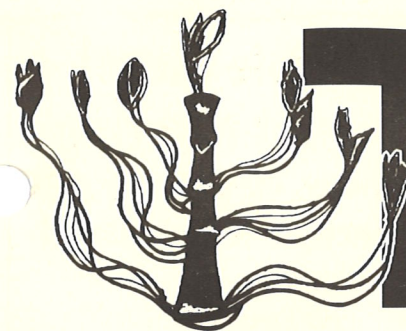




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AS I SEE IT...

Louis Patgett wrote a science fiction piece, Mimsy Were the Borogoves, in 1943, which was recently reissued. The title is taken from Louis Carroll's Alice Through the Looking Glass as both works reflect a concern with the education of children. Patgett proposes that if educational toys of tomorrow were somehow to find their way into the hands of young children today – toys designed to develop children's minds and talents and prepare them for adult functioning and responsibility – it is possible that modern children would perceive the world quite differently. In fact, he suggests that they would understand the nature of space and time so differently that they would ultimately transport themselves out of this time and universe into another time and place in the future. His notion is not necessarily new. The Jewish tradition has held for thousands of years that the early education of a child would not only hone his skills and develop his talents but also shape his sense of justice and his respect for the sanctity of life.

The Bible taught: "All your children shall be taught of the Lord and great shall be the peace of your children." [Isaiah 54:13]. The medieval philosopher wrote: "Whoever trains his son in good deeds from childhood on, trains him to be a good pilot able to steer his ship to port." [Sefer Hasidim]. We will soon celebrate the festival of Shavuot with its message of the centrality of Torah and Jewish learning to the lives of Jews today as in past generations. Shavuot affirms the same lesson as reflected in Patgett's work, for we provide our children today with the educational opportunities tested in the past and directed to the world of the future.

Jewish educational experiences are most effective when they are begun early, before the secular experiences of life today can dull the senses, clutter and distract otherwise willing and able minds. The study of our classical texts and commentaries tested across the ages have the capacity to offer every child – and thus potentially every Jewish adult a very unique perception with time and human priorities. The

consequences of this education will probably develop individuals who, in part at least, will appear to others in our current culture as different and strange as perhaps visitors from the future and other galaxies. Shavuot is directed to the highest objectives of education—the making of human beings to transform each man and woman into a mensch. It was Einstein who wrote: "Education is that which remains after one has forgotten everything he learned in school."

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KNOW THYSELF; KNOW THY NEIGHBOR

Steering the Bus

It seems that it was just a short time ago when I began to write my first Tidings article. This now, will be the last time that I will address you as the President of the Congregation. It has been everything I had imagined and so much more. There have been many themes that I have touched on throughout the past two years. Our congregational spirit is one that I am most proud of. To be sure, there have been challenges along this journey. Some difficult decisions were made and circumstances warranted careful and considerate action. It is our spirit though, that allows all of us to speak proudly of Temple Israel.

I have said many times before, we are LUCKY. I have also said that it's really not LUCK, but rather our collective hard work and genuine care, concern, and positive outlook that allows us to operate as successfully as we do. You, our congregants, are generous with your time and money. You volunteer for programs, to work with our youth, to serve on committees or boards, to share your expertise, to help make the community and world a better place. You performed acts of Tikun Olam and Mitzvot this past year in much greater scope and numbers than past years, with great results. You are leaders in the Jewish and non-Jewish communities, setting examples for others to follow. You show a commitment to ongoing lifelong learning, as well as the education of our kids. You are spiritual and religious.

Temple Israel is looked upon from the URJ and other congregations as one to model. We are most respected in the Omaha Jewish and non-Jewish community. We are viewed as a leading faith-based organization with respect to social and human rights issues. We remain financially strong even in the face of economic strife not seen since the 1930's. We support good causes and we support ourselves. We continue to grow and spread the ideals of American Reform Judaism. We are an example of how faith and religion of diverse beliefs can work together for the common good.

Our entire staff: clergy, professional, and support are dedicated to the congregation and organization. They continue to create engaging, meaningful programs to enrich our synagogue experience. Their wisdom and teaching allow us to grow intellectually. The religious offerings give us a foundation from which to base our identity. They are there with a smile or a shoulder to cry on. They are there to push our hot buttons, to create uneasiness, to push us to greater heights. They make the day to day invisible to us. They help us in our life-cycle events to concentrate on the purpose for which we are there, and not the logistical details.

It is intentional that I spoke of YOU, then WE, followed by THEY. This entire organization is here for YOU. Each and every one of us individually creates the collective WE. We are successful because of the incredible partnership between YOU and THEY. We are very fortunate to be in the position we are. We also work very hard at it. It is our spirit that has driven us to ensure that this bond endures.

I thank my wife, Denise, for her unwavering support over the past 4 years. Her selflessness has allowed me the time necessary to prepare for and then take on this role. I cannot thank each of you, or the staff, enough for the support and encouragement you have all shown me during my tenure. I have enjoyed the past two years immensely. I believe there have been many successes, some failures, and there is much yet to do. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as President of this amazing Congregation. I have said many times that I feel as though it has just been my turn to steer the bus. I get off at the next stop, the annual meeting. It's been a great ride. Your new driver, Jan Schneiderman, gets on at that same stop. I am confident that you will continue to show her the same support I have enjoyed.

B'Shalom

Jon Meyers

Temple Israel Annual Meeting Sunday, May 31, 11 a.m. Brunch at Temple Israel

2009-2010 Officers of the Board of Trustees

Jan Schneiderman, President
John Lehr, President Elect
John Waldbaum, Vice President
Mike Norton, Vice President
Stacey Rockman, Secretary
Katherine Finnegan, Treasurer
Jon Meyers, Past President

New Members of the Board of Trustees

Jordana Glazer
Paul Rabinovitz
Howard Shrier
Mike Silverman

Renewing Members of the Board of Trustees

Dan Marburg

The congregation is invited to attend the annual meeting. Several honors, including presidential awards, will be announced. Brunch is \$18 per person, come just for the meeting at 11:45 a.m. Sitter Service is available. **Please contact the Temple office, 556-6536 or mkube@templeisraelomaha.com to make a reservation by Tuesday, May 26 for brunch and Sitter Service.**

Welcome

"The giving of Torah happened at one specific time, but the receiving of the Torah happens all the time, in every generation."

Meir Alter, the Gerer Rebbe

We welcome Matthew Lloyd Blodgett and Sharon D. Houchin who have recently chosen Judaism: *May they go from strength to strength!*

Mourner's Kaddish

Rabbi Aryeh Azriel

Rabbi Eric Linder

Cantor Wendy Shermet

For many of us, the *Mourner's Kaddish* is a very important part of our liturgy. As a close to our service, we read names of those who have died, as we hope that their memory inspires us to live a life of blessing and peace.

When someone dies, we say their name for thirty (30) days. This period of time, *shloshim*, is the Hebrew for 30. Following that, we read aloud the name on the *yahrzeit*, the anniversary of the death.

We understand that there are times when some of us are not able to come to Temple on the anniversary of a loved one's *yahrzeit*. In thinking about our *minhagim* (customs), the clergy have decided that we will do the following:

On the Shabbat of the *yahrzeit*, we will read the appropriate names. In addition, we will ask the congregation if there are any names that you would like to remember as well. In this manner, if you are not able to come on the actual *yahrzeit*, you will have the opportunity to say the name aloud.

