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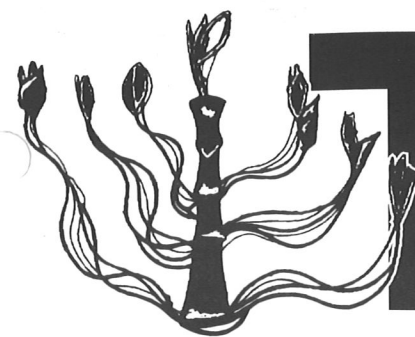
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### Temple Is On-Line!

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## Meet Rabbi Moshe Druin, Sofer-on-Site

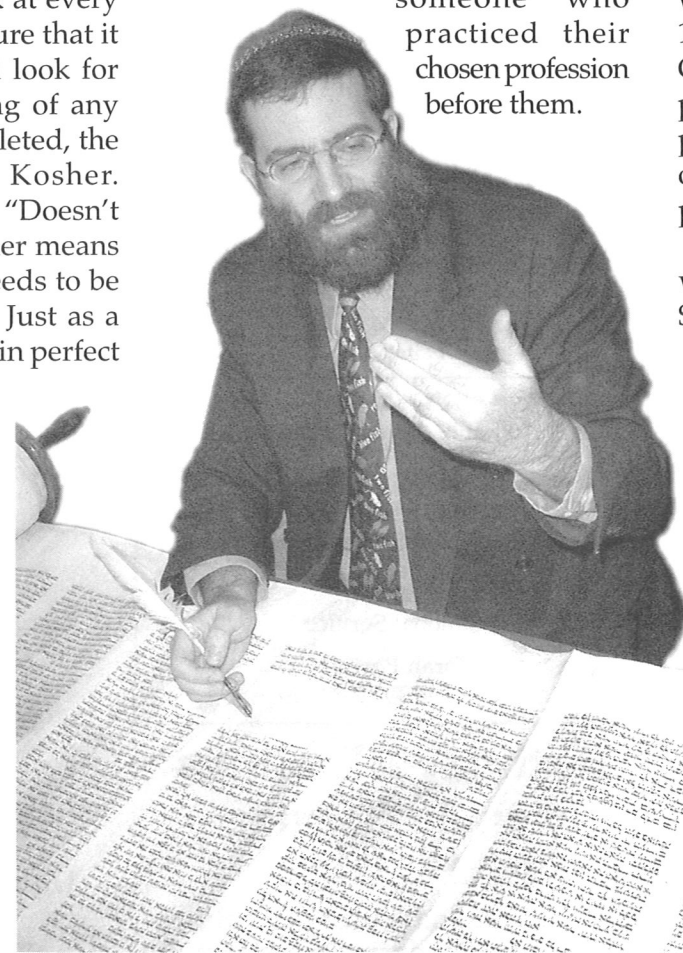
It is a great privilege to be able to participate in this auspicious project of restoring the Torah scrolls of your Temple.

My task will be to look at every letter in the Torah and ensure that it is formed properly. I will look for faded, cracked or touching of any letters. When this is completed, the Torah will be deemed Kosher. "Kosher?" you may ask? "Doesn't that apply to food?" Kosher means "fit to use" and a Torah needs to be in proper working order. Just as a car needs service to keep it in perfect running order, so too a Torah needs to be maintained and looked after so it will be in good condition in order for it to be used. Since when, however, is a book deemed unusable if it is considered unfit (not Kosher)? Why is this book different from all other books?

There are so many ways to respond to these questions and they can be answered with varying levels of depth. I will, G-d willing, be sharing these insights with you for the duration of the project, and we will explore as deeply as you are willing to delve.

What is a Sofer? Every profession has its definitions and descriptions. One of the meanings of the word Sofer (scribe) means,

"to tell a story." What is the connection between a Sofer and telling stories? Most professionals follow a pattern of learning from someone who practiced their chosen profession before them.



Very few professions can trace themselves back to the originator. Yet, we know of great scribes like Ezra the Sofer and even Moshe Rabbeinu (Moses) himself. When a Sofer in 2003 is writing or restoring a scroll, he is not only following in

the path of his teacher, but he is going back to the first Sofer of all times, who is the Creator, G-d Almighty Himself! G-d is the first Sofer who wrote the first Asseret Hadibrot (the 10 commandments). In doing so, G-d introduced a powerful profession into this world – G-d's profession - 'Safrut' – telling the story of the creation, its directions and the purpose of existence.

There is a great significance when a Temple takes an existing Sefer Torah, has it looked over and fixed for the purpose of using it once again. This process unifies and joins all the letters of the Torah in one force – a Kosher scroll originated by G-d. This holy work not only uplifts a "lost" scroll to its former glory, but also through this process will help uplift and unify this holy Jewish congregation.

Come and join me during this project, not only to watch a Sofer at work, but to also delve inside the wonders and secrets of this most wonderful and mystical present G-d ever gave to mankind – the Torah.

See you there!

**SPECIAL  
CONGREGATIONAL  
MEETING APRIL 27TH  
SEE PAGE 3**

## WORSHIP SERVICES

Friday, March 28  
7:30 p.m.

Sermon  
Cantor Wendy Shermet

Oneg Shabbat sponsored by  
the Women of Reform Judaism

Saturday, March 29  
9:30-10:15 a.m.  
Bagels and Sacred Books

10:30 a.m.  
Shabbat Service

Torah Portion: Shemini  
Leviticus 9:1-11:47

Friday, April 4  
7 p.m.

Tot Shabbat

7:30 p.m.

Sermon  
Rabbi Aryeh Azriel

Oneg Shabbat sponsored by  
the Women of Reform Judaism

Saturday, April 5  
9:30-10:15 a.m.  
Bagels and Sacred Books

10:30 a.m.  
Shabbat Service

Bar Mitzvah of  
**David James Clark**  
son of Laurie and Jim Clark

Torah Portion: Tazria  
Leviticus 12:1-13:59

Friday, April 11  
5:30 p.m.

