YOM GEMILUT HASADIM
(A Day Performing Acts Of Loving Kindness)

Sunday January 17, 2016
(MLK weekend)

10:00am - 1:30pm

Join the entire Temple Israel community as we come together to perform acts of loving kindness through “hands on” mitzvah projects at Temple Israel.

This is a wonderful opportunity for individuals and families to participate in Mitzvah Projects that address needs in both the Jewish and broader Charlotte community as we share in Tikkun Olam (repairing the world).

PROJECTS TO BENEFIT

Jewish Family Services, Israel, Bright Blessings, Blessings In A Back Pack, The Men’s Shelter of Charlotte, Clyde and Ethel Dickson Domestic Violence Shelter, Room in the Inn, Operation Sandwich, Ronald McDonald House, Sunrise and Carriage Club, Shalom Bayit NC, Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School, Freedom School, ZABS Place, and ongoing Temple Israel Social Action projects.

To get involved in organizing this exciting day, please contact Jonathan Berger jbergertisa@gmail.com.
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DECEMBER 2015

Wed, December 2
Lifelong Learning: ISRAEL & THE WORLD TODAY, 7:00pm

Sat, December 5
B’ni Mitzvah of Jordan Hochman and Megan Hochman, 9:30am
Java N’ Jeans, 10:00am
Teen Coalition: Israeli Silent Disco Club, 8:00pm

Sun, December 6
Old Fashioned Hanukkah Party, 3:00pm

Wed, December 9
Youth: Hanukkah Casino Lounge Night (8th-12th grades), 6:00pm
Lifelong Learning: ISRAEL & THE WORLD TODAY, 7:00pm

Fri, December 11
Torah Tots (Hanukkah special), 5:45pm
Torah On Tap: VODKAS & LATKES Party, 7:30pm

Sat, December 12
Youth-Only Kiddush Club, 12:15pm
Jewish Community Night: HORNETS, HANUKKAH & HOOPS, 7:00pm

Sun, December 13
TIRS PTO: Breakfast & Conversation, 9:30am
TIRS: Hanukkah Celebration/ Variety Show, 11:00am
Social Club: Annual Hanukkah Luncheon, 12:30pm
Community Hanukkah Concert, 5:00pm

Wed, December 16
Youth: Gesher Leadership Board Meeting, 6:00pm
Lifelong Learning: ISRAEL & THE WORLD TODAY, 7:00pm
Temple Israel Book Club, 7:30pm

Thur, December 24
Social Action: Cooking Christmas Dinner for Men’s Shelter of Charlotte, 11:30am
Torah On Tap: A Very Jewish Christmas, 5:00pm

JANUARY 2015

Sat, January 2
Java N’ Jeans, 10:00am

Sat, January 9
Torah On Tap: PARTY OF 5, 7:30pm

Fri, January 8
Torah Tots, 5:45pm

Sun, January 10
Youth: Bonim Leadership Board Meeting, 12:30pm
Youth: Gesher Leadership Board Meeting, 6:00pm

Fri, January 15
Rock Hashabbat, 6:15pm
Pre-Service Shabbat Oneg: Clothing/Book Drive

Sat, January 16
Kavanah with Yoga, 9:30am
Rosh Chodesh Study Group, 1:00pm

Sun, January 17
Yom Gemilut Hasadim, 10:00am

Sat, January 23
Torah Tots (Tu B’Shvat special), 10:00am
Social Action: ROOM IN THE INN, 5:30pm
Youth: Mahar Goes Sky High, 7:00pm

Mon, January 25
Youth: Bonim & Gesher Snow Tubing Trip. 6:00am
Sisterhood: TU B’SHVAT SEDER, 7:00pm
JAVA JEWS, 7:00pm

Sat, January 30
Youth-Only Kiddush Club, 12:15pm
Social Action: ROOM IN THE INN, 5:30pm

Sun, January 31
Social Club: Paid-Up Membership Luncheon, 11:30am

SERVICE & CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES

SHABBAT SERVICE TIMES
Friday, 6:15pm
Saturday, 9:30am

MINyan TIMES
Sunday, 9:00am, 5:30pm
Monday-Thursday, 7:30pm
Thursday, 7:30am
Saturday, 5:30pm

CANDLE LIGHTING
December 4  4:52pm
December 11  4:53pm
December 18  4:55pm
December 25  4:59pm
January 1  5:04pm
January 8  5:10pm
January 15  5:16pm
January 22  5:23pm
January 29  5:30pm

WEEKLY EVENTS

Visit our online calendar (www.templeisraelnc.org) for a complete listing of upcoming events

TUESDAYS
Tuesday With Torah, 9:30am

WEDNESDAYS
Torah Sparks, 12:30pm

SUNDAYS
Temple Israel Religious School, 9:15am

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.
Rabbi Murray Ezring’s Column
Message from Rabbi Murray Ezring

Fall is a wonderful time of year as leaves turn colors and give even greater beauty to our environment. The spiritually fulfilling holidays helped us prepare for another year of life and joy. On Simchat Torah Eve, Drumstrong came to set the rhythm and the heartbeat of our joy as we finished and began the annual reading of the Torah. The joyfulness and dancing were unbelievable.

As the temperatures cool and winter approaches, our thoughts turn to those who are homeless, who are without proper nutrition, and who are ill and in need of care in our great city of Charlotte. Already, plans are underway to rally our forces through our Social Action Committee, which is so ably led by Jonathan Berger. Under Jonathan’s leadership, this January our congregation once again will participate in something truly transformative, Yom Gemilut Hasadim (Day of Service). We look forward to making a difference in the lives of some of Charlotte’s families and people most in need. Last year, over 300 Temple Israel congregants of all ages came out to make and deliver food, pack school supplies, do landscaping, provide warm clothes, blankets, toiletries and other necessities and do a myriad of things that make a difference in the lives of our neighbors.

