

OUR SYMPATHY

The Congregation records
with sorrow the deaths of

SARA MILLER

Sister of Mrs. William
(Minnie) Levey

JACOB HART

Father of Mrs. Erwin
(Beatrice) Landow

MARVIN FRANKLIN

Ft. Meyers, Fla.
Brother of
Mrs. Bernie (Roie) Meyers

and extends sympathy to their
bereaved families.

GIFTS OF PRAYER BOOKS

IN HONOR OF:

30th Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Bernie
Meyers.

IN MEMORY OF:

Sadie Greenberg, Sara Miller, John Rosen-
blatt, Samuel Sperling, Florence Wolf.

CONTRIBUTIONS MADE TO SPECIAL TEMPLE FUNDS:

IN HONOR OF:

40th Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Harold
Cherniack.

Birthday of Mrs. Ben Cohen.

Marriage of Sally Fox.

Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Lou Lipp.

Birthday of Mrs. Edward Malashock.

Birthday of Bess Trustin.

FOR THE RECOVERY OF:

Gerald Engman, Lillian Farber, Joel Finkel,
Rose Garber, Mrs. Henry (Sis) Greenberg, Rea
Jacobson, Madeline Katzman, Mrs. Aaron
Krantz, Morey Landman, Madeleine Silver,
Lucy White.

IN MEMORY OF:

Rebecca Bercovici, Ben Berger, Bill Dono-
van, Mollie Epstein, Marvin Franklin, Helen
Goldberg, Dr. Sam Greenberg, Jacob Hart,
David Lipsey, John Rosenblatt, Helen Silber-
man, Julia Sokolsky, Louis Weisberg, Zennie
Welch, Florence Wolf.

EARLY THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE

Wednesday, November 21

A special Service of Thanksgiving
will be held at 5:30 p.m. Thanksgiv-
ing Eve in the Temple Chapel.

This service provides an oppor-
tunity for our college youth visiting
home for the holiday, and all mem-
bers of our Congregation, to offer a
prayerful thanksgiving together
with their families.

We hope many will attend this
short service after which wine will
be served in the foyer.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER

14	5th Coffee with Rabbi Brooks	9:30 a.m.
14	Senior Citizens Walk-in-Drop-in	10:00 a.m.
14	Confirmation Class	4:00 p.m.
14	Hebrew Class — Aleph	4:00 p.m.
14	Board of Trustees	7:30 p.m.
15	Hebrew Class — Daled	4:00 p.m.
16	Sabbath Evening Services	8:15 p.m.
17	Religious School	9:00 a.m.
17	Sabbath Morning Services	11:00 a.m.
18	Religious School	10:00 a.m.
20	Hebrew Class — Beth	4:00 p.m.
20	Hebrew Class — Gimmel	5:00 p.m.
21	Confirmation Class — Recess	Recess
21	Hebrew Class — Aleph — Recess	Recess
21	Thanksgiving Eve Service	5:30 p.m.
22	Hebrew Class — Daled — Recess	Recess
22	Thanksgiving Day	
23	Sabbath Evening Services	8:15 p.m.
24	Religious School — Recess	Recess
24	Sabbath Morning Services	11:00 a.m.
25	Religious School — Recess	Recess
27	Hebrew Class — Beth	4:00 p.m.
27	Hebrew Class — Gimmel	5:00 p.m.
28	Hebrew Class — Aleph	4:00 p.m.
28	Confirmation Class	4:00 p.m.
29	Hebrew Class — Daled	4:00 p.m.
30	Sabbath Evening Services	
	Sabbath Discussion Series No. 2	8:15 p.m.

DECEMBER

1	Religious School	9:00 a.m.
1	Sabbath Morning Services	11:00 a.m.
1	Couples Club — New Member Event	7:30 p.m.
2	Religious School	10:00 a.m.
2	Gift Shop Open	10:00 — noon
4	Sisterhood Coffee and Open Board Meeting	10:00 a.m.
4	Gift Shop Open	10:00 a.m.
4	Hebrew Class — Beth	4:00 p.m.
4	Hebrew Class — Gimmel	5:00 p.m.

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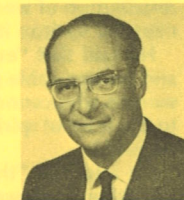
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IT SEEMS TO ME . . .

