabbat? Families with young children are encouraged to attend our tot-friendly service with the clergy. They have fun enjoying Shabbat basics, stories and music that are all incorporated into our fun and welcoming service. It's a great way to begin Shabbat! Dinner is available after the service. Cost is \$5 for adults, no charge for children. Please RSVP to the Temple office, 556-6536, or mkube@templeisraelomaha.com to make a reservation.

The next Tot Shabbat will be on Friday, November 9.

Women of Reform Judaism-Omaha



Don't Miss The Next Cradle Roll With Miss Bettie Adams

Sundays, October 21, 10:30 - 11:30 am.

Parents (grandparents, too) along with their infants and pre-kindergarten age children will play and learn about a Jewish holiday or family observance. In addition to this, an exciting craft project and yummy snack will be served. Sound like fun? Contact Kate Kaminsky, 712-527-9100, or kikaminsky@stratemail.com with any questions. There is no cost to attend.

The next Cradle Roll will be Sunday, December 9.

WRJ-O Presents: Know Thy Self... Know Thy Sister... Know thy KITCHEN SECRETS! Thursday, November 8, 7 p.m.

What do professional chefs know that we don't know? How do they manage to feed minions without breaking a sweat? What are the little extras they do that make a meal go from good to great?

Chef Teresa Kramer will share some kitchen secrets and offer samples of a few of her favorite dishes in the Milder Center. Watch your mail for the invitation. \$12 gets you a tasting of wonderful treats and face time with a successful caterer whose kitchen wisdom will make you a better cook.

P.S. There will also be wine tasting provided by Spirit World. Come hungry and thirsty!

Scrapbooking with Elyce Sundays, October 21 and 28 12:15 to 1:45 p.m.

Preserve your family memories by creating a scrapbook. A gift from generation to generation, *l'dor v'dor*, this album can be a legacy to your family. Elyce Azriel will demonstrate how to crop photos and affix them to

beautiful paper, or if you're interested in more advanced techniques, she'll show how to embellish your scrapbook with stickers or journaling. "However, keep in mind that not every page has to be a masterpiece! Scrapbooking is about enjoying life and saving those memories for one more time," she said.

Fee, which includes materials and lunch, is \$18 for Temple members and \$25 for others. Register by contacting Rosie Zweiback, 556-6536, or rzweiback@templeisraelomaha.com.

Youth & Education

What's Happening in Religious School?

Elyce Azriel, Director of Religious Education

Prayer Assembly Sunday, October 7 and November 4

The 10 a.m. Prayer Assemblies are a wonderful time for our children to come together as a community and feel comfortable praying in the sanctuary. Everyone is encouraged to join in – parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles!

Grade 5 Parents Learning Coffee Sunday, October 14

Join the clergy and guest panelists at 10:15 as they discuss "Taking the Myth Out of the Bar and Bat Mitzvah." Get the lowdown on the ins and outs, and ups and downs, of navigating the B'nai Mitzvah process. Coffee and bagels on the house.

Grade 1 Parents Learning Coffee Sunday, October 14

Rabbi Linder will outline the next steps of Religious School for your child and "What to Expect After Consecration." Bring your questions and ideas. The coffee and bagels are always on!

No Religious School or Family School Wednesday, October 17

Grade 6 Parent/Student Meeting Sunday, October 21

This is an important meeting (10:15 a.m.) for sixth graders and their parents. Rabbi Azriel, Cantor Shermet and Elyce Azriel will share with you issues vital to a meaningful B'nai Mitzvah experience for the entire family. Some of the topics for discussion are Mitzvah Project requirements, Torah portions and mentoring.

Religious School Steering Committee Meeting Thursday, October 25

Join us at Noon in the library in our continuing effort to strengthen out school, and the partnership between school and home. Please contact Katherine Finnegan (kfinnegan@cox.net) to let her know if you are planning to attend this meeting.

Grade 2 Visits Humane Society Sunday, October 28

As part of their year-long study of mitzvot, the second graders will get at "hands on" experience of *Tsa'ar Ba'alay Hayim* (kindness to animals). We will depart by bus promptly at 10 a.m. Second grade parents are asked to have their children at Temple by 9:45 a.m. We expect to return by Noon.

No Religious School or Family School Wednesday, October 31

OTYG Newsflash!

