TEMPLE ISRAEL PRESENTS

HANUKKAH CELEBRATION

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28

(SEE PAGE 18 FOR DETAILS)
YOM GEMILUT HASADIM
(A Day Performing Acts of Loving Kindness)

Sunday, January 19, 2020
(Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend)
9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Join the entire Temple Israel community to help others on MLK weekend. This is a wonderful opportunity for Adults, Youth and Families to get involved and make a difference in our community. By participating in Mitzvah projects you will be sharing in Tikkun Olam (repairing the world).

There will be many on site Mitzvah Projects at Temple Israel along with many great off-site projects – all of them focused on making a positive impact of the lives of those in need.

Every TI Congregant has an opportunity to make a positive impact on our community!

(This is not just an event for our religious school - it is for every one!)

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3
Empty Nesters: Sip N’ Schmooze at Vitner Wine, 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4
Torah on Tap: Donate & Decorate

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7
TIRS Class Shabbat featuring Kitah Hey, 9:30 a.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8
Lifelong Learning: Swimming in the Sea of Talmud, 11 a.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12
Lunch N’ Learn: When All You’ve Wanted Isn’t Enough - The Search for A Life That Matters, 11 a.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13
TIRS All-School Shabbat (& Oneg) featuring Kitah Dalet, 6:15 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14
Torah Tots: Bim Bam Shabbat Service, Craft & “Kid”dush, 9 a.m.
Temple Israel Shabbat Experience, 9:30 a.m.
Jr. Congregation, 10:30 a.m.
TI Youth: Ir Ha-Malka USY Secret Hanukkah Chaim, 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15
Lifelong Learning: Swimming in the Sea of Talmud, 11 a.m.
TI Youth: Kadima Afternoon Out at Sports Connection, 12:15 p.m.
Temple Israel Presents ONE NIGHT ONLY Kavanah: The Heart & Soul of Barbra Streisand, featuring Cantors Shira Lissek & Magda Fishman, 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18
Empty Nesters: Making Hanukkah Meaningful, 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19
WoTI: Miracles in Our Lives, 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22
Social Club: Annual Hanukkah Luncheon, with guest Cantor Emeritus Elias Roochvarg, 12:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24
Social Action: Cooking for Men’s Shelter of Charlotte, 12 Noon

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27
Rosh Chodesh Study Group, 9 a.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28
Light Up The Night Hanukkah Party, 6 p.m.

JANUARY

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8
Temple Israel Book Club, 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9
WoTI: Nosh, Craft & Kibbitz, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10
Torah Tots: Bim Bam Shabbat Service & “Kid”dush, 5:45 p.m.
Empty Nesters: Shabbat Dinner, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11
Temple Israel Shabbat Experience, 9:30 a.m.
Jr. Congregation, 10:30 a.m.
Torah on Tap: Movie & Havdalah Night, 6:15 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16
Lunch N’ Learn: Who Needs God, 11 a.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19
YomGemilut Hasadim (YGH), 9 a.m.
Torah on Tap: YGH Men’s Shelter of Charlotte Project, TBD
TI Youth: USY Social Action Day at YGH, 9 a.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24
TIRS All School Shabbat (& Oneg), featuring Kitah Gimel, 6:15 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25
Healing Service, 9 a.m.
Jr. Congregation, 10:30 a.m.
Havdalah Family Concert featuring Rick Recht, 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26
TI Youth: Mahar Chocolate Bar in a Car, 12:15 p.m.
Social Club: Paid-Up Membership Luncheon & Program, 12:30 p.m.

“GOOD SCENTS”
Please be considerate of others who may be allergic, and refrain from using scented products when coming to services.

Accessible seating is available in the choir loft area of the Morris & Sylvia Speizman Sanctuary

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WEEKLY EVENTS

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

SUNDAYS
Temple Israel Religious School (TIRS), 9:30 a.m.

TUESDAYS
TIRS Weekday Class, 4:45 p.m.
Lifelong Learning: Judaism – Just the Basics, 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS
TIRS Weekday Class, 5:15 p.m.
Adult B’nai Mitzvah Class, 7 p.m.

SATURDAYS
Lifelong Learning: Gutsy Torah, 12:30 p.m.

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.

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

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RABBI’S COLUMN

By Rabbi Howard Siegel

Hanukkah is an eight-day festival beginning this year on Sunday evening, December 22, 2019 and lasting through Monday, December 30, 2019.

As with other festivals in the Jewish year, there seems to be a dual origin to Hanukkah-seasonal and historical. The historical story is quite well known. The Maccabee family, led by brother Judah, lead a revolt/civil war against the occupying Syrian forces and the assimilated Jewish Temple leadership in Jerusalem around the year 165 BCE. They succeeded in forcing the Syrians to make peace and give them control of Jerusalem and its surrounding environs. The Maccabees celebrated the victory with the inauguration of Hanukkah (a word meaning “rededication”). Each subsequent year, the holiday was celebrated as a tribute to the Maccabean ruler in power. By the 1st century of the Common Era, the rabbis of the Talmud had grown weary of this celebration honoring descendants of the original Maccabees, many of whom were no longer worthy of the tribute. Nonetheless, the holiday had found appeal among the people. For this reason, the rabbis introduced the “miracle of the oil” attempting to divert attention on Hanukkah away from the Maccabees. The ancient rabbis manufactured a tale of the Maccabees re-claiming the Temple and re-kindling the ancient Menorah (7-branched candelabra) with a lone vial of oil. The miracle was that only enough oil for one day lasted eight days!

Not only were the rabbis concerned about paying tribute to less-than-worthy descendants, they were also opposed to celebrating a miracle of “a few prevailing against the many” (a small group of Jewish rebels vs. a Syrian army). “Miracles,” such as this, encouraged zealotry in the place of reason and sensible decision.

In modern times, we have come to understand the two stories of Hanukkah as one: The Maccabees gloriously re-conquered the Temple and discovered the single vial of oil that burned for eight days.

There is also a seasonal dimension to the holiday. Long before the Maccabees, there was some kind of established winter festival at this season of the year. The festival had to do with the gradual increase in daylight after the ominous, steadily darkening days of late autumn. A number of legends connect Hanukkah with this winter solstice celebration. Another motif had to do with the kindling of fire, reported as an ancient Jewish custom at the dedication of the Temple altar. A third motif related to the festival of Sukkot (an 8-day harvest festival taking place in the early Fall). Some historians believe the Maccabees were engaged in warfare during Sukkot, and unable to celebrate it at its proper time. Therefore, when they concluded their victory the first thing they did was celebrate Sukkot for eight days. In subsequent years this winter celebration became Hanukkah.

However one chooses to understand the holiday or interpret its history, Hanukkah remains the most celebrated occasion on the Jewish calendar!

Rabbi Howard Siegel

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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE
by David Rosenthal
Dear Friends,
Kol HaKavod!
Our success depends on you opting-in, engaging in our shared kehillah kedoshah, attending service offerings and Minyanim, lifelong learning opportunities, programs, events, celebrating and standing proud of your Judaism! This is also the way to combat anti-Semitism!

In memory of my friend, mentor and quintessential teacher, Rabbi, Doctor and Professor Eugen Kullmann tz’l, I dedicate this column containing a few of his teachings, “Divrei Kullmann”, the words of Eugen Kullmann, master of twelve languages and innumerable disciplines, and so much more.

And because Mishnah Avot says “b’aserah ma’amaronot nivra ha-olam” (Avot 5:1), “the world was created with ten sayings,” I too will limit this to ten sayings. I actually have dozens of them. The first four have to do with God and theology:

And so, Divrei Kullmann #1: “God is the silent answer to the final question.”

In a private moment, when I inquired what he meant, he refused to answer suggesting to me that all Jewish theology was, as Maimonides had suggested, negative theology. There was nothing cogent you can truly say about God. Recommended reading: Micah Goodman’s, “Maimonides and the Book That Changed Judaism: Secrets of “The Guide for the Perplexed”.

Kullmann was very much opposed to a systematic Jewish theology. He often reminded me to re-read Leo Baeck’s “Essence of Judaism” and to re-encounter the notion: there is a commandment, which can be known, and a mystery, which is always unknown.

His skepticism of theology leads me to DK #2: “faith is what remains behind after all of the rebuttals.” This occurred in the midst of a discussion of the Hebrew word, emunah. Jewish people don’t “have” faith. We are “rooted” in our faith!

His religiously-based skepticism made him the most balanced and one of the funniest lecturers I have ever experienced. In a discussion of the wisdom literature, he once quipped to a class DK #3: “Job is free floating literature.”; but, Kullmann said, “if we take Job as theology, then clearly, God is a schlemiel.”

DK #4: “Theology is the prose rendition of the poetry of religion. Stay away from it.” Systematic theology doesn’t truly exist for the Jewish people. Better for us to read the Psalms in the original. Or even better, the exhortations of Amos, Micah and Second Isaiah, reminding us to lead an ethical, just life.

Speaking of the Prophets, the next three sayings are directly related to Kullmann’s understanding of Torah and of our obligation to be good people. You need not be Jewish to be a good person. He took the words of the Hebrew prophets quite seriously. Recommended reading: Abraham Joshua Heschel’s, “The Prophets”.

DK #5: “In every mitzvah, the eternal is connected with the daily.”

DK #6: “An individual is someone who can say no.” The prophet says “tzaddik be’emunato yihye,” a righteous man lives in his faith, Kullmann was fond of quoting to me.

