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Sunday January 17, 2016

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10:00am - 1:30pm

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

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To get involved in organizing this exciting day, please contact Jonathan Berger
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CALENDAR

DECEMBER 2015

Wed, December 2

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

Sat, December 5

B'nai Mitzvah of Jordan Hochman and Megan Hochman, 9:30am

Java N' Jeans, 10:00am

Teen Coalition: Israeli Silent Disco Club, 8:00pm

Sun, December 6

Old Fashioned Hanukkah Party, 3:00pm

Wed, December 9

Youth: Hanukkah Casino Lounge Night (8th-12th grades), 6:00pm

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

Fri, December 11

Torah Tots (Hanukkah special), 5:45pm

Torah On Tap: VODKAS & LATKES Party, 7:30pm

Sat, December 12

Youth-Only Kiddush Club, 12:15pm

Jewish Community Night: HORNETS, HANUKKAH & HOOPS, 7:00pm

Sun, December 13

TIRS PTO: Breakfast & Conversation, 9:30am

TIRS: Hanukkah Celebration/Variety Show, 11:00am

Youth: Mahar's Polar Bear Club, 12:30pm

Social Club: Annual Hanukkah Luncheon, 12:30pm

Community Hanukkah Concert, 5:00pm

Wed, December 16

Youth: Geshet Leadership Board Meeting, 6:00pm

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

Temple Israel Book Club, 7:30pm

Fri, December 18

Rock Hashabbat, 6:15pm

Sat, December 19

Kavanah with Yoga, 9:30am

Torah Tots, 10:00am

Rosh Chodesh Study Group, 1:00pm

Thu, December 24

Social Action: Cooking Christmas Dinner for Men's Shelter of Charlotte, 11:30am

Torah On Tap: A Very Jewish Christmas, 5:00pm

JANUARY 2015

Sat, January 2

Java N' Jeans, 10:00am

Sat, January 9

Torah On Tap: PARTY OF 5, 7:30pm

Fri, January 8

Torah Tots, 5:45pm

Sun, January 10

Youth: Bonim Leadership Board Meeting, 12:30pm

Youth: Geshet Leadership Board Meeting, 6:00pm

Fri, January 15

Rock Hashabbat, 6:15pm

Pre-Service Shabbat Oneg: Clothing/Book Drive

Sat, January 16

Kavanah with Yoga, 9:30am

Rosh Chodesh Study Group, 1:00pm

Sun, January 17

Yom Gemilut Hasadim, 10:00am

Sat, January 23

Torah Tots (Tu B'Shvat special), 10:00am

Social Action: ROOM IN THE INN, 5:30pm

Youth: Mahar Goes Sky High, 7:00pm

Mon, January 25

Youth: Bonim & Geshet Snow Tubing Trip. 6:00am

Sisterhood: TU B'SHVAT SEDER, 7:00pm

JAVA JEWS, 7:00pm

Sat, January 30

Youth-Only Kiddush Club, 12:15pm

Social Action: ROOM IN THE INN, 5:30pm

Sun, January 31

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

SERVICE & CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES

SHABBAT SERVICE TIMES

Friday, 6:15pm

Saturday, 9:30am

MINYAN TIMES

Sunday, 9:00am, 5:30pm

Monday-Thursday, 7:30pm

Thursday, 7:30am

Saturday, 5:30pm

CANDLE LIGHTING

December 4 4:52pm

December 11 4:53pm

December 18 4:55pm

December 25 4:59pm

January 1 5:04pm

January 8 5:10pm

January 15 5:16pm

January 22 5:23pm

January 29 5:30pm

WEEKLY EVENTS

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

TUESDAYS

Tuesday With Torah, 9:30am

WEDNESDAYS

Torah Sparks, 12:30pm

SUNDAYS

Temple Israel Religious School, 9:15am

CALENDAR NOTICE

Temple Israel strives to ensure that the calendar information is complete and accurate. However, event information may change. For up-to-date information, please visit our online calendar on our website, www.templeisraelnc.org. Thank you.



RABBI EZRING'S COLUMN

Message from Rabbi Murray Ezring

Fall is a wonderful time of year as leaves turn colors and give even greater beauty to our environment. The spiritually fulfilling

holidays helped us prepare for another year of life and joy. On Simchat Torah Eve, Drumstrong came to set the rhythm and the heartbeat of our joy as we finished and began the annual reading of the Torah. The joyfulness and dancing were unbelievable.