Another opportunity to positively respond to a hurting world comes through our support of Israel. This past June when a group of us from Temple Israel went on pilgrimage to our ancestral homeland in the modern state of Israel, we witnessed rising tensions between Israel and her Palestinian residents and neighbors. Today, Israelis are confronted with daily doses of Palestinian terror organized through social media. The constant barrage of attacks in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv remind us that, as a Jewish people, we are never completely out of sight of those who hate us.

If the attacks against individual Israelis were not enough, Russia’s introduction of ground, air and naval power into the Middle Eastern conflict creates an even greater threat. Many fear that we are watching the beginnings of a new cold war where proxies will be using the armaments of the United States and Russia to fight each other. Our fears of a world at war were reinforced by the horrific attacks by ISIS in Paris.

Our response, the Jewish response, is to seek security for our people and to reach out to our friends here and abroad. I have just returned from Temple Israel’s interfaith pilgrimage Israel with Myers Park United Methodist Church, and I look forward to sharing firsthand accounts of what is happening in our Promised Land. Efforts like our interfaith dialogue lead to deeper understanding, and give me hope for a peaceful future.

We spent the High Holy Days and Sukkot praying for righteousness and peace, but today we see that peace is still not upon us and perhaps is even more difficult to find than before. Therefore, we will continue to conclude our services at Temple Israel with the modern folk prayer, Od Yavo Shalom Aleinu, that peace will yet come to all and to everyone with whom we share this beautiful world in which we live.

Shalom,
Rabbi Murray Ezring
The 120th Celebration and Reinvestment Campaign is dedicated to renewing and refreshing the temple’s interior spaces to complement the welcoming and inviting nature of our community and addressing some deferred building maintenance needs. Over the years, building maintenance and repair issues have been addressed as needed, but the time has come to focus a specific effort on ensuring that this sacred space continues to meet the needs of our members for generations to come.

Thank you to all of the individuals who have already made the commitment to support Temple Israel’s Reinvestment campaign:
- Anonymous
- Milton & Arlene Berkman
- Brian & Glenda Bernhardt
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- Ellis Levinson
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- David & Judy Miller
- Barbara Paterek
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- Larry Schwartz
- Dorothy & Albert Segal
- David & Julie Sheffer
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- Louis Sinkoe & Kevin Levine
- Eric & Lori Sklut
- Sam Strause (OBM)
- Chris & Marcie Williams

Please join us! Together we will sustain Temple Israel for our children and grandchildren. If you have questions, or would like more information about this campaign, please contact Glenda Bernhardt, Temple Israel Executive Director, at (704) 362-2796 or gbernhardt@templeisraelnc.org.

*CURRENT AMOUNT RAISED TO DATE = $591,809

MESSAGE FROM GLENDAL BERNHARDT

In this season of giving, we encourage you to consider including Temple Israel in your year-end giving plans. Your generous donations enable Temple Israel to achieve its vision:

*Temple Israel is a sacred community that strives to inspire all to enjoy meaningful relationships with each other, the broader community, Torah and God through traditional and innovative expressions of Judaism.*

We need you to ensure the current and future success of our Temple Israel community. Your support truly makes a difference! Any contribution you make by December 31, 2015 will be included as part of your 2015 charitable giving. Please call the temple office or go online to make a donation today.

Thank you.
RABBI RAUCHER’S COLUMN
TAKE HOLD, IT’S A TREE OF LIFE!
Rabbi Noam Raucher

"It is a tree of life for all who grasp it." That line, from Proverbs, is also the inscription on our commemorative 120th Anniversary kippot. (If you didn’t get one, don’t worry. We have one for you!) It’s a beautiful sentiment that articulates just how valuable our guiding principles are. And it applies to us as Jews and as the Temple Israel family.

The Torah provides us with context and guidelines for how to sanctify life. If we study its words, we will see that there are opportunities to make the mundane sacred. Similarly, connecting ourselves to our communal family elevates commonplace moments to a new level of holiness. For example, Saturday isn’t really Shabbat unless we enjoy it together. Let’s closely study the “text” of our community to find more evidence.

Take our twice-monthly Torah Tots services. One can’t just expect that the children in our community will learn our prayers and tunes simply by osmosis. If that were true, the leaders of Jewish communities would have found ways, long ago, to bottle it and sell it at a premium rate. Instead, parents actively bring their children on alternating Friday nights and Saturday mornings so that their children can get exposed to Jewish prayer. This now becomes a deliberate act to instill a sense of a deep love for Jewish ritual.

You all remember Honi from the Jewish legends - The man who planted carob trees, not so he could enjoy them but so his grandchildren could. If you find yourself to be an elder-sage in our community, chances are you planted the early seeds of Temple Israel. You are our Honi characters- our early planters who worked hard just to watch our children and grandchildren enjoy the fruits. Your work is much more than a labor of love. It’s an active and ongoing project to bridge generations one to another.

If you watch our b’nai mitzvah students you will see life being sanctified in real time. Standing before our community, demonstrating all you’ve learned, teaching us a thing, or two, about Judaism - that’s a momentous occasion! And it’s so much more than that, too. In that instant our community is set at ease. In that moment, we know that all the hard work that has gone into raising a child was worth it. And it’s worth it having lived through life just to reach those moments.

Watching our children learn prayer, seeing our young ones take their place amongst our leaders, and being present to watch it all happen is exactly how we grasp to our tree of life. Holiness comes when we realize that those moments are precious; and hold on to them a little longer. Just like we grasp the Torah and it’s guiding principles as a life giving force; our lives are revitalized every time we tighten that clutch. And since this bond is reciprocal, our tree is rejuvenated with every touch.

Our Denim & Diamonds kickoff celebration was a precious moment. What a blessing to see just how much we cherish one another. It was a wonderful site as our community sang havdallah arm-in-arm with one another. How awesome that our joy materialized into dance. Each person showed up with song in their heart, and hands ready to take hold of the next 120 years beneath our tree of life! In our memory, let this past celebration be as vivid as all the ones prior to it. I have no doubt that this year will move just as quickly as every year does. My hope is that we all firmly grasp the months and years ahead; holding on as we go, savoring every moment.