DK #7: “the difference between human and humane is just one little letter, the letter “e,” but it takes an entire lifetime just to achieve that addition. As well, it takes a liberal education.

DK #8: something he often said to me about his religious identity, “sometimes you have to be liberal enough to be orthodox...”

But being ethical and being Jewish was never enough for Kullmann. He constantly criticized those he called the “funners” of the world; those who thought that they were here only for the earthly pleasures and who had no ethical or intellectual pursuits.

DK #9: has to do with being serious, because Kullmann constantly challenged us to take our lives and the lives of others seriously: “Serious is someone whose life goes in a straight line.”
DK #10: “The religious person lives, always going from utopia to utopia. It is always a mission impossible.” Recommended reading: Martin Buber’s, “On Judaism” and “I and Thou” on the objectification and transactional nature of relationships, plus Leo Baeck’s, “The Essence of Judaism.”

Mazal tov to Dan Ruda on his retirement after 27 years with Kodak and its subsidiary, Kodak Alaris. Mark your calendars for our winter concert titled, “One Night Only: Kavanah – The Heart and Soul of Barbra Streisand featuring Cantor Shira Lissek and Magda Fishman, Sunday, December 15, 2019, 5 – 7 p.m. Also, on Sunday, January 19, 2020, we will gather for Yom Gemilut Hasadim, A Day of Performing Acts of Lovingkindness.” Please reach out to Jonathan Berger for further details.

Thank you to each and every one of you, our team, Clergy and Operations, auxiliary and generational groups, committee chairs, volunteers and donors for committing your time, energy and capital. Your unwavering commitment and dedication ensure Temple Israel will thrive into the foreseeable future!

We are a fortunate people given we are able to celebrate many new beginnings, every Shabbat, each Rosh Chodesh, Rosh Hashanah and the secular new year. Wishing you and your loved ones an abundance of healthy, safe, peaceful and fulfilling years, next year and in the years ahead.

L’chaim tovim ul’shalom!
ENGAGEMENT
By Erin Goldstein
Shalom Temple Israel!
Temple Israel has welcomed 42 new families to our congregational community in the last few months! These new congregants represent all ages and stages of life and they are excited to get involved as part of our kehillah. As your Membership Director, my job is to invite prospective families to visit with our community and learn about what we have to offer, to connect our new congregants with committees, auxiliary groups and programs that align with their interests, and to develop creative ways to engage our current congregants.

This is where you come in! To continue these efforts and to attract new families/individuals to our congregation, I am asking for your input and help. We will be starting a Membership Engagement Committee within Temple Israel and I need your input and your help. This group will work with me to develop a plan to thoughtfully welcome and engage new individuals and families when they join our community, and to think creatively about how to keep our congregants engaged year after year. The commitment will be a monthly meeting along with some outreach to new congregants and long-standing members of Temple Israel.

We are also looking for volunteers to continue and expand our Caring Committee efforts (includes preparing meals for recently hospitalized congregants, new parents, etc.) and to serve as greeters on Shabbat, and during large synagogue programs.

If you are interested in getting involved with any of these important efforts, please contact me directly at egoldstein@templeisraelnc.org or 980-960-2380. I look forward to hearing from you!

LIFE EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILIES OF:
• Marlene Cohn, mother of Hilary (Dan) Rosenbaum and Denise Cohn; grandmother of Lindsey and Nikki Rosenbaum.
• Iris Comen Kaplan, mother of Robert (Cheryl) Comen, Steven (Sandi) Comen, and Laurie Comen (OBM); grandmother of Lindsay (Orlando), Alex, Danielle, Melissa (Les), and Stephanie (Steve); great grandmother of Hallie, Brendan, Cooper and Griffin.
• Stuart Singer, uncle of Teri Ackerman and brother of Vivian Leibowitz (OBM).
• Charles J. Markman, father of Barbara Markman Ezring (Rabbi Murray Ezring), Deborah Markman Fine (Avi Fine) and Joseph Markman (Roslyn Markman).
• Henry Hirschmann, husband of Blanche Hirschmann (OBM). He is survived by his children, Paul (June) Hirschmann, and Adina (Gerald) Leach of Washington D.C.; grandchildren, Lyndsay, Ilana, Abbey, Hanna and Matthew (Megan) Allen; great grandchildren, Maggie and Madeline.
• Sraya Hubara, husband of Rivka Hubara (OBM); father of Ofer (Tara) Hubara and Eyal Hubara; grandfather of Brandon Collins, Oren and Liat Hubara.
• Paula Holstein, mother of Margie Sigal and Debbie Hopkins; grandmother of Halli (Ben) Weiner, Benjamin Sigal, Dana Hopkins and Ross Hopkins; great grandmother of Mira Weiner, June Hopkins and Nora Hopkins.

BIRTHS
• Alison & Adam Lewkowitz joyfully welcomed the arrival of a baby girl, Remi Korrick Lewkowitz. Proud family members include big brother Jonah, big sister Mina, and grandparents Sandy & Alan Rosenberg (Charlotte, NC) and Cathy & Herman Lewkowitz (Phoenix, AZ).
• Rebecca & Jeffrey Stern joyfully welcomed the arrival of a baby boy, Evan Ryan Stern. Proud family members include, big sister Natalie, big brother Jack, and grandparents Barry & Terri Wallach (Chicago, IL) and Wayne & Debbie Stern (Highland Beach, FL).
• Emily & Mark Greenberg joyfully welcomed the arrival of a baby girl, Sadie Isabel Greenberg. Proud family members include big sister is Celia; grandparents Dr. Gerald & Nancy Sonenshine and Drs. Jerry Greenberg & Toby Block; great-grandmother Mildred Sonenshine.
• Daniel Reich & Stefanie Marxreiter are thrilled with the arrival of their baby girl, Robin Leah, in Salt Lake City, UT. Proud grandparents are Laura & Barry Reich of Matthews, and Sherri Sheldon of Arizona.

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 email 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.
Our Mikvah Has Been Renovated!
Weekly/Monthly/Holidays (Preparing for Shabbat, niddah, holidays)
Congregant rate: $18
Community member rate: $36
For Lifecycle Passages/Personal Transitions (conversions, pre-wedding, celebration, healing, etc.), please contact Ariel DiDonato at adidonato@templeisraelnc.org

*Our mikvah was featured in the May 6, 2019 edition of JPOD Charlotte. To learn more about the traditions surrounding mikvah usage in this special podcast, visit http://bit.ly/TI_Mikvah.

TORAH TOTS, Temple Israel’s high-energy Shabbat program for families with preschoolers, typically takes place twice a month. Join Rabbi Helene Kornsgold along with Mr. Caleb as we welcome in Shabbat with songs, prayers and movement followed by a healthy, bountiful “Kid”dush. Additionally, special programs are offered throughout the year. For more information, visit templeisraelnc.org or pick up a Torah Tots calendar in the kiosk.

TORAH TOTS

BIM BAM SHABBAT SERVICE, CRAFT AND “KID”DUSH
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 9 A.M.
Join Rabbi Kornsgold and Mr. Caleb on guitar for a great time celebrating Shabbat together!
We will follow our Shabbat service with a fun kids craft project and delicious “Kid”dush.

HANUKKAH CELEBRATION, BIM BAM SHABBAT SERVICE, AND ENHANCED HOLIDAY “KID”DUSH
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27, 5:45 P.M.
Join Rabbi Kornsgold and Mr. Caleb for a great time celebrating Shabbat and Hanukkah!
Our service will conclude with a delicious enhanced Hanukkah-themed “Kid”dush, including latkes and sufganiyot donuts. There will also be dreidels and gelt for every child.

BIM BAM SHABBAT SERVICE AND “KID”DUSH
FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 5:45 P.M.
Join Rabbi Kornsgold and Mr. Caleb on guitar for a great time celebrating Shabbat together!
We will follow our Shabbat service with a delicious “Kid”dush.
Judaism has a long tradition of embracing debate and respecting different opinions. This type of debate is known as a machloket. A machloket is a conflict, debate or disagreement where divided opinions are honored. In the Talmudic tradition and throughout modern responsa literature, one opinion is ultimately followed as law, but minority opinions endure and are studied. The minority opinions help to expand our understanding of the ritual or religious subject at hand and provide us with a multi-faceted understanding of Jewish law.

In Pirkei Avot, (Ethics of our Fathers, 5:17) we learn the following, “Every machloket which is lashem shamayim (for the sake of heaven) will be preserved. And that which is not lashem shamayim, will not be preserved.”

Since we will be celebrating Hanukkah in a few weeks, I want to share with you one famous machloket lashem shamayim related to the holiday. Our sages taught the basic mitzvah of Hanukkah is to have a light kindled by the head of each household every night. The House of Shammai and the House of Hillel, two schools of thoughts named after the sages (of the last century BCE and the early 1st century CE), who founded them, disagreed on how this lighting should be done. Beit Shammai said, “on the first day, all eight candles should be lit, and from there on, the lights should gradually decrease until on the final night, there is only one candle lit.” Beit Shammai believed that the candles lit, should correspond to the incoming days. But Beit Hillel said, “on the first night we should kindle one light, and from there on we gradually increase the light.” Hillel believed that we should kindle lights according to the outgoing days, therefore increasing the lights each night. Beit Shammai and Beit Hillel's teachings were elaborated on by other sages. One sage explains, the reason for Beit Hillel's opinion is that the number of lights is based on the principle: One elevates to a higher level in matters of sanctity and one does not downgrade. More simply stated, we go up in matters of holiness and not down.

