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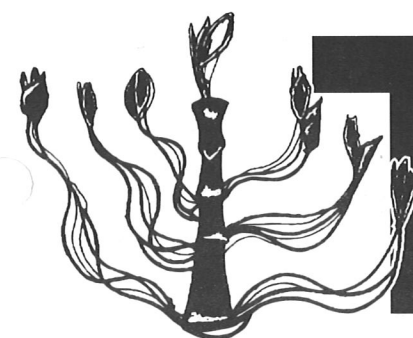
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Temple Israel Tidings

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Temple Israel Joins Call to Action on Darfur

A humanitarian crisis is taking place in Darfur, Sudan. At the hands of government-backed militias, as many as 400,000 people have been killed and an additional 500 die each day. Nearly two million innocent civilians have been displaced from their homes in the Darfur region. The world has thus far remained shamefully silent in the face of these atrocities.

It is time for moral voices to be heard!

Joining thousands of people from around the country, the Reform Movement will participate in the "Save Darfur: Rally to Stop Genocide" on Sunday, April 30 on the National Mall in Washington, D.C. to raise awareness about the situation in Darfur and to demand that stronger action be taken to end the genocide. The Reform Movement is a co-sponsor of the rally. The Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism will coordinate the Movement's participation.

A broad spectrum of prominent political figures, faith leaders, human rights activists, entertainers, journalists, and thousands of others, are expected to be involved in the rally in support of a stronger multi-national force to protect civilians of Darfur.

Wendy Goldberg, President of Temple's Board of Trustees, and Magda Peck, a member of Temple and the Union for Reform Judaism's (URJ) National Commission on Social Justice, will be joining the supporters at the rally in the capital.

In Omaha on the same day, there will be a Prayer Assembly beginning at 11:30 a.m. at Temple. In addition, members of Temple's Social Justice Coordinating Committee are making plans for a rally here to raise awareness of the tragedy in Darfur. (Watch for further information about the time and location.) At Temple's Congregational Seder on Thursday, April 13, postcards for "A Million Voices for Darfur" will be distributed to gather signatures to be sent to the White House on April 30. At the National Federation of Temple Youth (NFTY) Spring *Chavurah* held at Temple Israel the week prior to the rally, youth group members will also be asked to sign the postcards.

In a resolution passed by the URJ Board of Trustees' Executive Committee, a stand was taken to address the crisis in Darfur, because we are "a people intimately acquainted with the horrors of

ethnic cleansing and genocide. We are obligated to speak out and take action when other peoples are similarly threatened with annihilation. As Jews, we cannot remain silent."

There will be a *havdalah* service in Washington the night before the rally. Lobby visits on Capitol Hill will be made on Monday morning, May 1.

To learn more about the Washington rally, please visit www.rac.org/rallyfordarfur.



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Join the Reform Jewish Movement at the

SAVE DARFUR

RALLY TO STOP GENOCIDE

WASHINGTON, DC. on Sunday, April 30, 2006

Join the Reform Jewish Movement with thousands of people from around the country for a rally in Washington, DC to raise awareness about the genocide that is occurring in Darfur.

To learn more about the weekend full of events, including Rally, register for yourself or a group, to order t-shirts, or find out how to get involved in your community, visit:

www.rac.org/rallyfordarfur

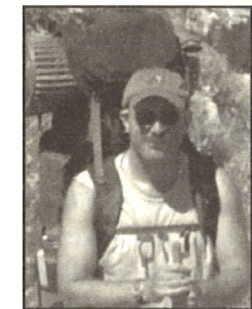
SUNDAY, APRIL 30 – 11:30 A.M. PRAYER ASSEMBLY FOR DARFUR AT TEMPLE ISRAEL
– NOON RALLY FOR DARFUR IN MEMORIAL PARK

Reform Judaism in Transition

Welcome Spring at Temple's Family Environmental Shabbaton Sunday, April 29

Carol Joy Holling Conference and Retreat Center – Ashland, Nebraska

"As a boy, my father, a rabbi, took me and my siblings on a walk in the woods behind our house on Shabbat afternoons," Rabbi Dan Fink recalled. "I came to associate the natural world with the rest of Shabbat and the Divine Presence. Since then, I've been an avid hiker, paddler and cyclist. And as a rabbi and a Jew, I've always sought to make connections between my love for nature and my equally strong love for our tradition."



A rabbi at Temple Israel from July 1992 to June 1994, Rabbi Fink, now serving Congregation Ahavath Beth Israel in Boise, ID, will return to Nebraska for this outdoor Shabbaton. Plans for the day include exploring the great outdoors, celebrating Shabbat at an outdoor service, hiking, a bird walk, a pond study, recycling paper, and a Jewish nature treasure hunt.

Mace Hack, Director of Conservation Programs for the Nature Conservancy of Nebraska and a Temple member, will start the morning off with an optional "early bird" walk at 7:30 a.m. At 9:30 a.m., the Shabbaton officially begins with some shmoozing, and a nosh of bagels, muffins and fruit.

Rabbi Fink will lead the 10 a.m. Shabbat worship service "I'm going to focus on how we create – and live – a Jewish environmental ethic. That includes some study of Jewish texts and experiential outdoors activities. I've always felt that people will act on behalf of what they love. So we have to learn to love the earth by spending time in nature and giving thanks for the time in the language of our tradition." Rabbi Fink will introduce the themes of *tikkun olam*, its application to the natural world, and Jewish values that relate to protecting the environment.

Additional activities include papermaking led by Temple member Rebecca Bloom, an art teacher with a lifelong interest in conservation and the environment; "Water We Doing," with Holling Center staff and Uri Levin, the Jewish Community Center's *shaliach*; and a hands-on encounter with barnyard animals for younger nature lovers. Throughout the day, Rabbi Fink and Mace Hack will offer an "adult track," featuring more rigorous hiking and some text study.

