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RABBI EZRING’S COLUMN

Once again in 2015, the World Zionist congress will meet. Representatives from Jewish organizations and communities all around the world will be present. How are these dignitaries and ambassadors of the Jewish world chosen? They are chosen by an international vote in the early part of the year. To be able to vote, you have to be a member of a Zionist organization. The Zionist organization for the Conservative community from the western hemisphere is Mercaz.

To the right you will find an article from Mercaz asking everyone who has not yet joined Mercaz to please do so. Once you are a member of Mercaz, they will send American representatives a ballot when election time approaches. Once again, only members of Zionist organizations vote for the delegations that will attend the World Zionist Congress. Please join me as I renew my membership to Mercaz for the year 2015. Membership costs only $10!

Shalom
–Rabbi Murray Ezring

MAKING YOUR VOICE COUNT IN ISRAEL - THE ZIONIST ELECTIONS

You may never have heard of one of the more important institutions of the Conservative Movement, but it needs you now. The organization is MERCAZ. MERCAZ—the word means “The Center”; it refers to Israel, the cultural center par excellence of the Jewish people—is the Zionist organization of the world-wide Conservative Movement. MERCAZ promotes and supports Zionist education, Israel programs and aliyah within our movement. At the same time, MERCAZ represents the interests of Masorti (Conservative) Judaism in the World Zionist Organization (WZO) and in the Jewish Agency for Israel. Within those bodies, MERCAZ advocates for religious pluralism within Israel and is a force for funding the liberal religious movements (such as Reform and Conservative Judaism) in Israel.

Here is how it works: American Jewish federations raise money for Israel. Much of this money goes to the WZO and the Jewish Agency. The WZO and the Jewish Agency distribute those monies. The apportionment of those monies is directly affected by the relative sizes of the delegations from each Zionist organization. Got it? The more delegates that we, the Conservative Movement, have in those bodies, the more money our movement in Israel receives and the more say we have in ensuring that the flow of money and the guiding philosophy of the Jewish Agency supports our concerns for pluralism in Israeli society.

The election for the 37th World Zionist Organization Congress is almost here. You can help MERCAZ increase the size of our delegation simply by registering with the American Zionist Movement, the US affiliate of the WZO, and then voting for MERCAZ delegates when you receive your ballot. You can register by going to www.mercazusa.org and clicking on “Register” or completing a mail-in registration. Registration ends April 30.

How much does your vote help? A LOT! Less than 4% of the members of American Conservative Jews participated in the last Zionist Congress elections. If we doubled that percentage, an additional 1.7 million dollars could be allocated to Masorti institutions in Israel. This could go a long way to strengthen liberal Jewish life in Israel.

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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE
by Lynne Sheffer

I often reflect on the reasons for our strength and stability for so many years. Our congregation is a unique blend of individuals who have been part of our history for as many as 60 years, as well as new members who have contributed much in more recent times.

With age comes wisdom, history and the ability to focus on what is important. I would like to thank our senior adults for how much they contribute to the strength, and richness of our synagogue family. They demonstrate to us every day many important life lessons.

Some examples of those contributions and life lessons are:

. Attend Shabbat and holiday services regularly. Some arrive on buses from senior living communities despite the weather.

. A commitment to weekly Torah study and classes with our clergy.

. Read Torah or Haftorah often on Shabbat mornings.

. Assist in making Minyan during the week, and on Sundays.

. Plan and implement activities for the Social Club, one of the most popular groups in our synagogue with over 120 active members.

. Participate in intergenerational programs – sharing their joys and stories with our youth.

. Prioritize relationships and assist in many ways to welcome new members and visitors.

. Volunteer with and participate in programs and organizations throughout Shalom Park such as Federation, JFS and the Butterfly Project.

. Provide us a way to buy delicious round challahs for the High Holidays

. Care for and assist members who are ill or grieving

. Serve on our Board of Trustees and Committees

Thank you for demonstrating how to live and enjoy Jewish life. Your lessons for staying young such as the importance of building friendships, relationships, study, and continuous engagement in activities are noticed. The roots, dedication and service you provide Temple Israel will help guide and move us for the next 120 years.

With appreciation,

Lynne
lynnesheff@gmail.com

SERVICE & CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES

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

CANDLE LIGHTING
February 6: 5:39pm
February 13: 5:45pm
February 20: 5:52pm
February 27: 5:59pm

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

March 6: 6:05pm
March 13: 7:11pm
March 20: 7:16pm
March 27: 7:22pm

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

Saturdays
Shabbat Experience (grades K-6), 10:00am

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.
I love questions! Even if I don’t know the answer I still love the question. There is so much information to be gathered with each question posed it’s hard to ask just one. I realize that’s a really positive opinion that I’ve put out there given some people don’t respond kindly to questions. Some people are so sensitive about being asked a question that they recoil entirely. But I’ve got to be positive about questions; they are a regular part of my job, and a necessary tool to Jewish thought and existence. Questions are the main motivating factor of an evolving Jewish life. We would not have the Jewish communities that exist today without asking the essential questions necessary to lead to the community’s answers.

One question that I get asked frequently is: “Can Judaism be lived/celebrated/observed/experienced in private, or must one be part of a community to do so?” This is a great question not only because it’s so old, but also because it’s so applicable today. There is a great tension between the individual and the community in the 21st century. Some believe they are dependent on one another, while others suggest they exist exclusive of each other. Judaism affirms that while there are some boundaries between the individual and their community, there are many necessary elements that draw them together.

One time, when we are not permitted to celebrate Judaism in solitude is during Passover. That information probably relieves some stress for people who are concerned about preparing and running their own Seder. But the Seder itself is something we are not permitted to execute alone; and for one simple reason. When it comes to the Passover Seder, the necessary task is to ask questions, specifically four. And the reason why we can’t enjoy a Seder by ourselves is because there must be someone else present who will ask questions of us, and address questions posed as well.

Questions don’t exist in a vacuum separate from analysis, introspection, and accuracy. Having another person present to ask and answer questions keeps us honest. It’s easy to think of us as either free or enslaved in different spiritual and physical ways, so one cannot just ask the question to oneself. One must have someone to bounce his or her question or answer off of. And that person, in kind, will keep both the question poignant and the answer honest. The partnership formed in a back and forth way, with questions and answers, eventually leads to a goal of religious ritual: greater understanding of truth, and thus an enhanced experience.