Early Worship Service  
Union Prayer Book

5:30 p.m.

Family Service

Saturday April 12  
9:30-10:15 a.m.  
Bagels and Sacred Books

10:30 a.m.  
Shabbat Service

Special Kol Rina  
Service (see page 3)

Torah Portion: Metzora  
Leviticus 14:1-15:33

Thursday, April 17  
10:30 a.m.

Passover Service

Torah Portion  
Exodus 12:37-42; 13:3-10

Friday, April 18  
5:30 p.m.

D'var Torah  
Rabbi Aryeh Azriel

Saturday, April 19  
9:30-10:15 a.m.  
Bagels and Sacred Books

10:30 a.m.  
Shabbat Service

Torah Portion  
Exodus 33:12-34:26

Wednesday, April 23  
Conclusion of Passover

9:45 a.m.  
"Moments of Remembrance"

10:30 a.m.  
Yizkor

Torah Portion  
Exodus 14:30-15:21

Friday, April 25  
7:30 p.m.

WRJ-O Shabbat

Oneg Shabbat sponsored by  
the Women of Reform Judaism

Saturday, April 26  
9:30-10:15 a.m.  
Bagels and Sacred Books

10:30 a.m.  
Shabbat Service

Bar Mitzvah of  
**Robert Reuben Friedman**  
son of Joan and Michael Friedman

Torah Portion: Achare Mot  
Leviticus 16:1-18:30

### Early Worship Service

Friday, Erev Shabbat, April 11  
5:30 p.m.  
Union Prayer Book Service

Come on your way home from  
work; meet family and friends.  
Those with special birthdays and  
anniversaries will be invited to the  
Bima for a special blessing.

This service is especially planned  
so that, at its conclusion, you may be  
home early to enjoy a Shabbat meal  
and evening.

### Welcome New Members

Claire Fredricks  
Jeff Fredricks  
Mimi and Michael Silverman  
Maya and Alexander Wertheimer

### Kol Rina to Sing with Church Choir

Cantor Wendy Shermet and  
Temple Israel's Kol Rina adult choir  
will be joined by the St. Paul United  
Methodist Church Choir at the  
10:30 a.m. Shabbat morning worship  
service Saturday, April 12. Jerry  
Brabec, minister of music at the  
church, will conduct the choirs in  
singing "K'dusha" by Alice Parker,  
who is an American composer,  
conductor, and teacher.

"We'll be doing this in honor of  
Pesach which comes the following  
week," said Cantor Shermet, who,  
along with Temple member Tamara  
Field, will sing the solos in the a  
cappella arrangement.

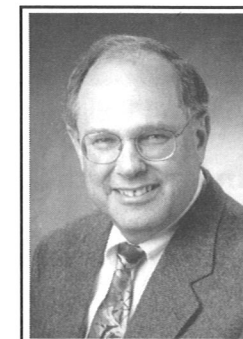
The choirs will also sing together  
at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 9, at  
the church, 5410 Corby Street.  
Temple members are invited to  
attend.

Miss Parker, who had a long  
association with the Robert Shaw  
Chorale, wrote "K'dusha," which is  
about 12 to 14 minutes long, as a  
commission for the Organists Guild  
of America.

**Come hear the Board of  
Trustees present its  
recommendation at a  
special meeting**

**April 27 7:00 p.m.**

**You will receive a  
letter soon.**



### "To Do the Right and the Good"

**Rabbi Elliot N. Dorff**  
Scholar-in-Residence  
May 2-4

"One glance at the contents of this  
book amply explains why anyone  
would be interested in its topics:  
communal relations, interfaith  
relations, national policy, procedural  
justice, poverty, war, and forgiveness  
among individuals and communities  
are issues that have deeply affected  
human life from its very inception,"  
writes Rabbi Dorff in the preface of  
his newest book, "To Do the Right  
and the Good," published last year.

A Jewish approach to modern  
social ethics, "This book is a great gift  
to the Jewish community!" said Dr.  
David Ellenson, president of Hebrew  
Union College-Jewish Institute of  
Religion. "Rabbi Dorff has written a  
book that addresses the foremost  
ethical and religious issues on the  
contemporary Jewish communal  
agenda."

Rabbi Dorff was ordained by the  
Jewish Theological Seminary of  
America in 1970 and earned his Ph.D.  
in philosophy from Columbia  
University the next year with a  
dissertation in moral theory.

Currently, he is Rector and  
Distinguished Professor of  
Philosophy at the University of  
Judaism. As a visiting professor, he  
also teaches a course on Jewish law  
at UCLA School of Law.

A member of the Conservative  
Movement's Committee on Jewish  
Law and Standards, Rabbi Dorff is on  
the editorial committee of the new  
Torah commentary for the  
Conservative Movement. His papers  
have formulated the validated stance  
of the Conservative Movement on  
infertility treatments and end-of-life  
issues. His Rabbinic Letters on  
human sexuality and poverty have  
become the voice of the Conservative  
Movement on those topics. In 1997  
and 1999, he testified on behalf of the  
Jewish tradition on human cloning  
and stem cell research before the  
President's National Bioethics  
Advisory Commission.

Author of more than 150 articles  
on Jewish thought, law, and ethics,  
he has written nine books. He and his  
wife Marlynn, live in Beverly Hills,  
California.

Friday, May 2 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary  
"Ethics in the Business Environment: A Jewish Approach"  
Oneg Shabbat following

Saturday, May 3 4:30 p.m. Milder Center  
"A Sex Ethic for Our Time: Issues of Human Intimacy"  
Cheese and Fruit Havdalah

Sunday, May 4 10 a.m. Friedman Social Hall  
"Jewish Medical Ethics - New Issues in Bioethics: Gene Mapping, Genetic  
Counseling, Genetic Engineering, Cloning, and Stem Cell Research"  
Bagel Brunch

*These events are sponsored by the Ida and Samuel Kaiman Memorial Fund.*

### Fiscal Year Ends May 31

Temple's fiscal year will end May  
31, 2003. Please make every effort to  
pay any outstanding obligations by  
that date.

