

OUR SYMPATHY

The Congregation records with sorrow the deaths of

- JOSEPHINE
HART ALBERTS,
Los Angeles, California
Sister of Elizabeth Hart
- LIBBIE MOSKOVITZ,
Mother of Mrs. Sol Krizelman
- EVALYN BLOTCKY,
Mother of Mrs. David Friedland
Mother of Alan Blotcky

JOHN A. FARBER,
Husband of Mrs. Miriam Farber
Father of Ajon F. Farber
Father of Chiam B. Farber
Brother of Harold P. Farber

and extends sympathy to their bereaved families.

YOUTH GROUP WINS SERVICE CONTEST

The Omaha Temple Youth Group is the proud winner of two categories in the Original Worship Contest held by the Missouri Valley Federation of Temple Youth.

The contest, open to all youth groups in the MoVFTY region, covered three categories of original worship services: Shabbat service, Havdalah service, and Weekday service. The Omaha TYG competed in all three and won both the Havdalah and Weekday service contests. The Omaha Youth Group submitted 14 original services.

No tangible prizes are given to the winners, only the satisfaction that comes when a product of much time and energy has been reconized for excellence.

Ann Yaffe, Chaplain,
Omaha Temple Youth Group

Temple Members in the News
Edward D. Brodkey elected president of the Omaha Bankers Association.

Mrs. Milton Waldbaum appointed chairman of the Omaha Volunteer Bureau.

TEMPLE FUNDS

The Congregation is deeply grateful for contributions given in memory of loved ones and friends or in honor of special occasions.

- These gifts may be made to:
Art Beautification Fund (Sisterhood)
Cantor's Discretionary Fund
Rabbi's Discretionary Fund
Educational Fund
Temple Future Fund
Harold Garber Memorial Fund
Heritage-Museum Fund
Library Fund
Edna and Adolf Mayer Memorial Fund
NFTY Fund — Temple Youth Group
Charles Rosenstock Memorial Fund
Gifts of Inscribed Prayerbooks

These special funds represent the on-going programs of the Congregation.

Your gifts are a significant part of our perpetuation of Jewish values.

PULPIT FLOWERS

- December 18
In memory of Sarah G. Cohen, by her family.
- January 1
In memory of Lillian Bergman, by Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Gilinsky.
- January 8
In memory of Evalyn Blotcky, by Mr. and Mrs. Jack E. Cohen.
- January 15
By Mr. and Mrs. Jack E. Cohen.

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The following article recently appeared in the Jewish Press, Letters to the Editor Column:

BOUQUETS

I hope that you will allow us to publicly express our gratitutde and appreciation to Temple Israel for providing us the opportunity to see the Judas Maccabeus oratorio by Handel last Friday evening.

The program directed by Cantor Kuttner and narrated by Rabbi Brooks was one of the most beautiful and inspirational evenings we have ever spent in a Temple. Compounding our pleasure was the fact that our two sons, Edward and Daniel sang in the Religious School Junior Choir.

When my husband graduates from UNO next month and our Air Force family departs Omaha, we will long remember this evening as one of the most wonderful religious memories we have experienced anywhere in our many, many tours of duty.

Philip and Hannah Adelman

Sisterhood ART BEAUTIFICATION FUND

call
Mrs. Joseph (Corrine) Solomon
393-5152

Mrs. Bernard (Tevee) Turkel
391-7823

HONORED AT SABBATH SERVICES

- December 18, 1970
Candle Blessing . . . Miss Ida Gitlin
- January 8, 1971
Candle Blessing . . . Miss Elizabeth Hart
Kiddush . . . Jack W. Marer
Torah Blessing . . . Alfred Sophir
Torah Blessing . . . Herbert Weil
- January 15, 1971
Candle Blessing . . . Mrs. Arthur Kulakofsky
Kiddush . . . Marshall Becker
Torah Blessing . . . Michael Erman
Torah Blessing . . . Arnold Ban

Visitors to Temple

Combined Sunday School classes of United Church of Christ, Plattsmouth, Nebraska, with Rev. Roy Siewert. Mr. Alvin Ross greeted this group.