This is why I’m so excited for our community Seder. Led by a great team of community members who have one goal in mind: enhance the experience for the Passover Seder by involving as many people in the community as possible. With each new guest at our community Seder we enhance the experience. And through each one of our contributions we will help everyone present reach a greater understand of truths about ourselves as individuals and as a community.

The 1st Temple Israel Community Seder held last March, was an amazing experience. The food was delicious, the Seder was inspiring and the tables were beautifully decorated. While Rabbi Ezring led the Seder, volunteers with the aid of TI administrative staff accomplished everything else. The ruach (spirit) and feeling of community that developed during this group effort was truly uplifting.

Here are two ways to get involved for the 2015 Community Seder led by various community leaders and myself.

**This year’s Seder will be held on SATURDAY, APRIL 4.** (Services at 5:30pm, Seder 6pm-9pm)

1. **Volunteer** – Everyone can help in some way. Join us on Tuesday – February 10 at 7:30pm, at Temple Israel, for an informational meeting to learn about volunteer opportunities with this great community endeavor. (It’s also a great way to reserve a spot for you and your family ahead of time!) To volunteer please call Don and Shevi Herbstman at 704-752-1910.


Shalom!
Rabbi Noam Raucher

from “The Papercut Haggadah” by A. Granot
FACT: The Choir sings ONE day of each of the 3 major Festivals.

MYTH: You have to commit to being in shul every day of every Festival.

FACT: The Choir sings ONE day of each of the 3 major Festivals, plus Yom Kippur, & the 1st day of Rosh Hashanah, or a total of 5 days throughout the year, plus Thursday night rehearsals (from March through the High Holidays).

So if you like to sing, and are willing to make the modest time commitment, please contact the Cantor (eroochvarg@templeisraelnc.org) or Monty Bennett (mbennett@templeisraelnc.org) as soon as possible.

THE TRUTH ABOUT THE CHOIR

MYTH: You have to be able to read Hebrew to be in the Choir.

FACT: As with reading music, the ability to read Hebrew is not required.

MYTH: You have to be able to read music to be in the Choir.

FACT: Though reading music is a desirable skill, it is not required.

MYTH: You have to commit to being in shul every day of every Festival.

FACT: Helping the congregation to harmonize (8 & thus to enhance the mitzvah of prayer) is the Choir. (AHA! Now you see where I was leading!) On the Festivals, while the congregation sings the melodies of the Hallel and Torah service, the Choir adds great choral masterpieces, adding another inspiring dimension of expression to our services. Many people came forward after the most recent High Holidays to say how much the Choir’s participation enhanced their prayer experience.

In order to do its job, the Choir needs at least 2 or 3 people on each voice part (i.e., sopranos, altos, tenors & basses) for the best blend. We are now in dire need of sopranos and serious need of tenors and basses.

A PLEA

Monty Bennett (mbennett@templeisraelnc.org) or the Cantor (eroochvarg@templeisraelnc.org)

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LIFE EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR CONDOLENCES TO:

- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Elizabeth Fox, mother of Leonard Fox and Dennis Fox.
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Mary Reel, mother of Bobby, Lisa and Jacqueline Reel, and grandmother of Tameka Ellis of Shelby, NC and Jacquaya Reel.
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Jack Landis, brother of Mel Labovitz.
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Joanne Zukerman Lebovitz, mother of Michael Zukerman.
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Alan Rose, father of Nicholas Rose.
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Matthew Rudnet, husband of Elisa, father of Nikole and Ethan.
- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Mildred Berson, mother of Melanie Berson of Maryland and Barbara Long of Massachusetts.

BIRTHS:

- Michael and Jennifer Koss joyfully welcomed the arrival of their new daughter. Elena Miriam Koss was born on November 26 at 7 lbs, 9 oz, and 20 3/4 inches long.
- Jeffrey and Barbra Marcus joyfully welcomed the arrival of their baby boy on December 5, 2014.
- David and Alexis (Kropp) Abramovitz joyfully welcomed the arrival of their baby boy on December 5, 2014. Proud grandparents are Karen and Steven Kropp of Charlotte, NC, and Les Abramovitz of Rochester, NY.
- Rebecca and Jason Dranove joyfully welcomed the arrival of a baby girl on December 6, 2014. Leah Ivy was born at 6 pounds 8 ounces and 19 1/4 inches long. Proud grandparents are Heidi and Stephen Kramer or Charlotte, NC & Heide and Paul Dranove of Marietta, GA.
- Lisa and Eric Seitlin joyfully welcomed the arrival of their baby boy! Elijah Samuel Seitlin was born on December 17 at 8 lbs, 12 oz and 20 3/4 inches. Proud grandparents are Stephanie and Larry Seitlin of Charlotte, NC and Linda and Edward Bass of Selden, New York.
- Shiri and Sam Rozenberg, along with their daughter Rachel, joyfully welcomed the arrival of a baby boy. Their son was born on December 19 at 6 lbs and 15 oz.

THANK YOU:

CANTOR ROOCHVARG & FAMILY wish to thank the TI office staff, and all those who:
- Were on the committee who planned the anniversary celebration.
- Worked on the printed program.
- Contributed financially in my honor.
- Performed at the concert.
- Worked in the kitchen, toward making the weekend such a gastronomic success.
- Sent in so many kind words of tribute.
- It was truly an unforgettable weekend for my family, and for me. It is great to be appreciated!

CONGRATULATIONS to Eric Sklut, who was just elected to the Elon University Board of Trustees.

Welcome to our New Members! (November - December, 2014)

Steve & Debbi Moore (Alex)
Joel Safran
David & Jaime Campbell (India)
Burton Routman
Michael & Linda Thailer
Russell & Alyson Traw (Stella & Judah)

Help Support Temple Israel Religious School

Harris Teeter: Please link/re-link your VIC card. VIC cards are reset each summer and will need to be linked again after August 1. Our school ID is #4647.

Target Red Card: Anyone (members, family, and friends) who has a Target Red Card, can now designate Temple Israel Religious School as their school of choice. Target will give our school (ID#153638) 1% of total purchases.

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K-6 Shabbat

SHABBAT EXPERIENCE* is a fun blend of participatory prayers, Torah and games for all students in grades K-6. Saturday mornings from 10:00-11:45am in the Chapel. Leaders Debby Block and Beverly Levy keep things lively and fast-paced. Students receive “ribbons” for Positive Behavior, Prayer and Participation, which they can collect and exchange for cool prizes. A Kiddush is served in the chapel from 11:45-12:00. Parents and grandparents are always welcome!