As always, Dorothy Spizman,  
Executive Director, is available to  
discuss in confidence any special  
situations.

### Birthday Blessings Family Service April 11 5:30 p.m.

Children and adults who celebrate  
their birthdays during the month of  
April will be invited to the Bima for a  
special blessing at the Shabbat Family  
Service.

Please consider making your  
celebration even sweeter by bringing  
an unwrapped toy, an item of clothing,  
food stuffs or children's book to donate  
to one of our social justice projects.

## What's Happening In Religious School

Joan Cooper, Elementary School Coordinator

**Grade 6 Meets at Jewish Federation Library ..... Sunday, March 30**

**Grade 2 Model Seder With Grandpersons ..... Sunday, March 30**

**Grade 5 Model Wedding and Havdalah ..... Saturday, April 5**

Fifth graders will participate in a model wedding and reception. This event will serve to highlight 5th grade studies of Jewish wedding customs, history, and religious practice.

**SPECIAL HOURS for a SPECIAL DAY ..... Sunday, April 6**

Not only do we change our clocks for Daylight Savings on this day, Religious School will begin later - 1 to 3 p.m. Students will participate in a ceremony with Rabbi Druin, our Sofer-in-Residence. Parents are encouraged to attend with their child(ren). Classes will be dismissed at 3 p.m.

- 1 p.m. Classes for students in K through 6<sup>th</sup> grade, and an adult mini course on Torah led by the clergy.
- 2 p.m. Students join congregants for the Torah Restoration Ceremony. Each grade level has a part in the ceremony.
- 3 p.m. Celebration continues with music and treats. Families can schedule individual time with Rabbi Druin to help fill in a letter from the Torah.

**Grade 5 Parent Meeting ..... Sunday, April 6**

At 1 p.m. 5th grade parents will meet with Dorothy Spizman in preparation for their children's Bar/Bat Mitzvah during the 2004/2005 year.

**Family Worship Assembly ..... Sunday, April 13**

Parents, please remember that the assembly is a wonderful time for our children to come together as a community and feel comfortable praying in the sanctuary. Everyone is encouraged to join Religious School for our family worship assemblies! (11:30 a.m. to Noon). If parents are unable to attend, please meet your child(ren) in the entry at Noon. The Four B's topic for this morning (10-11:30 a.m.) will be *What are the Lessons of the Holocaust for Us and for Our Children?* See page 10 for more details.

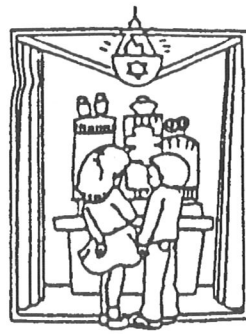
**No School or Keep-Up ..... April 15, 17 and 20**

Family School resumes on Tuesday, April 22. Grades 3-6 return on Thursday, April 24 and all grades on April 27.

**New Torah Tots Session Begins ..... Friday, April 25**

**Grade 2 Parent Meeting ..... Sunday, April 27**

At 10 a.m., Second grade parents will meet with Rabbi Azriel and Joan Cooper to discuss ways to help their children succeed in Third grade, which marks the beginning of mid-week attendance at Religious School.



### Tot Shabbat Services

**Friday, April 4**

**and**

**Friday, May 2**

**7 p.m.**

**Livingston Chapel**

A short service of song and prayer, followed by cookies and juice. Toddlers through children in the primary grades are encouraged to bring their families. **Come enjoy songs and a story with Rabbi Azriel or Rabbi Marantz.**

### Did you know that Sitter Service is available

- Every Friday evening at the 7:30 p.m. service
- Every Saturday morning when there is a bar or bat mitzvah
- Every Sunday morning during Religious School  
(Reservations and a \$2 donation are appreciated)

### Three Cheers For Temple's Volunteers!

*This Month's Stars Are:*

- Allison Latenser
- Martha Lerner
- Sandy Nogg

## Middle/High School Footnotes

Elyce Azriel, Director

### The Scary Guy Returns to Teach!

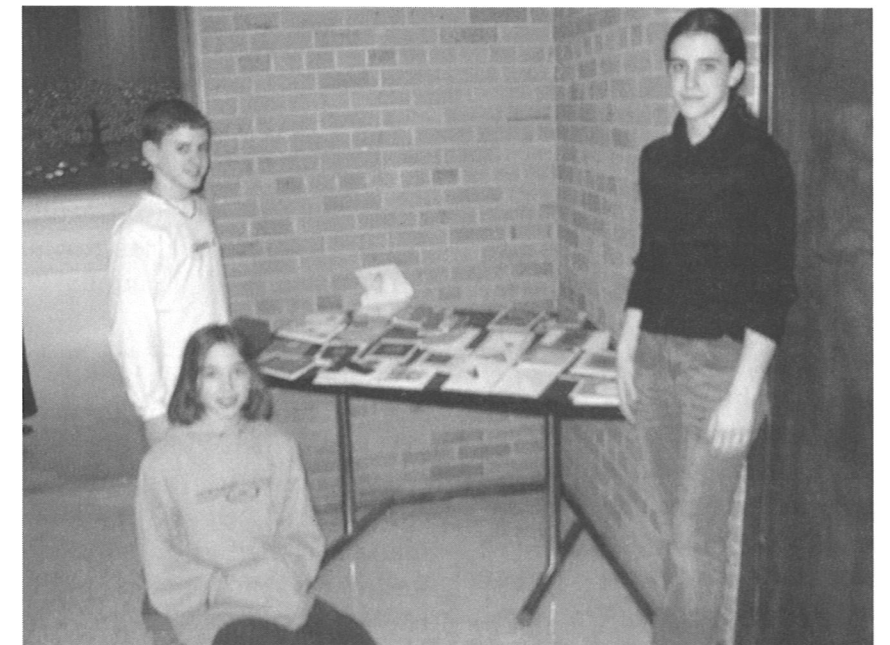
On April 9<sup>th</sup>, grades 6 to 11 will meet the Scary Guy. Yes, that's his legal name. But Scary is more than just about attracting attention to himself. He wants us to look at ourselves. What you look like doesn't matter. It's what's inside that counts.