Knights of Columbus from Bellevue, Nebraska, with Joe Batorski. Cantor Manfred F. Kuttner met with this group.

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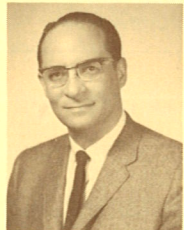
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"Aim of Today's Youth:
To Destroy or Build the Synagogue?"

IT SEEMS TO ME . . .

A Personal Message from Rabbi Brooks

There is no problem with private worship. The decision is yours; you either pray or you do not pray. But public "worship services" are a tormenting problem for those of us who sincerely wish to remain intellectually and spiritually honest.



There are some who cry for revision of the prayer book. So it may be of some comfort to those to know that a liturgical committee of rabbis has been hard at work on the project. But it will be discomforting to know that the revision is a long way off. The reason is that no prayer book, indeed no single prayer, can answer the needs, the expression, the
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SIDNEY H. BROOKS, M.H.L.
Rabbi

Manfred F. Kuttner,
Cantor

Youth will speak out at the next scheduled talk in Temple Israel's Centennial Sabbath Discussion Series.

The voice will be that of a 19-year-old, Mark S. Anshan, who is president of the National Federation of Temple Youth (NFTY) for the United States and Canada.

He will be the fourth of the distinguished speakers in Temple Israel's Sabbath Discussion Series in observance of the synagogue's 100th anniversary.



Mark S. Anshan

Mr. Anshan's talk will be in conjunction with services starting at 8:15 p.m., Friday, February 5. His topic: "Aim of Today's Youth: To Destroy or Build the Synagogue?"

The NFTY president's speech, one of eight in the Centennial Series, will bring to Temple congregants the views of the national leader of Reform Judaism's Temple youth in the United States and Canada.

Despite his youthfulness, Mark Anshan has acquired an outstanding record of activity. A native of Toronto, Ontario, Canada, he graduated from Sir Stanford Fleming Secondary School in Toronto in 1970 and became president of NFTY that year. He took a leave of absence during 1970-71 to serve full-time as NFTY president in the New York office. He plans to enter York University in Toronto this year to study psychology, philosophy, sociology and political science.

Mr. Anshan is a member of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations Board of Trustees, the UAHC Commission on Social Action, and the UAHC committee on camp and youth education. He has written various articles for regional and national newspapers, principally on topics related to youth.

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hopes, the fears of everyone let alone fit the theology and belief of everyone. So a counter demand is for more "innovative" services, "creative" services and "spontaneous" services.

For some months now I have been collecting these from various sources as well as doing some experimenting of my own. From my colleagues I learn what I could intuitively surmise. Such services are received as "interesting," "dull," "enjoyable," "boring," "great," "trash," "relevant," "foolish." Usually, such services are used but once. On second readings the effect is as flat as the desert and with just about as much inspiration and nourishment.

But we shall continue to search and to probe for a meaningful worship experience, and accordingly will present some fine experimental services next month.

What moves me to this subject is a remark which I did not overhear but which I "over-read," if there is such a thing. The pencilled note was not meant for my eyes. I found it by chance in a creative Worship Study Service given to me by a friend. In the margin I found this comment: "Isn't a service more than repeated brainwashing?"