*Shabbat Experience replaces Mini Minyan and Jr. Congregation

TIRS Introduces Innovative Approach To Learning

By Rabbi Tracy G. Klirs, Director

In the October/November issue of Kol Yisrael, I focused on Project ETGAR, the dynamic curriculum for middle school students in Conservative congregational schools.

In this issue I’ll be sharing the exciting news about the new curriculum we’ve introduced into our Gimmel and Dalet (3rd and 4th) grades. After tremendous success with Project ETGAR, the same team of expert educators from the Conservative Movement has developed a curriculum for 3rd-5th grades called “Etgar Yesodi” or Foundational Challenge. The Etgar Yesodi curriculum focuses on Jewish holidays and Jewish values.

Just like Project Etgar, Etgar Yesodi utilizes the most current research on learning theories and child development, as well as the latest technology. All of our Gimmel and Dalet Judaics teachers (as well as the school director) have been participating in intensive training via webinar. Their entire curriculum is accessed on line via a wiki space, and lessons usually incorporate a technology piece, such as a Youtube video, a power point, etc. Students frequently work in small groups and are challenged to think about the “big idea” or the “big picture” beyond mere facts and details. They also get a chance to tap into their natural creativity by working on personalized birkonim, or books of blessings, writing raps, making beautiful ritual objects, and more.

In December all of our Gimmel and Dalet families participated in a huge family education program, Hagigat Hanukkah. The program highlighted their children’s creative work, including a hip new Hanukkah song the children learned on YouTube, parent/child Havruta learning (paired or group learning), and hand-made Hanukkiot and beeswax candles. Our Gimmel and Dalet students are excited about what they’re learning (and how they’re learning) at TIRS, and our teachers are equally excited about and energized by the new curriculum.

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YOUTH

For more information or to register for any of these programs, please contact Ariel Krusch at (704) 944-6816 or akrusch@templeisraelnc.org

GESHER YOUTH GROUP
8th-12th Grades

TU BISHVAT LOUNGE NIGHT
Wednesday, February 4
6:00-7:00pm
JCC Teen Lounge
Come hang with your friends, eat a delicious homemade lasagna dinner and participate in a creative Tu'Bishvat program celebrating the birthday of the trees. We will celebrate holiday and the new fruits that bloom on trees as we learn how not all people in our community have equal access to fresh fruits and vegetables.
$5/per person- includes dinner.

SNOW TUBING!!!
Monday, February 16
6:00am-5:30pm
Drop-off & Pick-Up at Temple Israel
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.
$30/TI-Y members; $40/non-members.
*RSVP by Wednesday, February 11th to reserve your spot!

THE TEEN COALITION PRESENTS: Under the Helmet
Wednesday, February 18
7:00-9:00pm
Gorelick Hall
Join your friends from TI-Y, BBYO, LIBERTY, HEBREW HIGH & the JCC, as we partake in the Charlotte Jewish Film Festival with our own teen screening of the very powerful film, Under the Helmet. We will follow the showing with a group discussion of the film’s impact and meaning in our lives today.
FREE to ALL TEENS

PURIM CARNIVAL VOLUNTEERS WANTED!
Sunday, March 1
11:30-1:30pm or 1:30-3:30pm
Fill your Community Service requirement at the TI-Youth Game Booths at this year’s Community-wide Purim Carnival. This is always a great family fun event!
*MUST SIGN-UP AHEAD OF TIME!

9th GRADE HEBREW HIGH RETREAT
Saturday, March 7 - Sunday, March 8
Levine JCC
The annual 9th Grade retreat is an integral part of Hebrew High’s program. Each year, Temple Israel and Temple Beth El students come together as one community, as we spend time performing mitzvot, interacting with special guests, doing art/music projects, bonding with new friends, and much more. This year’s retreat weekend will focus on Jewish identity and Israel. The retreat is required for all 8th grade students in Hebrew High. A student who, for any reason, cannot attend the retreat will be given a written make-up assignment.

LUAU LOUNGE NIGHT
Wednesday, March 11
6:00-7:00pm
JCC Teen Lounge
Ever dreamed of living in Hawaii? Join your friends for a fun and laid back Hawaiian luau party complete with “mocktails,” tropical shish kabobs, and luau-themed games.
$5/per person- includes dinner.

B’NAI MITZVAH
MAZEL TOV TO OUR B’NAI MITZVAH

Mylie Fox Slomka
March 7, 2015
Parents: Ira & Stacey Slomka
For her Mitzvah project, Mylie collected Art and Music supplies for the Maksam in Hadera, Israel.

Emma Morgan Lesack
March 21, 2015
Parents: Warren Lesack & Michelle Lesack
Emma took advantage of many Temple Israel volunteer opportunities for her Mitzvah project.

ICE CREAM OLYMPICS
Sunday, March 29
1:00-3:30pm
Drop-off & Pick-Up at William Davie Park
The 2015 Ice Cream Olympics will commence on March 29th, in William Davie Park. Join us for this crazy event where we play games with ice cream and end up having a huge ice cream fight at the end!!! Everyone needs to bring a half-gallon of ice cream as your admission charge. This WILL be a very messy event, so dress accordingly in clothes that can get reeeeeeally messy and BRING a TOWEL
to dry off after we hose off all the stickiness! **Free Event- Must bring a HALF-GALLON of Ice Cream for admission.**

**BONIM YOUTH GROUP**

**6th & 7th Grades**

**BANANAS in PAJAMAS- MOVIE NIGHT OUT**

Saturday, February 7

6:30-10:00pm

*Drop-off and Pick-Up @ Cinebarre in Arboretum*

Join your friends at the Cinebarre for a fun movie night, including ice cream sundaes. We will kick-off the night outside the movie theatre with Havdallah. Come wearing your favorite PJs, and be entered for an iTunes gift card.

$15/TI-Y members; $20/non-members

**PURIM CARNIVAL VOLUNTEERS WANTED!**

**6th-12th Grades**

**Sunday, March 1**

11:30-1:30pm or 1:30-3:30pm

Fill your Community Service requirement at the TI-Youth Game Booths at this year’s Community-wide Purim Carnival. This is always a great family fun event!