With a commanding presence, shaved head, silver piercings through the bridge of his nose and tattoos crawling around his face, Scary knows he's instantly judged simply by the way he looks. He also knows others are judged the same way simply because of their manner of dress, weight, color, gender, income, age, education, sexuality. The list goes on and on.

"Prejudice creeps in every nook and cranny of everybody's life — and I mean everybody's," he says. His message is one of tolerance. "Discrimination is like an apple," he explains, "with everybody biting it to the core." Unlike many of us, he chose much of his appearance. But the fact is, tattoos are a part of who he is — but only a part. And like everybody else, he is a human being with ideas, dreams, and something to offer, something more than first impressions and preconceptions.

"Kids love me," said Scary. "All of us have, like, a special radar in our heart, only kids' auras are not all polluted yet, so they see the kid in me first. They don't see the adult authority figure who's going to point out everything that they're doing wrong."

Unlike many in this world, Scary wears his true colors on his face for all to see, but his smile is anything but painted on.



Andrew Taylon, Rebecca Crabb and Amy Schweid sold greeting cards made in their Middle School Intermodule class. Proceeds were donated to Kavod, a tzedakah collective funding programs in the U.S. and abroad, helping Jews and non-Jews to live in dignity and honor.



At the conclusion of the "Intergenerational Storytelling Intermodule," students gave their senior partners a framed photograph and read the stories inspired by talking with the older congregants. Participants were: Top row, left to right: Rita Paskowitz, Jerry Gross, Rachel Brodsky, Debby Greene. Middle row, left to right: Matthew Heyman, Evie Zysman, Aaron Passer, Dorothy Parilman, Sarah Bleicher, Sarah Sadofsky. Bottom Row, left to right: Samantha Kenik, Jessica Danon, Sarah Spooner, Jacquelyn Neesman.

# WRJ-O

## Save the Date, Ladies!

WRJ is pleased to announce the annual women's retreat, June 27-29 at a retreat center in Griswold, Iowa (a true getaway!). Joining us will be Rabbi Amy Katz, director of adult learning for the Central Agency for Jewish Education and the JCC in Overland Park, Kansas.

Also back by popular demand will be Cynthia Wakeman, a consultant from Sioux City, Iowa will also be joining us, back by popular demand. (She was a highlight of last year's retreat!) Stay tuned for more information.



Marta Fox, left, and Penny Endelman were among WRJ-O members hosting the Friendship Tea held February 23.

## Donor Tea Tuesday, April 8 at 1 p.m. with Sofer-on-Site Rabbi Moshe Druin

In celebration of WRJ-O's Torah Restoration Project, Rabbi Moshe Druin will present "Ruth, Mother of Royalty - Capturing the Royalty in All of Us" at WRJ-O's annual Donor Tea.

Rabbi Druin will be here from April 6-11 to restore the Torah scrolls and to provide educational programming for the entire Jewish community. Everyone who has made a contribution to the Torah Restoration Project is invited to the tea. Desserts will be served, and there will be no charge. Women who do not belong to Temple are encouraged to contribute to the project and are also welcome to join WRJ-O.

Categories for participation in the Torah Restoration Project are:

- \$18 for a letter
- \$36 for a word
- \$54 for a name
- \$180 for a verse
- \$360 for a column
- \$720 for a Torah portion

"This promises to be an exciting way for all of us to fulfill one of the 613 mitzvot," said Stacey Rockman, WRJ-O president.

Cindy Goldberg and Susan Lehr are chairmen of the Donor Tea. Please call Cindy at 398-5448 to make a reservation.

To date, 83 families have sponsored:

- 23 letters
- 16 words
- 22 names
- 11 verses
- 2 columns
- and
- 5 Torah portions.

## Torah Restoration Schedule With Rabbi Moshe Druin Sofer-in-Residence

Sunday, April 6

**Ceremony in the Sanctuary at 2 p.m.**  
A beautiful ceremony to launch the restoration of our Torah scrolls followed by a reception with Tuffy Epstein's Klezmer band and Israeli dancing. ~ Sign up to help the Sofer fill in a letter from the Torah.

Tuesday, April 8

**WRJ-O Donor Tea, 1 p.m.**  
Rabbi Druin will present: "Ruth, Mother of Royalty: Continuing the Royalty in All of Us." Call Cindy Goldberg, 398-5448, for reservations.

**Family School, 6:15 - 8:15 p.m.**  
All Religious School families are invited. Rabbi Druin will present: "It takes 22 Lines, 713 Letters, 4,648 Laws to make one Mezuzah." Call Joan Cooper, 556-6536, to RSVP.

Wednesday, April 9

**Torah and Toast, 7:30 a.m.**  
Breakfast and study with Rabbi Druin. Call Temple, 556-6536, to reserve a seat.

**Lunch & Learn, Noon**  
Catered box lunch and open forum with Rabbi Druin. It's free, but please call Temple, 556-6536, to reserve a seat.

**Teens & Torah, 5 p.m.**  
"The Art of Hebrew Letters" with Rabbi Druin. Dinner follows.

Thursday, April 10

**Adult Study, 10 a.m.**  
Everyone is invited for Torah study with Rabbi Druin on "Reaching the Highest Point of the Hebrew Letters."

