Temple Israel Welcomes Scholar in Residence
Dr. Lawrence A. Hoffman January 25th-27th

Temple Israel will welcome our guest speaker, Dr. Lawrence A. Hoffman. He was ordained as a rabbi in 1969, received his Ph.D. in 1973, and has taught since then at the Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion, in New York. From 1984 to 1987, he directed its School of Sacred Music as well. In 2003, he was named the first Barbara and Stephen Friedman Professor of Liturgy, Worship and Ritual. He currently teaches classes in liturgy, ritual, theology, and synagogue leadership. During this weekend, we will also honor our auxiliaries of the Temple, including Sisterhood, Men's Club and Social Club.

Topics:
Friday, January 25, 2013 at 6:15pm
Founders, Baby-Boomers and Beyond: This is Your Life, American Judaism

Synagogues change and so do we. But before looking at where we go from here, we take a retrospective look at how we got here from there: a nostalgic revisiting of Baby Boomers growing up, suburbia and Dr. Spock, marching for Israel and freedom for Refuseniks - and what is left of all that now. This is your life, American Judaism.

Shabbat Dinner at 7:00pm (RSVP for dinner online or contact Terri Cathcart at 704-362-2796) Dinner Prices: $15 per adult/$7.50 per child—vegetarian options available.
Discussion with Rabbi Hoffman, 8:00pm

Saturday, January 26, 2013 at 9:30am
Authentic Jewish Spirituality -- Even For Skeptics Who Think There Isn’t Any

Yes, Virginia, there is Jewish spirituality, and it is more than fluff. It runs deep through Jewish texts and practice, and constitutes a distinctively Jewish way of being in the world. It is thoughtful Jewish spirituality that connects the dots in our lives, and convinces us that we matter.

Shabbat Afternoon Sessions
Q &A Session following Kiddush, 1:00pm
4:30pm Topic: Judaism for the Next Generation: What’s Left of Judaism When All the Givens Fail

We can take nothing for granted anymore. We conclude with a look at revolutions in Judaism: the rabbinic era itself; then the nineteenth-century version that gave us Reform, Conservative and Modern Orthodoxy; and finally, the explosion of assumptions in which we find ourselves today. With intermarriage rising, and ethnic memory growing dimmer, why will anyone choose to affirm Judaism as our century proceeds? Why be Jewish at all, anymore? Against the backdrop of science, art, the challenge to tradition, and the “rereligionization” of America, we will explore Judaism’s response to the frantic search for human meaning.

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News and Events

Temple Israel Friday Night Shabbat Dinners

Come celebrate Shabbat at Temple Israel. All meals have a vegetarian alternative. Red and white wines are available with meals. Prices: $15 each for ages 13 and up, and $7.50 per child.

Scheduled Dinner Dates:
Jan. 25, Feb. 15, Mar. 15,
Apr. 19 and May 17

RSVP online at www.templeisraelnc.org, or via email at tcathcart@templeisraelnc.org. Please make your reservation the Friday preceding the scheduled dinner. Shabbat Services begin at 6:15pm. Shabbat Dinner begins at 7:00pm. For more information, please call 704-362-2796.

People’s Shabbat continued

Sunday Morning, January 27, 2013 10:00am
A Conversation about Conversation: Staking Out a Claim to What’s Worth Discussing

Is it a religion? A culture? An ethnicity? A way of life? Or is it a conversation? We invite you to an engaging dialogue on Judaism’s three-millennia long conversation about God, life, and the universe. Why did the Bible become central for all of western culture? How did the Rabbis and Christianity diverge? And where are we today in the changing Jewish conversation of the ages?

Save the Date!

Purim 2013

We have Purim events planned for the whole family beginning February 23 with an evening Megillah Reading at Temple Israel. The fun continues on February 24 with our annual afternoon Purim spiel.

January 2013 Temple Israel Event Calendar

Shabbat Service Times

*Friday, 6:15pm
(Except for 3rd Friday)
Saturday, 9:30am

Minyan Times
Sunday 9:00 am, 5:30pm
Monday -Thursday 7:30pm
Thursday 7:30am
Saturday 5:30pm

Candle Lighting Times

1/4 5:06pm
1/11 5:12pm
1/18 5:19pm
1/25 5:26pm

Weekly Events

Tuesdays
Tuesday with Torah, 9:30am (Does not meet 1/1)
Temple Israel Religious School, 4:45pm (No Class 1/1, 22)
Conversion Class, 7:45pm (Does not meet 1/22)

Wednesdays
Torah Sparks, 12:30pm
“Walking with God” 7:00pm

Thursdays
Adult B’nai Mitzvah Class, 6:30pm

Saturdays
Jr. Congregation, 10:00am

Sundays
Temple Israel Religious School, 10:00am

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. Thank you.