*MUST SIGN-UP AHEAD OF TIME!*

**MAHAR YOUTH GROUP**

**3rd-5th Grades**

**ICE SKATING & HOT COCOA**

Sunday, February 8

12:30-3:30pm

*Drop-off & Pick-Up at TIRS*

Is there really a better way to spend a cold wintery day than at an ice rink? Price includes ice-skating, skate rental, and hot chocolate. Don’t forget to bring socks.

$15/TI-Y members; $25/non-members.

*RSVP by Wednesday, February 4th to reserve your spot!*

**CHOCOLATE SEDER**

Sunday, March 8

12:30-3:00pm

*Drop-off & Pick-Up at TIRS*

Chocolate, chocolate...EVERYWHERE!! Join your friends for an afternoon of retelling the Passover Story with a chocolaty twist!

$10/TI-Y members; $15/non-members.

*RSVP by Wednesday, March 4th to reserve your spot!*

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R. Monty Bennett

It has been said that there is a special and unique connection between Judaism and music. This connection has led me on a journey that has helped me discover my Jewish roots and has brought me to Temple Israel. I grew up in Northern California, the only child of Catholic parents. I was an infant when my father passed away. My mother was very close to my grandparents, who attended church regularly and stressed the importance of being part of a religious community.

At an early age, music became part of my life. I took music lessons in Junior High and High School, at Stanford University and Santa Clara University, and graduated from the University of California, Santa Barbara with a degree in music performance. A new job brought me east to South Carolina in 1992, and two years later I came to Charlotte. Music has enabled me to travel and perform around the world as an organist, accompanist and conductor. My musical journey has included performances at churches and universities throughout this country and trips to Italy and France. It also led me to Temple Israel when I became the choir director in 2008.

I arrived at Temple Israel at the same time as I was on a religious journey. Judaism really connected with me and I enrolled in conversion classes. I quickly learned that my connection to Judaism was deeper than I imagined. I was able to trace my family roots to the late 1300’s to a small Italian town outside of Venice and its historic synagogue. There, I learned that on my mother’s side of the family I had a Jewish heritage. It was an exciting discovery. Just before my grandfather passed away, I learned that he was a butcher in Connecticut and spoke fluent Yiddish. I was finding my Judaism just as Judaism was finding me.

The opportunity to leave a lasting Jewish legacy is important to me. It is easy and enables me to give back in a way that I never imagined. It’s an opportunity for me to lead by example, so I expressed my interest before anyone had the opportunity to contact me. It gives me the chance as an ordinary person, not a major donor, to contribute to the future of a religion that is linked deeply to my past.

If you have questions regarding how to make a Legacy gift, please feel free to call Lynne Sheffer (704-201-4729). You can also contact Nancy Kipnis or Phil Warshauer of the Foundation for the Charlotte Jewish Community (704-973-4500).
LIFELONG LEARNING

ROOTS and WINGS
Taught by Rabbi Noam Raucher

4 classes:
Sun. March 8, 10:30am-noon (Teens only)
Sat. April 25, 10:30am-noon (Teens only)
Sun. May 3, 10:30am-noon (Parents only)
Sat. May 16, 8:00pm (Teens & Parents)

Don’t miss this opportunity (high school seniors and parents) for some Spiritual Prep before venturing off to college!

CAMPUS ADVOCACY FOR ISRAEL

Wednesday, February 11
7:00-9:00pm
Temple Israel

This class is designed for high school age and college age students and their parents. Participants will learn about the movements challenging the legitimacy of the State of Israel (such as “BDS” [Boycott, Divest and Sanction]) and how these movements are inspiring anti-Israel sentiment on campus.

The course will include a combined session for parents and students discussing the background and issues facing students on campus. In break-out sessions, high school students will be given the tools to further understand the battle for hearts and minds on college campuses and parents be given the resources to support their children. StandWithUs, an international Israel education organization, will present the course. For more information, please contact David Thrope (dmthrope@gmail.com).

THE STORIES OF OUR PEOPLE: Tales, Legends, and Short Stories that open the gates of Jewish Faith.

Sundays, March 1, 8, 15 & 22
11:00am-Noon
Taught by Rabbi Murray Ezring

From the time that rabbis first began reading the Torah, and the rest of the bible, they felt the need to fill in certain gaps in the story as presented in the Tannach. These stories were creative and inventive. If you saw the movie Noah, and were bewildered by the presence of stone giants, they appear in our midrash the first time. During the month of March we will be studying the stories of our people, which will include creative midrashim and other beautiful text from the history of our Rabbis. The text will include rabbinic stories, Hassidic tales and more modern short stories to entertain and deepen our understanding.

USERS GUIDE TO THE PRAYER BOOK, PART II

Sundays, March 1, 8, 15 & 22
11:00am-Noon
Taught by Cantor Elias Roochvarg

A User’s Guide To The Prayer Book, Part II will continue to address all the who’s, what’s, when’s, where’s, (and especially) how’s & why’s of the Sabbath Service.

*The above classes are FREE to all Temple Israel members. Cost for non-members is $36.
To register, contact the Clergy Office at 704-362-2796 or email (clergyoffice@templeisraelnc.org).

Participants of Rabbi Raucher’s “2 Faiths, 1 Family” class celebrate Hanukkah together!

MORE THAN JUST THE BEST BAGELS

Homemade Soups, Salads, Sandwiches and Panini.
Catering for all Occasions.
Approved Caterer for Shalom Park
704-366-8146
2921 Providence Road, Suite 102,
Charlotte, NC 28211
NEW TO CHARLOTTE OR BORN HERE? LOOKING TO MAKE NEW FRIENDS OR CONNECT WITH OLD? JOIN UP WITH TORAH ON TAP AND BUILD YOUR MODERN JEWISH SOCIAL LIFE!

Email Ariel Krusch, Director of Young Adult Engagement, at akrusch@templeisraelnc.org to be added to the listserv or “like” us on Facebook.

BYOB GAME NIGHT & HAVDALLAH
Saturday, February 7
8:00pm
The Peculiar Rabbit

GAMES, GAMES, and MORE GAMES! Ready for a friendly, but competitive evening of board & card games? Join Torah On Tap and enjoy a fun evening of Havdallah and games. You are welcome to bring your favorite board game, or just show up and play one that someone else has brought! Light nosh will be provided but this is a BYOB PARTY! FREE.