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

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

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

Our response, the Jewish response, is to seek security for our people and to reach out to our friends here and

abroad. I have just returned from Temple Israel's interfaith pilgrimage Israel with Myers Park United Methodist Church, and I look forward to sharing firsthand accounts of what is happening in our Promised Land. Efforts like our interfaith dialogue lead to deeper understanding, and give me hope for a peaceful future.

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

Shalom,
Rabbi Murray Ezring



With shimon Gibson at unc dig in Jerusalem

Temple Israel's 120th Anniversary Kick-off Celebration, **Denim & Diamonds**, filled the Temple with joy, prayer and gratitude. This event demonstrated the ongoing deep-seated love and care our congregants have for our Temple and Jewish life. The stories shared by Margi Goldstein, Marc Wojnowich and David Levine added so much to our Temple's reflection on our past and future. The Havdalah Service conducted by our teens and clergy delighted the overflowing crowd, followed by dancing and socializing in the Leon and Sandra Levine Social Hall. It was a wonderful time together! We thank Rabbi Raucher for his leadership and congregants Melanie Brown, Michelle Finkelstein, Cindy Jennes, Jodi Michel and Dorothy Shapiro for planning this special event. We look forward to our next 120th Anniversary event in May 2016.

Rabbi Murray Ezring.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Lynne Sheffer

120TH CELEBRATION AND REINVESTMENT CAMPAIGN

The **120th Celebration and Reinvestment Campaign** is

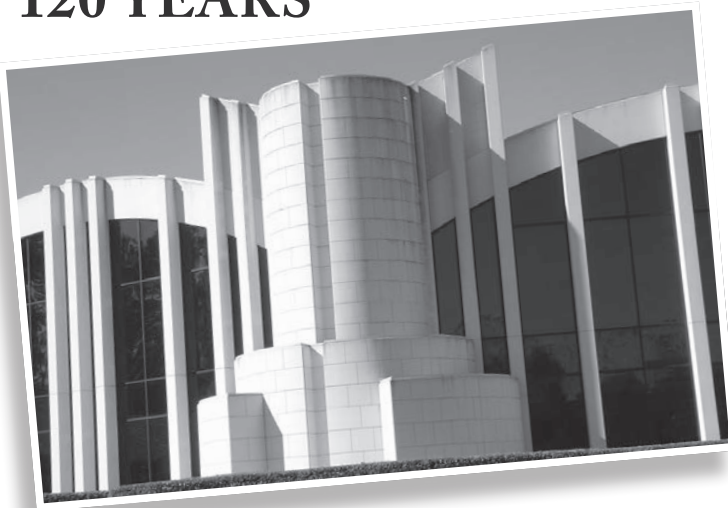
dedicated to renewing and refreshing the temple's interior spaces to complement the welcoming and inviting nature of our community and addressing some deferred building maintenance needs. Over the years, building maintenance and repair issues have been addressed as needed, but the time has come to focus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

Thank you to all of the individuals who have already made the commitment to support Temple Israel's Reinvestment campaign:

- Anonymous
- Milton & Arlene Berkman
- Brian & Glenda Bernhardt
- Sam & Nancy Bernstein
- Irving & Lillian Bienstock
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- Louis Sinkoe & Kevin Levine
- Eric & Lori Sklut
- Sam Strause (OBM)
- Chris & Marcie Williams

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

***CURRENT AMOUNT RAISED TO DATE = \$591,809**



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-Lynne Sheffer

MESSAGE FROM GLENDA BERNHARDT

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

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

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

Thank you.



RABBI RAUCHER'S COLUMN

TAKE HOLD, IT'S A TREE OF LIFE!

Rabbi Noam Raucher

סיקידחמל איה מייחיקע
הב "It is a tree of life for

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

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

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

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

If you watch our *b'nai mitzvah* students you will see life being sanctified in real time. Standing before our community, demonstrating all you've learned, teaching us a thing, or two, about Judaism - that's a momentous occasion! And it's so much more than that, too. In that instant our community is set at ease. In that moment, we know that all the hard work that has

gone into raising a child was worth it. And it's worth it having lived through life just to reach those moments.

