

YAHREZITS

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

February 15, 1974

Jacob Rosenfeld
Augusta E. Rothholz
Max Burkenroad
Adele Wilinsky Ellenbogen
Cora B. Wertheimer
Nathan Rosenthal
Samuel Joel Leon

February 22, 1974

Harry Z. Kubby
Ann Brodsky
Jennie Fingeret
Sol Bergman
Mary G. Danbaum
Ruth Vann
Reuben Vann
Esther Kleimen Hagen Cohn
Charles Logasa
Benjamin Taxman

HONORED AT SABBATH SERVICES

January 25, 1974

Candle Blessing Mrs. Robert Ginsburg
Kiddush Robert Ginsburg
Torah Blessing Hy Shrier
Torah Blessing Henry Ginsburg

February 1, 1974

Candle Blessing Mrs. Kevee Kirshenbaum
Kiddush Kevee Kirshenbaum
Torah Blessing Joe Kirshenbaum
Torah Blessing Max Kirshenbaum

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OUR SYMPATHY

The Congregation records
with sorrow the death of

MAY KARTMAN
Wife of Nate R. Kartman

and extends sympathy to her
bereaved family.

PULPIT ARRANGEMENTS

January 25 — In honor of the Bar Mitzvah of
Philip Ginsburg.

In Memory of Herman Micky Krupinsky.

February 1 — In memory of Sarah Jacobs
Kohn.

CONTRIBUTIONS MADE TO SPECIAL TEMPLE FUNDS:

IN HONOR OF:

40th Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs.
Milton Abrahams.

50th Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs.
Joe Rice.

Marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Seldin.

Marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Tauchner.

FOR THE SPEEDY RECOVERY OF:

Dave Feder, Jacob Friedman, Manning
Handler, Dorothy Heyman, Jack Kustner, Jack
Sidell, Lester Simon, Dr. Ben Slutzky.

IN MEMORY OF:

Lee Goldman, Fred Hahn, Jesse Levin, Ber-
nard Mawrence, Ignatz Moskovitz, Nathan
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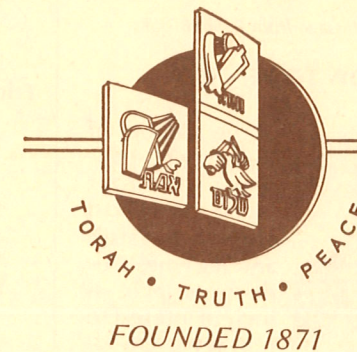
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February

13	Sisterhood Study Group (Third of Series)	10:00 a.m.
13	Board of Trustees Meeting	7:30 p.m.
17	Men's Club Breakfast with Rabbi	10:00 a.m.
18	TYG Parents' Meeting at Temple	7:30 p.m.
19	Confirmation Class	4:30 p.m.
20	Sisterhood Study Group (Fourth of Series)	10:00 a.m.
23	Russian Shabbat Experience Grades 6 and 7	noon to 4:00 p.m.
25	Jewish Cultural Committee Adult Education Classes First of Spring Series	7:30 p.m.
26	Confirmation Class	4:30 p.m.
27	Sisterhood Study Group (Fifth of Series)	10:00 a.m.

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A UNIQUE EXPERIENCE — SHABBAT IN MOSCOW

If You Were in our Religious School . . .

by Rabbi Barry L. Weinstein



For some time you have read
in my columns that religious
education is not confined to the
classroom. Our children learn
about their faith in their homes,
through their own reading and
exposures to Jewish knowledge,
and especially from unspoken parental atti-
tudes.

Within our curriculum we have continually
provided various alternatives designed to en-
hance the education of our youth.

For the past few weeks members of our faculty
have joined with me in planning a unique Shab-
bat experience for students in grades six and
seven of our Saturday School. We have de-
signed an afternoon which will, I think, enable
our students to experience what it is like to be
living as a Jew in Russia today.

Our session will begin with services on Satur-
day, February 23. Following worship, lunch will
be provided for all sixth and seventh grade stu-
dents in our school. All of our students have
joined our faculty in the planning and organiza-
tion of this "Shabbat in Moscow."

Our luncheon will be accompanied by the
appropriate blessings as well as group singing of
Russian Jewish selections. In this way, the stage
will be set for an entire afternoon of experi-
ences simulating the experiences of Jews living
in the Soviet Union. Our object is to dramati-
cally portray the reasons that impel so many Jews
to emigrate to Israel.

With the aid of material already prepared by
students and teachers, experiences will be pro-

vided which will parallel those of Russian Jews
attempting to travel to Israel. Our youth will
learn how a Russian Jew applies for a visa, is
interrogated by the Russian secret police, sur-
renders all property to confiscation by the Rus-
sian State, and how all privileges of employment
are denied.