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-Rabbi Noam Raucher
One of my most important and rewarding professional responsibilities is to visit congregants in the hospital, those who are recuperating from surgery or serious illnesses, and those who are homebound or require care in one of the many senior living facilities in our community. Whenever I am on my rounds, I feel a deep sense of privilege that I am able to fulfill a significant mitzvah, while at the same time enriching my own life and broadening my horizons by getting to know so many wonderful individuals with fascinating histories and family stories.

Bikkur Cholim, or visiting the sick, is considered by our tradition to be one of the greatest mitzvot. According to the Talmud, it is one of the actions that “yield fruit immediately, and continue to yield fruit in the world to come.” The rabbis taught that every time we visit a sick person, we help reduce the illness by 1/60th. Visiting the sick is so important in our tradition, that according to the commentators on the Torah, God personally paid a visit to Abraham as he was recuperating from his circumcision.

Why is Bikkur Cholim given such prominence in Jewish practice? I believe it is because Judaism prizes human life and dignity as supreme values. Serious illnesses, as well as the frailty and physical decline, which frequently accompany extreme old age, greatly diminish the quality of one’s life, and can threaten life itself. Illness, loss of mobility and other impairments, can rob a person of their sense of identity, dignity and purpose, and leave one increasingly isolated. Visiting others who are experiencing this type of decline, be it temporary or permanent, helps them regain a small measure of self-identity and worth, while decreasing their feelings of isolation.

At the same time, when we extend ourselves to help others, we are ourselves rewarded with a sense of profound meaning and purpose, and we gain renewed esteem in the eyes of others. When I spend time simply listening to and conversing with my many new friends, I am literally showered with sincere expressions of gratitude. Yet I always feel that no thanks are needed, as I get so much more out of these encounters than I feel I’ve contributed.

But there is only one of me, and far more congregants to visit than I can possibly see over the course of a week, or even over several weeks. The mitzvah of Bikkur Cholim was enjoined upon all Jews, not simply Rabbis and other religious leaders. If every member of the congregation who is capable would commit to spending just one or two hours a week performing Bikkur Cholim, our congregation would be greatly strengthened, and our members who are visited will feel reconnected to the Temple and know that they have not been forgotten. Most importantly, you are bound to add a profoundly meaningful and rewarding experience to your life.

On Sunday, January 17th, at YOM GEMILUT HASADIM, there will be a station for Bikur Cholim, or visiting the sick and elderly. I will be present to provide some basic tips and training. Please stop by to sign up and learn more.

If you’re interested, please contact me: rabbiklirs@templeisraelnc.org or 704-362-2796. Or simply stop by my station on YOM GEMILUT HASADIM.
LIFE EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR CONDOLENCES TO

- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Sheila Coffey, mother of Michael Coffey (Kathy) and grandmother of Elliott.
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Leonard Slesinger, father of Cathy, Joel, and Meg.
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Ira Lewis, father of Neil and Gary.
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Meyer David Mesoznik father of Adrian Mesoznik (Andrea), and grandfather of Karen and Ian.
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Rose Weisman, mother of Elaine Dinerman, grandmother of Michael, Jeffrey, Scott, and Jessica, and great-grandmother of Lily. Oliver, Isabella, Owen, David, Lucy, and Sam.
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Edith Stern, mother of Ken Stern, grandmother of Jonathan, Lauren and Kimberly Stern, and great-grandmother of Christopher Stern.
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Danielle Reh, niece of Ron Weiner (Jan), and cousin of Aaron (Sarah), Becca, and Jordana Weiner.
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Sandra Lynn Kornstein, sister of Barbara Lovejoy, mother of David Kornstein (Emily), and Lisa Kaufman (Michael), and grandmother of Calyn Disbrow, Jack Disbrow, and Stuart Finn Kornstein.
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Sam Strouse, brother of Leonard (Judi), father of Lisa Levinson (Lucky), Jay (Michelle), and Julie Weiser (David), and grandfather of Alan Platock, Sarah Platock, Jake Weiser, Noah Weiser and Eli Weiser.
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Abraham Minkin, grandfather of Dana (Andrew) Kapustin, Elissa (Scott) Camera, Lindsay (Dan) Feldman, and Randi (Donald) Capone; Great grandfather of Danielle, Jacob, & Charlie Kapustin; Carson, Natalie, Avery, & Riley Camera; Noah, Jordan, Daren & Feldman; And Isaac Capone.
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Adele Prosono, mother of Marvin, Larry, Suzanne Zaret (Moshe) and Diane Hagnost (Kenny).
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Sarina Dahlia Rosenthal, sister of David Rosenthal (Karen), aunt of Miriam and Sarah.
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Leslie Levine, father of Marcie Levine Jacobs.
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Faye Levinson, sister-in-law of Margi Goldstein, aunt of Meg (Matthew) and Shel (Ellen) Goldstein

BIRTHS

- Jonathan & Tess Berger joyfully announce the birth of their grandson, Aiden James Berger, on September 23. Proud parents are Aaron & Shannon Berger of West Palm Beach, Florida.
- June and Paul Hirschmann are thrilled to announce the birth of their granddaughter, Daisy Rebecca Allen, on August 29. Proud parents are Josh & Jenny Allen. She joins brother Gabriel Alexander Allen. Uncle and aunt are Matt & Megan Allen.
- Elaine & Harry Chernotsky are pleased to announce the birth of their grandson, Nathan James, on October 19. Proud parents are Rena & Chris Todd
- Dan & Judy Biber joyfully announce the birth of their grandson, James Morgan Biber-Peterson on August 13.