PJ Wiesner, Director of Youth and Informal Education

Come See Us

Where can you find information about upcoming OTYG events and chavuras? Beginning on October 10, OTYG will have a membership table set up in the lobby during the All School Dinner, where members will be happy to tell you all about what's on the calendar this year. If you haven't signed up yet for OTYG, be sure to grab a registration form when you stop by the table!

Great Job!

A big *yasher koach* to everyone who participated in the Yom Kippur Youth Service! Your hard work and cooperation made all the difference! You've made your families and your congregation very proud.

CAMP DAY IS COMING!

Sunday, November 11

Toast your own s'more, sing camp songs, make a craft project, and see what kind of fun you can have at camp. Susan Alexander, assistant director of Olin-Sang-Ruby Union Institute, will be at Temple to answer your questions.

Don't forget to wear your camp t-shirts and shorts. It may be cold outside, but it's summer camp time inside!



All the Cool Ghouls Come to Our Haunted Havdalah

When the weather turns crisp and the leaves begin to change color, it can only mean one thing...



it's almost time for OTYG's Annual Haunted Havdalah!

Be prepared to get spooked on Saturday October 27 (and start tuned for an exact starting time).

The evening will begin with a special Havdalah service at Temple, followed by a visit to some of Omaha's creepiest haunted houses.

If you're not yet a member of OTYG, now's the time to see what it's all about. JYG members are also invited to participate. Boo!

Count on Our OTYG Board Members to be on Top of Things!



OTYG Board members Sarah Bleicher, Haley Burns, Sam Burrell, Susan Freeman, Grace Hack and Emily Katz attended NFTY-MV's Leadership Training Institute, September 7-9. At the Lake Donovan Retreat Center in Excelsior Springs, MO, the group learned about the intricacies their positions and brainstormed ways to make 2007-2008 OTYG's best year yet!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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7 Teacher Learning Coffee 9 a.m. Religious School Grades K-6 10 a.m. - noon Prayer Assembly 10 a.m. Four B's 10:30 a.m.	8	9 Hebrew "Roots" of Prayer: We "Dig" Liturgy 7 p.m. AA, Alanon & Gamblers' 12-step 7:30 p.m.	10 Religious School Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m. Club 56 5 p.m. Family School 6-8 p.m. Grades 7-12 6-8 p.m. All School Dinner 6 p.m. B'nai Mitzvah Panel 6:30 p.m.	11 Adult Study with the Clergy 10 a.m.	12 Tot Shabbat and Dinner 6 p.m. Shabbat Service with Rabbi Josh Zweiback 7:30 p.m.	13 Sparks Beneath the Surface 9:15-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m. Bat Mitzvah of Megan Bucher
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Worship Services

Friday~October 5

7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Service

Saturday~October 6

9:15-10:15 a.m.

Sparks Beneath the Surface

10:30 a.m.

Shabbat Service

Bar Mitzvah of Yaniv Azriel

Son of Elyce and Rabbi Aryeh Azriel

Torah Portion: Bereshit

Genesis 1:1-6:8

Haftarah: Isaiah 42:5-43:11

Friday~October 12

6 p.m.

Tot Shabbat

Dinner immediately following

7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Service with Rabbi

Josh Zweiback

Saturday~October 13

9:15-10:15 a.m.

Sparks Beneath the Surface

10:30 a.m.

Shabbat Service

Bat Mitzvah of Megan Bucher

Daughter of Michelle and Ron Bucher

Torah Portion: Noach

Genesis 6:9-11:32

Haftarah: Isaiah 66:1-13, 23

Friday~October 19

7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Service

Saturday~October 20

9:15-10:15 a.m.

Sparks Beneath the Surface

10:30 a.m.

Shabbat Service

Bat Mitzvah of Alexis Slutzky

Daughter of Lesley and Jeff Slutzky

Torah Portion: Lech-Lecha

Genesis 12:1-17:27

Haftarah: Isaiah 40:27-41:16

Friday~October 26

7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Service

Saturday~October 27

9:15-10:15 a.m.

Sparks Beneath the Surface

10:30 a.m.

Shabbat Service

Bat Mitzvah of Sydney Robinson

Daughter of Kimberly and

Andrew Robinson

Torah Portion: Vayera

Genesis 18:1-22:24

Haftarah: II Kings 4:1-37

Friday, November 2

6 p.m.

Grade 1 and 2 Family Service

Saturday, November 3

9:15-10:15 a.m.

