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

Sunday January 15, 2017
(MLK weekend)

9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.*

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

A wonderful opportunity for individuals and families to participate in Mitzvah Projects benefiting both the Jewish and broader Charlotte community, as we share in Tikkun Olam (repairing the world).

Mitzvah projects will run in 30 and 60 minute rotations.
Look for our SignUpGenius page to be announced in early December.

To get involved in this exciting day, please contact David Rosenthal (davidh.rosenthal@gmail.com).

*9:00 - 9:45 Minyan
9:45 - 10:15 “Grab-n-go” Breakfast
10:15 - 10:30 Introduction
10:30 - 12:30 Mitzvah Projects
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DECEMBER 2016

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3
Java N' Jeans, 11:00am (new time - today only)
Rosh Chodesh Study Group, 1:00pm
TI-Youth: Gesher – Ready, Set, Go-Kart!, 7:00pm

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4
TI-Youth: Bonim – Are you Ready to Defy Gravity?, 12:30pm

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9
Torah Tots, 5:45pm

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10
Jr. Congregation, 10:00am
Torah On Tap: 3rd Annual Latkes & Vodkas Party, 7:30pm

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11
TI-Youth: Gesher Leadership Board Meeting, 7:00pm

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17
Kavanah, 10:00am

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18
Social Club: Annual Hanukkah Luncheon, 1:00pm

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24
Social Action: Men’s Shelter of Charlotte dinner prep/serve, 1:30pm
Torah On Tap: A Very Jewish Chrismukkah, 5:00pm
Temple Israel Hanukkah Celebration & Dance, 6:15pm

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29
Hanukkah, Hoops & Hornets, 7:00pm

JANUARY 2017

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7
120th Anniversary Finale: Special Shabbat & Kiddush, 9:30am
Rosh Chodesh Study Group, 1:00pm
120th Anniversary Finale Celebration, 6:30pm

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8
TIRS/TI-Youth: Shabbat Attendance Club (6th & 7th Grades), 12:15pm
TI-Youth: Mahar – Ice Skating & Hot Cocoa, 12:15pm

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11
TI-Youth: Gesher Leadership Board Meeting, 6:00pm

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13
Torah Tots, 5:45pm

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14
Bat Mitzvah of Jenna Levin, 9:30am
Jr. Congregation, 10:00am

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15
Yom Gemilut Hasadim, 9:00am

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20
New Member Shabbat Dinner, 7:15pm

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21
Kavanah, 10:00am

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22
TI Youth: Bonim Leadership Council Meeting, 12:30pm
TIRS/TI-Youth: Shabbat Attendance Club (3rd - 5th Grades), 12:15pm

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28
Jr. Congregation, 10:00am
Rosh Chodesh Study Group, 1:00pm
Torah Tots “Family Pajama-Dallah”, 5:30pm

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29
Social Club: Annual Paid-Up Luncheon, 12:30pm

SERVICE & CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES

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*If you would like an honor at Shabbat services, please contact the Clergy office.

WEEKLY EVENTS

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

TUESDAYS
Tuesday With Torah, 9:30am

WEDNESDAYS
Torah Sparks, 12:30pm

SUNDAYS
Temple Israel Religious School, 9:15am

CALENDAR NOTICE

Temple Israel strives to ensure that the calendar information is complete and accurate. However, event information may change. For up-to-date information, please visit our online calendar on our website, www.templeisraelnc.org. Thank you.
The High Holy Days and Sukkot have passed. We began seeking to understand ourselves better while trying to improve our relationship with God, family, and community. Then Sukkot brought us back to the basics of life while we ate and spent daily time in our sukkah. Time in the sukkah reminds us that the simple things of life, especially taking time with family and friends, are often the most enjoyable. These fall holidays conclude with Simchat Torah - singing and dancing with the Torah and expressing our joy in Judaism.

Today we are gearing up for the happiness of Hanukkah. As the darkness of winter begins to overwhelm the light of day, we polish and clean our Hanukkiot, our Hanukkah Menorot. In just a couple of days, we will begin to light our candles. Each night we bring a little more light into our homes as we increase the number of wicks we light dispelling a little more darkness each night. The joy we feel as we celebrate the Maccabees' victory over tyranny and hatred helps us overcome the dreariness of long hours of darkness.

Every week as we greet Shabbat with love, joy, and a sense of the sacred, we are reminded of the beauty of life. We light candles as on the other holidays to light our homes, and we drink a glass of wine to warm our hearts and lift our spirits. Shabbat is perhaps the greatest of all our holy days because it comes every week. Like God, we work for six days then take the seventh to look around and recognize the gifts of life. We join our community every week to thank God and enjoy our relationships - both spiritual and within our human experience.

The joy and happiness we feel during our holidays is a hallmark of living Jewish lives. Every morning as we open our siddurim to speak to God, we begin with Psalms. We proclaim Hallelujah! Praised is God! What a great gift daily life is. Every day, every interaction with people we know and people we meet for the first time, every meal we share, and every new experience is a gift from God to be treasured and embraced. Judaism teaches us to enjoy each moment of life.

Life is not easy. There are many ruts in the road of life from which we must struggle to pull ourselves out: stumbling blocks like sadness, illness, setbacks at work, and death all bring darkness that cast shadows over our lives. But the beauty of Judaism, the optimism of our faith, the joy of celebrating life, and the strength of community pick us up and reinforce us to help us face whatever life has to offer with resolve, renewed vitality, and purpose.

As a new secular year approaches and winter brings its expected chill and darkness, join your friends and family as we celebrate 120 years of joyful Jewish life at Temple Israel and continue to discover the joy, strength, and optimism which Jewish life brings in our community’s 121st year.

Shalom,
Rabbi Murray Ezring

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-Rabbi Murray Ezring

THE ILLUSTRATED TORAH

The Illustrated Torah, created with the gifted hand of Israeli artist Michal Meron, is a beautiful, hand painted scroll that represents the stories within the 54 weekly parshiot of our traditional Torah through highlighted texts and vibrant images. You can feel it, interact with it, experience it and learn from it.

Reserve your place in Temple Israel’s history. Purchase a pasuk (verse), aliyah or parsha corresponding to a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, anniversary, birthday or any other simcha. Or purchase an entire book. Visit templeisraelnc.org for more information.
When I was a child, one of my favorite movies was the 1951 version of Dickens’ *A Christmas Carol*, featuring the Scottish actor Alastair Sim. The movie really recreated the atmosphere of “jolly old England”, and had a great musical score. But let’s face it: The greatest thing about the movie is its wonderful story. Since you are all educated folk, I know I don’t need to retell the story here.

Anyway, as I became an adolescent (a stage some say I have not yet left!), I began to feel guilty that I, a nice Jewish boy, was getting such a warm feeling in my heart by the end of the movie. I was so conflicted that I went to my dad, of blessed memory.

“So what’s the problem?”

“I’m feeling too warm & fuzzy each time I watch *A Christmas Carol*.”

“So why shouldn’t you?”

“Well after all, it’s a CHRISTMAS Carol. You know, that whole idea of Ebenezer Scrooge being an SOB all his life, then having some kind of vision, and suddenly all his previous nastiness is forgiven: That’s such a Christian idea…..Isn’t it?”

My dad, who was neither a Rabbi nor a Cantor, just a knowledgeable Jew, went to the bookcase and took down the Machzor, the High Holiday Prayer Book, and flipped through its pages till he came to the Unetaneh Tokef prayer in the Mussaf Service. He handed it to me, pointed to the 4th paragraph of that prayer, & said, “Read this.” The prayer said,

“You (God) desire not the sinner’s death, but that he turn from his path and live. Until the day of his death, You wait for him. Whenever he returns, You welcome him at once.”