We hope that this change will continue to help create a more meaningful prayer experience for all of us.

**Please ---
Remember
to turn off
your pagers
and cellular
phones
before
entering the
sanctuary or
chapel.**



Rabbinic Intern Nicole Luna Excited To Be at Temple This Summer

Third-year rabbinical student, Nicole Luna, will be joining the Temple Israel clergy at the end of May for seven weeks.

Currently attending Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR), Nicole was born and raised in Norfolk, VA. She graduated from the University of Virginia in Charlottesville in 2006 with a degree in Jewish studies and cognitive science. While a student at UVA, Nicole was president of Hillel and attended the 2005 World Jewish Congress Plenary Assembly in Brussels, Belgium.

"At my Bat Mitzvah," she said, "my cantor suggested I become a rabbi. From that moment on, all my activities steered me toward this path. The rabbinate combines everything I want to do: teaching, counseling, study, public speaking, working with all age groups - all within a Jewish environment and context. Ultimately, it combines my love of the Jewish people with my love of Jewish learning."

A year ago, Nicole was awarded a fellowship in HUC-JIR's Bonnie and Daniel Tisch Fellows Program, open to only selected rabbinical students. A three-year intensive leadership training, the fellowship is intended to develop visionary leaders who will understand the dynamics at play in the American Jewish community and give them the tools to transform synagogues and communities into vital and exciting arenas of engagement and meaning, according to HUC-JIR.

For the past year, Nicole has served as the student rabbi of Temple Beth Israel every other weekend in Altoona, PA. She leads worship services, teaches Torah study and adult education classes, does pastoral counseling, conducts lifecycle events, and teaches Religious School. Nicole, 24, will be ordained in May 2011.

While still in college, she was a member of the Children of Abraham Institute engaging in scriptural study with Christians, Jews, and Muslims. During her HUC-JIR year in Israel, she participated in the Encounter Trip to Bethlehem which gives Jewish leaders from outside Israel an opportunity to meet with Palestinian non-violent activists. "The point is not to force agreement," she explained, "but to aid understanding."

Through her involvement in interfaith dialogue, Nicole said, she "realized that through speaking with each other, we were doing so much more than learning about the other's religion. We got to know one another, we saw each other as more than just 'the Jew,' 'the Christian,' or 'the Muslim.' We appreciated and respected each other as people."

"I was extremely impressed by Temple Israel's participation in the Tri-Faith Initiative and definitely wanted to be part of a congregation that not only pursues interfaith dialogue but is engaging in such a pioneering and exceptional undertaking."

"The other major factor in deciding to come to Omaha was the opportunity to work and learn from Rabbi Aryeh Azriel."

Nicole's husband, Dr. Joseph Bord, a history teacher, will join her for the last four weeks. "I'm excited to explore another part of the country," said Nicole, "and have been pleasantly surprised by how many people have connections to Omaha. Everyone who has been there has spoken very highly of the city and the Jewish community."



Welcome New Members!

Mark Hoffman and Mary Drake

Mark and his parents, David and Phyllis Hoffman, joined Temple Israel in 1979 when he was in seventh grade. Mark attended UNO and has a bachelors degree and executive MBA. Mary attended UNL and UNMC and currently works as a radiologist at UNMC and as the Radiology Residency Program Director.

Mark and Mary have been married for 10 years. They do not have any children, but do have three yorkies. Mary is studying for conversion to Judaism with Rabbi Linder. Mark and Mary recently finished the Derek Torah class together and had a wonderful experience. They enjoy going to services together and learning more about Judaism.

Shop...Eat...Help Temple Israel, Too!



Whole Foods, Baker's, Bag 'N Save and The Bookworm Gift Certificates are available in the Temple of-

fice. Buy them and keep them handy for shopping at these stores which are gracious enough to return a percentage to Temple. The reimbursements are used for camp scholarships. If you have children attending Religious School classes on Wednesday afternoons or Sunday mornings, stop in the Religious School office to purchase.

Temple Farm Family to Supply Produce for Community Agriculture Project

Several Temple Israel families have volunteered to participate in a pilot Community Supported Agriculture model, or CSA adventure, that will reap them approximately one grocery bag of fresh produce straight from a farm for 20 weeks.

Rebecca and Brent Bloom, members of Temple, own Fertile Crescent Farm in Crescent, IA. Run primarily by Rebecca with support from her husband Brent, and son Eli, their farm produces primarily berry fruits, culinary herbs, and a large variety of vegetables including tomatoes, potatoes, peppers, shallots, onions, Asian greens, and root crops. Blooms Organic, the name of the Blooms' family business, also grows annual flowers and some perennials "for their beauty and to attract beneficial insects," according to the Blooms Organic website. Rebecca also sells potted plants from her greenhouse in the spring. Blooms Organic supplies products to Whole Foods Market in Regency, Patrick's Market at 14th and Howard, Paradigm Gardens, 89th and J, and to V Mertz Restaurant in the Old Market.

Farming came naturally to Rebecca. "I have it in my genetic makeup. My dad was a doctor by profession but owned land, and my mom always gardened and tended big yards and orchards. I lived on my parents' farm from age 12 until I was 17. I really enjoy spending time outdoors in nature as well as the freedom farming allows me to set my own schedule. Growing crops and the outside work are what draw us to farming. But the challenges are also exciting. In addition, we have recognized the need for locally produced fruits and vegetables and feel as though we are truly serving a purpose."

Brent, a practicing attorney and a yoga instructor, said he got involved in farming when he married Rebecca. "We've always had a big garden since we've been married," which goes back 28 years, Brent mentioned.

Kelly Streit and her husband Barry, and their children Zach and Piper, moved to Omaha a year ago from Chicago "where we belonged to a wonderful CSA called Angelic Organics. Last summer, I tried using the farmer's market as a way to replace my CSA experience, but it just wasn't the same. I missed the excitement of opening my box each week to see which vegetables were inside. Also, belonging to a CSA ensures that the produce you receive is exactly what is in season. The food tastes better and stays fresh in the refrigerator longer. And because I like to cook, there is the fun of putting together a menu shaped around the vegetables that I have on hand." She added, "It's nice to know exactly who is growing the food I am feeding my children."

CSA participation is meant to create a platform for serious, engaging, and innovative Jewish education and encourages Jews to re-examine what it means for food to be kosher (literally "fit") for us as well as for the community and earth.

Membership in the CSA is \$500 (\$25 per week). A family can partner with another family to split the membership. Members will receive email newsletters with information about the harvest and recipes, and educational material. Pick-up day will be at Temple on Thursdays. There will be an opportunity to visit the farm and share a potluck meal celebrating the harvest as well as a one-day option to work on the farm.

Membership is full and we are not able to offer any additional shares this year.



PLEASE NOTE FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE!

Temple's East Entrance has three handicap parking spots - and no steps into Temple.

