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...Temple Talk... Temple Talk...

Temple Israel's Progressive Dinner Rescheduled Saturday, January 12

SAVE THE DATE:
Saturday, March 16th, 2013
a night in "Bialywood"
WAYS & MEANS DINNER
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3rd Annual Karaoke Night
Saturday, December 1st
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NNJJA Hanukkah Celebration
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Upcoming Family Service:
December 7th

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FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY...

In the aftermath of the election of 2012, what strikes me as extraordinary was the fact that the (re-)elected president was not the choice of the majority of white men. This is an extraordinarily significant fact, completely independent of the politics of either candidate or party in the election. The point is that the United States is no longer a nation controlled by white Anglo Saxon Protestant men. We have seen that shift occur before our very eyes. The electorate reflects a populace that is diverse and inclusive. What a blessing it is for us to live in a nation such as this, where no one voice is greater than another.

I experienced first-hand the state government's understanding of diversity when I attended a breakfast of non-Orthodox rabbis with Governor Chris Christie at the Governor's Mansion, Drumthwacket, in Princeton. Having in the past consulted predominately with Orthodox rabbis, the governor, for the first time, invited non-Orthodox rabbis to the residence for a discussion about issues of our concern. He talked about his commitment to Israel, about his recent visit there with his wife and children, and also about his values and vision both for New Jersey and for the country. Acknowledging that there will certainly be issues on which we disagree, the governor expressed the hope that we would find that we agree on more things than we disagree. When he said that I remembered my visit to Trenton last spring when I testified to a Senate committee in favor of same-sex marriage. Both visits, to the Statehouse and to Drumthwacket, reflected respectful discussion of differences and ultimately, an acknowledgement of the diversity of the breadth of community, no matter what policy was to govern the day.

We all saw that during the challenging days following Hurricane Sandy. On the national, state, county, Village, congregational and family levels, we saw how communities strengthened their members. I was inspired each day after the storm as I saw people come together, both at the synagogue and in each other's homes, literally sharing warmth and what we call in Hebrew *hizzuk*, meaning "fortifying," one another.

I want to thank each and all of the members of our congregation who came forward with generosity and caring during that very difficult time. If I have to weather a storm like that again, I will be consoled knowing that we can do it together.

E pluribus unum. Out of the many one. Out of the diversity of origins as we all come from different places, we truly become who we are only when we share and give to one another. That is who we are and how we survive. And for that, in the month of November, we have had much to be thankful for.

ASSOCIATE RABBI'S MESSAGE



Dear NNJJA Families:

It's hard to believe the first semester of school is almost over! Even with the slightly altered schedule adjusted for the power outages and fallen trees in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy, the school was able to meet on schedule, Sunday November 4th and Wednesday November 7th.

November was a very full month, with Kitot Aleph, Bet and Gimmel Family Workshops, many students participating in Junior Congregation, Kitah Aleph-Gimmel learning new t'fillot, a visit from Prozdor director, Russel Bramen, who met with our Hey students, and all of our students preparing excitedly for Hanukkah.

I want to thank Dr. Tamara Freeman for teaching two Holocaust music workshops on November 18, to commemorate Kristallnacht --- the Night of Broken Glass, a pogrom carried out by the Nazis in Germany and Austria on November 9-10, 1938. Tamara holds a doctorate in music education. She taught students and parents songs that children sang in the Holocaust ghettos. As the NNJJA children sang the songs beautifully, they learned how the texts and melodies helped children in the Holocaust cope with sadness and deprivation.

I also wish to thank all of the volunteers who helped with our Book Fair at the end of October, including: Ashley and William Millun, Hayley and Daniel Gluck, Miriam and Robert Bakal, Dan and Josh Unger, Emily and Thomas Vandalovsky, Denise, Harrison and Justin Kellner and Debra Shames. We sold more than 100 books at the fair, which for a school of 83 children is a wonderful success.

December will be another activity-filled month for NNJJA. We will cook for Hanukkah on December 2nd, Kitah Dalet and Kitah Hey will lead Shabbat services and dinner at Temple Emanuel of Northern New Jersey in Franklin Lakes on December 14th, and we will celebrate the Festival of Lights at our school-wide Hanukkah celebration on December 16th at Temple Beth Sholom in Fair Lawn, from 10:30 am-noon. Mark your calendars, and keep your eye out for all the fun and exciting happenings at the NNJJA this month!

Sunday, December 2nd--Kitah Dalet to Kehillah Partnership
at the Jewish Community Center of Paramus

Saturday, December 8th--Junior Congregation
at Temple Israel and Temple Beth Sholom

Friday, December 14th-- Class service and dinner for Kitot Dalet and Hey at Temple Emmanuel of Northern New Jersey in Franklin Lakes. Families are invited to celebrate Shabbat together with dinner, followed by student-led services. Dinner at 6:15 pm; Services at 7:30 pm.

Sunday, December 16th--Hanukkah Celebration
at Temple Beth Sholom, Fair Lawn -- 10:30 am-12:00 pm.

Sunday, December 23rd--Sunday December 30th--Winter Recess
(Classes resume Wednesday, January 2, 2013)



Hanukkah is Almost Here!

Come celebrate with NNJJA at our fantastic Hanukkah Celebration on Sunday, December 16th from 10:30 am-12:00 pm at Temple Beth Sholom in Fair Lawn! Latkes, singing, magic, gelt and of course...the dreidel spinning contest. **The celebration is open to all members and friends associated with any NNJJA-affiliated synagogues.**

JUNIOR CONGREGATION at TEMPLE ISRAEL

December 8th, 10:30 am-12:00 pm in the Beit Midrash. Parents are always invited to attend Junior Congregation with their children. We welcome your presence. Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for Shabbat. (No sweats, jeans, sports uniforms, or sneakers, please).

Special Thank You to the Kellner Family, Wayne, Denise, Harrison and Justin, for their generous donation of cookies for the Book Fair and for donating the cost of shipping returns of unsold books to the book company.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



What a month it has been. While Sandy resulted in a significant amount of damage and serious issues across the Northeast, including locally for most of us, it also strangely enough had a very positive impact on our community. In many respects, Sandy brought out the best in us and illustrated the strength of our community. The examples of people stepping up to volunteer and the examples of people assisting one another were amazing. We had people publicly opening their homes to help those who were in need of warmth, a hot meal, a place to stay, charging devices, use of the Internet or a hot shower. We also had many others in our community doing the same behind the scenes. Our shul facility also provided a shelter to those who preferred a more public setting, and we were assisting well over 20 people at the height of the storm challenge. Our professional clergy, administrative staff and community volunteers also spent time staffing the synagogue for added hours to facilitate shelter use of the facility. As far as we were able to determine, those that needed and wanted an alternative locale to their storm-related challenge were accommodated.

Prior to the storm hitting our area, there was also significant activity to prepare and protect our facility as best we could. Our custodial staff moved everything out of the basement in case of flooding. They checked the operation of our sump pumps and discovered at the last minute one was not working properly. Our House Committee was able to replace the pump before the storm, which prevented major flooding in the synagogue basement. In addition, the House Committee acquired a generator to keep the pumps and other critical components working in the event the synagogue lost power.

