

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(all events held at J.C.C.  
unless otherwise specified)

### NOVEMBER

|          |                                                    |                                                 |
|----------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 21       | Sabbath Evening Services                           | 8:15 p.m.                                       |
| 22       | Saturday School                                    | 9:00 a.m.                                       |
| 22       | Sabbath Morning Services                           | 11:00 a.m.                                      |
| 23       | Sunday School                                      | 10:00 a.m.                                      |
| 24-25-26 | Hebrew Classes                                     | 4-5:00 p.m.<br>5-6:00 p.m.                      |
| 25       | Sisterhood Gift Shop<br>Open at Debbie Toys' home  | 10:00 a.m. to noon                              |
| 25       | Confirmation Class                                 | 4:30 p.m.<br>Countryside Church - Fireside Room |
| 26       | Coffee with Rabbi Brooks<br>First Methodist Church | 10:00 a.m.                                      |
| 27       | No Hebrew Classes                                  |                                                 |
| 28       | Chanukah begins                                    | Sundown                                         |
| 28       | Sabbath Evening Services                           | 8:15 p.m.                                       |
| 29       | No Saturday School                                 |                                                 |
| 29       | Sabbath Morning Services                           | 11:00 a.m.                                      |
| 30       | No Sunday School                                   |                                                 |

### DECEMBER

|         |                                                    |                                                 |
|---------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 1-2-3-4 | Hebrew Classes                                     | 4-5:00 p.m.<br>5-6:00 p.m.                      |
| 2       | Confirmation Class                                 | 4:30 p.m.<br>Countryside Church - Fireside Room |
| 3       | Coffee with Rabbi Brooks<br>First Methodist Church | 10:00 a.m.                                      |
| 5       | Sabbath Evening Services                           | 7:30 p.m.                                       |
| 5       | Chanukah ends                                      | Sundown                                         |
| 6       | Saturday School                                    | 9:00 a.m.                                       |
| 6       | Sabbath Morning Services                           | 11:00 a.m.                                      |
| 7       | Sunday School                                      | 10:00 a.m.                                      |
| 7       | Temple Men's Club                                  | 10:00 a.m.                                      |
| 8-9     | Hebrew Classes                                     | 4-5:00 p.m.<br>5-6:00 p.m.                      |
| 10-11   | Confirmation Class                                 | 4:30 p.m.<br>Countryside Church - Fireside Room |
| 10      | Coffee with Rabbi Brooks<br>First Methodist Church | 10:00 a.m.                                      |

## CONGRATULATIONS...

### On the Engagement of:

Lori Ann Harris and Spencer B. Brookstein. Miss Harris is the daughter of Lt. Col. Irvin J. Harris (Retired) and Mr. Brookstein is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Brookstein.

### On the Marriage of:

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Jacobson. Mrs. Jacobson is the former Kay Bernstein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bernstein. Mr. Jacobson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Jacobson.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Cherniack. Mrs. Cherniack is the former Marcia Sue Swatez, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Swatez, Minneapolis, Minn. Mr. Cherniack is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cherniack.

### On the Birth of:

Dalit Gafni, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Yoram Gafni. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Chayim Gafni and Mr. and Mrs. Amy Ben-Artzi, all of Tel Aviv, Israel.

Lindsey Paige Weinberg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Weinberg. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. David Weinberg, Omaha, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Foster, Belle Harbor, N.Y.

Adam Lee DeRoos, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jan DeRoos. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Malnove, Mr. and Mrs. William DeRoos. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Abe Magzamin.

## PULPIT FLOWERS

|        |                                           |
|--------|-------------------------------------------|
| Nov. 1 | In honor of Bat Mitzvah of Felicia Baumel |
| Nov. 8 | In honor of Bar Mitzvah of Michael Zoob   |

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## HOSPITAL RELIEF PROJECT

The hospital employee relief project is scheduled again this Christmas Eve and Day. Organized by the Couples Club, Men's Club and Sisterhood, the project provides volunteers for non-medical positions in the gift shops, office areas and coffee shops, thereby permitting regular employees time off for the holiday.

Any congregational member may volunteer his time which will entail 2 to 4 hour shifts. Interested persons should call Milt Moskowitz, 572-8324 or the Temple Office, 556-6536.

## BOOKS NEEDED NOW

We are sorting now, and need all types of used books. Please call for pickup —

Joan Rips, 397-8495

or

Susan Paley, 393-0133

We particularly need cookbooks for the book sale. Call Gail Kohll, 393-1404.

## GIFTS OF PRAYER BOOKS

### IN HONOR OF:

20th Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Abe Katelman.  
25th Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Millard Rosenberg.

### IN MEMORY OF:

Samuel Sperling.