Based on the way we light the Hanukkah candles; you already know Beit Hillel won this debate (as they did most of the debates between the two households). The ritual is enhanced and becomes even more meaningful when we know the reasoning behind it. We learn much more by studying the conversation and by understanding the rational for each position, than by simply knowing the law. The Talmud records 316 debates between Hillel and Shammai. From all these debates, there are only three instances where the halachah (Jewish law) follows Shammai. Yet, both Hillel and Shammai continued to participate in these debates for the sake of heaven. They disagreed on trivial issues because they agreed on the significance of Jewish law and ritual. They debated one another, in friendship and with a great deal of respect for one another, in order to learn from one another.

We need to learn to do the same, to argue and disagree in friendship, so we can learn from one another. Whichever way you choose to kindle the lights of the Hanukkah menorah, I hope you have a festive and bright Hanukkah.

Hanukkah Sameach!

Rabbi Helene Kornsgold
YOUTH

For more information about Youth Programs & Events contact Alan Johnathan, Director of Youth and Family Engagement, at ajohnathan@templeisraelnc.org or (704) 944-6772.

IR HA-MALKA USY SECRET HANUKKAH HARRY (8th-12th Grades)
Saturday, December 14, 6:30-8 p.m.
Come celebrate Hanukkah with Ir Ha-Malka USY and join us for a Hanukkah Harry gift exchange (white elephant style), games, sweet treats, and hot chocolate. To participate, you must bring a gift of $5-$15! Drop-off & Pick-up at Amelie’s in Pineville. Cost: $5/TI-Y Members; $10/Non-Members. RSVP by 5 p.m. on Friday, December 13.

KADIMA AFTERNOON OUT AT SPORTS CONNECTION (6th & 7th Grades)
Sunday, December 15 12:15-3:30 p.m.
Join Kadima for an afternoon out at Sports Connection for bowling, laser tag, and arcade time! Pizza lunch will be provided. Drop-off & Pick-up at TIRS Cost: $20/TI-Y Members; $25/Non-Members. RSVP by 9 p.m. on Wednesday, December 11.

YOM GEMILUT HASADIM (8th-12th Grades)
Sunday, January 19, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
Join Ir Ha-Malka USY and Kadima for Yom Gemilut Hasadim at Temple Israel for multiple volunteer opportunities! Drop-off & Pick-up at TI.

MAHAR CHOCOLATE BAR IN A CAR (3rd-5th Grades)
Sunday, January 26th, 12:15-1:45 p.m.
Come join your friends for a tasty treat! Chocolate Bar in a Car is coming to educate about where chocolate comes from, how to make chocolate, and most importantly, creating a delicious treat! Bring a packed dairy lunch. Drop-off & Pick-up at TIRS. Cost: $12/TI-Y Members; $18/Non-Members. RSVP by 9 p.m. on Wednesday, January 22.

LEADERSHIP MEETINGS

IR HA-MALKA USY EXECUTIVE BOARD (8TH-12TH GRADES)
Sunday, December 15, 7-8:30 p.m. at Ben & Jerrys on Fairview Rd.

KADIMA LEADERSHIP COUNCIL (6TH & 7TH GRADES)
Sunday, January 12, 8:30-9:15 a.m. at TIRS, Room 218

SAVE THE DATES

EIN GEDI USY FALL & KADIMA CONVENTION
December 6 – 8
West End Synagogue “MTUSY”
Nashville, TN

USY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION (9th-12th Grades)
Sunday, December 22-Thursday, December 26
Ontario, CA
This winter break, join hundreds of Jewish teens at USY’s biggest event of the year--a week of fun, community service, leadership building, west coast vibes, and more!
For more information visit: https://www.usy.org/ic/

TI Youth: Kadima (6th-7th grades) had a great time Laser Quest in October!
(Young Professionals)

For more information or to RSVP for any event, email torahontapclt@gmail.com. Be sure to put the name of the program in the subject line. If you would like to be added to Torah on Tap’s email listserv, email Alan Johnathan at ajohnathan@templeisraelnc.org.

DONATE AND DECORATE
Wednesday, December 4, 7-9 p.m.
Location: Temple Israel
Come decorate cookies and help us build our contribution to Temple Israel’s collection for the Men’s Shelter of Charlotte. Items needed include:
• NEW winter Gloves and Hats
• Underwear (XL)
• Toothbrushes
• Large tubes of Toothpaste
• Deodorant
• Large bottles of Shampoo
• Winter Coats (XL)
• Tzedakah donations (to help pay for dinner to be served at the shelter on Christmas Eve)

VODKA LATKE 2019 WITH MOISHE HOUSE
Saturday, December 14, 8-11 p.m.
Location: Camp North End (1824 Statesville Ave)
Join Torah on Tap and Moishe House Charlotte for another fun-filled Hanukkah celebration! We’re hosting our 6th Annual Vodka Latke Party for Jewish Young Professionals. For more information, check the Torah on Tap Facebook page!

MOVIE NIGHT WITH HAVDALLAH
Saturday, January 11, 6:15-11 p.m.
Location: AMC Park Terrace 6 (4289 Park Road)
Catch a winter flick with us at the newly restored AMC theatre in Park Road Shopping Center! We will have a brief Havdallah service in the parking lot before the movie. We’ll hold a FB poll to choose the movies once times are released.

YOM GEMILUT HASADIM, MEN’S SHELTER OF CHARLOTTE PROJECT
Sunday, January 19, 9 a.m.
Location: Men’s Shelter of Charlotte
As part of Temple Israel’s Annual Yom Gemilut Hasadim, Torah on Tap will be gathering at the Men’s Shelter of Charlotte to cook and serve a pasta lunch. Following lunch, we will have the opportunity to tour the shelter. In preparation for this day, we are collecting Tzedakah to help pay for the supplies needed to provide lunch. Any donation amounts offered are greatly appreciated.

Social Action
Performing Acts of Loving Kindness, Together!

Our vision for Social Action is to live Jewish Values as we help those in need. Our efforts are aligned with critical needs in the Jewish and broader Charlotte Community, as well as needs of Jews in crisis around the world. We offer volunteer opportunities for youth, adults, and projects the whole family can enjoy together. We encourage you to contact us and tell us how you would like to get involved. We always welcome new projects and encourage you to share your ideas with us.

Jonathan and Tess Berger, Chair Persons
Cell: 704-995-1732, Email: jbergertisa@gmail.com

YOM GEMILUT HASADIM (A DAY PERFORMING ACTS OF LOVING KINDNESS)
Sunday January 19, 2020 (9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.)
Join the entire Temple Israel community to help others on MLK weekend. This is a wonderful opportunity for Adults, Youth and Families to get involved and make a difference in our community. By participating in Mitzvah projects you will be sharing in Tikkun Olam (repairing the world).

There will be many on site Mitzvah Projects at Temple Israel along with many great off-site projects – all of them focused on making a positive impact of the lives of those in need.

OFF SITE PROJECTS (AT THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS):
Ronald McDonald House – Team Leader: Michael & Jacqueline Powell (mike@teknc.net)
Men’s Shelter Lunch (Torah On Tap) – Team Leader: Amy Fine (amysarahfine@gmail.com)
Huntingtowne Farms Outdoor Improvements – Team Leader: David Rosenthal (davidh.rosenthal@gmail.com)
Fitness Program for Seniors – Team Leader: Jessica Weill (jsweill7@gmail.com)
Stand For Animals – Team Leaders: Olivia & Steve Cohen (stevencohen99@yahoo.com)

ON SITE PROJECTS (TI SOCIAL HALL):
Operations Sandwich – Team Leader: Marc Titlebaum
Blessings in a Backpack – Team Leaders: Beth & Steve Stillitano and Debbie Porter
Support of Israel and Israel Dancing Performance – Team Leader: Zach Gerger & Angelica Hannah

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Mathildes Mentionables – Team Leaders: Hilary Rosenbaum and Gail Weinstein Halverson

Huntingtowne Farms – Team Leader: Linda Levy
ZABS Place – Team Leader: Fred Shporer
Room in The Inn – Team Leader: Corine Bockenek
Men’s Shelter/Urban Ministries – Team Leader: TBD
Shalom Green – Team Leader: Summer Minchew
Women’s Shelter (No Sew Blankets) – Team Leader: Andrea Gamlin
Freedom School – Team Leader: Margret Musa
TI Gift Shop – Team Leader: Tess Berger
Tzedakah (w / matching gift opportunity) – Team Leader: Jonathan Berger

Hot Dog Lunch – Team Leader: Men’s Club

Every TI Congregant has an opportunity to make a positive impact on our community! We encourage you to invest 3 hours of your day on Sunday January 19, 2020 to do so. YGH is for everyone! (This is not just an event for our religious school - it is for every one!)

Note: If you have an interest in helping prepare for any of these programs in advance - please contact the associated Project Team Leader or Jonathan Berger (704-995-1732 or jbergertisa@gmail.com).

“If I am not for myself, then who will be for me? And if I am only for myself, then what am I? And if not now, when?” — Hillel

MEN’S SHELTER OF CHARLOTTE

Temple Israel supports the Men’s Shelter of Charlotte’s mission to end homelessness in Charlotte by providing their guests with meals along with warm clothing and toiletries.

