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AS I SEE IT...

Only a diamond can bring forth from another diamond the full beauty and genuine glow and incandescent excitement. Under the warm caresses of another diamond, a gem will give up its grittiness and generate effervescence. Love needs another love in order to come alive, be viable and glitter. It must go through a series of trials, oftimes tormenting, agonizing experiences, before it may be declared worthy of the high price it demands.

Love is a response.

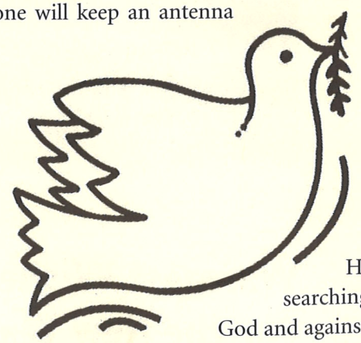
Either you answer a call or someone else answers your call. Someone is constantly broadcasting a message, emanating signals, hoping that another someone will keep an antenna open to receive and answer. You, too, emit many impulses, hoping and praying that they will be recognized.

Love is both the flint and the flame. It needs the sparks of another fire to glow – the breath of an affectionate human being.

Like the piano or violin, it will produce enchanting tunes only when touched and vibrated and the sensitive strings are oscillated, touched and caressed. Left unused, the instruments go stale, gather rust and are soon out of tune. The more they are played the sharper the fine notes, the more delicate the music becomes and the more enchanting the melodies sound.

When one bestows true affection upon a fellow being, the responses come readily with warmth. In order to receive, one must first give. It is giving, not taking; offering, not only accepting; showing, not hording; yielding and bestowing; not demanding and grabbing. It is pouring out feelings rather than capturing someone else's emotions. L'shana Tova Tikatevu.

Aryeh Azriel



S'lichot - a Service of Forgiveness

Saturday, September 12, 7 p.m.

Ushering in the Days of Awe, S'lichot begins to prepare our spirits for the High Holy Days by opening our hearts and minds to the gates of forgiveness, sou searching, repairing relationships, and illuminating memories. As we define sins agains God and against man, we begin to account for our own transgressions throughout the past year.

That morning, Rabbi Eric Linder will lead the regular Sparks Beneath the Surface at 9:15 a.m. followed by worship services at 10:30 a.m. The S'lichot evening service will explore the liturgy through music, art, and poetry, and also includes Havdalah, changing the Torah scroll covers to their High Holy Day white sheathes, and the blowing of the shofar.

This evening of prayer and forgiveness will be followed by a chocolate Oneg, a tradition sponsored by the Women of Reform Judaism.

From The President

It was nearly a year ago when each of us received a copy of "GOD'S TO-DO LIST."

On Rosh Hashanah we listened as Dr. Ron Wolfson shared his thoughts from his book about doing "God's work"and encouraged us to think about what each of us would do. I hope you took the opportunity to read the book and to refer back to it from time to time. I hope you have decided upon what "God's work" you will do this year.

Did you accomplish your "To-Do" list during the past year? How did it make you feel?

I think of "GOD'S TO-DO LIST," as "paying our rent" to the community in which we live. To give of ourselves to others unable to do for themselves. To help the sick, or the lonely, children or the elderly. To feed the hungry or to clothe the naked. To volunteer on a committee or a project at Temple Israel or any organization which needs help. Or, to help make the world a better place to live by speaking out – perhaps to congressmen or congresswomen or our mayor and city council.

Doing God's work is good old fashioned "VOLUNTEERISM" in any form which will give us satisfaction. To quote Dr. Wolfson's book, "God doesn't depend on angels, God depends on YOU to be an angel." What ever you do - you can make a difference.

I have been a volunteer for most of my life. I found many ways to volunteer in both the Jewish and general community. Some were small and some were huge!! And the more I did it, the more important it became in my life. Some things I liked and some I didn't. Many of them challenged me – some didn't.

Now as I grow older, I still feel the need to be a volunteer – to do "God's work," in some way. It is for this reason that I chose to become involved with Temple Israel. I can use the skills I learned over the years, giving of myself to my spiritual home. It's not quite as easy as it was in my earlier years, but it is just as satisifying.

I hope you will join me in being "God's Angel." If we just do one small "TO-DO" each day, our lives will always be enriched.

Best wishes for a year bright with Hope, blessed with Peace and filled with Happiness.

Jan Schneiderman

Helping Others Weather the Economy

In the upcoming annual High Holy Days letter from Jan Schneiderman, president of the Temple Board of Trustees; Rabbi Aryeh Azriel; and Social Justice Chair Mimi Silverman, Temple Israel congregants will be asked to make donations to the Jewish Family Service food pantry. The need is always there, but as we all weather the current economic storm, the drought affects those who were already in financial need even harder.

This year, in particular, our community and our congregation have significant needs for assistance. With that in mind, the decision was made to raise money to help those who have been hit the hardest by the recession.

Even in difficult times, *tzedakah* is required. Your anonymous contribution to an unknown recipient is one of the highest forms of *tzedakah.*

Welcome

"The giving of Torah happened at one specific time, but the receiving of the Torah happens all the time, in every generation."

Meir Alter, the Gerer Rebbe

We welcome **Edward Thompson** who has recently chosen Judaism:

May he go from strength to strength!

Friday Night Worship Services Remain at 6 p.m.

All Friday night Shabbat worship services will begin at 6 p.m. with the exception of Erev Rosh Hashanah on September 18. That service will begin at 7:30 p.m. allowing for families to share a holiday meal welcoming the New Year prior to services.

Just a note, Kol Nidre, which falls on Sunday, September 27, will also begin at 7:30 p.m. There will be only ONE worship service on both Erev Rosh Hashanah and Kol Nidre.

Preparing for Elul...a Spiritual Accounting

Friday, September 11, 6 p.m.

Worship services will provide an opportunity for congregants to take a spiritual accounting of themselves and to reflect on the past year. An introspective experience as the work of Teshuvah begins, preparing for Elul will involve personal contemplation, inspiration and discussion.

Warmest Wishes For the New Year

The Board of Trustees of the Congregation, the Women of Reform Judaism, Men's Club and all the affiliates join with the rabbis, cantor ar staff in wishing all of our members and friends a healthy and happy New Year.

Who's Who at Temple Israel

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Baby namings, conversions, funerals, pastoral needs, weddings
Rabbi Azriel, Rabbi Linder, Cantor Shermet or Executive Director Dennis DePorte

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Office staff or Temple website (www.templeisrael-ne.org)

Sign up for Weekly eTidings
Administrative Assistant Misty Weidner

Sponsoring an Oneg Shabbat
Dennis DePorte

Temple Israel Cemetery
Chair Tom Friedman (493-6668) or Dennis DePorte

Use of the Facilities
Dennis DePorte

Volunteer
Program Director Wendy Goldberg

Women of Reform Judaism - Omaha
President Susie Norton (391-7333)

WRJ Gift Shop
Sandy Nogg or Office Staff

Cantor Shermet Reconnects with Past on Summer Sabbatical

On her sabbatical this summer, Cantor Wendy Shermet saw the usual sites after landing in Rome, Italy. She also toured the former Jewish ghetto in Rome. After 500 years, "It's still the center of Jewish life in Rome," she described. "There is an active synagogue, a Jewish Day School, restaurants, and Judaica shops."

Renting a car for three weeks and with her *Guide to Jewish Italy* handy, Cantor Shermet drove along the Italian coast as far south as Syracuse in Sicily and as far north as the Austrian border. "I saw many small towns that once had Jewish life and a few that still did. The street signs from the former Jewish centers and ghettos are carved into the stone walls, and Jewish cemeteries are easy to find. However, active communities in the south of Italy are a thing of the past." Overall, "Italy has very nice people, good food, and absolutely crazy drivers!"