“No, I can’t date that prayer exactly,” continued my dad, “but I CAN tell you that it predates Charles Dickens by several centuries! You see, it’s simply one of many Jewish ideas that Christians found so attractive that they BORROWED it! And Dickens simply did a fantastic job illustrating the idea. But it still originated with us. So go enjoy your movie without guilt.”

And I have. And so can you. Oh yes, and Happy Chanukah.
A challenge writing articles for Kol Yisrael is not, “What should I write about?” Rather, it is limiting the scope of my comments because there is so much to share with our community. Another challenge for me is getting these articles to the office on time, but I digress….

First, I want to thank all of you who responded to our request over the High Holy Days for our 2016 Israel Bond Appeal. There were 82 donors to the Bond Appeal and purchase commitments totaled $153,700! The total support for Israel Bonds may be even higher as 13 responses did not indicate an amount, but asked to be contacted. A hearty Mazel Tov to Michael Eisner for his outstanding comments which connected many of us with the need to purchase Israel Bonds, and many thanks to Jerry Levin for his comments and for his and Barbara’s decades long commitment to this critical support for Israel.

We can also celebrate the 50 Temple Israel members who returned engagement cards asking to participate as volunteers in Temple Israel social action activities. They join with many others already serving the Men’s Shelter, Room In The Inn, Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School and other well established programs. Under the leadership of the new co-chairs of our Social Action Committee, Neal Golub and Steve Cohen, there are exciting and innovative ideas being discussed that will allow us to impact some of the root causes of social ills by creating broader relationships with those we serve. Please contact Neal or Steve or the office if you want to learn more.

There were 99 others who returned Engagement Cards volunteering to work on a variety of Temple Israel needs including fundraising, ushering, sick visitation, lifelong learning and “elsewhere as needed.” I should also point out that 36 members volunteered for minyan! I don’t need Rabbi Ezring’s help to expound on the Gematria of that number.

I want to also thank Barry Bobrow & Karen Knoble for their Burns and Allen presentation on the many uses of our Temple Israel facilities over the years, and their invitation for your support of the one million two hundred thousand dollar capital campaign begun earlier this year. As a result of that Kol Nidre appeal another 75 donors stepped forward and committed more than $48,000 to the campaign. If you have not yet made a commitment there is still time. Your pledge can be made on our website or just call the office.

There is much more to share, but that will wait for my next article. See you in shul….

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-Ron Weiner
120th CELEBRATION and REINVESTMENT CAMPAIGN APPROACHING GOAL!

We’re almost there and with your support we can exceed our Phase 1 fundraising goal. Won’t you join us today to become a part of this exciting revitalization effort? Make your pledge before December 31st to help us get to the finish line.

We have raised 99% of our Phase 1 goal, but we need your help to maximize the impact of this initial renovation effort. Together, we will ensure that we can not only sustain Temple Israel for our children and grandchildren, but also provide a beautiful, welcoming, vibrant space for members of our congregation now and for the next 120 years.

- CURRENT AMOUNT RAISED TO DATE = $1,195,018.68
- CURRENT NUMBER OF GIFTS = 233 (39% OF MEMBERSHIP)
- 100% BOARD AND STAFF GIVING
- 11% OF PLEDGES ARE FROM CONGREGANTS WHO ARE 40 YEARS OF AGE OR YOUNGER

Thank you to all of the individuals who have already made the commitment to support Temple Israel’s 120th Reinvestment Campaign:

- Anonymous
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- Michael & Denise Abadi
- Randall Abrams
- Bernard & Teri Ackerman
- Gerald & Minna Aronoff
- Craig & Jill Balick
- Becky Bamford
- Harvey & Michele Barer
- Allen & Stacy Baum
- Jacob Baustein
- Michael & Meredith Baumstein
- Samuel Baumstein
- Sandy & Lois Benjamin
- Monty Bennett
- Jonathan & Tess Berger
- Milton & Arlene Berkman
- Leonard & Bernna Bernkovitz
- Seth Bernanke & Ellen Goldberg
- Brian & Glenda Bernhardt
- Jacob Bernhardt
- Bob & Barbara Bernhardt
- Daniel & Janice Bernstein
- Sam & Nancy Bernstein
- Ralph & Sonni Besnyo
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- Anna Bobrow
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- Bunny Bramson
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- Pat Burnham
- Adam & Denise Carlton
- Harry & Elaine Chernotsky
- Dan & Nancy Coblenz
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- Eric & Ellen Cohen
- Jeffrey & Marsha Cohen
- Steven & Olivia Cohen
- Robert & Cheryl Comen
- Harvey & Muri Corzin
- Irv & Dedee Cylгер
- Michael & Elaine Desberg
- Mark & Ariel DiDonato
- Jeff & Danna Ditesheim
- Jason & Rebecca Drano
- Michael & Caryn Eisner
- David & Aileen Epstein
- Murray & Barbara Ezing
- Daniel & Gene Fischer
- Jaques & Sherry Ganem
- David & Andrea Gamlin
- Al & Phyliss Garten
- Elliott & Peggy Gartner
- Geoffrey & Meredith Gartner
- Mitchell Gartner
- Rhoda Giebberman
- Alan & Sharon Gold
- Alan & Ruth Goldberg
- Steven & Taliya Goldman
- Mark & Linda Goldsmith
- Stuart & Shari Goldstein
- Neal & Joy Golub
- Leon & Jennifer Golinsky
- Alvin Goodman
- Brett Goodman
- Leslie & Mary Gordon
- Bill & Patty Gorelick
- Michael & Sharon Goretsky
- Betsy Grant-Kaperson
- Burton & Donna Greenspoon
- Richard & Annette Gross
- Jonathan Gould & Nicki Fisher
- Graig & Samantha Harr
- Don & Sheli Herbstman
- Paul & Jane Hirschmann
- Steve & Sandy Hoagland
- Steven & Sharon Hockfield
- Sheryl Hollander
- Ofer & Tara Hurbaba
- Ken & Lori Jackowitz
- The James Family
- Ronald Kahn & Dalya Kutchei
- Andrew & Dana Kapustin
- Frank & Hannah Kaunitz
- Gena & All Kavaco
- Craig & Susie Ketover
- Robert & Nancy Kipnis
- Elisha & Tracy Klirs
- Elie Knight
- Helene Kornsgold
- David & Kathryn Kossove
- Fred & Marilyn Kraus
- Neil & Gall Kronovet
- Jonathan & Sara Kubersh
- Joel & Wendy Lapidus
- Ann Langman
- Arthur & Julie Lavitt
- Eric & Judy Laver
- David & Judi Lecker
- Jason Lecker
- Harry & Gloria Lerner
- Mark & Alison Lerner
- David & Michelle Levi
- Jerome & Barbara Levin
- Howard & Julie Levine
- Jayme Levine
- Josh & Elissa Levine
- Leon & Sandra Levine
- Miles & Debbie Levine
- The Levine Family Fund
- Dan & Stacy Levinson
- Ellis Levinson
- Hal & Holly Levinson
- Sam & Linda Levya
- Josh & Adina Loewensterin
- Luski & Associates
- Audrey Madans
- Alan & Pearl Mann
- Howard & Arlene Mayo
- Mary McGimits
- Barry & Anne Mendelson
- Gary & Jodi Michel
- David & Judy Miller
- Mark & Teri Moffett
- Mikhail & Alla Mogilevsky
- Stephen & Debora Moore
- Scott & Marnie Moskowitz
- Greg & Margaret Musa
- Al & Janice Nabilotsky
- Sandro & Judy Nascimento
- Ronald & Deborah Neimkin
- Joe & Susie Oringle
- Frank & Ruth Paul
- Barbara Paterik
- Barry & Michelle Perlmutter
- William & Debra Porter
- Bala Pransky
- David & Karen Ransenberg
- Gloria Reeves
- Frederick & Gretchen Reynolds
- Elias & Lisa Rououchvarg
- Frank & Wendy Rosen
- David & Karen Rosenthal
- Rich & Jenny Rosenthal
- Pearl Rosenthal
- Michael & Heidi Rotberg
- Martina & Alice Rouff
- Harold & Lyba Russo
- Daniel & Toby Rudick
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- George & Lois Schneider
- Larry Schwartz
- Jerry & Linda Segal
- Albert & Dorothy Segal OBM
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- Larry & Stephanie Seftlein
- Bobby & Stagey Selkin
- Ada Shapiro
- Norman & Dorothy Shapiro
- Harold & Patricia Shapiro
- Marvin & Anita Shapiro
- David & Julie Sheffer
- Morey & Lynne Sheffer
- Sam & Marlene Shraga
- Marjorie Sigal
- Marc & Mattye Silverman
- Ruth Silverman
- Gary & Maxine Silverstein
- Louis Sinko & Kevin Levine
- Temple Israel Sisterhood
- Eric & Lori Skluk
- Family of Leonard & Ann Slesinger
- Ira & Stacey Slonka
- Leo & Rachel Spector
- Bob & Carol Speizman
- Adam & Sheila Spitz
- Joe & Renee Steiner
- Ken & Marcia Sterne
- Jason & Dana Stoogenke
- Leonard & Judi Strause
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- Harry & Marilyn Swimmer
- Perry & Sue Tannenbaum
- Sharon Taubman
- David & Beth Thrope
- Marc & Cheri Tleibau
- Jeff & Karen Turk
- David & Debra Van Glsh
- David & Kathy Warshaw
- Diana Warth
- Richard & Jo Ann Weber
- Greg & Jessica Weil
- Aaron & Sarah Weiner
- Jordana Weiner
- Ron & Janice Weiner
- Steve & Barbara Weiner
- Barney & Harriet Weinstock
- Evan & Debby Weiss
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If you have questions or would like to make a gift to the campaign, please contact Glenda Bernhardt, Temple Israel Executive Director, at (704) 362-2796 or gbernhardt@templeisraelnc.org.
ENGAGEMENT