On Tuesday, December 24, we will be cooking a healthy, delicious, dinner at Temple Israel, and serving the dinner to 130+ Men in need at the Statesville Ave Men’s Shelter. We also bring gifts of warm clothes and toiletries for each Men’s Shelter Guest.

Here is how you can get involved on Tuesday, December 24, 2019 (XMAS Eve). I hope you will join us!

1. Help Cook a healthy meal in the afternoon at Temple Israel’s kitchen between 12 Noon and 4:30 p.m. (Kid Friendly !!!!!!!)
2. Transport the Food from Shalom Park to the Men’s Shelter (Statesville Ave) from 4:30-5:30 p.m.. (Adults Only)
3. Serve the food and distribute gifts of basic essentials from 5:50-7:30 p.m. (Adults only)

Men’s Shelter Donations – We are collecting the following:

- Gloves, Hats, Underwear (XL), and/or Winter Coats (XL).
- Toothbrushes, large tubes of Toothpaste, Deodorant, and/or large bottles of Shampoo
- Tzedakah* to help purchase the food for dinner.
  (Note: Food cost = $700/ dinner)

You may drop off donation items any time at Temple Israel. Please mark your donations “Men’s Shelter of Charlotte”.

*Tzedakah - Please send to Temple Israel, make your check payable to “Temple Israel Social Action Fund”.

To volunteer to help cook/serve please contact: Jonathan Berger (704-995-1732 or jbergertisa@gmail.com)

BECOME A VOLUNTEER AT HUNTINGTOWNE FARMS ELEMENTARY

Temple Israel’s Partnership School! If you’re interested in getting involved and making a difference in these children’s lives, please contact Linda Levy (704-366-6362, levyollie@aol.com).

There are many fulfilling ways to do so.

Note: Donations to the “Temple Israel Fox Fund” support our volunteer efforts at HFES.

BLESSINGS IN A BACKPACK

Blessings in a Backpack is an organization whose mission is to provide food for Elementary Education Students who may otherwise have little or no food to eat on weekends during the school year. Volunteers from Temple Israel provide food to children in need at our partnership school, Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School, throughout the school year. To get involved in this wonderful program, please contact: Debbie Porter – EMAIL: porterdeb@yahoo.com

TEMPLE ISRAEL SIMCHA TREE

Looking for a great way to mark a special simcha? Why not purchase a leaf on Temple Israel’s Simcha Tree, located in the Leon & Sandra Levine Social Hall. Simcha Tree Leaves can be purchased to mark your special family or individual accomplishments, such as a birth, consecration, Bar or Bat Mitzvah, confirmation, graduation, engagement, marriage, anniversary or milestone birthday. Cost is $180.

For more information, please contact Membership Director Erin Goldstein at (980) 960-2380 or egoldstein@templeisraelnc.org.
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.

Thank you to all of our previous sponsors.

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. You may also purchase an entire book. Visit templeisraelnc.org or contact the Temple Israel office at 704-362-2796
Happy 5780! We are very excited about the Women of Temple Israel programming this year. Chesed, the kindness between people, has always been a core value of WoTI, and this year we have chosen Chesed as the underlying theme for all WOTI programs, including Rosh Chodesh discussions and Social Action. We are incorporating this value at our signature programs, as well. Did you know that a portion of the proceeds from every WoTI program goes to tzedakah? In keeping with Chesed, WoTI created centerpieces made from fresh and canned fruits for our Nosh, Conversation & Kibbitz under the Sukkah and contributed them to the JFS food pantry. Using Chesed as a foundation, we will continue to give back to our community throughout the year.

Last year, the signature WoTI Nosh, Cook & Kibbitz series was wildly successful. This year we are keeping the NCK theme, but changing it up a bit. In 5780 we have a fresh new approach and will offer Nosh, Craft & Kibbitz events. Be on the lookout for our kippot making evening in January. In March, we will all explore our creative sides as we gather with Temple Israel’s guest artist in residence for an evening of Pinot & Painting.

We are thrilled that WoTI Shabbat was so well received last spring. In April, we look forward to a spiritual, interactive, and inclusive Kaballat Shabbat service featuring the Women of Temple Israel and Cantor Lissek. Services will be followed by an upscale oneg of delicious appetizers and desserts for the whole family! The WoTI Shabbat Shout-Outs will give you an opportunity to honor your friends and loved ones. Our WoTI programming for the year will close with a lighthearted member-only event in late spring.

WoTI membership continues to grow. The Women of Temple Israel strives to be inclusive, and we have made so many new friends from many different demographics, such as Torah on Tap, Torah Tots, Temple Israel Religious School, Empty Nesters, and the Social Club. We can’t wait to see what the rest of 5780 brings. Please see below for a list of “Save the Dates” for future events. If you are interested in helping with programming, or have any ideas of things you’d like to see, we would love to hear from you.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Kathy & Adina
kewardshaw@yahoo.com
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Save the Dates:

HANUKKAH: MIRACLES IN OUR LIVES
Thursday, December 19, 7 p.m.
Join WoTI friends for an uplifting & informal discussion about miracles that surround all of us.

NOSH, CRAFT & KIBBITZ
Thursday, January 9, 7-9 p.m.

ROSH CHODESCH DISCUSSIONS Following Kiddush
Saturday, December 28
Saturday, January 4
Join WoTI as we explore themes of “Chesed - Compassion & Lovingkindness”. Contact Gloria Reeves (gar923@gmail.com) for details.

Social Action:

YOM GEMILUT HASADIM
Sunday, January 19
Collecting, sorting and packing items for Crisis Assistance.

The Rose Room
Women of Temple Israel
Judaica Gift Shop

SUNDAY 9 A.M. -12:30 P.M.
TUES - THURS 10 A.M – 1 P.M.
FRIDAY 11 A.M. – 1 P.M.
Or by appointment. Please contact
Tess Berger (704) 488-3842 or Cindy Jennes (203) 450-2261.
Let us help you find that perfect gift for simchas, holidays & more. We also do Wedding, shower & B’nai Mitzvah registries!
Proceeds support Temple Israel, the Women of Temple Israel, Temple Israel Youth Programs, and Social Action Initiatives.
SOCIAL CLUB
Temple Israel Social Club welcomes all Jewish adults 55 and older from Charlotte and the surrounding areas. The Social Club holds a variety of activities for its members during most months of the year. This organization offers an opportunity to make new friends with existing members.

In November, our dinner and speakers were enjoyed by all. Andrew and Bonnie Tangalos spoke on Living and Working Abroad for the US Government. Their presentation was very informative and we thank them again.

Upcoming:
ANNUAL HANUKKAH LUNCHEON
Sunday, December 22, 12:30 p.m.
Location: Leon and Sandra Levine Social Hall
We’ll enjoy a delicious meal with lots of Latkes. After lunch, Cantor Emeritus Elias Roochvarg will lead us in a Hanukkah Song Fest with group singing. The cost for members is $22 and guests $26.

PAID-UP MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON
Sunday, January 26, 2020, 12:30 p.m.
Location: Sam Lerner Center at Shalom Park
Dr. Tom Hanchett, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Library’s historian-in-residence, will return to speak on Charlotte’s Music History and how it intertwines with The Charlotte Region’s textile history. He will share the story of how back in the 1930s more music was recorded in Charlotte than in Nashville! FREE for 2020 paid up members. Guests $26.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE TI SOCIAL CLUB, CONTACT CO-PRESIDENTS:
RUTH GOLDBERG (704) 366-8903 or IRVING BIENSTOCK (704) 542-0094.

EMPTY NESTERS
Do you talk to your kids more than when they lived at home? Are you still a parent to your children and parenting your parents? Are you looking forward to retirement or have just begun to dip into that social security account? If this sounds familiar then YOU should join the Empty Nester group!

This is an exciting time when we can reconnect with the Temple Israel community as well as connect with one another in new and meaningful ways. The Empty Nester group seeks to foster connections through Shabbat dinners, lectures by timely and relevant guest speakers and social opportunities with the other TI congregants. We look forward to navigating this new live stage with all of you!

MEET UP AT VINTNER WINE MARKET
Tuesday, December 3, 7 p.m.
Join the Empty Nesters for a casual dinner, wine or beer at Vintner Wine Market (8128 Providence Road), in the Arboretum Shopping Center. No reservations needed. Hope to see you there!

MAKING HANUKKAH MEANINGFUL
Wednesday, December 18, 7 p.m.
Location: Private Home
Join us as we gather for a Hanukkah celebration and discussion with Rabbi Howard Siegel. We will discuss the meaning behind Hanukkah and the many ways to continue to make it significant in our lives without our kids at home. Latkes and sufganiyot will be served. Cost: $9/person and space is limited. Location address to be given upon completion of registration (at templeisraelnc.org).

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Save the Date
EMPTY NESTER’S SHABBAT DINNER
Friday, January 10, 7:15 p.m.
(immediately following services)
Join us for services, followed by an elegant Shabbat dinner. We look forward to celebrating Shabbat with you! More information to come!

Create Your Jewish Legacy
We currently have 114 families who have made Temple Israel part of their legacy.
For information about becoming a Legacy Donor, please contact membership director Erin Goldstein at the Temple office or by email at egoldstein@templeisraelnc.org.
LIFELONG LEARNING

LUNCH N’ LEARN WITH RABBI HOWARD SIEGEL
MEET + EAT + DISCOVER
Location: Mindy Ellen Levine Chapel

Power up your lunch hour with an appetizing array of food for thought, and join us monthly for an engaging discussion on one of Harold Kushner’s thought-provoking books, followed by a delicious catered lunch.