Cantor proceeded to Israel, her fourth visit there, reuniting with her son Sam Burrell who was participating in the Jewish Federation sponsored ARTZA trip. For 36 hours, "we revisited places where we had lived when Sam was three years old, such as our apartment and his nursery school." Leaving Sam behind, Cantor spent a week in the Galilee at Kibbutz Nof Ginosar where she attended former Omahan Dr. Richard Freund's son's Bar Mitzvah and various lectures on Dr. Freund's specialty, archeological digs.

Upon returning to Jerusalem, Cantor attended a two-week seminar at the Shalom Hartman Institute. The theme, Jewish texts in times of crisis, was "extremely good," she remarked. She plans to share these teachings with the congregation throughout the year.

Her final stop on her two-month journey was Moldova. The brother of Temple's organist, Julie Sandene, hosted a Moldovan exchange student here several years ago. Cantor Shermet stayed with the student's mother in Kishinev, the capital of Moldova. "I took tours and explored the Jewish center of Moldova. There were two synagogues, a Jewish Day School, a community center, and a library" serving 20,000 Jews, "largely supported by the outside world. Sheremet is a very common name there," according to the cantor. "My father's family all left there after infamous pogroms in 1903 and 1905." Previously, one-third of the population of Kishinev had been Jewish. "Everyone has suffered," she said, "not only the Jews. There is no infrastructure in the small villages - no plumbing, no sewers, no cars, terrible roads. One million out of four million have left Moldova in the last ten years. It was a hard place to be, but I'm glad I went there."

A New Look for Temple Israel

Howard Shrier, Chairman

The Temple Israel Board of Trustees has established a Communications Committee to redesign the appearance of Temple Israel's printed and electronically distributed information and materials. New logo designs have been developed and will be presented to the Board for review, selection and approval.

Temple Israel will begin introducing its new "LOOK" beginning this fall. Stay tuned.....

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What do pizza and tzedakah have in common?

Turn to page 14 to find out!

Women of Reform Judaism-Omaha



WRJ-O Joins "Race for the Cure!"

Sunday, October 4

In keeping with our theme of "Wellness—Mind, Body and Spirit" this year, WRJ-O is co-sponsoring a walking team in support of the Susan G. Komen "Race for the Cure" for breast cancer awareness and research. Along with the Omaha Section of the National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW), WRJ-O is encouraging not only women, but also the men and children of Temple Israel to join this worthy effort to raise funds and get out and stroll Omaha!

The one mile and 5K run/walk will be held in the morning. Jennifer Meyerson will serve as WRJ-O's team co-captain, along with Susan Rothholz, co-captain for NCJW. Anyone interested in participating can go directly to the Nebraska website for the Komen Foundation, www.komennebraska.org, and register to join the NCJW (and WRJ-O) team. Our team captains will be notified of your registration, and you will receive special team instructions prior to the race.

"Our hope is that we can get all the Temple Israel participants to meet at Temple to "caravan" downtown to the Civic Auditorium to begin the race together," noted Mimi Silverman, WRJ-O co-vice-president for programming. "We think this will be a fun way to kick off our programming year, by enjoying some fresh air with friends and family while we join the fight against breast cancer which, unfortunately, is very prevalent within the Jewish community."

Thank You!

It was so wonderful to come home from the hospital and not have to worry about finding something to eat. And to have the delicious soup and wonderful bread delivered by such a delightful young lady as Bonnie Pfrenger added to my pleasure. Bless you all for you kindness and thoughtfulness to an old lady with no children in town to help me. I appreciate you so much!

Gratefully,
Pauline Landman

A Sweet S'lichot Oneg Awaits You! (And Needs Your Baking Help!)

In keeping with a delicious tradition, WRJ-O will again sponsor a "Chocolate Oneg" following S'lichot services on Saturday, September 12.

If you are interested in baking a chocolate treat for the Slichot oneg, please contact Jennifer Miller, miller2468@cox.net, or Mary Wampler, marywampler@cox.net.

Save the Date!

Florence Eisenberg Memorial Concert

Sunday, October 18, 5 p.m.
at Temple Israel

Featuring Cantor Wendy Shermet, an oboe trio, and premiering a new composition of Jewish music by Jonathan Leshnoff from the Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore, MD

All proceeds to be donated to the Susan G. Komen Foundation to support the fight against breast cancer. Reception hosted by Women of Reform Judaism. Ticket information will soon be available .

Caring Community Activities and Volunteer Needs Expand

Temple's Caring Community needs your help! In order to continue to provide much-needed, and much-appreciated, caring services to our congregants, WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

The good news is that there are many ways to get involved! You can:

- Bake challah
- Cook chicken soup
- Donate plastic containers
- Make calls following hospital stays
- Deliver meals
- Make shabbat visits (weekly, monthly, quarterly, occasionally) to congregants at the Blumkin Home
- Help to schedule Blumkin Home Shabbat visits
- Participate in other activities with congregants at the Blumkin Home
- Send greeting cards
- Knit healing shawls or baby caps

And MORE!

Please contact Sherrie Saag, sherriesaag@cox.net, Susie Norton, Susie.norton@cox,net, or Wendy Goldberg, wgoldberg@templeisraelomaha.com, to join us in these mitzvot.

WRJ-O Stays Connected to College Students

Every year, WRJ-O sends Rosh Hashanah and Passover greetings to the college-age students from Temple Israel. It's a great way to stay connected to them, and let them know that folks back home are thinking about them! We enclose a letter from the rabbis and cantor, holiday wishes from WRJ and a small gift—chocolates, a Starbucks gift card or another small treat that fits in an envelope.

A big Thank You to Rosie Zweiback and Debbi Josephson, who have worked diligently to track down all our college-age young people, those attending school and those who may be working. We want to make sure our list is complete and that we connect with everyone in this age range. So if you have a student or know of someone who does not receive a college gift, please let us know.

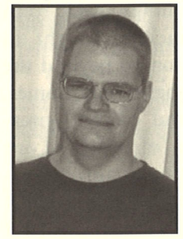
WRJ-O Board Meeting

Sunday, October 11, 10 a.m., Library

It's not just for WRJ board members! All are welcome—come join us, learn about WRJ, share your thoughts, and discover new ways to be involved at Temple!

Scott Anderson Joins Temple's Custodial Team

There's a new face at Temple Israel. Scott Anderson, who has lived in Omaha his entire life, started working at Temple in July as a fulltime custodian. He replaces Willie Clark who left his position due to health problems.



Scott, the son of Temple's bookkeeper, Vicki Ducharme, graduated from Central High School. He's a former slot machine tech at Horseshoe Casino in Council Bluffs and was also on the "drop team," which removes money from slot machines to a secure room. In addition, he's been a Keno writer at Brewsky's, a sports bar, and worked at Lavista Keno, Aksarben Keno, and the Flying J near Gretna.

Now, Scott will be working with Lonnie Williams keeping the building clean, setting up for meetings and social gatherings, and performing outside maintenance.

In his spare time, Scott likes to play PlayStation, do ceramic painting, and he's working on a cross stitch dragon.

Blumkin Home Looking for Jewish Family Recipes

If you were at the Rose Blumkin Jewish Home on June 16 in the early afternoon, there was the unmistakable scent of hamantaschen drifting through the hallways. Temple Israel member Amee Zetzman brought her family recipe for the first monthly cooking demonstration at the Home. Residents and the kitchen staff watched and sampled the Purim delicacies.

Laura Bair, who works in the kitchen at the Home; Maggie Conti, activities director; and Lois Wine, volunteer coordinator, asked the Temple Israel Caring Committee to prepare some Jewish holiday fare (dairy or pareve recipes only) at the Home such as strudel, rugelach, mandel bread, honey cake, kichel, challah, or any prized family specialties. The baked goods are shared with the residents, who are invited to help with the preparation, and the recipes saved for use in the dining room and to sell in the Main Street Bakery which will be part of the newly remodeled Home.

