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KOL YISRAEL

APRIL - MAY 2015 / NISAN – IYAR - SIVAN 5775
JUNE 2015

MON, JUNE 1
Shalom Park Partners: A Celebration of Leadership, 7:00pm
Temple Israel Book Club, 7:30pm

WED, JUNE 3
TIRS Town Hall, 7:00pm

SAT, JUNE 6
Bar Mitzvah of Jack Meltsner, 9:30am
Bat Mitzvah of Paige Finkelstein, 5:30pm

FRI, JUNE 19
(Kickoff To Summer!) Oneg prior to Shabbat Services, 5:30pm

SAT, JUNE 20
The Wisdom of Temple Israel Shabbat, 9:30am
Kavanah with Yoga (@LJCC), 9:30am

SAT, JUNE 27
The Wisdom of Temple Israel Shabbat, 9:30am

JULY 2015

WED, JULY 1
Evening Of Study: A Dialogue About the History of Kohen and Levi Aliyot, 6:30pm

SUN, JULY 5
Cantor & Friends: An Afternoon of Americana Music, 4:00pm

SAT, JULY 11
The Wisdom of Temple Israel Shabbat, 9:30am

FRI, JULY 17
(“Ice Scream, You Scream…” ) Oneg prior to Shabbat Services, 5:30pm
Rock HaShabbat, 6:15pm

SAT, JULY 18
The Wisdom of Temple Israel Shabbat, 9:30am
Kavanah with Yoga (@LJCC), 9:30am

FRI, JULY 31
Lag B’Av Oneg prior to Services, 5:30pm

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
June 5, 8:16pm
June 12, 8:19pm
June 19, 8:22pm
June 26, 8:23pm
July 3, 8:23pm
July 10, 8:21pm
July 17, 8:18pm
July 24, 8:14pm
July 31, 8:08pm

WEEKLY SUMMER 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

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.

Yom Yerushalayim Picnic - May 2015
RABBI EZRING’S COLUMN

During the month of May we completed the reading of the book of Leviticus. Leviticus is a strange book of the bible. It is placed in the very center of the five books of Moses. Yet, many biblical scholars teach us that the book of Leviticus is from a time later than most of the Torah narrative. It may date from the time of the Second Temple. The name Leviticus is given to this third book of the Torah because it stresses the role of the Levites, both the Levites and the Kohen. Within the columns of Leviticus, we find the section of Torah that is often referred to as the holiness code. God declares that the people of Israel shall be holy because “I the Lord your God am Holy.” But what does holiness mean?

To many, the word Kedushah or holiness refers to uniquely Israelite or Jewish ritual observances. Our mode of prayer, the way we eat, the ritual garments we wear like tallit and tefillin, and the times that the Torah itself declares holy. It is sad that if we look at holiness solely within the ritual sphere, it turns our religious actions, thoughts, and theology into a hollow shell. Others read the book of Leviticus and find that there is not only concern about religious life and rituals, but also a tremendous emphasis on the way we treat other people, about the way we do business, and the way we treat the belongings of others. In Leviticus 19, we read first viahafta lereha kamoha love your neighbor (one who is like you) as yourself. Later in the same chapter, we are taught to love the one who is a stranger as we love ourselves.

It is clear to me, and to Rabbis throughout the ages, that the importance of Leviticus being placed central in the Torah is to teach us all that Judaism does not see a difference between the way we live our ritual lives, relative to God, and what we consider civil law which guides our behavior with other human beings. For 120 years, Temple Israel has maintained the unity of Jewish law: teaching the importance of a positive relationship with God, the importance of maintaining ritual observances in our home and in the synagogue, and knowing how to treat the people with whom we live.

Temple Israel stands at a gateway to a new era as we approach our 120th Anniversary. There are large questions we must ask ourselves. The book of Leviticus can be our guide. There is a strong emphasis in our synagogue family on the treatment of human beings, whether they are part of the Jewish community or part of the general community here in Charlotte. As we move forward celebrating our 120th Anniversary, will we be able to maintain the balance not only in our synagogue, but also in our homes, and within our families, no matter where we are? Can we ensure that our commitment to other people is founded in our faith in God, and in the Torah, which Moshe Rabeinu, Moses the great teacher, handed down to the people of Israel? Will we be able to serve others with a sense of mitzvah or commandedness? Helping others is not supposed to be a simple choice that Jews make. It is an obligation; an obligation to fulfill the mitzvot commanded by our Creator. Will we learn that our ritual life is only as important as that which we garner from it? Will we see in other people the image of God? Do we understand that God creates Jew and non-Jew, all races, in God’s image?

We are God’s hands and we are God’s feet. Our task is to fill the hearts of those who are lonely, those who are in pain, and those who are in need. Through these actions we strengthen our personal commitments to God and to Jewish ritual, which express the holiness of our relationship to both human and divine.

May the next 120 years bring that balance in life to all of us. And may we, as our synagogue family, come to enjoy the age of 120 years.

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–Rabbi Murray Ezring
Our Strategic Plan adopted by your board, clergy and staff includes a goal that defines responsibility and accountability for the financial strength of Temple Israel. Our strategic goal:

“Through good stewardship of its financial resources, Temple Israel attains financial stability and predictability.”

A successful Annual Campaign achieved only by your increased financial support will help Temple Israel achieve this goal. I would like to share with you some important reminders as to why a synagogue community is so important:

**Temple Israel’s role in sustaining core values and principles of Jewish life**

- There is proof through our 120 year legacy that a strong synagogue community led by dedicated clergy will sustain Judaism for the future.
- Synagogues have a unique role in teaching our people and families how to make their lives more meaningful in relation to our core values: God and Torah.
- Financial support of the synagogue enables the continuity of what people and families expect, want and need for the future.