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.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!
(September - October, 2015)

Howard & Barbara Sobel
Sam & Marlene Shraga
Andrew & Jill Halverstam (Oliver & Ivey)
Rich & Madalyn Liling
Hal & Tania Bialeck (Ryan, Grant & Zach)
Frederick & Gretchen Reynolds (Yarden & Ayelet)
Richard Freiberg
Michael & Sarah Davis
Gary Lewis
Todd & Laurie Blumsack (Connor & Aiden)
Mr. Gabriel Nussbaum & Mrs. Maria Paz Munoz (Sofia, Andres, Isidora & Nicolas)

TORAH TOTS

Temple Israel’s high-energy Shabbat program for preschoolers, and their parents, includes songs, Torah parades, movement, and stories or puppetry. Shabbat morning programs are followed by a Shabbat friendly craft or hands-on activity. A healthy and bountiful Kid-dush is served after each program.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11
(5:45pm)
*Hanukkah Special

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19
(10:00am)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8
(5:45pm)
*Rosh Chodesh Special

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23
(10:00am)
*Tu B’Shvat Special

www.TempleIsraelInc.org
As parents we know we must act deliberately about our children’s education. When we take the time to show them the beauty and wonder of Judaism, we deliberately open their eyes to an amazing way of looking at the world.

Rabbi Noam Raucher

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**PRAYER OF THE HEART**

By Rabbi Noam Raucher, Director of Education

Every parent remembers the day when his or her first child was born. I remember where I was, and what I was wearing. I’m pretty sure we remember the way we were feeling when we heard the news, or held our new baby for the first time. It is an overwhelming experience. So much so it feels as if we swing back and forth from one solitary thought to millions at once. That’s particularly the way it felt when I first held Judah, and again for Elijah.

At those times the only way I could feel balanced, was to open my lips. Suddenly, the thoughts of my heart became words in the air. I was praying. It felt so natural and necessary - like I had to say the words. I can’t repeat to you exactly what I said word for word. But I remember naming my feelings like joy, fear, anxiety; and my hopes for strength, patience, and wisdom. Once I uttered those string of words they became a melody that has carried me through life every since. Do you have a particular melody from a momentous time in you life?

Prayer is an essential method of Jewish expression. It is a unique form of communication from deep within ourselves, outward to the greater world and back again. Prayer can be a way to root us in Jewish traditions and values. It can serve as a tool for community support. And it can be a conduit to share our individual hopes and dreams. Prayer can also open pathways to God and cause us to think beyond ourselves.

At Temple Israel, from the sanctuary to the religious school, we believe that children should come to know and enjoy the art of Jewish prayer. To do so they must be given a laboratory in which to experiment.

This year we have taken a new approach to youth services. Each Shabbat, we hold youth services from 10am-12pm. From week-to-week we will rotate from a traditional format that mimics the service in the main sanctuary, to a musical guitar-led service filled with tunes your kids (and probably you) know from camp, to an out-of-the-box yoga service that stretches the soul as much as it does the body. We believe varied avenues of prayer will enable our children to connect with this ancient ritual in different ways.

As rabbis, educators, and parents we expect that our children will engage with Jewish prayer throughout their time at Temple Israel. And we want them to have every chance possible. Temple Israel holds services on Shabbat, holidays, and during the week; open for your participation. Please review the following attendance expectations determined by the TIRS staff, TIRS advisory committee members, and Temple Israel Board of Directors.

**GRADES 3rd-5th:**

1. Must attend 9 Saturday morning services during the school year from September 20, 2015-May 22, 2016.
2. Students may attend either the main sanctuary service with at least one parent or attend our school’s fun and engaging youth prayer laboratory.
3. Up to 6 Friday night services per year may be attended in lieu of Saturday morning services.

**GRADES 6th-7th:**

1. For the two years prior to the B’nai Mitzvah, including the entire B’nai Mitzvah year, students must attend one Saturday morning service a month in the main sanctuary (a minimum of 24 Shabbat services).
2. Up to 6 Friday night services per year may be attended in lieu of Saturday morning services.

However, these expectations are not enough. If we truly wish to connect with this pathway to communicate with God and the world, then we must be willing to actively seek out the opportunities that have been presented to us. Please bring your children to any or all of the youth shabbat services we offer. Perhaps there is an unknown melody waiting to be sung.
B’NAI MITZVAH
MAZEL TOV TO OUR B’NAI MITZVAH

Jordan Daniel Hochman
December 5, 2015
Parents: Shannon & Andrew Hochman
Jordan Hochman attends Coulwood Middle, a STEM Magnet school. He enjoys playing basketball, football, and soccer and is a member of the Bonim youth group leadership. For his mitzvah project, he is working with an animal shelter in Charlotte. He is very excited about his Bar Mitzvah and becoming a man.

Megan Ashley Hochman
December 5, 2015
Parents: Shannon & Andrew Hochman
Megan Ashley Hochman (Jordan’s twin) attends JM Alexander Middle School. She is currently a Girl Scout Cadette, and is a member of the Bonim youth group leadership. For her mitzvah project she is helping to clean up her neighborhood. The one thing that she is most excited about for her Bat Mitzvah is reading the Haftarah.

WHY NOT SPONSOR A SHABBAT KIDDUSH!??
Opportunities are available for those who are interested in sponsoring or co-sponsoring a Kiddush, on the occasion of a special simcha. Commemorate an anniversary, a birthday, an achievement or a friendship. It’s easy to do!

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*Based on Crunchbase data as of September 2015.
HANUKKAH CASINO LOUNGE NIGHT
(All 8th-12th Grades)
Wednesday, December 9 (6:00-7:00pm)
Get your spin on at our first ever Hanukkah Casino night. We will be playing fun casino games and of course an epic dreidel tournament. There will be a delicious Hanukkah themed dinner provided. $5 per person - includes dinner. Location: Levine JCC Teen Lounge.