If you have a recipe you'd like to demonstrate at the Blumkin Home, please contact Judy Josephson, 498-9328. Temple cooks will alternate with members from the other congregations in Omaha. Or you can show up just to watch the demonstrations. **Temple's next baking date is at 1 p.m. on Friday, October 16.**

Adult Education

Four B's: Breast Cancer Awareness

Sunday, October 4, 10:30 a.m.

Kenneth H. Cowan, M.D., Ph.D. Director, UNMC Eppley Institute Director, Eppley Cancer Center, Professor of Oncology and Beth Reed, M.D. Associate Professor, Internal Medicine Section of Hematology & Oncology and will provide current information about breast cancer diagnosis, treatment and research.

Thursday Morning Adult Study Orientation

Thursday, October 8, 10 a.m

The clergy will each give a presentation about the 2009-2010 sessions.

Thursday Morning Adult Study: Biblical Narrative in Modern Israeli Poetry

Thursday, October 15, 10 a.m.

Rabbi Azriel will lead a nine week session comparing difficult biblical texts with poetry created through the generations. Together, we will examine the original Hebrew text to the English translation.

Shabbat Guest Speaker:

Israel: The Value of Dialogue & the Role of American Jews

Friday, October 30, 6 p.m.

Ran Kuttner, Assistant Professor of Negotiation and Dispute Resolution, will share his insight about how dialogue is different than negotiation. Kuttner completed his Ph.D. at the Program on Conflict Management and Negotiation at Bar-Ilan University, Israel.

For more information contact Wendy Goldberg, 556-6536 or wgoldberg@templeisraelomaha.com.

Social Justice

Omaha Together One Community

David Noodell

Three members of Temple's Advocates and Community Leaders (TACL) attended a three day workshop put on by the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF). Stephanie Grossman, Allison Latenser and I have been actively rebuilding Temple's OTOC (Omaha Together One Community) core team. We participated in this workshop to help Temple Israel fulfill its mission and become a vital participant in OTOC.



Allisaon Latenser (second from left), Dave Noodell (back middle) and Stephanie Grossman (seated far right) with other OTOC members.

Attendees learned the distinction between OTOC as an organization versus civic organizations and movements. OTOC is a broad-based organization made up of faith based institutions with common interests. Whereas movements, like the civil rights movement in the 60's, had charismatic leaders like Dr. King, OTOC's leadership is a collective of leaders who are diverse and ever changing. Civic organizations work on service projects while OTOC builds and exercises power to create change in the public arena. OTOC works on issues that vary widely. In the past year OTOC has tackled issues from police-community relations, neighborhood revitalization, summer youth activities, public libraries' budgets and hours, job creation and education. Some of these issues resonate with different leaders who choose to put their energies where their talents lay.

I'll take many things away from this training. Principles taught in our religious tradition go beyond the walls of our synagogue and homes. Social, economic and cultural pressures on individuals (members of our congregation!) require organized people with a common purpose to effect change. Also, social justice doesn't stop with food and clothing drives. Sometimes we need to stand up and "fight city hall" when injustice is entrenched in the community. OTOC offers members of its institutions a process to solve problems within the political structure of the community.

I doubt that anyone would believe that Temple Israel and the city of Omaha exist in a utopia. There are problems, conflicts and injustice if you look hard enough. Sometimes we choose to ignore it, and I'll bet if I sat down to talk to any member of Temple we could find something that needs to be fixed. It's difficult and honest; sometimes it leaves us vulnerable and agitated but always it calls us to action. It's all part of the community organizing process. Change will never take place without conflict and a healthy exchange of ideas.

Green Team: Field Trip to Omaha Recycle Plant

Wednesday, September 2, 5:30 p.m.
10330 I Street

Join us as we educate ourselves about Omaha's recycling project. Families are welcome but please realize that this trip is not appropriate for young children. Hard hats and protective eyewear will be provided for the tour. The tour is limited to 30 people. Please RSVP to Mimi Silverman, 740-2201 or mimitaffet@cox.net, to secure a reservation.

We are forming a Temple Green Team to create and implement an environmentally friendly policy and an action plan for our building and our congregants. Watch your upcoming eTidings for GREEN TIPS.

Stephen Center

Temple members are scheduled to prepare and serve Christmas dinner as well as breakfasts on the fifth Sunday of every month at the Stephen Center.

Advocacy

We are starting a campaign to sign up our members to receive the Religious Action Center Chai Impact Action Center Alerts including information regarding news, weekly legislative updates, tools to organize our community and weekly top action items. Other Advocacy Sub-Committee initiatives planned include Four B's discussions and a lobby day to solicit support from local government.

For more information or to get involved with Social Justice, contact Mimi Silverman, 740-2201 or mimitaffet@cox.net.

Report On CSA Program

Joe Goldberg

This summer I helped coordinate the pilot Community Supported Agriculture Program at Temple Israel. If you haven't yet heard about the program, which I would say has been a great success, let me give you a little synopsis:

The CSA program is a group of environmentally conscious families who come together at the beginning of the summer and decide to invest in a farmer's crops before they are harvested. This investment is called a share. Each week shareholders show up to collect their share of local organic produce. In our case, the produce has come from Rebecca Bloom's organic farm, Bloom's Organic, in Crescent, IA.

The goal of a CSA program is to bring consumers closer to their food source in hopes that they gain an appreciation for the processes that are required to produce their food. Because of the unique opportunity afforded to me through the CSA, I decided that an online blog would be an effective way to document my experience and keep shareholders informed along the way. The blog is at templeisraelcsa.blogspot.com.

Funding for the pilot CSA program has been generously provided by the North Central Sustainable Agriculture Research & Education (NCR-SARE) program in the form of a youth grant of $400.

Calling all Musicians!

We are forming a Temple Israel volunteer band. If you enjoy your instrument and can read sheet music, we will help you with the rest. Interested? Contact Cantor Wendy Shermet, 556-6536 or wshermet@templeisraelomaha.com.

A Note From Rabbinic Intern Nicole Luna

Though Joe and I are back in New York and I'm beginning another school year at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, we still think back often to Omaha and our time with you this summer. Please allow me to thank you again for your generosity. My hope for my internship was to understand the organization and governance of a large congregation. This included the relationships among committees, staff, clergy, volunteers, the Temple board, congregants, and the wider Jewish community. I knew before I came that I would have to rely heavily on the openness of congregants to learn about the complexities behind running a synagogue. A large part of what made my residency so fulfilling was how open and eager people were to share their stories with me. Thank you for introducing yourself during an Oneg Shabbat, taking me out to lunch, inviting me to dinner, teaching me the history of Temple Israel and filling me in on its present priorities and goals.

I also learned so much this summer from the brilliant mentoring of Rabbi Azriel and Rabbi Linder. A large part of what drew me to Omaha was the reputation of Rabbi Azriel as an innovative and visionary rabbi. The passion and energy he carries with him were inspiring. Rabbi Linder was also incredibly honest and patient with me as I peppered him with questions. As I spoke with many congregants about the role of senior and assistant rabbis, I was struck by two things: the respect and admiration of the congregation toward its rabbis and cantor and the recognition of the Temple's responsibility in the growth of an assistant rabbi. This combination of respect and responsibility is not always common in congregations and I was constantly impressed by it.

Finally, I must share with you how much Joe and I grew to love Omaha during our brief time there. We explored the Old Market often, walked across the Bob Kerrey Bridge, saw a movie at Film Streams' Ruth Sokolof Theater, relaxed in Memorial Park, enjoyed Macbeth during Shakespeare on the Green, spent hours at Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo, and even visited the Nebraska History Museum and State Capitol in Lincoln. Yet one of the most impressive things we came to learn about Omaha was the dedication and strength of the Jewish community.