**Why do people support synagogues?**

- There is need for spirituality, meaning and purpose in our busy world.
- The best place to learn how to be Jewish is through involvement in a synagogue community.
- The synagogue is a place of primary support and comfort in life’s most difficult and important times.
- People want their children, grandchildren and future generations to have the Jewish experiences and learning they had.
- It is a place to celebrate Shabbat and holidays.
- It is a place to build relationships with each other and God.

Providing the relational community you want, with engaged clergy, requires funding. Operational excellence comes from having quality staff and up-to-date technology. A beautiful sanctuary and well maintained building require monetary resources as does educating our children. I thank you for all the financial support you have provided in the past and will provide for our future.

Warmest regards,

Lynne
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**TEMPLE ISRAEL OPERATING GOALS**

In an effort to provide better operating efficiency, we have adjusted our program administration process. To keep you on track, please see below for the important dates you need to know:

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WARNING: Over the next few months (perhaps even a year) you will be reading a lot about trees in my column. The symbol for our 120th anniversary is a big, beautiful tree. So you can bet that I will have a reference here and there. Take a look at the cover of the bulletin for the image and tagline.

_Pirkei Avot_, also known as “Ethics of Our Fathers”, conveys a lesson about the value of wisdom, and the value of labor. Guess what image it uses for that lesson? A tree. Here is that lesson:

Rabbi Eleazar taught, “One whose wisdom exceeds their work, to what may they be compared? To a tree whose branches are numerous but whose roots are few. The wind comes along and uproots it and sweeps it down.

But one whose works exceed his wisdom, to what can he be compared? To a tree whose branches are few, but whose roots are numerous. Then even if all the winds of the world come along and blow against it they cannot stir it from its place.”

We’ve got some great ideas and some deep wisdom behind our plans for the 120 celebration. But as the lesson demonstrates, wisdom is not enough. We are going to need to work hard to make it all happen. In May our team of professionals and dedicated Temple Israel family members, spanning all ages, gathered to brainstorm what our celebration will look like. And we did so anchored by two goals:

1. To celebrate together, as community, our past 120 years, and welcoming the next 120 years.

2. To ensure our celebration is tangibly felt in the Temple Israel family, the greater Jewish community, and the Queen City herself.

These goals keep us rooted. And they remind us that we are all going to have to get our hands dirty to make our celebration a success. Our community was built by the vision and labor of generous members of our community. And this community must be sustained by our efforts today.

There is one more part to our previous lesson. Rabbi Eleazar supports his theory that a rooted tree is stronger than a tree with numerous branches. He quotes the prophet Jeremiah (17:8) who describes the beauty of the rooted tree. It reads:

As it is said, ‘One shall be like a tree planted by waters, sending forth its roots by a stream; it does not sense the coming of heat; its leaves are ever fresh; it has no care in a year of drought, it does not cease to yield fruit.’

We are that well rooted tree. And it is our time to take advantage of the strength those roots have to offer, and blossom into a year that will not cease to yield fruit.

_Our community was built by the vision and labor of generous members of our community. And this community must be sustained by our efforts today._

_-Rabbi Noam Raucher_

**THANK YOU FOR PASSOVER**

I cannot believe that it has already been two months since we celebrated Passover. All that hard work went by so quickly. If your Passover memories are anything like mine, then you have some great images running through your head. There was so much pressure for the first night seder to be a success. As it turns out, our homes were filled with family and friends celebrating throughout the meal! And the second night was a great time to relive those same memories over and over again.

Which is exactly what we did here with our Temple Israel family. I still hear 130 of our closest relatives singing and laughing from the beginning of the seder to the very end. It was so amazing to look around the room as each table added their own personality to our ancient ritual. Even though our plates were full of tasty food, it was the conversation around the table that made the experience delicious.

And the best memory of all? That our community seder was created and brought to you by our own family. No caterers or formal waiters. Just the loving handiwork of our dedicated bubbies and zaydes, moms and dads, sisters and brothers; family one and all. Each one of us played a part. And through the vision of Don and Shevi Herbstan, Shellie and Harvey Barer, Malka Mezahav, and dozens of volunteers, our community was motivated - much like the Israelites of long ago - to travel from slavery to freedom together. As a rabbi and Jew, I could not be more proud of our efforts together. Thank you, all, for everything you did to make this year’s community seder so wonderful. If next year is in Jerusalem, then may we all be privileged to be there together, as a family.

_- Rabbi Noam Raucher_
So what DO three hundred or so cantors DO when they get together? Our convention this year was in Chicago, and we: sang, learned, compared notes and swapped stories, prayed, sang some more, heard outstanding concerts covering the breadth of musical styles, spent time with old colleagues, met new ones, were addressed by Chicago’s Mayor, sang some more, discussed current issues of synagogue life, basked in warm collegiality, and then we sang some more!

Monday there was a session on the importance of inclusion; how to make Judaism, rituals and life cycle events accessible (and not just physically) to those with challenges. One of the presenters reminded us that Moses himself had a speech impediment, and asked, “Was he the best man for the job in spite of his disabilities, or because of them?” Another colleague, three of whose four children are on the Autism spectrum, told us of her unrelenting advocacy over the years to make sure that the religious, as well as public schools her children attended, met their needs. That was an issue with which I personally could easily identify.