By Monty Bennett,
Membership Director

Coming to the temple during the week, you have probably been greeted by Terri Cathcart saying, “Come into the house!” Not only is her greeting a showing of the Southern hospitality that is found at Temple Israel, it is a genuine welcome into the bayit—the house. A synagogue serves as a:

• **beit knesset**, a house of assembly. Each week we gather for meetings, social programming, and to celebrate major Jewish lifecycle events. On any given day, you’ll find the shul bustling with activity as our members make Temple Israel the center of their community. Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks writes, “Community is the human expression of Divine love. It is where I am valued simply for who I am, how I live, and what I give to others. It is the place where they know my name.”

• **beit midrash**, a house of study. “Torah is not education, it’s transformation,” says Rebbitzen Dena Weinberg. Our clergy and members teach Torah and contemporary Jewish material for people of all ages. The Lifelong Learning committee has planned classes around your requests. The Temple Israel Religious School is growing with our new generation of Jewish scholars. Each week we offer two Torah study classes led by our rabbis. Come be transformed by the power of the Torah at our classes and TIRS.

• **beit ha-t’fillah**, a house of prayer. Our members have the opportunity to talk to God during our dynamic Shabbat services, the only egalitarian minyan in the area, Torah Tots, Junior Congregation, and our Alternative Shabbat Services. “To offer a heart in prayer is to open oneself,” says Rabbi David Wolpe, “peeling off the rugged armor with which we shield our souls in a hostile world. It means abandoning our need for certainty in interaction: and allowing ourselves to be swept up in a dialogue as ancient as it is powerful.” Converse with God at one of our services or stop in during the day and use our beautiful chapel or sanctuary to pray. Make an appointment to use the mikvah. It’s an opportunity to purify and pray.

Family is what transforms a house (a building) into a home (a family). During the High Holy Days, we had many guests who remarked how welcome they felt. Several have already joined the congregation. This is what makes us different. At Temple Israel, it’s hard to not be involved. With our innovative programming, a warm, diverse, and welcoming congregation, we are the face of a modern Conservative synagogue. Come into the house and make us your home.

L’Shanah Tova,
Monty Bennett
LIFE EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR CONDOLENCES TO

• It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Georgeana Ripner, wife of Leslie, mother of Ron (Megan) and Samantha (John), grandmother of Luca, Harley and Lily, and sister of Anna.

• It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Paula Nancy Raposa, sister of Marcia (Ken) Stern.

• It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Barbara Folkart, sister of Judy (Peter) Slade and Peter (Annie) Sokoloff, mother of Wayne (Kristina) Folkart and Mark (Jennifer) Folkart, and grandmother of 4.

• It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Ellen Dubin, mother of Adina, Adam, David, and Joyce.

• It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Gary Lewis, father of Brandon, Gabrielle, and Rebecca, and brother of Neil Lewis.

• It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Gerard Ditesheim, father of Jeff (Dana) Ditesheim, and grandfather of Abigail, Sammy, and Anna.

• It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Harry (Harvey) Finkelstein, husband of Carol, father of Janice (Steven) Zacks, Jason (Natalia) Finkelstein, and Jeremy (Lauren Bride) Finkelstein, and grandfather of Jacob, Michael, Sasha, and Shawn.

• It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Douglas Mann, father of Elliott, grandfather of Lizabeth (Casey) Marcum and Meredith (Bryan) Jones, great-grandfather of Landyn, Carter, and Reagan.

• It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Lois McManus, mother of Mark (Cindy) McManus, and grandmother of Alaina and Maureen.

• It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Abraham (Abe) Luski, father of Rabbi Jacob (Joanne), Berta Straz, and David (Cathi) Luski; brother of Isaac (Sonia) and Marcia (Daniel) Kokiel; grandfather of 10, and great-grandfather of 12.

BIRTHS

• Lisa & Mike Abel joyfully welcomed the arrival of their son, Avraham Chaim Abel (AKA Abe Abel), on September 1. Proud siblings are Devorah, Moshe, Kayla, and Na’ama. Proud grandparents are Ann & Bob Abel and Shirley & Marty Schuster.

• Scott & Svetlana Mehlman joyfully welcomed the arrival of their baby girl, Zoe Talia, on October 3. Proud grandparents are Marcy & Norman Mehlman and Issana & Alex Fridman. Proud great-grandparents are Anne Shuman and Ada Fridman.

• Suzanne & Aaron Woland joyfully welcomed the arrival of their twin girls, Netanya Ariel & Cassandra Ember, on October 14. Proud big sister is Nyah.

• Tom & Nicole Kayes joyfully welcomed the arrival of their baby girl, Talia Sloan, on October 23. Proud grandparents are David & Kathryn Kossove, and Ruthy Kohl.

• Glenn & Ellie Kunkes joyfully welcomed the arrival of their baby girl, Romy Olivia Kunkes, on Friday, November 11. Proud grandparents are Bill & Carol Berg, and Jeff & Laurie Kunkes.

ENGAGEMENT

• Julie Hannum and Justin Horwitz (new members of Temple Israel) are excited to announce their recent engagement! Julie & Justin live in Waxhaw, NC, and are planning a Spring 2017 wedding in Charlotte, NC.