Thank you for making me feel part of the congregation this summer and letting me learn from you. As I said during my final Shabbat in Omaha, Temple Israel is a remarkable congregation. It has the hamishe feel of a family with a long history, along with the imagination and spirit of a large, vibrant congregation. May God always bless you with vitality, unity and peace.

Nicole Luna Gets an A+ from Congregants

"Nicole is a winner," emphasized Phyllis Glazer. "She's going to be a star. She's a fabulous listener. She's mature beyond her years. She is beautiful; she is charming. She is upbeat. There's nothing about her that isn't the most engaging. She's a delightful young woman...in every sense of the word. She's a great teacher. She's just one of those people who you consider yourself very lucky to have met," said Phyllis. "It was a privilege to be in her company."

Sheila Tomps had equally complimentary comments. "From the first time I met Nicole in the hallway, there was a connection from the very beginning. Over the period of time that she was here, I found a real bond with her as a person, as a rabbi, as an educator. She was a complete package." Sheila also met Nicole's husband, Dr. Joseph Bord, with whom she sat "many times" during Shabbat services.

"I think whoever Nicole serves as a rabbi, it'll be a positive experience for the congregation and for her. She lives her Judaism. It's not a job to her. When she reads the Torah, you're not only praying, you're learning." Sheila pointed out that Nicole and Joe "like the Omaha community, too. They have a great future."

The Sweetness of the New Year

Tot Services

Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur, 9 a.m.

This joyful worship service is designed to help our youngest members - age 5 and under - understand the meaning of the High Holy Days. Meet in the Livingston Chapel to enjoy a story from the rabbi and look at the "Season of Awe" through the eyes of a child. Sitter service will be available at 10 a.m. so that parents may attend the adult Morning Service at 10:15 a.m.

Children's Services

Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur, 9 a.m.

Young learners in Kindergarten through Grade Four will relate to the themes of the Jewish New Year in a way that is just right for them. Clergy will lead young congregants and their parents in prayer in the Sanctuary. Sitter service will be available at 10 a.m. so that parents may attend the adult Morning Service at 10:15 a.m.

Shabbat Shuva

Friday, September 25, 6 p.m.

The Shabbat between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, known as the "Sabbath of Return," emphasizes the return to those values which enhance life and its meaning.

On Shabbat Shuva, Temple Israel offers the family an opportunity to examine and evaluate its priorities and directions. The renewal of family life emerges from the traditions and creative liturgy of this most sacred Shabbat.

Courtesy Letter

Members who plan to be out of Omaha during the High Holy Days and wish to attend services in a Reform Temple, please request a "Courtesy Letter" from the Temple office, 556-6536, indicating the name of the congregation, the city and state, as well as the number of seats required.

Need a Speaker Phone?

The Caring Committee has made arrangements to transmit, via speaker telephone, High Holy Day Services to any Temple member who is unable to attend. If you are interested, please contact the Temple office, 556-6536, by **Friday, September 11,** so we may make arrangements.



High Holy Day Services Will Be Signed

This year, we are again fortunate to have simultaneous signing at the following services:

- Erev Rosh Hashanah Service
- Rosh Hashanah Morning Service
- Kol Nidre Service
- Yom Kippur Morning Service
- Yom Kippur Youth Service

If you are hearing-impaired and would like a seat reserved at the front of the sanctuary to better observe the signing, please contact the Temple office, 556-6536 or mweidner@templeisraelomaha.com.

The congregation is grateful to the Phyllis and Richard Glazer Endowment Fund for underwriting this special service to our congregation. **Please check the worship schedule for times of these services.**

Sparks Beneath the Surface, Shabbat Service and Tashlich

Saturday, September 26
at Lake Regency

A ritual performed as a physical reminder of the human effort to cast away our sins, Tashlich, a family-oriented observance, represents our hope that we can cast off our misdeeds and change our ways.

Sparks Beneath the Surface will begin at 9:15 a.m. at Regency (606 Regency Parkway) followed by Shabbat worship services at 10:30 a.m. Following services there will be four options in which to participate in Tashlich, a ritual in which transgressions are symbolically thrown into the water thereby giving ourselves the opportunity to begin the year afresh. You can walk or bike around Lake Regency with Rabbi Azriel, take a bike ride (physically challenging), led by David Goldberg, at Lewis and Clark Park in Council Bluffs, or follow Cantor Shermet on a motorcycle ride (bring your own motorcycle).

Bike and motorcycle rides will leave from Lake Regency at the close of Shabbat worship. Please complete the registration form that accompanied the High Holy Days schedule you received by mail and return it to Temple. For more information, contact Program Director Wendy Goldberg, 556-6536 or wgoldberg@templeisraelomaha.com.

Memorial Service

Sunday, September 20, 1 p.m.
Schrager Memorial Chapel
Temple Israel Cemetery
6412 North 42 Street

Visit the graves of loved ones throughout the month in order to remember and honor those people in your past who inspire you to live more fully in the future.

This memorial service led by Rabbi Aryeh Azriel, Rabbi Eric Linder and Cantor Wendy Shermet.

Calling All Past OTYG Board Members and Advisors!

Are you a former Omaha Temple Youth Group Board member or were you an OTYG advisor in the past? Temple Israel would like to honor you at the service on Erev Yom Kippur. If you were a member of the OTYG Board or an advisor, please contact Program Director Wendy Goldberg, 556-6536 or wgoldberg@templeisarelomaha.com.

Panel Discussion

Monday, September 28
Following Yom Kippur Morning
Service in the Livingston Chapel

These discussions are always thought provoking. This year's topic will be **"The Health Care Debate: Understanding the Issues and Proposed Solutions."** The panel will be moderated by David Jacobson and will include members of our congregation along with the clergy.

Family Youth Service

Yom Kippur Day, 2:30 p.m.

Members of Omaha Temple Youth Group will lead the youth service in the sanctuary. The liturgy focuses on topics appropriate for older children and their families. Parents should accompany their youngsters to share in this meaningful and moving worship service which includes spirited music. The service is recommended for fourth graders and older students as well as adults.

Moments of Remembrance

Yom Kippur Day, 2:30 p.m.
Livingston Chapel

To prepare for Yizkor and to experience the comfort of being with others who have lost someone special in their lives, we invite you to attend Moments of Remembrance. Temple member Marla Cohen, MS, will help participants share important memories of the people they mourn. Marla has a master's degree in counseling, a National Counselor Certification, and a certification in psychotherapy from the International Psychotherapy Institute. Her personal experience with loss, as well as her expertise in counseling, make her a compassionate and empathetic facilitator.

By gathering and opening our hearts to each other, we can find comfort and healing. Please consider bringing a photograph or other momento that helps convey the essence of the person or people you mourn.

All who have lost someone dear, recently or in the past, are welcome to participate in this comforting experience.

Yizkor Service

Our Yizkor Service on Yom Kippur immediately follows the Afternoon Service.

Parking

Extra parking is available at First United Methodist Church and Omaha Community Playhouse during the High Holy Day Services.

Do You Want to Share The High Holy Day Meals?

If you have room to share your Break-the-Fast or any other High Holy Day meal with a guest or guests, please contact Program Director Wendy Goldberg, 556-6536, or wgoldberg@templeisraelomaha.com.

If you are new to the community or without family in the area and don't have a destination for Break-the-Fast or any other High Holy Day meal, please contact Wendy and we will find a host for you.



High Holy Day Hunger Project

Temple Israel will once again be participating, along with hundreds of other Reform synagogues, in the national "High Holy Day Hunger Project." This program was initiated several years ago by the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism in Washington, D.C. The program is an effort by the Reform Movement to involve synagogues across the country in the fight against hunger.