There were two sessions on the starting and maintenance of Youth and Teen choirs; one session, led by Rabbi Chuck Simon of the Federation of Jewish Mens Clubs, addressed how to make Haftarot come alive for adolescents. I was pleased to realize that I already incorporate some of his ideas into my Bar Mitzvah instruction. The other session consisted of a wonderful talk by the Cantors Assembly’s Executive Director, who is retiring, after almost 40 years, from his congregational pulpit. His talk was called something like, “Mistakes I have made, and what I learned from them.”

The Marshall Meyer Rabbinical and Cantorial Seminary in Argentina has trained many Cantors who now serve American congregations. These Cantors have put together a soon-to-be-published anthology of liturgical chants with a Latino flavor, which I will receive as soon as it is published. So don’t be surprised if you start hearing a tango or samba in shul!

“Was he the best man for the job in spite of his disabilities, or because of them?”
- Cantor Elias Roochvarg
Temple Israel is a community of many houses:

Our many houses require clergy and professional staff, utilities, maintenance (physical plant, grounds and systems), security and attention. All of our houses have allocable costs.

We need to ensure a sustainable, progressive operating budget by addressing this gap and increasing our collective annual capital commitments to our community.

The goal:
Move our congregational commitment to $1,265,000, an increase of $150,000 (13.5%).

The “stretch” goal:
An increase of $250,000, almost 50% of our current gap.

These goals create positive momentum and move us forward. Please consider doing your part by making a stretch commitment.

Thank you in advance and L’shalom,
David H. Rosenthal
Treasurer, Temple Israel
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What will be your commitment to defining our future and moving our community forward?
LIFE EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR CONDOLENCES TO

- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Bernice Rotberg, mother of Michael Rotberg, and grandmother of Emily Cronin and David Rotberg.

- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Larisa Zilber, sister of Eugene Zilber.

- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Gloroya Covel Smith, mother of Julie Smallman (Scott), grandmother of Miriam and Abigail Smallman.

- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Esther "Chickie" Newman, sister of Bunny Bramson.

- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Sandra Adler, mother Robert Adler (Amy), grandmother of Danielle and Elliott Adler.

- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Jay Wilensky, husband of June Wilensky, father of Marcie William (Chris), Sheri Thacker, and Holly Katz, and grandfather of Avery, Seth, Finley, and Zachary.

- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Arnold Prystowsky, father of Joel Prystowsky.

- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Elizabeth Hirsch, mother of Alan Hirsch (Debbie), and David Hirsch. Grandmother to Brian Hirsch (Jessica), Scott Hirsch (Don), Joshua Hirsch (Courtney) and Adriane Hirsch. Great-grandmother to Jacob, Emily, Ryan, and Evan.

- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Alec Levey, brother of Irene Share.

- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Esther Kaufman, mother of Judie Van Glish (Mike), Grandfather to David Van Glish (Debra) and Melissa Van Glish. Great-grandmother to Jordan, Ethan and Shayna.

- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Joan Slade, mother of Peter (Judy), Michael (Corinne), and Gary (Carolyn) Slade. Grandmother of Jeffrey, Debra, Shannon, Kerry, Jared and Josh. Great-grandmother of Julii, Matthew, Seth, Emma, Kaydee, Slade, Mekhi, and Katie. Great-great-grandmother of Emerson.

- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Faye Berman, mother of Helene Levine.

- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Janet Handler Jaffa, mother of Wendy Rosen (Frank), Sheryl Bauer (Mike), and Dayle Fligel (David). Grandmother of Josh Rosen (Beverly Eckard), Brian, Kevin, and Lindsay Bauer, and Sidney and Erin Fligel. Great-grandmother of Madeline and Matthew Eckard.

- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of David Joseph Meltsner, brother of Brian Meltsner (Tonya), Scott Meltsner, and Daniel Meltsner (Diana). Uncle of Maggie, Zeke, Jack, and Travis.

- It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Robert Gamlin, husband of Mary Gamlin, father of Polly and Dave (Andrea) Gamlin, grandfather of Josh Hawkey, and Daniel, Z3 and Jenna Gamlin.

BIRTHS

- Berta Straz joyfully announces the birth of her granddaughter, Faya Gittel (Pia) Straz, on February 26, 2015 in Miami Beach, FL. Proud parents are Yael and Jamie Straz, and big sister Aliyah. Proud great-grandparents are Rose and Abe Luski.

- Donald and Susan Jacobs joyfully announce the birth of their grandson, Andrew (Drew) Jacob Weiner, on March 10, 2015. Proud parents are David and Lauren Weiner of Chicago, IL.

- Todd and Stephanie Glickman joyfully welcomed the arrival of their son, Clay Isaac Glickman, on March 20, 2015. Big brother and sister, Mason and Taylor, are happy to welcome their new brother to the family.

- It is with great joy that Suzan and Michael Zukerman announce the birth of their grandson, Jaxon Li. Sleep deprived parents are Drs. Jill and Colin Stuart. Big brother is Griffin Alexander.

MAZEL TOV

Gene Kavadlo recently received news from Queens College, NY, that he has been named this year’s winner of the Castellini Award. This award, given annually to a distinguished alumnus of the school of music, was presented on May 16th at the Queens College Choral Society’s spring concert. Gene’s photo and bio appeared in the program. The award comes with a cash honorarium; Gene and his wife, Ali, traveled to New York to attend the concert.

THANK YOU

Dear Temple Israel Family and Friends,

Thank you for the kind expressions of sympathy, and for the generous contributions made in my sister, Chickie’s name. She loved coming to Charlotte and especially to Temple Israel where she was so warmly greeted by you all. She often said how happy she was to see me so well rooted. My thoughts and prayers are with you all for a long life!