Women of Reform Judaism-Omaha



Brunch & Installations

Sunday, May 17, 10:30 a.m. - Noon

Please join us for brunch as we welcome our new Women of Reform Judaism Board and say thank you to our outgoing board members. Cost is \$8 per person. Please RSVP to the Temple Office, 556-6536 or mkube@templeisraelomaha.com. Make checks payable to WRJ.

WRJ Annual Book Sale

Sunday, August 9
through
Tuesday, August 11

WRJ-O Announces 2009-2010 WRJ Board

President - Susie Norton

Past President - Danielle Gordman

Vice President of Membership - Marlen Frost

Vice President of Caring - Sherrie Saag

Vice President of Religious Action - Stacie Brodkey

Vice President of Programming - Kim Noddle, Mimi Silverman

Vice President of Finance - Susan Lehr and Erica Rubin

Vice President of Public Relations - Sharon Bargas

Vice President of Young Family Programs - Danielle Gordman, Kelly Nogg

Vice President of Religious Living - Jennifer Miller, Mary Wampler

Vice President of Development - Rosie Zweiback

Recording Secretary - TBA

Director - Ann Osborne, Lynne Jensen, Nikki Kirshenbaum

Caring Community

Caring Committee Named Blumkin Home Volunteers of the Year

Lisa Epstein accepted the Lee Jane Parsow Volunteer of the Year Award on behalf of Temple Israel's Caring Committee. The award is bestowed by the Rose Blumkin Jewish Home and was presented on April 19 by Lois Wine (at right), Director of Volunteer Services at the Blumkin Home. Wendy Manvitz (at left), also one of the volunteers who visits the residents of the home on a weekly basis, attended along with volunteers Judy Josephson and Debbi Josephson.



Marlen Frost Elected to WRJ Midwest District Board

Marlen Frost, a former two-term vice president of Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ)-Omaha, has been elected to a two-year term as the youth chair for Nebraska, Iowa, and southern Illinois, of the WRJ Midwest District Board.

Currently, WRJ consists of eight districts representing more than 500 sisterhoods with nearly 65,000 members. The major legislative body of WRJ meets bi-annually. Delegates are responsible for voting on WRJ constitutional revisions, considering and voting on resolutions, and electing members to the WRJ Board of Directors. Each of the eight districts serves as liaison between local sisterhoods and WRJ and provides leadership training and support. Districts inform local affiliates of the programs and projects of WRJ as well as provide assistance and guidance for implementation of these projects.

WRJ's Midwest District includes Iowa, Illinois, northwest Indiana, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

Marlen's sisterhood career began years ago when she was president of her chapter in California. "I've always been very much taken with the work of the sisterhood," she remarked. Well known as the director of the Jewish Community Center preschool, Marlen is now retired and has more time to devote to WRJ. Her daughter, Marcy, who lives in Minneapolis, is a vice president of the Midwest District and a member of the National WRJ Board. Marcy encouraged her mother to submit her credentials to the district nominating committee.

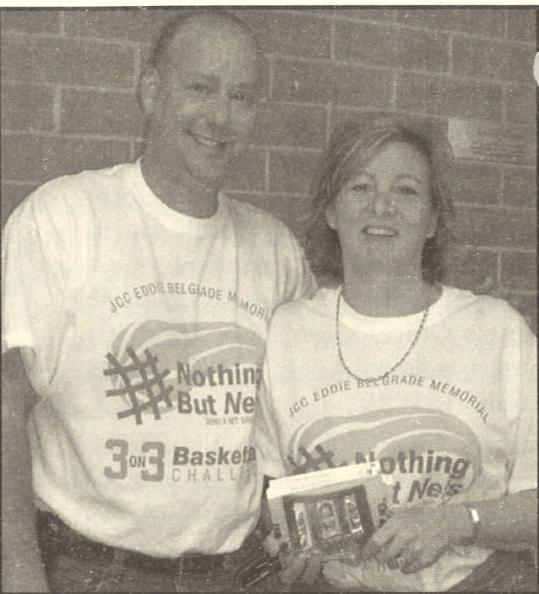
Marlen follows in the steps of Temple Israel congregant Debbi Josephson who is a former president of the Midwest District. "Debby is very highly thought of by the district," Marlen said. "They were happy to have someone from Omaha again on the board."

"Omaha is a supporting member of the district," Marlen explained. Her election brings Omaha back into focus. It presents different perspectives from all chapters and makes available resources such as speakers, program ideas, advice, and training. "The support is there if we need it," added Marlen, who has also been nominated as membership vice president by the Omaha WRJ. "It's nice for us to be part of a bigger circle."

Social Justice God's To-Do List

Eddie Belgrade Memorial 3-on-3 Nothing but Nets Basketball Challenge

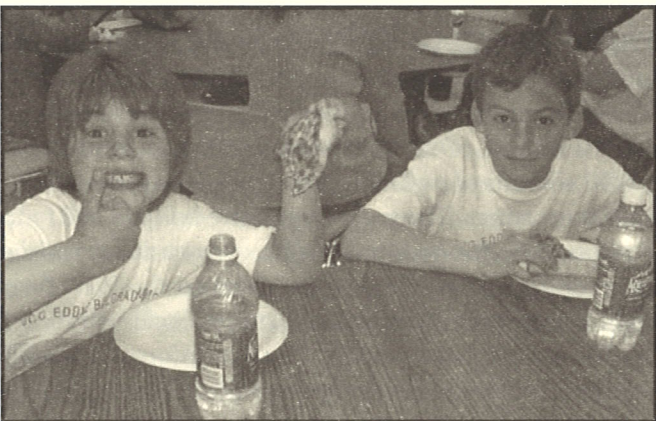
Close to \$7,000 was netted in pledges by the annual Eddie Belgrade Memorial 3-on-3 Nothing but Nets Basketball Challenge on April 19 at the Jewish Community Center. After expenses are paid, the proceeds will be split evenly between Temple Israel and the JCC, co-sponsors of the event. Temple's portion will be donated to Nothing but Nets, one of the temple's social justice projects. The nets, which provide protection from mosquitoes that transmit malaria, will be sent to Sudanese refugees. The other half of the proceeds will help fund JCC youth athletics.



Mimi Silverman from Temple and Mike Siegel from the JCC were co-chairs of the successful event.



Among the 30 teams from third grade to adults that competed, were the Fab 5 who won in the third-fourth grade division. Team players were Will McGauvran, Milo Greder, Alex Belgrade, AJ Perrault, and Jack Begley.