KIDDUSH CLUB: Youth ONLY Kiddush
(All Grades)
Saturday, December 12
Join your friends, Ariel and Rabbi NoNo, after Shabbat morning services for our YOUTH ONLY Kiddush. We will be serving up lots of delicious foods, cool games, and fun schmoozing. This Kiddush is FREE and OPEN to all YOUTH! Location: Temple Israel Music Room.

HORNETS, HANUKKAH & HOOPS:
Jewish Community Night (All Grades)
Saturday, December 12 (7:00pm)
Join your family and friends and the Charlotte Jewish community, as we celebrate the 7th night of Hanukkah together and cheer on our Charlotte Hornets. You will also receive a FREE Charlotte Hornets Hebrew T-Shirt. A portion of each ticket will be donated back to Jewish Family Services!

MAHAR’S POLAR BEAR CLUB
(3rd-5th Grades)
Sunday, December 13 (12:30-3:30pm)
Too cold to go swimming? I DON’T THINK SO!!! Let’s head to Ray’s Splash Planet for a fun afternoon at the indoor water park. Pizza lunch included. $15/TI-Y Members; $20/Non-members. Drop-off & Pick-up at Temple Israel. *RSVP by Wednesday, December 9.

YOM GEMILUT HASIDIM (Mitzvah Day)
(All Grades)
Sunday, January 17 (10:00am-1:30pm)
Join your friends and the entire Temple Israel community to help others on Sunday, January 17th (MLK weekend). This will be a wonderful opportunity for individuals and families to get involved and make a difference in the community. By participating in Mitzvah projects, you will be sharing in Tikkun Olam (repairing the world). In addition to the various special Mitzvah projects being offered at Temple Israel that morning, TI-Youth Groups will be volunteering at Bright Blessings.

MAHAR GOES SKY HIGH
(3rd-5th Grades)
Saturday, January 23 (7:00-9:30pm)
Are you ready to bounce off the walls? Join your friends as we bounce into action at Sky High for an evening of intense trampolining. Cost also includes a laser maze, ropes course, and sports simulator at Sky High. Pizza dinner provided. Drop-off and Pick-up at TIRS Building. $15/TI-Y Members; $20/Non-Members. *RSVP by Wednesday, January 20.

BONIM & GESHER SNOW TUBING TRIP!!!
(6th-12th Grades)
Monday, January 25 (6:00am-5:30pm)
Take to the slopes for an afternoon of fun with your friends at the snow-tubing park at Hawksnest. Cost includes transportation and entrance fee. Bring a packed dairy lunch. Drop-off & Pick-up at Temple Israel. $30/TI-Y members; $40/non-members. *RSVP by Wednesday, January 20 to reserve your spot on the bus!

KIDDUSH CLUB: Youth ONLY Kiddush
(All Grades)
Saturday, January 30 (6:00am-5:30pm)
Join your friends, Ariel and Rabbi NoNo, after Shabbat morning services for our YOUTH ONLY Kiddush. We will be serving up lots of delicious foods, cool games, and fun schmoozing. This Kiddush is FREE and OPEN to all YOUTH! Location: Temple Israel Music Room.

TEEN COALITION PRESENTS:
ISRAELI SILENT DISCO CLUB
(8th-12th Grades)
Saturday, December 5 (8:00-10:00pm)
Join the Teen Coalition (GESHER, BBYO, LIBERTY, Hebrew High, LJCC & Jewish Federation) for this amazing night of Israeli club music, dancing, and late night Israeli snacks. You have the power to pick what you want to party to with the switch on your headphones to keep you dancing and having fun! FREE EVENT. Location: Lerner Hall

YOUTH GROUP LEADERSHIP MEETINGS

Gesher Leadership Board (8th-12th Grades)
• Wednesday, December 16 (6:00-7:00pm, LJCC Teen Lounge)
• Sunday, January 10 (7:00-8:00pm, at Ben & Jerry’s)

Bonim Leadership Council (6th & 7th Grades)
• Sunday, January 10 (12:30-1:30pm, at TIRS Building)
JOIN UP WITH TORAH ON TAP AND BUILD YOUR MODERN JEWISH SOCIAL LIFE!

Email Justin Bregman, President of Torah on Tap, at jsbregman@gmail.com to be added to the listserv or “like” us on Facebook.

2ND ANNUAL SHABBAT
“VODKAS & LATKES” PARTY
Friday, December 11
6:15pm/Services at Temple Israel and 7:30pm/
Event at the Home of Jen and Andrew Rosen

Join Torah on Tap as we cram eight crazy nights into one fun celebration in anticipation of Hanukkah. We’re hosting a Shabbat Vodkas & Latkes Party. Bring your meanest latkes to enter in the cook-off or your favorite vodka to share in a vodka tasting. We will provide the sour cream and apple sauce along with salad and delicious sides. RSVP to Eric at financemajor2@gmail.com.

“HANUKKAH, HOOPS & HORNETS”:
Jewish Community Night
Saturday, December 12
7:00pm

Join the Charlotte Jewish community, as we celebrate the 7th night of Hanukkah together, and cheer on our Charlotte Hornets. You will also receive a FREE Charlotte Hornets Hebrew T-Shirt. Visit the TI website to order your tickets. A portion of each ticket will be donated back to Jewish Family Services! For more information contact Ariel at adidonato@templeisraelnc.org.

“A VERY JEWISH CHRISTMAS”
Thursday, December 24

Join Torah on Tap, and other Jewish young professionals, as we celebrate “A Very Jewish Christmas,” complete with Chinese food and a movie. More information to come! RSVP to Jordana at jcweiner317@gmail.com by Monday, December 21.