Upcoming Events

1/4 Special Needs Service, 6:15pm
1/7 Board of Trustees Meeting, 6:30pm
1/8 Points of View, 1:00pm
1/12 Rosh Chodesh, 1:00pm
1/12 Room In The Inn, 4:00pm
1/14 TI Social Club Meeting, 3:00pm
1/14 TI Book Club Meeting, 7:30pm
1/17 Celebrating Life, 10:30am
1/17 Torah on Tap, 7:00pm
1/22 Points of View, 1:00pm
1/22 TI Executive Meeting, 6:30pm
1/25-27 People’s Shabbat Weekend

Alternative Services
1/5 Java & Jeans, 10:00am
1/19 Kavanah Services, 10:00am
1/18 Rock HaShabbat, 6:15pm

Children’s Services
Mini Minyan 1/5, 12 & 26, 11:00am
Torah Tots 1/11 at 5:45pm and 1/26 at 10:00am

TI-Youth Events
1/8 Jr. Kadima Lounge Night, 6:15pm
1/27 Jr. Kadima Event, 12:00pm
1/6 Kadima Event, 12:15pm
1/15 Kadima Lounge Night, 6:15pm
1/13 USY Event, 1:00pm
1/30 USY Bistro Night, 6:00pm

B’nai Mitzvah
1/5 Gorelick, 9:30am
1/12 Nalibotsky 9:30am
1/19 Eisner 9:30am

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S2K/S3K Is This Greek to Me?

In 1995, Rabbi Lawrence Hoffman and Dr. Ron Wolfson joined forces to create Synagogue 2000. Twenty years ago, leaders in the Jewish community realized that we were already facing a crisis. A shrinking percentage of America’s Jews were choosing not to affiliate with any of the religious movements. No one knew why. They decided to find out.

Together they invited leading rabbis and thinkers to serve as a think tank and create a structure through which to discover and share “best practices” of successful synagogues. S2K was followed by Synagogue 3000. The newer incarnation decided to do the research necessary to discover real data rather than relying on the traditional anecdotal materials provided by rabbis. The “faith communities today” survey compiled data from over 1200 Conservative and Reform synagogues.

The efforts of Synagogue 3000 have provided us the first substantial survey of synagogue life in America in a long time. Their findings have been both enlightening and at times, frightening.

Temple Israel is very pleased to be hosting Rabbi Hoffman for Shabbat on January 25-27, 2013. During his visit, Rabbi Hoffman will share some of the causes for the affiliation crisis. That will be followed by discussions on some of the successful practices to bridge the gap and the future of the American synagogue.

I look forward to seeing you in services that weekend as we learn together as a congregation how to best respond to ensure a strong Jewish community for the 21st century.

How many of you can name all eight of your great grandparents? If you can name even 3 or four you’re doing extremely well. For those of you who can name a great grandparent – do you know what they were passionate about? Do you know how they wanted to be remembered? This simple exercise reinforces for all of us how quickly our dreams and hopes and passions can dissipate, such that our grandchildren and great grandchildren may not even remember our names. It should also reinforce how important it is for us to do something now if we want our legacy to be honored after we’re gone.

It is with this in mind that I want to tell you about a very exciting initiative at Temple Israel that allows you to assure that you can play a role in strengthening our Temple community long into the future. We are actively participating in the Create Your Jewish Legacy (CJL) initiative – to provide a way for you to leave a gift to Temple Israel from your estate, and in so doing ensure that you will be remembered and that your values will continue to be honored when you are no longer here. The act of making a legacy gift empowers you to ensure that the traditions and institutions that mean so much to you in your lifetime will exist for future generations. A legacy gift also serves as an example to your loved ones that you believe in the importance of supporting the long term health of the Jewish community.