# New York Style DELI NIGHT at Temple Israel

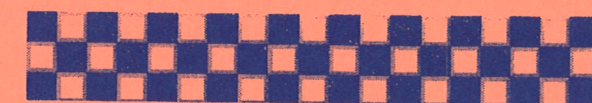
Sunday, April 13

5:00, 5:15, 5:30, 5:45, 6:00,  
6:15, 6:30 and 6:45 p.m.

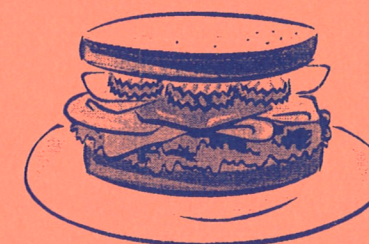
Free Sitter Service

Reservations preferred  
556-6536

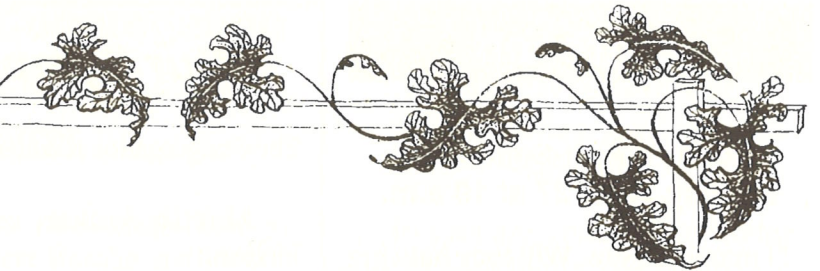
Carry-out available



**Menu**  
**Cheesecake**  
**Chopped Liver**  
**Corned Beef**  
**Kreplach Soup**  
**Matzo Ball Soup**  
**Pastrami**  
**Tongue**  
**Turkey**



# Pesach is April 16!



## Do You Need Passover Haggadot?

The Temple office has several Haggadot available.

The Central Conference of American Rabbis has published beautiful haggadot with traditional and innovative blessings which sells for \$19.95. We continue to carry the Haggadah illustrated by Leonard Baskin which may be purchased for \$12 each.

These beautiful Haggadot will be exquisite additions to your Seder. They are both works of art you will be proud to own.

Complete directions for the Seder and optional choices of readings will make your Seder memorable.

Also available is the "Family Haggadah: A Seder for All Generations." This Haggadah contains readable text with prompts for stimulating discussion and traditional order with abridged text, short enough to maintain interest. These Haggadot may be purchased for \$7 each.

Other Haggadot are available in the Temple Gift Shop.

## Temple Israel Congregational Seder

**Thursday, April 17 6 p.m. Second Night of Passover**

Our Congregational Seder is always a beautiful and festive occasion. Pesach is the time when we want to be with family and friends.

Bring guests and - certainly, grandchildren! But please help us plan properly for food and seating by making your reservations early.

Here's my reservation for the Congregational Seder:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Adults @ \$16.00 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken # \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian

\_\_\_\_\_ Children @ \$7.25 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken # \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian  
(Grade 6 and under)

No charge, age two and under.

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

We would like to sit with:

Name of Family \_\_\_\_\_

Reservation Deadline: **Tuesday, April 8.** The Seder will be open to non-Temple members after **Tuesday, April 1.** Reservations received after April 8, accepted on stand-by basis only.

No reservations will be accepted unless accompanied by payment!

Return your reservation blank and check to: Temple Israel, 7023 Cass, Omaha, Nebraska 68132.

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Proceeds go to our Jewish Camp Scholarship Fund.

## Do You Want To Share the Seder?

The first Seder will be celebrated Wednesday, April 16.

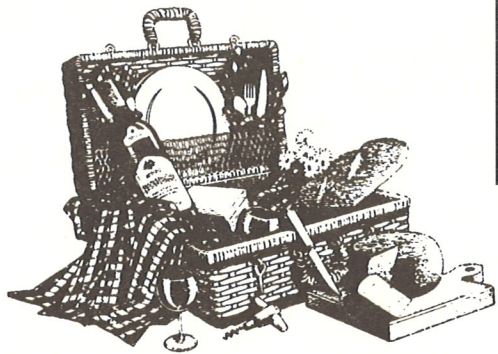
If you are new to the community or do not have extended family in the Omaha area with whom to share this joyous holiday, please call Caring Committee Chairman Shelly Fox, 397-1578, or the Temple office, 556-6536, and we will find a host family for you.

## Outreach

### "Today's Anti-Semitism" Sunday, April 27 at 10 a.m.

"I married a Jew. Will they hate me too?" is a question that an interfaith couple might be contemplating. At the April Outreach meeting at Temple Israel, the clergy, people who have encountered personal experiences with Anti-Semitism, and Bob Wolfson, executive director of the Anti-Defamation League, will participate on a panel to discuss these issues vis-à-vis interfaith relationships.

Other topics for discussion will include "Anti-Semitism in Our Children's Schools. How is it Addressed By the Administration?" and "Rising Anti-Semitism Related to the Crisis in the Middle East."



### Sunday Supper at Temple With Dorothy June 1 5:30 p.m.

A fast-paced tribute to our Executive Director Dorothy Spizman on her retirement. Full details will come soon.

## Our Sympathy

The Congregation records the deaths of:

**Martin Archer**, cousin of Jill Idelman;

**Basya Beckerman**, mother of Sophia Pesetsky and Gene Beckerman, and grandmother of Tanya Seina;

**Celia Lipsman Blank**, mother of Alan Blank and Barbara Steinfeld, and sister of Helen Kovitz, Molly Lipsman, Marian Gelfand and Harvey Lipsman;

**Ruth Epstein**, aunt of Rabbi Craig Marantz;

**Vanessa Johnson-Sosin**, cousin of Betsy Marantz;

**Raymond Marsh**, father of Michele Marsh and grandfather of Margaret, Caroline and Alexander Terry;

**Melba Meyer**, grandmother of Jason, Aaron and Timothy Fredricks;

**Louis T. Orloff**, husband of Charlotte Orloff, brother of Ruth Goldenberg and Janet Orloff, and uncle of Martha Lerner

and extends sympathy to their bereaved families.