After the storm, we had many volunteers also step up to help clear the tree that fell in front of the rabbi's house, blocking Woodbine

Court. We maintained daily communications with community service announcements to keep everyone as updated as possible regarding what was going on around Ridgewood and vicinity and what services were available.

While we were all living through the storm experience, I want to share a perspective of someone who was observing from afar, wishing they could be here to help. The following is an excerpt from an email to me and the rabbi from associate member, Alan Gallatin, who recently moved with his family to the Detroit area:

It's been very strange being away from the Temple Israel community during the difficulties of the past 9 days. In particular, watching from distant sidelines as all of you are coping with the massive disruption to the normalcy of daily life has left me at a bit of a loss, as I would want to offer whatever help I could to the community - and can't really do much from a distance.

With that said, I've been so encouraged by the strength of the community - as seen through emails, social media posts and 1-on-1 contacts I've had with friends and family back in NJ. In particular, I am incredibly proud of how the people of Temple Israel have come together as a community to help one another, and of the role TI is playing as a source of information, a place of refuge/distraction, and a catalyst for communal cohesion.

By seeing the constant, informative, supportive information flow coming from you each day, I am heartened that our shul (I may have moved but I still feel connected!) is living up to the second half of its name, Jewish Community Center.

I want to thank everyone in our community for stepping up and doing all that you did, both publicly and privately. I continue to be very proud to be part of this community and look forward to seeing you in shul or at other synagogue activities in the near future.

SAVE THE DATE: MARCH 16, 2013

TEMPLE ISRAEL WAYS & MEANS DINNER

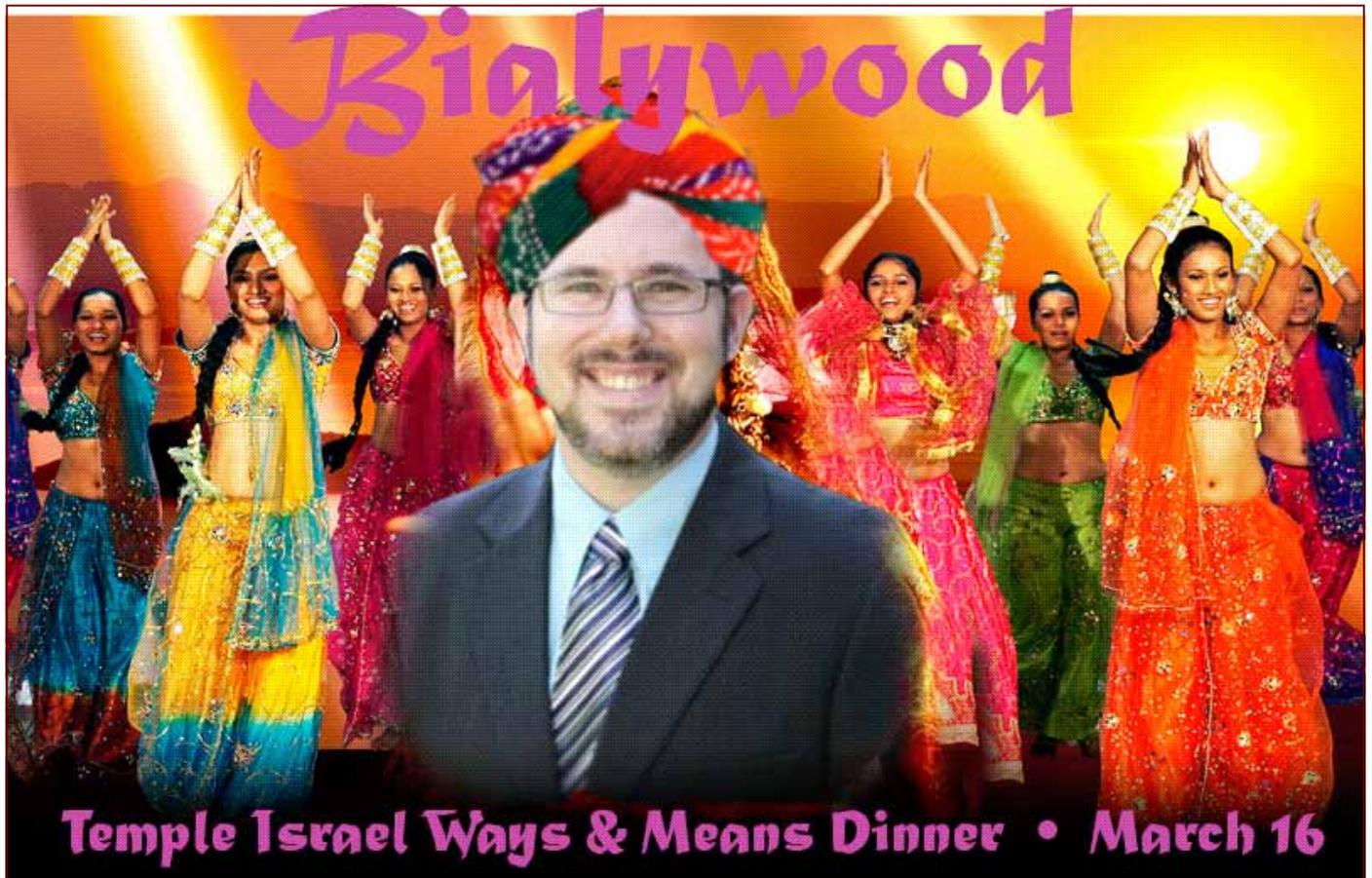
Please join Temple Israel for a night in "Bialywood"

We are planning a fun night of food, music and great items to bid on. The event is our Temple's main fundraiser of the year.

Celebrate our community and lend your support:

- ◆ **Mark your calendars, and please invite non-members as well**
- ◆ **Place an ad in the Journal**
- ◆ **Donate items for the silent auction (tickets, vacation homes, merchandise, restaurant gift certificates, hotel & airline points, etc.)**
- ◆ **Offer to host a dinner through the auction**
- ◆ **Volunteer to help! We need people to plan the dinner, sell ads, solicit items for the auction and create the Journal**

Contact Ways & Means Chair Arty Freed at arty.freed@gmail.com.



Rabbi Fine's Sunday Morning Lecture Series Continues.
It's Never to Late to Join Us!

Peri Namerow, *Chair*

ADULT EDUCATION

Rabbi Fine's Sunday Morning Lecture Series



THE HISTORY OF MODERN JUDAISM, 10:30 am-Noon

December 2: Positive-Historical Judaism (The German Precursor to Conservative Judaism)

December 9: Modern Orthodoxy

January 6: Zionism

January 13: Existentialism (Martin Buber and Franz Rosenzweig)

January 27: Responding to the Holocaust and Israel

Rabbi Gloria Rubin Presents:

Learning About Ourselves, Learning About the "Other"

Mondays, 7:30 pm, January 2013

Successful interfaith dialogue depends on an understanding of ourselves and how we see the world. In this four session series on Monday evenings, Rabbi Rubin will lead the group in an exploration of influences on the lenses through which we perceive ourselves and others and explore how this information shapes our understanding of reality. In addition, participants will consider how "Others" see us and then discuss how to apply what is learned to evaluating statements by authorities, sacred text, the media, and casual conversations.