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

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

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-Rabbi Noam Raucher



120th Anniversary Kickoff Celebration: *Denim & Diamonds*



BIKKUR CHOLIM – BRINGING HOPE, ENRICHING LIVES

by Rabbi Tracy G. Klirs

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

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

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

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

But there is only one of me, and far more congregants to visit than I can possibly see over the course of a week, or even over several weeks. The mitzvah of Bikkur Cholim

was enjoined upon all Jews, not simply Rabbis and other religious leaders. If every member of the congregation who is capable would commit to spending just one or two hours a week performing Bikkur Cholim, our congregation would be greatly strengthened, and our members who are visited will feel reconnected to the Temple and know that they have not been forgotten. Most importantly, you are bound to add a profoundly meaningful and rewarding experience to your life.

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

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



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LIFE EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR CONDOLENCES TO

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

BIRTHS

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

LIFE EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

(September - October, 2015)

Howard & Barbara Sobel

Sam & Marlene Shraga

Andrew & Jill Halverstam (Oliver & Ivey)

Rich & Madalyn Liling

Hal & Tania Bialeck (Ryan, Grant & Zach)

Frederick & Gretchen Reynolds (Yarden & Ayelet)

Richard Freiberg

Michael & Sarah Davis

Gary Lewis

Todd & Laurie Blumsack (Connor & Aiden)

Mr. Gabriel Nussbaum & Mrs. Maria Paz Munoz (Sofia, Andres, Isidora & Nicolas)



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

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11

(5:45pm)

**Hanukkah Special*

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19

(10:00am)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8

(5:45pm)

**Rosh Chodesh Special*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23

(10:00am)

**Tu B'Shvat Special*



PRAYER OF THE HEART

By Rabbi Noam Raucher, Director of Education

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

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

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

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

This year we have taken a new approach to youth services. Each Shabbat, we hold youth services from 10am-12pm. From week-to-week we will rotate from a traditional format that mimics the service in the main sanctuary, to a musical guitar-led service filled with tunes your kids (and probably you) know from camp, to an out-of-the-box yoga service

that stretches the soul as much as it does the body. We believe varied avenues of prayer will enable our children to connect with this ancient ritual in different ways.

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

GRADES 3rd-5th:

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

GRADES 6th-7th:

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

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

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

Rabbi Noam Raucher

B'NAI MITZVAH

MAZEL TOV TO OUR B'NAI MITZVAH



Jordan Daniel Hochman

December 5, 2015

Parents: Shannon & Andrew Hochman

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



Megan Ashley Hochman

December 5, 2015

Parents: Shannon & Andrew Hochman

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



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YOUTH



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

HANUKKAH CASINO LOUNGE NIGHT

(All 8th-12th Grades)

Wednesday, December 9 (6:00-7:00pm)

Get your spin on at our first ever Hanukkah Casino night. We will be playing fun casino games and of course an epic dreidel tournament. There will be a delicious Hanukkah themed dinner provided. \$5 per person - includes dinner. Location: Levine JCC Teen Lounge.

KIDDUSH CLUB: Youth ONLY Kiddush

(All Grades)

Saturday, December 12

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

HORNETS, HANUKKAH & HOOPS:

Jewish Community Night (All Grades)

Saturday, December 12 (7:00pm)

Join your family and friends and the Charlotte Jewish community, as we celebrate the 7th night of Hanukkah together and cheer on our Charlotte Hornets. You will also receive a FREE Charlotte Hornets Hebrew T-Shirt. A portion of each ticket will be donated back to Jewish Family Services!

MAHAR'S POLAR BEAR CLUB

(3rd-5th Grades)

Sunday, December 13 (12:30-3:30pm)

Too cold to go swimming? I DON'T THINK SO!!! Let's head to Ray's Splash Planet for a fun afternoon at the indoor water park. Pizza lunch included. \$15/TI-Y Members; \$20/Non-members. Drop-off & Pick-up at TIRS Building. ***RSVP by Wednesday, December 9.**

YOM GEMILUT HASIDIM (Mitzvah Day)

(All Grades)

Sunday, January 17 (10:00am-1:30pm)

Join your friends and the entire Temple Israel community to help others on Sunday, January 17th (MLK weekend). This will be a wonderful opportunity for individuals and families to get involved and make a difference in the community. By participating in Mitzvah projects, you will be sharing in Tikkun

Olam (repairing the world). In addition to the various special Mitzvah projects being offered at Temple Israel that morning, TI-Youth Groups will be volunteering at Bright Blessings.