Taking a break from the action to enjoy a pizza lunch in the social hall at the JCC were Zach Streit (at left) and Adam Silverman.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					15 Shabbat Comes to You @ Remington Heights 4 p.m. Tot Shabbat 6 p.m. Dinner immediately following Shabbat Service 6 p.m.	16 Sparks Beneath the Surface 9:15-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m. Bat Mitzvah of Mackenzey Gordman
17 Teacher Meeting 9 a.m. Last Day for Religious School Grades PreK-6 10 a.m.-Noon Prayer Assembly 10 a.m. WRJ Brunch and Installments 10:30 a.m.	18	19 Executive Meeting 5:30 p.m. Board of Trustees 7 p.m. AA, Alanon & Gamblers' 12-step 7:30 p.m.	20	21 Adult Study with the Clergy 10 a.m.	22 Shabbat Service 6 p.m.	23 Sparks Beneath the Surface 9:15-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.
24	25 <i>Office Closed</i>	26	27	28 Adult Study with the Clergy 10 a.m. Graduation Dinner 5:30 p.m. Shabbat Service Graduation / Installation of OTYG Board 7 p.m. Erev Shavuot	29 <i>Office Closed</i> Service & Yizkor 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Service 6 p.m. Shavuot	30 Sparks Beneath the Surface 9:15-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m. Bar Mitzvah of Brandon Friedman
31 Stephens Center Breakfast 7:30 a.m. Annual Meeting 11 a.m.	1 <i>Memorial Day</i>	2 AA, Alanon & Gamblers' 12-step 7:30 p.m.	3	4 Adult Study with the Clergy 10 a.m.	5 Shabbat Service 6 p.m.	6 Sparks Beneath the Surface 9:15-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.
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Worship Services

Friday~May 15

4 p.m.
Shabbat Comes to You
at Remington Heights
6 p.m.
Tot Shabbat
Dinner immediately following
6 p.m.
Shabbat Service

Saturday~May 16

9:15-10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Bat Mitzvah of Mackenzy Gordman,
daughter of Bridget and Kip Gordman
Torah Portion: B'har-B'chukotai
Leviticus 25:1-27:34
Haftarah: Jeremiah 16:19-17:14

Friday~May 22

6 p.m.
Shabbat Service

Saturday~May 23

9:15-10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: B'midbar
Numbers 1:1-4:20
Haftarah: Jeremiah 16:19-17:14

Friday~May 29

Shavuot
10:30 a.m.
Service and Yizkor
6 p.m.
Shabbat Service

Saturday~May 30

9:15-10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Bar Mitzvah of Brandon Friedman,
son of Joan and Michael Friedman
Torah Portion: Naso I
Numbers 4:21-5:31
Haftarah: Judges 13:2-12

Friday~June 5

6 p.m.
Shabbat Service

Saturday~June 6

9:15-10:30 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: Naso II
Numbers 6:1-7:89
Haftarah: Judges 12:13-25

Friday~June 12

6 p.m.
Shabbat Service

Saturday~June 13

9:15-10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: B'haalot'cha
Numbers 8:1-12:16
Haftarah: Zechariah 2:14-4:7

Friday~June 19

4 p.m.
Shabbat Comes to You
at Remington Heights
6 p.m.
Shabbat Service

Saturday~June 20

9:15-10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: Sh'lach L'cha
Numbers 13:1-15:41
Haftarah: Joshua 2:1-24

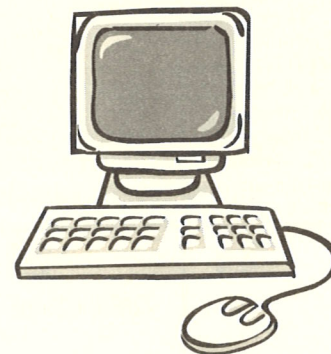
Birthday Blessings

Friday, May 15

Friday, June 19

6 p.m.

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



Visit Temple's website
www.templeisrael-ne.org

Sitter Service

is available...

- Wednesday evenings during Religious 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, mkube@templeisraelomaha.com for reservations. Young children, including infants, are welcome. Please sign in and sign out your child's name.

AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS OF CONGREGATION OF TEMPLE ISRAEL OF OMAHA, NEBRASKA

The following are hereby adopted and shall hereafter be effective as the Bylaws of the Congregation Temple Israel of Omaha, Nebraska.

ARTICLE I

ADMINISTRATION

- (b) Two members to be elected or appointed annually by and from the Women of Reform Judaism-Omaha, one member to be elected or appointed annually by and from the Temple Men's Club, and one member to be appointed or elected annually by and from the Temple Youth Group.
- (d) ~~The To the extent they are not otherwise Trustees, the~~ Chairmen of the Lifelong Learning Council, Social Justice Committee and Outreach Education Council, Synagogue Community/Outreach Council, Finance Council, Fund Development Committee and Social Justice Committee.

Section 1.02 Any member of the Congregation who shall serve on the National Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations for Reform Judaism, on the National Board of Women of Reform Judaism, as a Regional President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations for Reform Judaism, as the District 20 President of the Women of Reform Judaism, or on the board or as president of any affiliate of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations for Reform Judaism shall concurrently serve as a member of the Board.

ARTICLE II

POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD

Section 2.02 The Board, ~~except as provided in subject to~~ Section 8.02 and Section 10.01 hereof, shall have the power to engage the service and fix the compensation services of any person or persons deemed necessary for the benefit of the Congregation or cemetery grounds, to the Cemetery Grounds, make all necessary expenditures for the beautifying, upkeep, maintenance and construction of the Temple, cemetery grounds Cemetery Grounds and other property belonging to the Congregation, and, for such purposes, to borrow money and obligate the Congregation for the payment thereof by giving a mortgage, if necessary, upon any and all properties belonging to the Congregation.

Section 2.03 The Board or authorized committee shall fix and assess the amount each member must pay as annual dues or as an assessment for special purposes to the Congregation; such dues or assessments may be increased, lowered or remitted by the Board, or authorized committee, during the year. No dues or assessments shall be increased except upon reasonable notice, and any member may appear before the Board or authorized committee to object to his dues or assessment.

Section 2.04 The Board, subject to Section 8.02 and Section 10.01 hereof, shall have the authority to engage the services and fix the term and compensation of an assistant or associate Rabbi and Cantor who shall perform only such duties and responsibilities as may be assigned to them from time to time by the Board, which shall consult in respect thereto with the Senior Rabbi.

Section 2.05 The Board, in consultation with the Rabbi members of the Clergy, shall have charge of and shall regulate the time and mode of worship.

ARTICLE III

POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT

Section 3.04 The President may appoint, with the advice and consent of the Board, delegates to the council of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, and to any other any bodies in which the Congregation may be entitled to representation.

ARTICLE IV

POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT ELECT AND VICE PRESIDENTPRESIDENTS

ARTICLE VII

POWERS AND DUTIES OF SUBORDINATE OFFICERS

Section 7.01 Subordinate officers as may from time to time be elected by the Congregation shall perform such functions and exercise such powers as are assigned to them by the Board not inconsistent with these Bylaws.

ARTICLE VIII

RABBI CLERGY

Section 8.01 The ~~Rabbi~~Rabbis and/or the Cantor ("Clergy") shall conduct all religious services and shall perform all other duties as incumbent upon a rabbi or cantor and as are incident to the exercise of office. The Senior Rabbi shall superintend all educational activities of the Congregation.

Section 8.02 The ~~Rabbi~~Rabbis, unless specifically waived by the Congregation, shall be selected from the membership of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, ~~and~~ The Cantor, unless specifically waived by the Congregation, shall be selected from the membership of the American Conference of Cantors. The Senior Rabbi shall be elected by the Congregation upon recommendation of the Board for a term not to exceed three (3) years, except, if he/she shall have served as its Senior Rabbi for a period of ten (10) successive years or more, he/she may be elected for a period of any length so long as it shall not extend beyond his sixty-fifth (65th) birthday. After attaining such age, unless the Congregation shall otherwise determine, he/she may be elected for intervals not exceeding two (2) years. ~~Compensation of the Rabbi shall be fixed by the Board.~~

Section 8.03 ~~When any member of the Congregation, or any member of the congregant's immediate family not eligible to membership in the Congregation, shall have died, the Rabbi when requested shall conduct the services at such burial. The Rabbi~~The Clergy shall perform weddings, conduct services at funerals and perform other religious services or ceremonies for any member or person of the immediate family not eligible for membership. ~~The Rabbi~~of the Congregation that has met the Clergies' requirements for such services or ceremonies. The Clergy shall not ~~accept~~require any fee or compensation as a result of any such services.