WEDDING

• Bonnie Wallsh joyfully announces the wedding of her daughter Allison Marlena Wallsh to Gabriel Ezra Levy, son of David & Solange Levy, in Berkeley, California on Sunday, October 30, 2017.

MAZEL TOV

• Harry Swimmer, for being a Top 10 CNN Hero of 2016! Learn more at www.cnnheroes.com. Online viewer voting continues through December 6.

• Brownlee Jewelers (& Harold Rousso), for being named to the Top 50 Retail Jewelry Chains in North America by National Jeweler, the leading nonprofit jewelry association in the United States.

LIFE EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

(September - October 2016)

Mannie & Dikla Frances
(Emily and Juliet)

Bonnie Berman

Michelle Kazloz
(Parker)

David Fine
(Rachel and Mitchell)

Seth & Monique Werner
(Harry and Max)

Harris & Billie Green

Phil Berman

Adam & Denise Carlton
(Elisabeth and Olivia)

Steve Listhaus

Justin Horwitz & Julie Hannum

Aaron & Suzanne Woland
(Nyah, Cassandra, and Netanya)
NEW BEGINNINGS ARE SWEET
By Rabbi Helene Kornsgold,
Director of Congregational Education

As the end of the year approaches, we are also coming to the end of the first semester of religious school. It has been an amazing few months! At the beginning of the school year, various changes were made and this has led to a very successful semester! I am so proud of the talented group of educators who teach the students. They invest their time and energy to create engaging lessons, which enable our students to have wonderful educational experiences both in and outside of the classroom. The religious school advisory board is comprised of individuals who have been extremely supportive of the school and the changes we have made this year. Their support has been unwavering since our very first meeting. Taking over a school which is facing great challenges is not an easy situation to step into; however, I completely welcomed the challenge, knowing with time and the right people involved, the school could soar and once again provide the level and quality of education it was known for years ago.

School parents were receptive to changes in the curriculum as well as bringing back Junior Congregation with an attendance requirement, which must be satisfied. Many parents have reached out to me to let me know their children are happy in religious school, enjoy attending Junior Congregation, and are learning Hebrew. Each time I receive positive feedback about the school I think about the different groups of people mentioned above and know the success we have already had is because everyone is working together with a united vision. I would be remiss if I did not also thank the incredible professional staff at Temple Israel. Their constant support, assistance, professionalism, and friendship have been steadfast since my first day of work.

While it is exciting to be able to report these strides we have already made, there is still more which needs to be done. I am looking forward to the start of the next semester as we continue to build upon the accomplishments of these first few months. As we move forward, I encourage you to keep in mind the following words from Pirkei Avot, Ethics of the Fathers (2:7): “The more schooling (studying), the more wisdom.” The best thing we can do to ensure the future of the Jewish people is to provide our children with as many quality-learning opportunities as possible.

Temple Israel’s high-energy Shabbat program for preschoolers (and their parents) takes place twice a month.

Join us as we welcome in Shabbat with songs, Torah parades, movement, and stories or puppetry.

A healthy and bountiful Kiddush is served after each program.

FRIDAYS, December 9 & January 13 (5:45pm)

TORAH TOTS – FAMILY PAJAMA-DALLAH
SATURDAY, January 28 (5:30pm)

Please join us for a fun family service with pajamas, music, havdallah (we’ll make our own havdallah sets), and ice cream - for kids in preschool - 2nd grade.
B’NAI MITZVAH
MAZEL TOV TO OUR B’NAI MITZVAH

Scott Owen Silverman
DECEMBER 19, 2016 (in Israel)
Parents: Marshall & Suzanne Silverman
Scott is a 7th grade student at Carmel Middle School. He loves karate and is a 2nd Degree Black Belt. He also enjoys snowboarding in the winter, skin boarding in the summer, and long boarding all year round. Scott loves animals of all kinds, too, which is why he chose to help with donations/collections for the Humane Society of Charlotte for his mitzvah project. He is very excited about his upcoming trip to Israel where we will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah.

Jared Wisotsky
JANUARY 2, 2017 (in Israel)
Parents: Joanna & Eric Wisotsky
Jared is a 7th grader at South Charlotte Middle School. He enjoys basketball, movies, watching Syracuse University sports, and traveling to new places. He will be having his Bar Mitzvah ceremony on the top of Masada in Israel this December with his parents, 2 younger brothers Evan and Joshua, as well as two sets of grandparents. He is very excited to see what life on a kibbutz is like, the Western Wall, the Dead Sea, as well as what it’s like to celebrate Hanukkah in Israel.

Jenna Levin
JANUARY 14, 2017
Parents: David & Brenda Levin
Jenna is a 7th grader at Jay M Robinson Middle School where she enjoys playing on the volleyball team and playing the trumpet. She also loves tumbling and DIY crafts. For her mitzvah project, Jenna is working with the Friendship Circle, an organization that fosters meaningful friendships between teen volunteers and children with special needs and also raises awareness, funds, and promotes acceptance. When she turns 14, Jenna would like to be matched with a special needs teen. Jenna is looking forward to celebrating her Bat Mitzvah at Temple Israel.

PRANSKY CAMP RAMAH SCHOLARSHIP
The purpose of the Pransky Scholarship Fund is to provide financial assistance that will enable children of Temple Israel members, enrolled in the Temple Israel Religious School and meeting the Camp Ramah requirements, to participate in a summer program. The decision to award a subvention will be determined by a scholarship committee and will be based on financial need as well as individual merit.
Applications are available in the TIRS office.
Application Deadline: February 28, 2017

We Want You!
Have you been looking for a way to strengthen your connection with Temple Israel?
Many of our committees are looking for new volunteers to get involved, including Social Action, Personnel, Membership, Ushering/Greeting, Caring/Visitation/Shiva Trays and Fundraising,
If you are interested in lending your time, passion and/or expertise to any of these areas (or others), please contact Monty Bennett at mbennett@templeisraelnc.org or (704) 362-2796.
YOUTH
For more information or to register for any of the following events, please contact Ariel DiDonato, Director of Engagement and Programming, at (704) 362-2796 or adidonato@templeisraelnc.org.

GESHER - READY, SET, GO-KART!
(ALL 8th-12th Grades)
Saturday, December 3, 7:00-10:00pm
Join GESHER for a night of go-carts and fun at Adventure Landing! In addition, participation gets you an arcade card, putt-putt and tons of fun with other Jewish 8th-12th graders.
$15/TI-Y members; $20/non-members
Drop-off and Pick-Up @ Adventure Landing
RSVP by Wednesday, November 30.

BONIM- Are You Ready to “Defy Gravity”?
(ALL 6th & 7th Grades)
Sunday, December 4, 12:30-3:30pm
Join BONIM and your friends as we Defy Gravity for a fun afternoon of jumping, dodgeball and Ultimate Ninja Warrior. Bring a packed dairy lunch.
$15/TI-Y members; $20/non-members. Drop-off and Pick-Up @ TIRS Building
RSVP by Wednesday, November 30.

MAHAR- Ice Skating & Hot Cocoa
(All 3rd-5th Grades Welcome!)
Sunday, January 8, 12:15-3:30pm
Is there any better way to spend a cold wintery day than at an ice rink? Price includes ice-skating, skate rental, bus transportation, and hot chocolate! Don’t forget to bring socks and a dairy lunch.
Drop-off and Pick-up @ TIRS Building. $15/Youth Group Members; $25/Non-Members
RSVP to Ariel by Wednesday, January 4.

YOM GEMILUT HASIDIM (Mitzvah Day)
(All Grades)
Sunday, January 15 (MLK Weekend), 9:00am
Join your friends and the entire Temple Israel community to help others. This will be a wonderful opportunity for individuals and families to get involved and make a difference in the community. By participating in Mitzvah projects, you will be sharing in Tikkun Olam (repairing the world). More information to come!