Kindest regards,
Bunny Bramson

Welcome to our New Members!
(March - April, 2015)
Arielle Karro
Jonathan & Jessie Brinsfield (Alyssa)
Peter & Judy Slade

TEMPLE ISRAEL WELCOMES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Temple Israel is please to welcome Glenda Bernhardt as Temple Israel’s new Executive Director, effective June 1, 2015.

Having worked in senior positions with high profile non-profits for more than 12 years, Glenda brings a wealth of leadership, management and fund development experience. Most recently she served as Senior Development Officer for Teen Health Connection and Development Director for the Junior League of Charlotte. Both positions required strong leadership, setting strategic direction, working with board of trustees, and cultivation of volunteers, donors and corporate partnerships. Her fund development responsibilities included events, planned giving, capital campaigns, and grants writing. Earlier in her career, Glenda served as coordinator of recruitment and admissions for the Honors College at Virginia Commonwealth University, Community Relations Manager for the Jewish Community Federation of Richmond and Assistant Director at University of Maryland Hillel and Jewish Student Life Coordinator at St. Louis Hillel at Washington University.

Glenda earned a Masters Degree in Social Work and Certificate in Jewish Communal Services and Judaic Studies from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Her undergraduate degree is a BA in Psychology, Sociology and Anthropology from Ohio Wesleyan University.

Many of you already know Glenda from the leadership roles she has held and currently holds within Shalom Park. She currently serves as a Vice President of the Board of Directors for the Levine Jewish Community Center and she previously chaired the Community Relations Council for our Federation. Glenda, Brian and their three children are active members of Temple Israel.

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.
TEMPLE ISRAEL RELIGIOUS SCHOOL – MAKING BLESSINGS

By Rabbi Noam Raucher, Director of Education

There is a Jewish legend of a man who goes wandering in the wilderness. After a short trek he decided to sit down under a tree and rest. As he relaxed he picked a fruit from the tree’s branches and took a bite. After walking for so long, this bite was one of the best meals he had ever had. He sat down, rested his back against the trunk of the tree, and enjoyed the cool shade. Once the snack was finished he drifted off to sleep to the sound of a gentle river that ran by the tree.

A few hours later the man woke up re-energized. As he stood up and stretched he could see that he still has quite a journey ahead. But he knew he would not have had the strength to go on were it not for that tree. Before the man departed he put his hand on the trunk and looked up at the branches. As the wind blew through the leaves he said, “Tree, thank you for everything you have given me! I wish to bless you. I could bless you with delicious fruit, that you extend cool shade, and that you grow by a riverbed. But I know first hand that you already posses all those wonderful gifts... I’ve got it! I will bless you that your children be like you: welcoming, kind, and caring.” The man smiled and walked off.

As parents, one of the greatest blessings is when our children emulate our core values. We work hard and believe in tenants that honor and sustain life. And we hope that our children will take guidance from those values. We know that our children do not learn those values simply because we wish it to happen. We work to instill those principles in our children. And when our children honor those morals we know we have done something right, something sacred.

Transmitting these values is necessary and simple. Parents give their kids a code to live by; our essential guides for life. And, in return, children help their parents understand inherent truths about life. Each help to refine the prism through which we build our lives.

This transmission happens so naturally; I bet it is a function of our instincts. And I think underneath it all we know that this is the secret to eternity.

When our children make our values manifest in the world, our legacy becomes intact. And our presence is felt long after we have departed. But a tangible spirit is not the only goal for our children. We also long for them to share our values so we can see them celebrate life with the same joy we do. So we can see them triumphant. So that we can witness the way they make an impact on the world, caring for it and being kind.

The job becomes much bigger now. We are not just trying to raise children; we are trying to raise blessings to mankind. But that’s going to take more than just a schoolhouse to produce. It’s going to take all of us: teachers, parents, and students planting, nurturing, harvesting, and celebrating together as one to make it happen. Please join the Temple Israel Religious School and me as we plant for a year in which our blessings become tangible in this world.

“We know that our children do not learn (our) values simply because we wish it to happen.”
Rabbi Noam Raucher

MORE THAN JUST THE BEST BAGELS
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Catering for all Occasions.
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Last Day of TIRS, 2015. Thanks to teachers, students, parents and volunteers for a great year!
B’NAI MITZVAH
MAZEL TOV TO OUR B’NAI MITZVAH

Paige Gabrielle Finkelstein
June 6, 2015
Parents: Michelle and Jayat Finkelstein
Paige attends Crestdale Middle School. She is in the 7th grade. Paige has two older brother Scott and Craig whom she loves. We also have two dogs, Charlie and Sophie, that she plays with all the time. Paige has been walking for Multiple Sclerosis, in honor of her uncle, since she started to walk herself. This year she will be walking for her mitzvah project.

Jack Meltsner
June 6, 2015
Parents: Tonya and Brian Meltsner
Jack is in middle school at Randolph IB, and loves to play baseball. For his Mitzvah project, he has been volunteering with Room In The Inn at Temple Israel.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATING SENIORS, THE CLASS OF 2015!

Etgar students participate in Geniza/Book Burial Ceremony at Hebrew Cemetery - May 2015
Youth

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

Temple Israel Youth Activities 2014/2015

We have seen tremendous growth, excitement and innovation this year in the Temple Israel Youth Department. The primary goal for the Youth Department is to establish a welcoming culture for all youth in every aspect of Temple life; to build community and leadership amongst youth who participate in monthly gatherings; and to create a friendly space for new participants who might choose to be a part of the group. We have strived to create a loving environment where all youth feel accepted, wanted and comfortable enough to invite their friends along. We have seen quite a few new kids come along this year and we are very excited to see the number of kids attending events continue to grow.