Section 8.04 Except as ~~herein otherwise provided pursuant to policies adopted by the Board~~, the ~~Rabbi~~Clergy shall not perform any religious service or ceremony for non-members of the Congregation without the permission of the President or another officer in the absence of the President.

Section 8.05 The ~~Rabbi~~members of the Clergy, unless otherwise determined by the Board or the applicable committee, may attend any meeting of the Board or meetings of any committee created by or referred to in these Bylaws.

ARTICLE X

COMMITTEES

Section 10.01 The President, President Elect, Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, other subordinate officers elected by the Congregation, and the immediate past President shall constitute the Executive Committee of the Congregation ~~and may effect necessary determinations in the absence of a meeting of the Board.~~ The President, with the approval of the Executive Committee, may designate not in excess of two (2) additional persons from among the membership of the Congregation to serve as additional members of the Executive Committee and on the Board of Trustees. The Executive Committee may effect necessary determinations in the absence of a meeting of the Board. The Executive Committee shall be responsible for making all compensation determinations with regard to persons employed, or whose services are otherwise engaged, by the Congregation.

Section 10.02 After the annual election, except as may otherwise be limited, the President with the confirmation of the Board may appoint the following committees, and such committees as recommended by the President and approved by the Board:

- (a) Fund Development Committee;
- (b) Investments Committee;
- (c) Budget Committee;
- (d) Dues Equalization Committee;
- (e) Building and Grounds Committee;
- (f) Cemetery Committee;
- (g) Membership Committee;
- (h) Personnel Committee;
- ~~(i) Caring Committee;~~
- (i) Social Justice Committee;
- (j) Outreach Committee;
- ~~(k)~~ Religious School Steering Committee;
- ~~(l)~~ Youth and Informal Education Committee;
- ~~(m)~~ Adult Education Committee; and
- ~~(n) Audit Committee.~~

Section 10.03 The Finance Council shall be chaired by the Treasurer and shall consist of the Fund Development Committee, the ~~Investment~~Investments Committee, the Budget Committee, ~~and the Dues Equalization Committee and the Audit Committee.~~

Section 10.04 ~~The Education~~~~The Lifelong Learning~~ Council shall consist of the Religious School Steering Committee, the Adult Education Committee and the Youth and Informal Education Committee. ~~The chairman of one of the aforementioned committees~~Chairman of the Education Council shall be appointed by the President.

Section 10.05 The Synagogue Community/Outreach Council shall consist of one representative from each of the Membership Committee, Temple Men's Club, Women of Reform Judaism-Omaha, the Outreach Committee and the Religious School Steering Committee. The Chairman of the Synagogue Community/Outreach Council shall be appointed by the President to serve as Chairman of the council.

Section ~~40.12~~10.06 The Board shall have the power upon a successful motion, to create a committee and appoint a committee chair.

Section ~~40.13~~10.07 Not less than sixty (60) days before the annual meeting of the Congregation, a Nominating Committee shall convene, consisting of the immediate past President of the Congregation, who shall be chairman, and four (4) additional members appointed by the President, two (2) from the Board, and two (2) other members of the Congregation. The Nominating Committee shall select and submit to the annual meeting nominees for office and for membership on the Board, substituting for those Board members elected by the Congregation whose terms will expire and whose successors are to be elected at such annual meeting. In event the immediate past President is unable to act as chair, then the chair of the Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the President. No member of the Nominating Committee shall be nominated for election.

ARTICLE XI

CEMETERY GROUNDS

Section 11.03 The management, supervision and control of the Cemetery Grounds shall be entrusted to the ~~Cemetery Committee on Cemetery Grounds~~ which shall have power and authority to make and adopt all rules and regulations governing the same, subject to approval of the Board and in conformity with statutory provisions of this state so far as the same shall be applicable.

Section 11.04 The ~~Committee on Cemetery Grounds~~Committee shall from time to time formulate regulations governing the Cemetery including, but not limited to: size, appearance, composition, and placement of head stones, markers, and memorials; planting and decorations; maintenance and care; dimension, plot and grave numbers; restrictions pertaining to lots and gravesites; and transfers and assignments. All regulations shall be subject to approval of the Board, and shall be subject to amendment, modification and alteration from time to time. A copy of cemetery regulations shall at all times be kept and maintained at the office of the Congregation for the inspection of any member or his immediate family.

Section 11.05 The Board shall cause payment into the Cemetery Maintenance Fund all of the proceeds derived from the sale of lots and gravesites and all contributions for the Cemetery, which fund shall be invested and the principal and income therefrom shall be utilized exclusively for the upkeep, improvement, expansion and beautification of the Cemetery, its buildings, walks, drives, fences, appurtenances, and landscaping, and for personnel, labor, materials, and tools useful for such purposes. Disbursements shall be upon the request of the ~~Committee on Cemetery Grounds~~Committee, subject to the approval of the Board.

Section 11.06 In order to preserve the appearance of the Cemetery Grounds and to reduce the expense of maintenance thereof, the ~~Committee on Cemetery Grounds~~Committee shall periodically review the status of assigned and unoccupied gravesites and lots, and shall report to the Board the list of those in which no persons are eligible for interment. Whenever the Board shall determine that the owner of a lot or portion thereof is no longer a member, or in the case of partial occupancy, no relatives surviving who are eligible to interment without membership, or, if relatives of the first degree of consanguinity survive who are members, that they or any of them refuse to acquire the right of interment therein in accordance with the Cemetery Regulations, the Board may declare said unoccupied gravesite or gravesites abandoned and forfeited to the Congregation, and the rights and interest of all persons therein at an end, provided that the Board shall comply with any statutory provisions applicable thereto and in all events shall cause notice of its intention to declare said abandonment and forfeiture to be inserted in a publication of the Congregation or in a letter by regular mail circulated to the entire membership of the Congregation, or published in a periodical qualified as a legal periodical under the laws of the State of Nebraska, at least 90 days prior to the effective date of said forfeiture, except that no unoccupied gravesite, lot or part thereof shall be declared abandoned as to which there shall have been deposited with the Perpetual Care Fund, a sufficient sum to provide perpetual minimum care of said unoccupied gravesite, lot, or unoccupied part thereof, or as to which maintenance is provide by annual contributions for that purpose according to the Cemetery Regulations, notwithstanding that no person shall be eligible to interment therein.

Section 11.07 Any member who shall purchase and pay for a lot, portion of lot or gravesite shall receive a "deed" signed by the President or the Chairman of the ~~Committee on Cemetery Grounds~~Committee assigning to the member the right of interment upon the plot described therein, but which deed shall recite that the privileges and rights thereunder shall be subject to these Bylaws and Cemetery Regulations then or thereafter in effect.