## HONORED AT SABBATH SERVICES

### October 24, 1975

Candle Blessing  
Mrs. Leslie Schneiderman  
Kiddush  
Leslie Schneiderman  
Torah Blessing  
Martin Ricks  
Torah Blessing  
Irving Schneiderman

### October 31, 1975

Candle Blessing  
Dinah Baumel  
Kiddush  
Dr. Julian Baumel  
Torah Blessings  
Gail Greenberg

### November 7, 1975

Candle Blessing  
Mrs. Harry Gold  
Kiddush (English)  
Seymour Zoob  
Kiddush (Hebrew)  
Michael Masters  
Torah Blessing  
Barry Zoob  
Torah Blessing  
Greg Wadleigh

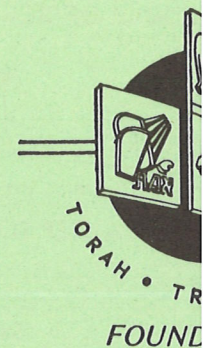
## THANKS FROM—

Mike Fox and his mother, Mrs. Phil Fox, for the Uniongrams received in honor of his recent Bar Mitzvah.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Jacobson (nee Kay Bernstein) for the Uniongram received in honor of their recent marriage.

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## IT SEEMS TO ME...

*A Personal Message from Rabbi Brooks*

### The New Union Prayer Book Gates of Prayer

The only prayer book which I knew as a youth was the earlier editions of the Union Prayer Book. The edition we are now using is my "Siddur" and has been all my life. I shall ever hold it precious and its phrases and cadences are indelibly part of my consciousness and spirit.

Yet for many years I have looked forward to the New Union Prayer Book. To my hands I could not refrain from speaking a blessing of praise to God that monumental proportions, had at last come to conclusion.

I think it is a beautiful book. Some may not. I think it an inspired book. Some a unique prayer book in many respects. Some may be disturbed by that unique

Those who found the Union Prayer Book dull and repetitious will find in the a wide variety of theology, translations and spiritual thoughts. Some may miss the regularity. Obviously, all cannot be pleased. But it is my prediction that most will delight in the beauty of form and content in the new Siddur.

I do not know when our shipment of the books will arrive. The edition is and fraught with problems these days.

Nevertheless, in coming weeks I would like to tell you something of the story Prayer, to study its liturgy, the manner in which it may be used and talk with detail before we formally introduce it in practice. There is much we can learn from

Above all, I ask you not to prejudge the New Prayer Book. I have no illusion there were those who could not bring themselves to a mood of worship because we now use (so they said!) there will now be those who will find convenient rat to pray because of the new prayer book!

Yet I venture to hope that Gates of Prayer will swing wide and that through come those who will find in the variety of thought it contains and the beauty of translated into our contemporary idiom a new sense of the divine in life, a new sonhood and a new awesomeness that in itself is prayer.

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

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

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sabbath Evening Services

RABBI BARRY L. WEINSTEIN

will speak on  
"A STEP TOWARDS PEACE?"

Sabbath Morning Services

Bar Mitzvah of

LARRY BLOCH,

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bloch

Sabbath Evening Services

RABBI SIDNEY H. BROOKS

will speak on  
"THE NEW ABOUT THE NEW  
PRAYER BOOK?"

Sabbath Morning Services

Bar Mitzvah of

PHILIP TURKEL,

Dr. and Mrs. Bernard Turkel

Sabbath Evening  
Early Family Service

RABBI BARRY L. WEINSTEIN

will deliver  
"THE CHANUKAH STORY SERMONETTE"

Kindling of the Candles  
Participation of Junior Choir

Sabbath Morning Services

Bar Mitzvah of

JAY ROSEN,

Dr. and Mrs. Jerry Rosen

BLESSINGS FOR KINDLING  
CHANUKAH CANDLES

November 28 - December 5

For home observance of the Chanukah holiday, candles should be kindled beginning Friday evening, November 28. One candle is kindled the first night (not counting the Shamas light) and the number is increased by one each evening until there are eight on the final night, Friday, December 5.

The following blessings are recited:

Ba-ruch atah a-do-nai, e-lo-he-nu melech ha-olam, a-she-er kid-d'sho-nu b'mits'-vo-tov v-tsi-vo-nu l'had-lik 'ner shel Ha-nuk-kah.

Blessed art Thou, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who has sanctified us by Thy commandments and commanded us to kindle the light of Chanukah.

Ba-ruch atah a-do-nai, e-lo-he-nu me-lech ha-olam, she-o-soh nis-sim la-avo-te-nu ba-yo-mim ho-hem baz'-man haz-zeh.

Blessed art Thou, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who broughtest miracles for our fathers in days of old at this season.

The following blessing is added on the first evening only:

Bo-ruch atah a-do-nai, e-lo-he-nu me-lech ha-olam she-heche-yo-nu, v'ki-y'mo-nu, v'higi-o-nu laz-z'man haz-zeh.

Blessed art Thou, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who has kept us in life, and hast preserved us and enabled us to reach this season.

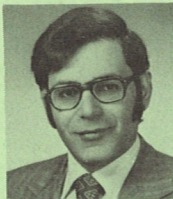
After the Chanukah blessings have been recited, the family may join in singing Rock of Ages.

Rock of Ages, let our song  
Praise Thy saving power;  
Thou, amidst the raging foes,  
Wast our shel't'ring tower.  
Furious they assailed us,  
But Thine arm availed us,  
And Thy word  
Broke their sword  
When our own strength failed us.