- Who are we?—1/7
- What is real? How do we know?—1/14
- Who are "They" and how do they see us?—1/28

A retired pulpit rabbi and Temple Israel congregant, Rabbi Rubin was ordained in 1995 by the Academy for Jewish Religion, a non-denominational pluralist rabbinical seminary in New York City. She is a member of the Conservative movement's Rabbinical Assembly.

ADULT EDUCATION –cont.

“The Five Rabbis” Series

**“The Five Rabbis” Present
Engaging Israel: Foundations for a New Relationship**

A Project of the Shalom Hartman Institute of Jerusalem

12/4: War and Occupation—Fine, Roth: Temple Israel

12/13: Morality on the Battlefield—Woll, Zeilicovich: Temple Beth Sholom

12/20: Jewish and Democratic State—Woll, Roth: Temple Beth Sholom

1/8: Religious Pluralism and Human Rights — Tow, Wall, Zeilcovich: Fair Lawn Jewish Center/Cong. B’nai Israel

1/15: Values Nation—All: FLJC

1/22: Inclement Weather Make-up Date—All: FLJC

Thank you, Jimmy Margulies

Hurricane Sandy, widespread power outages, a rescheduled date and changing “traffic patterns” to navigate the way to Temple Israel were no match for the crowd of 80 who attended an entertaining and provocative evening with *The Record’s* nationally syndicated editorial cartoonist, Jimmy Margulies. A Temple Israel member for 15 years, Jimmy shared some of his favorite and award-winning cartoons as well as his distinctive point of view on the 2012 election and New Jersey politics. Special thanks to Jimmy for sharing his work and to all those who braved the cold to join us.



Temple Israel became a safe haven and warm retreat in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy for members of the community who lost power and communications services. Thanks are due the professional, administrative and custodial staff and volunteers who arranged for the doors of our synagogue to remain open, the lights on and the coffee and other snacks in continuous supply.



*Credit: Photos
by Stephanie
Gottesman*

Among those pictured here: Jake Haber, doing homework; Michael Butensky, David Cox, Naomi and Howard Strachman, working remotely; and Temple Talk co-editor Jane Rosen sending out bulletin deadline reminders so that this edition could be published in time.

Temple Israel Volunteers Make a Difference--

In the wake of Hurricane Sandy we are reminded again of how important our Tikkun Olam activities are in reaching out and supporting our communities in the areas that truly matter.

Homeless Feeding

On October 16th we served 100+ people a menu comprised of: Shepherd's pie with ground turkey, broccoli, salad, rolls, fruit cocktail and a variety of pastries for dessert. Many thanks go to our cooks, servers and those who provided food and funds. With Sue Hill and Les Birenbaum at the helm our cast included: Leigh Brown, Ilana Brown, Jo Rosen, Sue Green, Louis Levene, Linda Paige, Pam Cohen, Sharon Mosenkis, Evan Dobkins, Howard Schreiber, Peri and David Namerow and Sarah Cantor.

Our next date is:

--Cooking: Sunday Dec. 16th 10:30-2:00pm in the Shul kitchen

--Serving: Tuesday Dec 18th 4:00- 6:30 pm at the Hackensack shelter

We welcome volunteers, food and tax deductible donations.

River Clean-Up

Temple Israel members of all generations, including Thomas Vandalovsky and Josh and Ilana Unger, participated in the annual clean-up of the Ho-Ho-Kus Brook on October 21st. This event was originally organized by Ridgewood Wildscape, to foster a spirit of inter-religious good will and hard work. The Village of Ridgewood provides all the equipment and is proud of this effort, one of the first of its kind.

This year, our task was made easier because the Village cleared out the large logs and branches that had snagged debris alongside the length of the brook. Participants worked to remove wire, bicycle parts, plastic buckets, fishing lines and metal objects from the water, thereby improving the environment for the fish, ducks, turtles and other small animals that call it home, as well as reducing the risk of flooding to neighborhood properties, including our own Temple Israel which lies along the waterway. Many thanks to everyone who came out to assist!



Credit: Photo by Dan Unger

Interfaith Blood Drive

On October 28th we conducted our biannual Interfaith Blood Drive with our longstanding partner, St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church. In total, two platelets and 41 units of red cells, which will be used by local hospitals, were collected. Thanks to Jerry Birenz for continuing to "drive" this program and to Pam Cohen and Hillary Kaye for making the calls.

Save the date for our Spring Drive: Sunday April 21st.

Please contact Nadine Genet at nzgnzg@aol.com for information on these activities.

Mishloach Manot for Purim Delivery

Purim is coming early this year! In celebration of the miracle of Purim, it is customary to send small gifts of at least two different kinds of ready-to-eat noshes to friends and family – mishloach manot. Once again, Temple Israel's Religious School can send these packages for you! Last year, our mishloach manot package was a breakfast-themed box with a variety of yummy morning foods and a coffee cup – can you guess this year's theme?

Attached is a list of Temple Israel members, non-member school families, staff and NNJJA teachers. Please circle the names of each family to whom you would like to send a bag. You can also give to the entire congregation – including the Rabbis, Cantor, staff and NNJJA teachers – for \$180.

The TI Hebrew school children will deliver mishloach manot to the following towns: Glen Rock, Ho-Ho-Kus, Midland Park, Fair Lawn, Franklin Lakes, Paramus, Ramsey, Ridgewood, Saddle River, Upper Saddle River, Waldwick, Westwood and Wyckoff. Bags for those living outside these towns must be picked up. **NO BAGS CAN BE MAILED** due to prohibitive mailing costs. Members of Temple Israel who reside outside of Bergen County will receive a holiday greeting, and the funds spent for their bags will be donated.

Your name (as it should appear on the card): _____

Please send my greetings to the entire Synagogue Membership \$ 180 ____

Please send my greetings to the families circled Total # families _____ @ \$8 each \$ _____

Please send greetings to non-listed friends and family Total # families _____ @ \$12 each \$ _____
(Address list for delivery to the towns listed above **MUST** be attached)

TOTAL \$ _____

We are often asked about reciprocation – please choose one of the following options:

- 1) Reciprocate to all that send to me and bill me
- 2) Do not reciprocate
- 3) Contact me before reciprocating (phone # _____ or email _____)

Mail this form and the attached list along with your check, payable to Temple Israel— no later than Friday February 8, 2013.

Temple Israel, Mishloach Manot, 475 Grove Street, Ridgewood, NJ 07450

Any questions, please contact Rabbi Sharon Litwin at (201)444-9320.