I shall never meet the writer of that query. I wish I could. There are so many questions I might ask to reach behind the comment: Is brainwashing in these days of exposure to plenty of brain-defilement really all that bad? What is the difference between a "service" and "worship" or "avodah" (that's the Hebrew with a whole galaxy of interwoven ideas)? Will all who recite prayers ever really all pray? Why are we moved at one time and not another by the very same prayer articulation? It seems to me prayer is not a committee problem, nor even a congregational problem at its root. It is personal spiritual orientation. How would you answer the unknown author of the question? We had better answer because, really, I think we had better all ask the question.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday, January 29 8:15 p.m.	SABBATH EVENING SERVICES SABBATH STUDY following the service RABBI SIDNEY H. BROOKS will discuss "HOW THE RABBIS READ THE BIBLE" Instruction in Rabbinic Literature Questions and Discussion in the Social Hall Sabbath Coffee Hour
Saturday, January 30 11:00 a.m.	SABBATH MORNING SERVICES Bat Mitzvah of KATHY MALASHOCK, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Malashock
Friday, February 5 8:15 p.m.	SABBATH EVENING SERVICES CENTENNIAL SABBATH DISCUSSION SERIES MR. MARK S. ANSHAN, President of National Federation of Temple Youth "AIM OF TODAY'S YOUTH: TO DESTROY OR BUILD THE SYNAGOGUE?" Sabbath Coffee Hour
Saturday, February 6 11:00 a.m.	SABBATH MORNING SERVICES
Friday, February 12 8:15 p.m.	SABBATH EVENING SERVICES RABBI SIDNEY H. BROOKS will preach on "WHAT I BELIEVE ABOUT NATURAL DISASTERS" Sabbath Coffee Hour
Saturday, February 13 11:00 a.m.	SABBATH MORNING SERVICES Bat Mitzvah of JANE LIZABETH YAFFEE, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sol Yaffe
Friday, February 19 8:15 p.m.	SABBATH EVENING SERVICES Following Services AN OPEN DISCUSSION with MR. MORRIS HOFFMAN, Director of Education WHERE IS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION LEADING US AND OUR CHILDREN? ... A Frank Critique of Our Efforts This Year. Sabbath Coffee Hour
Saturday, February 20 11:00 a.m.	SABBATH MORNING SERVICES Bat Mitzvah of MICHELLE HELENE KATZ, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy A. Katz

SISTERHOOD TO HOST WOMEN
OF CHRISTIAN CHURCHES

The INTERFAITH TEA, to be held at Temple on Tuesday, February 9, 1:00 p.m., is being geared to be as helpful as possible to those women concerned primarily with Christian Religious Education. Topics have been carefully selected to be helpful and of interest to Sunday School teachers, youth directors and adult education personnel. Mrs. Sidney H. Brooks will act as moderator for the discussion:

THE ROLE OF THE SYNA-
GOGUE — Mrs. Martin Lehr.

JEWISH PRAYER AND PRO-
CEDURE — Mrs. Robert
Gerelick.

TEMPLE ISRAEL A CENTURY
AGO — Mrs. Ramon Somberg.

As usual, an opportunity to ask questions and to comment will follow the presentation.

Please phone the Temple office for reservations by February 3.

Chairmen: Mrs. Bernie Meyers,
Mrs. Donald Stern, Mrs. Marvin
Taxman.

Board Meeting: 11:30 a.m.,
multi-purpose room.

Congratulations on the
Engagement of —

Miss Susan Diane Kully, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Kully, Hastings, Nebraska to Mr. Robert Joel Yaffe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sol Yaffe.

Miss Sandra Lou Lipp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris J. Lipp, to Mr. Paul Alan Epstein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Epstein.

Miss Carol Ellen Simons, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Milton Simons, to Mr. Alan S. Parsow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sol Parsow.

Thanks From —

John Waldbaum and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Waldbaum, for the Uniongrams he received in honor of his recent Bar Mitzvah.

HEBREW CLASS AWARDS

The following students received awards in the form of a Mezuzzah necklace for earning 10 Merits during Hebrew Class session:
Martin Vann — Gimmel
Nancy Novak — Daled
Cantor Manfred F. Kuttner is the Hebrew Class Instructor.