Section 11.09 The Board, upon the recommendation of the ~~Committee on Cemetery Grounds~~Committee, may declare the forfeiture of all right, privilege and interest in lots and gravesites for refusal or failure to comply with the Cemetery Regulations.

Section 11.10 The Board, upon the recommendation of the ~~Committee on Cemetery Grounds~~Committee, shall from time to time fix and determine the price of and the charge for gravesites and the amount required for its perpetual care, which latter sum shall, when received, become a part of the Perpetual Care Fund.

Section 11.11 All contribution and deposits for the Perpetual Care Fund shall be separately recorded and the aggregate of said Fund shall be segregated from other funds of the Congregation and separately invested and reinvested, and the income therefrom shall be used exclusively to provide special care for the graves, gravesites, lots and mausoleums for which said contributions have been so designated. Receipts for contributions shall be issued

over the signature of an officer of the Congregation or the Chairman of the ~~Committee on Cemetery Grounds~~Committee to the persons entitled thereto. Disbursements of said income shall be upon the request of the ~~Committee on Cemetery Grounds~~Committee subject to the approval of the Board.

Section 11.12 The only religious burial services or ritual conducted at the ~~cemetery~~Cemetery Grounds shall be of the Jewish religion.

ARTICLE XII

INDEMNIFICATION

The members, trustees, directors, and officers of the Congregation Temple Israel of Omaha, Nebraska shall not be liable for the debts, liabilities, or obligations of Temple Israel, and the private property of such persons shall not be subject to the payment of Temple Israel's debts. Temple Israel shall indemnify each person who serves or has served as a member, trustee, director, or officer of Temple Israel to the extent permitted under Neb. Rev. Stat. Secs. 21-1904(14) and 25-21, 190 et.seq. as now existing or as hereafter amended (including costs and expenses of defense.) Moreover, any person who serves as a member, trustee, director, or officer of Temple Israel shall be indemnified from and against any civil liability or damages for any act or omission which results in damages or injury if such person was acting within the scope of her or his official functions and duties as a member, trustee, director, or officer (unless such damage or injury was caused by the willful or wanton act or omission of such member or officer).

ARTICLE XIII

MEMBERSHIP

Section 13.01 Any adult person of the Jewish religion, desiring to become a member of this Congregation shall, by filing a written application with the Executive Director of the Congregation~~Board~~ and receiving a majority approval of the Board, be elected to membership in the Congregation.

Section 13.02 Concurrent with the notification of an applicant of his election to membership in the Congregation, ~~the Secretary shall likewise cause such member to~~shall be informed of the amount of his annual dues and assessments. Members effecting payment of the dues and assessments as determined by the Board shall thereafter possess all rights and privileges of full membership in the Congregation.

Stephens Center

Social justice volunteers including (left to right) Cat and Cami Rawlings, Brenna Dacey and Leslie Norman, and Don'L Dacey have been serving dinner at The Stephens Center about once a month.

The next breakfast at the Stephens Center is May 31, 7:30 a.m. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Program Director Wendy Goldberg, 556-6536 or wgoldberg@templeisraelomaha.com.



Black/Jewish Seder



More than 70 people attended Rabbi Eric the Black-Jewish Seder led by Rabbi Eric Linder on Tuesday, April 14 at Temple.



Tree of Life

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

The following leaf has been added to the Tree of Life:

**Remembering
Willard Friedman
With love,
Elaine and Bob Krasne & family**

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!

Youth & Education

What's Happening in Religious School?

Another wonderful school year is about to end, and we want to thank everyone who has partnered in our school to make it so successful:

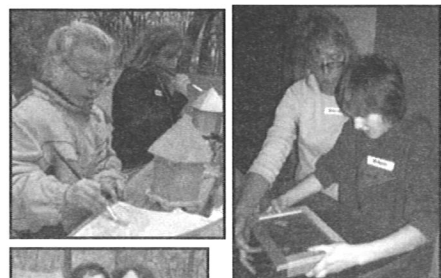
Our teachers who have made Religious School a fun, loving and safe place to learn: Leora Azriel, Eileen Clignett, Toby Fellman, Deb Finnicum, Marlen Frost, Melany Fullenkamp, Jeff Gates, Dora Goldstrom, Sarah Howard, Jill Idelman, Kate Kaminsky, Natasha Kraft, Ann Noodell, Doris Parker, Sara Rips, Sherrie Saag, Sarah Schondelmeyer, Mor Sheinbein, David Swensen, Jeff Taxman, Patsy Wallace and Tereza Wigodsky.

Our madrachim (teen assistants) who make a big difference in the life of our children by setting good examples of leadership and commitment to their Judaism: Jacob Arnold, Yaniv Azriel, Ashley Bernstein, LaShanna Bernstein, Hannah Budwig, Haley Burns, Sam Burrell, Zane Fletcher, Grant Glazer, Adam Goldberg, Sophie Goldberg, Hannah Grossman, Noah Grossman, Grace Hack, Joe Hack, Jordan Jensen, Maddie Jensen, Emily Katz, Ariel Kohll, Morissa Miller, Sophia Miller, Ben Noodell, Hannah Perry, Hannah Radler, Cleo Rogers, Mallory Rogers, Rachel Saag, Sarah Sadofsky, Rachel Saferstein, Julianna Scheet, Rachel Scheet, Alexis Slutzky, Rachel Sullivan, Nathaniel Teetzel and Sam Weinstine.

Our volunteer corps who helped make every activity a success: Barton Arnold, Brenda Arnold, Stacie Brodkey, Marla Cohen, Hillary Fletcher, Jennifer Glazer, Danielle Gordman, Michelle Kazor, Jenn Tompkins Kirshenbaum, Matt Kirshenbaum, Nikki Kirshenbaum, Sharon Comisar Langdon, Jennifer Miller, Paul Miller, Susie Norton, Ann Osborne, Matt Ray, Shayna Ray, Rob Reiss, Wendy Reiss, Erica Rubin, Tanya Seina, Mimi Silverman, Stacy Simon, Jeff Slutzky, Kelly Streit, Sasha Tsvit and Wendy Vann.

Our Religious School Steering Committee who has made a commitment to our children and our school: Robyn Belgrade, Stacie Brodkey, Larry Budwig, Katherine Finnegan, Jordana Glazer, Kate Kaminsky, Jenn Tompkins Kirshenbaum, Sharon Comisar Langdon, Kathy McGauvran, Jennifer Miller, Gretchen Radler, Sarah Schondelmeyer, Tanya Seina, Andrea Siegel and Amy Zweiback.

Our extraordinary Children's Choir director who led our children in beautiful music: Emily Meyer.



(Pictured top, clockwise) Kathleen Kirshenbaum and Aleia Budwig painted birdhouses; Rebecca Bloom demonstrated the art of paper making to Wil Beach; and Noah Blair and Ashley Bernstein took a break from playing frisbee for a quick picture.



(Above) Mary Wampler, Phil Bierman, Jenn Tompkins Kirshenbaum, Natasha Kraft and Sarah Schondelmeyer enjoyed the humor of Dr. Wolfson's story.



(Left) Joe Murphy took a moment to recite a blessing over his daughter, Clara.