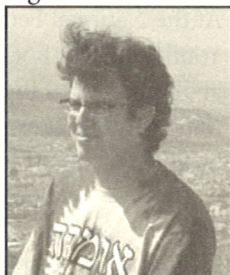
A potluck lunch will include grilled hotdogs and veggie dogs, followed by some leisure time.

To emphasize the Jewish values of *Tzaar Ba-alei Hayyim*, caring for animals, and *Shomrei Adamah*, promoting the protection of wild habitat, the Omaha Raptor Team will introduce the group to at least eight raptors at 1:15 p.m.

This day of experiencing nature and valuing life will conclude with *havdalah*.

To attend the Shabbaton, make your reservation with Temple's Program Director Rosie Zweiback by contacting her at rzweiback@templeisraelomaha.com or 556-6536, or by sending your check to Temple by Friday, April 21. Charge for the day is \$10 per car.

Temple's Hermene Zweiback Center for Lifelong Jewish Learning is sponsoring the Shabbaton, along with a grant from the Esther K. Newman Memorial Fund.



Declaration of Trust Modification Proposed

The following recommendation has been made by the Investment Committee (March 2006):

That the original Declaration of Trust Agreement (1983) by which certain Temple Israel Endowment funds are held, be modified to enable Temple Israel to invest the necessary portion of these funds so as to meet the previously approved goals of shifting these funds to the Jewish Federation of Omaha Foundation. The Foundation will have primary responsibility for investing and managing Temple Israel's endowment funds, allowing, up to 50% of the overall endowed funds to be invested in equities.

Save The Date!



Sunday, May 21

Watch your mail for an upcoming opportunity to celebrate family, community and *mitzvot*!

On the last day of Religious School let's all come together to help others need in the Omaha area. Mitzvah Day only lasts a few hours, but its benefits last a lifetime.

Meet Misty

Misty Heller joined Temple's support staff in early February. She is working once again with Executive Director Dennis DePorte, as she did for eight years at Aksarben Beef as the office manager.



Originally from Defiance, IA, she now lives in Minden, IA. Among Misty's responsibilities are writing the weekly e-Tidings and Temple's events for the synagogue column in the *Jewish Press*. The new administrative secretary said she likes working at Temple. "Everyone's really nice."

In her spare time, Misty enjoys volleyball, softball and golf.

Be a Hero! Give Blood.

Temple Israel Blood Drive

Thursday, May 4, 3 to 7 p.m.

To give blood for transfusion to another person, you must be healthy, at least 17-years-old, weigh at least 110 pounds, and not have donated blood in the last eight weeks (56 days). "Healthy" means that you feel well and can perform normal activities. If you have a chronic condition such as high blood pressure, "healthy" also means that you are being treated and the condition is under control.

Other aspects of each potential donor's health history are discussed as part of the donation process before any blood is collected. Each donor receives a brief examination during which temperature, pulse, blood pressure and blood count are measured.

Temple's Blood Drive Chairman, Ron Budwig, requests that you sign-up for a time to donate by calling the Temple Israel office at 556-6536. Or, sign-up on Sunday, April 30, when the Pancake Man visits Temple. "Our goal is to get 42 donors," Ron said. "We need your help to help us save lives."

Yom Ha'Atzmaut Celebrates Israel's Independence Sunday, May 7, JCC

Postcards from Israel...wish you were here! Israel's Independence Day celebration will be "something to write home about," according to Rachel Blum, Director of Jewish Programming and BBYO, at the JCC. Walking through the doors at the JCC will simulate getting off a plane that has just landed at Ben Gurion Airport in Jerusalem.

A short ceremony at 12:30 p.m. for Yom HaZikaron, commemorating Israel's fallen soldiers, will include Yizkor and other prayers. JCC Community Shaliach Uri Levin notes, "Celebrating Yom Ha'Atzmaut in Israel always begins on a sad note as we remember the people who sacrificed their lives for our nation. As the day progresses, however, the remembrance becomes a celebration for Israel's independence. Flags are raised from half staff to the top of the mast, and the festivities begin."

A kosher lunch including falafel, pita, humus, couscous, tabouli and other Mediterranean dishes, as well as pizza and chips for the kids, will be available.



er Mediterranean dishes, as well as pizza and chips for the kids, will be available. For fun, there will be inflatable games, a rock wall, caricature sketches, Judaic arts and crafts projects, an archaeological dig, and magician Joe Cole. Judaica and roses will also be sold by the synagogues and the Rose Blumkin Jewish Home.

Among other attractions will be the B'nai B'rith Trivia Quiz, announcement of the Elinor Whitman Book Award Contest winners, and the Jewish Federation's annual Teen Leadership Awards.

Entertainment will be provided by Nashir Community Choir and the Omaha International Folk Dancers, sponsored by Beth El Synagogue, with congregant Ophir Palmon, a member of the group.

"For those who cannot be in Israel at this special time, it sure will feel like we are there!" declared Uri.

Social Justice Fund Supports Reform Judaism Concerns

Last year, the Temple Israel Social Justice Fund supported the cost of three dinners at three different homeless shelters, speakers on social justice issues, lobbying state senators in Lincoln and projects at schools attended by children from low income families in the area.

Your minimum contribution of \$6 will support our Social Justice Coordinating Committee's continuing efforts of *tikkun olam*. Call the Temple office, 556-6536, or email Maureen at mkube@templeisraelomaha.com, to celebrate a simcha or honor the memory of a friend or loved one.