We are proud of what we do every day at Temple Israel. Though what we do has evolved just as our community has grown and changed over our 125+ years, we have always been proud to meet the spiritual, religious and cultural needs of the Charlotte Jewish community. Temple Israel’s membership today is approximately 650 families. Though I believe that there are opportunities for it to grow over time, the slowing growth of the Charlotte Jewish community, combined with the number of new religious institutions in the greater Charlotte area, will make significant expansion of Temple Israel more difficult to achieve. This is not the same with our expenses, however. Increases in our rent, utilities, healthcare costs, and salaries alone are certain to become an increasing burden on the members of the future unless we can develop a source of funding beyond member contributions.

To further appreciate the importance of the CJL program, today Temple Israel has endowments which are a collective legacy of gifts left to us over many years by our members past and present. These endowment funds generate annual spendable income that supports approximately 10% of our current annual operating budget of $1.7MM. Without these funds we would not be able to afford the programs and services we currently provide. Growing our endowments over time through legacy gifts, and enabling them to provide for a higher share of our operating budget is the best way for us to assure the richness of Jewish life at Temple Israel in the future without unduly burdening our members. We need to be sure that our Temple’s sacred space will be maintained; that the vital and vibrant services and activities will be continued; and that new and innovative programming can and will be established. By making a bequest or other

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planned gift of any size, you will be doing your part to secure Temple Israel’s future. There is very little, if anything, that lasts forever, but an endowment continues in perpetuity, and assures to future generations the legacy of a strong and vibrant Conservative synagogue in the Charlotte Jewish community.

Karen and I have left a legacy gift to Temple Israel, as have many other current members. We hope that this article has given you the inspiration to join us. You can learn more about CJL and legacy giving by using the CJL link on our Temple Israel website. Nancy Kipnis, a Temple Israel member, is the CJL Administrator for the Foundation For the Charlotte Jewish Community, and is coordinating the legacy gifts initiative all across Charlotte. We have a CJL committee working at Temple Israel, consisting of Alan Raznick, Allan Oxman, Josh Lowensteiner and Michael Koss. The committee is working on several upcoming events to help support and grow our legacy giving. We all look forward to speaking with you soon regarding the potential for you to leave a legacy gift.

L’Dor V’Dor – From Generation to Generation

Huntingtowne Farms Elementary

Thank You to all that participated in our Gift Giving Program for Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School

Thank you to over 70 volunteers for the generous amounts of toys and clothes that were donated to the students in need at Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School for Christmas.

Thank you for making the holidays brighter for over 80 children and their families. The school is so appreciative of the kindness and generosity Temple Israel members provide all year long.

A special thank you to Susan Rabinovich for coordinating this holiday project.

President’s Message continued...

Mazel Tov to our B’nai Mitzvot

Jack Gorelick
January 5, 2013
Parents: Stacy & Todd Gorelick
For his Bar Mitzvah Project, Jack has been asking for donations instead of gifts to donate to Friends of the Israeli Defense Forces.

Evan Nalibotsky
January 12, 2013
Parents: Albert & Janice Nalibotsky
For his Bar Mitzvah Project, he helped pack for “Blessings in a Backpack” which provides meals for homeless children during the weekend. Cleaned a creek for “Adopt a Creek” and participated in “Bright Blessings” which provides birthday parties for homeless children.

Emery Eisner
January 19, 2013
Parents: Michael & Caryn Eisner
For her mitzvah project, Emery participated with the Social Action Committee and B’nai Mitzvah class on a variety of programs.

Save The Date! Purim is Around the Corner...
Temple Israel will host a Grown-ups Purim Carnival Saturday night, February 23. Bring your friends along for food, fun, blackjack, roulette and more. Details will be coming soon!

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Life Events and Announcements

Our Condolences to:

Ken Stern on the passing of his father on November 16, Ernest Stern. Funeral services were held in California.

Samara Luckey on the passing of her mother, Jean Bojum, grandmother of Sarah, Cassidy, and Amanda Luckey on November 18. Services and Shiva were held in New Jersey.

Rose Weisman on the passing of her daughter, Sherry Levick on December 1, 2012.

Stephanie Tuckman on the passing of her sister, Teresa Sapp Zambrano, aunt of Aliyah, Hannah and Zoe Tuckman on December 5. The funeral was held in Greenville, SC.

Diane Rosenberg on the passing of her husband, Arnold Rosenberg, father of Michelle Rosenberg-Richards, Robin Rosenberg-Bowman and Scott Rosenberg on December 5. The funeral was held Temple Israel.