MAHAR GOES SKY HIGH

(3rd-5th Grades)

Saturday, January 23 (7:00-9:30pm)

Are you ready to bounce off the walls? Join your friends as we bounce into action at Sky High for an evening of intense trampolining. Cost also includes a laser maze, ropes course, and sports simulator at Sky High. Pizza dinner provided. Drop-off and Pick-up at TIRS Building. \$15/TI-Y Members; \$20/Non-Members. ***RSVP by Wednesday, January 20.**

BONIM & GESHER SNOW TUBING TRIP!!!

(6th-12th Grades)

Monday, January 25 (6:00am-5:30pm)

Take to the slopes for an afternoon of fun with your friends at the snow-tubing park at Hawksnest. Cost includes transportation and entrance fee. Bring a packed dairy lunch. *Drop-off & Pick-Up at Temple Israel. \$30/TI-Y members; \$40/non-members. *RSVP by Wednesday, January 20 to reserve your spot on the bus!*

KIDDUSH CLUB: Youth ONLY Kiddush

(All Grades)

Saturday, January 30 (6:00am-5:30pm)

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

TEEN COALITION PRESENTS:

ISRAELI SILENT DISCO CLUB

(8th- 12th Grades)

Saturday, December 5 (8:00-10:00pm)

Join the Teen Coalition (GESHER, BBYO, LIBERTY, Hebrew High, LJCC & Jewish Federation) for this amazing night of Israeli club music, dancing, and late night Israeli snacks. You have the power to pick what you want to party to with the switch on your headphones to keep you dancing and having fun! FREE EVENT. Location: Lerner Hall

YOUTH GROUP LEADERSHIP MEETINGS

Gesher Leadership Board (8th-12th Grades)

- Wednesday, December 16 (6:00-7:00pm, LJCC Teen Lounge)
- Sunday, January 10 (7:00-8:00pm, at Ben & Jerry's)

Bonim Leadership Council (6th & 7th Grades)

- Sunday, January 10 (12:30-1:30pm, at TIRS Building)

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Wednesday, January 6**

YOM GEMILUT HASIDIM (Mitzvah Day)

Sunday, January 17

10:00am-1:30pm

Join Torah on Tap and all of Temple Israel as we perform
a broad range of mitzvah projects on Sunday, January
17th (MLK weekend). This will be a wonderful opportunity
for individuals and families to get involved, and make a
difference in our community. By participating in mitzvah
projects you will be sharing in Tikkun Olam (repairing the
world). **For more information or to RSVP, email Lauren at
Lrk009@gmail.com**

JAVA JEWS

Monday, January 25

7:00-8:00pm

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

2ND ANNUAL SHABBAT

"VODKAS & LATKES" PARTY

Friday, December 11

6:15pm/Services at Temple Israel and 7:30pm/
Event at the Home of Jen and Andrew Rosen

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

Saturday, December 12

7:00pm

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

"A VERY JEWISH CHRISTMAS"

Thursday, December 24

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

PARTY OF 5!

Saturday, January 9

7:30pm- Dinner; 9:00pm- Whiskey River

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Performing Acts of Loving Kindness Together

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

Sunday January 17, 2016 (MLK weekend)
10:00am-1:30pm

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

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

PROJECTS TO BENEFIT:

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

To get involved in organizing this exciting day, please contact Jonathan Berger - jbergetisa@gmail.com.



MEN'S SHELTER OF CHARLOTTE

Temple Israel supports The Men's Shelter of Charlotte's mission to end homelessness in Charlotte by providing their guests with meals along with warm clothing. Because of support by TI and other generous organizations, nearly 400 men have moved to more appropriate housing since July 2014.

By providing hope and encouragement to the men, together, we can help to end homelessness!

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

CHRISTMAS EVE – THURSDAY DECEMBER 24, 2015

We will also be distributing clothing/toiletries to 180 Men in the evening.

We are in need of volunteers to cook & serve food and collect/distribute clothing & toiletries.

Please contact David Thrope, email dmthrope@gmail.com or Jonathan Berger to get involved.



Donations needed: winter coats, pants, long sleeve shirts, boxer underwear, hats, gloves, socks, razors, soap and Tzedakah to purchase food.

Please drop off your donation at Temple Israel on or before 12/24/15.

ROOM IN THE INN – Save The Dates!