*A Personal
Message from
Rabbi Brooks*



THOUGHTS ON THE POPE'S VISIT

The Pope came to our country
and a goodly portion of our country
came to the Pope. If it were not the
greatest show on earth *pro.tem.*, it
was close to it. I had some thoughts:

**Certainly, the Pope's visit demon-
strated beyond doubt the hunger of
our land for a hero figure of large,
non-conflictual, moral dimensions.
The erstwhile heroes of a genera-
tion ago are gone and have not
been replaced. Or so it seems to me.
Ghandi is dead. Albert Schweitzer is
dead. Einstein is dead. And so on.
The point is that we desperately
need grand figures such as those
who speak to the human condition
and who represent our hopes for a
better world of compassion and
peace.**

Beyond that, the Pope held out,
for believers in such, the hope of an
eternal life beyond this life. Thus

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Sidney H. Brooks, M.H.L., D.D.
Rabbi

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

Gail Posner Karp, B.S.M.
Cantor

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday, November 16 Sabbath Evening Services
8:15 p.m.

RABBI BARRY L. WEINSTEIN

will preach on

OF BLACKS AND JEWS . . .

A Future of Confrontation or Cooperation?
Sabbath Coffee Hour

Saturday, November 17 Sabbath Morning Services
11:00 a.m.

Bat Mitzvah of

ROBIN MICHELLE DANN,

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerold A. Dann

Wednesday, November 21 Thanksgiving Eve Services
5:30 p.m.

SPECIAL WEEKDAY SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

Informal Social Following

Friday, November 23 Sabbath Evening Services
8:15 p.m.

RABBI SIDNEY H. BROOKS

will preach on

DOES THE PRAYER BOOK REALLY OPEN BACKWARD?

Sabbath Coffee Hour

Saturday, November 24 Sabbath Morning Services
11:00 a.m.

Bar Mitzvah of

DANIEL RICHARD MARBURG,
son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Marburg

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SERVICE SCHEDULE — continued

Friday, November 30
8:15 p.m. Sabbath Evening Services

II. SABBATH DISCUSSION SERIES
“SERMONS IN SILVER”
“Does Memory Help or Hurt”
The Bessammim Box
led by
RABBI BARRY L. WEINSTEIN
Sabbath Coffee Hour

Saturday, December 1
11:00 a.m. Sabbath Morning Services
Bar Mitzvah of
MICHAEL JOSEPH OKUN,
son of Sheri Okun and Jon Okun

Thanks to you our Traffic Control is working.

Please review these directions once again to assure the absolute safety of your child.
As winter approaches it is especially important that you cooperate with the Men’s Club volunteers as they direct traffic each Sunday morning.
Please try to be punctual in picking up your child or car pool.
Please drive slowly as you enter the Temple drive.
During midweek Hebrew, please enter the drive slowly, and heed the one-way directional signs for your safety.
Thank you for your continued cooperation.

SUNDAY TRAFFIC CONTROL

- 1. NO PARKING OR STOPPING WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE DRIVEWAY.
- 2. A member of the Traffic Control Committee will be directing all cars into the parking lots.
- 3. Absolutely no child will be allowed to proceed into the driveway to enter a car that has slowed down to pick up the child. NO EXCEPTIONS CAN BE MADE TO THIS RULE!
- 4. Parents will be asked to park their cars in the lot and walk to the South entrance of the Synagogue to escort their children back to their cars. PARENTS: PLEASE DISCUSS THIS PROCEDURE WITH YOUR CHILDREN NOW TO REMIND THEM OF ITS IMPORTANCE.
- 5. If someone other than the parent will be substituting in picking up the child, such as a grandparent, etc., the substitute must be briefed on our procedures by the parents.

Our Traffic Control System is devised to move the heavy Sunday traffic following Sunday School in an orderly manner and, most important, to protect your children from and eliminate injury.

It Seems to Me — continued

millions came to hear him and, if only for a few hours, the tone of a religious and worshipful life touched those who saw and heard him. He was, indeed a pastor to our country’s soul.

Still, in anyone’s terms, the Pope is human and thus subject to limitations. Having entered into matters of economics, politics and international relations which I applaud, the Pope revealed some important ambiguities. These portray, for me, the impossibility of a mixture of medieval thought and modern circumstance. What he said was crystal clear.

He scolded our country and said it was sinful for anyone to fail in the equitable distribution of wealth to the poor — except the Vatican itself!