Sparks Beneath the Surface

10:30 a.m.

Shabbat Service

Bat Mitzvah of Madison Baron

Daughter of Jill and Bruce Baron

Torah Portion: Chayei Sarah

Genesis 23:1-25:18

Haftarah: I Kings 1:1-31

Friday, November 9

6 p.m.

Shabbat Service

6 p.m.

Tot Shabbat

Dinner immediately following

Saturday, November 10

9:15-10:15 a.m.

Sparks Beneath the Surface

10:30 a.m.

Shabbat Service

Bat Mitzvah of Lauren Cooper

Daughter of Joan and Justin Cooper

Torah Portion: Toledot

Genesis 25:19-28:9

Haftarah: Malachi 1:11-2:7 or

I Samuel 20:18-42

Birthday Blessings

Friday, October 26, 7:30 p.m.

Children and adults who celebrate their birthdays during the month of October will be called to the bimah and receive a special blessing from the rabbi.

Did You Know?

• Lori Bennett has been working at Temple for nearly ten years. In second place are Vicki Ducharme and Bonnie Sullivan who have been with Temple for 17 years each. In first place, having worked at Temple longer than any other current employee is Lonnie Williams with 35 years! Thank you to all of these dedicated staff members!

• The Reform Movement is the largest Jewish religious movement in North America with 1.5 million Reform Jews and more than 900 congregations.

• Temple Israel members serving on national Union for Reform Judaism boards are Jane Rips, URJ Executive Board; Gary Kaplan, URJ Board; Magda Peck, Religious Action Committee of the URJ Commission on Social Justice; and Rosie Zweiback, URJ Lifelong Learning Council.

Sitter Service

is available...

- Wednesday evenings during Family School hours so that parents can take advantage of adult education opportunities;
- each Friday evening except when there is a Tot Shabbat;
- 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. Please email Maureen at mkube@templeisraelomaha.com for reservations. Young children, including infants, are welcome.

It is So Cool to Come to Religious School

The first day of Religious School on September 16 was a blast! Seeing old friends, meeting new teachers, rocking out to Rick Recht, and a delicious BBQ lunch – what a terrific way to start a great new school year.

Thank you to everyone who jump started our New Year's *mitzvah* project! So far, we have collected 57 *Goodnight Moon* books to donate to the Fieldcrest Elementary School Kindergarten class. And, more are still coming in. If you would still like to add your gift to the stack of books, there's still time. And, if you don't have time to get to the bookstore, drop \$7.95 off in the Religious School office and we will purchase one on your behalf!

Our thanks, too, to the Howard and Judy Vann Temple Israel Family School Education Grant for sponsoring the Rick Recht concert, and to the Temple Israel Golf Committee for providing lunch for everyone.

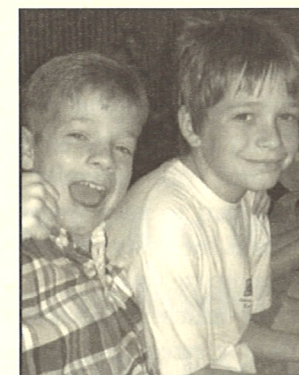
Above: Temple Israel's very own Jeff Taxman and Rabbi Eric Linder jammed with Rick Recht and his band.



Below: Jeremy Silverman, Leo Norton, Te'esa Eirinberg and Seth Norton drop their donated books off before going to class.



Below: Fourth graders Cole Horner and Gavin Rogers give an enthusiastic thumbs-up to the concert.



Right: During the concert, all grade levels had their chance to stand on the bimah and sing with Rick. Here, the kindergartners get their shot at being backup singers.



Our Madrachim Are Back in the Swing of Things

This year we have 33 teen aides working in the classrooms and Religious School office on Sundays and Wednesdays. Nine of them are new to being *madrachim* – the other 24 are veterans!

We are grateful to have such a dedicated group who add so much to our school.



Hanging out after Sunday school are (seated, l to r) Emily Katz, Haley Burns, Susan Freeman, Adam Goldberg, Ben Noodell. (standing, l to r) Yaniv Azriel, Joe Hack, Zane Fletcher, Morissa Miller, Ariel Kohll, Sophia Miller, Alexis Slutzky, Ashley Bernstein, LaShanna Bernstein and Sam Burrell.

Hey 5th and 6th Graders!

It's time for the first
Club 56 event
of the year!