Temple Israel partners with the Urban Ministry Center to open our Temple to provide shelter and food for homeless people during the winter months. We pick up our guests in uptown Charlotte, provide a warm, safe place to sleep, serve three meals (dinner, breakfast and bag lunch), give a gift of warm clothing and toiletries, and then return our guests the following morning to uptown Charlotte.

The program is a unique way for Congregants of Temple Israel to become directly involved with people who are homeless. The simple goal is to keep homeless people from freezing on cold winter nights. A greater goal is to provide a more personal relationship with homeless people, at least for 3 nights, and a deeper understanding of the depth and complexity of homelessness.

UPCOMING ROOM IN THE INN DATES

Saturday, January 23, 2016

Saturday, January 30, 2016

Saturday, February 6, 2016

Temple Israel individuals, families and teens can get involved in set up, welcome, preparing & cooking meals, donating clothing/toiletries, and by giving Tzedakah to fund this program.

To get involved, please contact Sandro Nascimento, email: sandman20@carolina.rr.com.

HUNTINGTOWNE FARMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

HEARTFELT THANK YOU'S TO OUR TEMPLE ISRAEL CONGREGATION

THANK YOU – to those who knitted or crocheted scarves for our Huntingtowne Farms Elementary teachers and staff!

THANK YOU – to every person and family who participated in the Holiday Helper program for our neediest students at HFES

THANK YOU – to all those who donated pumpkins for the literacy based character contest at HFES

THANK YOU – to everyone who has signed up for the North Star program – a CMS initiative to get all children reading on grade level by 4th grade

THANK YOU - to everyone who has made contributions to the HFES Fox Fund

THANK YOU – to everyone who has been so generous with their time...and their heart for HFES and the students

If anyone would like more information on our efforts at Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School, please contact Susan Rabinovich atsrabinovich@windstream.net or 704-905-4521



To Temple Israel from Carolyn Rodd, Principal of Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School:

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

Thank you.

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

Thank you.

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

Thank you.

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

Thank you.

With appreciation,
Carolyn Rodd

THANK YOU FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE!



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



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

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UPCOMING SISTERHOOD EVENTS

OLD FASHIONED HANUKKAH PARTY

Sunday, December 6

3:00-5:00pm

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

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

TU B'SHVAT SEDER

Monday, January 25, 2016

7:00-9:00pm

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

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



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MEN'S CLUB

Temple Israel Men's Club seeks to involve Jewish men in Jewish life by providing programs for our members, mentoring leaders, connecting individuals of all ages to the Masorti/Conservative community, and forming meaningful and long-lasting relationships based on camaraderie, common interests and core values.



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

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



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

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

ANNUAL HANUKKAH LUNCHEON

Sunday, December 13

12:30pm

(Leon & Sandra Levine Social Hall)

Hanukkah is right around the corner and so is our Annual Hanukkah Luncheon. With Jered Mond catering you know the potato latkes will be tasty and one of the highlights of the luncheon. Of course, in addition to good food, Cantor Elias Roohvarg will provide an original Hanukkah musical program for our enjoyment. If you have not made reservations by the time you receive this bulletin, drop everything you are doing and get your reservation in to Douglass Mann.



PAID-UP MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON

Sunday, January 31

11:30am

(Leon & Sandra Levine Social Hall)

This is a freebie event if you have paid your 2016 dues. Of course, you can send in your money at the same time you make your reservations. In addition to a great meal, Inbal Ozeri, the Israeli Schlicha, will be our speaker for this program.

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

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

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



CELEBRATE HANUKKAH WITH TEMPLE ISRAEL

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

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TI-Youth: HANUKKAH CASINO LOUNGE NIGHT (All 8th-12th Grades) Friday, December 11 6:00-7:00pm

Get your spin on at our first ever Hanukkah Casino night. We will be playing fun casino games and of course an epic dreidel tournament. There will be a delicious Hanukkah themed dinner provided. \$5 per person - includes dinner. Location: Levine JCC Teen Lounge. Questions? Email adidonato@templeisraelinc.org

TORAH TOTS: Hanukkah Special Friday, December 11 5:45pm

Celebrate Hanukkah at Temple Israel's high-energy Shabbat program for preschoolers, and their parents! Our program will include songs, movement, stories and more. A healthy and bountiful Kid-dush will be served.