Above and Beyond Film Night at the CJFF
Sunday, February 15
7:15pm at Temple Israel

Above and Beyond is a gripping documentary, sponsored by Temple Israel, that unfolds like The Great Escape, a true-life wartime adventure story. The film celebrates the daring young pilots who volunteered to fly for Israel in the war of 1948. Though their planes were WWII junk heaps, their flight suits Nazi discards, their bravery and skill helped turn the tide of the war. Following the film, producer Nancy Spielberg will be in person for a Q&A. $10 per ticket.

JAVA JEWS
Monday, February 23 and Monday, March 30
7:00pm
Starbucks Morrocroft Harris Teeter

Join Torah On Tap for a café Torah discussion led by a member of Torah On Tap. This event is FREE & OPEN to all young professionals in the Jewish community. Come on out- meet & greet over coffee, for an hour of lively discussion. FREE

“FULL HOUSE” SHABBAT
Friday, March 20
6:15pm - Services at Temple Israel
7:30pm - Dinner at your hosts’ home

Torah On Tap invites you to a Shabbat Dinner Experience! Want to connect with other Jewish singles, couples, and young families over a Shabbat dinner? Register to be placed in a small group with one of our host families for the evening. Enjoy their customs, meet new people and celebrate Shabbat with friends! Each host will provide the entrée and you will be asked to bring a side or dessert to share. Let us know how you would like to celebrate Shabbat- we have FAMILY FRIENDLY HOSTS! Registration closes on Wednesday, March 18. FREE, BUT RSVP to Sarah Weiner at sarah.ann.weiner@gmail.com to register today!
SOCIAL ACTION
Performing Acts of Loving Kindness - Together!

HUNTINGTOWNE FARMS ELEMENTARY 5TH GRADERS PREPARE FOR TRIP TO WASHINGTON, DC

From April 30 through May 2, one hundred 5th graders from our partnership school have the opportunity to visit our nation's capital. For some of these children, this will be their first adventure away from home. This will be a memorable learning experience. However, since the cost to attend this trip is not affordable by many of the children's families, some of the kids need help.

Their itinerary includes visits to the Washington Monument, the White House, the Grave of the Unknown Soldier and Daniel's Story at the Holocaust Museum. (Note: In January, the 5th graders attended the Butterfly Project at the LJCC - visiting The Holocaust Museum in DC will be a continuation of their learning and appreciation of the Shoah.)

Our own Morry Alter produced two videos for this field trip. One video tells people how they can get involved in this effort and the other video was made during their Washington DC trip last year. Take a look and see what you think! http://vimeo.com/49646154

Here is what one 5th grader has to say about the upcoming trip:

If you would like to sponsor a 5th Grader to help them attend this exciting adventure, please contact Susan Rabinovich at 704-841-8399 or srabinovich@windstream.net. Susan will be happy to share letters with you written by kids who aspire to travel with their classmates to DC.

THANK YOU!

Many thanks to everyone who donated holiday gifts to the children at Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School. You brought smiles to many faces in December.

YOM GEMILUT HASADIM

On 1/18/15 the entire Temple Israel Community came together to perform hands on, experiential and impactful Mitzvot linked to Jewish values during Temple Israel's First Annual Yom Gemilut Hasadim. Thanks to your hard work and generosity we provided support to: Jewish Family Services, Israel, Bright Blessings, Blessings In A Back Pack, The Men’s Shelter of Charlotte, Women’s Shelter, Room in the Inn, Operation Sandwich, Ronald McDonald House, Sunrise and Carriage Club, Shalom Bayit NC, Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School and Temple Israel Social Action.

Many, many thanks to: The Team Leaders, TI Sisterhood, TI Religious School Students, TI B’nai Mitzvah Students, TI Youth Groups, Torah on Tap, TI Children’s Choir, TI Congregants, TI Clergy, TI Staff, TI Marketing, Moishe House, along to the TI Social Action Leaders responsible for our social action initiatives at Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School, Blessings In A Backpack, Room In The Inn, TIRS, and B’nai Mitzvah programs who all “Went the Extra Mile for Smiles”.

THE MEN’S SHELTER OF CHARLOTTE

Thanks to our TI Congregants’ hard work and overwhelming generosity, Temple Israel fed and clothed over 360 Men in need at the Men’s Shelter on 11/23 and 12/24. The Men’s Shelter Guests really enjoyed the hot meals and were so appreciative for the Warm Clothes and Toiletries. Special thanks to David Thrope for leading the program on 12/24, to Eric Lerner and Arthur Lavitt for donating cases of warm clothing, to the many generous Dentists for donating thousands of tubes of toothpaste and toothbrushes, and to Family Dollar, Publix, Harris Teeter, WalMart and The Fresh Market for donating gift cards to help purchase food. By providing support, hope and encouragement, together, you are helping end homelessness!

THANK YOU!
ROOM IN THE INN
Temple Israel partnered with the Urban Ministry Center to open our Temple to provide shelter and food for homeless people on 1/10, 1/24 and 1/31. Thanks to your hard work and generosity, we provided those in need a warm safe place to sleep, hot meals, and gifts of warm clothing and toiletries. Through this Mitzvah, we experienced a more personal connection with homeless people, and a deeper understanding of the depth and complexity of homelessness. A special thank you to Sandro Nascimento for leading this program, and to everyone who helped and contributed.

TEMPLE ISRAEL RELIGIOUS SCHOOL MITZVAH PROJECTS
The Religious school students have been hard at work supporting JFS with Food and Hannukah Gifts, supporting The Men’s Shelter with Toiletries, supporting Blessings In A Backpack with food, and providing love and support for Elderly at Assisted Living Facilities. We are proud of our Students, and thank Rabbi Klirs and Kathy Warshaw for their leadership and inspiration.

BOOK DRIVE FOR SHALOM PARK FREEDOM SCHOOL
Shalom Park Freedom School is looking for a few good books - 480 to be exact!
Shalom Park Freedom School has a new home for your gently used books! If your New Year’s Resolution is to discard some gently used children’s books (picture books up to chapter books) or adult books (especially parenting, self-help, or children’s workbooks), please consider donating these books to Shalom Park Freedom School.

This Summer we will send home 6 books with each of our 80 K-5th grade scholars from Sterling Elementary and Huntingtonwne Farms Elementary School to help grow their home libraries, and we will also send books home with their parents at three parent evenings.

