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Can you believe that for the first time in history, Thanksgiving is going to coincide with the start of Hanukkah? What a strange quirk in our calendars! If that isn’t enough, Labor Day and Rosh HaShanah fall during the same week. We are always complaining that the date of Rosh HaShanah, in the secular calendar, is either early, or late. It can be very confusing. Yet the mere fact that the secular date floats from the 5th of September to the 5th of October teaches us an important lesson about the meaning and purpose of the High Holy Days.

The root of the word Shanah has several meanings: year, sleep, or change. Rosh HaShanah could therefore be translated as the beginning of the year; the beginning of sleep; or the beginning of change. Years do not sleep. The time our annual cycle represents passes quickly. We are left with two choices. Do we sleep through the year and do nothing differently than we did before? Or do we change?

My friend Michael Gold, often quotes a scene from Alice in Wonderland. Alice asks the Cheshire Cat: “Would you tell me, please, which way I ought to go from here? That depends a great deal on where you want to go, said the Cat. I don’t much care where, said Alice. The Cat responds: Then it does not much matter which way you go.”

When I recently spoke with a New Age Spiritual guide, I was told that whatever path I am on is the road I was meant to travel. What an easy answer to give. Whatever you are doing you were meant to do. The pressure is off. Our Jewish Tradition does not let us off that easily. As we read in the Tanach: “There is not a righteous man on this earth who does good and does not sin. (Ecclesiastes 7:20)”

The High Holy Days are all about changes. Some we have made. Some were made with intent. Others just happened to come about. Are we traversing the paths of our lives that we intended to? Have we allowed ourselves to drift away from what is important in our lives: our families, our integrity, our ethics, or perhaps we have veered away from the path of Spiritual Meaning in our lives? Have we allowed ourselves to “sleep” while we go through the motions of traveling the path of life?

Change is never easy. But the High Holy Days give us permission to wake up and recognize the ways in which we feel we must change. Yes, the Holidays are rapidly approaching. It will soon be time to begin another year.... That change of path is not as confusing as the calendars we watch. It is not important whether the High Holy Days are in September or October, or whether Hanukkah and Thanksgiving coincide. How much time we spend with our loved ones; how much time we spend building relationships with others who are important to us; how much time we spend building relationships with those who share our community who are in need of things that we take for granted; how much time we spend deepening our relationship with God – each of these is important. What changes we make, and how we make them is for us to decide.

May the coming year, 5774, bring positive change. May it be a year of love, joy, security and serenity.

L’Shanah Tova Tikateivu,
My year be inscribed for a good 5774.
Rabbi Murray Ezring

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CALENDAR NOTICE

Temple Israel strives to ensure that the calendar information is complete and accurate.

However, event information may change. For up-to-date information, please visit our online calendar on our website, www.templeisraelnc.org.

Thank you.
BY RABBI RAUCHER

Each year when we reach the High Holy Day season I take a trip to the basement; the basement of my soul. I search down in the depths for old mental photos and thoughts from the year passed and I examine them with scrutiny. I do what’s called a cheshbon ha-nefesh, an accounting of my soul. I take the value of my experiences and actions over the past year and I do some spiritual math. I evaluate my year’s worth of experiences by profits and losses. Profits to see how much I’ve grown and losses to see what didn’t work out or what could have gone better. Each year it’s a measurement of profits and losses which will help us determine our “cash” in hand balance.

But that’s the not the only math I do. I take my balance at the end of the spiritual math and I compare it to a big thermometer (like the ones you see measuring the money collected for fund raising). This thermometer is not meant to measure my temperature, but rather to measure my potential for greatness throughout my life. I take my spiritual cash in hand and I add it to the “life-potential-thermometer” looking carefully to see how much I’ve added over my lifetime to this point.

But that’s not it. I’m not only interested in how far I’ve come (or not) over the course of this one year. I’m eager to see how far I will and can go in the future to raising that thermometer gauge as far as I can. The time spent with our community members in song, prayer, and reflection help me to reflect on all the ways I’ve fallen short of my potential and the ways I can improve. I think about the ways we all can improve. When I do this, I’m reminded that it can be harsh to take a good look in the mirror and confront the people we really are. But that can also be our greatest benefit. It reminds me that the act of saying, “I’m sorry” might be terrifying, but is actually very simple and healing.

This season is not about being so self-critical that we think we’re no good. In fact it’s really about being self-critical so we can see how much potential we really have. At the end of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur we start over with our lives. We begin as if it’s day one of all existence all over again. We step forward with a clean slate hoping to fill it with a record of positive attributes. And every time we take a step, if our cheshbon ha-nefesh has been productive, we can see how far we’ve come and where we are going in that very moment.
While summer is a time of year when many of our members take vacations and life seems to slow down a little bit, I wanted you to know that our Temple Israel staff is in full swing working with our members on their membership pledges, and getting ready for the High Holy Days, which begin September 4th. There is much to do, and I’m sure that when you experience the holidays this year you will appreciate all of the hard work and planning.

One of the things I’ve been emphasizing during my time as President is that Temple Israel needs to listen and respond to our members. Knowing that this issue of Kol Yisrael will be “on the newstands” during this year’s High Holidays, I wanted to let you know of changes we are making to our holiday plans in response to comments we received in a survey done last October.

Timing and Coordination: One of the biggest themes of the feedback we received was the need for our services for adults and youth to be better coordinated so that families could more fully participate. Toward that end we have made numerous changes this year, thanks to the thoughtful efforts of our clergy and our ritual committee, including:

• The slight shortening of the main service to allow for a later start time. This should help our members, and particularly our families, to plan their arrivals and departures in a more coordinated way.

• The expansion of Youth Services to include age appropriate offerings for children, ranging from pre-school to teenagers. For the first time in several years we have arranged for a Rabbinical student to join us for both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur and lead services for our post B’nai Mitzvah aged children.