This year we had fantastic GESHER Leadership Board Members, who showed great commitment throughout the year. Besides planning and executing events for their peers, they also volunteered and attended MAHAR and BONIM programs. A massive thank you to our entire GESHER Board: Alana (President), Leah, Landon, Abby, Jordan, Hannah, Eli, Ben, and Aliyah. In addition, we have a wonderful Youth Engagement Committee, whose participation and efforts have made our youth events over the last year a success. Without them many programs could simply not take place. Both the GESHER Board and the Youth Engagement Committee are already working hard at planning events for the upcoming calendar year.

Goals for the 2015/2016 school year:

1. Continue to grow enrollment and involvement in youth groups.
2. Develop new Leadership Opportunities for youth.
3. Engage youth of all ages, and their families, to create a deeper, more meaningful experience in every aspect of Temple life.

Thank you for a wonderful year!
Ariel DiDonato
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• Providing financial assistance for the Washington DC Field Trip
• Arranging for butterfly larvae for the second graders
• Delivering pumpkins for all of the classrooms
• Providing underwear and pants for when “accidents happen”
• OFFERING COUNTLESS VOLUNTEER HOURS IN THE CLASSROOM, CREATING INNUMERABLE SMILES ON THE CHILDREN’S FACES, AND PROVIDING HUNDREDS OF HUGS!

Thank you to all those people who have put in their time, energy, dollars and hugs to the children at Huntingtowne Farms Elementary. Let’s get ready to do it all over again in August!

We welcome you to join us, and to provide support and love to the students! To get involved, please contact Susan Rabinovich - Program Chairperson (srabinovich@windstream.net)

BLESSINGS IN A BACKPACK

As the school year is winding down, we would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the many people who have contributed food to the Blessings in a Backpack program at our partner school, Huntingtowne Elementary, and to the volunteers who came to stuff backpacks on Thursdays!

We still have several weeks left of school, so if you’d like to come support the program, please go online and join us one Thursday! [Website link]

Thank You So Much!!!!!
Tracy Brown
Blessings in a Backpack Chairperson

SCHOOL SUPPLY DONATIONS ARE NEEDED AND GREATLY APPRECIATED:
Shoe Boxes, egg cartons, empty paper towel and toilet paper rolls, empty boxes (assorted sizes from Cereal to smaller), Magazines (child appropriate), Lids (approx. 1 - 1/1/2” in size, no larger), and coffee cans or other similar round containers with lids.

ALSO THE FREEDOM SCHOOL IS IN NEED OF:

PLEASE DROP OFF DONATIONS AT THE FREEDOM SCHOOL DURING OUR “SET UP” DAYS (JUNE 15 – 17)
For more information and to get involved please contact Marcia Stern at chalyce@aol.com

On a final note, thank you to everyone who attended the Freedom School Movie Night at the LJCC in April. Your attendance helped to support this important Social Action Program.

TEMPLE ISRAEL SOCIAL ACTION

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 place to give Tzedakah, to provide support to so many who are in need, in honor or memory of someone you love.

FREEDOM SCHOOL AT SHALOM PARK:
June 18 – July 31

This year 80 scholars are attending the Shalom Park Freedom School, and 40 children come from Huntingtowne Farms Elementary!

Here is how you can get involved:

VOLUNTEER!
• Teen and Parent Volunteers
• Early Riser Volunteers Helping with Breakfast – 7:00am until 8:30am
• Front Desk Volunteers, Field Trip Chaperones and Afternoon Enrichment Volunteers

Preparing lunch at Men’s Shelter of Charlotte
With 200 people in attendance, Shalom Park Freedom School’s 4th annual movie fundraiser, on April 30 at the Sam Lerner Center for Cultural Arts, featured the documentary, Rosenwald, the remarkable story of Jewish philanthropist Julius Rosenwald, President and Chairman of Sears from 1908-1932. Despite not having graduated from high school or college, Rosenwald partnered with Booker T. Washington from the 1910s into the early 1930s to build over 5,000 schools in African-American communities in the rural South.

The documentary also showed Rosenwald’s other major philanthropic accomplishments: the building of black YMCAs, funding upcoming African-American artists, painters and performers, such as Ralph Ellison, Langston Hughes, and Marian Anderson, and funding future scientists and doctors, such as African-American Dr. Charles Drew, whose research on the preservation of blood plasma saved the lives of thousands of GIs.

What drove Rosenwald to help the African American community? One factor was that he saw the parallels in the fear of threats and violence confronting both Jews and Blacks: the KKK and Jim Crow threatened black people, and Russia was oppressing Jews with pogroms and discriminatory laws. Another factor was that after an eye opening visit to the Tuskegee Institute, Rosenwald was informed by Booker T. Washington that what was needed most in the rural South were schools for black children, who were otherwise consigned to menial field work. The Rosenwald schools became the rallying cry for education, the heart of these communities.

Emily Zimmern, President of the Levine Museum of the New South, introduced the Rosenwald documentary and made palpable the link between Rosenwald’s philosophy of tikkun olam, and Shalom Park Freedom School — where our Jewish community for five summers in a row has joined with the communities of Huntingtowne Elementary and Sterling Elementary to prevent summer learning loss by providing a 6-week, literacy-based summer program for 80 economically disadvantaged scholars.

If the Shalom Park community can continue to provide an enriching literacy-based summer program for low-income African American and Hispanic scholars, then perhaps these children will grow up to become the next Ralph Ellison, Marian Anderson or discoverer of a life-saving medicine or medical procedure. This thought was echoed by another speaker that evening, Dr. Monica Rabinovich, Chemistry Professor at UNCC and member of Temple Beth El, who spoke about her experience helping the young scholars create “slimy goop” during the six-week summer program. Rabinovich encouraged others in the audience to donate their time or make financial pledges to benefit Shalom Park Freedom School.