Adrian, Charles & Simone
 Agins, Scott & Audrey Meyers
 Albescu, Ionel & Sonia
 Alterman, Allan & Cheryl
 Amsterdam, Susan
 Antebi, Henri & Kim
 Apsel, David & Joyce
 Aroneanu, Andrei & Corina
 Aronsohn, Paul & Marie
 Auerbach, Rubin & Evelyn
 Bakal, Todd & Miriam
 Bartlett, Jonathan & Julia
 Baruch, Yigal & Naomi
 Bauch, Daniel & Joanne
 Berkowitz, Charles & Rachel
 Bernhardt, Marc & Arlene
 Birenbaum, Lester & Sue Hill
 Bixon, Gary & Phyllis
 Blumkin, Ellen & Ralph
 Bober, Bernard & Janet

Bordonaro, Bruce & Janice
 Bordowitz, Eli & Frankie
 Bortinger, Arie & Nancy
 Brandenburg, Ira & Anne Wolf
 Bressler, Arthur & Irene
 Brody, Phillip & Laura
 Brown, Leigh & Nadine Genet
 Butensky, Debra
 Calman, Sonja
 Cantor, Marc & Debra
 Caplan, Mitchell & Caryn Goodman
 Capleton, Selma
 Carter, Alanna
 Caruso, Stephen & Debra
 Cohen, Fredric & Eileen Blecher
 Cohen, Samuel & Pamela
 Cornell, Eugene & Susan Mayo
 Corwin, Jan & Debbie
 Cox, David & Arlene
 Dachille, Douglas & Amy

Davis, Abe & Linda
 Deino, Jack & Esther
 Della Torre, Brian & Marcy
 Diamond, Steven & Karen
 Dickman, Barry & Carol
 Dobkins, Evan & Christine
 Dolin, David & Hope Singer
 Drori, Arielle & Guy
 Dworkin, Bob
 Edelberg, David & Vivian
 Efrat, Aviv & Anat
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Fishbein, Aaron & Karen Grant
 Fleischman, Charles & Roberta
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 Fleiss, Michael & Vicki
 Flicker, Keith & Joan
 Forstot, Jonathan & Rochelle
 Frank, Sherry & Stephen
 Freed, Arty & Beth
 Freeman, Barry & Tamara
 Frenkel, Alan & Michele
 Futterman, Bruce & Joan
 Gale, Ellen
 Gallatin, Alan & Sharyn
 Gilman, Howard & Linda
 Glick, Judy
 Gluck, Jeffrey & Hayley
 Goldberg, Barry & Joan
 Goldfarb, James & Alyson Yashar
 Goldstein, Sheldon & Susan
 Goldstein, Steven & Michelle
 Graifman, Gary & Deborah

Mishloach Manot for Purim Delivery

Grant, Pamela
 Green, Susan
 Fishbein, Daniel & Susan Flanzman
 Graifman, Gary & Deborah
 Grant, Pamela
 Green, Edward & Susan
 Grossman, Steven & Mallory
 Grossman, Seth & Liz
 Gruber, Martin & Eleanor
 Grunat, Joshua & Jaclyn Caem-Grunat
 Haber, Manny & Shari
 Halenar, John & Barbara
 Halpern, Rita
 Har-zvi, Ron & Kate Mowlem
 Heit, Stuart & Stacy
 Herzberg, Walter & Miriam
 Hirsch, Harris & Sandra
 Holden, Fred
 Holden, Joshua & Suzanne
 Holzer, William & Madeleine
 Horowitz, Donald & Rosalind
 Idelchik, Semyon & Celia
 Jacob, Leonard & Susan
 Jacobs, Alexander & Deborah
 Kaftal, Emmanuel & Miriam
 Kahan, Naomi
 Kahn, Peter & Linda
 Kanen, Robert & Robin
 Kaplan, David & Jean
 Kassner, Gerda
 Katz, Felicia
 Katz, Helen
 Kay, William & Hilarie
 Kellner, Wayne & Denise
 Kern, Robert & Tova Samuels
 Kirshner, Eli & Terri
 Klein, Eric & Hedy
 Klein, Larry & Cheryl
 Klein, Selma
 Kleinmann, Raphael & Veronique
 Kogan, Luba
 Kornblit, Steven & Susan
 Kornblum, Barry & Anne
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 Laiks, Richard & Holly
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 Lang, Roger & Elizabeth Gordon
 Leider, Jason & Jolinda
 Lerner, Boris & Elina
 Levene, Louis & Elyse
 Levitsky, Kenneth & Sharon
 Levitsky, Lily
 Liebson, Nancy
 Lincoln, Paul & Michele Levine
 Lindenberg, Matthew & Erin
 Lipkovitz, Mark
 Lipschitz, Seth & Rebecca Wolk
 Lipsky, David & Danielle
 Lister, Stephen & Carol
 Manheimer, Jeffrey & Debra
 Matthews, Alyssa

Marcy, Thomas & Sylvia Flescher
 Margulies, James & Martha
 Melamed, Elan & Gila
 Meltzer, Jeffrey & Laurie
 Menken, Gregory & Christina
 Miller, David & Sherell
 Miller, Wayne & Debbie Mitzner
 Millman, David
 Mosenkis, Dan & Sharon
 Moscowitz, Glen & Jacqueline Crane
 Muller, Robert & Melony
 Nachajon, Roberto & Raquel Burlac
 Namerow, David & Peri
 Nathanson, Michael & Anchalee
 Nelinson, Geri
 Norden, Sylvia
 Nowinski, Charles & Nancy
 Nygaard, Toby & Lisa Mellman
 Obeiter, Robert & Rita Benezra
 Paige, Linda
 Petzinger, Walter & Diana Jampol
 Plotnick, Murray & Florence
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 Rosen, Richard & Jane
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 Rosenfeld, Jason & Jamie Kreitman
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 Sanders, Alain & Amy
 Scheps, Michael & Lynn
 Schinasi, Mel & Phyllis
 Schnaittacher, Richard
 Schreiber, Howard & Tricia
 Schuler, Paul & Wendy
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 Sher, Barbara
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 Sussman, Robert & Gayle
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 Terhune, Debra
 Thaler, Bruce & Elaine Silverstein
 Trugman, Leonard & Riva
 Unger, Daniel & Waltraud
 Unger, Robert & Julie
 Vandalovsky, Steve & Emily
 Van Grover, Robert & Linda
 Victor, Lisa
 Vogel, Denis & Carla
 Walker, Scott & Elizabeth
 Wechsler, Joseph & Sandra
 Weiss, David & Bonita
 Weissman, Allan & Barbara
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 Whittaker, Jeffrey & Lorissa Lightman
 Wolfson, Larri & Susan
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Brandeis Men's Club

What a great turnout we had last month for the FJMC (Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs) NNJ (Northern New Jersey Region) Man-of-the-Year dinner on November 14th. We had more than 35 Temple Israel members join us to honor **Freddie Kotek** as our **Brandeis Man-of-the-Year**, and **David Millman** as the **Regional Man-of-the-Year!** We are very proud of these two men—and the fun isn't over yet. Plan to be with us on **Saturday, March 9th**, Men's Club Shabbat, and for brunch on **Sunday, March 10th**, as we honor/roast Freddie during Men's Club Weekend. Save the date.

TI's Man-of-the-Year Freddie Kotek with his better half, wife Beth, at the FJMC Regional Man-of-the-Year Dinner on Wednesday, November 14th in Springfield. BMC President Howard Schreiber posed with honorees David Millman, center, and Freddie Kotek



Credit: Photos by Johanna Resnick Rosen/Candid Eye



We had a wonderful turnout on Sunday, October 21st for our annual Men's Club tailgate party on the porch of our shul, watching the Jets, enjoying some

beverages, eating hot dogs and snacks and enjoying each other's company. This event has become a much-anticipated ritual for our Men's Club.



Plan to join us on Sunday morning, **December 9th at 10:30 AM** for bagels and lox, coffee and juice, and a **round table discussion on Men's Health**. We will have Dr. Gerry Sotsky, a well known cardiologist from the area, and Dr. Richard Baum, also a well known urologist, talk with us about planning for good health. As we get older, we all think more about our little aches and pains, and we can discuss these in a casual environment and hear from the experts. This will be certain to be beneficial to us all, so please plan to join us.

