

Yahrzeits

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

March 16, 1973

Laura Goetz
Frank Kropman
Maurice D. Micklin
Abraham Bolker
Leo Fox
Herman Steinberg
Joseph Scharf
Adolph Marer
Phil Gilinsky
Jay Benjamin Katz
Mollie Cohen
Frances Green Fellman

March 23, 1973

Bernard Gladstone
Ike Feblowitz
Clara S. Krasne
Sadie Newman
Anna Goldstein
Frank M. Krasne
Leona Pollack Shapiro
May Rosenberg
Marion M. Leon
Max Sommer
Benjamin Brodkey
Gerald Wirthsafter
Isaac Rubin

Pulpit Flowers

February 23, 1973
In memory of Ann Brodsky.

March 2, 1973
In honor of Bar Mitzvah of Jay Margolin.

Our Sympathy

The Congregation records with sorrow the death of

DR. OTTO MORGENTHAU,
father of

and extends sympathy to his bereaved family.

Inscribed Prayer Books

IN HONOR OF —
50th Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. William Racusin.

IN MEMORY OF —
Cantor Manfred F. Kuttner.

Calendar of Events

March	
14	Coffee with the Rabbi 10:00 a.m.
15	No Hebrew Classes
17	Religious School as usual
17	Purim begins — Megillah Reading 7:30 p.m.
18	No Religious School
18	Purim Carnival 2:00-5:00 p.m.
19	Jewish Cultural Committee Adult Education Classes #3 7:30 p.m.
20	Confirmation Class 4:30 p.m.
21	Coffee with the Rabbi 10:00 a.m.
24	Wine Tasting Party — Couples Club at Thomasville Apts. 8:15 p.m.
25	Men's Club Brunch 10:00 a.m.
26	Jewish Cultural Committee Adult Education Classes #4 7:30 p.m.
27	Confirmation Class 4:30 p.m.
28	Coffee With the Rabbi..... 10:00 a.m.

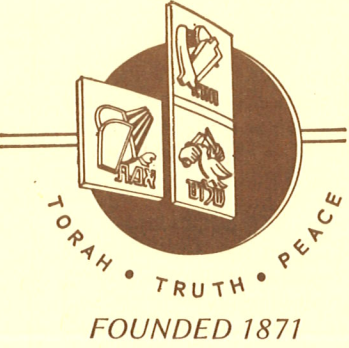
Gifts Made to Special Temple Funds:

IN HONOR OF:
Birthday of Hazel Degen.
Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Herr.
50th Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. William Racusin.
Birthday of Stanley Slosburg.
85th Birthday of Max Soule.
Birthday of Blanche Zimman.

FOR THE RECOVERY OF:
Simon Fisher, Jane Gilmore, Abe Katelman.

IN MEMORY OF:
Rebecca Blank, Dr. Oscar Carp, Dr. Louis Cohen, Audrey Elkon, Maurice Frank, Goldye Friedman, Anna Gilinsky, Morris Goldhammer, David Goldman, Ludwig Hagedorn, Maurice Kodner, Harry Kutler, Ella Markel, Sophia Rechter, Morris Rubenstein, Jeanette Rubin, Jules Shapiro, Nathan Veitzer, Sarah Zemurray.

Temple Israel Tidings



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IT SEEMS TO ME

A Personal Message from Rabbi Brooks

An End to Double Moral Standards
Israel — America



We all anguish over the Libyan airliner shot down by the Israeli military jets. We do not know what happened beyond the reports in the public media. Still we do feel anguish over the loss of life in the tragic incident. And the world is not always fair in condemnation of actions before the full reasons for those actions are clear.

At this point of writing I find myself appalled by the world wide condemnation of Israel even before the facts are clear. The reverse is seldom the case.

We should not as yet condemn the Israeli pilots. They followed their orders. At the same time I am in sympathy with the families of those whose loved ones perished in the crash. That they were predominantly Arabs is quite beside the point. Human lives were lost.

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

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

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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

RABBI BARRY L. WEINSTEIN

“IS HUMAN HELPFULNESS THE PLACE
TO ECONOMIZE?”

Sabbath Coffee Hour

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

Bat Mitzvah
of
DEBRA JO COHN,
daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Gerald M. Cohn

Saturday Evening, March 17
7:30 p.m. PURIM

MEGILLAH READING

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

RABBI SIDNEY H. BROOKS

“IF YOU ASK ME”

Open Discussion following Services on where Reform Judaism will and will not go. Rabbi Brooks will have returned from two days of meeting with the Central Conference of American Rabbis Executive Board.

Sabbath Coffee Hour

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

Bat Mitzvah
of
LISBETH SOMBERG,
daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Marlon Somberg

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The horror is that lives are differently evaluated in this world of ours. Somehow politics and war make some lives expendable while others are not.

In a sense we American Jews have something to answer for. Had the ship which was shot down been an Israeli passenger plane, I can well imagine the outcry and justifiably so. Witness our reaction to the Lod massacre and the horrors at Munich.

Of course there was a difference, a crucial one. The slaughters at Lod and Munich were deliberate. I am sure the attack on the Libyan airliner was not. I am deeply concerned by our attitude toward human life.

I have consistently preached that everything which America does is not by definition good and right and moral. We make mistakes, sometimes horrible ones. We are not perfect. We are human.

Now I must say that everything that Israel does is not by definition good and right and moral. Israel too makes mistakes, at times horrible ones. Israelis too being human are not perfect. But neither is everything Israel does to protect itself wrong either.

In short: each of us and every nation has a right to be less than perfect. We are not compelled to be saints. We are obligated to be the best of which we are capable.