PARTY OF 5!
Saturday, January 9
7:30pm- Dinner; 9:00pm- Whiskey River

NEW TO CHARLOTTE? LOOKING TO MAKE SOME NEW FRIENDS? LOOKING FOR SOMETHING FUN AND DIFFERENT TO DO ON A SATURDAY NIGHT? Then join Torah On Tap on as we put together groups of five to meet for dinner at various restaurants, and get to know one another. Following dinner, all of the Parties of 5 will gather for an after party at Whiskey River. Participants can request to be grouped with friends or to go as a couple, but the goal is to meet new people. Torah On Tap will choose the restaurants, which will be located in the EpiCenter, and Uptown area. Participants pay for their own meals. RSVP to Jason at jmlecker@aol.com by Wednesday, January 6

YOM GEMILUT HASIDIM (Mitzvah Day)
Sunday, January 17
10:00am-1:30pm

Join Torah on Tap and all of Temple Israel as we perform a broad range of mitzvah projects on Sunday, January 17th (MLK weekend). This will be a wonderful opportunity for individuals and families to get involved, and make a difference in our community. By participating in mitzvah projects you will be sharing in Tikkun Olam (repairing the world). For more information or to RSVP, email Lauren at lrk009@gmail.com.

JAVA JEWS
Monday, January 25
7:00-8:00pm

Join us for a café Torah discussion on the holiday of Tu B’Shvat. This event is FREE & OPEN to all young professionals in the Jewish community. Come on out, meet & greet over coffee or a glass of wine, and enjoy an hour of lively discussion.

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TEMPLE ISRAEL
SOCIAL ACTION
Performing Acts of Loving Kindness Together

YOM GEMILUT HASADIM
(A Day Performing Acts Of Loving Kindness)
Sunday January 17, 2016 (MLK weekend)
10:00am-1:30pm
Join the entire Temple Israel community as we come together to perform acts of loving kindness through “hands on” mitzvah projects at Temple Israel.
This is a wonderful opportunity for individuals and families to participate in Mitzvah Projects that address needs in both the Jewish and broader Charlotte community as we share in Tikun Olam (repairing the world).
PROJECTS TO BENEFIT:
Jewish Family Services, Israel, Bright Blessings, Blessings In A Back Pack, The Men’s Shelter of Charlotte, Clyde and Ethel Dickson Domestic Violence Shelter, Room in the Inn, Operation Sandwich, Ronald McDonald House, Sunrise and Carriage Club, Shalom Bayit NC, Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School, Freedom School, ZABS Place, and ongoing Temple Israel Social Action projects.
To get involved in organizing this exciting day, please contact Jonathan Berger - jbergertisa@gmail.com.

MEN’S SHELTER OF CHARLOTTE
Temple Israel supports the Men’s Shelter of Charlotte’s mission to end homelessness in Charlotte by providing their guests with meals along with warm clothing. Because of support by TJ and other generous organizations, nearly 400 men have moved to more appropriate housing since July 2014.
By providing hope and encouragement to the men, together, we can help to end homelessness!

Temple Israel will be cooking a delicious dinner in our Temple kitchen, and serving dinner at the Statesville Avenue shelter:

CHRISTMAS EVE – THURSDAY DECEMBER 24, 2015
We will also be distributing clothing/toiletries to 180 Men in the evening.
We are in need of volunteers to cook & serve food and collect/distribute clothing & toiletries.
Please contact David Thrope, email dmthrope@gmail.com or Jonathan Berger to get involved.

Donations needed: winter coats, pants, long sleeve shirts, boxer underwear, hats, gloves, socks, razors, soap and Tzedakah to purchase food.
Please drop off your donation at Temple Israel on or before 12/24/15.

ROOM IN THE INN – Save The Dates!
Temple Israel partners with the Urban Ministry Center to open our Temple to provide shelter and food for homeless people during the winter months. We pick up our guests in uptown Charlotte, provide a warm, safe place to sleep, serve three meals (dinner, breakfast and bag lunch), give a gift of warm clothing and toiletries, and then return our guests the following morning to uptown Charlotte.
The program is a unique way for Congregants of Temple Israel to become directly involved with people who are homeless. The simple goal is to keep homeless people from freezing on cold winter nights. A greater goal is to provide a more personal relationship with homeless people, at least for 3 nights, and a deeper understanding of the depth and complexity of homelessness.

UPCOMING ROOM IN THE INN DATES
Saturday, January 23, 2016
Saturday, January 30, 2016
Saturday, February 6, 2016

Temple Israel individuals, families and teens can get involved in set up, welcome, preparing & cooking meals, donating clothing/toiletries, and by giving Tzedakah to fund this program.
To get involved, please contact Sandro Nascimento, email: sandman20@carolina.rr.com.

HUNTINGTOWNE FARMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

HEARTFELT THANK YOU’S TO OUR TEMPLE ISRAEL CONGREGATION
THANK YOU – to those who donated pumpkins for the literacy based character contest at HFES
THANK YOU – to everyone who has signed up for the North Star program – a CMS initiative to get all children reading on grade level by 4th grade
THANK YOU - to everyone who has made contributions to the HFES Fox Fund
THANK YOU – to everyone who has been so generous with their time…and their heart for HFES and the students
If anyone would like more information on our efforts at Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School, please contact Susan Rabinovich atsrabinovich@windstream.net or 704-905-4521
To Temple Israel from Carolyn Rodd, Principal of Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School:

On behalf of the students and staff at Huntingtowne Farms Elementary, please accept our deep gratitude for the multitude of ways we partner together for kids.

Thank you.

We are thankful for our Temple Israel family. Your volunteers are our family, who provide consistent, strategic support over the years for both our students and teachers. As an International Baccalaureate or IB World School, we share similar values. We want to make the world a safer, more peaceful place. Together, we develop young people into globally minded, respectful citizens. You are a part of our journey.

Thank you.

You may have heard the saying, “It takes one caring adult to transform a child’s life, forever.” This is true! Also, know that it can take “One caring congregation to help transform a school.” It is extraordinary the ways that the congregation of Temple Israel supports some of the most fragile and vulnerable children within Charlotte at Huntingtowne Farms Elementary.

Thank you.