Ski Trip to Bellayre Mountain in Highmount, NY (about 2-1/4 hours from Ridgewood) will be on Sunday, January 20th. This is a great family outing and is always reasonably priced. We can share our skiing stories while warming up après ski with hot chocolate!
Lift Ticket: \$38.00/pp
\$25.00 for ski rentals, \$10 for a lesson
Please contact Denis Vogel to sign up.

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SISTERHOOD

First, an overdue 'thank you' to dedicated members who gave time to **Sisterhood's Break the Fast**: Waltraud Unger and Debbie Shames shopped for everything. Stacy Heit was there to meet & greet. Arlene Bernhardt calculated the measurements for the ingredients. And there can never be too many sisters in the kitchen: Frankie Bordowitz, Pam Cohen, Esther Deino, Beth Freed, Hayley Gluck, Helen Katz, Debbie Miller, Jo Rosen, Barbara Schneider, Elaine Silverstein and Carla Vogel. Thanks also to Evelyn Auerbach and Elaine Silverstein for baking for the October **Sisters-in-the-Sukkah**, to Waltraud Unger for setting up for the evening and to Gila Melamed for her beautiful poster design.

**RESCHEDULED:
Progressive Dinner,
now on Saturday,
January 12th.**



Don't miss this fabulous evening of great company and great food, Temple Israel's premiere social event of the year. We begin the evening with cocktails at the home of Shari and Manny Haber, 25 Elizabeth Terrace, Upper Saddle River. Dinner and dessert follow at other members' homes. Cost is \$65 per person, payable to Sisterhood. To reserve your place, contact Cheryl Alterman at CHERYL@ALTERMAN.ORG or 201-670-0758. You must reserve your place by Friday, January 4th



Sisterhood Book Group is starting up once again. The first meeting is Sunday, Dec. 2nd, 7:00 p.m., at the home of Liz Gordon, 567 Knickerbocker, Ridgewood.

The book is **I Am Forbidden** by Anouk

Markovits, a story about a family torn apart by fierce belief and private longing in an unprecedented journey deep inside the insular Satmar sect. The book is available at area libraries in both book and audio format. Please attend this introductory session and give us your input about future books. Questions or suggestions? Contact Risa Rohrberger, Book Group chair, at: risa.rohrberger@gmail.com or (201) 444-0470.

Sisterhood Hanukkah Party is on December 13th at the home of Stephanie Gottesman, 227 Beechwood Road, Ridgewood. RSVP to Pam Cohen 201-791-0190. Enjoy a wonderful evening with friends. Come learn the trick to frying sufganyiot with the creative duo from Kitten & the Bear: Sophie Kaftal and Bobby Zielinski. The couple produces jams, preserves and marmalades by hand, in small batches (<http://kittenandthebear.com>). We will also be treated to a great Hanukkah story in the Yiddish tradition by Temple Israel's own storyteller, Pamela Grant. Pamela specializes in Jewish stories for all ages. Please bring an unwrapped gift for a woman or child to be donated to Shelter Our Sisters.



Speaking of Hanukkah, the Sisterhood Gift Shop will have an array of gifts for all ages. The **Hanukkah Boutique** will be on Sunday December 2nd. Please volunteer to help sell our many wonderful items.

Contact Stephanie Gottesman if you can help: sjg1234567@aol.com.

Join us on Saturday, January 19, 2013, for **Sisterhood Shabbat** as we honor Carla Vogel as our Woman of the Year. Sisterhood members will conduct the entire service, including the Torah reading. Parts are available in English or in Hebrew. For parts, contact Sandy Wechsler at (201) 956-5649 or Elaine Silverstein at (201) 251-9727. We will once again be preparing the Kiddush; details to follow. Call Waltraud Unger at (201) 444-3094 if you would like to help out.

SISTERHOOD - cont.

And don't forget Sisterhood for:



Kippots for your Simcha-Sisterhood is once again selling custom kippot. Before you buy online, check with us. You'll save money and benefit the synagogue. Contact Carla Vogel at (201) 670-1642 or carla@synagogue.org.

Tallitot are available in the gift shop. There is a wonderful selection of beautiful and unique tallitot for men and women of all ages.

Torah Fund

This year's Torah Fund pin is now available, and it's gorgeous. Contact Peri Namerow at (201) 652-4200 or pbn1@columbia.edu. Treat yourself and Women's League to a special gift for the holidays. Torah Fund cards cost \$5 each and are lovely to send for any occasion--birthday, anniversary, wedding or b'nai mitzvah. To order, contact Libby Stern (201) 444-3819 or thelib104@gmail.com.

Come see Sisterhood at the Simcha Fair on January 13, 2013. We have what you need for your celebrations. All Sisterhood merchandise is always discounted 20 percent.

Brandeis Men's Club—cont.

The annual **Men's Club Nite Out** will be on **Saturday, January 26th at 8:00 pm** at the temple. We will feature noted **Comedian Buddy Flip and Colleagues**, in a friendly setting, over delicious desserts, coffee, hot cider and tea. That night, we will also hold the drawing for our annual raffle. You will be receiving the raffle tickets in the mail soon, and they'll also be available on Sunday mornings at temple.

\$25.00 per person for desserts and the Comedy Show

Raffle First Prize: Use of a Porsche for a weekend! Must be 18 to win!

Second Prize: \$400 Gift Certificate from Signature Caterers

Third Prize: Samsung Galaxy Tablet 7"

Fourth Prize: \$200 Gift Certificate from Kosher Nosh

Fifth Prize: \$100 Gift Certificate to La Lanterna Restaurant, Ridgewood

All details of these and future events will be posted on our Brandeis Men's Club website: <http://www.synagogue.org/> under Our Community; Men's Club Hag Hanukkah Sameach!

Howard Schreiber
BMC President



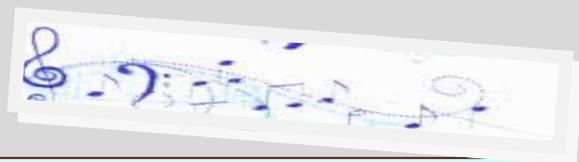


To follow up our successful Summer Music Fridays, the Music Committee is delighted to present **Sunday Open Mics** and a new series, **Winter Music Saturdays**. And of course there will be more Friday evening delights next summer.

Winter Music Saturdays will begin with everyone coming together to say farewell to Shabbat with Havdalah at 7:30 p.m. Then we will start the new week with a concert and reception. The first concert, on January 19th, will feature **Jennifer Green, cellist**, and **Pang Eun Kim, pianist**.

Please consider donating to Winter Music Saturdays, as so many of you did to Summer Music Fridays. **Your participation, through donations and attendance, make Temple Israel's ongoing music program possible.**

Tamara Freeman and Elaine Silverstein
Music Committee Co-Chairs



Our schedule for the coming months:

January 19, 2013 Winter Music Saturday, 7:30 p.m.: Jennifer Green and Pang Eun Kim, cello and piano

March 9, 2013 Winter Music Saturday, 7:30 p.m.