Empty reusable bags will be distributed to congregants at the Erev Rosh Hashanah Service. Please fill the bags with non-perishable food and return them at the Yom Kippur Services, **Monday, September 28**. The Food Bank has graciously asked us to include as much protein as possible in our donations, as that is what people need most. Cans of tuna, pinto beans, lentils, chili beans, and canned meats are perfect.

The Blessings of Forgiveness

High Holy Day Childcare

Childcare, sponsored by WRJ-O, will be available for children, two years old through third grade for Erev Rosh Hashanah, Rosh Hashanah morning, Kol Nidre, Yom Kippur morning, and Yizkor and Neilah (on Yom Kippur afternoon). Please list your children's names, ages, and for which worship services they'll need childcare on the registration form that came with the High Holy Day schedule you received in the mail so Temple can hire the appropriate numbers of sitters. Spaces are limited. Cost is $10 per family for each holiday. Check-in time will be 15 minutes prior to each worship service. Pre-registration is required and is due five days prior to each holiday.

Shop...Eat...Help Temple Israel, Too!

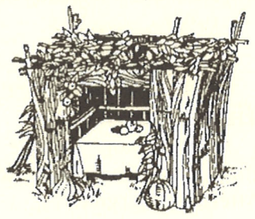


Whole Foods, Baker's, Bag 'N Save and The Bookworm Gift Certificates are available in the Temple office. Buy them and keep them handy for shopping at these stores which are gracious enough to return a percentage to Temple. The reimbursements are used for camp scholarships. If you have children attending Religious School classes on Wednesday afternoons or Sunday mornings, stop in the Religious School office to purchase.

Let's Celebrate Sukkot Together

Friday, October 2~Erev Sukkot

Fun for Everyone—Babies to Adults



6 p.m.

- **New Member and Sukkot Service**
  Birthday Blessings

7 p.m.

- **Share Potluck Dinner**

Bring your family—invite a friend. Don't miss the first congregational dinner of the year. It will be casual and festive!

Last name, A to K—bring a dessert
Last name, L to Z—bring a side dish
Please, no pork or shellfish.

The Women of Reform Judaism will provide salad and drinks.
Enjoy dessert at an ice cream and cookie Oneg Shabbat following services.



Please call Temple, 556-6536, by **Tuesday, September 29** to make your reservation. There is no charge for the activities and dinner, but we need to plan for seating and drinks.

Saturday, October 3~Sukkot

9 a.m. - Breakfast in the Sukkah
10:30 a.m. - Worship Service

Simchat Torah

Consecration

Erev Simchat Torah

Friday, October 9, 6 p.m.

Just one week after the potluck dinner and gathering in the *sukkah,* it's time for Simchat Torah, the last day of Sukkot. The Fabrangen Fiddlers, Tuffy Epstein's group, will begin the merrymaking at 6:45 p.m. Come early as their festive tunes set the mood for this clamorous holiday.

The pews fill quickly as we celebrate the joy of Torah with dancing, singing and exuberant *hakafot* (processions) with the Torahs around the sanctuary.



Kindergartners and older students who have never been consecrated will participate in this special service that formally recognizes their families' commitment to Jewish education.

Following worship services, the celebration with Tuffy's music and dancing will continue at an ice cream oneg in the Friedman Social Hall.

Simchat Torah Morning Service and Yizkor

Saturday, October 10, 10:30 a.m.

Grieving as a community, we will recite *Kaddish* together, bringing comfort to the mourners and dignity to the deceased. ***Please call Temple, 556-6536, by Thursday, October 8, to have a loved one's name read at this service.***

The Sukkot and Simchat Torah worship are enhanced again this year by the magnificent sukkah built by the late Ajon Farber.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				3 Grades 11/12 Orientation 6:30 p.m.	**4** Shabbat Service 6 p.m.	**5** Sparks Beneath the Surface 9:15-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m.
6	**7** ***Office Closed*** ***Labor Day***	**8** Kol Rina Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. AA, Alanon & Gamblers' 12-step 7:30 p.m.	**9** Teacher Orientation 6:30 p.m.	**10** CSA Pick up 4:30 p.m. Grades 9/10 Orientation 6:30 p.m.	**11** Shabbat Comes to You @ Remington Heights 4 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service: Preparing for Elul 6 p.m.	**12** Sparks Beneath the Surface 9:15-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m. S'lichot Service 7 p.m. ***S'lichot***
13 Teacher Meeting, 9 a.m. Religious School Grades K-6, 10 a.m.-Noon Prayer Assembly, 10 a.m. Consecration Checklist Meeting, 10:45 a.m. BB Q Lunch, Noon Childen's Choir Rehearsal Noon Club 56 Bowling, 12:30 p.m. OTYG Board Meeting 12:30 p.m. Kol RIna Rehearsal, 1 p.m.	**14**	**15** Executive Meeting 6 p.m. Kol Rina Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Board of Trustees 7 p.m. AA, Alanon & Gamblers' 12-step 7:30 p.m.	**16** Madrichim Meeting 5:30 p.m. Grade 7 Orientation 7 p.m.	**17** CSA Pick up 4:30 p.m.	**18** Sitter Service 7 p.m. Erev Rosh Hashanah Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m. ***Erev Rosh Hashanah***	**19** Children's Service 9 a.m. Tot Service 9 a.m. Sitter Service 9:45 a.m. Morning Service 10:15 a.m. ***Rosh Hashanah***
20 NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL OTYG Yom Kippur Rehearsal Noon Kol Rina Rehearsal 1 p.m. Memorial Service @ Schrager Memorial Chapel 1 p.m.	**21**	**22** Kol Rina Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. AA, Alanon & Gamblers' 12-step 7:30 p.m.	**23** Religious School Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m. OTYG Lounge Night Yom Kippur Rehearsal 5-6 p.m. Family School 6-8 p.m. Grades 7-12 6-8 p.m. All School Dinner 6 p.m.	**24** CSA Pick up 4:30 p.m.	**25** Shabbat Shuva Service 6 p.m. ***Shabbat Shuva***	**26** Sparks Beneath the Surface @ Lake Regency 9:15-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service @ Lake Regency 10:30 a.m. Tashlich @ Lake Regency Noon
27 NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL Sitter Service 7 p.m. Kol Nidre Service 7:30 p.m. ***Kol Nidre***	**28** ***Office Closed*** Children's Service, 9 a.m. Tot Service, 9 a.m. Sitter Service, 9:45 a.m. Morning Service, 10:15 a.m. Panel Discussion, 12:30 p.m. Moments of Remembrance 2:30 p.m. Youth Service, 2:30 p.m. Afternoon Service, 3:45 p.m. Yizkor & Neilah, 5 p.m. Havdalah, 5:45 p.m. ***Yom Kippur***	**29** AA, Alanon & Gamblers' 12-step 7:30 p.m.	**30** Religious School Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m. OTYG Lounge Night 5-6 p.m. Family School 6-8 p.m. Grades 7-12 6-8 p.m. All School Dinner 6 p.m.	**1** OCTOBER	**2** Sukkot / New Members Welcome Service 6 p.m. Congregational Potluck Dinner 7 p.m. ***Erev Sukkot***	**3** Breakfast in the Sukkah 9 a.m. Sparks Beneath the Surface 9-10:15 a.m. Shabbat Service 10:30 a.m. ***Sukkot***
4 Susan G. Komen Walk 8 a.m. Teacher Meeting, 9 a.m. Religious School Grades PreK-6 10 a.m. - Noon Prayer Assembly, 10 a.m. Four B's, 10:30 a.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal Noon OTYG Board Meeting 12:30 p.m.	**5**	**6** AA, Alanon & Gamblers' 12-step 7:30 p.m.	**7** Religious School Grades 3-6 4-6 p.m. OTYG Lounge Night 5-6 p.m. Family School 6-8 p.m. Grades 7-12 6-8 p.m. All School Dinner 6 p.m.	**8** Adult Study with the Clergy 10-11:30 a.m.	**9** Consecration Pictures 5:30 p.m. Consecration 6 p.m. ***Erev Simchat Torah***	**10** Yizkor and Service 10:30 a.m. ***Simchat Torah***