ELECTED BY UAHC

Millard H. Krasne was re-elected to the National Board of Directors, Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

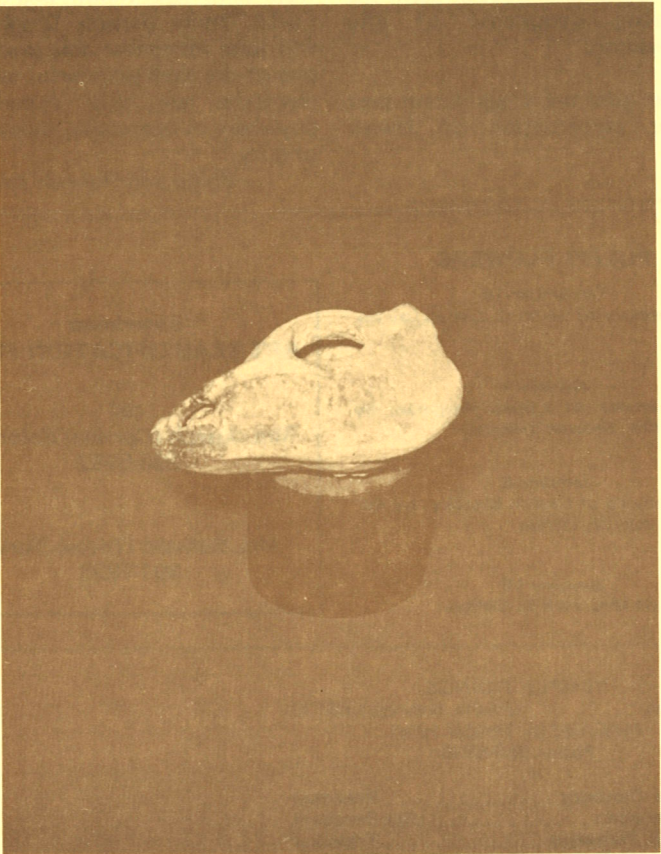
Morris J. Lipp was elected to the Board of Directors, Midwest Regional Council, Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Congratulations on the
Birth of —

Jeffrey Alan Hurwitz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Hurwitz. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Abe Novicoff, Lincoln, Nebraska and Mr. and Mrs. Hy Hurwitz, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Lawrence Mayer Chapman, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence M. Chapman. Grandparents are Mrs. H. C. Young, Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Chapman. Great-grandmother is Mrs. Paul Gallagher.

Michael Andrew Levitan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford A. Levitan. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Levitan, Springfield, Illinois, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Garber.



RARE ITEMS IN TEMPLE ISRAEL'S MUSEUM — XXV

Have we ever wondered what source of light was used before that taken-for-granted thing called the candle was invented? The above pictured oil lamp (excavated in Israel) if used together with oil and wick can still be used to burn at a uniform rate as it did thousands of years ago.

The above pictured terra-cotta oil lamp is from the collection of Cantor Manfred Kuttner loaned to the Temple Museum.

YAH RZEIT:

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

January 29, 1971

Julius Schiff
Moses Seth Logasa
Cora S. Wolf
Corinne N. Livingston
Herman Rehfeld
Fannie Friedman

February 5, 1971

Sarah Jacobs Kohn
Thomas I. Levitt
Bertha Pollack
Elkan Seligsohn
Jeannette Rubin
Eva Herman Cohn
William Z. Cherniss
Robert L. Mayer
Morris Saphir
Goldye Feder
Paul Wollenberger
Lena Rosenfeld
Solomon I. Fayman
Flora B. Rosenstock

February 12, 1971

Ethel Wolfson Simon
Harry Greene
Fred Rosenstock
Harry Wilinsky
Jacob Rosenfeld
Augusta E. Rothholz
Max Burkenroad
Adele Wilinsky Ellenbogen

February 19, 1971

Cora B. Wertheimer
Nathan Rosenthal
Samuel Joel Leon
Harry Z. Kubby
Ann Brodsky
Jennie Fingeret

Congratulations on the
Marriage of —

Mr. and Mrs. Perry R. Zien. Mrs. Zien is the former Miss Ronna Lynn Nepomnick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert M. Nepomnick. Mr. Zien is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward I. Zien, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Saul Kulakofsky. Mrs. Kulakofsky is the former Miss Jane Ellen Fox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob I. Fox. Mr. Kulakofsky is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Kulakofsky.