April 21, 2013 Open Mic, 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Yes! I want to donate to music at Temple Israel

Name: _____

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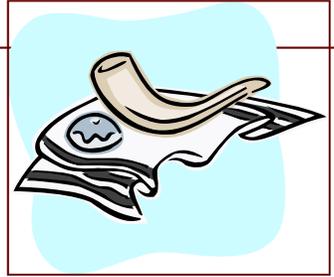
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Thank you for your continuing support!

RITUAL

Mazal tov again to Simchat Torah honorees, “Groom of the Torah,” Freddie Kotek, and “Bride of the Beginning,” Jane Rosen, whom we feted in classic Temple Israel style during Simchat Torah services in October!



Calling all would-be minyan-aires: It's a mitzvah to make a minyan, especially to facilitate the recitation of Kaddish for members of our community in mourning or observing yartzheit. Temple Israel has scheduled minyanim on Sunday mornings and Tuesday evenings. If you are available any Sunday or Tuesday during the month of December, we encourage and welcome your participation. So we know that we may count on you, please sign up at: <http://www.doodle.com/cuvghtwv94d2wrdf>. And if you are concerned that you are not familiar with the weekday morning or evening services, banish that thought. We will be announcing a class to teach the appropriate melodies, t'fillot and order of the prayers. Stay tuned for date and time.

Shabbat morning is a special time also to help make a minyan. The experience has been enhanced through “**Muffins & Mishnah**,” informal group study, beginning at 9:00 am, on all Shabbatot when the community is NOT celebrating a bar or bat mitzvah. We enjoy coffee, muffins and fruit as we explore the text, hevruta-style, with Rabbi Fine. Study concludes around 9:30 am, when we break for P'sukai D'zimra and Shacharit. Please join us!

We are also looking for more people to participate in the Shabbat service as gabbaim, so please be in touch with me if you would like to sign up or learn the rituals for this important job: sjg123456@aol.com.

Stephanie Gottesman
Co-chair, Ritual

Torah Teasers: Nosh n Drash with President Allan Alterman

Come join the conversation with Allan about the Torah portion of the week on **Saturday, January 12th**, and learn his answers to the Torah Teasers he presented during his High Holiday remarks:



- 1) What do you think is the most powerful statement in the Torah and why?*
- 2) Considering the text in Exodus 32:15, how were the 10 commandments structured on the two tablets and why? Was it 5 on one and 5 on the other, inscribed straight through the tablets? Maybe it was 3 on one side and 2 on the other side of each tablet? Maybe it was something completely different?*

You'll also discover the joys of Shabbat morning services at Temple Israel, in response to the second challenge Allan issued on the High Holidays, to commit to shul attendance at least once every other month.

'Nosh 'n 'Drash is a program of the Ritual Committee that facilitates lay participation in Shabbat morning services by “changing up” our regular Shabbat ritual. Between Shacharit and the Torah service, we break for breakfast and a congregant-led Torah discussion.

ISRAEL ACTION



During the Israel Bond Drive on the High Holidays, we mentioned the Zahal Shalom Project, which was established in 1993 with the goal of strengthening ties between Israel and the American Jewish community.

Every year since, we have brought eight to 12 disabled Israeli war veterans, who are hosted by local families; many Temple Israel members have participated. The next delegation will be here June 2-16, 2013.

We infuse those 14 days with trips to New York City, Washington D.C., visits to local synagogues and schools and many social gatherings enriched with good food, music, dance and love for one other. Although the basic point of the program is to honor and thank the veterans for their sacrifice, no one who participates escapes being moved in a very fundamental way.

For the veterans, they find themselves in a unique situation, away from their usual framework of family and friends, thrown into a culture most have never experienced. The love and attention they receive has had dramatic effects, even upon those who suffered post-traumatic stress for decades. They are able to communicate painful events concerning their injury that have previously never seen the light of day. The healing that follows enables many who have not sung or danced for years to rediscover those simple joys. For the participating families, a close relationship develops with another human being, as well as a much deeper understanding of Israel that motivates many to make a visit to Israel, never previously seriously considered.

We welcome everyone's participation, whether financial (funds are tax deductible) or as a host or buddy family. Please be in touch to let us know how you wish to contribute by contacting Richard Schnaittacher at 201-281-6737 or via email at rss@aetrex.com.

Life Beyond Temple Israel: Community Activities/Announcements

The Jewish Home of Rockleigh, Russ Berrie Home for Jewish Living Announces Two Initiatives to Help Homebound Elderly

The first program will assist those who would like to attend Shabbat services but are unable to get to there on their own; the second program will provide a home delivered kosher meal for seniors unable to prepare their own Shabbat meal. Learn how you can help with either or both endeavors. For further information, please contact Chuck Berkowitz at 201-750-4230.

CHESED

Are you looking for a way to get involved in the community but don't want to make a major time commitment? Do you have a child that needs community service credit? If so, please consider joining the CHESED committee. There generally are no meetings, and all you have to do is want to stay connected while helping others in need. Please complete the form below, and either email to me or leave it in the Temple office marked Attention: Chesed.

Name: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Home #: _____ Work #: _____
Cell #: _____ E-Mail: _____



Where do you prefer to be contacted (i.e. which phone number or email address)?

I would be delighted to fulfill the mitzvah of loving kindness (Gemilut Chasadim):

- ◇ Cook a meal My home is: Kosher not Kosher
- ◇ Deliver a meal
- ◇ Drive an adult
- ◇ Drive to/from shul on Friday night Saturday Morning
- ◇ Shop for food
- ◇ Visit a congregant
- ◇ Make a friendly phone call
- ◇ Run quick errands
- ◇ Deliver Shabbat Challah to those in need

Elyse Beidner Levene, Chair
elyselawyer@msn.com
201.306.1283

Please email all of the information to Elyse Beidner Levene, Chesed chair, at elyselawyer@msn.com.

Questions? Call or e-mail Elyse:

201-507-3216 (o); 201-306-1283 (c); 201-670-4989 (h); elyselawyer@msn.com.

IF YOU ARE ALREADY A VOLUNTEER FROM LAST YEAR AND WISH TO CONTINUE TO PARTICIPATE, NO NEED TO COMPLETE ANOTHER FORM (UNLESS YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION OR AREAS OF INTEREST HAVE

We hope by now everybody has recovered from the damage of Hurricane Sandy and the Nor'easter. We try our best to keep our monthly meeting going. And we prepare to have in December a nice and interesting program to make everybody happy. Come be with us on Wednesday, December 12th.

HAZAK



EL AL

El Al will be going snow tubing at Campgaw in Mahwah on Sunday December 9th. We are looking for a few chaperones to help out. Tickets are limited and must be purchased in advance. Please RSVP to Rabbi Sharon by December 1st. Cost is \$24 per person.

YOUTH

USY

Temple Israel's USY Chapter is off to an awesome start. FLRUSY (Fair Lawn, Fort Lee, Ridgewood USY), as the USY-ers have nicknamed it, started off the year with a BBQ at Temple Israel that more than 20 high school students attended. Since then, we have had a movie night, gone to the USY Opening Dance, elected a board and started planning more upcoming events. To find out what is going on with USY, join the Facebook Group (Fair Lawn, Fort Lee, Ridgewood USY) and "friend" USY's Heather Wombough on Facebook! We are always looking for new members, so spread the word and bring your friends!