New Building Update

John Waldbaum, Building and Grounds Chairman, reports that the Architectural Selection Committee has narrowed the field down to two architectural firms, one of which will be selected to build a new Temple Israel.

"We are waiting for written proposals to be delivered on April 10," John explained. "The committee will evaluate these proposals after we have had a good chance to review them."

Women of Reform Judaism-Omaha



The Pancake Man is Right Around the Corner!

Sunday, April 30, 9-10 a.m.

Pancakes will be flying through the air in the Friedman Social Hall. Bring your family to enjoy a hot breakfast of yummy flapjacks, scrumptious beef sausage and juice. See if you can catch a few cakes on your plate! Cost is \$4 per person and children under 3 are free.

Cradle Roll

Sunday, April 30, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Parents (and grandparents, too!) are invited, along with their children (infant to pre-kindergarten age), to play and learn together with other families who have young children. Join us for a fun craft project, storytime and snack. In order to ensure there are supplies and snacks for all the children, **please RSVP to Ann Osborne, 933-4954 or annoz13@cox.net, by Wednesday, April 26.**



We Need Your Used Books!

WRJ-O's Biannual Book Sale is coming this summer. So check your shelves, attic, basement, kitchen, office, den and closets, or wherever your used hard and paper-backed books may be hiding!

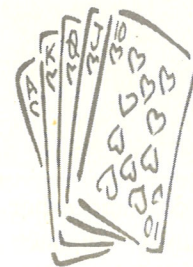
DO: Start dropping off books for the sale at Temple Israel. Please pack the books in small boxes (not over 20 lbs) or brown paper grocery sacks.

DON'T: Bring magazines, textbooks, Reader's Digests, encyclopedias or outdated travel books.

Pictured right (l to r) Donor Tea panelists Amee Zetzman, Susan Lehr, Susie Norton, Jan Goldstein, Shayna Ray and Cantor Wendy Shermet shared their secrets of success.

Would You Like to Be Involved in WRJ-O?

We are looking for passionate and motivated individuals to serve on our board. Various positions are available. Please contact Cindy Goldberg at cgoldberg5@cox.net or 398-5448 if you would like to find out more information or submit a name for a board position.



Girls' Poker Night Back By Popular Demand!

Wednesday, May 24 7 p.m.

WRJ-O is planning another fun-filled Poker Night at the home of Bonnie Pfrenger (18325 Dupont Circle). All skill levels from novice to shark are welcome and, as an added bonus, the new WRJ-O board will be installed that evening! Once again, there will be plenty of snacks, prizes, laughs and chances to win a terrific prize. (Raffle tickets are \$2 each or 6 for \$10 – you need not be present to win.) The ante to play is \$10*. Watch your mailbox for an invitation and **RSVP to the Temple office (mkube@templeisraelomaha.com or 556-6536) by Monday, May 22.**

*No real money gambling.

Annual Donor Event Was Inspiring

Stories, advice and personal reflections from a wonderfully diverse group of panelists entertained and delighted the nearly 50 women who attended WRJ-O's Donor event last month. The evening was full of great women, great conversation and, of course, great desserts! A big THANK YOU goes to our members who,



through their generous donations, raised over \$4,500 to help support the projects and programs of WRJ-O; to the panelists, Jan Goldstein, Susan Lehr, Shayna Ray, Cantor Wendy Shermet and Amee Zetzman; to moderator, Susie Norton, and to event chairwoman, Patty Gilinsky, and her committee for organizing an outstanding event.

Please join us
for a
Special Oneg Shabbat
Honoring
Rabbi Craig and
Betsy Marantz
Immediately Following
the 7:30 p.m.
Worship Service
Friday, May 19

"Rabbi Marantz has served Temple as a passionate teacher, pastor and spiritual leader for the past four years," remarked Wendy Goldberg, President of Temple's Board of Trustees. "Through his rabbinic duties and leadership role in the Religious School, Rabbi Marantz has contributed greatly to our Temple family. Rabbi Craig's warm spirit and genuine kindness have touched our congregation," she added.

Announcing...

Whole Foods gift certificates will soon be available for purchase in the Temple office!

Before you do your grocery shopping, pick some up and help support the Rachel and David Bleicher Camp Scholarship Fund.

Call Maureen in the Temple office, 556-6536, to set up a monthly, biweekly or weekly order and she will mail your certificates to you.

Adult Education

End of the Line: Medical, Legal, and Jewish Perspectives on Life and Death

Thursdays, April 20 and 27, 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Rabbi Aryeh Azriel, Speedy Zweiback, a retired vascular surgeon, and Bob Freeman, an attorney with Fraser Stryker, will facilitate this Jewish Journey Group illuminating a variety of issues people *should* consider long before they actually *have* to do so.

Sharing stories from their professional and personal lives, and searching the rabbinic responsa, the three facilitators will engage in a discussion about end-of-life issues and dilemmas, including having a will, a living will, a power of attorney, and health care power of attorney, among other documents.

Let's Talk About It

Continues on Sunday, April 23 2 p.m. at Temple Israel

American Pastoral, by Philip Roth, is the fourth selection in a Jewish literature book discussion get-together, sponsored by Temple Israel's Hermene Zweiback Center for Lifelong Jewish Learning and the Council Bluffs Public Library.

As the first installment of Roth's American Trilogy, *American Pastoral* explores themes of loyalty and betrayal against a backdrop of social and political ferment.

UNO Professor Joan Latchaw leads the book discussions in the "A Mind of Her Own: Fathers and Daughters in a Changing World" series. The last book in the series, *Bee Season*, by Myla Goldberg, will be discussed on Sunday, May 21 at the Council Bluffs Public Library.