SAVE THE DATE:
Friday, January 20 - 6th Annual TEEN COALITION
SHABBAT
ALL 8th-12th Graders- GESHER, BBYO, LIBERTY, Hebrew High, LJCC & Federation
More information to come!

TIRS/YOUTH GROUP: Shabbat Attendance Club
Sunday, January 8, 12:15pm
6th & 7th Grades - Ben & Jerry’s Ice Cream!

Sunday, January 22, 12:15pm
3rd-5th Grades- Pizza Party!

YOUTH GROUP LEADERSHIP MEETINGS
Gesher Leadership Board (8th-12th Grades)
* Sunday, December 11, 7:00-8:00pm (Ben & Jerry’s)
* Wednesday, January 11, 6:00-7:00pm (Levine JCC Teen Lounge)

Bonim Leadership Council (6th & 7th Grades)
* Sunday, January 22, 12:30-1:30pm (TIRS Building)
WHY NOT SPONSOR A SHABBAT KIDDUSH!? 

Opportunities are available for those who are interested in sponsoring or co-sponsoring a Kiddush, on the occasion of a special simcha. Commemorate an anniversary, a birthday, an achievement or a friendship. It’s easy to do!

To learn about your options, call Terri Cathcart at 704-362-2796. Or, visit templeisraelnc.org and go to “Sponsorships & Naming Opportunities” under Quicklinks.

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(Young Professionals)

JOIN UP WITH TORAH ON TAP AND BUILD YOUR MODERN JEWISH SOCIAL LIFE!

Email Jordana Weiner, President of Torah on Tap, at jcweiner317@gmail.com to be added to the listserv or “like” us on Facebook.

3RD ANNUAL VODKAS & LATKES PARTY
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 7:30PM

Join Torah on Tap as we cram eight crazy nights into one fun celebration in anticipation of Hanukkah. Bring your favorite non-flavored vodka to share in a vodka tasting. Enjoy a delicious catered Hanukkah themed dinner by Serafina Catering!!!

$15/in advance; $20/door.
Pay at templeisraelnc.org under “Register for an Event”.
RSVP to Eric at financemajor2@gmail.com.
Fourth Ward Square
(529 N Graham St. Charlotte, NC 28202)
Street parking ONLY! Park along Smith St, 8th St, or 9th St.

A VERY JEWISH CHRISMUHKAH
Saturday, December 24, 5:00pm

Join Torah on Tap and other Jewish young professionals as we celebrate “A Very Jewish Chrismukkah,” complete with lighting of the Hanukkah, Chinese food, and a movie out on the town. The evening begins at 5:00pm with reservations at Baoding, followed by a movie at Regal Phillips Place. RSVP to Jordana at jcweiner317@gmail.com by Wednesday, December 21.

HANUKKAH, HOOPS, & HORNETS
Thursday, December 29, 7:00pm

Join the Charlotte Jewish Community for our 4th annual Hanukkah, Hornets & Hoops event at the Charlotte Hornets game! Each ticket comes with an exclusive FREE Charlotte Hornets Hebrew scarf! In addition, a portion of every ticket will be donated back to the Jewish Family Services.
To order tickets, visit http://bit.ly/2gGlwuo and enter the following promo code: SHALOM.

YOM GEMILUT HASIDIM (MITZVAH DAY!)
Sunday, January 15

Charlotte Family Housing Project- Time TBD
Join Torah on Tap to support Temple Israel’s Mitzvah Day by cooking and serving breakfast to the residents of the Charlotte Family Housing Project. This will be a wonderful opportunity to get involved and make a difference in our larger Charlotte community. For more information or to RSVP, email Jodi at jodi917@gmail.com.

GUESS WHO’S COMING TO SHABBAT DINNER?
Friday, January 27

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 with one of our host families. Enjoy their customs (& delicious food!), meet new people, and celebrate Shabbat with friends! Let us know how you would like to celebrate Shabbat- we have FAMILY FRIENDLY HOSTS! Host information and start times will be emailed after registration is closed. Space is LIMITED!
Registration closes on Tuesday, January 24th.
Contact Josh at joshbfeldman@gmail.com to register today!

TORAH ON TAP
“Break The Fast Party”
October 2016
TEMPLE ISRAEL SOCIAL ACTION 2016/2017

Performing Acts of Loving Kindness Together

We live Jewish values at Temple Israel by helping those who are need in the Jewish and broader Charlotte Community, as well as helping Jews around the world. Our youth, adults, and families come together year round, as single caring community, to perform Mitzvot.

The Social Action Committee has two new co-chairs:

Steve Cohen - 704-365-8895
stevencohen99@yahoo.com

Neal Golub - 201-910-9114
ngolub1023@gmail.com

Feel free to share new ideas for Temple Israel Social Action initiatives.

ROOM IN THE INF: 
Various Dates December 2016 – March 2017

Room In The Inn provides food and shelter to homeless individuals during the winter months. This program, coordinated by the Urban Ministry Center, is a partnership between Temple Israel, Temple Beth El, and the Levine Jewish Community Center, and has been restructured this year to enable individuals from more than one partner to volunteer together.

To volunteer, please see the QUICK LINK in Temple Israel’s weekly e-blast, The TI Insider.

SHELTER HEALTH SERVICES COLLECTION DRIVE
December 1 – 20
Temple Israel Lobby

Temple Israel is holding a collection drive to support Shelter Health Services, which provides free healthcare and health education to homeless women and children through its walk-in clinic located within Mecklenburg County’s largest women’s shelter.

Currently, there are 400 women and children at the Women’s Shelter. Half of them are children, and half the children (100) are between the ages of newborn and 5 years of age. The shelter has 380 beds and with this additional influx, the overflow women are sleeping on cots and the children on yoga mats. The shelter turns away approximately 200 women and children each month because they don’t have the capacity to shelter them.

Please visit templeisraelnc.org for details.

Every donation, regardless of size, makes a difference.

MEN’S SHELTER OF CHARLOTTE DINNER
Saturday, December 24

1:30-4:30pm - Assemble clothing & toiletry donations

4:30pm - Transport food, clothing & toiletry donations to the men’s shelter

5:30-6:30pm - Serve dinner to men at Statesville Avenue shelter.

Join us as we deliver clothing & toiletry donations, dinner, and serve the meal to individuals at the Statesville Ave Men’s Shelter. Financial donations, along with donations of clothing and toiletries, are also being collected. For more information, visit templeisraelnc.org

If you are interested in donating or volunteering, please contact David Thrope at dmthrope59@icloud.com.

YOM GEMILUT HASADIM
Sunday, January 15, 2017
*see inside front cover for details
**TEMMPE ISRAEL SISTERHOOD**

**“SUNRISE, SUNSET....QUICKLY FLY THE YEARS...”**

No sooner did we celebrate the beginning of the New Year, 5777, than it was time for Hanukkah! Visit our lovely Rose Room Judaica Gift Shop for your holiday shopping. There you will find something for everyone... Gifts for your home, children, friends, and even a treat for yourself. The gift shop is one of Sisterhood’s main projects. The proceeds support Temple Israel, and contribute to the expense of the weekly Kiddush, Youth programs, Social Action initiatives, and even with Shabbat babysitting.

In October, Sisterhood members stepped forward to help the Temple with preparations for Yom Kippur and Simchat Torah events. To date, the new Z’havah group has had several successful programs. Many women have already renewed their commitment to Sisterhood membership or have become members for the first time. Perhaps, some of you have not become members yet. Our telephone squad will soon be calling you ..............please tell them “Yes”.