KADIMA

Winter is right around the corner! In celebration of the season, our December Kadima event will be ice skating at the Ice House on the Sunday, December 9th. Next Lounge Night will be on Tuesday, December 11th.



Kadima-niks Thomas Vandalovsky, Robert Bakal, Josh Unger, Evan Klein, Liam Drori and Mikey Ezratty enjoyed their "Lock-In" at Temple Israel the weekend of November 10th-11th.



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**SUNDAY,
JANUARY 13**

11:30am—1:30pm

HOLD

THE DATE

If you know of any vendors who might want to participate, have them contact Marc Cantor at mcantor@wcatech.com

**PREPARE FOR YOUR SPECIAL OCCASION
AT TEMPLE ISRAEL'S **SIMCHA FAIR****



Planning a bar or bat mitzvah, wedding, baby naming or bris, birthday party or another social function? Come to our Simcha Fair, where you'll find the ideal services for any special simcha—an occasion for gladness, joy or celebration.

At the Fair, we'll have vendors of kosher prepared foods, caterers, party favors, invitations, floral arrangements, photography, entertainment companies and Jewish religious articles, like kippot or tallitot.

The vendors exhibiting their goods and services are pros at parties of all kinds and kiddush functions. Attendees are encouraged to ask questions related to their businesses. They can help you create the event or kiddush that best fits your family's style and budget. Consider this a fact-finding opportunity to help you identify the right caterer/menu, entertainment company, invitations, or tallit (prayer shawls), for your special day.

CIRCLE OF HONOR

TODAH RABBAH TO OUR GENEROUS DONORS

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Dec. 7 OPEN FOR SPONSORSHIP—FAMILY SERVICE
Dec. 14 OPEN FOR SPONSORSHIP
Dec. 21 OPEN FOR SPONSORSHIP
Dec. 28 OPEN FOR SPONSORSHIP

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Dec. 1 Tricia & Howard Schreiber in honor of their daughter Emily on the occasion of her 16th birthday
Dec. 8 OPEN FOR SPONSORSHIP
Dec. 15 Phyllis & Mel Schinasi in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary
Dec. 22 OPEN FOR SPONSORSHIP—NOSH & DRASH
Dec. 29 OPEN FOR SPONSORSHIP

BNAI MITZVAH

Raquelle Rothschild, daughter of Laura & Alex Rothschild

We wish our Bat Mitzvah a lifetime of Torah, Mitzvot, and Gemilut Hasadim (Acts of Loving-kindness).

MILESTONES

BIRTH

Vivienne Eve Bartlett, daughter of Julia & Jonathan Bartlett

We wish our newborn and her family strength, good health, and joy

DEATHS

George Buchalter, father of Carla Vogel
Marcia Goldfarb, aunt of Tova Samuels
Diane Sinor, mother of Cantor Bromberg
Oscar Walker, uncle of Kim Antebi & Scott Walker

May the families be comforted among all the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITIES

Make good financial sense!

A CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY is a wonderful way to make a gift to Temple Israel and receive a guaranteed income stream during these uncertain economic times. Whether you manage your own funds, or a close relative's, this investment may be for you. You need not be a T.I. member to participate.

Consider establishing a **CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY** to:

- ❖ Provide regular, fixed payments that offer you **income for your lifetime**
- ❖ Name up to **two income beneficiaries** (I.E. a husband and wife)
- ❖ Transfer cash or marketable securities in exchange for a **guaranteed income**
- ❖ **Realize rates that are higher than CD's** and money market accounts
- ❖ Take an immediate **Charitable income tax deduction**
- ❖ Receive a portion of each payment **tax-free**
- ❖ **Enjoy favorable capital gains treatment**, if funded with appreciated securities

Sample rate chart for a life annuity:

<u>Age</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Rate</u>
65	5.3%	70	5.8%
75	6.5%	80	7.5%
85	8.4%	90+	9.8%

To enquire about specific details please contact Howard Schreiber;
201-236-8744, 10baker@optonline.net

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We thank all of our donors:

Temple Israel Chai Campaign

Risa & Robert Rohrberger to commemorate the Yahrzeit of Manya Rohrberger, grandmother of Bob Rohrberger

Temple Israel Operating Fund

Miriam & Todd Bakal in honor of the bat mitzvah of Rebecca Manheimer

Linda & Abe Davis with profound thanks to the Temple Israel Board, clergy, and staff for providing comfort (and wi fi) during the storm and aftermath.

Joan & Keith Flicker in honor of Temple Israel

Susie & Shelly Goldstein in honor of Freddie Kotek on becoming the Brandeis Men's Club "Man of the Year"

Susie & Shelly Goldstein in honor of Dave Millman on becoming the NNJ Regional "Man of the Year"

Susie & Shelly Goldstein in memory of George Buchalter, father of Carla Vogel

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Religious School Enrichment Fund

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Joan & Keith Flicker in memory of Midred Flicker

Barbara Grenell in appreciation for the opportunity to join Temple Israel at Kol Nidre

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Risa & Robert Rohrberger for the TLC during Hurricane Sandy

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Risa & Robert Rohrberger in memory of Diane Sinor, mother of Cantor Bromberg

Associate Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Marjorie & Alan Hurwitz for the high holidays

Bequests To Temple Israel

You can make an enduring gift to Temple Israel through your will as a bequest. A bequest is perhaps the simplest form of planned giving to arrange, and Temple Israel can be named as one of your beneficiaries. A bequest could involve cash, stocks, real estate or other property and is usually a percentage of the residue of your estate, which is given after your family needs are cared for. You may designate that your bequest be used for a particular purpose, and you may indicate whether it is for current needs or endowment. Because a bequest is revocable, there is no immediate income tax deduction, but your gift will be deductible from your taxable estate. Please consult with an attorney when writing your will in order for your wishes to be clearly articulated.





OPPORTUNITIES FOR GIVING



Donations & Dedications

While Judaism itself can thrive without reference to finances, a community of Jews who are committed to the purpose of the synagogue—learning, worship, and fellowship—does need financial resources to help each other and themselves.

Most of us recognize our obligation to maintain membership in Temple Israel and to support it by payment of annual dues. However, dues alone do not cover all of our costs. There is a continuing need for donations to help assure the synagogue's strength and development .

We encourage any and all donations to Temple Israel. The following are suggested giving opportunities in which the funds are used to support all aspects of synagogue life:

Temple Israel Operating Fund any amount

Tributes \$5

DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES

Siddur Sim Shalom for Weekdays \$54

Mahzor Lev Shalem For Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur \$64

Chumash Etz Hayim \$118

Simcha Terrace Paver \$136

Memorial Plaque \$540

Large Memorial Tablet \$54,000

The following are suggested giving opportunities in which the funds are used to support specific areas of synagogue life:

Temple Israel *Chai* Campaign Fund any amount

Funds the major capital improvements from our synagogue building renovation

Religious School Enrichment Fund any amount

Funds religious school enrichment programs & materials

Endowment Funds \$25,000 to establish a fund; \$18 donation to established funds

Each Fund has a specific purpose. Consult column on the right

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Funds charitable purposes, at the discretion of the Rabbi

Cantor's Discretionary Fund any amount

Funds charitable purposes, at the discretion of the Cantor

Associate Rabbi's Discretionary Fund any amount

Funds charitable purposes, at the discretion of the Associate Rabbi

Contribution Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Enclosed is my contribution of \$_____ to

Checks for General Donations or Dedications should be made payable to Temple Israel.