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

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Men's Club: PARENT/CHILD HANUKKAH DANCE Saturday, December 7 7:00-11:00pm

...at evening, and dance the night away! Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served. Cost: \$25 - Parent/Child; \$10 - each additional Child. Visit www.templeisraelinc.org to RSVP online (under "Register for an Event") or bring a check to the TI office, payable to: Temple Israel Men's Club

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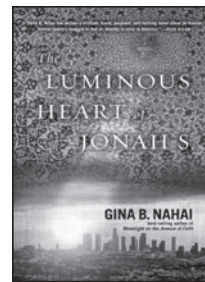
TIRS HANUKKAH CELEBRATION Sunday, December 13

Temple Israel offers wonderful Hanukkah opportunities for all TIRS families. Come for the breakfast and stay for the Hanukkah Variety Show.

9:15-11 - Kids - classes
9:30-10:15 - Parents - PTO sponsored breakfast conversation. Topic: The December Dilemma - facilitated by Rabbi Noam Raucher
10:15-11 - Parents - participate in fun holiday activities, organized by Jamie Tanenbaum
11am-12pm - Parents/ students- Variety show, in the Morris & Sylvia Speizman Sanctuary

Social Club: ANNUAL HANUKKAH LUNCHEON Sunday, December 13 12:30pm

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TEMPLE ISRAEL BOOK CLUB Wednesday, December 16 7:30pm

Please join us as we read *The Luminous Heart of Jonah S* By Gina B. Nahai. Even though it is a novel, the award-winning author Gina Nahai provides an "insightful and finely textured glimpse into the tight knit, insular community of Iranian Jewish emigres in America." The book was selected as a Women's League Reads choice, and as the write-up says, "Nahai's beautifully crafted characters and her vivid descriptions of Iranian Jewish culture capture the dark side, the humorous side, and the very human side of this close-knit community." Nahai, herself an Iranian Jew, brings the many conventions that seem to rule behavior into the novel.

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

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

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

SPECIAL ONEG PRIOR TO SHABBAT SERVICES Friday, January 15 12:30pm

Please join us 5:30pm as we kick off our special weekend of *Performing Acts of Loving Kindness*! We will be collecting Children's Books (grades 1-5) and clothing for Room In The Inn. See the TI website for details.

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JEWISH
Community Night

HANUKKAH • HOOPS • HORNETS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12 7 PM

Please join the Jewish Community and Shalom Park to celebrate Hanukkah and cheer on your Charlotte Hornets as they take on the Boston Celtics. Bring your group and enjoy up to 28% off regular prices. Tickets start at just \$26.*

When you purchase a ticket through this offer, a portion of the proceeds will benefit Jewish Family Services.

EVENT DETAILS

- Complimentary Limited Edition Hornets Hebrew T-shirt
- Watch the game together with block seating
- Special in-game recognition from a Hornets player
- High five tunnel for 20 lucky fans
- Postgame group photo and Hanukkah menorah lighting

For more information please contact Bria Bell at 704.688.9048 or bbell@hornets.com.

* Prices do not include applicable NC state taxes, and ticket prices are subject to change. Savings comparison is based off of regularly priced tickets purchased online or by phone.

Tickets go on sale November 1

HANUKKAH
Family Concert

Sing & Dance with
 Shira Kline
(aka ShirLaLa)
 Outrageously Hip
 Jewish Rock

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL 704.944.6757

Sunday, December 13 | 5:00 pm
 McGlohon Theater at spirit square
 Tickets \$5
www.carolinatix.org | 704.372.1000
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MAY THEIR MEMORIES BE A BLESSING

*Denotes a plaque

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Bertha Levy
Eleanor Lieberman*
Bernard Ernest
Newman*
Bernard Shearer
Samuel Joseph Thier
Theresa Zambrano

WEEK OF DECEMBER 4

Taube Abelowitz
Bertram Blum
Oscar Bregman
Clarice Breitman
Irving H. Cabot
Isadore "Mike" Corzin
Mary Edelstein
Mollie Essinfeld*
Dave Feingold
Jerrold Feldman
Mildred Fox*
Benno Frank*
Jesse Funt
Lillian Geichman
William George
Charlotte Glazier*
David Allan Golden*
Lothar Hirschmann*
Mae Sarah Hyman
Janie Berger Kane*
Beatrice Kraus
Rebecca Kushner
Celia Lesack
Nellie Liss*
Abe Pearlman
Annette Pomerance
Ruth Portnoy
Arnold Rosenberg
Robert Roth*
Samuel Roth
Albert Segal*
Linwood Shields
Iris Spil*
Samuel Strause*
Eve Sweet
Isadore Tepper*
Mildred Thrope
Louis Weiss*
Jacob Ziegelheim