Barbara Feldman, on the passing of her husband on December 6, Jerrold Feldman, father of Staci Mond and Andrew Feldman. The funeral was held at the Hebrew Cemetery.

Gloria Reeves on the passing of her brother, Linwood M. Shields on December 8, 2012.

Births:

Marc & Mattye Silverman are thrilled to announce the birth of their grandchild Jillian David Star on November 18, 2012. Jillian weighed 5 pounds 11 ounces and 19 inches long. Parents are Shara and Richard Star of Mount Pleasant, South Carolina.

David and Julie Sheffer welcomed a baby boy, Abram Robinson Sheffer, into their family on November 19. His proud grandparents are Lynne and Morey Sheffer, and Susan and Freddy Robinson of Greensboro. Great grandparents are Ellis Levinson, Stan and Joann Fox and Evelyn Sheffer.

“Social Club News”

We invite couples and singles, affiliated with Charlotte area Synagogues, to join our group. Meet friendly people and enjoy our interesting programs and trips. For more information please call Irving Bienstock, 704-542-0094 or Ruth Goldberg, 704-366-8903, co-presidents.

Saturday, January 26, 2013, 9:30am People’s Shabbat Services with Social Club, Sisterhood and Men’s Club. There will be a Kiddush Luncheon. We welcome Scholar-in-Residence, Rabbi Lawrence Hoffman of Hebrew Union College.

Sunday, February 17, 2013 at 12:30 pm: Paid up Membership Luncheon and Program at Temple Israel. Deadline is February 8. Please send your dues of $18 per person to Douglas Mann, 137 N. Canterbury Rd. Charlotte, NC. 28211. For more information please call Ruth Goldberg, 704-366-8903.

Torah on Tap

This past month Temple Israel’s Torah on Tap group learned some basics about Krav Maga, a noncompetitive martial art and eclectic self-defense system developed in Israel that involves karate, boxing, muay Thai, kickboxing, jujutsu, wrestling, and grappling techniques.

Torah on Tap is Temple Israel’s doorway to Judaism for ages 21+ in North Carolina. Each month we get together to hang out, learn something new, get to know one another, and even celebrate Shabbat with a home cooked meal! Show up for a good time and stay for the friendships. For more information about Torah on Tap or to get on the e-vite list contact: RabbiRaucher@TempleIsraelNC.org, or 704-362-2796.

Upcoming Event

On January 21st we honor the late, great, Martin Luther King, Jr. and his role in the Civil Rights movement. Join us on Thursday, January 17th at 7:00 pm at Rachael and David Weiss’s home for a traditional Torah on Tap discussion about civil rights and how the foundations set THEN impact us NOW. Light snacks and beverages will be served. Please contact the Temple Israel office for more information.

Please come to us if you think you are in an unhealthy relationship. We are here to help.

Abuse is about one partner trying to control the other. It can be as obvious as a slap or as subtle as an insult. It can include humiliation and bullying, control of finances, isolation from friends and family.

Learn more at www.shalombayit-nc.org.

Life Events and Announcements

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

Temple Israel Social Action Committee and TIRS would like to thank the T-K, Alef and Gan families who helped support our first Hanukkah Toy Drive and Gift Wrapping project to benefit JFS. The kids brought in toys and books to donate to Jewish families in need this time of year. They decorated gift bags and packaged them for delivery. The project was a huge success! If you are interested in helping with Social Action for families please contact Kathy Warshaw at kewarshaw@yahoo.com.
By: Rabbi Tracy G. Klirs, Director

December was chock full of great events at TIRS, starting with the Dalet (4th grade) Family Shabbat on December first, when the Dalet parents were invited to join their children for a very creative family learning session on the parashah (weekly Torah portion), for which the students had prepared in advance. The students made a beautiful book about the parashah and also prepared trivia questions on the parashah. Everyone enjoyed the program, which was expertly led by Dalet teachers Hannah Kaunitz and Amy Montoni. Following the family learning session, the Dalet families joined Junior Congregation, participating in our ruach-filled davening and enjoying Kiddush together afterwards. Parents, you’re always more than welcome to join your children any time for Jr. Congregation, whether or not it’s a special family Shabbat program for your child’s grade.

On December 2nd, the T-K, Gan and Alef (Preschool, Kdg. and 1st grade) classes brought in gifts, made cards and decorated gift bags to help needy children who have been identified by Jewish Family Services (JFS) enjoy a bright Hanukkah. The Temple Israel Social Action Committee organized this wonderful event under the leadership of Kathy Warshaw. See the accompanying article and photos for more details.