• A significantly expanded Babysitting Program so that children have care until the conclusion of the main services.

• The reorganization of our alternative services during Rosh Hashanah so the timing more closely coincides with the main services.

Seating: Based on the feedback we received after last year’s High Holidays and the recommendations of a task force that met last fall, we are making two important changes to our seating arrangements. The goal of these changes is to address the comments we have received, and to make it easier for all of our members to sit closer to the Bimah. Seating is a topic of great interest to our congregation, and I hope that these changes will enhance your holiday experience. I plan to seek your feedback again after the holidays are over.

• We will have open seating during Erev Rosh Hashanah, Second Day Rosh Hashanah, and after 1:00 on Yom Kippur. These are times when the sanctuary is typically not as full and everyone will have the opportunity to move forward and sit together.

• Other than Donor & individually purchased seats, we will no longer be assigning seats in the main sanctuary and balcony (“theatre seats”). During the periods in which assigned seating is in effect (the first day of Rosh Hashanah, Kol Nidre, and Yom Kippur prior to 1:00), all remaining seats will be considered “temporary” and available to everyone on a first come first served basis. Temporary seat holders will receive a ticket indicating that they are welcome to sit anywhere in this area as long as the seats are not occupied.

Parking: Temple Israel and Temple Beth El will again both be holding services at Shalom Park this year. This means that during several of the High Holy Day services there are not enough parking places for all our combined members on Shalom Park. As a result we will again need to allocate our parking places. As with last year, our first priority will be for members who provide a copy of their handicap placard. Our second priority will be for our donors, who will be permitted one parking place per family. For the remaining places, a random drawing will be held for all members who returned their pledge forms on time.

We have made numerous enhancements to the offsite parking arrangements, including more frequent shuttle buses and drivers, more golf carts and drivers, and better communication between the temple staff. In the event of rain, we have ordered flaps and towels for the golf carts and a larger tent covering the staging areas.

There are many other smaller changes and adjustments that have taken place, and I sincerely hope that they collectively enhance your holiday worship experience at Temple Israel. With Erev Rosh Hashanah coming on September 4th, it won’t be long until we can all congregate in our beautiful synagogue and celebrate and worship together as a community, as Temple Israel members have done for over 100 years. I look forward to seeing all of you then.
CANTOR’S MESSAGE
Special Needs High Holy Day Service

Temple Israel will be repeating a service on Rosh Hashanah for people with special needs.

This Ma’ariv service will take place on Thursday, September 5, at 6:15pm at Temple Israel.

Temple Israel is planning a service that is accessible and interactive, in an environment that is safe, respectful and comfortable for all. It will be livelier than most Rosh Hashanah services, with a much higher energy level. It will be spiritual and inspiring.

Our goal is to raise Temple Israel congregants’ awareness to the presence and needs of people with autistic spectrum disorders and other developmental disabilities, ensuring that all feel that their spiritual home is at Temple Israel.

Please plan to attend a service that we hope will engage, empower and inspire.

Cantor Elias Roochvarg

STUDENT RABBI
TEMPLE ISRAEL Welcomes Student Rabbi, Louis Jacob Sachs for the High Holy Days

My name is Louis Jacob Sachs. I was born in the West San Fernando Valley where I grew up as part of the Shomrei Torah Synagogue community. I fell in love with Judaism after my first summer at Camp JCA Shalom and have been continuing down my Jewish journey ever since.

After graduating from High School, I attended UC Davis where I earned a Bachelors degree in Religious Studies. While at UC Davis I was an active member of the Jewish community where I worked at Hillel, held various leadership positions in Jewish and Pro-Israel campus organizations, and taught at the local synagogue.

After graduating from UC Davis in 2010, I spent a year studying in Jerusalem at the Pardes Institute of Jewish Studies. After that incredible year, I moved back to beautiful sunny southern California to begin my Rabbinic training.

At the AJU I have had the privilege of studying not only in the best weather of any Rabbinical school, but with a student body and faculty that leaves me at a loss for words. There is much road left for me to cover on my Jewish journey, but I am honored and excited for the opportunity to be a part of the Temple Israel community for the High Holy Days. I am certain it will be a great start for a sweet new year!
### HIGH HOLY DAY SCHEDULE 5774/2013

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#### EARLY (1:00PM) OFFICE CLOSING
- Sept 4: Erev Rosh Hashanah
- Sept 13: Kol Nidre
- Sept 18: Erev Sukkot
- Sept 25: Erev Shemini Atzeret

#### OFFICE CLOSED
- Sept 5: Rosh Hashanah day 1
- Sept 6: Rosh Hashanah day 2
- Sept 19: Sukkot day 1
- Sept 20: Sukkot day 2
- Sept 26: Shemini Atzeret/Simchat Torah
- Sept 27: Simchat Torah

### HIGH HOLY DAY SCHEDULE

#### Wednesday
- **September 4**
  - **EREV ROSH HASHANAH**
    - 6:15pm - Evening Service
    - Morris & Sylvia Speizman Sanctuary

#### Thursday
- **September 5**
  - **ROSH HASHANAH - Day 1**
    - 9:00am - Morning Service
    - Morris & Sylvia Speizman Sanctuary
    - 12:45pm - Tashlich Creek below temple building
    - 6:15pm - Special Needs Service
    - Mindy Ellen Levine Chapel
    - 6:15pm - Evening Service
    - Morris & Sylvia Speizman Sanctuary

### Childcare
- Temple Israel is pleased to offer childcare (Ages 1-4) over the High Holy Days, in the JCC Babysitting Room.
- To register your children for onsite childcare, call Temple Israel’s office at 704-362-2796

#### Childcare is available at the following times
- Rosh Hashanah (Sept. 5th & 6th) 9:00am-12:45pm
- Yom Kippur (Sept. 14th) 10:00am–3:00pm + *4:15pm-8:15pm
  (*TI Board Room, 2-5yrs old only)

#### KOL NIDRE Collection Drive 9.13.13
- Gemilut Hasadim - Acts of Loving Kindness
- The Social Action Committee is asking you to please consider one of the following three donation options:
  1. **JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES FOOD PANTRY** (specific needs only)
     - aluminum foil, dishwashing soap, laundry detergent, paper towels, shampoo, coffee
  2. **BLESSINGS IN A BACKPACK**
     - Food collection program to feed the (50+) homeless children at our partnership school, Huntingtowne Farms Elementary, every weekend during the school year. Items needed: juice boxes, raisins, fruit cups, tuna, soup, granola bars, Nutri-Grain bars, small cereal boxes, oatmeal, macaroni & cheese, and ramen noodles.
  3. **WALMART GIFT CARDS**
     - To be divided between Jewish Family Services and the Back Pack Program at Huntingtowne Farms Elementary.