WEEK OF DECEMBER 11

Jenny Baikovitz
Phillip Berlin
Barbara Nathan Brenner
Sam Brenner
Ida Brodsky
Annette Brown
Ben Bruck*
William Aaron Estroff*
Schmuel Fuchs*
Jack Herd
Beatrice Kantor*
Rosalie Karm
Charles Leighton
Burton Lesack*
Janice Levine
David Levinson
Rosel Levy
Leonora Lewin*
Michael Lovejoy
Mordecai Mazursky*
Brenda Meltsner*
June Miller
Sol Richmond
Alan Rose
Matt Rudnet
Sidney Seff*
Milton Steinberger*
Magdalena Vero
Abe Wallsh
Betty Weiss*

WEEK OF DECEMBER 18

Jimmy Abrahams
Alex Ashendorf*
Maurice Bazar*
Helen Bernhardt*
Karl Boxer*
Paul Bradlow
Sylvia Brenner
David Brenner
Mary Brigham
Irving Donosky
Beili Fabian
Doris Fligel*
Mollie Goldfarb*
Berta Kaplan*
Paula Kipnis
Lewis Krieger*
Sylvia Kronovet*
Benjamin Kushner
Lillian (Laya) Kushner
Robert Levin
Saul Levin
Geysia Libman
Faye Tanenbaum Liling
Henrietta Meltsner*
Jack Nebrat
Sherwin Palmer*
Florence Perlin*
William Pizer*
Herbert G. Roskind
Alvin Rotberg*
Benjamin Schwartz*
Howard Seff*
Sidney Seligson
Binem Shraga
Marsha Steinik
Anthony Stillitano
Hilda Sulman
Eugene Sweet
Lucille Taylor
Fay Titlebaum
Roberta Tolchinsky
Irving Walder
Sue Warshauer
Shirley Wasserman*
Pearl Zweier

WEEK OF DECEMBER 25

Madeline Allenstein
Molly Benjamin*
Leon Biber
Benjamin Brodsky
Bettina Simon Buxbaum*
Abraham Cohen
Samuel Davis
Rosetta Dopkin
Sylvia Doyno
Molly Dubin*
Naomi P. Estroff*
Celia Gottlieb*
Sophie Hermann*
Edward Hirsch*
Jack Horowitz
Sarah Isaacs
Yetta Kadin*
Jack Kandlis*
Barbara Leven Levine*
Albert Mandell
Rita Mond*
Irving Mond*
Nancy Offenber
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Natalie Rudnet
Sam Salsburg
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 Donna Cohen
 Rose Cohen
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 Harry Colman
 Murray Fandal*
 Vicki Furgatch
 Hanni Geller
 Sadie P. Goldberg*
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 Edward Rose
 Dave Sanderson
 Claire Shearer*
 Leonard Turk
 Lillian Waldinger
 Leonard Waldman
 Goldie Weinreb

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Rita Aronoff
 Richard Baker
 Minnie Biber
 Nettie Brenner
 Julia Brodowsky
 Morris Hirsh Citron*
 Sidney Cohen*
 Freeda Cossock
 Chaim Cygler
 Morton Edelstein
 Jacob Friedman
 Harold Garten
 Max Gartner
 William Givner
 Hannah Hockfield*
 Steven Jacobs*
 Martha Karlin
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 Feigel Luski*
 Gertrude Mathews*
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 Martha Rusgo*
 Sam Scheib
 Allen Schusterman*
 Alfred E. Serber*
 Tessie Shifrin*
 Sidney Shubin
 Julius Silverman
 Fannie Cohen Snitz*
 C. L. Tilley
 Runia Vogelhut
 Irving Weisman
 Jill Young