To register for "Let's Talk About It," call the Council Bluffs Library at 712-323-7553, extension 132 or by email at lfriesner@cbpl.lib.ia.us. There is no fee for this adult education opportunity that is open to the community. Extra copies of the books discussed by the group have been stocked at the Council Bluffs Library.

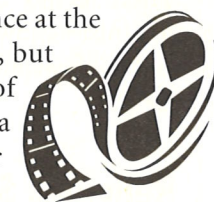
Memory, Image and Meanings: The Holocaust in Films

"The Pianist" is Last Movie in Film Series

**Sunday, April 30
Screening – 12:15 p.m.
Discussion – 3 p.m.**

"The Pianist" is the true story of a brilliant pianist, Polish Jew Wladyslaw Szpilman, who witnesses the restrictions Nazis place on Jews in the Polish capital, from restricted access to the building of the Warsaw ghetto.

According to facilitator Dr. Moshe Gershovich, attendance at the screening is optional, but a recent viewing of the film will ensure a fresh perspective for the discussion.



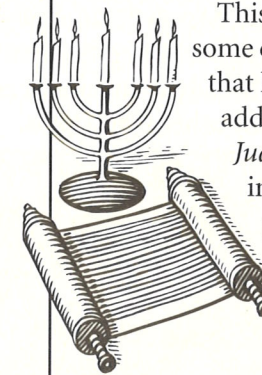
Torah ~ Lifting the Veil

**May 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31
7 to 8:30 p.m.**

Facilitated by Steven Evans

Recent revolutions in looking at our world, which quantum physics has advanced, have profound implications for understanding our religious heritage as well as our Jewish practice. Rather than diminish Jewish teachings, these advances offer the prospect to renew and substantially deepen our appreciation of Torah and Judaism.

This Jewish Journey Group at Temple Israel will look at how some of these new models of thinking can reveal fresh insights that have otherwise been hidden in Torah and Judaism, with additional help from the paperback, *Lifting the Veil—Hidden Judaism Revealed*, by Steven Evans. Recommended readings for each class from among its short chapters will provide a number of concrete examples as a point of departure for discussions and exploration. [For those who do not have a copy, discounted copies may be purchased at the first class (\$15) or ordered ahead of time from Barnes and Noble (\$19.95).]



Register with Program Rosie Zweiback for these offerings from the Hermene Zweiback Center for Lifelong Jewish Learning (rzweiback@templeisraelomaha.com or 556-6536).

Youth & Education

Wacky and Wild Club 56

Club 56 has one last program planned for the year - CRAZY OLYMPICS!

On Wednesday, May 17, we will turn Religious School into a fun-filled afternoon of healthy competition! Join us for the return of last year's favorite program. We'll end the year with a bang!

There is no charge for this program—just show up for Religious School as usual and Lynne will take care of the rest.

Religious School to End with Goodbyes, Awards

and a
Puppet Show
Sunday, May 21

On the last day of Religious School, students will have an opportunity to say goodbye to their teachers before a 10:45 a.m. Prayer Assembly.

At the Prayer Assembly, awards will be announced for good attendance, there will be a song session; and the fifth grade will present a puppet show. "They designed their own historically-inspired puppets," said Rabbi Marantz. "The show is based on social justice themes."

Families are encouraged to stay after the assembly for lunch and Mitzvah Day, which has been planned and arranged by Temple's Social Justice Coordinating Committee.

"I want to thank the faculty, students and parents for embracing Jewish learning and furthering its cause," Rabbi Marantz said. "I'm proud of everyone's efforts and I believe our future's in the hands of young people who care deeply about Judaism."

What's Happening in Religious School

Grade 2 Parents Meeting Sunday, April 23
This is one of the most important dates for 2nd Grade Parents. Parents will meet in the Milder Center at 10:45 a.m. with Rabbis Azriel and Marantz, and review the Third Grade Curriculum. Third Grade is a key year; it marks the first time these students will attend Religious School twice a week.

Grade 3 Visit to the Blumkin Home Sunday, April 30
The class will be meeting at the main entrance of the Blumkin Home at 10:15 a.m. Master Storyteller, Rita Paskowitz, will join the students and seniors as they share a joyful morning together. Our visit will conclude by 11:45 a.m. so parents have time to pick up siblings from Temple Israel by Noon.

Grade 6 Presentations Sundays, April 23, 30, May 7, 14
Sixth graders will continue making presentations of their individual research projects. Everyone is invited to attend on Sunday mornings from 11:30 am-Noon.

All School Dinner Wednesday, May 3
Grades 3-12 will assemble for a wonderful opportunity for dining and community building at 6 p.m.

KeepUp Tuesdays, April 18, 25, May 2, 9
KeepUp is a great way to make-up missed school work or to improve your Hebrew skills, and get attendance credit for it! Rabbi Marantz is available in Room 5, 6:15-8 p.m.

Last Day of Family School Tuesday, May 16
We will enjoy an end-of-the-year celebration.

Year End Celebration and Awards Ceremony Sunday, May 21
Come at 10:45 a.m. for the All School Prayer Assembly, awards ceremony, puppet show and song session, and stay for an 11:30 a.m. lunch sponsored by the Social Justice Roundtable to kickoff Mitzvah Day.

Temple Teens Tour Top Towns

Nine Grade 10 students accompanied Rabbi Aryeh Azriel, and chaperones Hollis Glaser and Patrick Jensen, to New York City, March 23-26. The group enjoyed services at Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, a Broadway musical, a kosher deli, and many other NYC sights.



(Above, l to r) Ashley Bernstein, David Anderson, Matthew Heyman, Joe Goldberg, Robert Friedman, Sarah Sadofsky, Jaclyn Adelson, Sarah Bleicher and LaShanna Bernstein wait outside the Golden Theater to see Avenue Q.