#### **Thank you for your support! Social Action Committee**

### THIS IS OUR SEASON OF CHANGE

#### SELICHOT PROGRAM AT TEMPLE BETH EL
- On Saturday night, August 31st, 2013 at 8:30 pm we will begin the process of deep self-reflection as Temple Beth El and Temple Israel come together to observe Selichot, an evening that represents the beginning of our formal journey into the High Holy Days. The evening will begin with an engaging discussion entitled “This is our Season of Change” through which we will explore our personal Jewish goals for 5774. Following a dessert reception at 9:30pm, our 10:00 pm Selichot services will be lifted by the inspirational music of the combined Temple Israel and Temple Beth El choirs, led by our gifted Cantors Bernard and Roochvarg.
High Holy Day Schedule 5774/2013
Children’s, Youth and Family Services

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Rosh Hashanah – Day 1

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Preschool Service*
Children ages 3-4 registered for childcare will be brought to the Preschool Service. Children ages 3-4 who are not registered for childcare are welcome to attend, with as least one parent accompanying them. Parents of 3-4 yr.-olds registered for childcare are also welcome to attend Preschool Services with their child, should they wish.

Family Services**
Parents of K-6th graders are welcome to join their children for Family Services, if they wish.

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LIFE EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our condolences to:

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Ethel Binnick, mother of Warren and David Binnick.

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Carla Willenzik, mother of Rick Willenzik.

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Bernard Rafkin, brother of Natalie Farber.

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Ann Chemetsky, aunt of Maureen Rosenbaum.

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Wendy Williams Cohen, mother of Jennifer Cohen Golynsky.

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Rabbi David Kraus, father of Benjamin Kraus and Eva Leah Kraus.

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Florence Funt, mother of Martha Brenner.

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Betty Salsburg Klapper (age 97), sister of Evelyn Berger.

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Peggy Moffett, mother of Mark Moffett, grandmother of Rebecca and Alexis Moffett.

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Frances Bonetti, grandmother of Montgomery Bennett.

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Martin Holstein, father of Margi Sigal, and grandfather of Benjamin and Halli.

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Joyce Zacks, mother of Steven Zacks, grandmother of Jacob and Michael Zacks.

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Bel Doctofsky, mother of Joyce Stoll, grandmother of Rebecca Usadi.

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Gerald Paul Crystal, father of Shannon Crystal.

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Sara Klirs, mother of Elisha Klirs.

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Stefan Berger, husband of Renate Berger and father of Jonathan and Michael Berger.

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Doris Citron, aunt of Deanne Boxer and Linda Ashendorf, great-aunt of Evan Boxer.

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Donald Harvey Vinnik, father of Julie Novack, grandfather of Gabriel Novack.

BIRTHS

Michelle and Jon Ross, along with their children Hannah, Nathan, and Lilly, welcomed a baby boy into their family. Their beautiful son was born June 28, 2013 at 8 pounds, 2 ounces. His proud grandmother is Berta Straz and proud great-grandparents are Abe and Rose Luski.

Terry and Andy Wallach joyfully announce the birth of their grandson, on June 18, 2013. Proud parents are Kevin and Hannah.

Karen and Jason Spiegler welcomed a baby girl Sarina Grace Spiegler, into their family. Their beautiful daughter was born Monday, June 3rd at 7 pounds, 5 ounces and 19 1/4 inches long.

Sandra and Leon Levine joyfully announce the birth of their grandson, on June 6, 2013. Proud parents are Amy and Alfred Dawson, sister Mindy, and brother Bentley.

THANK YOU

My heartfelt thanks to my Temple Israel “family” and friends for all your prayers, cards, calls, donations and gifts for my recovery. Your loving care and concern for me have helped me to recuperate at home.

I hope to see you soon.

With love and appreciation,

Ruth Goldberg

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To my Temple Israel family,

Thank you for the many expressions of sympathy after my grandmother passed away last month.

I cannot thank you all enough for your thoughtfulness. Your calls, cards, and kind words meant so much during a time of grief.

Monty Bennett

ENGAGEMENT

Mazel Tov to Halli Sigal, daughter of Margie Sigal and Marvin Sigal on her recent engagement to Ben Weiner. Ben is the son of Herb and Lindsey Weiner of Plano, TX. A spring 2014 wedding is being planned in the Washington, DC area.

Life Event Announcements

If you would like to have your happy event, wedding, engagement or birth announcement published in Kol Yisrael, please submit your written information via e-mail to Marketing@templeisraelnc.org or fax it to 704-362-1098. If you have an illness or a death in the family, please contact the Clergy Office at 704-362-2796.

STAFF ADDITION

Temple Israel is pleased to welcome Betsy Grant-Kaperonis as Marketing Coordinator. Betsy, originally from Philadelphia, brings 20 years of executive level marketing and sales management experience in NYC. Betsy earned a B.S. in Communications from Syracuse University, where she later was invited to lecture at the Setnor School of Music, as part of the Music Industry program. Betsy works with Kelly Keeling and the team at Silver Stream Creative Group to support our marketing efforts. Betsy, her husband, and daughter have lived in Charlotte for 6 years.