Checks for an Endowment or Discretionary Fund should be made payable to the specific Fund.

This contribution is _____ in honor of or _____ in memory of

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ENDOWMENT FUND

PURPOSE: To fund maintenance and/or capital improvement projects to Temple Israel properties.

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PURPOSE: To provide siddurim to Temple Israel religious school students.

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PURPOSE: To provide scholarship to a Temple Israel high school student to attend an Israel/Eastern Europe educational program.

BARRY H. GLICK
CHESED ENDOWMENT FUND

PURPOSE: To fund both the cost of a professional motivational speaker who will inspire attendees to perform acts of lovingkindness AND the *Chesed* forum which will follow the talk.

DAVID & SARA GOODMAN
ENDOWMENT FUND

PURPOSE: To fund supplemental Jewish experiences for Jewish youth.

DAVID & SALLY KIRSCH
SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT FUND

PURPOSE: To provide scholarship to a religious school graduating student for continuing Jewish religious education.

ALEXANDER & SOPHIE PURITZ
MEMORIAL
ENDOWMENT FUND

PURPOSE: To fund the Temple Israel Annual Hanukkah Party, which shall include the distribution of silver dollars to all students.

MAX AARON STRACHMAN MEMORIAL
LIBRARY ENDOWMENT FUND

PURPOSE: To purchase educational materials for the library as well as fund library related educational events.

WILLIAM & RHODA TOONKEL
JEWISH MUSIC ENDOWMENT FUND

PURPOSE: To promote Jewish musical education for the Temple Israel religious school, as well as other musical and cultural experiences for Temple Israel and Jewish Community Center.

Kislev / Tevet 5773

December 2012

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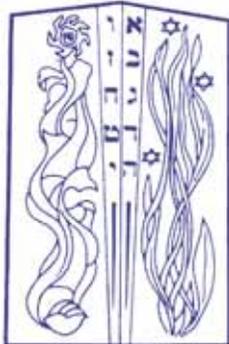
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2 9:30 am Minyan History of Modern Judaism w/Rabbi Fine Sisterhood Book Group	3 7:30 pm Adult B'nei Mitzvah w/Rabbi Litwin 8:15 pm Torah Club for Adults w/Cantor Bromberg	4 6:00 pm Hebrew HS Senior Seminar w/Rabbi Fine 7:15 pm Minyan 7:30 pm The 5 Rabbi's Program at Temple Israel	5 6:00 pm Torah Club	6	7 4:10 pm Candle Lighting 7:00 pm Family Service	8 Vayeshev Hanukkah 9:00 am Service 10:30 am Na'areynu 10:30 Jr. Congregation 11:00 am Tot Shabbat
9 9:30 am Minyan Pre-k History of Modern Judaism w/Rabbi Fine 10:30 Men's Health Program 11:00 am B'nei Mitzvah Family Workshop 11:30 Early Childhood Hanukah Part 12:45 pm El Al Event	10	11 6:00 pm Hebrew HS Senior Seminar w/Rabbi Fine 6:00 pm Lounge Night 6:00 USY Program 7:45 pm Minyan	12 12:30 pm Hazzak 6:00 pm Torah Club Board Mtg	13 Sisterhood Hanukkah Celebration 8:00 pm The 5 Rabbi's Program at Temple Beth Shalom	14 Rosh Chodesh 4:11 pm Candle Lighting Dalet/ Hey Dinner at Temple Emmanuel of Northern NJ 8:30 pm Service	15 Miketz 9:00 am Service 10:30 am Na'areynu
16 9:30 am Minyan Cooking for Shelter Hanukkah Celebration at Temple Beth Shalom, Fair Lawn	17 7:30 pm Adult B'nei Mitzvah w/Rabbi Litwin 8:15 pm Torah Club for Adults w/Cantor Bromberg	18 Shelter Feeding Program 6:00 pm Hebrew HS Senior Seminar w/Rabbi Fine 7:45 pm Minyan	19 6:00 pm Torah Club 8:00 pm School Mtg	20 8:00 pm The 5 Rabbi's Program at Temple Beth Shalom	21 4:14 pm Candle Lighting 8:30 pm Service	22 9:00 am Service – Nosh & Drash 10:30 am Na'areynu
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Tevet / Shvat 5773

January 2013

January 2013 Tevet-Shevat 5773						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 New Year's Day Office Closed 7:45 pm <i>Minyan</i>	2 6:00 pm Torah Club	3	4 4:23 pm Candle Lighting 8:30 pm Service	5 Shemot 9:00 am Service 10:30 am <i>Nitzvaynu</i> 11:00 am Junior Congregation
Babysitting Available during service at 9:00 am, Rm # 5						
6 Pre- K 9:30 am <i>Minyan</i> 10:30 am History of Modern Judaism w/Rabbi Fine Sisterhood Book Group	7 7:30 pm Adult B'nai Mitzvah w/Rabbi Utwin 8:15 pm Torah Club for Adults w/Cantor Bromberg 7:30 pm Learning About Ourselves, Learning about the Other with Rabbi Gloria Rubin	8 7:30 pm The 5 Rabbi's Program at Fair Lawn Jewish Center 7:45 pm <i>Minyan</i>	9 6:00 pm Torah Club 8:00 pm Board Mtg	10	11 4:30 pm Candle Lighting 8:30 pm Service	12 Vaera Rosh Chodesh 9:00 am Nosh & Drash 10:30 am <i>Nitzvaynu</i> 11:00 am Tot Shabbat 6:30 pm Sisterhood Progressive Dinner
13 9:30 am <i>Minyan</i> 10:30 am History of Modern Judaism w/Rabbi Fine 11:30 am B'nai Mitzvah Parent's Mtg 11:30 Simcha Fair	14 7:30 pm Adult B'nai Mitzvah w/Rabbi Utwin 8:15 pm Torah Club for Adults w/Cantor Bromberg 7:30 pm Learning About Ourselves, Learning about the Other with Rabbi Gloria Rubin	15 6:00 pm Kadima Lounge Night 7:30 pm The 5 Rabbi's Program at Fair Lawn Jewish Center 7:45 pm <i>Minyan</i>	16 6:00 pm Torah Club School Com Mtg	17	18 4:38 pm Candle Lighting 8:30 pm Service	19 Bo 9:00 am Service Sisterhood Shabbat 10:30 am <i>Nitzvaynu</i> 11:00 am Junior Congregation 7:30 pm Winter Music Saturday with Jennifer Green & Pang Eun Kim, cello and piano
20 No School 9:30 am <i>Minyan</i> Men's Club Ski Trip	21 Martin Luther King Day – Office Closed	22 7:30 pm The 5 Rabbi's Program at Fair Lawn Jewish Center (snow date) 7:45 pm <i>Minyan</i>	23 6:00 pm Torah Club	24	25 4:46 pm Candle Lighting 7:00 pm Family Service	26 Beshalach 9:00 am Service Youth Shabbat 10:30 am <i>Nitzvaynu</i> Men's Club Comedy Night
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