### JCC Presents Live From 92<sup>nd</sup> Street Y

"Jewish-Christian Relations in the New Millennium: from Contention to Cooperation"  
Thursday, April 3, 7 p.m.

Karen Armstrong  
"The History of Islam"  
Monday, April 14, 7:15 p.m.

Call Rachel Blum, 334-6404, for more information.

## Congratulations

On the Birth of:

**Isaac Chia Schwartz**, son of Esther Reed and Mordechai Schwartz. Grandparents are Barbara and Mike Kessler, California, Alan Reed, New Jersey, and Ann and Don Schwartz, Baltimore, MD.

**Sydney Reese Kully**, daughter of Denese and Tim Kully. Grandparents are Sophie and Larry Nicholson, and Leslie and Bill Kully. Great-grandparents are Ida and Irving Forbes.

**Elijah Nathan Mogil**, son of Leslie and Todd Mogil. Grandparents are Charlcie and Jim Hopkins, Taylors, SC, and Suzi and Mike Mogil. Great-grandmother is Ethel Mogil.

## Yom Ha Shoah Community-Wide Program

7 p.m. Wednesday, April 30  
Beth El Synagogue

Walter Reed was one of 100 Jewish children who survived the Holocaust at the Chateau de la Hille in France, thanks to the protection of local farmers there and the Swiss Red Cross. He will tell the story at the annual Yom Ha Shoah commemoration this year of how the children were moved, of some being taken by the Nazis, of some children escaping to Spain and Switzerland, and of some joining the Resistance.

Omahan Ben Nachman is working with Walter on a book about surviving the Holocaust and invited him to speak in Omaha. "He's 78 going on 40!" Ben said.

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

**IN MEMORY OF: Martin Archer:** Lee and Howard Needelman and family; **Alan Baer, Lynn Weiner:** Karen Javitch; **Celia Lipsman Blank:** Barbara and Eddie Gorelick; **Delores Chesler:** Noni and Hal Selner; **Ruth Cohen:** Paula and Larry Albert, Susie Kaplan, Jane and John Lawless, Andrea and Mike Siegel, Margie and Marlon Somberg, Audrey Sophir, Marty Sophir, Terri and Dick Zacharia; **Irv Davis:** Renee and Moe Handleman, Terri and Dick Zacharia; **Ruth Epstein, Vanessa Johnson-Sosin:** Linda and Kevin Saltzman; **Ida Fellman:** Roma Randall; **David Firestone:** Suzy Rubin; **Alan J. Fleishman:** Mrs. Alan J. Fleishman; **Doris Katelman Geffen:** Karen Javitch, Francis and Stanley Katelman, Sandy and John Lehr; **Morris Gitlin:** Ann R. Cohen; **Irv Kaplan:** Fran and Norman Plotkin; **Betty Lerner:** Marilyn and Justin Manvitz; **Otmar Liebenstein:** Ellen Cohen, Janey and Jerry Dann, Pam and Dennis DePorte, Lois and Mel Epstein, Sandy and Paul Epstein, Lois and Joel Finkel, Wendy and David Goldberg, Connie and Bob Kully, Sandy and John Lehr, Linda and Kevin Saltzman, Heidi and Scott Schneiderman, Suzanne Singer, Sally and Maynard Telpner, Andi and David Willensky, Terri and Dick Zacharia; **Stanley Mayer:** Renee and Moe Handleman, Connie and Bob Kully; **Melba Meyer:** Arlene and Milton Moskovitz; **Courtney Nogg:** Patti and Tom Peterson; **Louis T. Orloff:** Marge and Jim Bresel; **Samuel Norman Phillips:** Rosalie and Maurie Meiches; **James Smedlund:** Noni and Hal Selner; **Morris Sophir:** Audrey Sophir; **Jim Stern:** Babe Cohn; **Sarah Taub:** Harriet Singer

**IN HONOR OF RECOVERY OF:** **Leon Alexander:** Gary Gerelick; **Esther Canar:** Bernice Crounse; **Audrey**

**Cohen:** Barbara and Marshall Kushner; **Marvin Gerber:** Rosalie and Maurie Meiches; **Phyllis Glazer:** Joie Simon; **Louise Leibowitz, Bess Sperling:** Betty Rae and Ben Weiser; **Jerry Milder:** Pearl and Jerry Gross, Barbara and Marshall Kushner; **Fred Ostrow:** Sylvia and Jerry Kaiman; **Milton Parker:** Toby Fellman, Joe Frank, Rosalie and Maurie Meiches; **Harold Perelman:** Eileen and Leonard Jacobson; **Phyllis Roffman:** Toby Fellman, Judy and Buddy Roffman; **Michael Sacks:** Lois and Joel Finkel; **Jan Schneiderman:** Barbara and Marshall Kushner

**IN HONOR OF BIRTHDAY OF:** **Henry Davis:** George Eisenberg; **Dick Glazer:** Nancy Hornstein; **Debby Greene:** Doris and Harry Alloy; **Maurie Meiches:** Doris and Milt Parker; **Leo Meyerson:** Pearl and Jerry Gross, Rosalie and Milt Saylan; **Normand Roffman:** Judy and Buddy Roffman; **Sherm Sperling:** Doris and Al Abramson, Dee Fox, Barbara Frohman, Barbara and Stan Malashock, Margo, Aaron and Charles Parsow

**IN HONOR OF BIRTH OF:** **Zachary Cohen Bahar:** Dora and Mark Goldstrom; **Maxwell Bennett Goldstein:** Judy and Jerry Marburg

**IN HONOR OF MARRIAGE OF:** **Granddaughter of Lois and Bob Endelman:** Helen and Mort Soiref

**IN APPRECIATION OF WRJ SEPHARDIC DINNER CHEFS:** Janey and Jerry Dann

**IN APPRECIATION OF: Rabbi Aryeh Azriel, Rabbi Craig Marantz, Cantor Wendy Shermet, Dorothy Spizman, Elyce Azriel, Joan Cooper, Stephanie Grossman, Claudia Sherman, Rosie Zweiback**

## Moments of Remembrance

Wednesday, April 23  
9:45 a.m.