Please bring your books in bags or boxes to the Levine-Sklut Judaic Library and Resource Center with a note on them that says, “Shalom Park Freedom School.” The kids love popular children’s books like *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* and *Captain Underpants*, and we’d also love any children’s books featuring people of color. Any questions? Please contact Library Program Director Nicole Lamparello at nlamparello@shalomcharlotte.org

Rabbi Ezring Encourages Congregants to Fight Domestic Abuse
“If we take one step to help, we can change our future.” This is how Rabbi Ezring urged congregants to stand up in the battle against domestic abuse in our Jewish community. In his remarks on October 25th, during Domestic Violence Awareness Month, Rabbi Ezring talked about how difficult it is to break the cycle of violence in an abusive home or relationship. “But the moment it is recognized for what it is, there is tremendous hope, and there are resources available that can help stop that cycle.” He encouraged anyone who thinks they might be at risk to contact the clergy at Temple Israel, the professionals at Jewish Family Services or the lay resources at Shalom Bayit. “If you know of a family, get them help,” Rabbi Ezring concluded.

For more information on domestic abuse and available resources see www.shalombayit-nc.org.

Monty Bennett (left), Membership/Engagement Director and Social Action Chair Jonathan Berger offered purple pins during Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LEADING OR GETTING INVOLVED IN SOCIAL ACTION PROGRAMS AT TEMPLE ISRAEL?
If so, please contact Jonathan Berger-Chairman of TI Social Action at either jbergertisa@gmail.com or 704-995-1732. The “Temple Israel Social Action Fund” is a great placed to give Tzedakah, to provide support to so many who are in need, in honor or memory of those who you love.
The Mission of the Rose Room, Temple Israel's Gift Shop, run by Sisterhood, is to provide the Jewish community a place to find Judaica items to create a Jewish home and support Jewish Life Cycle events.

The current chair people of the Rose Room are Cindy Jennes and Tess Berger. We asked Tess about her experiences working in the gift shop for the past 14 years: About 14 years ago when I first moved to Charlotte, I needed to find a place to spend some of my time that provided me with friendships and a purpose. Rose Luski and Rose Weissman, along with Hushi Silverstein, Hilda Goldman and Thelma Wertzberger invited me to become the ‘Wednesday gal’ at the gift shop. Each week I welcomed folks into the shop and helped them to decide which piece of Judaica they were going to take home. My favorite thing to this day is to take part in the “choosing of the Bar/Bat Mitzvah Tallit.” This is often a long process as we keep many different styles in stock, but when the choice is made and the smiles appear on everyone faces, I know that The Rose Room has fulfilled one of its major purposes.

The Rose Room is a vibrant and ongoing project of the Sisterhood. The revenues are used to fund the Sisterhood Youth Program Fund, projects at TIRS, and many ongoing programs at Temple Israel including the synagogue kitchen. It is Sisterhood's largest fundraiser. Plus, Sisterhood members get a discount if they shop during the week!

Cindy and I feel that it is a privilege to be buyers for The Rose Room, and we hope the selection of items provides everyone in our Jewish community a place to purchase a beautiful piece of Judaica as a gift or for their own home. We welcome you to stop in for a visit or to check out our window when you come to the synagogue. Maybe you will see an item that needs to come home with you!!

Finally, thank you to all of our wonderful Sisterhood volunteers who staff the shop. We couldn’t keep The Rose Room open without you!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

Thursday, February 5
Shake It with Your Sisters Zumba class (6:45pm)
Join us for a fun class taught by Lynn Addy, at the LJCC. Refreshments served afterwards! Please contact Tamar Raucher, tamarknoller@gmail.com or Sara Abadi, sfabadi@gmail.com with your RSVP or any questions. Free/Members; $5/non-members.

Friday, February 6
Sisterhood Friday night services and Dessert Oneg Shabbat (8:00pm)
Special Guest: Ellen Vinocur Potash, Southern Region President of Women’s League for Conservative Judaism.

Sunday, February 8
Sisterhood Brunch & Discussion (10:00am)
Learn what Sisterhoods do for our temples, and enjoy a delicious brunch with our guest, Ellen Vinocur Potash.

SAVE THE DATE: SUNDAY, MARCH 22
Charosets Around The World
information forthcoming!

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.
Here it is, already February of the New Year. Time surely flies when you are having fun, and that’s what the Social Club is all about – FUN! We ended our year in December with our great Annual Classic Hanukkah luncheon. A good time was had by all! We started off the New Year in January with an extremely educational Mint Museum tour of the Panama Canal, now 100 years old.

By now the flyers have gone out for our next outing, the Tony Award winning show:

**How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying.**
Sunday, February 22 at 2:30pm
Halton Theatre @ CPCC (Kings Drive & 4th Street)
This is one of the really great Broadway shows, and if you have not seen it this is your opportunity to have an enjoyable Sunday afternoon, followed by a dinner out with friends. We only have a limited number of tickets (20 to be exact). If you are interested and misplaced your flyer, please contact Irv Swartz (704-969-3149) for details and to see if tickets are still available.

If you have not sent in your membership dues, please do so as soon as possible as our Paid-Up Membership Luncheon is coming up in March:

**Annual Paid Up Membership Luncheon**
Sunday, March 15 at 12:30pm
Leon & Sandra Levine Social Hall
In addition to our annual luncheon, we will also have Stephanie Starr, Executive Directors of Jewish Family Services, as our speaker. So, if you haven’t yet sent in your dues, send them now to Douglas Mann so that you don’t miss out on our only-totally-free annual function!

*It’s coming...What?...We do not know yet...When?...Only a couple know...Where?...That’s the mystery...So keep your eyes and ears open so you can learn how to solve it.*

If you are looking for that different gift, a membership in The Social Club could be the start of something that lasts a lifetime. Call Ruth Goldberg (704) 366-8903 for more information.
TU BISHVAT CELEBRATION
Sunday, February 8
1:30-3:30pm (rain or shine)
Hebrew Cemetery

Temple Israel Members of all ages (child friendly) are welcome to join in the celebration of Tu Bishvat on Sunday February 8th at the Hebrew Cemetery (1801 Statesville Ave). During this event, we will plant 40 trees at the Cemetery.

Our community’s clergy will lead us in prayer and teach us about the mitzvot associated with the holiday of Tu Bishvat. Following the planting and activities, tours will be available for those who wish to learn more about our Community’s oldest Jewish institution.