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BRIAN C. BERNHARDT

I've been a member of Temple Israel, on and off, since the early 1970’s – I grew up at Temple Israel in Dilworth, had my Bar Mitzvah there with Rabbi Rocklin, and was confirmed there by Rabbi Wilson. I remained a member through college, and then became a member again a few years ago when I, along with my wife, Glenda, and our son, Jacob, who is now 4, moved back to Charlotte. Since then, we’ve had another son, Jonah, who is now 2. We very much enjoy the children’s programming at Temple Israel – both of our sons are students at CJP, and what they are learning there is easily transferable to TI’s tot services, which they enjoy very much (especially when Ms. Patty plays guitar!) – and that may well be the main reason that we came to Temple Israel. Since then, we’ve come to know and appreciate so much more about the synagogue, from the volunteers to the staff and clergy to the services themselves.

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RAEL GORELICK

Rael co-founded Gorelick Brothers Capital, a privately held capital management firm focused on alternative investing, in 2003. Since 2006 Rael has led hedge fund sourcing and networking groups for top US family office executives, successfully identifying winning managers at an early stage. From 2001 to 2003, Rael served as a senior marketing and business development consultant for Atlantic Assurance Group. Previously, Rael was manager of distribution strategy for Showtime Networks. Rael is a 1994 graduate of Northwestern University. Rael and his wife Gabi are the proud parents of 4 children – Lulu (7), Spear (6), Clifton (4), and Shirley (3).

DAVID ROSENTHAL

My family and I celebrate ten (10) years of membership at Temple Israel in 2014. Rabbi Ezring was our first touch with Temple Israel – both of our sons are students at CJP, and what they are learning there is easily transferable to TI’s tot services, which they enjoy very much (especially when Ms. Patty plays guitar!) – and that may well be the main reason that we came to Temple Israel. Since then, we’ve come to know and appreciate so much more about the synagogue, from the volunteers to the staff and clergy to the services themselves.

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LIZ WINER

For the past 8 years, Liz has served as a Certified Lactation Consultant with Presbyterian Hospital. Additionally, she has been on the Health Care committee of the Women’s Impact Fund for the past three years. She also serves on the boards of Nurse Family Partnerships, Bright Blessings and Spay Neuter Charlotte. Liz launched the first B’nai Mitzvah social action program at TI, which allows religious students to choose from 6 different community service projects to fulfill their mitzvah responsibility.

Keeping her life full, Liz and her husband Brad have 2 children, ages 15 and 13 and 2 dogs. They have been members at Temple Israel for 8 years and both of their children have had a B’nai Mitzvah at the synagogue. She is “thrilled to be able to give back to the TI community and the clergy for all they have done for my family”. In addition to serving on the board, Liz chairs the temple’s Social Action committee.
Help Needed on High Holy Days

We’re looking for adults and teens who want to help out with the Children’s and Family Programs on the High Holy Days. We’re planning an array of fun, interactive programs for children of all ages, including family services, and will need volunteers to help our staff run them. You may sign up for a single 2-hour time slot or for multiple slots (form on our website: www.templeisraelnc.org). There will be a High Holy Day staff and volunteer orientation/training session Aug. 25 from 10:30-2:30. Contact Rabbi Klirs, rabbiklirs@templeisraelnc.org to learn more and to sign up.

Sukkot-A-Palooza

Come join us on Sunday, Sept. 15 for a Temple-wide Sukkot extravaganza, including sukkah building, making decorations, learning how to shake the lulav and etrog, Sukkot story time, making sandwiches to feed the hungry, and more. Bonus TIRS attendance credit for every student who attends with a parent! Check out the Sukkot-A-Palooza schedule in this edition of Kol Yisrael or in the Temple Israel Program Guide for details.

TIRS Opening Day/Parent Orientation

Opening Day is Sunday, Sept. 22, starting with a parent/student orientation in Lerner Hall at 10 a.m. Parents will get to meet their children’s teachers. When school’s over at noon, bring the whole family over to the Temple for the rabbis’ chuck wagon, and enjoy lunch in the sukkah!

New Programs/Excitement at TIRS

We’re very excited to welcome aboard a large number of new teachers who are bringing new energy and enthusiasm to the school. In addition, we’re revitalizing Jr. Congregation, bringing back ribbons and prizes, and Debby Block as the leader! We are also thrilled to introduce a new, multi-faceted, interactive family Shabbat service, called Shabbat Ha-Mishpachah, several times a year. And the popular Hebrew immersion program for young children, Chalav U’dvash, is returning to the Gan, Alef and Bet Tuesday enrichment classes.

B’NAI MITZVAH

MAZEL TOV TO OUR B’NAI MITZVAH

**Jeffrey David Ashkin**
August 24, 2013
Parents: Kenneth and Audrey Ashkin
Jeffrey has volunteered with Hands on Charlotte, Children’s Attention Home and has raised money for the ASPCA.

**Mia Jackowitz**
August 24, 2013
Parents: Lori and Kenneth Jackowitz
Mia has volunteered with Birthday Blessings and food delivery to Carriage Club for Shavuot.
**TEMPLE ISRAEL WELCOMES NEW YOUTH DIRECTOR**

Temple Israel is thrilled to announce that Ariel Krusch has been hired as our new Youth Director! Ariel moved to Charlotte 2 1/2 years ago, becoming an active member in the Jewish community, working for the Levine JCC as the Teen and Group Services Coordinator. Ariel grew up in Raleigh, NC, actively involved in Beth Meyer Synagogue’s Kadima and USY programs and attending Camp Ramah Darom for eight years. Prior to moving to Charlotte, Ariel lived in Chapel Hill, NC where she received an undergraduate degree in International Relations in Middle Eastern Politics and a post-baccalaureate degree in Middle Grades Education. While living in Chapel Hill, Ariel taught at the Community Midrasha of Durham-Chapel Hill and served as the USY and Kadima advisor for Beth Meyer Synagogue. Ariel is extremely thrilled to be joining the Temple Israel family as the Youth Director and Young Adult Professional. She is passionate about working in the Jewish community and looks forward to building and growing with these programs. You can reach Ariel at AKrusch@templeisraelnc.org.