As a result, each student will learn for himself
what it is like to live as a Jew within Russia. What
is more, each will probe the reasons why Rus-
sian Jews want to leave their country. We hope
thus to underscore the religious values and
experiences of our People in Russia.

The afternoon will be highlighted by a visit
from Mr. Shmuel Schnitzer, one of the most
prominent Israeli journalists and political
columnists. Mr. Schnitzer is the news editor of
the Israeli daily newspaper, "Ma'ariv." He ar-
rived in Palestine in 1939 aboard a blockade run-
ning vessel after a three months' journey from
Europe, and will talk to us of his own experi-
ences in fleeing oppression. During his visit Mr.
Schnitzer will describe the experiences of wel-
coming Russian Jews to Israel.

A Havdalah service, created by our students in
keeping with the theme of the afternoon, will
close our Shabbat experience.

We hope this will be a positive Jewish learn-
ing experience. The opportunity to work to-
gether with our teachers and students in plan-
ning this innovative educational opportunity has
in itself been productive. The success of this
afternoon, however, will be determined by the
responses of our youth, together with your own
support of the project. Begin now helping our
students to prepare for this unique experience
by discussion and conversation at home.

IT SEEMS TO ME

A Personal Message from Rabbi Brooks

HOW TO BE A JEW



The number of people who constantly call me for information about Judaism amazes me. Judaism is increasingly of interest to non-Jews. On almost any given day I will receive inquiries by telephone and by mail asking questions about our faith, requesting books for study and expressing interest in adopting Judaism as a personal religious faith.

Then I face a staggering problem. How does one teach Judaism to non-Jews? Equally difficult is the problem of how to teach Judaism to Jews!

Still, even after many long sessions with non-Jews who wish to become Jews, I have doubts. I wonder how with all the books, the conversations, the questions and answers, the study, more often than not exceeding that which most of our own people have undertaken, if the non-Jew really IS Jewish. The same question could be asked of any of us. To what extent are we really Jewish.

Here I cannot take refuge in the halachic (traditional legal) answer that if one's mother is a Jew her child is a Jew. Though I admit that is the beginning. But only a beginning. Because there are both ignorant and knowledgeable Jews. One rabbi came hard to the point to say: "An ignorant man cannot be pious." Conversely knowledge alone does not make a Jew in my view. I know plenty of great scholars of Judaism who are not Jews and, in fact, some who were quite anti-Jewish in their feelings.

My advice, therefore, to all whom I teach and, I think equally appropriately, to born Jews is that Judaism is "experiential." That is to say one is not really a Jew unless he lives with, is a part of and feels for the Jewish People. We progress from mother and father and the family, out of the experiences of the home, the synagogue, the community of Jews, to

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES	
Friday Evening, February 15 8:15 p.m.	Sabbath Evening Services
TWO SABBATH SERVICES	
CHAPEL	SANCTUARY
WORSHIP THROUGH STUDY	REGULAR SABBATH WORSHIP
Rabbi Barry L. Weinstein will teach.	Rabbi Sidney H. Brooks WHAT I THINK ABOUT THESE SERVICES AND GOD
Sabbath Coffee Hour	
Saturday Morning, February 16 11:00 a.m.	Sabbath Morning Services
Bat Mitzvah of EMILY MILDER, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Myron Mike Milder	
Friday Evening, February 22 8:15 p.m.	Sabbath Evening Services
RABBI SIDNEY H. BROOKS will preach A REVIEW OF A MOVIE I HAVE NOT SEEN "THE EXORCIST" Sabbath Coffee Hour	
Saturday Morning, February 23 11:00 a.m.	Sabbath Morning Service
Bar Mitzvah of DOUGLAS SCOTT FRIEDMAN son of Mr. and Mrs. Sol J. Friedman	
Saturday, February 23 Noon-4:00 p.m.	
RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLASSES 6 and 7 SHABBAT IN MOSCOW	

becoming merged with the long history of the Jewish People in close identity. From that life experience comes real personal Jewish identity.

So one learns Judaism to be sure. But one must also live Judaism. Concepts must become obser-

vances. Ideas the motivating factors in life's decisions. And when the identity of being a Jew is carried over into caring in the deepest sense what happens to other Jews anywhere and everywhere.

Then one is a Jew.

MEN'S CLUB

Temple Israel Men's Club will hold Breakfast with the Rabbi on Sunday, February 17, at 10:00 a.m.

Rabbi Sidney H. Brooks will speak on *THE PASSION FOR TRUTH*, the last book of Abraham Joshua Heschel — The Man, His Thoughts and Hope for Us.

Members and guests will be welcome. There will be a \$1.00 charge for breakfast for those not belonging to Men's Club.