He said that “every child is a unique and unrepeatable gift of God” — except women who cannot aspire in his Church to the level of spiritual service to God as do men!

He said that “the sick, the aged and the dying — are worthy of love, care and respect” — except in matters involving abortion and contraception!

He said that it is a spiritual goal “to maintain a joyful family” — except that marital strife and sorrow may not be terminated by divorce!

He spoke of yearning for peace in the Middle East and secure borders for Lebanon — except he does not recognize the State of Israel!

He pointed out the centrality of Jerusalem to three faiths and suggested a special “statute” guaranteeing the free access of all peoples to the city — except that he did not recall that it has been only under non-Jewish control that Jerusalem was closed to Jews and only under the Israeli government supervision has the city been open to all humanity for more than 30 years!

He pled for peace but saw that peace possible only with a just settlement for all — except for the Palestinians whose cause must be dealt with first!

I fully understand that the Pope is inescapably in two positions: secular head of State and spiritual head of the Church. He has his problems. So do I. Is he of this world and time or not?

In generalities the Pope touched my own heart and voiced my own hopes.

In some mightily important specifics, I hear the medieval man not the modern voice addressing today’s real problems.

If You Were in Our Religious School . . .
by Rabbi Barry L. Weinstein

GET YOURSELF A TEACHER!
To be a teacher of Judaism is to devote oneself to the most noble of activities. Through the act of teaching, the future of Jewish life is made more secure.



Time and again we are reminded by our tradition, “Provide yourself a teacher.” The reason? In order to learn about our faith under careful guidance, and to prevent unnecessary confusion or misinformation.

This is why teaching has always been important to me. Of all my duties as a rabbi, that of providing instruction in Judaism ranks among my favorites. If I can help others better appreciate the magnificence of Judaism and its contributions to the world, then I will have in some measure expressed my gratitude to all those who have helped educate me.

Those who teach in the Religious School feel the same. Each of them wants to contribute to the Jewish understanding of their students. Of course, each and every one of the faculty has a deep and real love for students in general, and they all enjoy the act of teaching in itself.

But I believe that even more is involved in their commitment to the future of Judaism and Jewish life, no matter the difficulties involved.

To teach well, one must have a firm understanding of Judaism, and be prepared to organize the lesson so that students will find it of interest and importance. One must read widely in Jewish areas, attend regular teacher training sessions with our rabbis and guest instructors, be of a gentle but firm mind, and be endowed with a healthy sense of humor as well.

Not an easy task!

Yet, each of the teachers on our staff carries out these responsibilities extremely well, and in my view, with a splendid sense of dedication to Temple and to the ideals of Jewish life.

I am proud that our congregation is blessed by their participation and

PROFILE OF A TEACHER
SUSIE TRETIAK

Temple Israel Religious School has been enriched this year with the addition of Mrs. Kenneth (Susie) Tretiak to our faculty. Her innovative programs and enthusiasm have spread far beyond the fifth grade class she teaches, and reflect her love of Judaism and children.

Susie, the daughter of Lois and Bob Endelman, graduated from Central High School in 1968 and completed two years in secondary education at Omaha University. She is the mother of three children, Andrew, Mitchel and Katie.

Recently Susie returned to her studies at the University of Nebraska at Omaha and is continuing her work toward her degree.

In addition to her duties at Temple, she is involved in all her children’s activities, whether as a cub scout leader or a room mother.

Susie came to our Religious School staff as a volunteer, and we hope to be blessed with her services for many, many years. In the few months she has been with us she has been responsible for the “Musingogue,” and the “High Holiday Panorama,” as well as many other original activities and teaching methods.

Please watch future Tidings for more profiles of Religious School teachers!

service. Now with your continued reinforcement as parents, and the example that you provide, all of us can continue working together in ensuring the future of Judaism for years to come.

Get yourself a teacher, now. Better yet, be a teacher, for your children, and their children long after.

Sisterhood Gift Shop

The hand-made copper hanging names displayed in the hallway case are very popular this year. They make a perfect gift for a new baby, birthday, bar/bat mitzvah, new home, anniversary, etc. To order them in time for Chanukah, please call us now.

The Gift Shop has a wide selection of children’s books this year, from pre-school age thru the intermediate grades. We have some Chanukah records too.

Menorahs, menorahs, menorahs. Traditional, modern, children’s, oil-burning, electric — you name it, we have it!