To prepare yourself for Yizkor and to experience the comfort of being in a community of mourners, please join us for a special gathering before the morning service that concludes Passover.

In a supportive and caring setting, we invite you to share with others your memories and feelings for those you will say Kaddish for this Yizkor. Consider bringing a photo or important memento to help convey the essence of your loved ones. All who have lost someone dear, recently or in the past, are welcome to participate in this comforting experience.

## Yizkor

If you would like to have names of your loved ones read at the Morning Yizkor Service, **Wednesday, April 23**, call the Temple office, 556-6536, with the names to be read. Please phone by **Monday, April 21**.

## Healing

*Mi Shebeirakh*, the prayer for physical and emotional healing, is recited at the Friday evening Shabbat service. If you are ill and would like a *mi shebeirakh* recited on your behalf, please call the Temple office (556-6536) before noon, 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.

Please join us Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>  
10 – 11:30 am

# The Four B's: Behaving, Belonging, Believing & Bagels:

What are the Lessons of the Holocaust for Us and for Our Children?

The Holocaust continues to haunt us and its historical power demands that we tell the story to our children. We wonder what we should say, how we should say it and when, especially when our own understanding of this cataclysmic event in Jewish history is ever-changing. Join Rabbi Craig Marantz and Beth Seldin Dotan, the Director of the Institute for Holocaust Education at the Anti-Defamation League of Omaha, for an exploration of these important questions. Discover how to broach this subject with your children and gain new perspectives on the meaning of the Holocaust in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

- As always:
- The MICHA MOCHA gourmet coffee cart will be in the Temple lobby.
  - Childcare is available for ages 1-preK (reservations, 556-5636; a \$2 donation is appreciated).
  - “Bee” sure to join your child for Prayer Assembly at 11:30 a.m.

## Men's Club

Sunday, March 30  
10 a.m. Milder Center

Roger Dixon, of MECA (Metropolitan Entertainment and Convention Authority) will speak

Join us for a lox and bagels get-together and enjoy our special guest speaker. Non-Men's Club members, \$3.

## Dinner At China Road

Saturday, March 29 7 p.m.

Men's club is sponsoring their second dinner at this popular restaurant at 132nd and Dodge. Call Harry Gates, 330-3483, for information



Rosie Zweiback and Mace Hack, and Wendy and David Goldberg, left to right, enjoyed the first Men's Club dinner at the Greek Islands.

# Hold the Date!

A Weekend of Soulful  
Singing...Profound Stories...and  
Sheer Joy!

## Artists-in-Residence Renée Brachfeld and Mark Novak

will Present Stories and Songs  
from the Jewish Tradition  
Temple Israel ~ May 9 - 11

This dynamic husband-wife storytelling duo draw their material from the warmth and richness of Jewish folk tales, Midrash, and literature, Hasidic sources, and contemporary composers. Save the date for a weekend of stories, singing, dancing, the magic of the niggun, and theater!



May 1 thru 4

How can you do a mitzvah for Israel and enjoy a unique weekend for shopping all at the same time??!!  
Come to “Shop Shalom!”

“Shop Shalom” is an exclusive four-day Israeli (May 1-4) vendor fair featuring 20-25 Israeli merchants and artists selling unique “made in Israel” items.

“Shop Shalom” will be held Thursday, May 1 and Friday May 2 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Park Inn Regency Lodge, 909 South 107<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and Sunday, May 4, 12-3:30 p.m., at the Jewish Community Center.