Thursday, December 12
(lunch menu: NY Deli*)
When All You’ve Wanted Isn’t Enough- The Search for A Life That Matters, 11 a.m.

Thursday, January 16
(lunch menu: Baked potato bar with vegetarian chili)
Who Needs God, 11 a.m.
*vegetarian option available

Cost: $10/TI Congregants; $18/TI Guests. To register for Lunch & Learn, visit templeisraelnc.org or call 704-362-2796. Registration is required for each individual event.

SPECIAL EVENTS

TEMPLE ISRAEL BOOK CLUB MEETING
Wednesday, January 8, 7 p.m.

James Carroll’s highly acclaimed, arduously researched historical novel The Cloister is the challenging selection for Temple Israel’s next book club meeting. The story intertwines the timeless love story of the discredited monk and great scholar Peter Abelard, and his intellectual equal Heloise with Father Richard Kavanaugh and his chance encounter in New York City’s Cloisters with a lovely and intriguing museum guide Rachel Vedette - a Holocaust survivor.

The effect of this ancient Abelard-Heloise story is its relevance to how the encounter between Christianity and Judaism many centuries ago continues to reverberate to devastating effect in more recent times.

From Kirkus Reviews, “With his familiar deftness and depth, James Carroll weaves a profound and compelling novel from diverse but overlapping narrative strands. From the conversations between a Catholic priest and a French Jewish woman in mid 20th century New York to the brutality of Nazi-occupied Paris to the great medieval love story of Abelard and Heloise, The Cloister illuminates life’s most vital questions and proposes inspiring, radical and timely answers.”

Copies of The Cloister may be found in the public and Jewish Libraries, in book stores and on-line for less than $20. Everyone is welcome to attend book club discussion, whether or not you have read the book. For additional information contact Linda Levy (704-366-6362 or levyollie@aol.com).

TEMPLE ISRAEL HAS A YOUTUBE PAGE!

YouTube

Now you can watch temple videos & special event recordings on our NEW YouTube page! Be sure to check out our weekly musical blog, Shira With Shira, featuring videos and recordings from Cantor Lissek at Temple Israel. Visit https://bit.ly/2EEIPV0.
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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2019

dj house
photo booth
open wine & beer bar
raffle
fun giveaways and candy bar

Light Up the Night
HANUKKAH CELEBRATION
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28
7TH NIGHT - COMMUNITY MENORAH LIGHTING
6-10 P.M.

COST: $25/OVER AGE 21, $15/AGES 7-20; $10/AGES 1-6

For more information or to register, visit templeisraelnc.org
Havdallah Family Concert
presented by Temple Israel
4901 Providence Rd, Charlotte, NC 28226
sponsored by the Schwartz Family
and an Anonymous Donor
Saturday, January 25, 2020
6:30pm
This event is FREE for all.
For more information
call Ariel DiDonato at
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Celebrating more than 70 years of nonprofit service, Eldersgate is a Life Plan Community on a mission: We honor elders and are committed to creating and fostering diverse, caring communities where everyone has a voice and value. We are inclusive, caring and social – inside and out. We are the largest employer in East Charlotte and committed to be a kind and good neighbor to all people. Learn more about our visionary community at aldersgateccrc.com.
ANNIVERSARIES - DECEMBER 2019

DECEMBER 1
Ross & Amy Udoff

DECEMBER 2
Bob Haber & Shannon Crystal

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DECEMBER 9
Rick & Marci Willenzik

DECEMBER 11
Mark & Emily Greenberg

DECEMBER 12
Steven & Nikki Sacks

DECEMBER 13
Ronald & Deborah Neimkin

DECEMBER 16
Mark & Jean Kirsch

DECEMBER 17
Arnold & Rosemary Zulman
Richard & Arlene Sweet

DECEMBER 18
Donald & Susan Jacobs

DECEMBER 20
Allan & Marcelle Oxman

DECEMBER 21
Nicki Fisher & Jon Gould
Richard & Annette Gross
Lawrence & Stephanie Seiltin

DECEMBER 23
Zigmund & Mindy Stern

DECEMBER 25
Saul & Martha Brenner

DECEMBER 26
Jonathan & Tess Berger
Anne & Barry Mendelson

DECEMBER 27
Michael & Meredith Baumstein
Milton & Arlene Berkman

DECEMBER 28
Mattye & Marc Silverman

DECEMBER 29
Sam & Nancy Bernstein
Robert & Eva Stark

DECEMBER 30
Andrew & Susan Shure

DECEMBER 31
Warren & Debra Binnick

ANNIVERSARIES - JANUARY 2020

JANUARY 5
Bill & Karen Futtersak

JANUARY 6
Larry & Tracy Brown

JANUARY 7
Seth & Monique Werner

JANUARY 8
Mikhail & Alla Mogilevsky

JANUARY 9
Evan & Geneva Boxer
Ilya & Natalya Volynskiy

JANUARY 17
Brian & Marni Rudick

JANUARY 20
Jason & Rebecca Dranove

JANUARY 21
Michael & Denise Abadi

JANUARY 23
Bruce & Louise Kantor

JANUARY 24
Larry & Dionne Sands

JANUARY 25
Jeffrey & Myra Brinn

JANUARY 27
Samuel & Abbe Greenfield

JANUARY 28
Gerald & Minna Aronoff

JANUARY 29
Richard & Barbara Herd
Robert & Michelle Saltzmann

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MICHAEL MEISELMAN LEGACY PROGRAM ENDOWMENT FUND

Help support the programs you love at Temple Israel. Your contribution to this fund help support the Temple’s programming efforts.
### DECEMBER 1
Mark Moffett  
Gregory Fisher  
Bobby Davis

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Marty Birnbaum  
Fredrick Kraus  
Ashton Levine  
Aviva Fish

### DECEMBER 3
Caleb Usadi  
Susan Proctor

### DECEMBER 4
Bernna Berkowitz  
Alan Mann  
Sherry Ganem  
Leslie Rusgo  
Danielle Kapustin

### DECEMBER 5
Madeline Gorelick  
Janice Reznick  
Noah Marcus  
Harry Lerner  
Talia Levine

### DECEMBER 6
Leah Dranove  
Andrew Bodenheimer  
David Cohen  
Nicole Levine

### DECEMBER 7
Andrea Gamlin  
David Ransenberg  
Toby Ruda  
Isabel Ghica

### DECEMBER 8
Yale Haymond  
Scott Vining  
Peggy Gartner  
Rael Gorelick

### DECEMBER 9
Roger Malman  
Daniel Gamlin  
Elise Avery Eisner  
Ellen Goldstein  
Al Garten  
Burton Greenspon

### DECEMBER 10
Michael Van Glish  
Neal Kronovet  
Michael Kronovet  
Stephen Kaufmann

### DECEMBER 11
Glenn Kunkes

### DECEMBER 12
Caroline Brown  
Debbie Levine  
Sean Tyndall

### DECEMBER 13
Warren Binnick  
Larry Scheinson  
Bari Gorelick

### DECEMBER 14
Brian Kreitman  
Marc Sokolowicz  
Peter Levinson  
Susie Weinberg  
Gene Kavadlo  
Amy Mann-Novick  
Audrey Madans

### DECEMBER 15
Mark DiDonato  
Stuart Cohen

### DECEMBER 16
Nicholas Rose

### DECEMBER 17
Elijah Seitlin  
Deborah Block  
Jeff Halperin  
Celia Greenberg  
Arnold Zulman  
Dana Nerdinsky

### DECEMBER 18
Rick Greene  
Isaac Duller

### DECEMBER 19
David Levine  
Evan Boxer  
Michael Edgerley  
Karen Brodsky  
Ari Singer-Freeman  
Shari Sokolowicz  
David Gleiberman  
David Waldinger  
Linda Goldsmith

### DECEMBER 20
Lori Sklut  
Eric Bravver  
Nancy Levine  
Marnie Moskowitz  
Evan Nalibotsky

### DECEMBER 21
Jennifer Koss  
Donna Lerner  
Julia Sands  
Moshe Wilensky  
Marcelle Oxman  
Isadore Cooper

### DECEMBER 22
Mort Wise  
Irv Cygler  
Justin Sokolowicz

### DECEMBER 23
Robert Sisson  
Emily Vaughan

### DECEMBER 24
Eric Cohen

### DECEMBER 25
Mikhail Mogilevsky  
Howard Levine

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Gary Lerner  
Dorothy Shapiro  
Jake Erakidis

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Judie Van Glish  
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Hannah Goodman

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Donald Jacobs  
Alex Stiefel  
Jeffrey Cohen

### DECEMBER 29
Ali Kavadlo  
Shira Lissek  
Nancy Kipnis

### DECEMBER 30
Carol Gorelick  
Gloria Lerner  
Karlie Weinberg

### DECEMBER 31
Elijah Scheinson  
Todd Birnberg  
Sanford Vining  
Benjamin Winer
### BIRTHDAYS - JANUARY 2020

**SUNDAY** | **MONDAY** | **TUESDAY** | **WEDNESDAY** | **THURSDAY** | **FRIDAY** | **SATURDAY**
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#### JANUARY 1
- Madelyn Starr
- Susan Edgerley