Four Temple Israel high school seniors spent four intensive days in Washington, D.C., March 31-April 3, at *L'Taken: A Teen Social Justice Program*, sponsored by the Reform Action Center of Reform Judaism. The students focused on Jewish values and social justice, meeting with Senator Ben Nelson to discuss critical legislation.



(Above, l to r) Sam Anderson, chaperone Elyce Azriel, Caroline Terry, Sean Bernstein and Samantha Long take a picture break on the way to Capitol Hill to visit with Sentaor Nelson.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			12	13	14	15 Sparks Beneath the Surface 9:15-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.
			April		Shabbat Service 6 p.m.	JYG Chocolate Seder 7 p.m.
16 No Religious School	17	18 Family School & Dinner 5:30-8 p.m. Grade 12 Rehearsal 6-7 p.m. KeepUp 6:15-8 p.m. AA, Alanon & Gamblers' 12-step 7:30 p.m. Board of Trustees 7:30 p.m.	19 No Religious School Conclusion of Passover and Yizkor 10:30 a.m.	20 Adult Study With the Clergy 10-11:30 a.m. Kol Rina 6:30-8 p.m. End of the Line Jewish Journey Group 7-8:30 p.m.	21 Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m.	22 Sparks Beneath the Surface 9:15-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m. Bar Mitzvah of Benjamin Holmberg Interfaith Couples Game Night 8 p.m.
23 Teacher Meeting 9:30 a.m. Religious School Grades K-6 10 a.m.-Noon Grade 2 Parents' Meeting 10:45 a.m. Book Talk @ TI 2 p.m.	24	25 Family School & Dinner 5:30-8 p.m. KeepUp 6:15-8 p.m. AA, Alanon & Gamblers' 12-step 7:30 p.m.	26 Religious School Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m. Grade 12 Rehearsal 5-6 p.m. Grades 7-11 @ Beth El Dinner & Community Program 5:30 p.m. Community Shoah Service & Program @ Beth El 7 p.m.	27 Adult Study With the Clergy 10-11:30 a.m. Kol Rina 6:30-8 p.m. End of the Line Jewish Journey Group 7-8:30 p.m.	28 Shabbat Service Rabbi Dan Fink 7:30 p.m.	29 Sparks Beneath the Surface 9:15-10:15 a.m. Family Environmental Shabbaton in Ashland, NE 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.
30 Pancake Man, 9-10 a.m. Teacher Meeting, 9:30 a.m. Religious School Grades K-2, 4-6 10 a.m.-Noon Grade 3 @ Blumkin Home 10:15-11:45 a.m. Cradle Roll, 10:30 a.m. Prayer Assembly, 11:30 a.m. The Holocaust in Films 12:15 p.m. Save Darfur Rally Noon	1 May	2 Family School & Dinner 5:30-8 p.m. KeepUp 6:15-8 p.m. AA, Alanon & Gamblers' 12-step 7:30 p.m.	3 Religious School Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m. Middle/High School Teachers' Meeting 5:15 p.m. All School Dinner Grades 3-12 6 p.m. Grades 7-12 6:30-8:30 p.m. Torah-Lifting the Veil Jewish Journey Group 7-8:30 p.m.	4 Adult Study With the Clergy 10-11:30 a.m. Blood Drive 3-7 p.m. Kol Rina 6:30-8 p.m.	5 Tot Shabbat Dinner Following 6 p.m. Shabbat Service 6 p.m.	6 Sparks Beneath the Surface 9:15-10:15 a.m. Grade 6 Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.
7 Teacher Meeting 9:30 a.m. Religious School Grades K-6 10 a.m.-Noon WRJ-O Board Meeting 10 a.m. OTYG Board Meeting Noon Yom HaAtzmaut Community Celebration @ J.C.C. 12:30 p.m.	8	9 Family School & Dinner 5:30-8 p.m. KeepUp 6:15-8 p.m. AA, Alanon & Gamblers' 12-step 7:30 p.m.	10 Religious School Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m. Grades 7-12 6:30-8 p.m. Torah-Lifting the Veil Jewish Journey Group 7-8:30 p.m.	11 Adult Study With the Clergy 10-11:30 a.m. Kol Rina 6:30-8 p.m.	12 Shabbat Service Confirmation/ Graduation 7:30 p.m.	13 Sparks Beneath the Surface 9:15-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m. Bat Mitzvah of Alison Slosburg
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Worship and Holiday Services

Friday~April 14

6 p.m.
Shabbat Service
Rabbi Aryeh Azriel

Saturday~April 15

9:15-10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: Exodus 33:12-34:26
Haftarah: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Wednesday~April 19

Conclusion of Passover & Yizkor
10:30 a.m.
Torah Portion: Exodus 14:30-15:21
Haftarah: II Samuel 22:1-51

Friday~April 21

7:30 p.m.
Shabbat Service
NFTY Spring *Chavurah*
Oneg Shabbat sponsored by the
Omaha Temple Youth Group

Saturday~April 22

9:15-10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Bar Mitzvah of Benjamin Holmberg
son of Helene Cohn and
Mark Holmberg
Torah Portion: Shemini
Leviticus 9:1-11:47
Haftarah: II Samuel 6:1-7:17

Friday~April 28

7:30 p.m.
Shabbat Service
Rabbi Dan Fink
**Eating Grass: Towards a
Jewish Environmental Ethic**
Oneg Shabbat sponsored by the
Women of Reform Judaism-Omaha

Saturday~April 29

9:15-10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
9:30-4 p.m.
Family Environmental Shabbaton
Carol Joy Holling Retreat Center
(see page 2 for details)
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: Tazria-Metzora
Leviticus 12:1-15:33
Haftarah: Isaiah 66:1-13, 23