The team of volunteers makes a deep impact through prayer, donating their time, talents and resources so that the children at HFES have opportunity and access. As you walk the halls, you see the smiles of students and volunteers. Not only are the students’ lives changed, our volunteers are, too! Your kindness, love, commitment and practical help is greatly appreciated. Whether you donate pencils for the school supply drive, sponsor a child for a field trip, give food so children eat on the weekends, make a phone call to help our students have access to unique opportunities or say a prayer...we are a family, a community---together making the world a better place for our children, our future.

Thank you.

With appreciation,
Carolyn Rodd

THANK YOU FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

This summer the Shalom Park Freedom School hosted 80 scholars at its six-week literacy-based camp. None of this could have been possible without the numerous volunteers and organizations that support SPFS. Thank you to all of the individuals and companies for supporting SPFS and ensuring our scholars had a summer experience they won’t forget! Be on the lookout in coming months for ways to get involved with Shalom Park Freedom School 2016

Create Your Jewish Legacy

We gratefully acknowledge the following families and individuals who have made a legacy gift to Temple Israel in 2015:

- Ann & Bob Abel
- Anonymous
- Brian & Glenda Bernhardt
- David & Bonnie Bornstein
- Rabbi Murray & Barbara Ezring
- Melvin W. & Caren N. Frank
- Rhoda & Aaron (OBM) Giebler
- Mark & Linda Goldsmith
- Dale Lederer
- Elissa & Joshua Levine
- Karen & David Rosenthal Family
- Marty & Elaine Schefflin
- Ruth S. Silverman
- Maxine & Gary Silverstein
- Eleanor & Mort Turk
- Judie & Michael Van Glish

Would you like to learn more about the CREATE YOUR JEWISH LEGACY program?
Please contact our Membership Director, Monty Bennett, who can answer your questions. Monty can be reached at the Temple office, or by email at mbennett@templeisraelnc.org.

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UPCOMING SISTERHOOD EVENTS

OLD FASHIONED HANUKKAH PARTY
Sunday, December 6
3:00-5:00pm

Please join us at Temple Israel for an Old Fashioned Hanukkah Party, featuring BINGO WITH BUNNY! There will be dreidel games, coloring stations and a Hanukkah singalong as we celebrate the first night of Hanukkah. We'll also enjoy Sufganiyot (jelly donuts) and delicious Latkes. Cost: $5 per person. Please make your check payable to: Temple Israel Sisterhood.

Co-sponsored by Temple Israel and the TI Men’s Club.

TU B’SHVAT SEDER
Monday, January 25, 2016
7:00-9:00pm

Come celebrate Tu B’Shvat with a fruit filled Seder, led by Rabbi Tracy Klirs. Cost: $5.00 per person. RSVP: Wendy Rosen at wjrosen@aol.com or contact her (704) 364 -9765 no later than Tuesday, January 19, 2016.

Our Sisterhood is diverse and we want our programming to reflect our interests and be fulfilling to our membership. Please contact Co-Presidents: Denise Abadi (abadifam@aol.com) or Hilary Rosenbaum (dhrose4@gmail.com) with any questions about these or other programs.

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The Rose Room
TI Sisterhood Judaica Gift Shop

GIFT SHOP HOURS
Sunday 9am-12:30pm, Tuesday-Thursday 10am-1pm, Friday 11am-1pm

Special appointments outside normal business hours are available.

Please Contact: Cindy Jennes, cinjenn99@gmail.com to make an appointment.

HAPPY HANUKKAH!

Eight Happy Days Beginning on 12/6/15

Stop by to see our new Hanukkah Gift selections:
Menorahs, Candles, Dreidels, Gelt, Cards, Jewelry, and an assortment of Fun Judaica Gifts for all ages.

Proceeds support Temple Israel, Sisterhood, Temple Israel Youth Programs, and Social Action Initiatives
MEN’S CLUB
Temple Israel Men’s Club seeks to involve Jewish men in Jewish life by providing programs for our members, mentoring leaders, connecting individuals of all ages to the Masorti/Conservative community, and forming meaningful and long-lasting relationships based on camaraderie, common interests and core values.

Temple Israel Men’s Club sponsored a first of a kind event we called Cigars, Scotch and Sukkah at our own Sukkah at Temple Israel. Rabbi Raucher led an active discussion about the holiday of Sukkot, which was enjoyed by men ranging in ages from 30 – 70+. Everybody had a good time and we have received numerous requests to make this a recurring event. So, possibly the new name will be Cigars, Scotch and Whatever.

We will keep you apprised of the next date, time, and location. - Henry Rabinovich

SOCIAL CLUB
The mission of the Social Club is to provide an active social life for active adults (single or couples 55+) who are members of any area synagogue. Through the Social Club’s various events (approximately 10 to 11 per year), the organization becomes a mechanism for newcomers to the Charlotte area to make new friends.

Officially winter will be upon us in a couple of weeks. Neither snow, rain, nor sleet will stop the Social Club from preparing its’ activities for the winter season:

ANNUAL HANUKKAH LUNCHEON
Sunday, December 13
12:30pm
(Leon & Sandra Levine Social Hall)
Hanukkah is right around the corner and so is our Annual Hanukkah Luncheon. With Jered Mond catering you know the potato latkes will be tasty and one of the highlights of the luncheon. Of course, in addition to good food, Cantor Elias Roohvarg will provide an original Hanukkah musical program for our enjoyment. If you have not made reservations by the time you receive this bulletin, drop everything you are doing and get your reservation in to Douglas Mann.

PAID-UP MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON
Sunday, January 31
11:30am
(Leon & Sandra Levine Social Hall)
This is a freebie event if you have paid your 2016 dues. Of course, you can send in your money at the same time you make your reservations. In addition to a great meal, Inbal Ozeri, the Israeli Schlicha, will be our speaker for this program.

*Due to the Charlotte Jewish Film Festival, the Social Club will not be having any events during the month of February and the first half of March.