#### JANUARY 2
- Talia Goldman
- Eleanor Turk
- Colin Cigler

#### JANUARY 3
- Tara Hubara
- Michelle Levi
- Steven Sacks
- Josh Levine
- Gayle Snyder
- Gabe Gorelick

#### JANUARY 4
- Laura Sinai
- Alyssa Fischer
- Annette Gross
- Daniel Kipnis
- Edel Berlin

#### JANUARY 5
- Deborah Leighton
- Paul Jennes
- Logan Jennes
- Erik Wind
- Steven Zacks
- Barbara Bernhardt

#### JANUARY 6
- Sara Mond
- Lillian Buller
- Ross Udoff
- Alice Rouff

#### JANUARY 7
- Vera Felberg
- Linda Roochvarg
- Dionne Sands
- Jeffrey Klein

#### JANUARY 8
- Jeffrey Stern
- Toby Spitzer

#### JANUARY 9
- Reed Rudick
- Ed Pizer
- Jennifer Payton

#### JANUARY 10
- Sonni Besnay
- Annabella Garrison
- Stormy Scott

#### JANUARY 11
- Erika Kauffman
- Sandra Levine
- Gregory Weill
- Andrew Silverman

#### JANUARY 12
- Brandon London
- Debra Porter
- Landon Stillitano
- Yuval-Miriam Fisher
- Rachel Pomerantz

#### JANUARY 13
- Richard Brophy
- Evan Fischer
- Bari Bagdan
- Evan Novick
- Maxwell Becker
- Bob Haber
- Sam Bernstein

#### JANUARY 14
- Elyse Bodenheimer
- Diane Schwartz
- Emily Neuwirth
- Ezra Kornfeld

#### JANUARY 15
- Emma Sherrill
- Sue Worrel
- Jarred Silverman
- Margaret Meltzer
- Daniel Coblenz

#### JANUARY 16
- Marcia Fine
- Andrea Hollander
- Margaret Meltsner
- Daniel Coblenz

#### JANUARY 17
- Rebecca Sachar
- Joan Goldsmith
- Rachel Cohen
- Elias Harr
- Carly Ruda
- Mattie Ablitz

#### JANUARY 18
- David Moskowitz
- Seth Williams

#### JANUARY 19
- Rachel Davis

#### JANUARY 20
- Mia Shraga
- Brett Birnberg
- Gali Socolovsky-Hull
- Bill Kwiatkowski

#### JANUARY 21
- Ava Shraga
- Lorrin Horn

#### JANUARY 22
- Noa Moskowitz
- Ronald Kahn
- Harold Rousso
- Howard Kushner

#### JANUARY 23
- Lewis Fisher
- Ruben Sidranski
- Sophie Sidranski
- Leon Golynsky
- Ron Gordon
- Daniel Lisk
- Andrea Hirsch
- Dana Ditesheim

#### JANUARY 24
- Malka Me-Zahav
- Miranda Stoogenke
- Renee Steiner

#### JANUARY 25
- Steven Paolini
- Brian Sobel

#### JANUARY 26
- Karen Singer-Freeman
- Josh Feldman
- Ken Hollander

#### JANUARY 27
- Reid Pickett
- Matthew Pomerantz
- Jacob Bitton
- Evan Aranda
- Diana Turk
- Rebecca Plaisance

#### JANUARY 28
- Juliette Eraklidas
- Joshua Rosen
- Howard Campbell
- Meggan Shapiro

#### JANUARY 29
- Rachel Kaufman
- Michael Grey
- Michael Rousso

#### JANUARY 30
- Marsh Avron
- Mark Farbman
- Julia Bock
- Betty Roskind
- Steven Starr

#### JANUARY 31
- Karen Singer-Freeman
- Josh Feldman
- Ken Hollander

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**SUNDAY  MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY  THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY**
Denotes a plaque

WEEK OF DECEMBER 6
Abe Abel*
Adelie Appelbaum
Frances Auron
Solomon Baicovitz*
Shirley Yanover Berlin
Daniel Bograd*
Lee Bozer
Minnie Brownstein*
Charles David Checkner*
Robyn Marcia Farber*
Sidney Joshua Feldman*
Ida Fellerman*
Trinidad Fragoso
Victor Fragoso
Anne Freed
Arnold Freeman
Paul Frost
Elinor Glushak
Frank Goldberg*
Harold Goldberg
William Golembe*
Paul Goodfriend
Aaron Greenberg*
Benjamin Gruder
Bessie Isser
Martha Jacobson*
Barbara Jarrell
Herbert Karp*
Rachel Katzen*
Leon Kirsh
Hilda Kleeger
Leon Kraft*
Zolman Kutchei
Paul Leifer*
Cora Rose Leveson
Leslie Levine
Faye Levinson
Steven Lewis Levitas*
Fred Listhaus*
Aaron London*
Nathan Moss
Rhoda Nathan*
Ruth Newman*
Morris Oxer*
William Peetluk
Gabriel Podlofsky
Mamie Ravitz*
Mary Reel
Elizabeth Safran
Lola Schewitz
Herbert Schifman*
Max Sideman*
Helen Claire Solow*
Roberta Kosnik*
Rose Spitzer
Julia Stark
Max Steinman*
Miriam Valenstein*
Julius Weinstock
Helen Werner

WEEK OF DECEMBER 13
Michael Acker
Nathan Albaum
Rachel Arazie*
Rachelle Biber
Robert Paul Bolande*
George J. Brownstein*
Jake Claymon
Abi Jack Conn*
Louis Dumont
Sylvia Bienstock Eisner*
Mollie Eisenfeld*
Jerrod A. Feldman
Israel Feller*
David Fellerman*
Leon S. Firestone*
William George
Ida Goldsmith*
Sophia Goodman*
Louis L. Greenspons*
Alvin G. Hirsh
Peter Hochberg
Philip Kalchman
Idele Katz
Sam Kaufman*
Beatrice Kraus
Sherry Levick*
Max Levine*
Bertha Levy
Nellie Liss*
Sylvia Messe*
William Miller
Maxine Moore
Bernard Ernest Newman*
Annie Nurick*
Rose Prowler
Julia Raichlson
Arnold Rosenberg
Harold Schapiro*
Saul Scharf*
Arthur Schoenbrun
Mae Shapiro
Bernard Shearer*
Ralph A. Sinkoe*
Eve Sweet
Jean Levin Tager*
Samuel Joseph Thier
Alan Waldman*
Rudolph Wertheim*

WEEK OF DECEMBER 20
Taube Abelowitz
Fred Bergen*
Rose Bieman*
Bertram Morton Blum
Oscar Bregman
Barbara Nathan Brenner
Irving Cabot
Chana Corn
Isadore “Mike”* Corzin
Rebecca Dubin*
Mary Lee Edelstein
Mourad Y. El-Kodsi*
Salomon Falk*
Dave Feingold
Eva Feldman*
Mildred Ettingoff Fox*
Bennio Frank*
Morris Freedland*
Jesse Funt
Lillian Geichman
Charlotte Glazier*
David Alan Golden*
Samuel Goodman*
Celia Gottlieb*
Mimi Benzell Gould
Leonard Hauser
Aron Motel ben Israel
Avraham
Dilla Jaffe*
Janie Berger Kane*
Hilda Kobrin*
Rebecca Kushner
Ann Marks Langman*
Rose Leader*
Burton Lesack
Celia Katz Lesack*
Sarah Levine*
Lillian Lishaus*
Irving Miller*
Marge Muller
Laura Scher Ochacher
Annette Pomerance
Ruth Portnoy
Frances Reich
Israel Rivera
Robert Roth*
Samuel Roth
Albert Gerson Segal*
Anna Sherman
Linwood Shields
Iris Spil*
Samuel Strause*
Louis Susskind*
Mildred Throek*
Isadore Jack Tepper*
Mildred Throek*
Yetta Watnik*
Louis Weiss*
Betty Weiss*
Albert Wolpin*
Eric Wulff
Jacob Ziegelheim

WEEK OF JANUARY 3
Phillip Widis*
Vera Weisman*
Abe Wallsh
Magdalena Vero
Abe Wallsh
Vera Weisman*
Phillip Widis*
into god’s hand i commit my spirit

the solitary flame of the yahrzeit light is a silent tribute to the preciousness and eternity of the human soul. attending services, reciting kaddish and contributing to tzedakah (charity) are appropriate ways to commemorate your loved one’s memory.

if you are interested in purchasing a permanent memorial plaque and have it placed in our memorial gallery, please call the clergy office (980) 960-2379 for more information.
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, holidays 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!