**TEEN SERVICE OPPORTUNITY**

Teen Coalition Film Board

Temple Israel is looking for two to three volunteers to serve on the first ever Teen Coalition Film Board. This Film Board is a leadership opportunity for 8th-12th graders to select a film to present to the Charlotte Jewish teen community at the Charlotte Jewish Film Festival. This is a great way to fulfill required community service hours! Contact AKrusch@templeisraelnc.org if you are interested.

**MEETINGS:** September 8th, October 13th, November 10th, December 8th - Sundays, 5:00-7:00pm

**Location:** Levine JCC Teen Lounge

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**YOUTH EVENTS**

To register your child for any program, please contact Ariel Krusch at 704-944-6816 or AKrusch@templeisraelnc.org

**GESHER TEEN EVENTS: 9th-12th Grades**

- **Saturday, August 24th, 7:00-10:00pm**
  - Back to School Splash: Gesher Teens Kickoff Event
  - Location: Levine JCC Outdoor Pool - $5 per person
  - Please join us for a night of guaranteed fun! We will be hanging by the pool, listening to awesome music, and getting to know one another.
  - Food will be served.

- **Sunday, September 15th, 10:00am-12:00pm**
  - Sukkot-A-Palooza: A Teen Taste of Sukkot
  - Location: Temple Israel Kitchen - FREE
  - Join us for a fun morning of cooking, stories and laughter! Together we will learn about the Shivat Haminim (seven types of fruits and grains to be eaten on Sukkot) and cook a delicious Sukkot meal.

**An Evening Under the Stars**

- **Saturday, September 21st, 7:00-10:00pm**
  - Location: Home of Rabbi Raucher (address given upon RSVP) - $10 per person
  - Join other high school teens at Rabbi Raucher’s house, for an evening of Havdalah, dinner, music and fun stories in the Sukkah for “An Evening Under the Stars.”

**This Is Our Moment: Teen Simchat Torah Celebration**

- **Thursday, September 26th, 6:30-9:00pm**
  - Location: Temple Israel
  - What blessings does the Torah give to you? Temple Israel will honor its teen community on Simchat Torah with the 5th Hakafah. This Simchat Torah will be a celebration for the generations, including a DJ and lots of delicious food. DON’T MISS OUT ON THIS EPIC PARTY!

**KADIMA EVENTS: 6th-8th Grades**

- **New Year’s Birthday Bash: Kadima Kickoff Event**
  - **Sunday, September 8th, 12:00-2:00pm**
  - Location: Temple Israel Youth Lounge - $5 per person
  - Celebrate the Jewish New Year with all your friends at Temple Israel! There will be music, food, and hilarious games based on the TV shows, Minute to Win It and Cupcake Wars! Lunch will be served.

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**MAHAR EVENTS: 3rd-5th Grades**

- **Wacky Olympics: Mahar Kickoff Event**
  - **Sunday, September 22nd, 12:00-2:00pm**
  - Location: Temple Israel Kitchen - FREE
  - Several times each year, the Mahar youth group leaders of tomorrow! These children are the youth group leaders of tomorrow! Several times each year, the Mahar kids meet after religious school on a Sunday morning. After school is dismissed, they eat lunch together (they should bring a dairy/parve lunch) and then participate in a fun activity. Mahar activities include games, crafts, movies and social action projects. Mahar engages the children and creates friendships.

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**TEMPLE ISRAEL YOUTH GROUPS**

**MAHAR (Grades 3-5)**

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**KADIMA (Grades 6-8)**

Kadima is a Hebrew word meaning “bridge.” Gesher Teens is a very active and inviting group at Temple Israel, open to all interested High School teenagers. We offer one to two programs each month, including religious, social and community activities. These programs may include dinner, community service projects, Israel, and Shabbatons. The teens will build community and friendships while learning true leadership skills. Our teens also have the opportunity to attend USY (United Synagogue Youth) Regional and National conventions. Conventions are a great opportunity for the USYers to meet other USY teens from around the Southeast.

**GESHER TEENS & USY (Grades 9-12)**

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For a schedule of events or for updated information about upcoming programs, please check the Youth Groups webpage on Temple Israel’s website or contact Ariel at akrusch@templeisraelnc.org.

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Celebration
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**Events**

**Temple Israel OPEN HOUSE - Sunday August 11th**
Do you know someone looking for a Jewish community to connect with? We would love to meet them! Please encourage them to stop by Temple Israel between 12:00 – 2:00pm for some light refreshments in our Board Room and meet with our Membership Committee. Mingle with our Clergy, Board Members, and Staff. Individuals, couples and families are welcome!!

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The Wildacres Retreat is located 112 miles from Charlotte. For more information visit their website www.wildacres.org or email cityyiddishinst@aol.com

**BACK-TO-SHUL PICNIC**
Temple Israel is pleased to welcome everyone back from summer break with its annual BACK-TO-SHUL picnic, @ 5:30 pm on Friday August 30th. Come and reconnect with friends and extended family as we prepare to usher in the High Holidays. We will celebrate with an outdoor evening service. Please bring a dairy dinner, and we will provide drinks and dessert. Feel free to bring a blanket and/or chair. Limited seating will be available. Location to be announced.

**HUNTINGTOWNE FARMS ELEMENTARY NEEDS A FEW STRONG MEN……. OR WOMEN!**
The week of August 19th, Huntingtowne Farms Elementary is looking for responsible, punctual, reliable and strong people to assist the teachers in moving boxes into their classrooms as they prepare for the new school year. This is a perfect volunteer opportunity for those teens looking for community service hours. It would be about a three hour commitment beginning at 8:30am. So, if you are available August 19, 20, 21, 22 or 23 or have any questions, please contact Susan Rabinovich at srabinovich@windstream.net or 704-841-8399.