Friday~May 5

6 p.m.
Tot Shabbat
Dinner immediately following
6 p.m.
Shabbat Service
Rabbi Aryeh Azriel

Saturday~May 6

9:15-10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Grade 6 Family Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: Achare Mot-Kedoshim
Leviticus 16:1-20:27
Haftarah: Amos 9:7-15

Friday~May 12

7:30 p.m.
Shabbat Service
Confirmation/Graduation
Rabbi Aryeh Azriel
Oneg Shabbat sponsored by Martha
and David Slosburg in honor of the Bar
Mitzvah of their son, and by the families
of the Grade 12 students

Saturday~May 13

9:15-10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Bat Mitzvah of Alison Slosburg
Daughter of Martha and David Slosburg
Torah Portion: Emor
Leviticus 21:1-24:23
Haftarah: Ezekiel 44:15-31

Friday~May 19

4 p.m.
Shabbat Comes to You
at Remington Heights
7:30 p.m.
Shabbat Service
Rabbi Craig Marantz
Kol Rina
**Oneg Shabbat in honor of
Rabbi Craig and Betsy Marantz & family**

Saturday~May 20

9:15-10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
**B'not Mitzvah of Laura Gilinsky
and Molly Gilinsky**
Daughters of Katherine Finnegan
and David Gilinsky
Torah Portion: Behar-Bechukotai
Leviticus 25:1-27:34
Haftarah: Jeremiah 16:19-17:14

Yizkor

If you would like to have names of your loved ones read at the Morning Yizkor Service, Wednesday, April 19 (10:30 a.m.), call the Temple office, 556-6536, with the names. **Please phone by Monday, April 17.**

Birthday Blessings

Friday, May 5 Family Shabbat Service 6 p.m.

Children and adults who celebrate their birthdays during the months of April and May will be called to the bimah and given a special blessing by the rabbi.

Sitter Service

is available...

- each Friday evening for the 7:30 p.m. service;
- Saturday mornings when there is a bar or bat mitzvah;
- Sunday mornings when there is Religious School.

Advance reservations and a \$5 donation are appreciated. Sorry, there are no facilities for infants.

Catch Temple's Shul Shuttle!

Catch a ride on the Shul Shuttle and join us at Temple on **Friday, April 28.** Former Temple rabbi, Dan Fink, will return to our pulpit to give the D'var Torah at the **7:30 p.m. service.**



Call the Temple office, 556-6536, and let us know if you'd like to ride along!

This summer a record number of Temple Israel youth will be going off to these Jewish Summer Camps: **Beber, Herzl, OSRUI, Sabra and hwayder!**

Campers:

- Yaniv Azriel •Madison Bierman
- Megan Bucher •Sam Burrell
- Hannah Budwig •Michelle Davidson
- Alex Fox •Susan Freeman
- Chloé Ginsburg •Dustin Ginsburg
- Hannah Grossman •Noah Grossman
- Grace Hack •Ben Hale
- Molly Helm •Maddie Jensen
- Jordan Jensen •Emily Katz
- Chelsea Kavich •Amy Levinger
- Jessica Levinger •Vince Long
- Rachel Martin •Sam Monsky
- Bailey Newman •Ben Noodell



- Justin Norton •Hannah Radler
- Mallory Rogers
- Cleo Rogers-Marcovitz
- Isaac Rogers-Marcovitz
- Brooke Schneiderman •David Siref
- Zach Spooner •Lindsey Thomas
- Alex Wolpa •Katelin Zetzman
- Rachel Zetzman

Camp Staff:

- Aly Friedman •Jeff Gates
- Hamutal Ginsburg •Nimrod Ginsburg
- Meagan Katelman •Jackie Neesman

Confirmation/Graduation Service Marks a Rededication to God's Covenant

Friday, May 12, 7:30 p.m.

"The Shabbat Service is a celebration of our students," said Elyce Azriel, Director of Temple's Middle/High School. "Their confirmation/graduation is something in which the entire congregation should gather and take pride." The service will include readings on social justice and a prayer recited by the students' parents in gratitude to God "for the gift and blessing of parenthood."

"The ceremony is not a completion of the seniors' education here," continued Elyce, "but a beginning of life as a Jewish adult."

The Oneg Shabbat will be co-sponsored by the families of the Grade 12 students and by Martha and David Slosburg in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Alison.

Mazel Tov to our Grade 12 Confirmands/Graduates and Their Parents!

Samuel Anderson,
son of Magda Peck and Jim Anderson

Sean Bernstein,
son of Rose and Stuart Bernstein

Joshua Bleicher,
son of Ellie and Jon Bleicher

Eli Bloom,
son of Rebecca and Brent Bloom

Anna Clark,
daughter of Mindy and Wayne Clark

Alyson Friedman,
daughter of Suzanne and Tom Friedman

Hamutal Ginsburg,
daughter of Orly Gilat and Jacob Ginsburg

Nicholas Laudin,
son of Kathy Beauchaine and Jeff Laudin

Samantha Long,
daughter of Ellen Long

Sarah Sherman,
daughter of Ruth and Marc Sherman

Chelsea Taxman,
daughter of Sherry and Jeff Taxman

Caroline Terry,
daughter of Michele Marsh and John Terry

May they go from strength to strength!

Campers Looking Forward to Making New Jewish Friends

This summer, two more Temple kids will be on their way to Olin-Sang-Ruby Union Institute (OSRUI) for camp. The Reform Movement's overnight camp in Wisconsin will welcome Bailey Newman and Madison Bierman.

Bailey, 12, attended OSRUI three years ago. The sixth grader said her favorite activity at camp was climbing Etgar, "a big rock climbing wall."