Congratulations to so many who have already participated on the Torah Fund project. Co-chairs Ruth Goldberg and Florence Jaffa are working diligently to help our Sisterhood achieve our goal. Please contact Ruth (704-366-8903) or Florence (704-366-4713) for further Information about this project.

Talk about time flying by...120 years....wow! Sisterhood is happy to wish Temple Israel a hearty Mazel Tov on their 120th Anniversary, and we look forward to sharing in the excitement of the Finale Celebration on January 7, 2017. With the days flying by, February 25th, when we celebrate Sisterhood Shabbat, will be here before we know it. Andrea Gamlin, Janice Zacks, and Judy Nascimento are hard at work with preparations and look forward to your support and participation. We will need Readers (in English & Hebrew), Greeters, Ark openers...you name it. There is something for everyone to make that a fantastic Shabbat! Will you answer this call for help? My phone number and email address can be found at the end of this article.

WANTED!! Women who can, and do, use a sewing machine. We also need several more women who are willing to participate in a one-time fun project. Remember my motto: Many hands (people) make light work!

Temple Israel is a community and Sisterhood is a community within this community. As your Interim President I am privileged to represent the Sisterhood on the Temple Board of Directors. If I can be of service in that capacity please don’t hesitate to let me know.

As the end of this secular year approaches, I am looking forward (with your help) to some wonderful days ahead. Don’t let the days fly by without marking your calendar for the following dates:

- **Saturday, January 7, 2017**
  TEMPLE ISRAEL’S 120TH ANNIVERSARY FINALE CELEBRATION

- **Saturday, February 25**
  SISTERHOOD SHABBAT

- **Sunday, March 5**
  BINGO WITH BUNNY

Best Wishes for a wonderful and exciting 2017!

Audrey Madans
Interim Sisterhood President
704 517 2434
PINMAD@AOL.COM

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**The Rose Room**

**TI Sisterhood Judaica Gift Shop**

*Stop by to see this year’s new Hanukkah gift selections:*

**Menorahs, Candles, Dreidels, Gelt, Cards, Jewelry, and an assortment of fun Judaic gifts – for all ages!**

**HANUKKAH BEGINS SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24**

**GIFT SHOP HOURS**

- Sunday 9:00am – 12:30pm
- Tuesday - Thursday 10:00am – 1:00pm
- Friday 11:00am – 1:00pm

Special appointments outside normal business hours are available. Please call Cindy Jennes at 704-443-7643.

Proceeds support Temple Israel, Sisterhood, Temple Israel Youth Programs, and Social Action Initiatives.
MEN’S CLUB

As I am writing this, the High Holy Days have just ended, and I feel a spiritual high! Thanks to the cooperation of several members, and non-members, we had a great time during Sukkot. Not only did we help build, gather schach for, and dismantle the Temple Sukkah, but we also had a great “Scotch and Cigars” program in it. Rabbi Ezring spoke about the relevance of the holiday and also answered many interesting questions about Judaism from our attendees. At the schach gathering we were joined by the children from the Mechina Class at our Religious School, who said this gathering (and carrying) gave a new meaning to the holiday for them.

We have several programs scheduled for the 2017 calendar year, including the 17th edition of the World Wide Wrap, which started right here at Temple Israel in Charlotte. This event will take place on the morning of Super Bowl Sunday, February 5th, 2017. As in previous years, we’ll be linked via Skype to other Masorti Congregations around the world who will be wrapping with us. If you have never wrapped tefillin before, this is a great opportunity to learn. Please contact me if you would like more information, or you can also visit the web page at http://fjmc.org/content/world-wide-wrap

Later in the month, on February 17-19, our Anshei Darom (Men of the South) region of the Federation of Jewish Men’s Clubs (FJMC) will be holding its annual retreat at Camp Ramah Darom in the mountains of Georgia. We are looking for good participation from the men of our Temple. For more information, please contact our Press Secretary Mikhail Mogilevsky at mikhailmogilevsky@hotmail.com

On March 25th we’ll host our Men’s Club Shabbat, where our Men’s Club members will take parts in leading Temple Israel’s Shabbat service. Please contact me for sponsoring opportunities and visit the web page at http://fjmc.org/content/mens-club-shabbat-frequently-asked-questions, where you can hear the exclusive theme song for that day.

Watch this space for additional programs where you can participate, and don’t forget the FJMC Convention in Arlington, VA from July 19-23. This year, for the first time in our history, we’ll spend Shabbat with the Women’s League for Conservative Judaism Convention.

Sincerely,
Michael Abadi, President
Abadim7470@aol.com

SAVE THE DATES

TEMPLE ISRAEL HANUKKAH CELEBRATION & DANCE
Saturday, December 24

WORLD WIDE WRAP • Sunday, February 5, 2017

18th ANNUAL ANSHEI DAROM RETREAT at Camp Ramah Darom
Friday, February 17 – Sunday, February 19, 2017

MEN’S CLUB SHABBAT • Saturday, March 25, 2017

FEDERATION OF JEWISH MEN’S CLUBS CONVENTION
Wednesday, July 19 – Sunday, July 23, 2017

Members of TI’s Men’s Club gather schach with TIRS students for the Temple Israel Sukkah
SOCIAL CLUB

Now that the High Holy Days and Sukkot are finished, Hanukkah will be here before you know it. Our Annual Hanukkah luncheon is one of those affairs you do NOT want to miss! Get your reservations in early, and we will provide the dreidels for you to play with (though they may not be made out of clay)! Please direct all questions & responses to Irving Bienstock, (704) 542-0094. If you need transportation to the temple, let Irving know.

Also, around the corner is our Annual Paid-Up Membership Luncheon so please make sure your 2017 Dues have been paid!

ANNUAL HANUKKAH LUNCHEON
Sunday, December 18
1:00pm (Leon & Sandra Levine Social Hall)

Join us for our Annual Hanukkah Luncheon, catered by Izzy’s Catering, and be prepared for a fantastic meal which will include Chicken Marsale, Honey Soy Glazed Salmon, and Izzy’s fabulous ALL YOU CAN EAT LATKES! The meal will also include a delicious dessert. Afterwards, sit back and relax to the entertainment provided by our own Temple Israel Rock Haruach Band!

Cost*: $20/members; $23/non-members. Reservation deadline: December 9th.

*Please send payment to Temple Israel (Attn: Social Club) and make checks payable to: Temple Israel Social Club

ANNUAL PAID-UP LUNCHEON
Sunday, January 29
12:30pm

Don’t miss this wonderful free lunch for members who have paid their 2017 dues. Our speaker will be published author and community college humanities teacher Barry Koplan, who will speak on “Growing Up Jewish In A Small Southern Town.” Cost: FREE/paid-up members; $15/non-members. Reservation deadline is January 20, 2017.

*Don’t forget to bring donations with you to help stock the pantry at Jewish Family Services (JFS).

If you are looking for that special gift or donation honoring that special person or persons, a one-year 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.

Pictures from Social Club’s IMPROV Luncheon, September 2016, courtesy of Alan S. Goldberg.
WILL YOU BE “ONE IN A MINYAN”?

Your willingness to be of help by giving just 15 minutes of your time, at least once a month, will strengthen our Temple Israel community.

In order to perform the mitzvah of allowing our members to say Kaddish for a loved one, we need the members of our synagogue to make an extra effort to help us fulfill this responsibility. Please reach out to the rashei minyan of the day upon which you plan to attend minyan so that he/she can help confirm that 10 people will be present for each minyan.