Worship and High Holy Day Services

Friday~September 4
6 p.m.
Shabbat Service

Saturday~September 5
9:15–10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: Ki Tavo
Deuteronomy 26:1-29:8
Haftarah: Isaiah 60:1-22

Friday~September 11
4 p.m.
Shabbat Comes to You
@ Remington Heights
6 p.m.
Shabbat Evening Service:
Preparing for Elul

Saturday~September 12
S'lichot
9:15–10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service
7 p.m.
S'lichot Service
Torah Portion: Vayeilech
Deuteronomy 29:9-31:30
Haftarah: Isaiah 61:10-63:9

Friday~September 18
Erev Rosh Hashanah
7 p.m.
Sitter Service
7:30 p.m.
Erev Rosh Hashanah Shabbat Service

Saturday~September 19
Rosh Hashanah
9 a.m.
Children's Service
9 a.m.
Tot Service
9:45 a.m.
Sitter Service
10:15 a.m.
Morning Service

Sunday~September 20
1 p.m.
Memorial Service
@ Schrager Memorial Chapel

Friday~September 25
Shabbat Shuva
6 p.m.
Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday~September 26
9:15–10:15 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
@ Regency Lake Clubhouse
10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Service and Tashlich
@ Regency Lake Clubhouse
Followed by a walk, bike ride or motorcycle ride

Sunday~September 27
Kol Nidre
7 p.m.
Sitter Service
7:30 p.m.
Kol Nidre Service

Monday~September 28
Yom Kippur
9 a.m.
Children's Service
9 a.m.
Tot Service
9:45 a.m.
Sitter Service
10:15 a.m.
Morning Service
Panel Discussion immediately following Morning Service
Walk of Reflection
2:30 p.m.
Moments of Remembrance
2:30 p.m.
Family Service led by OTYG
3:45 p.m.
Afternoon Service
5 p.m.
Yizkor and Neilah
5:45 p.m.
Havdalah

Friday~October 2
Erev Sukkot
6 p.m.
Shabbat Service and
New Members Welcome
Potluck dinner following services

Saturday~October 3
Sukkot
9 a.m.
Breakfast in the Sukkah
9 a.m.
Sparks Beneath the Surface
10:30 a.m.
Sukkot/Shabbat Morning Service

Friday~October 9
Erev Simchat Torah
6 p.m.
Consecration

Saturday~October 10
Simchat Torah
10:30 a.m.
Morning Service & Yizkor

Birthday Blessings
Friday, September 11, 6 p.m.

Children and adults who celebrate their birthdays during the month of September will be called to the bimah and receive a special blessing from the rabbi.

Message From Temple Israel About H1N1 Virus

Temple Israel remains in contact with local and state health officials about the H1N1 virus. We are taking a variety of steps to ensure the safety and health of our congregants. We have placed additional signage in all buildings, encouraging proper hand washing techniques. Wall-mounted hand sanitizers are available in the building. Temple's custodial staff members have been briefed about sanitizing procedures.

What You Can Do to Stay Healthy

There are everyday actions people can take to stay healthy.

- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze. Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds (the time it takes you to sing "Happy Birthday" twice.) Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.

Try to avoid close contact with sick people.

- Influenza is thought to spread mainly person-to-person through coughing or sneezing of infected people.
- In order to keep all our congregation healthy, it's important to remembe that if you have a fever, please must stay home until fever-free for 24 hours, without fever reducing medicine.

Tri-Faith Committee

Bob Freeman, Chairman

The March 27 Dinner in Abraham's Tent was attended by over 1,000 people and has continued to generate very positive feedback. The opportunity to observe prayers offered by each of the three Faiths, and the common messages of peace and hope offered by the three national faith leaders, were uniformly inspiring to everyone who was there. A video is available to watch on the Temple website, www.templeisrael-ne.org.

The dinner received significant and extremely favorable media coverage, both locally and in faith-based journalism outlets on a broader scale. Also noteworthy is the fact that Bishop Katharine Jefferts-Shori and Dr. Ingrid Mattson have subsequently used Omaha as an example of positive collaborative efforts among the Abrahamic faiths.

Feedback from members of Temple who have dipped their toe into the tri-faith pool have been positive. The sincerity of our partners and their willingness to work to find common ground has not abated over the nearly three years of work together.

The August 2 Tri-Faith picnic was another tangible example of this. Held on the shaded grounds of All Saints Episcopal Church (92nd & Blondo), this Sunday afternoon event was attended by over 200 people, with good representation from all three faiths. The common importance of family, food and having fun was readily apparent as parents and children of the three faiths shared these in a casual setting.

Harder issues too can be explored based upon developing personal relationships and mutual understanding. Some of these discussions were furthered during an interfaith trip to Turkey in July, attended by Christian, Jewish and Muslim tri-faith participants.

In the coming months, the Tri-Faith Initiative will offer a "taste" of opportunities to learn specifically about each of the three faiths' beliefs and customs. Planning is also beginning for a 2010 event that will build upon the Abraham's Tent experience.

For more information, visit the Temple Israel website or the Tri-Faith website, www.trifaith.org.

Chef John Hattam to Manage Temple's Kitchen for One Year

Earlier this year, both the Temple Israel Board of Trustees and the Budget Committee requested that a task force be assembled to look into possibilities for food preparation and kitchen management at Temple. At the May 19 Board of Trustees meeting, a motion was approved to hire an in-house kitchen manager to handle all future food service and catered events at Temple Israel. This policy is for a one-year trial and will be reviewed next spring.

Jon Meyers, immediate past president of the Board, explained that for the "vast majority of people and for the Temple," the kitchen manager policy "will be a win-win situation." Temple has contracted with caterer John Hattam to prepare all meals, including (but not limited to) grade level Shabbat dinners, Wednesday night dinners prior to Religious School, Tot Shabbat dinners, congregational dinners at Chanukah and Passover, Bar and Bat Mitzvah luncheons, the Ministers Institute luncheon, the annual meeting, and funeral lunches for the upcoming year. Chef Hattam will purchase much of the food for the kitchen, a task now performed often by staff members. This new arrangement will save Temple an estimated $10,000 a year.

A commitment has been made to the caterer for a certain number of events. Affordable prices will promote attendance at these events which contribute to community building among congregants. Hattam's pricing was the lowest compared to three other caterers who, along with him, have done the majority of B'nai Mitzvah luncheons over the past three years at Temple.

Temple's Annual Golf Outing

Thanks to all the golfers who turned out on a beautiful Monday afternoon at Ironwood Country Club. The proceeds are used to support Temple's Religious School, youth groups and worship services.

We are grateful to the following Hole Sponsors: AAA Rents, Associated Underwriters, The Azriel Family, Bag 'n Save, Broadmoor Development, CB Richard Ellis/MEGA, Daniel Grieb, CPA, Janey & Jerry Dann, eFrame Technologies, Toby Fellman, Finegold Alexander + Associates, Frankel, Zacharia, LLC, Fraser Stryker Law Firm, Michael Goldstein, M.D., Grace/Mayer Insurance Agency, Husch Blackwell Sanders, Lexus of Omaha, JNL Enterprise, Inc., John A. Gentleman Mortuary, Gail and Jerry Kohll, Rabbi Eric Linder, Sue and Dave Meyers, Nebraska Warehouse, Noddle Development, Omaha Compound Company, Pacific Reality, Parking Area Maintenance, Paul Gerber Auto Sales, Prodigy Asset Management, Republic Beverage Company, The Schneiderman Family, Security National Bank, Seim, Johnson, Sestak & Quist, Anne and Bruce Shackman, The Shermet-Burrell Family, Strong Box Mini Storage, Thermal Services, Inc., UBS Painewebber, and U.S. Optical.