At the fundraising event, the audience was asked by Shalom Park Freedom School Co-Chairs Lisa Garfinkle, Marcia Stern, and Eileen Davis, to make a pledge in support of Shalom Park Freedom School, since the wish of many public school children attending Sterling Elementary and Huntingtowne Farms Elementary is to attend a 6-week literacy based summer program here at Shalom Park.

For more information on how to get involved or make a contribution in support of SPFS, please visit the website at spfreedomschool.org.
Congratulations to Teresa Brenner, one of the recipients of Light of Torah Award, and to Audrey Madans, who was named “Women’s League for Conservative Judaism - Region Chair for Creative Judaic Arts.” Presentations were made at the Southern Region Conference held in Nashville, TN.

Attendees from L-R: Barbara Ezring, Teresa Brenner, Hilary Rosenbaum, Audrey Madans.

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.
MEN’S CLUB

Last year was a busy one for the Men’s Club as we carried out some programs while reorganizing our Club. We have been listening to your ideas, and have great things in mind for next year. We also wish to expand our membership and maintain the feeling of camaraderie that surrounds and prevails throughout our programs.

This year we have had several programs for the benefit of our Congregation:

1. Dinner and a Movie on Christmas Eve (complete with popcorn)

2. Annual Anshei Darom (Men of the South) Region Retreat in February, with 54 men from 15 different Men’s Clubs in the South (including ours) attending. Our own Rabbi Raucher served as guest speaker on Staying Jewish in a non-Jewish World.

3. Yom HaShoah Candles (for Holocaust remembrance) were distributed to the congregation. Program Chair Henry Rabinovich had a group of committed volunteers, of all ages, get together at his office to pack the candles and subsequently mail them to members’ households. Thanks to Henry and Mike Eisner who coordinated the program, and put in many hours of work. Thank you also goes out to all of our congregants who sent in generous donations to keep the memory of the Holocaust alive, and to help develop more programs.

The Federation of Jewish Men’s Clubs’ (FJMC) biennial Convention takes place this year in Miami Beach, FL, from July 8-12. Over 600 men and women are expected to attend from North America, South America and Europe for fun, relationship building, and the sharing of program ideas from Men’s Clubs around the world.

At the time of this writing, the Men’s Club Steering Committee is working on ratifying our by-laws, after which we shall designate a Nominating Committee to elect our new Board of Directors. Watch this space for more information on our activities this year!

-Michael Abadi

SOCIAL CLUB

Who likes museums, theatre, sporting events or even mystery and the unknown? Members of the Temple Israel Social Club! The mission of the Social Club is to provide an active social life for active adults (single or couples 60+) who are affiliated with a Charlotte area synagogue.

Through the Social Club’s various events (approximately 10-11 per year), the organization welcomes newcomers to the Charlotte area to make new friends.

For next couple of months, we will be on hiatus, and planning up-and-coming events. So keep an eye out via the Shabbat Announcements, weekly E-Blasts or in the bi-monthly Kol Yisrael for our next exciting adventure.

REMEMBER, if you are looking for that special gift, 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.

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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.

July 17
*Rock Hashabbat will be taking a break in June. See you in July!

SPECIAL ONEGS PRIOR TO SHABBAT SERVICES
Please join us at 5:30pm for a special themed Oneg prior to Shabbat services:

Friday, June 19
KICKOFF TO SUMMER!

Friday, July 17
“ICE SCREAM, YOU SCREAM…”

THE WISDOM OF TEMPLE ISRAEL
Saturdays, June 20 & 27 and July 11 & 18
9:30am
Join us on Shabbat for a series of guest speakers, from our congregational family.

EVENING OF STUDY
Wednesday, July 1
6:30pm
Join Rabbi Murray Ezring at Temple Israel for A Dialogue About the History of Kohen and Levi Aliyot.

CANTOR & FRIENDS
Sunday, July 5
4:00pm
Please join us over the holiday weekend as Cantor Elias Roochvarg (with accompaniment by Monty Bennett) presents a special afternoon of Americana music, in honor of our nation’s Birthday.

The Ruach performs at the Yom Yerushalayim Picnic, May 2015
TEMPLE ISRAEL BOOK CLUB

TEMPLE ISRAEL BOOK CLUB MEETING
Monday, June 1
7:30pm at Temple Israel

Join us as we discuss, *The Assistant* by Bernard Malamud, featuring distinctive discussion leader, Jay Jacoby. Frank Alpine is a troubled, handsome Italian-American from the west coast – a man with a difficult past and a strong urge to be somebody. He works long hours in the grocery store of a struggling Jewish family in a declining Brooklyn neighborhood. He is falling in love with his employer’s attractive daughter, whose own hungers have not been satisfied by another man.

Out of this secret, moving passion, Bernard Malamud wove a story of crime and punishment, love and redemption that is “startling and timeless.” Written in 1957, The Assistant is Bernard Malamud’s second novel and “right in the line of one of the great streams of American fictional tradition.”

Through Jay Jacoby’s leadership, our discussion will reveal timeless underlying themes of our Jewish heritage, enhancing the way we experience Judaism.

Copies are available in the Levine-Sklut Judaic Library, the public library, and at bookstores or on-line for under $15.00.

Everyone is welcome to attend, even if you haven’t read the book. For additional information, including the date and time of the meeting, contact Linda Levy (704/366-6362, levyollie@aol.com).