Also on December 2nd, the Vav (6th grade) students and parents enjoyed their first Mechina (6th grade) students and parents spiritual, mentally and emotionally for their upcoming Bar/Bat Mitzvah; build strong bonds between students and families; and strengthen relationships amongst community members.

During the December 2nd program, the Vav families explored together the meaning and purpose of Bar and Bat Mitzvah, and also were introduced to the Bar/Bat Mitzvah Social Action/Mitzvah projects. The families heard about the various group projects students are participating in this year, and set up a committee to organize meaningful projects for the current class to plan. Several students have already begun planning for some wonderful mitzvah projects.

On December 9th the Religious School had a big Hanukkah celebration, including lots of fun games, singing Hanukkah songs, and enjoying latkes and donuts. The students from Tikvah Charlotte joined us for part of the morning. Todah Rabbah to Sisterhood for supplying all the delicious treats and for the goody bags with chocolate gelt and a dreidel for each student! On December 11th the Zayin (7th grade) students visited the Carriage Club, where they provided a complete dinner for, and socialized with, about 2 dozen Jewish Carriage Club members, lit the Hanukkah candles and led them in the blessings and also entertained them with Hanukkah songs. Each resident who attended also received a brightly decorated “Happy Hanukkah” hanging made for them by the Zayin students. Everyone had a wonderful time. We are very grateful to Natalie Tunney of JFS for coordinating the event.

Friday night, December 14th, the Gan (Kindergarten) class joined together with Torah Tots (our preschool set) for a fun, upbeat Shabbat/Hanukkah service, followed by a Gan Family Shabbat dinner. Our Gan students proudly led everyone in several of the prayers and blessings they had learned in Religious School with Morah Yudi (Judi Lecker).

We look forward to returning to a regular schedule of classes and Shabbat programs in January. Keep watching your e-mails and the TIRS Facebook page for updates, photos and news.

Thank You to our Volunteers!

Volunteer Thank you!

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped prepare the meal as well as serve it at the Men’s Shelter on Sunday, November 18. This effort by the social action committee and Men’s Club was a huge success. All of the donations of socks, coats, clothes and toiletries were so appreciated by the men sleeping in the shelter.

A sincere thank you to:
Eric Lerner - Jackets
Art Lavitt - socks
Phil Stark - tomato sauce
Lynne Sheffer
Jonathan & Tess Berger
Rick Rose
Alan Sussman
Don Cervantes
Susan and Simon Estroff
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Robert Friedman
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Sharon Taubman
Marc Titlebaum
Josh Listhaus
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Marvin Barman

Sisterhood News

Upcoming Events

People’s Shabbat on January 26
Interested in helping?
Contact: Karen Brodsky backtobeb@aol.com or Teresa Brenner tbrenner@carolina.rr.com

Tu B’shevat with TIRS on January 27
Interested in helping?
Contact: Cindy Jennes cinjen99@yahoo.com or Teresa Brenner tbrenner@carolina.rr.com

Purim Wine and Cheese Social-TBD
Interested in helping? Contact: Tara Spil spiltara@gmail.com or Teresa Brenner tbrenner@carolina.rr.com

Purim Mishloach Manot Baskets
Sisterhood will be selling Mishloach Manot Baskets again this year. Look for a flyer in your mail in January. To volunteer, contact Tess Berger tberger4@carolina.rr.com or Teresa Brenner tbrenner@carolina.rr.com.