This year, she is choosing to go to OSRUI, because "I thought it would help me with my prayers." Her *Bat Mitzvah* will be in March 2007. She admitted it would be more fun to work on her prayers at camp. She'll be there "for a whole month and do a little bit of everything." A couple of her friends from Omaha are also going. "I'm looking forward to it," she said.

Madison, nine, will be going to OSRUI for the first time. She saw the OSRUI video at Temple on Camp Day and was impressed with the Ropes Course and the lake. "I like to make new friends. That's what I'm looking forward to the most," said the third grader who will spend two weeks at camp.

Confidential camp scholarships are available through the Center for Jewish Education. The Jewish Federation offers \$500 to youngsters who attend Jewish camps the summer before or after their *B'nai Mitzvah*. Some camps themselves offer financial assistance. In addition, all Temple Israel youth are eligible for a \$1,000 Eisenberg Campership for their first Jewish camp experience.

Rabbi Craig Marantz
Elementary School Director
Elyce Azriel
Middle/High School Director
Lynne Jensen
**Director of Youth &
Informal Education**

Shoah Survivor to Speak at Yom HaShoah Commemoration

Wednesday, April 26, 7 p.m.

Beth El Synagogue

Temple teens will join students from other congregations at 5:30 p.m. for a tour of "Diaries of Humanity," an exhibit at the JCC sponsored by the Institute for Holocaust Education of the Anti-Defamation League. The exhibit, which runs through May 7, includes diary pages and letters from the Ghetto Fighters' Holocaust and Jewish Resistance Heritage Museum.

At 7 p.m., the entire community is invited to attend the Yom HaShoah commemoration at Beth El Synagogue. Guest speaker, Dr. Leatrice Rabinsky, co-editor of *The Holocaust: Prejudice Unleashed*, and co-author of *Journey of Conscience: Your People Respond to the Holocaust and Teaching for a Tolerant World*.

Dr. Rabinsky is a fellow of Holocaust Studies at the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, a member of the American Council on Holocaust Education, and the National Council of Teachers of English Committee on Teaching Genocide and Intolerance.

This year's theme at the Yom HaShoah observance is the journey from the Holocaust to the establishment of the State of Israel. Chairs of the event are Katherine Finnegan, Temple Israel; Maggie Gerber, Beth Israel Synagogue; and Bea Karp and Nancy Kutler, Beth El Synagogue.



(L to r) Molly Gilinsky, Grace Hack and Rachel Saferstein put the finishing touches to the hospital bags.

Eating Grass = A Jewish Environmental Ethic

Find out how this equation works when Rabbi Dan Fink of Congregation Ahavath Beth Israel in Boise, ID, gives the D'var Torah, "Eating Grass: Towards a Jewish Environmental Ethic" at Shabbat Worship Services on Friday, April 28 at 7:30 p.m.



Adult B'nai Mitzvah: R U Curious?

Every three years, Temple offers an adult B'nai Mitzvah class. If you would like to study Hebrew intensively, improve your understanding of the Shabbat worship service, develop deep connections with fellow students, and celebrate a Jewish lifecycle event like no other, please contact Rosie Zweiback, Program Director, at 556-6536 or rzweiback@templeisraelomaha.com.

Hebrew study will begin this summer to prepare for a B'nai Mitzvah on Shavuot, May 22, 2007.

Teens Put Together a Mitzvah

Temple Middle/High School students who participated in the "Do a Mitzvah a Day" intermodule, created 50 bags for the clergy to take with them when visiting hospital patients.

The bags contain a large print crossword puzzle book, along with note pads and books marks, soaps, and stickers.

Rabbi Aryeh Azriel said that several bags have been delivered so far, and they are being warmly received.

Elyce Azriel, Director of our Middle/High School, hopes a new group being formed at Temple, called the "Karing Kids," under the direction of Lisa Epstein, will carry on the hospital bag project.

Tot Shabbat Friday, May 5, 6 p.m. Livingston Chapel

Especially for families with young children, Tot Shabbat worship services are an opportunity for youngsters to begin praying together with their parents and the congregational community at Temple Israel.



Join Rabbi Craig Marantz for songs and a story and stay for a family-friendly meal! Adults \$5—children, no charge. Please make your reservation in the Temple office, 556-6536 or mkube@templeisraelomaha.com.



Once again it is time for a little spring cleaning!

While you are cleaning out your childrens' closets, please consider donating your quality childrens' items to National Council of Jewish Women. NCJW will be selling them on consignment to raise funds for the Totes for Tots project.

Clothing should be without stains and toys must work and have all of the pieces.

Please look for our drop off box in the Temple lobby. We will be collecting items until Sunday, April 30.

For questions or to schedule a pick-up of larger items, please call Nikki Kirshenbaum at 965-8935.



Yeshar Ko'ach!

Dr. Magda Peck, a member of Temple Israel, will be honored at The National Conference for Community and Justice (NCCJ) of the Midlands' 2006 Humanitarian Dinner on Tuesday, May 30 at the Holiday Inn Central (72nd and Grover). She will receive the Otto Swanson Spirit of Service Award. A reception is planned for 6 p.m. followed by dinner and the program at 6:45 p.m. Tickets are \$150 each; tables are also available. Call the NCCJ office at 391-4460 to make a reservation.

Another member of the congregation was honored on April 5 by the Program for Women and Successful Aging, an outreach program based at UNO. Evie Zysman was awarded the Shirley Waskel Award for the Advancement of Women, which honors a prominent senior woman.

Outreach & Synagogue Community

Interfaith Couples' Group Game Night Saturday, April 22 8 p.m.

They've been bowling, swimming, and out to dinner. Now Temple's Interfaith Couples group is going to try their hand at poker and board games, like Pictionary, Scene It, Apples to Apples, etc.