Get ready for the
Amazing Race
Wednesday, October 10
5-6 p.m.

If you love
scavenger hunts,
trivia and
all-around silliness,
you'll love this event!

“The Overachievers: The Secret Lives of Driven Kids” Meet investigative journalist Alexandra Robbins Wednesday, October 24 6:30-8 p.m. Temple Israel Sanctuary

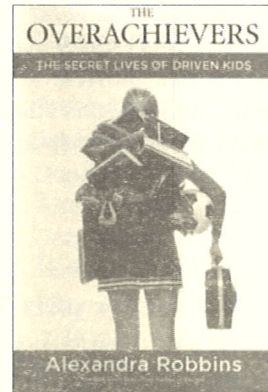
How many middle and high school students do you know that, on the surface, fit into the “overachiever” category? Do you often wonder how they carry a heavy load of classes – including several AP courses – play in the band, participate in sports, fulfill volunteer hours, hangout with friends AND spend time with their families?

On the surface, many of these go-getters seem to be dealing with the stress easily. Beneath the surface, many overachievers suffer from low self-esteem issues, eating disorders, depression and anxiety attacks.

Through her in-depth interviews of several high achieving students, Ms. Robbins will reveal to us the “cult” of overachieving teens that is prevalent in many middle and upper class schools. During the evening’s discussion she will offer suggestions on how to alleviate teens’ stress and panic to succeed, and what school professionals, parents and students can do to break the addictive, abusive cycle of extreme perfectionism.

This title, as well as Ms. Robbin’s book “Pledged: The Secret Lives of Sororities,” will be available in the Religious School office for advance purchase, as well as the evening of her visit.

We are grateful to the Bruce Simon Family, and the support of Jewish Family Service, for underwriting Ms. Robbins’ visit which is open to the community at no charge.



Harvest Your Tzedakah

Every school year we help our students learn about and participate in the giving of *tzedakah*. Money is collected every Sunday as students save to contribute to the organization voted on by their grade level.

To give the children (and adults) a visual of how much the school has raised, we will keep track on the bulletin board in the main hallway.

Here’s the twist – usually harvesting apples means taking them off the tree. Instead, we want you and your children to help put those apples back on to the tree! For every \$25 collected, one apple will be added to the tree.

As you come into Temple Israel every Sunday, stop and count the apples on the tree and give your family a pat on the back for filling our *tzedakah* tree.

Meet Our New Staff Member!

PJ (short for Pamela Jaye) Wiesner, Temple’s new Director of Youth and Informal Education, loves working with kids. She has had some great Jewish experiences including going on a birthright Israel trip, being involved in a youth group in New Jersey where she grew up, and working as a summer camp counselor. She hopes to be a mentor to Temple’s youth, “somebody they feel comfortable confiding in or to seek advice,” said PJ.

She thinks the best way to approach her new job is “to take baby steps. Next year, I’ll build on what I learn this year.”

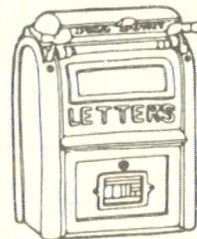


In The Mail

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

“Thank you for taking your time to explain the Jewish religion to us. I love your theory of life, “it’s all about the dash.” I love your yarmulke even if you have no hair to keep it on with (superglue works the best). Thank you so much. I appreciate you.”

“Thanks so much for having us come out. You’re a real cool guy with an awesome sense of humor. You’re very down to earth. You showed that Judaism is just about peace and unity and just doing good things. Which is real tight. You’re real interesting, too. I would actually like to hang out with you or something even though you’re way older than me.”



Welcome New Members!

- Robyn and Jim Belgrade
- Zachary - Grade 3
- Alexander - Grade 3

Native Omahans, Robyn and Jim married in 1996 at Temple Israel. Jim works for Pacific Life Insurance in the investment division. Robyn is home, volunteering and supporting the boys in Boy Scouts, basketball and soccer. Zachary and Alex attend Swanson Elementary. They have Scooby, the dog, and Andy, the cat, making the ratio of males to females in the house 5 to 1.

• Robbie Levine

A West Bloomfield, MI, native, Robbie graduated from Michigan State and was recruited to work in management at the Harrahs and Horseshoe Casino. He never expected to land in Omaha but it’s a great match, both personally and professionally. Right now he is loving the spinning classes at the JCC and is looking for a tennis partner - call him for a game.