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Without the golf committee and the following volunteers, our annual golf outing would not be the success it continues to be: Brenda Arnold, Aryeh Azriel, Leora Azriel, Dennis DePorte, Jim Farber, Rick Fox, Alan Fredricks, Marlen Frost, Dan Marburg, Denise Meyers, Jon Meyers, Jeff Nogg, Steve Redler, Wendy Shermet, Jamie Skog, Becky Smedlund, Jeff Smedlund, Misty Weidner and Rosie Zweiback.

Youth & Education

WELCOME to another year of learning at Temple Israel Religious School! "Parent and family involvement" is a key phrase often spoken about but not always put into action. Here at Temple Israel we can truthfully boast about having meaningful and substantative family involvement in the religious education of our children.

In addition to the long-standing tradtion of Family School, three years ago we undertook the significant process of recreating the Religious School Steering Committee and establishing a Volunteer Corps. The prime beneficiaries of the RSSC and its volunteers have been – and will continue to be – the children of our shool. Todah Rabah to Wendy Vann, RSSC chair, and Jenn Tompkins Kirshenbaum for leading the Volunteer Corps.

Get involved by contacting these wonderful volunteers:

- Wendy Vann: 391-5595 or wmvann@cox.net
- Jenn Tompkins Kirshenbaum: 445-4632 or jenntk@cox.net

Religious Schoolers Have Big ♥s

During the months of September and October our PreK through grade 12 families are encouraged to bring donations for Together, Inc. This wonderful organization helps hundreds of struggling families meet basic life necessities.

Look for more information about what you can bring to help fill the organization's store with much needed clothing items so Together, Inc. families can go "shopping!"

Philanthropizza???

Temple Israel High School will hold a fundraiser at California Pizza Kitchen at One Pacific Place on **Sunday, October 4, Noon til closing**. Fundraiser attendees must bring the flyer, and 20 percent of the proceeds will go to the Grades 11 and 12 trip to our Southeast Civil Rights Journey.

On this trip students will learn about struggles of African Americans to gain equality in the 1950's and '60's as well as discover how Jews were involved in the Civil Rights struggle. We will also delve into the creation of rock and roll and how this helped break down the walls of segregation. The students will walk away understanding why Jews, as people who have known oppression, must care and act when others are oppressed. The journey will include Atlanta, Montgomery, Selma and Birmingham.

We would like to raise enough to go toward the registration and operating fees of the trip.

It's Almost Back-to-School Time for Middle and High Schoolers

Over the past year, Temple's Religious School Steering Committee (RSSC) has focused on the scope of our children's education in ninth through twelfth grades. Confirmation was changed back to tenth grade, with Graduation remaining in twelfth. The RSSC and Elyce Azriel, Director of Religious Education, reassessed and appropriately aligned the school curriculum with the goals of Temple in mind. Together with our committed members and RSSC chairman Wendy Vann at the hub, we have created an exciting new program of study.

Students in Grades 11 and 12 (and parents) will learn about the curriculum enhancements and meet with their advisors on ***Thursday, September 3 at 6:30 p.m.*** This year, juniors and seniors will be able to choose a traditional classroom program or meet the requirements of school attendance through a variety of individual study options. If you are unable to attend this important informational session, please contact Lori Bennett, 556-6536 or lbennett@templeisraelomaha.com.

All ninth and tenth grade students and parents are invited to an orientation on ***Thursday, September 10 at 6:30 p.m.***

This an exciting time for our high school and we invite you to be involved!

OTYG and Together, Inc. Need Your Help!

During the Fall Conclave hosted by OTYG November 13-15, conclave participants will spend the afternoon working at Together Inc. One of the projects planned needs your help. We will put together a cloth sack that will contain "green" products – CFLs, household products, etc. for distribution in the Together Inc. store. "Green" products can be more costly than other similar products, so people often hesitate to try them. However, as is the case of CFLs, they save money in the long run.

Please help us fill the bags by dropping off donations for this project in the green recycle bin in the south entrance of Temple Israel - there are hundreds of "green" products in stores, such as the new Clorox line of "green" cleaning products, recycled paper towels, toilet paper, CFLs. You may have some ideas we don't even know about. OTYG appreciates your participation and concern for our planet!

What's Happening in Religious School?

Come to Family Prayer Assemblies! ..... Sundays, 10 a.m.
Approximately once-a-month we hold special Family Prayer Assemblies. This is a time for parents and children to pray, sing and grow together. ***Mishpacha*** (extended family) and friends are welcome, too!

September 13	October 4	November 1
December 6	January 10	February 7
March 16	April 11	May 11

Dismissal Procedures ..... Sundays and Wednesdays
Please help us have a safe and pleasant year. When children are picked up from Religious School, parents are to PARK their cars in the south LOT and come into the building to wait for their child(ren). Cars left parked in the driveway interrupt the flow of traffic, causing long lines, impatient parents, and more challenges in a timely dismissal. We appreciate your understanding of our safety concerns.

First Day of School ..... Sunday, September 13
Our return to school will be filled with classroom activities, our first Prayer Assembly of the year and a delicious BBQ for the entire school provided by Temple Israel's Golf Committee. Everyone is invited to stay at Noon for a delicious hamburger or hot dog!

Consecration Checklist for Kindergarten Parents ..... Sunday, September 13
Visit with Rabbi Aryeh Azriel in the Milder Center about the details for Consecration immediately following the Prayer Assembly.

Children's Choir Rehearsal ..... Sundays, September 13 & October 4
Immediately following Religious School, we'll eat a pizza lunch before rehearsing with choir director Emily Meyer. PLEASE NOTE: Choir members will stay with their families for the BBQ and then have rehearsal.

No Religious School..... Sundays, September 20, 27
In observance of the High Holy Days, Grades K-6 will not meet these dates.

Family School is Back! ..... Wednesday, September 23
Family School starts at 6 p.m. with dinner in the Milder Center. Children head to class while parents are invited to stay for an adult Hebrew session with Mor Sheinbein.

All School Dinner ..... Wednesdays, 6 p.m.
Beginning on September 23, Grades 3–6 are invited to share dinner, catch up with old friends, and make new ones at this weekly dinner. Menus will be emailed the Tuesday before Religious School.

Pre-Kindergarten Class Begins..... Sunday, October 4
This fun and active class meets approximately twice a month. The children learn about Jewish holidays and selected Jewish stories through the use of games, crafts, picture books and other age-appropriate learning tools. If you have a child between the ages of 3 and 5, and would like to enroll in Temple Israel's PreK program, please contact Lori Bennett, 556-6536 or lbennett@templeisraelomaha.com.

Consecration for Young Students ..... Friday, October 9
Consecration marks the beginning of a child's formal Jewish education leading to Confirmation at the end of tenth grade. Kindergartners and older children who have not yet been consecrated will participate in a special service to be held on Erev Simchat Torah at 7 p.m. Parents of consecrants will be called to the bimah for blessings and a special presentation. ATTENTION PARENTS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO HAVE NEVER BEEN CONSECRATED – it is not too late for your child to participate in this meaningful event. Please contact Lori, 556-6536, to make arrangements.

Family Prayer Assembly and 4B's ..... Sunday, October 4
Join your child(ren) for an enjoyable prayer service and stay for the informative 4B's session at 10:30 a.m. in the Milder Center. Have a bagel, a cup of coffee and an informative discussion with Kenneth H. Cowan on Breast Cancer Awareness.

Club 56

Nothing says back-to-school like...bowling!
Sunday, September 13
Pick-up is 2 p.m. at West Lanes Bowl

After Religious School, 5th and 6th graders will enjoy a BBQ lunch in the Social Hall provided by the Temple Israel Golf Committee, and then walk over to West Lanes Bowl (151 North 72nd Street). Prizes will be awarded to the best and the worst bowlers of the bunch! Cost: $3. RSVP to Leora Azriel, leoraann@aol.com.