The Chanukah decorations are beautiful; shop early for the best selection. Make Sisterhood Gift Shop your “one-stop-shop” for candles, dreidels, gift-wrap, gelt and both traditional and unusual Israeli-made gift items for the whole family. As usual, we will gladly special-order anything for you.

Holiday Hours: Tuesday morning, Dec. 4th at 10:00 a.m., Sisterhood Coffee. Sunday mornings: Dec. 2nd, 9th & 16th, 10:00 a.m.-12 Noon.

The office staff will be happy to help you any weekday 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Or call Norma Fried — 397-0475.

Cantor To Perform

On Wednesday, November 21, Cantor Gail Karp will present a recital of Jewish and secular music.

The recital, given in conjunction with the requirements for a Master of Music degree, will take place at the Sheldon Gallery Hall in Lincoln, on the corner of 12th and R Streets at 8:00 p.m.

Should you plan to attend please notify Cantor Karp at the Temple, 556-6536.

The Temple Sisterhood wants to thank these girls for decorating the Sukkah so beautifully this year:

Amy Frankel
Marc Blatt
Jennifer Levitan
Sheryl Tatelman
Linda Roffman

They have our sincere gratitude.

SEE
ISRAEL — EGYPT
with
Rabbi and Mrs. Brooks
April 17-May 1
ARE YOUR RESERVATIONS IN?
ACT SOON!
Call Temple Office or Rabbi
Brooks — 556-6536.

Welcome to Judaism

During individual formal Conversion ceremonies, after a period of study, the following were welcomed into Judaism in recent months:

- Joyce Darlene Schmidman
- Merrick James Dyer
- Manuel Delgadillo
- Lamberto Victorica
- C. Meade Chamberlin
- Delorous Stoupa
- Mary Ann Garber
- Suzanne Norma (Nanfito) Friedman
- Yolanda Lerner
- Dean Hughson
- Sheila Dawn Kolar

The formal ceremony for each was held in our Temple Chapel at which Rabbi Brooks and Rabbi Weinstein officiated with one of the officers of our Congregation.

We pray that those we have welcomed will find deep satisfaction in the Faith of Judaism and in the traditions of our people.

CONGRATULATIONS . . .

ON THE BIRTH OF:

Alissa Jean Manvitz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Todd Manvitz. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Alloy, Mr. and Mrs. Justin Manvitz. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Noodell, Mrs. David Manvitz, Mr. and Mrs. William Lerner, Rock Island, Ill.

ON THE ENGAGEMENT OF:

Sherry Anne Weinberg daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Foster of Belle Harbor, N.Y. and Jeffrey James Taxman, of New York City, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Taxman.

THREE GENERATIONS HONORED

During the Sukkot Services this year in the Procession of Generations three generations of Temple members were honored.

The Consecrant was Dan Kully, who was joined by his Father, Bob Kully, and Grandfather, Jule M. Newman.

TEMPLE ISRAEL DIRECTORY — 1979

We hope you have received your copy of the Temple Israel Directory. Humble apologies are extended to those omitted and to those with incorrect addresses and/or phone numbers.

The Tidings will periodically print an updated list of additions and corrections that you may add to your directory.

Please make these additions and/or corrections to your directory:

INADVERTENTLY OMITTED: (*Denotes Sisterhood Member)

- Babendure, Louis — Betty, 1040 E. Military, Fremont 68025 . . . 721-9715
- *Bordy, Fannie, 4814 Capitol, (32) 556-9428
- Brophy, Sanford — Barbara, 13909 Pierce (44) 334-7726
- Friedman, Samuel, 7350 Graceland Dr., (34) 572-8588
- Manvitz, Todd — Wendy, 14724 Arbor, (44) 333-0323
- Milder, Orvel — Nan, 9768 Lafayette Plaza, (14) 392-0605
- Rocklin, Larry — Barbara, 13944 Greenfield Rd. (47) 895-3596
- *Trachtenbarg, Mort — Shirley, 2115 S. 115th (44) 333-6360
- Zacharia, Samuel — Minnette, 1413 Marbee Drive (24) 391-7268

CORRECTIONS:

- *Cohen, Mrs. Harry B. (Elberta) 1010 Hillcrest Dr., (32) 553-8886
- Fisher, Charles — Bettie, 912 S. 119th Ct. (54) 334-0379
- Kirshenbaum, Kevee — Joan, 12313 Douglas (54) 333-6710
- *Manvitz, Justin — Marilyn, 8711 Douglas (14) 397-7170
- Newman, Murray H., 6031 Young Plz. (52) 571-4635
- *Shafton, Edward — Esther, 702 Dillon Drive (32) 558-6390
- *Veret, Freda, 802 No. 93rd (14) 397-7366

NEW MEMBERS:

- DeCarion, Ms. Hally, 615 No. 116th St., #A-1, (54) 493-0952
- Lowe, Alwyn H. — Ethel, 1345 So. 76th St., #10, (24) 397-6599
- Palmer, Jedd Spencer, 4527 Decatur St., #5 (04) 553-3301
- Shapiro, Ms. Bettie G., 3521 Fontenelle Blvd., (04) 453-1011
- Smith, Michael L. — Linda — 5008 Decatur, (04) 553-0113
- Yutkin, Gerald D. — Ann P., 14824 Arbor, (44) 330-0234

Enrich Your Jewish Life!

NOW is the time to begin your Jewish Home Library, or add to the one you already have! Learning is part of our Jewish tradition, and you can increase your family's knowledge and appreciation of our rich Jewish heritage by adding new books to your family Jewish Library regularly.

Following is a list of books with which you might begin:

Encyclopedias

Encyclopaedia Judaica. Jerusalem: Keter, 1972, 16 volumes.

The New Jewish Encyclopedia. David Bridger, ed. New York: Behrman House. A good one-volume reference.

The Standard Jewish Encyclopedia. Cecil Roth, ed. Garden City: Doubleday and Co. The largest one-volume reference work.

Histories

Dimont, Max. Jews, God and History. New York: Simon and Schuster, 1962.

Grayzel, Solomon. A History of the Jews. Philadelphia: JPS, 1953.

Roth, Cecil. A History of the Jews. New York: Schocken, 1966.

Sachar, Abram Leon. A History of the Jews. New York: Knopf, 1965.

Scripture

Genesis Torah Commentary. Gunther Plaut, ed. New York: UAHC, 1974.

Pentateuch and Haftorahs. Joseph H. Hertz, ed. London: Soncino, various dates.

The Torah. Philadelphia: JPS., 1962. Plus various other books of the Bible.

The Holy Scriptures. Philadelphia: JPS., 1917.

Prayer Books

Gates of Prayer, Shaarei Tefillah. New York: CCAR, 1975. The Reform Shabbat and daily prayer book.

NEWS DEADLINE FOR TIDINGS ISSUE NO. 6 Wednesday, Nov. 21, 1979

The issue will cover Fridays Dec. 7, 14, and 21.

Gates of Repentance, Shaarei Teshuvah. New York: CCAR, 1978. The Reform High Holy Day prayer book.

Jewish Living

Bial, Morrison David. Liberal Judaism at Home, New York: UAHC, 1971. Background and explanation of Reform Jewish practices.

_____. The Questions You Asked, New York: Behrman House, 1972. Questions and answers on liberal Jewish thought.

Freeman, Grace, and Sugarman, Joan. Inside the Synagogue. New York: UAHC, 1963. Lovely illustrations, the synagogue affectionately presented.

Gates of the House. New York: CCAR, 1976. A guide to Reform Jewish home observance.

Schauss, Hayyim, The Jewish Festivals. New York: Schocken. 1962.

_____. The Lifetime of a Jew. New York: UAHC. 1950.

A Shabbat Manual. New York: CCAR, 1972. A Reform presentation; all you need for home observance.

Syme, Daniel B. The Jewish Home. New York: UAHC, several pamphlets, various dates. Concise presentations of many aspects of Jewish home observances.

November 14 through December 14, 1979, is Jewish Book Month! A wide selection of Jewish books is on hand in the Temple and may be purchased from the Sisterhood Gift Shop or the Temple Office.

Make it one of your first priorities this month, and every month, to enlarge your home library. There is no such thing as too many Jewish books in a Jewish home!

NEW MEMBERS and OLD MEMBERS

Come to the Milder Center for the NEW MEMBER WELCOMING PROGRAM — a social evening to welcome new members of the Congregation on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1979 — 7:30 P.M.

MILDER CENTER, TEMPLE ISRAEL

Sponsored by the Couples Club

Please R.S.V.P. by NOVEMBER 28th — Carol Gladden, 496-0589, Ricki Skog, 391-7028.