MEN’S SHELTER OF CHARLOTTE
Helping homeless men

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Josh Listhaus
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Marvin Barman
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Tzedakah Fund
The Raucher Family
Happy Hanukkah
By: Monty Bennett
Ken Stern
Memory of Ernest Stern
By: Stuart & Jodi Cohen
Rose Weisman
Memory of daugther, Sherry Levick
By: Jonathan & Terrie Karlin
Building Endowment
Diane Rosenberg
Memory of Arnold Rosenberg
By: Ann Langman
Cantor’s Music Fund
Honor of Cantor Elias Roochvarg
By: Joseph Barrocas & Alison Koehler
The Roochvargs
By: Joseph Barrocas & Alison Koehler
Happy Hanukkah
By: Monty Bennett
General Fund
Mory & Lynne Sheffer
Birth of grandson
By: Monty Bennett
Ellis Dubin
Birth of great grandson
By: Monty Bennett
Ellen Dubin
Honor of Joyce’s wedding
By: Elliot & Peggy Gartner
Ellen Dubin
Birth of grandson
By: Elliot & Peggy Gartner
Ken Stern
Memory of Ernest Stern
By: Samuel & Nancy Bernstein
David & Judy Miller
Memory of Jerry Feldman
By: Samuel & Nancy Bernstein
Marla Shapiro
Memory of Marilyn Shapiro
By: Elliot & Peggy Gartner
Louis Sinkoe
Memory of brother, Randy Sinkoe
By: Elliot & Peggy Gartner
Cindy McManus
Memory of mother, Bette Bayer
By: Elliot & Peggy Gartner
Honor of Abraham Luksi
By: Irving & Sylvia Swartz
Caleb Usadi
Bar Mitzvah
By: Robert & Joyce Stoll
Sheila Fisher
Speedy recovery
By: Barbara Sklut
Lisa Bayer Carpenter
Memory of mother, Bette Bayer
By: Elliot & Peggy Gartner
Barbara & Jerry Levin
Religious School Endowment Fund
By: Elliot & Peggy Gartner
Rock HaRuach Band Fund
By: Elliot & Peggy Gartner
Sadie Starr Silver Fund
Dr. & Mrs. Len Kahn
Endowment Fund
By: Mark & Jean Kirsch
The Silvermans
Anniversary
By: Marvin & Anita Shapiro
Bill & Patty Gorelick
Grandson’s Bar Mitzvah
By: Marvin & Anita Shapiro
Marc & Mattye Silverman
Birth of granddaughter
By: Marvin & Anita Shapiro
Diane Rosenberg
Memory of Arnold Rosenberg
By: Marvin & Anita Shapiro
The Goodmans
Anniversary
By: Marvin & Anita Shapiro
Jean & Mark Kirsch
By: Marvin & Anita Shapiro
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Burton & Donna Greenspon
Mark & Jean Kirsch
Allan & Marcelle Oxman
Honor of Bob & Leigh Jacobson
By: Marc & Mattye Silverman
David & Alex Steifel
Anita Shapiro
Memory of Anne Shiland
By: Marc & Mattye Silverman
Social Action Fund
Ellis Levinson
Birth of great grandson
By: Alan & Ruth Goldberg
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By: Alan & Ruth Goldberg
Marlin & Cindy Jennes
By: Gary & Stacey Schuler
Alene and Samuel Strause
Emergency Endowment Fund
By: Allan & Marcelle Oxman
Mory & Lynne Sheffer
Birth of grandson
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Ellis Levinson
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Memory of Paul Shafranek
By: Leonard Slesinger

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Alan Raznick
Birthday
By: Henry Hirschmann

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By: Robert Solow, Eric Solow, Gary Solow, and Cindy Harbecevich
Nathan Thrope
Mildred Thrope
By: David & Beth Thrope
Julius Weinstock
By: Barnet & Harriet Weinstock

Irving Beinstock spoke during the TI Social Club’s Annual Hanukkah Party on December 16, 2012.
Photo courtesy of Alan Goldberg

Temple Israel Book Club Meeting
Monday, January 14, 7:30 at Temple Israel
Crossing Mandelbaum Gate: Coming of Age Between the Arabs and Israelis, 1956-1978 By Kai Bird

One of the treasures of this superb memoir is Kai Bird’s determination to put a human face on some of the participants in the inerminable conflict between Arabs and Israelis. Bird’s father, an American foreign-service officer, brought his family to Jerusalem in 1956, and young Kai frequently passed through Mandelbaum Gate, which once separated Israeli-controlled Western Jerusalem from the Jordanian-controlled East. He was an eyewitness to people of all faiths walking the streets alongside animals and living out their lives and had a front-seat view to both sides of a divided city – and the roots of the widening conflict between Arabs and Israelis.

Crossing Mandelbaum Gate is available at the Levine-Sklut Judaic Library, the public library and at book stores or on-line for less than $15. All Temple Israel book club meetings, including the January 14 discussion, are open to the entire community. “Drop-ins” are welcome, even those who haven’t read the book. For additional information contact Linda Levy at 704-366-6362 or levyollie@aol.com.
May their Memories be a Blessing

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**Week of January 11**
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