A successful Men's Club Chess Tournament was held January 27 and resulted in the following champions:

Youth Group — Adam Zweiback.

Intermediate Group — John Wiesman.

Adult Group — Andrew Alpert.

These champions will be awarded engraved trophies shortly.

They have also graciously consented to accepting all challengers. Anyone interested in challenging

champions please contact either Milt Moskowitz — 572-8324, or Av Greenberg — 334-5584.

TEMPLE ISRAEL FUNDS

Remember others through a contribution to one of Temple's many special funds. They are:

New Prayerbook Fund
Loyal B. Cohn Memorial Fund
Art Beautification Fund
(Sisterhood)
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. There is a \$2 minimum for each card sent.

Sisterhood Sends Bouquets to Workers

The fund raising events held by Sisterhood in the last two months will greatly aid our varied activities. Many thanks are due to all of the workers and to you for your support.

The December Donor was capably chaired by Mrs. Justin Manvitz with the assistance of Mrs. Marvin Brookstein and Mrs. Bernie Meyers. The proceeds were used to fulfill Sisterhood's commitment to the 1974 Israel Crisis Fund and to support our other activities including the Nursery School.

With the profits from the January "Book Bash," Sisterhood will give \$1,000 to NFTY, \$1,500 toward the Religious School appropriation, and the balance to the YES (Youth Education Services) Fund. The success of the "Book Bash" was due to the dedicated coordinating of Mrs. Steven Redler and Mrs. Clifford Levitan. They were aided by:

Arrangements: Mrs. Harold Farber, chairman; Mmes.: Edwin E. Brodkey, Maynard Greenberg and Alfred Sophir.

Publicity: Mrs. Millard Seldin, chairman; Mmes.: Arnold Breslow, Jerald Dann, Mike Feldman, Charles Monasee, Burton Robinson, Blaine Roffman, Larry Roffman, Theodore Seldin and Bennett Wagner.

Telethon: Mrs. Jarold Kohll, chairman; Mmes.: Arnold Ban, Jack B. Cohen, Gerald P. Cohn, Michael Lazer, William Novak, Arthur Rubin, Michael Sacks, Albert Schwarz, Phillip Spizman, Charles Stern and Oscar Sutin; Messrs. and Mmes.: Alan Blotcky, Michael Blatt, John Rainish and Michael Sadofsky.

Pickup: Mrs. Jerry Passer, chairman; Mmes.: Redler, Levitan; Mr. Alan Blotcky, Steven Blotcky.

Price-marking: Mmes.: Sidney Brooks and Martin Lehr, chairmen; Mmes.: David Bleicher, Alan Blotcky, Edwin E. Brodkey, Herman Friedman, Maurice Gilmore, Stewart Gilinsky, Howard Kaplan, Abe Katelman, Karl Luefshuetz, Alfred Mayer, Al Nepomnick, Larry Roffman, Michael Sacks, Ernest Saltzman, Harold Selner, Ronald Simons, Donald Vann and Bennett Wagner.

Booth Set-up: Arrangements Committee; Messrs. and Mmes. Alan Blotcky, Michael Blatt, M. Ronald Brodkey, Mitchell Bronston, Avrum Greenberg, Alan Kulakofsky, Martin Lehr, Clifford Levitan, Steven Redler, Marvin Taxman, Martin Warren and Maynard Weinberg.

Treasurer: Mrs. Lloyd Friedman.

Aprons: Mrs. Maynard Greenberg.

Staffing: Mrs. Robert Krasne, chairman; Day chairmen, Mmes.: Herman Friedman, Marshall Becker, Martin Sophir and Bennett Wagner. Staffing: Mmes.: Morris Becker, David Bleicher, Harold Bernstein, Edwin E. Brodkey, Harold Brodkey, M. Ronald Brodkey, Sidney Brooks, Harry B. Cohen, Jack B. Cohen, Louis Cohen, Louis Delman, Ajon Farber, Leonard Friedel, Maurice Gilmore, Nelson Gordon, Avrum Greenberg, Maynard Greenberg, Morris Hoffman, Bennett Hornstein, Howard Kaplan, Martin Lehr, Justin Manvitz, Alfred Mayer, Milton Moskowitz, William Novak, Sydney Osten, Maurice Pepper, Donald Polsky, Ernest Priesman, Burton Robinson, Blaine Roffman, Jerry Rosen, Charles Rosenstock, Millard Seldin, Alfred Sophir, James Sophir, Donald Sturm, Marvin Taxman, Norman Veitzer, Martin Warren, Maynard Weinberg, Eugene Zweiback and Miss Lisa Becker.

All Parents of Members of Temple Youth Group

You Are Invited!

What: Get-together of all youth group parents.

When: Monday evening, February 18, 1974, 7:30 p.m.

Where: Temple Israel.

Please plan to be with us!