# March 2003 - II Adar 5763

| SUNDAY                                                                                                                                              | MONDAY    | TUESDAY                                                                                                                                                                                                     | WEDNESDAY                                                                                                                                                                                                              | THURSDAY                                                                                                                                                               | FRIDAY                                                                                                       | SATURDAY                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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|                                                                                                                                                     |           |                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Religious School<br>Grades 7-12 6:30-8:30 p.m.<br>“Jews of Spain”<br>6:45-8:45 p.m.                                                                                                                                    | Beyond Basic Hebrew<br>9:15-10 a.m.<br><br>Religious School<br>Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m.<br>Kol Rina Choir 6:30-8 p.m.                                                       | Torah Tots<br>10-11:15 a.m.<br><br>Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m.                                                 | Bagels and Sacred Books<br>9:30-10:15 a.m.<br>Shabbat Service<br>10:30 a.m.                                                                                                                     |
| <b>30</b>                                                                                                                                           | <b>31</b> | <b>APRIL 1</b>                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>2</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>3</b>                                                                                                                                                               | <b>4</b>                                                                                                     | <b>5</b>                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Religious School<br>Kindergarten-Grade 5<br>10-Noon<br>Grade 6 @ Federation<br>Library 10:15-11:45 a.m.<br>Men's Club Brunch 10 a.m.                |           | Lunch & Learn with<br>Dr. Greenspoon 12-1 p.m.<br><br>Family School<br>6:15-8 p.m.<br>“The Jewish Roots of<br>Christianity” 7-8:30 p.m.<br>AA, Alanon &<br>Gamblers 12-Step 7:30 p.m.                       | “The Writings of<br>Maimonides” 8:30 a.m.<br><br>Religious School<br><br>Grades 7-11 6:30-8:00 p.m.<br>“The Jews of Spain”<br>6:45-8:45 p.m.<br>“Biomedical Ethics”<br>7-8:30 p.m.                                     | Beyond Basic Hebrew<br>9:15-10 a.m.<br>Adult Study with the<br>Clergy 10-11:30 a.m.<br><br>Religious School<br>Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m.<br>Kol Rina Choir 6:30-8 p.m.       | Torah Tots<br>10-11:15 a.m.<br><br>Tot Shabbat 7 p.m.<br>Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m.                           | Bagels and Sacred Books<br>9:30-10:15 a.m.<br>Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.<br>Bar Mitzvah of<br>David Clark                                                                                       |
| <b>6</b>                                                                                                                                            | <b>7</b>  | <b>8</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>9</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>10</b>                                                                                                                                                              | <b>11</b>                                                                                                    | <b>12</b>                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Religious School<br>Kindergarten-Grade 6<br>1 p.m.<br>Torah Restoration<br>Ceremony & Reception<br>2 p.m.                                           |           | Lunch & Learn with<br>Dr. Greenspoon 12-1 p.m.<br>WRJ-O Donor 1 p.m.<br><br>Family School<br>6:15-8 p.m.<br>“The Jewish Roots of<br>Christianity” 7-8:30 p.m.<br>AA, Alanon &<br>Gamblers 12-Step 7:30 p.m. | “Torah and Toast” 7:30 a.m.<br>“The Writings of<br>Maimonides” 8:30 a.m.<br><br>Lunch and Learn with<br>Rabbi Druin 12 p.m.<br>Religious School & Dinner<br>Grades 6-12 6-8 p.m.<br>“Biomedical Ethics”<br>7-8:30 p.m. | Beyond Basic Hebrew<br>9:15-10 a.m.<br>Adult Study with the<br>Clergy 10-11:30 a.m.<br><br>Religious School<br>Grades 3-5 4-6 p.m.<br>Kol Rina Choir 6:30-8 p.m.       | Torah Tots<br>10-11:15 a.m.<br><br>Early Worship Service<br>5:30 p.m.<br>Family Shabbat Service<br>5:30 p.m. | Bagels and Sacred Books<br>9:30-10:15 a.m.<br>Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.<br>Special Music Service                                                                                               |
| <b>Sofer-in-Residence</b>                                                                                                                           |           |                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>13</b>                                                                                                                                           | <b>14</b> | <b>15</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>16</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>17</b>                                                                                                                                                              | <b>18</b>                                                                                                    | <b>19</b>                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Religious School<br>Kindergarten-Grade 6<br>10-Noon<br>“The Four B's” 10 a.m.<br>Family Prayer Assembly<br>11:30 a.m.<br><br>Deli Night 5-6:45 p.m. |           | Conversation with<br>Rabbi Azriel 12-1 p.m.<br><br>Board of Trustees Meeting<br>7:30 p.m.<br>AA, Alanon &<br>Gamblers 12-Step 7:30 p.m.                                                                     | No Religious School<br><br>First Seder                                                                                                                                                                                 | Passover Service<br>10:30 a.m.<br><br>No Religious School<br><br>Congregational Seder<br>6 p.m.                                                                        |                                                                                                              | Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m.<br>Bagels and Sacred Books<br>9:30-10:15 a.m.<br>Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.                                                                                           |
| <b>20</b>                                                                                                                                           | <b>21</b> | <b>22</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>23</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>24</b>                                                                                                                                                              | <b>25</b>                                                                                                    | <b>26</b>                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| No Religious School                                                                                                                                 |           | Lunch and Learn with<br>Dr. Greenspoon 12-1 p.m.<br><br>Family School<br>6:15-8 p.m.<br>“The Jewish Roots of<br>Christianity” 7-8:30 p.m.<br>AA, Alanon &                                                   | Gamblers 12-Step 7:30 p.m.<br>“Moments of<br>Remembrance” 9:45 a.m.<br>Passover Service & Yizkor<br>10:30 a.m.<br><br>No Religious School                                                                              | Beyond Basic Hebrew<br>9:15-10 a.m.<br>Adult Study with the<br>Clergy 10-11:30 a.m.<br><br>Religious School<br>Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m.<br>Congregational Meeting<br>7 p.m. | Torah Tots<br>10-11:15 a.m.<br><br>Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m.                                                 | Bagels and Sacred Books<br>9:30-10:15 a.m.<br>Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.<br>Bar Mitzvah of<br>Robert Friedman                                                                                   |
| <b>27</b>                                                                                                                                           | <b>28</b> | <b>29</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>30</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>MAY 1</b>                                                                                                                                                           | <b>2</b>                                                                                                     | <b>3</b>                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Religious School<br>Kindergarten-Grade 6<br>10-Noon                                                                                                 |           | Outreach Program 10 a.m.<br>Lunch and Learn with<br>Dr. Greenspoon 12-1 p.m.<br><br>Family School<br>6:15-8 p.m.<br>“The Jewish Roots of<br>Christianity” 7-8:30 p.m.                                       | AA, Alanon &<br>Gamblers 12-Step 7:30 p.m.<br><br>Religious School<br>Grades 7-12 @ Beth El<br>7 p.m.<br>Community Yom HaShoah                                                                                         | Service @ Beth El 7 p.m.<br><br>Beyond Basic Hebrew<br>9:15-10 a.m.<br>Adult Study with the<br>Clergy 10-11:30 a.m.<br><br>Religious School<br>Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m.     | Kol Rina Choir 6:30-8 p.m.<br><br>Torah Tots<br>10-11:15 a.m.<br><br>Tot Shabbat 7 p.m.                      | Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m.<br>Scholar-in-Residence<br>Bagels and Sacred Books<br>9:30-10:15 a.m.<br>Shabbat Service<br>Bar Mitzvah of<br>David Anderson<br><br>Scholar-in-Residence<br>4:30 p.m. |