REMEMBER, if you are looking for that special gift or donation honoring that special person or persons, a membership in the Social Club could be the start of something that lasts a lifetime.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SOCIAL CLUB, CONTACT CO-PRESIDENTS
RUTH GOLDBERG (704) 366-8903 or IRVING BIENSTOCK (704) 542-0094.
CELEBRATE HANUKkah WITH TEMple ISRAEL

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TI-Youth: HANUKkah CASINO LOUNGE NIGHT
(All 8th-12th Grades)
Friday, December 11
6:00-7:00pm
Get your spin on our first ever Hanukkah Casino night! We will be playing fun casino games and of course an epic dreidel tournament. There will be a delicious Hanukkah themed dinner provided. $5 per person - includes dinner. Location: Levine JCC Teen Lounge. Questions? Email addonato@templeisraelnc.org

TORAH TOTS:
Hanukkah Special
Friday, December 11
5:45pm
Celebrate Hanukkah at Temple Israel’s high-energy Shabbat program for preschoolers, and their parents! Our program will include songs, movement, stories, and more. A healthy and bountiful Kid-dish will be served.

Torah On Tap:
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Men’s Club:
PARENT/CHILD HANUKkah DANCE
Saturday, December 12
3:00-5:00pm
Please join us for an epic evening, and dance the night away! Heavy hors d’oeuvres will be served. Cost: $25 - Parent/Child; $10 - each additional Child. Visit www.templeisraelnc.org to RSVP online (under “Register for an Event”) or bring a check to the TI office, payable to: Temple Israel Men’s Club

TIRS HANUKkah CELEBRATION
Sunday, December 13
Temple Israel offers wonderful Hanukkah opportunities for all TIRS families. Come for the breakfast and stay for the Hanukkah Variety Show.
9:15-11 - Kids - classes
9:30-10:15 - Parents - PTO sponsored breakfast conversation. Topic: The December Dilemma - facilitated by Rabbi Noam Raucher
10:15-11 - Parents - participate in fun holiday activities, organized by Jamie Tanenbaum
11am-12pm - Parents/Students - Variety show, in the Morris & Sylvia Speizman Sanctuary

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Searching for the perfect HANUKkah gift? Why not give the gift of an Israel bond? Your investment supports the state of Israel while simultaneously providing a meaningful gift to your loved ones. Visit www.israelsbonds.com for more details, and current rate information.

TEMPLE ISRAEL BOOK CLUB
Wednesday, December 16
7:30pm
Please join us as we read The Luminous Heart of Jonah S by Gina B. Nahai. Even though it is a novel, the award-winning author Gina Nahai provides an “insightful and finely textured glimpse into the tight knit, insular community of Iranian Jewish emigrees in America.” The book was selected as a Women’s League Reads choice, and as the write-up says, “Nahai’s beautifully crafted characters and her vivid descriptions of Iranian Jewish culture capture the dark side, the humorous side, and the very human side of this close-knit community.” Nahai, herself an Iranian Jew, brings the many conventions that seem to rule behavior into the novel.

Copies of The Luminous Heart of Jonah S are available in the Levine-Sklut Judaic Library, the public library, and may be purchased at bookstores or online for under $15.00.

Everyone is welcome to attend the Temple Israel book club meeting, even if you haven’t read the book.

For additional information contact Linda Levy (704/366-6362, levyollie@aol.com.)

SPECIAL ONEG PRIOR TO SHABBAT SERVICES
Friday, January 15
12:30pm
Please join us 5:30pm as we kick off our special weekend of Performing Acts of Loving Kindness! We will be collecting Children’s Books (grades 1-5) and clothing for Room In The Inn. See the TI website for details.
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By Michael Grey & Family
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In appreciation for all you do during our time of sorrow
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For a speedy recovery
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In appreciation for your friendship, generosity & helpfulness in a period when I needed it the most
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In appreciation & wishing you a wonderful start to a new school year
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MISSION STATEMENT
Temple Israel is a welcoming and progressive Conservative community fostering personal growth and a meaningful engaged life through these pillars of our faith:

- Personal connections with God, leading to an enriched life
- Practicing Halakhah (Jewish Law) and Mitzvot (Commandments), to better our lives and those around us
- Celebrating lifecycle events, holidays and Shabbat bringing a spiritual meaning to our Jewish journey
- Mishpacha (Family) including the gifts of youth and the wisdom of elders, to continue the cycle of growth in our community
- Tikkun Olam- the healing of the world for the benefit of everyone
- Lifelong learning for all
- Support for the state of Israel to preserve our homeland.

LOOKING FOR AN ALTERNATIVE? WE HAVE SEVERAL!

ROCK HASHSHABBAT
Come check out Temple Israel's Rock HaShabbat service (in the sanctuary) for a fast-paced, hour and fifteen-minute service led by The Ruach, Temple Israel's own “house” band. Rock HaShabbat takes place the 3rd Friday night of each month (6:15pm), unless otherwise noted.

Fridays, 6:15pm
DECEMBER 18
JANUARY 15

JAVA N’ JEANS
Java n’ Jeans meets on the 1st Shabbat of the month (10:00am.) This is a learner’s service, where we ask questions and learn about individual prayers in depth. The 1st hour is devoted to prayer and the 2nd hour is for a thought provoking Torah discussion.

Saturdays, 10:00am
DECEMBER 5
JANUARY 2

KAVANAH
(With Yoga)
Kavanah with Yoga meets on the 3rd Shabbat of the month. The Kavanah service combines the ancient practices of Jewish prayer and meditation in an effort to create space for reflection and growth. The first hour is devoted to yoga, led by Melinda Farbman. This is followed by a brief Torah study, led by Rabbi Noam Raucher. Location: LJCC Aerobics Studio. Free babysitting onsite!

Saturdays, 9:30am
DECEMBER 19
JANUARY 16