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| June 2 | Joseph & Tara Spigel        |
| June 3 | Karen & Jeff Turk          |
| June 4 | Herbert Fellman & Laura Sinai |
|        | Burton & Donna Greenspon   |
|        | David & Judi Lecker        |
|        | Jeff & Robin Rothberg      |
|        | Douglas & Kelly Wilson     |
| June 5 | Philip & Stacie Coblenz     |
|        | Leon & Sandra Levine       |
|        | Morey & Lynne Sheffer      |
| June 6 | Howard & Phyllis Campbell  |
| June 7 | Glenn & Ellie Kunkes       |
| June 8 | Eric & Lori Sklut          |
| June 9 | Saul & Leslie Curson       |
|        | Miles & Debbie Levine      |
|        | Joe & Susie Oringel        |
|        | Norman & Dorothy Shapiro   |
| June 10| Mel & Karen Labovitz       |
|        | Eric & Judy Laxer          |
|        | George & Lois Schneider    |
|        | Ivan & Lisa Strunin        |
| June 11| Donald & Sheryl Effren     |
| June 12| Alan & Lilian Becker       |
|        | Joel & Lottie Goldman      |
| June 13| Roslyn Greenspon & Marty Birnbaum |
|        | Gene & Deedee Daumit       |
|        | Martin & Alice Rouff       |
| June 14| Stuart & Jodi Cohen        |
|        | Elisha & Tracy Kiirs       |
|        | Michael & Judie Van Glish  |
| June 15| Mel & Karen Labovitz       |
|        | Eric & Judy Laxer          |
|        | George & Lois Schneider    |
|        | Ivan & Lisa Strunin        |
| June 16| Donald & Sheryl Effren     |
| June 17| Alan & Lilian Becker       |
|        | Joel & Lottie Goldman      |
| June 18| Roslyn Greenspon & Marty Birnbaum |
|        | Gene & Deedee Daumit       |
|        | Martin & Alice Rouff       |
| June 19| Stuart & Jodi Cohen        |
|        | Elisha & Tracy Kiirs       |
|        | Michael & Judie Van Glish  |
| June 20| Paul & June Hirschmann     |
| June 21| Stefanie Aranda & Andrew Aranda |
|        | Allen & Stacy Baum         |
|        | Ed & Roberta Bograd        |
|        | Michael & Renee Flash      |
|        | James & Stephanie Freedman |
|        | Steven & Sharon Hockfield  |
| June 22| Michael & Beverly Grey     |
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|        | Paul & Claire Puterman     |
|        | Alan & Sandy Rosenberg     |
|        | Steven & Stephanie Starr   |
|        | Kenneth & Marcia Stern     |
| June 23| Justin & Randi Lan         |
| June 24| Mark & Linda Goldsmith     |
| June 25| Andrew & Sharon Bodenheimer|
|        | Irv & DeeDee Czyler        |
|        | Rick & Donna Greene        |
|        | Gerald & Barbara Schapiro  |
|        | Gregory & Jessica Weil     |
| June 26| Robert & Barbara Bernstein |
|        | Mark & Teri Moffett        |
|        | Neil & Helen Pollack       |
|        | Renee & Joe Steiner        |
|        | Harry & Marilyn Swimmer    |
| June 27| Harvey & Shellie Barer     |
|        | Jeffrey & Bari Gorelick    |
| June 28| Alan & Ruth Goldberg       |
|        | Robert & Wendy Lichstrahl  |
|        | Barry & Laura Reich        |
| June 29| Arthur & Elyse Nevid       |
| June 30| Jonathan & Faye Clymer     |
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|        | Alan & Cathy Breitman       |
|        | Jason & Jamie Tanenbaum     |
| July 2 | Scott & Rebecca Goodman     |
|        | David & Nancy Strunk        |
|        | Barret & Harriet Weinstock  |
| July 3 | Robert & Linda Isser        |
|        | Michael & Heidi Rotberg     |
| July 4 | Eugene & Alice Kavadlo      |
| July 5 | Howard & Mary Jean Kushner  |
|        | Leonard & Judi Strause      |
| July 6 | Scott & Candice Serbin      |
| July 7 | Kurt Jacobs & Marcie Levine Jacobs |
| July 8 | Jerome & Barbara Levin      |
|        | Barry & Michelle Perlmutter  |
| July 9 | Andre & Rebecca Plaisance  |
| July 10| Edward & Arlene Karp        |
| July 11| Bruce & Jamie Becker        |
| July 12| Alan & Deborah Hirsch       |
|        | Barry & Michelle Perlmutter  |
| July 13| Sandro & Judy Nascimento    |
| July 14| Peter & Judy Slade          |
| July 15| David & Leigh Altman        |
| July 16| Stan & Marla Sherrill       |
|        | Irving & Sylvia Swartz      |
| July 17| Leslie & Mary Gordon        |
|        | Darren & Staci Mond         |
|        | Stephen & Beth Stillitano   |
| July 18| Zachariah & Pili Gerger     |
| July 19| Daniel & Hilary Rosenbaum   |
| July 20| Steven & Sandra Rogelberg   |
| July 21| Robert & Amy Adler          |
|        | David & Kathy Warshaw       |
| JUNE 1 | Mae Goldman  
Julia Greenfield  
Steven Rogelberg |
| JUNE 2 | Joshua Freedman  
Sarina Goldman  
Stephanie Tuckman |
| JUNE 3 | Seth Berkman  
Pat Burnham  
Sammy Ditesheim  
Geoffrey Gartner  
Michael Gold  
Jadyn Greenhagen  
Teri Moffett  
Donald Orenstein  
Elaine Schefflin  
Sarina Spiegler |
| JUNE 4 | Alison Bolger  
Bradley Cohen  
Rachel Fellman  
Benjamin Weinstein |
| JUNE 5 | Abraham Luski  
Jocelyn Pollack  
Diane Schoenbrun |
| JUNE 6 | Dori Braverman  
Jeffrey Brinn  
Leigh Anne Freeston  
Sammy Lerner  
Kevin Matthew  
Rosenberg  
Lucy Silverstein |
| JUNE 7 | Melvin Segal  
Isabella Seidman  
Grayson Stark |
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Prystowsky  
Marcia Stern  
Anna Wilson |
| JUNE 9 | Ava Lee Kornfeld  
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| JUNE 10 | Paul Edelstein  
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| JUNE 12 | Bari Caplan-Bolger  
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Maxwell Liesman  
Rose Luski  
Sydney Schusterman  
Grant Zalomek  
Joyce Zrihan |
| JUNE 13 | Lilian Becker  
Annah Clymer  
Marcia Gleiberman  
Karen Mesoznik  
Michael Stein |
| JUNE 14 | Aleyah Brigham  
Sarah Greenfield  
Joel Ostrow  
Kenneth Stern  
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| JUNE 15 | Zachary Berman  
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Olga Shokurova  
Catherine Tepper  
Robert Valenstein  
Joshua Zelin |
| JUNE 16 | Grant Abrams  
Mila Bock  
Ethan Bock  
Samuel Owen  
Goldstein  
Dorit Rosenbaum |
| JUNE 17 | Jill Levinson  
Jacob London  
Menahem Me-Zahav  
Matthew Adam Miller  
Linda Shamstein  
Greyson Silverman  
Howard Tocman |
| JUNE 18 | Samuel Altman  
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Rachael Levine  
Marlene Pomerantz  
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| JUNE 19 | Elena Bravver  
Evan Brown  
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Jonathan Kulbersh  
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Jered Mond  
James Simon |
| JUNE 21 | Sophie Hannah  
Levine  
Lawrence Schaefer |
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Andrew Klein  
Max Schoenbrun  
Rebecca Usadi  
Jacob Zacks |
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Jay Finkelstein  
Adam Greene  
Malaya Smith |
| JUNE 24 | Rebecca Berlin  
Karine Rose  
Bernanke |
| JUNE 25 | Danielle Comen  
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Jessica Leigh Grey  
Allan Oxman  
Gloria Reeves |
| JUNE 26 | Samantha Allen  
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Adam Formica  
Brian Rosen  
Samantha Weinstein  
Michael Zacks |
| JUNE 27 | Aaron Berger  
Alvin Goodman  
Leigh Levine  
Lacie Saltzmann  
Melissa Zelin |
| JUNE 28 | Sara Cohen  
Jeremy Dennenberg  
Julia Glauberman  
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Noah Ross |
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Lily Klein  
Norman Shapiro  
Alicia Vining |
| JUNE 30 | Janice Bernstein  
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Shari Flash  
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Zachary Tanenbaum |
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|        | Hannah Nerdinsky  
|        | Joseph Oringel  
|        | Zachary Rosen  
|        | Judith Slade  
|        | Eva Stark  
|        | Joyce Stoll  
|        | Debra Van Glish |