For more information, please contact Sandra Goldman at: director@hebrewcemetery.org or Brian Yesowitch at byshalomch@gmail.com. This event is a collaboration between the Hebrew Cemetery Association and TreesCharlotte. Sandra Goldman is the Director of HCA, and Tammy Seigel is the Programs Director of TreesCharlotte.

CANTOR AND FRIENDS

Music lovers in Europe had a wonderful custom: in France it was called a “Soirée Musicale” and in Germany & Austria, a “Liederabend” (evening of song). At Temple Israel, you can join Cantor Elias Roachvarg for his series of monthly “musicales” (with accompaniment by Monty Bennett) for a delightful afternoon of music and surprises!

February 1 - More Love Songs
March 1 - Songs Inspired by the Bible
April 12 - Folk Songs From Around the World
May 3 - My Favorite Theater Songs

UPCOMING SPECIAL SHABBATS

Saturday, February 28
Legacy Shabbat

Join us for Shabbat service, followed by a special Kiddush, as we pay tribute to the individuals and families who have created a legacy gift and named Temple Israel as a beneficiary.

Saturday, March 14
Volunteer Shabbat

Join us for Shabbat service, followed by a special Kiddush, as we pay tribute to the individuals and families that donate their generous time and resources to Temple Israel and our many programs.
The 1st Temple Israel Community Seder held last March, was an amazing experience. The food was delicious, the seder was inspiring and the tables were beautifully decorated. While the seder was led by Rabbi Ezring, everything else was accomplished by volunteers with the aid of TI administrative staff. The ruach (spirit) and feeling of community that developed during this group effort was truly uplifting.

**THIS YEAR’S SEDER WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, APRIL 4**
(Services at 5:30pm, Seder 6pm-9pm)

Here are two ways to get involved with the **2015 Community Seder** led by Rabbi Noam Raucher and various community leaders.

1. **Volunteer** – Everyone can help in some way. Join us on **Tuesday, February 10 at 7:30pm** for an informational meeting to learn about volunteer opportunities with this great community endeavor. (It’s also a great way to reserve a spot for you and your family ahead of time!)
   To volunteer please call Don and Shevi Herbstman at 704-752-1910.

2. **Join us at the Seder as a guest** – BUT MAKE A RESERVATION FIRST!
   **Reservation deadline is Saturday – March 21st.**

   Cost of the Seder: $30/adult, $15/child. Please RSVP to Terri Cathcart at 704-362-2796.

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**CHARLOTTE JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL**

Don’t miss the 11th Annual Charlotte Jewish Film Festival, which kicks off on Saturday, February 14 with **Marvin Hamlisch: What He Did For Love**. This year’s festival features 14 foreign and domestic films that include documentaries, dramas, romantic comedies and action thrillers.

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**Sunday, February 15**

**ABOVE AND BEYOND**

**7:00pm**

On **Sunday, February 15 at 7:00pm**, Temple Israel is proud to partner with CJFF for a screening of the award winning film, **ABOVE AND BEYOND**, produced by Nancy Spielberg (Elusive Justice) and directed by Roberta Grossman.

In 1948, just three years after the liberation of Nazi death camps, a group of Jewish American pilots answered a call for help. They smuggled planes out of the U.S., trained behind the Iron Curtain and flew for Israel in its War of Independence. As members of Machal – “volunteers from abroad” – this ragtag band of brothers not only turned the tide of the war; they embarked on personal journeys of discovery and renewed Jewish pride.

**Above and Beyond** is their story. The first major feature-length documentary about the foreign airmen in the ‘48 War, **Above and Beyond** brings together new interviews with the pilots and stunning aerial footage to present a fascinating, little-known tale filled with heart, heroism and high-flying chutzpah.

*Producer Nancy Spielberg is scheduled to appear.*

**Dessert Reception sponsored by Patty, Bill, Stacey, Todd, Gabi, Rael & Marcelle Gorelick.**

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**AWARDS**

**Audience Award Winner**
2014 Philadelphia Jewish Film Festival

**Audience Award for Best Documentary**
2014 Rutgers Jewish Film Festival

**Audience Award for Best Documentary**
2014 Chicago Festival of Israeli Cinema

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The following additional screenings will also take place at Temple Israel:

**Saturday, February 14**

Marvin Hamlisch: What He Did For Love
Time: 7:15pm

**Tuesday, February 17**

My Italian Secret: The Forgotten Heroes
Time: 7:15pm

**Wednesday, February 18**

Run Boy Run
Time: 7:15pm

**Thursday, February 19**

Beneath the Helmet: From High School to the Home Front
Time: 7:15pm

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www.TempleIsraelnc.org
For 18 years, Temple Israel has been involved in an interfaith dialogue with Dr. James Howell, currently of Myers Park United Methodist Church. Over the years, Rabbi Ezring & Dr. Howell have become good friends and are not afraid to approach any subject in their discussions together, no matter how delicate.

With this next interfaith dialogue, the Rabbi and Dr. Howell will discuss the meaning of the land of Israel for both Jews and Christians.

For additional information, contact Linda Levy (704/366-6362, levyollie@aol.com).
RELATIONAL JUDAISM WEEKEND
Dr. Ron Wolfson Returns!

We’re thrilled to welcome award-winning author, and visionary educator, Dr. Ron Wolfson back to Charlotte. Please join members of both Temple Israel & Temple Beth El for the following Shabbat programs:

FRIDAY, MARCH 27 - Temple Beth El
Shabbat Services, 7:00pm “Blessing and Kisses: the Power of Jewish Family Life”

SATURDAY, MARCH 28 - Temple Israel
Shabbat Services*, 9:30am “Building Good Tents: Envisioning the Relational Synagogue of the 21st century”

*A special Kiddush will follow services.
Following Kiddush, Dr. Wolfson will present, “Beyond Maxwell House: How to Have the Greatest Seder Ever!”

We hope you will join us on this very special Shabbat!
YOM GEMILUT HASADIM
(Day of Service)
2015

A HUGE Thank you to the 300+ people who volunteered at our 1st Annual YOM GEMILUT HASADIM! It was a great opportunity to come together and provide love, support and assistance to so many children, individuals, and families who are in need.