(Above, left) Mallory Rogers, Ben Noodell, Hannah Perry, Yaniv Azriel, Hannah Budwig, Jacob Arnold and Rabbi Eric Linder and Dr. Ron Wolfson (above, right) found lots of good eats at the potluck lunch.

Middle/High School Footnotes

Thank you to all the teachers of Temple's Middle/High School for the care they put into helping our students succeed. The real strength of the school is its exceptionally capable and talented staff, and the emphasis on the quality of academic programs available to our students.

Our teachers this year were: Na'ama Artzi, Rabbi Aryeh Azriel, Leora Azriel, Justin Cooper, Steve Danon, Tuffy Epstein, Katherine Finnegan, Debbie Finnicum, Molly Goldberg, Amy Katz, Rabbi Eric Linder, Emily Meyer, Sandy Nogg, Rita Paskowitz, David Radler, Cantor Wendy Shermet.

Temple's Family Shabbaton was a Bright Spot on a Cloudy Day!

On Saturday, April 25, 70 Temple members spent a fun and very spiritual day at Camp Brewster, part of the Fontenelle Forest campus. Although the day was chilly and a little rainy, it did nothing to dampen the enthusiasm of all in attendance.

After a Shabbat service in the main lodge, parents studied with Scholar-in-Residence Dr. Ron Wolfson and Rabbi Azriel, while children of all ages hiked, played frisbee and croquet, painted birdhouses and went on scavenger hunts.

The day ended with Havdalah and with everyone wondering one thing...when can we do it again?

Temple High School Seniors to Graduate on Erev Shavuot Thursday, May 28, 7 p.m.

Shavuot, the Feast of Weeks, comes exactly seven weeks after Passover on the sixth day of the Hebrew month of Sivan. In addition to thanking God for the Ten Commandments and the Torah, the congregation of Temple Israel will celebrate the graduation of its high school senior class.

Kol Rina will sing at the Erev Shavuot worship service on Thursday, May 28. Julianna Scheet, one of the graduates, will play Psalm 29 on her clarinet. Also graduating from Papillion-La Vista High School, Julianna, 17, has attended Temple Religious School since she was in Kindergarten. "Attending Religious School subsequent to becoming a Bat Mitzvah brought me closer to Judaism," she said. "It's the next goal after a Bat Mitzvah." She'd recommend to younger students to continue on in Religious School after Bar or Bat Mitzvah. "Go for it!" she advised. "Continuing presents more opportunities. I wouldn't have gotten involved in Klezmer Band and been able to play my clarinet at graduation if I hadn't gone on." Julianna is planning to attend Kansas State University in the fall where she'll major in architectural engineering.

Zach Spooner, 18, is also graduating after attending Temple Religious School since Kindergarten. He's graduating from Burke High School and will attend the University of Nebraska at Lincoln next year. He considered it a big commitment to attend Religious School, be active in BBYO, DECA (a high school organization for marketing and business students), coach third and fourth grade basketball at the Jewish Community Center, and work part-time. "It was a full time job" to do all that. However, Zach said, "Religion is close to me." And it's with "a mix of sad and good feelings" that he moves on to the next step in his life.

In addition to graduation, next year's Omaha Temple Youth Group Board members will be installed during the festival worship service.

A traditional Shavuot dairy Oneg Shabbat will be sponsored by the graduation class and the congregation.

On Friday, May 29, there will be a worship service at 10:30 a.m., and yizkor will be recited. Please contact the Temple office, 556-6536 or bsullivan@templeisraelmaha.com, by Wednesday, May 27 with names to be read at the service.

Mazel Tov to:

Aaron Joel Bleicher, son of Sandy and Joel Bleicher
Amanda Elizabeth Bucher, daughter of Michelle and Ron Bucher
Andrea Brooke Holmberg, daughter of Helene Cohn and Mark Holmberg
Hannah Corbit Ferer, daughter of Mary and Whitney Ferer
Susan Freeman, daughter of Robyn and Bob Freeman
Adam Michael Goldberg, son of Cindy and Bruce Goldberg
Max Alan Halsted, son of Mendy and Mike Halsted
Avery Hannah Lehr, daughter of Sandy and John Lehr
Amy Michelle Levinger, daughter of Bonnie and Steve Levinger
Rachel Susan Martin, daughter of Julie and Mark Martin
Molly Margaret Noodell, daughter of Ann and Dave Noodell
Charles Jeffrey Parsow, son of Margo Parsow and the late Jay Parsow
Julianna Michelle Scheet, daughter of Lisa Scheet and Gordon Scheet
Justin Zachary Spooner, son of Gayle and Jim Spooner

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May they go from strength to strength.

OTYG 2009-2010 Board

President
 Haley Burns
Programming Vice President
 Hannah Grossman
Membership Vice President
 Julie Sadofsky
Religious/Cultural Vice President
 Zane Fletcher
Social Action Vice President
 Jordan Jensen
Communications and Visual Vice President
 Sophia Miller
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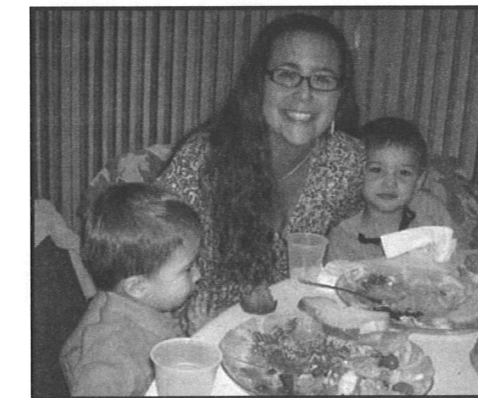
The new OTYG board members will be installed at the Graduation service on Friday, May 28, 7 p.m. Don't miss it!

Tot Shabbat

Temple Israel is Making Judaism Fun! Friday, May 15 6 p.m. in the Livingston Chapel

The Tot Shabbat service is geared towards small children with short songs, prayers, stories and activities – but the fun appeals to parents and older siblings, too!

Dinner is \$5 per adult. Children eat for free. Please make a reservation by contacting Maureen Kube, 556-6536 or mkube@templeisraelomaha.com.



Gabby Blair and her sons, Mo (age 2) and Noah (age 4), have a lot of fun attending the monthly Tot Shabbat services.

Yasher Koach to the Temple Youth Group of the Year!

That's right...Omaha Temple Youth Group was voted the best youth group of the year in the Midwest region. Two thumbs up to board members Haley Burns, Susan Freeman, Molly Goldberg, Grace Hack, Jordan Jensen and Emily Katz for their hard work this year in planning and implementing a great year. A huge pat-on-the-back to everyone who participated in this year's events...your enthusiasm added to the success of each program. *Todah rabah* to advisor Amy Katz for her wonderful support and guidance she gives every day to our youth program.