• Lois and Michael Linder

The Linders of Plantation, FL, were motivated to join a temple 1,500 miles from home because they really like the Rabbi. They won’t get to enjoy their membership more than a few times a year, but you will have no trouble recognizing them when they are in town. They will be the ones beaming at their son, Rabbi Eric Linder.

• David Schneider and Alexandra Nunn

David was raised in Omaha and moved to Virginia Beach his sophomore year of high school, where he met the girl next door, Alexandra. After college, David and Alexandra moved to Shanghai, China, for a year. They recently returned to Omaha where David supervises quality control at Charles Custom Furniture, working alongside his grandfather, Charles Schneider. Alexandra works at Ameritrade. David and Alexandra will be married May 31 in Virginia Beach.

• Gail and Paul Silverstein

The Silversteins have lived in Omaha for 19 years. Paul is an anesthesiologist at Bergan Mercy and Gail is a retired school teacher for OPS. They have a son, Seth, a daughter-in-law, Beth, and expect to be grandparents at the end of November.

• Jamie Burgess and Dan Weinstein

Jamie and Dan, Buffalo, NY, natives, came here by way of Washington D.C. Dan is a Deterrence Analyst at U.S. Strategic Command. Jamie is a Public Health Research Associate with MayaTech Corporation. They are planning a June wedding in Buffalo.

PSST...Are You A Young Jewish Adult Looking For Some Social Activities?

Please contact Rosie Zweiback, rzweiback@templeisraelomaha.com or Jane Murow at the Jewish Federation, jmurow@jewishomaha.org, for more information or to get involved.

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.

Congratulations

On the Birth of:

Sam Dylan Schillie, son of Debra and Trey Schillie, Alexandria, VA. Grandparents are Donna Givner, Nathaniel Givner, Scottsdale, AZ, and Charlene and Frank Schillie, Moberly, MO.

Sydney Nathan Parcel, daughter of Carin and Andrew Parcel. Grandparents are Zoë and Carl Riekes, Judy Carroll, Denver, CO, and Randy Parcel, Westminster, CO. Great-grandparents are Dorothy Riekes and the late Henry Riekes, David Carroll, Warrensville, IL, and LaVera Parcel, Perry, IA.

On the Wedding of:

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Landow. Mrs. Landow is the former Ruby Littman. Parents are Elizabeth and Jonas Littman, Greenwich, NY, and Susan and Paul Landow.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Robinson. Mrs. Robinson is the former Zoë Meyer. Parents are Pam Krinsky, and Betti and Richard Robinson, Norfolk, NE.

Mr. and Mrs. David Spizman. Mrs. Spizman is the former Karen Loggia. Parents are Elizabeth and Tom Loggia, Darnestown, MD, and Dorothy Spizman and the late Phillip Spizman.

Do You Have A College Student At KU?

Rabbi Stiel wants to make sure that they know they always have an invitation to worship at her congregation in Topeka. It is only a half hour away from KU. For more information on services or to get the monthly bulletin for Temple Beth Shalom in Topeka, please call 785-272-6040 or visit www.templebethsholomtopeka.org. Also, if the students need anything, please let them know they can call her.

Thank You to All Who Participated in the 5768 High Holy Day Services

Our congregation thanks these members who accepted pulpit honors: Harry Alloy, Elyce Azriel, Joanie Bernstein, Harold Bernstein, Jon Bleicher, Sarah Bleicher, Marc Brodkey, Haley Burns, Janey Dann, Cameron Davis, Anna Eirinberg, Lois Epstein, Jim Farber, Katherine Finnegan, Nikki Flatowicz, Nancy Friedland, Ted Friedland, Scott Friedman, Moshe Gershowitz, Larry Gilinsky, David Glazer, Jordana Glazer, Adam Goldberg, Cindy Goldberg, Wendy Goldberg, Danielle Gordman, Hannah Grossman, Grace Hack, Jordan Jensen, Gary Kaplan, Sally Kaplan, Jesse Krieger, Shirley Kulakofsky, Robert Kully, Avery Lehr, Jacob Lehr, Susan Lehr, Amy Levinger, Jessica Levinger, Gary Marshall, Jon Meyers, Mike Norton, Danny Pachman, Jeff Platt, Doris Parker, Jonathan Rathsam, Wendy Reiss, David Rice, Brenna Robinson, Margo Rosen, Rosalie Saylan, Jan Schneiderman, Sarah Schondelmeyer, Jeff Schweid, Jake Slosburg, Stanley Slosburg, Sharon Sobel, David Swenson, Lindsey Thomas, John Waldbaum, Allie Willensky.