Interfaith couples in the community (and anyone else who might be interested) are invited to the home of Kevin and Kimara Clark (16262 California) for the game night.

RSVP to Nikki Kirshenbaum at nrkirshe@cox.net or 965-8935, or to the Temple office at 556-6536.

Purim Pranks, Pockets Purloined... We Did the Whole Megillah!



Samantha Sullivan, Zev Gordon, Harper Gordon and Josh Sullivan enjoyed dressing up for the Purim Spiel and dinner.

Haman's Pockets – Picked!

Our 1st annual Haman's Pockets Mitzvah Project was a great success, thanks to all of you who fulfilled the traditional *mitzvah* of giving during Purim. Here's what we found in our collection boxes: ✨ dozens of pencils, markers, crayons, rulers and notebooks for the Gordon School in Israel ✨ 43 Get Well Cards to give to congregants coming home from the hospital ✨ 10 bags of food, paper goods and Passover items for the JFS Food Pantry ✨ 6 Zoo passes for student prizes at Castelar Elementary School ✨ 4 portable CD players for the Hebrew Language Lab at Temple ✨ 3 chapter books for classroom libraries.

What will be in Haman's Pockets next year? Help keep the *mitzvot* happening all year long – contact the Temple office for a wish list (556-6536 or tisrael@templeisraelomaha.com)!



Elmo (a.k.a. Max Spizman) enjoyed his first Purim Carnival with his mom, Beth.

Voices From the Pews

Sue and Dave Meyers have been members of Temple since 1956. "Who would have thought it...50 years!" Dave reflected. "Without a doubt, the most notable change in the movement from what I thought to be 'carved in stone' Reformism to what I was raised on in my premarital years is conservatism with perhaps a tinge of orthodox."

There is "no question" that belonging to Temple Israel is meaningful to Dave. "Watching Sue rebel against the inevitable new movements, her being a creature of habit, and yet, she still is surrounded with peace and tranquility just being in the structure. The bottom line is that she loves the Temple in both past and present forms."

Penny Endelman's first recollection at Temple is when her kindergarten class was consecrated. "It's so much fun to go down the hall and see the Consecration and Confirmation pictures. I love taking my kids to see our family's pictures," including Penny's mother, Peggy Krasne, and the kids themselves. Penny's daughter Jamie and her husband, Troy Meyerson, are members of Temple, too. "The tradition of having grown up there and having my kids grow up there" is meaningful to Penny. She hopes "those pictures remain out when we move" to a new building.

She also remembers Elinor Whitman, "my favorite Religious School teacher" who became Penny's aunt through marriage. "I loved the stories she told."

In the years that Penny and her husband Randy have belonged to Temple, she has seen more Hebrew used and worship services become more "traditional." She has also noticed the emphasis on Outreach programming, which she described as "positive" and something she appreciates.

Our Sympathy

The Congregation records with sorrow the deaths of...

Eve C. Bernstein, mother of Martin Bernstein;

Jeanne Dvorkin, wife of David Dvorkin, mother of Lois Epstein and Marilyn Warren, and sister of Mollye Rimerman;

Mary Lou Goodman, wife of Danny Goodman, and mother of Ricki Skog and Mark and Scott Goodman;

Helen Levine, mother of Mardee Brechwald;

Gabriel Matinez-Matos, father of Maria Neesman;

Philip Rothholz, husband of Susan Rothholz

...and extends sympathy to their bereaved families.



Tree of Life

Commemorating the joyous moments in families' and friends' lives.

The following leaves have been added to the Tree of Life:

- To Honor
Fran & Jerry Milder's
60th Anniversary
With Love From
Their Children, Grandchildren
& Great-Grandchild
- In Honor of
Fran & Jerry Milder's
60th Anniversary
From Loving Friends & Family
- In Honor of the
60th Anniversary of
Fran & Jerry Milder
With Love From
Roz Friedman
Fran & Louie Blumkin

Temple Funds

Your contributions to the following funds ensure the continuation and support of many vital activities of the Temple. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated.

If you wish to contribute to any of these funds at a different level, please advise the Temple staff.

Tree of Life leaves are \$300. Tree of Life Boulders are \$3,000. If you would like information on these donations, please call Dennis DePorte, Executive Director, at 556-6536.

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- Prayer Book (\$30 donation)*

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IN HONOR OF ANNIVERSARY OF: **Fran and Jerry Milder:** Esther Canar, Pearl and Jerry Gross, Harriett and Sherm Sperling

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IN APPRECIATION OF: Rabbi Aryeh Azriel, Rabbi Craig Marantz, Cantor Wendy Shermet, Dennis DePorte, Elyce Azriel, Lori Bennett, Willie Clark, Vicki Ducharme, Edith Gamble, Misty Heller, Lynne Jensen, Maureen Kube, Claudia Sherman, Bonnie Sullivan, Lonnie Williams, Rosie Zweiback

Healing

Mi Shebeirach, the prayer for physical and emotional healing, is recited at the Friday evening Shabbat service. If you are ill and would like a *mi shebeirach* 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.

Bequest

The Board of Trustees was notified that the late Dorothy Lipp directed a bequest to our congregation.

We are very grateful for her including Temple Israel in her estate planning.

If you wish information about Temple's endowment program, please call Executive Director Dennis DePorte at 556-6536.

Congratulations

On the Birth of:

Leah Anne Dysico, daughter of Rachel and Gilbert Dysico. Grandparents are Kiva and Doug McEwen, Carbondale, IL, and Erly and Ray Dysico, Hoffman, Estates, IL.

On the Engagement of:

Laura Patterson and Josh Needelman. Parents are Carol and Jim Patterson, Blair, NE, and Lee and Howard Needelman.

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