OTYG Lounge Nights

Every Wednesday that Religious School is in session, 5-6 p.m.



Check out our new format! First "Lounge Night" is September 23. See you then!



OTYG Needs Your Help!

Temple Israel is hosting the Fall Conclave for NFTY Missouri Valley on Friday, November 13 through Sunday, November 15. We are anticipating 100 teens plus their advisors.

We need volunteers for serving Shabbat dinner, oneg goodies, chaperoning the Saturday evening social as well as donations.

Please contact: Event Co-chairs Grace Hack, 934-5040, and Emily Katz, 397-8741, or OTYG Advisor Amy Katz, 321-0515.

Welcome New Members!

Matthew Blodgett

A self-described "typical college student," who is majoring in history at UNO, Matthew made a decision that is anything but typical. "I've always felt Jewish," said the Missouri Valley, IA, native. "I've always wanted to convert and decided to go for it." He began studying three years ago for his conversion, and on May 8, he became Jewish. He works at an Applebee's restaurant in Omaha and has lived on campus since January. Someday, he'd like to work at a museum or at a historical society.

Brenda Croes
David Xavier Murphy - 2 months old

A military brat herself, Brenda, who was born in Queens, New York City, is a senior airman stationed at Offutt Air Force Base. In addition to Offutt, she has lived in the Philippines and at Beal Air Force Base in Sacramento, CA. She's been stationed here for four years and is assigned to security forces. However, currently her assignment is caring for her newborn son, David. "He's amazing, he's so cute." Brenda's husband, Christopher, does construction contract work.

Sarah and Daniel Gilbert
Micah, Grade 1
Noemi, four-years-old

"We repatriated back to Omaha," teased Dan. His wife Sarah grew up in Omaha. Last July, they moved to Omaha to be close to family after nine years in Palo Alto, CA. "Sarah got a fantastic job at the Omaha Community Foundation which gives myself the opportunity to be home with Micah and Noemi, something I very much wanted to do. Living here allows us a lot more choices of what to do with our time. The cost of living in California is so much higher than Omaha. Moving here is really worth it," he said.

Micah will attend Washington Elementary School while his sister is enrolled at preschool at the Child Development Center at the JCC. Both will attend Religious School at Temple.

The Gilberts enjoy traveling. "We're still very much enjoying exploring in and around Omaha. We like snow!" emphasized Dan who grew up in southern California. They also like "outdoor things like baseball and soccer. And we like to cook together. My kids love to make cookies and banana bread."

Jennifer and Scott Goodman
Hannah - Grade 5
Shelby - Grade 3

Married for 12 years, Jennifer and Scott moved to Omaha from Kansas City in May. Jennifer is originally from Omaha. They came here to be closer to her family. They belonged to Congregation B'nai Jehudah in Overland Park, KS.

Scott is a neurologist at the Nebraska Medical Center. Jen works part time as a project coordinator and administrator at RDG, Renaissance Design Group, an architectural firm. Their two daughters, Hannah, ten, and Shelby, eight, will attned Dundee Elementary. The Goodmans are planning to sign up for Family School at Temple.

"I like music," Scott said. "Both the girls take piano. Friends and family are really important to Jen." Scott also mentioned that they have "a ton of pets" including two basset hounds, Bonnie and Clyde, "a little mutt" named Jamie, and four cats.

Emily and Nicholas Ray

Emily grew up in Omaha and attended Beth El Synagogue with her parents, Howard and Sharon Epstein, and brother and sister. Nick is from Davenport, IA, and moved to Omaha when he was 15. Newlyweds, who were married May 16, Emily and Nicholas like to cook together. "We make steaks...a little bit of everything," she said. "We like to be outdoors and enjoy being with our friends and family." An account manager, Emily works in advertising at Swanson Russell, an advertising agency. Nick is a senior accountant at infoGROUP.

Inna Zevakina

Inna grew up in Kiev in Ukraine. She had to wait "a couple years" after she applied for refugee status to leave the former Soviet Union arriving here in December 1993 to join family in Omaha. She attended Kiev Polytechnic Institute in Kiev and earned a degree in mechanical engineering. She had learned English and French in school. "But there was no Jewish life in Russia," she explained.

"I like it here, because I have a very comfortable life and people are nice," she said. She has worked at The Primus Sterilizer Company for two years and is a production engineer there. In her spare time, Inna enjoys making jewelry some of which is on display at Custom Jems (8487 Frederick Street).

Congratulations

On the Birth of:

Meyer David Feinstein, son of Jessica and Jamie Feinstein. Grandparents are Angela and Stanley Krieger, Leslie Feinstein, Denver, CO, and Eric Feinstein, Columbus, OH,

Megan Anne Kugler, daughter of Traci and Lance Kugler. Grandparents are Sandra and Stuart Kutler, and Cynthia and John Kugler. Great-grandparents are Harriet Singer, Louise and Gary Blohm, Frances and Robert Koehler, and Dee and Dale Kugler, Lexington, NE.

David Xavier Murphy, son of Brenda and Christopher Croes. Grandparents are Liz and Jerry Nible, and Judith and Thomas Alden. Great-grandfather is Francis Murphy, CT.

Avery Kathryn Nogg, daughter of Kelly and Jeff Nogg. Grandparents are Patty and Steve Nogg, Sharon Rosenstock, Salem, VA, and Jim Rosenstock, Petersburg, VA. Great-grandparents are Harlan "Bud" Studna, Jean Parelman, Kansas City, MO, and Martin Bannon, Richmond, VA.

Jack Elliott Rabroker, son of Cari and John Rabroker, Overland Park, KS. Grandparents are Vicki Perlmeter, Jeff Perlmeter, Scottsdale, AZ, Janae and Mike Hawkins, Dallas, TX, and Toni and Steve Rabroker, Carrolton, TX. Great-grandparents are Roie and Bernie Meyers, Stan Perlmeter, Key Biscayne, FL, the late Janet Perlmeter, and Jane and Don Kemp, Dallas, TX.

Clayton Maxwell Ruback, son of Teresa Kramer Ruback and Andrew Ruback. Grandparents are Jayne and Altan Ruback, Hilda Kramer and the late Larry Kramer. Great-grandparents are Shirley and Max Kirshenbaum, and Marie and Paul Ruback.

Chaya Elianna Schondelmeyer, daughter of Sarah Schondelmeyer. Grandparents are Gayle and Jim Masserant.

On the Engagement of:

Beth Katz and Jesse Lyda. Parents are Evelyn Katz, David Katz, Orlando, FL, and Patricia and Jim Lyda.

On the Marriage of:

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Arbeiter. Mrs. Arbeiter is the former Alissa Manvitz. Parents are Wendy and Todd Manvitz, and Phyllis and Randolph Arbeiter, Bellevue, NE.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brooks. Mrs. Brooks is the former Kimberly Jensen. Parents are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Jensen, Tampa, FL, and Naomi and Joel Brooks, Tampa, FL.

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Mr. and Mrs. Max Rogers-Marcovitz. Mrs. Rogers-Marcovitz is the former Tziporrah Blalock. Parents are Serel Krieger and Zion Blalock, Mimi Rogers and Scott Farkas, and Michael Marcovitz, Tzfat, Israel.

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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 on 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.

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The Congregation records with sorrow the deaths of...

Gwen K. Cohn, mother of Steve Cohn;

Louie Fedman, father of Sharon Joseph;

Barbara Finnicum, mother of Doug Finnicum;

Thama Lee Friedman, mother of Thomas Friedman, Sue Millward and Anne Shackman, and aunt of Bernice Kaplan;

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Philip Wright, husband of Miriam Brooks, and son-in-law of Jane Brooks;

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