Children of the martyr-race,  
Whether free or fettered,  
Wake the echoes of the songs,  
Where ye may be scattered.  
Yours the message cheering  
That the time is nearing  
Which will see  
All men free,  
Tyrants disappearing.

IF YOU WERE IN OUR  
RELIGIOUS SCHOOL . . .

by  
Rabbi Barry L.  
Weinstein



"Eternity Utters A Day"

Nearly each time I visit one of our classes for a session of "Rap with the Rabbi" I learn more about our students, and the questions they are asking about Jewish life.

During one such visit, I distributed copies of the calendar of the Jewish year, designed especially for students.

The excitement and curiosity which these calendars created convinced me to order more for the other classes.

Students asked about the origin of the Jewish calendar, its differences from the secular calendar, and were generally intrigued by its composition. They wanted to know the corresponding Hebrew dates of their Bar/Bat Mitzvah, and even their birthdays as well.

In the course of our discussion, I tried to remind them of the important role that "time" plays in our Faith. After all, rather than sanctify time, people or places, Jewish life chooses to make holy and set apart special times: Shabbat, the Festivals, the New Year, and indeed, in a special sense, every moment of every day.

This is why, I think, we are expected to take "time out" regularly in order to recognize and sanctify the moments in our weeks, years and lives. Think of the times which are still, I hope, of lasting importance to us: our own Consecration, our Bar or Bat Mitzvah, our Confirmation and even those of our children, or grandchildren.

For our People even this day itself is holy, for it brings with it the potential for us to contribute

to the lives of those around us, and to make our world a little better. Then we shall have done our share to bring a little closer the time of greater peace and understanding for our People and all the world.

Soon we will kindle the lights of Chanukah. As we do, we will once again sanctify time, on this occasion within the context of our homes and families. And the message of that time thousands of years ago remains true today, reminding us of the importance of freedom of religious expression for all people.

The late and beloved teacher, Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, once wrote, "Eternity utters a day."

Indeed, this day, and every day, can become for us an expression of Eternity, when we use its moments and hours for the ennoblement of our lives and our world.

SISTERHOOD  
HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

Have you been a member of Sisterhood for 20 years or more? Are you 80 years old or older?

If so, you can now become an honorary member.

Please call Shirley Greenberg, 334-5584.

NOTE FROM  
RABBI BROOKS

Dear Congregants:

PLEASE send me the addresses of your college children. There are items of interest I want to send them and a regular fine bi-weekly publication as a gift from our Congregation. Help me keep them in touch with us and Judaism.  
NOW!

Name .....

School Address .....

Year in School .....

Mail to: Temple Israel, 6910 Pacific, Suite 212 68106

OUR SYMPATHY

The Congregation records with sorrow the deaths of

MINNIE OKUN

Mother of Jon Okun

FRED D. BRODKEY

Husband of Sylvia Brodkey,  
Brother of  
Edward E. Brodkey  
and extends sympathy to  
their bereaved families.

ANNOUNCING

Rabbi and Mrs. Barry  
L. Weinstein

will help lead the  
first Omaha Jewish  
Marriage Encounter!

All members of the  
Omaha Jewish Community  
are invited to participate

Council Bluffs

Howard Johnson

December 13-15, 1975

For further information  
and reservations phone  
Vicki and Jeff Perlmeter  
397-8238

Gail and Karl Plotkin  
331-7898

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TEMPLE FUNDS:

IN APPRECIATION OF:

Services of Rabbi Sidney H. Brooks.

Services of Rabbi Barry L. Weinstein.

IN HONOR OF:

46th Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ban.

Birthday of Jane Brooks.

Anniversary of Rabbi and Mrs. Sidney H. Brooks.

Birthday of Harry B. Cohen.

Birthday of Mrs. Loyal B. Cohn.

Marriage of Mr. and Mrs. James Farber.

Engagement of Marsha Fox.

Engagement of Pamela Fox.

Birth of Adam Glick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Glick.

Marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Rubin Marcus.

Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rubin.

Birth of Helaine, daughter of Rabbi and Mrs. Barry L. Weinstein.

FOR THE RECOVERY OF:

Mrs. Al Altman, Anne Bernstein, Leo Eisenstatt, Henry Ginsburg, James Lipsey, Rhoda Priesman, Myerl Reeves, Rose Rosen, Bernard Schimmel, Phyllis Sherman, Miriam Soshnik, Alan Wolfson.

IN MEMORY OF:

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Gifts of prayerbooks are available at \$10 each.

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

TEMPLE ISRAEL MEN'S  
CLUB MEETING

10:00 a.m.  
Sunday, December 7, 1975  
Room 10  
Jewish Community Center

RABBI BARRY L.  
WEINSTEIN

will speak on

ARE THE NATIONS  
UNITED AGAINST THE  
STATE OF ISRAEL?

Lox, bagels and coffee will be served.

Guests welcome. \$1.00  
charge for each guest.  
Members free.

GIFT SHOP HOURS

The Sisterhood Gift Shop will be open at the home of

Debbie Toys

2325 South 102nd St.

from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon —

Tuesday, November 25

We really would appreciate your patronage for the purchase of Chanukah items.