Thanks also to our ushers: Harry Alloy, Elyce Azriel, Lori Bennett, Ford Mommaertz-Browne, Mel Epstein, Rick Fox, Paul Gerber, David Gilinsky, Bruce Goldberg, David Goldberg, George Idelman, Dick Katz, Dr. Larry Kipperman, Ellen Long, Todd Manvitz, Howard Marcus, Milton Marcus, Gary Marshall, Mark Martin, David Noodell, Alan Nogg, George Quittner, Jonathan Rockman, Suzy Rubin, Kevin Saltzman, Craig Saylan, Jeff Schragar, Jeff Schweid, Jeff Slutzky, Jeff Smedlund, Marty Warren.

And to our greeters: Deb Alpert, Barton Arnold, Brenda Arnold, Jacob Arnold, Spencer Arnold, Zachary Arnold, Jonathan Beha, Lynn Beha, Bette Evans, Deirdre Evans, Mike Evans,

Steve Evans, Stephanie Grossman, Corrine Levin, Hugh Levin, Ellen Long, Brett Miller, Jennifer Miller, Madelin Miller, Morissa Miller, Paul Miller, Sophia Miller, Howard Needelman, Lee Needelman, Ann Noodell, Alex Pachman, Allison Latenser, Danny Pachman, Lou Pachman, Abigail Reiss, Eliana Reiss, Rob Reiss, Wendy Reiss, Al Rieder, Suzy Rubin.

Our worship this year was enhanced by the melodic voices of: Jim Anderson, Tami Field, Tom Friedman, Joe Goldberg, Barry Grossman, Hannah Grossman, Jill Idelman, Amy Katz, Jennifer Kirshenbaum, Jon Meyers, Marvin Parilman, Jonathan Rathsam, Sarah Schondelmeyer, Jeff Schweid, and Sharon Sobel; conductor, Jerry Brabec; the accompanist, Julie Sandene; flutist, Maria Harding; and cellist Mark Motycka.

And special thank yous to: Rabbi Aryeh Azriel, Rik Bonness, Dr. Ira Fox, Sandy Goodman and David Jacobson for their participation in the thought-provoking panel discussion; Pam DePorte for her eloquence on Yom Kippur; Marla Cohen for leading the Moments of Remembrance; and to those who sounded the shofar: Yaniv Azriel, Len Burrell, Sam Burrell, Barry Grossman, Hannah Grossman, Noah Grossman, Milt Marcus, Danny Pachman, Abby Schondelmeyer, Sarah Schondelmeyer, and Josh Sullivan.

We are blessed to have some of our youth participate in Havdalah on Yom Kippur.

We greatly appreciate George Eisenberg's funding for the woodwind quartet, Amphion Ensemble, 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 4,700 pounds of food.

Our Sympathy

The Congregation records with sorrow the deaths of...

Mollie Franklin, mother of Renee Kazor and Helene Shrago, and grandmother of Stuart Kazor, Karen Kazor, Mark Kazor, and Michael Shrago;

Mollie Kohn, wife of Sam Kohn and mother of Eugene, Larry and Donald Kohn;

Sam Kohn, father of Eugene, Larry and Donald Kohn;

Norman Whitman, husband of Elinor Whitman, brother of Myllee Katelman, and father of Alan and Jon Whitman;

...and extends sympathy to their bereaved families.



Keep Us Informed

Changes in privacy laws now restrict hospital chaplain offices from notifying Temple about congregants who are patients. We want to visit our members. You can help us keep in contact by:

1. Calling Temple prior to a scheduled hospital stay.
2. During admissions, inform the hospital staff of your Temple affiliation and give permission for your name to be released to the Temple office.
3. If you are unexpectedly admitted to the hospital, ask a family member or friend to call Temple.
4. Call and tell us if someone you know is ill or in the hospital and might be helped by a visit or telephone call.

Help us keep in contact with our Temple family!

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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.

Tree of Life leaves are \$300. Tree of Life Boulders are \$3,000. If you would like information on these donations, please call Dennis DePorte, Executive Director, 556-6536.

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