Sunday @ 9:00am
Rosh Minyan - Alan Raznick
aranzick@bellsouth.net
704-540-5423 (h)
704-564-1379 (c)

Sunday @ 5:30pm
Rosh Minyan - Michael Van Glish
mvg3700@outlook.com
704-366-6619 (h)
704-905-8630 (c)

Monday @ 7:30pm
Rosh Minyan - Morey Sheffer
moresheff@gmail.com
704-540-0502 (h)
704-201-4728 (c)

Tuesday @ 7:30pm
Rosh Minyan - Richard Herd
hrlpromotions@gmail.com
704-846-0907 (h)

Wednesday @ 7:30pm
Rosh Minyan - Leonard Berkowitz
lennyberk1946@gmail.com
803-802-5362 (h)
954-856-6873 (c)

Thursday @ 7:30am
Rosh Minyan - Richard Herd
hrlpromotions@gmail.com
704-846-0907 (h)

Thursday @ 7:30pm
Rosh Minyan - Jodi Cohen
SCohen2414@aol.com
704-845-9746 (h)
704-661-1390 (c)

Saturday @ 5:30pm
Rosh Minyan - Cantor Roochvarg
cantor@templeisraelnc.org
704-362-2796

GO GREEN INITIATIVE

As part of our commitment to the Shalom Park Environmental Initiative – SHALOM GREEN – we are pleased to offer our readers the opportunity to receive a digital version of KOL YISRAEL sent directly to them via email, in lieu of receiving a hard copy in the mail.

If you would like to receive just the digital version of our bi-monthly publication, please email marketing@templeisraelnc.org.
KAVANAH
Our Kavanah service meets on the 3rd Shabbat of the month. The Kavanah service combines the ancient practices of Jewish prayer and meditation, along with a Torah study, in an effort to create space for reflection and growth.
Saturdays, 10:00am
December 17
January 21

JAVA N’ JEANS
Java n’ Jeans meets on the 1st Shabbat of the month (10:00am) and will resume on October 1. Do you have questions about Jewish prayer that you have never been able to ask? Are you seeking a deeper meaning behind the prayers? Join us for Java -N- Jeans, where you can delve into and discuss the true meaning and purpose of prayer over coffee, while wearing your favorite pair of jeans.
Saturday, December 3
11:00am (Note: NEW time for December only)
*Monthly JAVA N’ JEANS service will not take place in January.

TEMPLE ISRAEL BOOK CLUB
Monday, December 19
7:30pm (@ TEMPLE ISRAEL)
Please join us for our next meeting when we get together to discuss the highly praised historical novel, Love & Treasure by Ayelet Waldman.
This book weaves together 3 stories, beginning in 1946 on the outskirts of Salzberg, (when) victorious American soldiers capture a train filled with unspeakable riches: piles of fine gold watches; mountains of fur coats, crates filled with wedding rings, silver picture frames, family heirlooms, and Shabbat candlesticks passed down through generations. Jack Weisman, a tough, smart New York Jew is the lieutenant charged with guarding this treasure – a responsibility that grows more complicated when he meets Ilona, a fierce beautiful Hungarian who has lost everything in the ravages of the Holocaust.
Seventy years later, amid the shadowy world of art dealers who profit off the sins of previous generations, Jack gives a necklace to his granddaughter, Natalie, and charges her with returning it to its owner. And as Natalie searches for the woman whose portrait and unknown fate haunt her, she will come to understand the secret her grandfather took to his grave.
“This beautifully written story provides much to think about and discuss.” – The Jewish Book Council
Copies of Love & Treasure are available at the Levine-Sklut and Public Libraries and may be ordered on-line for about $16.
Everyone is welcome to attend Temple Israel book club meetings even if you haven’t read the book. For additional information contact Linda Levy (704-366-6362 or levyollie@aol.com.)

HANUKKAH, HOOPS & HORNETS
Thursday, December 29, 7:00pm
Join the Charlotte Jewish Community for our 4th annual Hanukkah, Hornets & Hoops event at the Charlotte Hornets game! Each ticket comes with an exclusive FREE Charlotte Hornets Hebrew scarf! In addition, a portion of every ticket will be donated back to the Jewish Family Services.
To order tickets, visit http://bit.ly/2gJewo and enter the following promo code: SHALOM.
SOCIAL/BUSINESS NETWORKING NIGHT
Wednesday, January 4, 7:30pm (@ Temple Israel)
Join us for this new initiative to encourage effective business networking. Share ideas and gain marketing knowledge from others – all in a social setting.
Limited to 25-30 participants. Food and drinks will be served. RSVP by Dec. 28 to Richard Freiberg (hvrprez5@windstream.net)

TORAH TOTS:
Family Pajama-Dallah
Saturday, January 28, 5:30Pm
Please join us for a fun family service with pajamas, music, havdallah (we’ll make our own havdallah sets), and ice cream - for kids in preschool - 2nd grade.

TEMPLE ISRAEL
HANUKKAH
CELEBRATION & DANCE
Sponsored by your Temple Israel Men’s Club
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24
6:15 pm - Special Oneg
6:30 pm - Havdalah
6:50 pm - Lighting of the 1st Hanukkah Candle
Bring your favorite and/or family menorah and candles to join others in celebration of the Hanukkah miracle
7:30 pm - Chinese-inspired Dinner
(what else would we be eating on December 24th?)
8:15 pm - DJ, Dancing and Dessert
$18.00 per person / $54.00 maximum per family
Please RSVP no later than December 16
Pay in advance by registering online at templeisraelnc.org under “register for an event” or mailing a check* to:
TEMPLE ISRAEL, ATTN: Men’s Club
4901 Providence Road, Charlotte, NC 28226
*please indicate # of attendees in memo line

NEW MEMBER SHABBAT DINNER
Friday, January 20, 7:15pm
Please join us for a special dinner (immediately following services) as we welcome the newest members of Temple Israel, with a delicious dinner prepared by Izzy’s Catering!
$8-$15. FREE for New Members.
To RSVP, go to templeisraelnc.org, visit Quicklinks, and “Register for an Event.”

Would you like to participate in the mitzvah of welcoming guests?

Temple Israel is looking for people to serve as greeters on Shabbat. If you are interested in learning more, or doing this mitzvah, please contact Monty Bennett at mbennett@templeisraelnc.org or at the TI office 704-362-2796
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Temple Israel is more than just a synagogue building. It is a community of people from around the world who make a vibrant family that has existed for generations. 98 families and individuals have been moved so deeply by some aspect of our community that they have thought forward and made provisions for Temple Israel to survive for the next generation and beyond. In our 120th year, will you help us reach 120 Legacy gifts? YOU can make a difference in our future!

For more information, please contact Monty Bennett at mbennett@templeisraelnc.org or 704-362-2796

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TEMPLE ISRAEL ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Did you know that Temple Israel has nearly 20 endowment funds that help to support Temple Israel’s ongoing operational needs, specific program efforts and our Temple members through financial assistance and religious school scholarships? In addition, the Temple has more than 20 in-house funds that support the Temple’s outreach efforts to members, ongoing maintenance and repair needs, scholarships, holiday and annual programs, and other operational needs.

Each month, dozens of Temple members and friends make contributions to these funds in honor or in memory of loved ones and friends. These generous gifts make it possible for our endowment and in-house funds to provide ongoing support to the Temple on an annual basis that supplements the operating budget and ensures that sufficient funding is available to meet the needs of our members.

Thank you to all of the generous donors who regularly contribute to Temple Israel’s endowment and in-house funds. Your donations truly make a difference!