And, the good news doesn't stop there...the following honors were also awarded at the Spring Conclave:

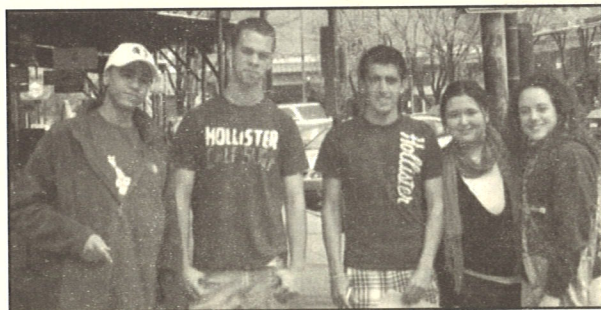
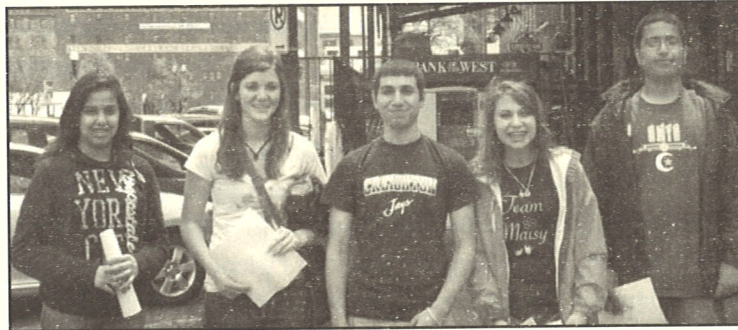
- Haley Burns – Superhero Award (Programming Vice President)
- Susan Freeman – Leadership and Organization Award (Youth Group President)
- Molly Goldberg – Re-elected as the regional Social Action Vice President
- Grace Hack – Keeping the Culture Award (Religious/Cultural Vice President)
- Jordan Jensen – The Frosted Flakes Award – she's not just good, she's grrrrreat! (Communications and Visual Vice President)
- Emily Katz – Best Fundraiser (Social Action Vice President)

What's next? Become an OTYG member and find out!

Tri-Faith Youth Spotted Hunting in the Old Market



Twenty-four youth from Omaha Temple Youth Group, Omaha Muslim Youth Association and All Saints Episcopal Church scoured the Old Market during a Tri-Faith scavenger hunt on Sunday, April 26. Afterwards, everyone enjoyed great ice cream at Ted and Wally's. Every event this year has been a great success and each group has gained understanding and respect of the beliefs and opinions of the others.



Congratulations

On the Engagement of:

Sara Schweid and Cameron Sorden.

Parents are Jeff Schweid, and Don and Shawn Radcliffe.

Our Sympathy

The Congregation records with sorrow the deaths of...

Lillian Ban, mother of Judi Goldstein;

Diane M. Bogdanoff; sister of Bernard Bogdanoff;

Rose Katzman, mother of Paula Albert;

Libby Lincoln;

Constance Lee Morgan-Jensen, step-mother of Patrick Jensen;

Margot Roesberg, mother of Jeff Schweid;

Rose Paperny Rosen, mother-in-law of Joan Rosen and Margo Rosen, sister-in-law of Ann Kaiman;

Michael Zevakin, uncle of Arkadiy Ginzburg;

...and extends sympathy to their bereaved families.

Temple Funds

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.

\$6.00 fund contributions:

Rabbi Azriel's Fund for Jewish Professionals
Robert and Janice Batt Fund
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Ruth and Bernard Raskin
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Milton and Rosalie Saylan
Jewish Education
Jennifer Soshnik Scholarship
Brad Sperling Memorial Fund
for Education of Young Children
Temple Youth Group
Elinor Whitman Religious Education
Norman Whitman Fund for Jewish Learning
Janis L. Yale Enrichment
Hermene Zweiback Fund for Lifelong Jewish Learning
Rabbi Azriel's Discretionary
Rabbi Linder's Discretionary
Cantor Shermet's Discretionary
Executive Director's Discretionary
Prayer Book (\$30 donation)

Thank You for Supporting Our Congregation Through Donations That Remember and Honor Family and Friends

IN MEMORY OF: Lillian Ban: Nancy and Don Greenberg, Judy and Keith Josephson, Ann Kaiman, Dodi and Steve Redler, Marilyn and Marty Warren and family, Terri and Dick Zacharia; **Diane Bogdanoff:** Marge and Jim Bresel, Debi and Jeff Smedlund; **Helen Cherniack:** Lisbeth Cherniack Stiffel; **Dee Fox:** Susie and Marvin Cohn, Debbie Milder Lippert, Ruth Oruch, Don Yale; **Anne Gerber:** Andie Gordman, Rose and Harvey Cooper, Lois and Joel Finkel, Marlen Frost, Barb and Cliff Levitan, Vera, Bruce and Howard Lewis, Vicki Perlmetter and John Robinson, Terri and Dick Zacharia; **Charles Kamp:** Linda Patton; **Rose Katzman:** Sandy and John Lehr, Dodi and Steve Redler, Debbi and Speedy Zweiback; **Sallye Levin:** Susie and Marvin Cohn, Marilyn and Gary Colick, Eileen and Leonard Jacobson, Debbie Milder Lippert, Nebraska Furniture Mart, Margo Parsow, Terri and Dick Zacharia; **Margot Roesberg:** Judy and Keith Josephson, Debbi and Larry Josephson, Sylvia and Jerry Kaiman, Colleen Kennealy, Sue and Dave Meyers, Ducky and Mike Milder, Doris Parker, Jan and Less Schneiderman, Suzanne Singer, Debi and Jeff Smedlund, Andi Willensky; **Rose Rosen:** Fran and Louie Blumkin, Babe Cohn, Cubby's, Inc., David Dvorkin, Lois and Mel Epstein, Betty Fisher, Bev Gendler, Phyllis and Dick Glazer, Ann and Don Goldstein, June Goodbinder, Hallie, Hollden, Joy and Robert Greenberg, Debbi and Larry Josephson, Ann Kaiman, Sandy and John Lehr, Joanie and Marty Lehr, Babe Nogg, Gwen and Ray Pred, Dodi and Steve Redler, The Rothkop Family, Lillian Schrager, Marilyn and Marty Warren, Amy Wexler, Rose and Harold Wexler, Debbi and Speedy Zweiback

HONOR OF THE RECOVERY OF: June Goodbinder: Barbara Frohman; **Ducky Milder:** Suzy Rubin; **Phyllis Sherman:** Lillian Schrager

IN HONOR OF THE BIRTHDAY OF: Anna Cotton: Marcy and Ira Cotton; **Cameron Davis:** George Eisenberg; **Joanie Lehr:** Carol and Steve Bloch, Nancy and Don Greenberg and friends; **Alan Nogg:** Rosalie and Ernie Saltzman; **Dodi Redler:** Barb and Cliff Levitan; **Maynard Telpner:** Lisa, Denny and Travis Lewis, David Shapiro

IN HONOR OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF: Katherine Finnegan and David Gilinsky: Jan and Les Schneiderman

HAPPY PASSOVER WISHES: Jane and Harlan Rips: Phyllis Weinberg

IN APPRECIATION OF: Rabbi Aryeh Azriel, Rabbi Eric Linder, Cantor Wendy Shermet, Dennis DePorte, Elyce Azriel, Lori Bennett, Willie Clark, Vicki Ducharme, Wendy Goldberg, Amy Katz, Maureen Kube, Claudis Sherman, Bonnie Sullivan, Misty Weidner, Lonnie Williams

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 on 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.