**TEMPLE ISRAEL ENDOWMENTS**

Aaron & Rhoda Gleiberman
Simchat Torah Celebration Endowment Fund
- To subsidize the costs of annual Simchat Torah celebrations

Albert & Mary Kathleen Miller Endowment Fund
- To provide religious school scholarships and youth programming including trips, camp and Israel travel experiences

Alene & Samuel Strause Emergency Endowment Fund
- To provide emergency assistance for individuals and families

Ashendorf/Citron/Boxer Medical Endowment Fund
- To assist with medical expenses

Barbara & Jerry Levin Religious School Endowment Fund
- To provide religious school scholarships and financial assistance

Cissy Wollman Membership Scholarships Endowment Fund
- To provide financial assistance to subsidize the cost of Temple membership

David Silverman School Scholarship Endowment Fund
- To provide religious school scholarships and financial assistance

Doris & Albert Rousso Purim Endowment Fund
- To provide Purim programs and celebrations

Etta & Louis Greenspon Senior Citizen Endowment Fund
- To provide senior activity programs

Harold & Bette Wolfson Schapiro Senior Programs Endowment Fund
- To provide senior citizen programs

Harry & Micky Schwartz Education Endowment Fund
- To provide religious school scholarships and Israel travel experiences for children

Leonard & Ann Slesinger Education Endowment Fund
- To provide religious school scholarships and financial assistance

Maurice A. & Rosa B. Weinstein Adult Education Endowment Fund
- To provide adult education programs

Michael Meiselman TI Operational Support Endowment Fund
- To provide annual operational support to Temple Israel

Michael Meiselman Legacy Program Endowment Fund
- To provide support for Temple Israel programming

Pearl & Ralph Kier Sukkot Endowment Fund
- To provide Sukkot celebrations

**Shelton Gorelick Family Endowment Fund for Temple Israel**
- To provide youth programming including trips, camp and Israel travel experiences

Sherman & Alyce Levine Social Action Endowment Fund
- To provide social action programming

Shirley & Sol Levine Religious School Teacher Endowment Fund
- To subsidize the costs of teacher education

Temple Israel Building Endowment Fund
- To maintain the Temple building

Temple Israel Education Endowment Fund
- To subsidize religious school and education related expenses

Temple Israel Endowment Fund
- To provide annual operational support to Temple Israel

Wendy & Frank Rosen Endowment Fund
- To provide Rabbincic programming

William & Patty Gorelick Membership Endowment Fund
- To provide financial assistance to subsidize the cost of Temple membership

**TEMPLE ISRAEL IN-HOUSE FUNDS**

Cantor Elias Roochvarg Music Fund
- To be used at the discretion of Cantor Shira Lissek to provide musical programs and activities

Celia Scher Holocaust Fund
- To support annual Yom Hashoah commemoration

General Fund
- To provide unrestricted operational support to the Temple

Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School Fox Fund
- To support the children at Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School

Kiddush Fund
- To offset Temple Israel’s ongoing 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

Sadie Starr/Anita & Marvin Shapiro Silver Fund
- To purchase silver for the Social Hall and other items needed for the temple that can be enjoyed by the entire congregation.

Sam Lerner Memorial Garden Fund
- To provide support for the memorial garden and associated programs

Senior Rabbi’s Tzedakah Fund
- To be used at the Senior Rabbi’s discretion

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

Women of Temple Israel Youth Program Fund
- To support youth programming

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

Steinberger Yahzeit Fund
- 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.

PLEASE NOTE: Temple Israel can no longer send acknowledgements prior to receiving payment for donations. We will happily keep a card on file to assist you in quickly, and easily, making donations in honor or memory of your loved ones and friends. Thank you for your continued support.
BARBARA & JERRY LEVIN RELIGIOUS SCHOOL ENDOWMENT FUND
Barry Bobrow & Karen Knoble, in honor of the marriage of Michael Kipnis.
Barry Bobrow & Karen Knoble, in honor of the marriage of Abigail Ditseheim.
David & Judy Miller, in honor of the birth of Sandy and Alan Rosenberg's granddaughter, Remi.
David & Judy Miller, in memory of Iris Comen Kaplan.
Flo Weiss, in honor of attending Rosh Hashanah services.
Janice & Ron Weiner, in memory of Charles Markman.

PRANSKY FAMILY CAMP RAMAH SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Donald & Shari Herbstman, in honor of Ed Bograd's special birthday.
Baila Pransky, in memory of Henry Hirschmann.
Flo Weiss, in memory of Lillian Bienstock.

CANTOR ELIYAH ROOHVARG MUSIC FUND
Bernard & Teri Ackerman, Yahrzeit of Teri's brother, Robert Leibowitz.
Bernard & Teri Ackerman, in memory of Irene Comen Kaplan.
Bernard & Teri Ackerman, in memory of Lillian Bienstock.
Martin & Sara Bernstein, in honor of Sam and Nancy Bernstein.
Barry Bobrow & Karen Knoble, in appreciation of High Holiday Honor.
Stuart & Jodi Cohen, in memory of Charles Markman.
Stuart & Jodi Cohen, in honor of Becca Weiner's marriage to Drew Green.
Irving & Deborah Cygler, in memory of Marlene Cohn.
Kelly Forb, in honor of Dean and Miles turning 51! Yom Tov.
Carmen Fragozo, in memory of Charles Markman.
Scott & Rebecca Goodman, in appreciation of High Holiday Honor.
Leslie & Mary Gordan, in memory of Marlene Cohn.
Leslie & Mary Gordan, in memory of Charles Markman.
Frederick & Donna Greene, in observance of High Holiday Honor.
Richard & Annette Gross, in honor of their 40 year membership to Temple Israel.
Richard & Barbara Herd, in honor of wishing Phyllis Garten to get well soon.
Richard & Barbara Herd, in memory of Charles Markman.
Richard & Barbara Herd, in honor of wishing a get well soon to Simon Estroff.
Richard & Barbara Herd, in honor of wishing a get well soon to Sarah Ackerman.
Richard & Barbara Herd, in honor of wishing Caroline Biber to get well soon.
Richard & Barbara Herd, in honor of wishing Audrey Madans to get well soon.
Richard & Barbara Herd, in honor of wishing Judy Biber to get well soon.
Andrew Kapustin, in appreciation of High Holiday Honor.

DAVID SILVERMAN SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT FUND
Tammy & Andy Cohen, in memory of Stuart Singer.
Mark & Jean Kirsch, in honor of Mattye and Marc Silverman's new home.
Mark & Jean Kirsch, in honor of the birth of Rosemary and Arnold Zulman's great granddaughter, Scarlet Aurora.
Mark & Jean Kirsch, in honor of the birth of Tammy and Andy Cohen's granddaughter, Scarlet Aurora.

TEMPLE ISRAEL EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND
Marvin Barman, in memory of Norman Schaer.
Marvin Barman, in memory of Henry Hirschmann.
Marvin Barman, in memory of Charles Markman.
Marvin Barman, in memory of Marlene Cohn.
Barry Bobrow, & Karen Knoble, in honor of David Starr's Bar Mitzvah.
Barry Bobrow, & Karen Knoble, in honor of the marriage of Rebecca Weiner.
Suly Chenkin, in memory of memory of Lillian Bienstock.
Jerome & Barbara Levin, in memory of Charles Markman.
David & Beth Thrope, in honor of Barney Weinstock's birthday.
Steve & Barb Weiner, in appreciation of Charles Markman.

GENERAL FUND
Bernard & Teri Ackerman, Yahzeit of Teri's brother, Robert Leibowitz.
Bernard & Teri Ackerman, in memory of Irene Comen Kaplan.
Bernard & Teri Ackerman, in memory of Lillian Bienstock.
Martin & Sara Bernstein, in honor of Sam and Nancy Bernstein.
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Richard & Barbara Herd, in honor of wishing Audrey Madans to get well soon.
Richard & Barbara Herd, in honor of wishing Judy Biber to get well soon.
Andrew Kapustin, in appreciation of High Holiday Honor.

ROBERT & NANCY KIPNIS, in memory of Yom Kippur Aliyah.
Robert & Nancy Kipnis, in memory of Iris Comen Kaplan.
Leon & Sandra Levine, Yahzeit of Sherman Levine.
Isaac Luski, in appreciation of High Holiday Honor.
Joel Ostrow, in honor of Aliyah.
Gloria Reeves, in memory of Henry Hirschmann.
Gloria Reeves, in memory of Marlene Cohn.
Nicholas Rose, in appreciation of High Holiday Honor.
Edwin & Leslie Russo, yahrzeit of your father, Meyer Paul.
Gerald & Barbara Schapiro, in memory of Charles Markman.
Gerald & Barbara Schapiro, in memory of Henry Hirschmann.
Gerald & Barbara Schapiro, in memory of Stuart Singer.
George & Lois Schneider, in appreciation of High Holiday Honor.
George & Lois Schneider, in memory of Charles Markman.
Eric & Lori Slut, yahrzeit of your sister, Mindy Ellen Levine.
Berta Straiz, yahrzeit of Father, Abraham Luski.
Berta Straiz, in honor of Ruth and Alan Goldberg receiving the Shofar award.
Berta Straiz, in honor of Isaac Luski’s 91st birthday.
Berta Straiz, in memory of Henry Hirschmann.
Berta Straiz, in memory of Teri Ackerman’s Uncle, Stuart Singer.
Berta Straiz, in memory of Charles Markman.
Sue & Perry Tannenbaum, in memory of Charles Markman.
Sue & Perry Tannenbaum, yahrzeit of Libbye Dumont.
David & Beth Thrope, in memory of Marlene Cohn.
David & Beth Thrope, in honor of Marvin Barman’s birthday.
Barnet & Harriet Weinstock, in wishing Audrey Madans a speedy recovery.
Barnet & Harriet Weinstock, in wishing Phyllis Garten a speedy recovery.
Barnet & Harriet Weinstock, yahrzeit of Harriet Weinstock's Mother, Anne Gold.
Barnet & Harriet Weinstock, in memory of Marlene Cohn.
Barnet & Harriet Weinstock, in wishing Phyllis Garten continued good health.
Barnet & Harriet Weinstock, in wishing Judy Biber a speedy recovery.
Robert & Ellie Valenstein, in appreciation of High Holiday Honor.