**HEBREW CEMETERY ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE**
The Hebrew Cemetery invites the entire community to the Annual Memorial Service and Building Dedication on Sunday, September 8, 10:30 am. This service, held at the cemetery, provides a time of remembrance and brings the area’s clergies together in prayer. Visitors will have a first look at the Memorial Building, which is under construction. The Board appreciates all who have pledged in support of the cemetery’s expansion. People who donate $1000 or more may honor a loved one on the Memorial Wall. For more information, contact Sandra Goldman at 704-576-1859 or director@hebrewcemetery.org.

**SIMCHAT TORAH Our Cyclical Torah Reading Celebration!**
Simchat Torah celebrates our opportunity to start anew with the Torah, our foundational text. The Torah confers endless blessings on all of us. Each generation discovers its own unique blessings from the Torah. What blessings does the Torah give to you?

*Join us on Thursday September 26th:*
6:45pm – Services begin (which includes the Aleph class Consecration)
7:35pm – Simchat Torah Celebration!

Come celebrate as each group below is given a chance to lead a hakafah (marching around the synagogue in joyous dance, plural “hakafot”).

The order of the hakafot is as follows:
1. Aleph class and families
2. Families with school aged children.
3. Social club
4. ALL Temple Israel Teens
5. Sisterhood and Men’s Clubs
6. Torah on Tap
7. Everyone who hasn’t had a hakafah!

Each group gets to select 2 songs per hakafah, inspired by the question “What blessings does the Torah give to you?” Please submit to Rabbi Raucher (rabbiraucher@templeisraelnc.org) by September 1.

1. Representing their generation
2. Hebrew song

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TORAH ON TAP: TEMPLE ISRAEL YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

Looking to Meet Other Young Jewish Professionals in Charlotte? Whether you are new to the Charlotte Jewish social scene or simply looking for something new and exciting to do, Temple Israel’s Young Professionals Torah On Tap programs are a great way to mix, meet, and mingle with other young Jewish professionals in their 20’s, 30’s and early 40’s. From mixers and Shabbat dinners to community service projects, you will find endless opportunities to connect with friends, meet new people, and schmooze in a safe and fun social setting. Be on the lookout for more information on our upcoming programs and join our Facebook group “Torah On Tap”.

- Saturday, September 14th, 8:30pm - Yom Kippur Break Fast; Location TBA
- Sunday, September 22nd, 6:30pm - Sukkot BBQ Cookout Dinner at Rabbi Ezring’s House
- Friday, October 11th- 6:15pm Services at Temple Israel, 7:30pm Harvest Shabbat Dinner @ Camp Mindy
- Sunday, November 3rd- Help Feed The Hungry, followed by an Engaging Breakfast Torah Study
- Thursday, December 5th- Burn One Down: Young Professional Hanukkah Party

TORAH ON TAP is rebuilding and we need your input! On August 22nd, let’s meet and build something exciting together! The future of Judaism is in your hands. RSVP to rabbiraucher@templeisraelnc.org for more details.

TEMPLE ISRAEL BOOK CLUB MEETINGS

Temple Israel book club meetings are open to the entire community. Even those who haven’t read the book are welcome to attend and participate. For additional information contact Linda Levy at 704/366-6362 or leyollie@aol.com.

Monday, September 16 *7:30pm at Temple Israel
“The Hare with Amber Eyes: A Hidden Inheritance” By Edmund de Wahl

Monday, November 11 *7:30pm at Temple Israel
“Ben-Gurion: A Political Life” By Shimon Peres and David Landau

The above Temple Israel Book Club selections are remembrances. Copies are available at the Levine-Sklut Judaic Library, the Public Library, and at book/on-line stores for about $15.

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TEMPLE ISRAEL SOCIAL CLUB
We invite couples and singles, 60+, affiliated with Charlotte area Synagogues, to join our group.
Meet friendly people and enjoy our interesting programs and trips.
For more information, contact our co-presidents Irving Bienstock at 704-542-0094 or Ruth Goldberg at 704-366-8903.
SAVE-THE-DATE: Monday, September 23 Dinner in Sukkah at Temple Israel. Details to follow.

SOCIAL ACTION
HUNTINGTOWNE FARMS ELEMENTARY
Temple Israel is proudly involved with a faith-based initiative designed to match religious organizations with Charlotte-Mecklenburg schools serving disadvantaged children. Now in its 7th year, Temple Israel's relationship with Huntingtowne Farms Elementary has become invaluable due to our amazing volunteers. Please consider volunteering (and/or grab a friend or family member to join you) with this most worthy program. We welcome as much time as you are able to give!

Huntingtowne Farms Elementary
• A Title 1 school, serving the South Blvd. corridor
• Enrollment for 2013-2014 stands at 943 students
• 92% of children qualify for Free or Reduced lunch
• 40+ homeless students identified

Here are our volunteer opportunities for August/September:
• Classroom Setup – Community service credit available to high school students who can assist in unloading teacher’s cars and moving items into classrooms.
• Volunteer/Classroom match – goal is to have a volunteer in every classroom
• School Supply Drive – visit school’s website for the 2013/2014 list
  • www.schools.cms.k12.nc.us/huntingtownefarms.org
• Composition Notebook Drive, for Writer’s Workshops – goal: collect 900
• “Accidents Happen” – drive to collect boys/girls underwear and shorts to keep on-hand at school.
• Golf Umbrellas – for school use when children transfer from trailers to main building

For more information and/or to volunteer, please contact
Susan Rabinovich (srabinovich@windstream.net) or Harvey Barer (hahvahd@yahoo.com)

Blessings in a Backpack
BLESSINGS IN A BACKPACK (September – May)
Temple Israel provides backpacks of food for the weekend to over 50 homeless children at Huntingtowne Farms Elementary, during the school year.