| JULY 2 | Jonathan Berger  
|        | Sharon Bodenheimer  
|        | Irving Brenner  
|        | Wayne Cohen  
|        | Roz Cooper  
|        | Marc Flash  
|        | Evelyn Gause  
|        | Courtney Rosenberg  
|        | Chip Wallach |

| JULY 3 | Michael Abadi  
|        | Lois Benjamin  
|        | Myer Leonard  
|        | Michelle London  
|        | Scott Moskowitz  
|        | Alex Schoenbrun |

| JULY 4 | Jonathan Berger  
|        | Sharon Bodenheimer  
|        | Irving Brenner  
|        | Wayne Cohen  
|        | Roz Cooper  
|        | Marc Flash  
|        | Evelyn Gause  
|        | Courtney Rosenberg  
|        | Chip Wallach |

| JULY 5 | Elias Altman  
|        | Alan Clymer  
|        | Ellen Goldberg  
|        | Eric Laxer  
|        | David Miller  
|        | Stan Sherrill |

| JULY 6 | Arthur Mazur  
|        | Tzvi Nussbaum  
|        | Bryan Perlmutter  
|        | Asher Spil  
|        | Daniel Stiefel |

| JULY 7 | Mitch Abrams  
|        | Steven Hockfield  
|        | Benjamin Plaisance  
|        | Adam Serbin  
|        | Irving Swartz  
|        | Jessica Weill |

| JULY 8 | Stuart Breidbart  
|        | Julius Goldman  
|        | Barry Mendelson |

| JULY 9 | Zachary Branson  
|        | Kevin Cohen  
|        | Ruthy Hall  
|        | Craig Ketover  
|        | Elysa Kisch  
|        | Harold Kossove  
|        | Scott Lerner  
|        | Jonah Porter  
|        | Pearl Rosenthal  
|        | E. Joel Safran  
|        | Dorothy Schulman  
|        | Arnold Snitz  
|        | Harriet Warshaw |

| JULY 10 | Nadine Rosen  
|         | Andrew Vining |

| JULY 11 | Jamie Risa Becker  
|         | Rachel Boxer  
|         | Alan Goldberg  
|         | Joshua Good  
|         | Lucas Jacobs  
|         | Andrew Shure  
|         | Olivia Udoff |

| JULY 12 | Julie Levine  
|         | Lloyd Scher |

| JULY 13 | Jillian Baca-Duncan  
|         | Annie Brown  
|         | Clara Cigler  
|         | Ramona Cigler  
|         | Anna Langman  
|         | Roseline Mann  
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