STEVEN & JANICE ZACKS, in memory of Lillian Bienstock.

CELIA SCHER HOLOCAUST FUND
Dan & Judy Bieber, in memory of Henry Hirschmann.
Betsy & Phil Garfinkel, in honor of Ed Bograd’s 80th birthday.
Robert Jacobson, in memory of Lillian Bienstock.
Robert Jacobson, in memory of Richard Chenkin.

HAROLD & BETTE WOLFSON SCHAPIRO SENIOR PROGRAMS ENDOWMENT FUND
Ellen Klein, in memory of Charles Markman.
Janice & Ron Weiner, in memory of Henry Hirschmann.

HUNTINGTOWNE FARMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOX FUND
Yesmery Granados-Saa.
Rosh Chodesh Women’s Study Group, in memory of Charles Markman.

KIDDIISH FUND
Tammy & Andy Cohen, in memory of Iris Comen Kaplan.
Ellice and Don Liss, in honor of Ed Bograd’s 80th birthday.
Marcy Thaller, & Charles Miller, in honor of your parents 60th wedding anniversary.

LEONARD & ANNE SLESINGER EDUCATION FUND
Cathy & Meg Slesinger, in memory of Henry Hirschman.
Robert Jacobson, in memory of Gloria Markman.
Robert Jacobson, in honor of the improved health of Nathan Rose.
Robert Jacobson, in honor of the recovery of Andrea Hockfield.

MADANS FAMILY SHIVAH FUND
David & Aleen Epstein, in memory of Henry Hirschmann.
Alan & Ruth Goldberg, in memory of Henry Hirschmann.
Alan & Ruth Goldberg, in memory of Marlene Cohn.
Alan & Ruth Goldberg, in honor of wishing Audrey to get well soon.
Audrey Madans, in honor of wishing Elaine Schefflin to get well soon.
Audrey Madans, in memory of Henry Hirschmann.
Audrey Madans, in memory of Charles Markman.
Audrey Madans, in memory of Marlene Cohn.
Audrey Madans, in honor of the birth of Janet and Bruce Gorelick's granddaughter.
Audrey Madans, in honor of Judy and Steve Kaufman's anniversary.

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Audrey Madans, in honor of Sharon Hockfield’s birthday.
Audrey Madans, in honor of wishing Judy Biber to get well soon.
Daniel & Hilary Rosenbaum, in honor of Judy and Steve Kaufmann’s 50th wedding anniversary.
Marlene Shraga, yahrzeit of Bertha Tannenbaum.
Sue & Perry Tannenbaum, in memory of Henry Hirschmann.
Anne & Michael Weiss, in memory of Charles Markman.
Anne & Michael Weiss, in memory of Henry Hirschmann.

MAURICE A. & ROSA B. WEINSTEIN ADULT EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND
Jon & Stephanie Simon, in honor of the birth of Evan Ryan Stern.

PEARL & RALPH KIER SUKKOT ENDOWMENT FUND
Monty Bennett, in honor of Sam Kaplan’s birthday.

SENIOR RABBI’S TZEDAKAH FUND
Tammy & Andy Cohen, in memory of Charles Markman.
David Cohen, in appreciation of the honor to carry the Torah during Rosh Hashanah.

SADIE STARR/ANITA & MARVIN SHAPIRO SILVER FUND
Mark & Jean Kirsch, in honor of Karen Katz’ 80th birthday.
Mark & Jean Kirsch, in honor of Tammy Cohen’s birthday.
Mark & Jean Kirsch, in honor of Anita Shapiro’s birthday.
Mark & Jean Kirsch, in honor of wishing Michelle Pas to enjoy her trip to Arizona.
Mark & Jean Kirsch, in appreciation of Dr. and Mrs. Barrie Hurwitz’s hospitality.
Mark & Jean Kirsch, in honor of Tsipe Cohen’s birthday.
Mark & Jean Kirsch, in honor of Max Cohen’s birthday.
Marvin & Anita Shapiro, in honor of David Kronovet’s birthday.
Marvin & Anita Shapiro, in honor of Floyd Patten’s birthday.
Marvin & Anita Shapiro, in honor of Brenda Patten’s birthday.
Marvin & Anita Shapiro, in honor of Larry Polsky’s birthday.
Marvin & Anita Shapiro, in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Jill and Andrew Halverstam’s son, Oliver.
Marvin & Anita Shapiro, in honor of Linda and Barry Marshall’s anniversary.
Marvin & Anita Shapiro, in honor of Marc Silverman’s birthday.
Marvin & Anita Shapiro, in honor of wishing Rona Mackelfresh a speedy recovery.
Marvin & Anita Shapiro, in honor of wishing Vera Mandel a speedy recovery.
Marvin & Anita Shapiro, in memory of Charles Markman.
Marvin & Anita Shapiro, yahrzeit of Judy Perlin.

SHELTON GORELICK FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND FOR TEMPLE ISRAEL
Melissa Sturm, in honor of Scott, Dana, Elyssa, Maddie, Zach and Hannah Gorelick. Wishing a happy, healthy, New Year 5780.

SHIRLEY & SOL LEVINE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL TEACHER EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND
Miles & Debbie Levine, in memory of Charles Markman.

SOCIAL ACTION FUND
Janice & Ron Weiner, in memory of Iris Comen Kaplan.

ALENE & SAMUEL STRAUSE EMERGENCY ENDOWMENT FUND
David & Aleen Epstein, in honor of the birth of Adrian and Andrea Mesoznik’s granddaughter.
Marcia Solomon, in memory of Myer Solomon (father of Marcia Solomon).
Marcia Solomon, in honor of Helen Solomon Jackson (beloved sister of Marcia Solomon).
Marcia Solomon, in appreciation of Cantor Roohvargh’s eulogy for Henry Hirschmann.

STUART OSTROW YOUTH FUND
Lauren Ostrow, in memory of Theresa Parsons.
Alan & Sandy Rosenberg, in honor of Nancy and Bob Kipnis’ son, Michael’s wedding.
Alan & Sandy Rosenberg, in honor of Judy and David Miller’s son, Stuart’s wedding.

SUNDAY MORNING MINYAN BREAKFAST FUND
Franklin & Ruth Paul, in memory of Sam Shraga’s unveiling.
Franklin & Ruth Paul, in memory of Henry Hirschmann.
Franklin & Ruth Paul, in memory of Marlene Cohn.

TEMPLE ISRAEL ENDOWMENT FUND (UNRESTRICTED)
Monty Bennett, in honor of the wedding of Becca and Drew Green.
Irving Bienstock, in memory of Charles Markman.
Irving Bienstock, in memory of Henry Hirschmann.
Barry Bobrow, & Karen Knoble, in memory of Marlene Cohn.
Barry Bobrow, & Karen Knoble, in memory of Charles Markman.
Hilary Rosenbaum, in appreciation of High Holiday Honor.
Barnet & Harriet Weinstock, in memory of Hilary Rosenbaum’s Mother, Marlene Cohn.

WENDY & FRANK ROSEN ENDOWMENT
Sidney & Hannah Fligel, in honor of Frank Rosen’s 70th birthday.
Dayle & David Fligel, in honor of Frank Rosen’s 70th birthday.
Albert & Phyllis Garten, in honor of Frank Rosen’s 70th birthday.
Frank & Wendy Rosen, in memory of Adina Leach’s father, Henry Hirschmann.
Frank & Wendy Rosen, in memory of Paul Hirschmann’s father, Henry Hirschmann.

WOTI YOUTH PROGRAM FUND
Monty Bennett, in memory of Marlene Cohn.
Gregory & Margaret Musa, in memory of Marlene Cohn.
Marc & Shari Sokolowicz, in appreciation of Temple Israel Religious School.
Barnet & Harriet Weinstock, in memory of Charles Markman.
WOTI club, in memory of Charles Markman.
Members of TI Youth: Mahar (grades 3rd-5th) kicked off a new year with “Itza Mitzvah” apple picking, and donated their apples to JFS. (September)

TI Youth’s Ir Ha-Malka met up at Breakout Games Charlotte and attempted a break out of one of their exciting escape rooms! (September)

Members of Torah on Tap met up for their annual “break the fast” at Portofino’s

The Social Club gathered for their annual Sukkot Celebration, with special guest speaker Lawrence Toppman, Arts correspondent for The Charlotte Observer.
Temple Israel Religious School (TIRS) had a wonderful kick-off to the new school year! (September)
Temple Israel Presents
ONE NIGHT ONLY

Kavanah:
The Heart & Soul of
Barbra Streisand

FEATURING CANTORS
SHIRA LISSEK & MAGDA FISHMAN

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 5 P.M.

Please join Cantor Shira Lissek for a Winter Concert Fundraiser*, benefiting Temple Israel, as she welcomes her close friend, Cantor Magda Fishman, along with some remarkable musicians. The evening will include performances of Barbra Streisand classics, as well as incredible Jewish music selections. Visit templeisraelnc.org for more information about sponsorships and tickets.

* In recognition of their decades of service and dedication to Temple Israel, Ruth & Alan Goldberg will be presented with the Shofar Award during this event.
MISSION STATEMENT
Temple Israel is a welcoming and progressive Conservative community fostering personal growth and a meaningful engaged life through these pillars of our faith:

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

Havdalah Family Concert with Rick Recht
Saturday, January 25
6:30-8:30 p.m.
See page 19 for details