In addition to all of the food, clothing, and toiletries that were collected, and the valuable services that were performed, Temple Israel collected approx. $1,500 in Tzedakah.
On November 22, 2014, Temple Israel proudly honored Cantor Elias Roachvarg for his 20 years of dedication to our synagogue and congregation.
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**MONDAY**

**TUESDAY**

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**THURSDAY**

**FRIDAY**

**SATURDAY**

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Yahrzeit
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For a speedy recovery
By Thursday Morning Minyanaires

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In memory of David Cohen, your cousin
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Mickey Cohen
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By Irving & Lillian Bienstock

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By Morey & Lynne Sheffer

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In honor of the birth of your granddaughter
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In honor of your birthday
By Les & Mary Gordon
In memory of Ira Madans
By David Hirsch

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By Richard & Barbara Herd
By Gary & Stacey Schuler
By David & Irene Share
By David & Beth Thorpe

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In appreciation of both of you
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In honor of lighting up my life
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By Robert & Joyce Stoll
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By Leon & Sandra Levine

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Ellen Dubin
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By Mikhail & Alla Mogilevsky

Denise Johnson
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In memory of Esther Block
By Allan & Marcelle Oxman
By George & Lois Schneider

Malka Me-Zahav
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In honor of your 65th anniversary
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John Stone
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By Queen City Chavurah

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Yahrzeit
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Yahrzeit
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Louis Dumont
Yahrzeit
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In honor of the birth of your daughter
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In honor of your marriage
By Baila Pransky

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In memory of Iris Shapiro
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Happy Hanukkah
By Monty Bennett

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In appreciation of Sophia Bernhardt’s baby naming
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In honor of your spiritual leadership & devotion to the congregation
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Thank you for your help for Lauren’s Bat Mitzvah
By Darren & Staci Mond
In honor of you officiating at our wedding
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In memory of Elizabeth Fox
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In honor of your friendship, Happy Hanukkah
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Ruth Silverman
In honor of your birthday
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In honor of your 20th anniversary of service to Temple Israel
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In memory of Joanne Zukerman Lebovit
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In honor of your daughter's Bat Mitzvah
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In honor of the birth of your twin grandsons
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In honor of the birth of your daughter
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Paul Rubenstein
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Supporting
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By Darren Hirsch

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By Alvin & Rachel Goodman
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In honor of your son's engagement
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By Donald & Susan Jacobs
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Yahrzeit
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Anne Weiss
In honor of your dedication and hard work to Temple Israel
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By Deane Boxer

Ida Levine Citron
By Deane Boxer

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By Jeffrey & Myra Brinn

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By Georgeana Rippner

Sidney Seff
By George & Lois Schneider

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By George & Lois Schneider

Fred Lewin
By George & Lois Schneider

Howard Seff
By George & Lois Schneider

Helen Solow
By Robert & our children - Rick, Gary & Cindy Solow

Sylvia Solow
By Bob Solow

Rose Koslow
By Harriet Warschaw

Julius Weinstock
By Barnett & Harriet Weinstock

Shirley Kramer
By Murray Spitzer

Mary Brigham
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By Joseph & Marilee Kodsi

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Thank you for your warm hospitality & the beauty
Michael brings to minyan services
By Fern Ingber

Stuart Ostrow Youth Fund

Bass Family
In memory Minnie Bass
By Lauren Ostrow

Irwin Weiner
In memory of Marsha Weiner
By Lauren Ostrow

Adina Loewensteiner
In memory of your grandmother
By Stephen & Beth Stillitano

Sunday Morning Minyan Breakfast Fund

Ruth Silverman
In honor of your birthday
By Julius & Mae Goldman

Barry Bobrow & Karen Knoble
Into God’s Hand I Commit My Spirit

The Solitary Flame of the Yahrzeit light is a silent tribute to the preciousness and eternity of the human soul. Attending services, reciting Kaddish and contributing to tzedakah (charity) are appropriate ways to commemorate your loved one’s memory.

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MAY THEIR MEMORIES BE A BLESSING
*Denotes a plaque

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Max Bierman*
Eugene Brenner
Irving Brickman
Fannie Brodsky
Paul Brouthers
Barry Bukatman*
Agatha Campbell
Daniel Cherqui
Josephine B. Cohen
Albert Cohen
David Dubin*
Albert Cohen*
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Daniel Cherqui
Agatha Campbell
Barry Bukatman*
Paul Brouthers

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 13
Louis Abramovitz*
Marjorie Bazar*
Florence Bennett
Lillian Berman
Ruth Birnbach
Sidney Blumenreich
Max Bressman*
Jacob “Jake” Burgen
Edna Cilento*
Arthur Frank*
Ed Goldberg
Mildred Goldberg
Paul Goldberg*
Rebecca Goldman
Dave Goodman*
Hadasah Gottessman
Max Grill*
Benjamin Hackel
Adele Heeneys
Abraham Helbein*
Bahiia Husney
Esther Jacoby*
Moses Jaffa*
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Andrea Seitel
Reba Silverstein*
Joseph Sims
Marie Steiner*
Frederick Swartz
Bessie Wallace*
Arline Warshauer
Lawrence Watt
Rachel Weinstein*
Milton Wirth
Sanford Wruble

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Jack Ashendorf*
Sophie Barer
Louis Belsky*
Lena Berlin
Bert Bodenheimer
Louis Bodner
Theresa Brier*
Irwin Burack
David Cathcart
Isaac Goldberg*
Miriam Daumit
Gary Davis
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David Goldberg*
Sydonia Goldberg*
Samuel Goldberg*
Irving L. Greenman*
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Abraham Gallender
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Marian Glasser*
Philip Glazier*
Estelle Gold*
Mildred Goodman*
Herman Gould
Marsha Greenberg*
Jack Greenfield*
Alice Greenman*
Herman A. Grossman*
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Joseph Hockfield*
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Dorothy P. Katz
Charlotte Katz*
Hyman Katzen*
Alfred Kessler*
Sue Kraft*
Rivka Kutchei
Gertrude Lane
Sol Levine*
Alex Levy
Nathan Levy*
Robert Mintz
Gregory Mogilevsky
Joseph Newman
Bess Oppenheimer
Henry Ostrow
John Pransky*
Irving Purcel
Samuel Rabinowitz*
Sessie Ransenberg*
Mordechai Richardson
Marilyn Roth*
Ida Roussos*
Louis Rubin
Julian Saly*
Esther Sandberg*
Josephine Scott
Rose Seid*
Lillian Sideman*
Ethel Silver*
Morris Sklut*
Ida Cohen Smith*
William Sommerstein*
Henry Spitzer
Julius Stern*
Henry Tager*
Joseph Vogel
Samuel Weber

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