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- To subsidize the costs of annual Simchat Torah celebrations

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- To provide religious school scholarships and youth programming including trips, camp and Israel travel experiences

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- To provide religious school scholarships and financial assistance

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- To provide financial assistance to subsidize the cost of Temple membership

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- To provide senior activity programs

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Shelton Gorelick Family Endowment Fund for Temple Israel
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- To provide social action programming

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- To support annual Yom Hashoah commemoration

Temple Israel Building Endowment Fund
- To maintain the Temple building

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- To subsidize religious school and education related expenses

Kiddush Fund
- To offset Temple Israel's Kiddush expenses and help B’nai Mitzvah families with the costs of Kiddush

Kristallnacht Fund
- To support annual Kristallnacht program or other Holocaust education programs

Madans Family Shivah Fund
- To provide comfort to mourners and visitors and foster meaningful experiences for shivah services held at the temple.

Membership Outreach Fund
- To provide for outreach to prospective, new and long-time Temple Israel members including bringing meals to ill or recently hospitalized individuals, programs for young adults and efforts to welcome new members to our community

Pransky Family Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund
- To help religious school students attend Camp Ramah

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- To subsidize the Rock HaRaucha band

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- To purchase silver for the Temple

Sam Lerner Sukkah Garden Fund
- To be used at Rabbi Ezring’s discretion

Shai Richardson Camp Scholarship Fund
- To help children attend a Jewish Camp

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- To support social action programs including Room in the Inn and the Men’s Shelter

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- To offset the cost of the Book of Remembrance and assist families with the cost of memorial plaques

Stuart Ostrow Youth Fund
- To provide youth programs and activities

Sunday Morning Minyan Breakfast Fund
- To supplement the costs of breakfast

FEES: Temple Israel does not pass along any transaction or processing fees to our members and friends for any payments made using a credit card. A minimum of $18 is requested for charitable donations when honoring or memorializing friends and loved ones.

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Lewis J. Goldsticker
In memory of
By Jodi & Stuart Cohen & Family

Donald Congress
In memory of
By Elana Congress

Anna, Jacob, & Sheldon Bobrow
In honor of
By Karen Knoble & Barry Bobrow

Temple Israel’s 120th Anniversary
In honor of
The Bobrow Family - Barry, Karen, Anna, Jacob & Sheldon

Barry Bobrow,
President of Temple Israel 2012-2014
In honor of
By Karen Knoble, Anna, Jacob & Sheldon Bobrow

Debbie Abelow
In memory of
By Craig & Susie Ketover

Riva & Solomon Baicovitz
In Memory of my beloved parents
By Suly Chenkin

The Miller Family - David, Risa, Noah & Jordyn
In honor of
By Risa & David Miller

Brett & Gregg Steinberger
In honor of
By Norman Steinberger

Irene & Milton Steinberger
In memory of
By Norman Steinberger

Stephen K. Steinberger
In memory of
By Norman Steinberger

Marilyn & Morris Roth (Nana & Papa)
In memory of
Amy, Ross, Olivia & Jacob Udoff & Stacey, Stuart, Avery & Ethan Shapiro

Emma Zhuravlev
In memory of
By Mikhail Mogilevsky

Hannah & Joe Hockfield
In memory of
By Sharon & Steven Hockfield

Cecile & Bernard Rose
In memory of
By Sharon & Steven Hockfield

Miriam Fishman Stein, Melvin Stein, Jackie Jaffe Smith, William Silverstein
In memory of
By Marc Silverstein & Sandy Stein

Maxine “Mickey” Dorum
In memory of
By David, Judy, Lisa, Stuart & Matthew Miller

Hattie Shapiro
In memory of
By David, Judy, Lisa, Stuart & Matthew Miller

Alfred Serber
In memory of
By David, Judy, Lisa, Stuart & Matthew Miller

Libby Serber
In memory of
By David, Judy, Lisa, Stuart & Matthew Miller

Zelda Weiner
In memory of
By Janice & Ron Weiner

Danielle Rosenzweig Reh
In memory of
By Janice & Ron Weiner

Carl Casper Spector
In honor of
By The Spector Family - Rachel, Lea, Eliana & Ari

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In memory of  
By Mary & Les Gordan  
Helen & Harold Gordan  
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Our Family  
In honor of  
By Heidi & Michael Rotberg  
Paul Joel Fixman  
In memory of  
By Cindy, Martin, Lindsay, Paul & Logan  
Our Nana Ann  
In memory of  
By Cindy, Martin, Lindsay, Paul & Logan  
Allegra Lieb Madans  
In honor of my great-granddaughter  
By Audrey Madans  
Jerome Irwin Madans  
In memory of my husband  
By Audrey Madans  
Craig & Dorothy Madans & Maxine & Barry Klenicki  
In honor of my children  
By Audrey Madans  
Alex & Nancy Madans, Ari & Erica Klenicki, Rachel Klenicki  
In honor of my grandchildren  
By Audrey Madans  
Chaim Cygler  
In memory of  
By Dedee & Irv Cygler & Family  
Florence Gould  
In memory of  
By Dedee & Irv Cygler & Family  
Herman Gould  
In memory of  
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In memory of  
By David & Terry Waldinger  
Shelley Bregman  
In memory of  
By Justin Bregman & Diana Warth  
Norman Davidson  
In memory of  
By Justin Bregman & Diana Warth  
Adam Gallagher  
In memory of  
By Justin Bregman & Diana Warth  
Stanley & Doris Sickles  
In memory of our beloved grandparents  
By Rochelle Rickoff Wilensky & Moshe Wilensky  
Nathan Rickoff (Nahvm Ha ‘Levi ben Aharon) & Greta Rickoff  
In memory of our beloved grandfather & in Honor of our beloved grandmother  
By Rochelle Rickoff Wilensky & Moshe Wilensky  
Carl & Bessie Wilensky  
In memory of  
By Moeshe & Rochelle Wilensky  
Morris & Nettie Goldwater  
In memory of  
By Moeshe & Rochelle Wilensky  
Raymond Bennett  
In memory of  
By Monty Bennett  
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Evelyn & Joseph Handler  
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Evelyn & Philip Rosen  
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By Wendy & Frank Rosen & Family  
Josh & Beverly Rosen  
In honor of your marriage  
By Wendy & Frank Rosen  
Irving Bienstock  
In honor of your 90th Birthday  
By Richard & Suly Chenkin  
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By Mike & Sandy Slomka  
Marcy Mehlman  
In memory of Joseph Shuman  
By Your Charlotte’s Friends  
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With deep appreciation  
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In honor of the birth of your grandson  
By Ron & Jan Weiner  
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Bob & Ann Abel  
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In memory of Morton “Mort” Turk  
By The Somerstein Rosen Family  
Simeon A. “Happy” Schloss, Jr.  
In memory of  
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13th Annual Charlotte Jewish Film Festival
February 11 - March 5

All Festival Pass
$124 – (a $155 value)
January 9 – February 11

Early Bird Special!
$98 – December 15 – January 8

Temple Israel is a proud Community Sponsor of the CJFF and the film On The Map on Sunday, February 12 at 7:15pm.

Ticket Sales Begin December 15 at www.charlottejewishfilm.com

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Temple Israel is a welcoming and progressive Conservative community fostering personal growth and a meaningful engaged life through these pillars of our faith:

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

120th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION FINALE
Saturday, January 7, 2017

Please join us as we conclude our celebratory year and honor those individuals who have helped Temple Israel reach this momentous occasion.

9:30am - Special Shabbat Services and Kiddush (no cost)
• Past Presidents, Leaders of Auxiliary Groups and heroes will be recognized

6:30pm - Finale event with special honorees, Jerry & Barbara Levin
• Seated dinner, musical entertainment, and dancing

For more information about sponsorship opportunities, inclusion in the Finale tribute booklet, or to purchase an individual ticket or table, please go to templeisraelnc.org.