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Norma Abrams
 Sara Albert
 Bill Bennett
 Joy Boxer*
 Michael Braverman
 Sol Fligel*
 Harry Friedman*
 Harry Goldstein*
 Edwin Goodman
 Sylvia Halpert*
 Evelyn Handler*
 Cynthia Heiman
 Leslie Herman*
 Isadore Hersh
 Annie Johnson
 Terri Katz
 Rose Katz
 Rella Cohen Kort*
 Morris Levinson
 Marcy Lissau
 Charles Meltsner
 Martha Michel
 Andrew Clifford Oxman*
 Nathan B. Rabhan
 Max Ravitz*
 Edith Rosman*
 Tena Rubin
 Murray Saltzman*
 Dorothy Segal
 Dicky Shapiro*
 Stanley Slesinger*
 Ester Volynskaya-Byk
 Sam Warshauer

WEEK OF JANUARY 22

Rose Bedrick*
 Pauline Bernstein
 Steven Bottner
 Sterna Bravver
 Eugene Brenner
 Harry Brenner
 Fannie Brodsky
 Paul Brouthers
 Agatha Campbell
 Josephine B. Cohen
 Daniel Dubin*
 Augusta Ellis
 Maxwell Jacob Estroff*
 Anne Etlinger*
 Robert Fischer
 Yetta Freiberg
 Morris Fuchs*
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 Edward Kronsburg
 Bob Markmann
 John McManus
 Frances Moore
 Louis Podell
 James Poyner
 Doris Rapport*
 Rebecca Raznick
 S.A. "Happy" Schloss, Jr.*
 Anna Schoen
 Eva Van Glish
 Fritzi Walder
 Gisela Weinberg
 Samuel Wolf

WEEK OF JANUARY 29

Harry Benjamin
 Irving Brickman
 Ruth Furst
 Carole Goldman
 Louis A. Gottlieb*
 Shirley Herbstman
 Louis Kaufman*
 Judy Ogan
 Allan Platt
 Inna Plyuyko- Tseytlina
 Phillip Richmond*
 Dorothy Rosenberg
 Annabelle Snyder
 Daniela Strauss
 Joseph Strunin
 Maurice Weinreb

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 (704) 362-2796 for more information.



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TEMPLE ISRAEL ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Did you know that Temple Israel has more than 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.
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– To subsidize the costs of annual Simchat Torah celebrations

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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 religious school scholarships and financial assistance

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– To provide Purim programs and celebrations

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– To provide senior activity programs

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– To provide senior citizen programs

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– To provide annual operational support to Temple Israel

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– To provide Sukkot celebrations

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– To provide youth programming including trips, camp and Israel travel experiences

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– To provide social action programming

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– To subsidize the costs of teacher education

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– To maintain the Temple building

Temple Israel Education Endowment Fund

– To subsidize religious school and education related expenses

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– To provide annual operational support to Temple Israel

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– To provide Rabbinic programming

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

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Assistant Rabbi's Tzedakah Fund

– To be used at Rabbi Raucher's discretion

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– To provide musical programs and activities

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– To support annual Yom Hashoah commemoration

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– To provide scholarships for Hebrew High School

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– To go towards the purchase of Prayer Books

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– To provide unrestricted operational support to the Temple

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– To support the children at Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School

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

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– To support annual Kristallnacht program or other Holocaust education programs

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– To help religious school students attend Camp Ramah

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– To subsidize the Rock HaRuach band

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– To purchase silver for the Temple

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– To provide support for the Sukkah, the Sukkah garden and Sukkot programs

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– To help children attend a Jewish Camp

Sick and Visitation Fund

– To help bring meals to individuals who are ill or were recently hospitalized

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– To support youth programming

Social Action Fund

– 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

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– To supplement the costs of breakfast

Torah on Tap

– To support young adult programming

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By Rhoda Gleiberman &
Family
Alan Goldberg
For a speedy recovery
By Rhoda Gleiberman &
Family
Leigh Jacobson
For a speedy recovery
By Rhoda Gleiberman &
Family
Elaine Dinerman
In memory of Rose
Weisman
By Rhoda Gleiberman &
Family
By Audrey Madans
By Maxine Madans
Klenecki
Jonathan & Tess Berger
In honor of the birth of
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By Audrey Madans
Ron Weiner
In memory of Danielle Reh
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By Allan & Marcelle Oxman
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For a speedy recovery
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By Paula Musler

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By Jared & Diane Schwartz

By Norman & Dorothy Shapiro

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- 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
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- Support for the state of Israel to preserve our homeland.

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

Fridays, 6:15pm
DECEMBER 18
JANUARY 15



JAVA N' JEANS

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

Saturdays, 10:00am
DECEMBER 5
JANUARY 2

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DECEMBER 19
JANUARY 16