We prepare the backpacks every Friday in the school media center from 3:45 - 4:45 and we need your help! Please go to our sign up sheet to select the dates you want to help:
http://www.signupgenius.com/go/805084DADAB2B0-blessings1

We also need your help collecting food (neighborhood food drives have been very successful). Needed Items include: juice boxes, packages of raisins, fruit cups, tuna, soup, granola bars, Nutri-Grain bars, small cereal boxes, oatmeal, and macaroni & cheese
*Teens & families with children are encouraged to get involved.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Tracy Brown:
tracybrown2@mac.com or call 704.906.5527

BRIDGES OUT OF POVERTY Workshop
“Bridges Out of Poverty” explores practical strategies to help volunteers in different economic classes understand each other’s “worlds” and improve outcomes for people transitioning out of poverty.

You will learn to be a more effective volunteer by understanding the issues faced by people living in poverty. Taught by Dr. Paul Hanneman, program director of the Urban Ministry Center and social worker Wanda Anderson.

This event is FREE & open to the entire Jewish community

When: October 8, 15
Time: 6:00 – 9:00pm
Where: Temple Israel Social Hall

**The “Bridges out of Poverty” book is recommended and sold before the class begins.
Cost $20.00

For more information, contact:
Liz Winer lswiner@gmail.com (704-277-4494)
Adult Education

Temple Israel is bringing you some thought provoking and soul stirring classes every Sunday in October and November. FREE TO ALL TEMPLE ISRAEL MEMBERS. Supplies needed: Questions and an open mind.

October

10am-10:50am – Pirkei Avot - Ethics of our Fathers
(Taught by Rabbi Noam Raucher)
Some of the best advice we've gotten from our parents. In this class we'll study sagely wisdom from as far back as 200ce! Even though this wisdom may be old its message has real relevance in our lives. Let's study the same texts that gave us “If I am not for myself, who will be for me? If I am only for myself, what am I? And if not now, when?” (Hillel – Pirkei Avot)

10am-10:50am – Synagogue Skills*
(Taught by Cantor Elias Roochvarg)
Looking to pick up some of those vital skills necessary to participate in our Shabbat and holiday services? Cantor Roochvarg will help you with the necessary words, pronunciations, tunes, and even choreography that make Jewish prayer come alive!
*Only offered 4 weeks out of the semester

11am-11:50am – Sandwich Generation Issues*
(Taught by Rabbi Murray Ezring)
Is your life being squeezed? Being a “Sandwich Generationer” - an elder/parent caregiver when you also have kids of your own- is a new role on the stage of life for which no one can ever rehearse. Becoming a parent to an aging parent presents extraordinary challenges. As we study the guidance that Judaism offers on this complex stage of life don’t forget to share your own stories and thoughts.
*description is adapted from http://www.sandwichgeneration.com/

November

10am-10:50am – God!
(Taught by Rabbi Noam Raucher)
The name and title “Israel” means to “wrestle with God”. In this class we get to know God a little better. We'll explore God’s different personalities, characterizations and the big questions surrounding God’s place in our lives. We'll cover ancient as well as modern approaches to understand the God of Israel. Stretch your soul with this class and rest assured that Rabbi Noam Raucher is a certified referee in God Wrestling.

11am-11:50am – Jewish Myths and Urban Legends
(Taught by Rabbi Murray Ezring)
Can Jews with tattoos get buried in a Jewish cemetery? Why do Jews spit three times when communicating important information? In this class we explore all those odd tidbits about Judaism that beg the question, “why?”

Torah On-the-Town

Long ago people used to have to go to the mountain to get the Torah. But in the present day we find ways to bring the Torah to you. Join us at a different location each month for a though provoking lunch-break conversation about the weekly Torah reading. You bring the food to fill your belly, and we bring the Torah to fill your soul. We will meet the 1st Thursday of the month.

Mark your calendars! Locations to be announced.

October 3rd
November 7th
December 5th

Sisterhood News

Mishpachah---The Modern Jewish Family. This is Women’s League theme for 5774. As women, we are members of our family and our many “extended families” or communities, including our synagogue family and our Sisterhood family. As wives, mothers, sisters and friends in our families and as leaders, teachers, volunteers and financial supporters in our communities, we address a great variety of needs and causes demanding our attention and action. Being a member of a family or a community is often the prelude to helping others. As we hear the sharp and sustained sounds of the shofar during this High Holy Day season, let us continue to use our voices and our actions throughout the entire year to focus on the critical needs of our families and communities. Become involved in Sisterhood, become a member of our family. Together, as Jewish women, we will meet the challenges of this New Year. The Sisterhood, Board members and I, along with our families, wish each of you and your families and friends a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. La'Shanah Tova Tikatevu!

Teresa Brenner
President
Temple Israel Sisterhood

Time to Renew Your Membership

Join Sisterhood and Women’s League for Conservative Judaism by sending your check to the synagogue, made payable to: TI Sisterhood.

Membership levels for 7/1/13 to 6/30/14 are:
The Matriarchs $90
Miriam’s Cup $72
Mitzvah Makers $54
Donor $36

Poppy’s Bagels and More

More Than Just the Best Bagels
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704-366-8146
2921 Providence Road, Suite 102
Charlotte, NC 28211
TEMPEL ISRAEL SISTERHOOD GIFT SHOP

Gift Shop Hours:

10 am - 1 pm: Sun, Tue - Thu
11 am - 1 pm: Fri
Other times by appointment with Cindy Jennes
(704-443-7643)

- Mitzvah Dayz on Sundays---10% of profits to Temple Israel Sisterhood Youth Fund
- Credit cards accepted
- Fully staffed and operated by Sisterhood volunteers

Temple Israel Sisterhood is an organization of women of all ages whose shared goals are to: increase financial and volunteer support to the synagogue; nurture leaders by providing leadership opportunities, including with Women’s League; support the education of our children by volunteering and providing financial support to TI Religious School and by financially supporting the TI Sisterhood Youth Scholarship Fund; provide social action opportunities and social events for members; and support future religious and lay leaders by making financial donations to JTS’ Torah Fund.