It may be determined that Israel could not have acted otherwise. Or it may yet be decided that Israel was not as careful as possible. Indeed there are many facts of Israeli life with which we may not agree.

But at least let us and all the world be JUSTIFIABLY critical. And let there be no implications of disloyalty to Judaism or to the Jewish people imputed to those who on the basis of fair judgment are critical of Israel's policies or actions.

We do no service to Israel, to ourselves or the world as long as we nurture a double standard of morality. Humanity is fallible. We are all human: Men, Women,

TEMPLE ISRAEL COUPLES CLUB

"L'CHAYIM"

To life — To fun — To wine-tasting

WINE TASTING PARTY

Saturday, March 24, 1973

8:15 p.m.

Thomasville Apartments Clubhouse

5820 South 99th Street

\$3.00 per couple

Be the lucky couple to win a bottle of wine! Call in reservations by March 22 — 556-6536.

Rabbi Brooks to Speak at Men's Club Brunch

Rabbi Sidney H. Brooks will speak to the Men's Club on Sunday, March 25 at 10:00 a.m. Brunch will be served.

Rabbi Brooks will speak on "PORTRAIT OF A CHASID . . . My Teacher . . . My personal recollections of Abraham Joshua Heschel."

Abraham Joshua Heschel, who recently died, was one of the world's great theologians, distinguished author, a social activist, and a world renowned figure.

Guests are welcome.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Mr. and Mrs. Barry A. Broder.
Mr. and Mrs. C. Meade Chamberlin.
Mr. Alan K. Nogg.
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stone.
Mr. and Mrs. Michael L. Sherman.

America, Israel. The moral law applies equally to all.

"Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." In today's world everyone on earth is our neighbor.

The loss of any human life is everyone's grief.

Temple Youth Group Had an Active Month

Our Temple Israel Youth Group has had a very active calendar this past month.

On February 4 we visited the Sher Home and presented a program of entertainment, including songs, poetic readings and musical presentations. Afterwards we visited with the residents of the home and helped serve refreshments.

Our annual spaghetti dinner was a highly successful program and fund raiser for our youth group. We want to thank each of you who helped make our dinner the success that it was!

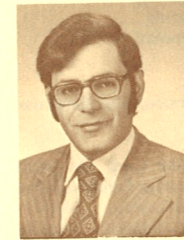
On Saturday, February 24, our youth group held an afternoon study session at Temple on the theme, "Can a Reform Jew accept Halacha?" Upon completion of this study session, we all enjoyed a progressive dinner. We had our three-course dinner in three different homes. We concluded our dinner with dessert and a house party in one other home, and we want to express our gratitude to all of you who helped provide our dinner for us.

We want to remind each of you to attend our Purim Carnival together with all your family on March 18!

IF YOU WERE IN OUR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

by Rabbi Barry L. Weinstein

WHO SPEAKS FOR JUDAISM?



Are you prepared to speak for Judaism?

Would you be able to respond to probing questions about our faith and our people?

Happily, several members of our Temple Youth Group are well prepared to both inform others about Judaism and respond meaningfully and accurately to their inquiries.

Our "We Speak for Judaism" panel is an educational project of our Temple Youth Group. Its purpose is the sharing of basic information about Judaism and the Jewish people with various church youth groups and religious schools.

Four different presentations are given by members of our panel. Themes of these presentations include the Jewish Festivals, the identity of a Jew, Jewish beliefs and Jewish communal organizations. Following these explanations, our panel's moderator responds to questions.

I have accompanied our panel on several occasions and feel deeply proud of their splendid presentations and conduct. Our host clergymen and youth advisors have highly complimented them on their knowledge of their religion and their people.

During this year of increasing evangelistic activity, we can take great pride in the open sharing of information about Judaism and its relationship to Christianity that each panel discussion provides for both our students and our hosts.

Our "We Speak for Judaism" panel is one of the best ways of increasing understanding between Jewish and Christian students. With each panel presentation, our students are able to experience in their own lives all they have learned about interfaith relations during their studies in our school.

THE CONGREGATION OF TEMPLE ISRAEL

Invites you to Celebrate With Us

the 25th Anniversary of the

State of Israel

at Worship

Friday Evening

March 30, 1973

7:30 p.m.

Following Services

the Showing of the Award-Winning Film

A WALL IN JERUSALEM

Narrated by

Richard Burton

Composed of news reel footage, the film presents a comprehensive record of Israel in the 20th century.

Join us to experience the unbelievable struggle, the magnificence and the reality of the birth and maturing of the State of Israel.

Sisterhood Gift Shop

The Gift Shop will be open Sunday, April 8 and Sunday, April 15 from 10:00 a.m. until noon.

New in the Gift Shop is a book of traditional prayers for \$1.00 including tax. This handy book contains all the traditional prayer blessings, and hymns for home use.

Chairman and Moderator for the panel for this year is Pam Monasee. Our youth group Chaplain, Debbie Farber, helps coordinate our panel's work. Panelists include several different members of our youth group.

If you know of any church youth group that would like to hear our panel, please have them contact me.

May we be inspired to speak for Judaism as beautifully and devotedly as our students!

NURSERY SCHOOL NOW TAKING APPLICATIONS

Reservations are now being taken for Temple Nursery School's five-day program for the 1973-74 year. A child must be four years old by October 15 in order to qualify.

Temple members will have preference until April 15, 1973. Tuition is \$140.00 per semester. Contact Dorothy Spizman, 393-6858, to reserve a place for your child.

Temple Youth Group Purim Carnival

2:00-5:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 18
Games — Raffles — Prizes
Food and Fun
Come with all of your family.