MEN’S CLUB NEWS

As I am writing this in the rather hot and humid period at the end of June, before the summer vacation season is even kicked off by the July 4th holiday, it is challenging to envision what our New Year season and programs are going to look like. But here is what has been scheduled so far: Due to the early holiday calendar this year, our activities will kick off by supporting the TIRS Sukkot-A-Palooza extravaganza on Sunday September 15. As usual we will be looking for volunteers to help with the Schach Harvest, Sukkah building and food preparation for a brunch service. Please start thinking about which service you would be able to support. Teams will assemble at 8:30am in the Temple Israel parking lot. The very next Sunday, September 22nd we will be providing a Nesiya Tovah breakfast to celebrate the first day of TIRS and giving those little minds some food for thought to help them get into gear after lying dormant over the summer.

Please be on the lookout for an invitation to our planning meeting in late August. Upcoming events and activities will include a Veteran’s Day event, feeding the homeless (in conjunction with Social Club) around Thanksgiving and a couple of Hanukkah activities, including our annual Hanukkah Dance.

So at this point all that remains is for me to wish you all Shanah Tova. I look forward to your support again to make the New Year happy and rewarding for our families and our community!

Nicholas Rose
President
Temple Israel Men’s Club
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- Benny Blitzer*
- Sophie Bursack
- Dave Butler
- Hersh G. Cohen*
- Hilde Cohen
- Sally Levine Corzín
- Irene Faber*
- Josephine Frankel
- Helen Friedman*
- Rosa Gerson
- Anna Goldberg*
- William Goldberg*
- Max Goldberg*
- Ernest Golden*
- Marcia Gottlieb
- Sarah Greenfield
- Sophia Greenfield
- Fannie Gromadzyn
- Harry Grossman*
- Esther Gumit
- Max Harris*
- Bessie Kalchman
- Jurgen Kaunitz
- Sally Lepek*
- Faye Leven*
- Mildred Malman
- Israel Mordyhovich
- Rose Mackler Newman*
- Bennett Oxman
- Max Putterman
- Judith Resnik
- Anne Settles
- Marilyn Shapiro
- Louis Shapiro
- Sharon Sherr
- Josef Sklut*
- Meyer Strumwasser*
- Martin Sussman
- Mary Swerlick
- Bernard Udell*
- Irving Yale

### Week of August 9

- Lorri Barman*
- Bette Bayer
- William T. Bennett
- Leon Benveniste*
- Manfred Berger*
- Mildred Berlinsky
- Ruth Boxer
- Julius Brenner
- Ruben Bruck
- Morris Buxbaum*
- Faiga Cohen*
- Lester Feldman*
- Sarah Fries*
- Freida Frucht*
- Isidore Garten
- Barnet Goldberg*
- Sam Goldstein*
- Frank Gordon
- Julio Granda
- Florence Grossman
- Sam Hochstat
- Sophia Kantor*
- Boris Karlin
- Max Klein*
- Albert Koralek*
- Irving Krieger
- Barbara Kweskin*
- Louis Lan
- Eva Lebowitz
- Meyer Leiberman
- Ann Lerner*
- Bernice Lielman
- Harry Myer
- Louis Myers
- Daisy Olshan
- Lorraine Oudin
- Ada Schattner
- Benjamin Schwartz*
- Alfred Solow
- Rose Tuckman
- Sam Turk
- Bernard Udell
- Louis Valenstein*
- Anna Weatherston*
- Rose Wolkoff*
- Arnold Wollman*
- Minda Baikovitz
- Betty Belicove
- Joseph Besnoy*
- Arthur Collins*
- Bernie Coran
- Jacob Davis
- Sophie Edelstein
- Billie Eisner
- Morris Farber
- Al Fisher*
- Hazel Flash
- Martin Glass
- Betsie Green
- Ernest Heuman
- Eva Hyman
- Wille Kaplan*
- Stanley Kaufman*
- Martha Kessler*
- Rosalind Leckerman*
- Sidney Levin*
- Alice Lilling
- Isaac Litwak*
- Rosalyn Ludensky
- Michael Malkin*
- Harry Maltz
- Ephraim Nagel
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- Louis Seitlin
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- Arnold Silverman
- Samuel Silverman*
- Gerald Sinkoe*
- Jacob A. Sosnik*
- Tauba Spil*
- Jacob Spil*
- Regina Stahl
- Bernhard Teller*
- Rabbi Jerome G. Tolochko*
- Morris Turk
- Abraham Usilowitz*
- Lou Wernick
- David Zibel

### Week of August 16

- Ethel Abrams
- Anna Adler
- David Arazie*
- Yetta Besnoy*
- Theodore Bojum
- Pincus Boxer
- Edwin B. Clein
- Melville Cohen
- George Culiner
- Jeanette Diamond*
- Lazar Dubovskiy
- Malcolm Flash
- Harry Fogel*
- Fannie Gastman*
- Blossom Glickman
- Rose Goldman*
- Jay Greenburg
- Harold Jacoby*
- Lillian Kaller
- Cheryl Katz*
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- Sherman Levine*
- Mindy Ellen Levine*
- Peter Mathews*
- Minnie Miller*
- Pesi Nagel
- Blanche Palley
- Donald Porter
- Irving Price
- Jacob Rosen
- Gloria Rubenstein*
- Meyer (Mike) Rubenstein*
- Joseph D. Salem*
- Peter Sauer
- Doris Cohn Shapiro*
- Ezie Isadore Sinkoe*
- Harry Sodden*
- Samuel Sodden*
- Rachel Steinberg
- Rudolph Steiner
- Ann Goldfarb Tepper*
- Pauline Yale

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