

*We celebrate trees which
nourish our bodies with fruit
and our hearts with beauty.*

*We celebrate Torah,
The Tree of Life,
which enriches the soul.*



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Dear Friends,

How can Judaism be flexible enough to change for the 21st century while still remaining true to the essence of our tradition? This is a central question for any rabbi or clergy today. We in the Reform Movement have been asking this question for 100's of years and will continue to wrestle with its implications for the next 100 years.

In this light, the Minnesota Rabbinical Association (MRA) recently re-evaluated the historic marriage location resolution. Over the past six decades, weddings were performed by MRA rabbis in three exclusive venues: 1) in a synagogue; 2) in a home; 3) outside.

As of May 24, 2012, the MRA changed its wedding location policy to allow the decision about officiating at wedding venues to be at the sole discretion of each rabbi. While we encourage couples to consider the synagogue as the center of upholding the sanctity of the wedding covenant, the clergy of Temple Israel will officiate at venues outside of the synagogue.

We have decided as a clergy team to broaden options for any couple for two major reasons. First, and foremost, we believe that times are changing and couples believe that choices are essential. Second, in 2009 we doubled the number of weddings we performed from 20 a year to over 40 a year. On popular weekends, we can perform multiple wedding ceremonies and meet the ever-growing needs of our congregation.

With the wedding location conversation broadened, the MRA was able to find consensus on a number of other important Jewish values that we mutually agreed upon:

- We require pre-marital counseling.
- Modesty in dress and all aspects of celebration.
- Moderation in choice of decorations and flowers.
- Minimization of waste in the celebration and consciousness of impact on the environment.
- Food that is appropriate to the celebration of a seudat mitzvah (the celebration of the mitzvah of the wedding) as interpreted by our religious traditions.
- Doing tzedakah in order to remember our responsibility to others even as we are celebrating our joyful occasion (e.g., giving to worthy causes that are meaningful to the celebrating family).

More detailed conversations can happen with your officiating clergy.

This is a historic moment and I want to thank my colleagues in the MRA for taking this new stand. If you have questions, please contact us at 612-377-8680.

B'virkat Shalom - With Blessings of Peace,

Rabbi Marcia A. Zimmerman

Rabbi Sim I. Glaser

Rabbi Jennifer S. Gertman

Cantor Barry Abelson

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Honor and Celebrate Rabbi Zimmerman

Friday, May 24, 2013

Save this important date as we honor Rabbi Zimmerman and celebrate her 25 years in the rabbinate and at Temple Israel.



Worship Services

January Worship Services

Friday, January 4

First Friday: Three Options

- 6:00 p.m. • Erev Shabbat Services
- Tot Shabbat Service followed by a pizza dinner
 - Scholar-Led Study Session led by Rabbi David Wirtschafter

Saturday, January 5

9:00 a.m. Torah Study—Sh'mot, Exodus 1:1–6:1

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service including the B'nai Mitzvah of Nathan Shapiro and Ryan Rossmann followed by a Kiddush luncheon

Friday, January 11

6:00 p.m. Carlebach Shabbat Service

Saturday, January 12

9:00 a.m. Torah Study—Va-eira, Exodus 6:2–9:35

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service including the Bat Mitzvah of Anna Bush followed by a Kiddush luncheon

10:30 a.m. Jewish Renewal Service

Friday, January 18

6:00 p.m. Nefesh Shabbat Service
Complimentary childcare available, see page 4.

7:15 p.m. Congregational Tu BiSh'vat Seder
Reservations required, see page 4

Saturday, January 19

9:00 a.m. Torah Study—Bo, Exodus 10:1–13:16

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service including the Bat Mitzvah of Lillie Cowen followed by a Kiddush luncheon

Friday, January 25

6:00 p.m. *Beyond Words: The Sublime Music of the Classical Cantorial Art* Shabbat Service

Saturday, January 26

9:00 a.m. Torah Study—B'shalach, Exodus 13:17–17:16

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service including the Bar Mitzvah of Zachariah Sippy followed by a Kiddush luncheon

February Worship Services

Friday, February 1

First Friday: Three Options

- 5:00 p.m. Shabbat Workshops
- 6:00 p.m. • Learners' Shabbat Services followed by a Learners' Shabbat Dinner
- Tot Shabbat Service followed by a pizza dinner
 - Scholar-Led Study Session led by Rabbi Joseph Edelheit

Saturday, February 2

9:00 a.m. Torah Study—Yitro, Exodus 18:1–20:23

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service including the Bar Mitzvah of Justin Gainsley followed by a Kiddush luncheon

Friday, February 8

6:00 p.m. Carlebach Shabbat Service

Saturday, February 9

9:00 a.m. Torah Study—Mishpatim, Exodus 21:1–24:18

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service including the Bat Mitzvah of Grace Folven followed by a Kiddush luncheon

10:30 a.m. Jewish Renewal Service

Friday, February 15

6:00 p.m. Nefesh Shabbat Service
Complimentary childcare available, see page 4.

Saturday, February 16

9:00 a.m. Torah Study—T'rumah, Exodus 25:1–27:19

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service including the Bar Mitzvah of Theodore Lentsch followed by a Kiddush luncheon

Friday, February 22

6:00 p.m. *Beyond Words: The Sublime Music of the Classical Cantorial Art* Shabbat Service

Saturday, February 23 - Erev Purim

9:00 a.m. Torah Study—T'zaveh, Exodus 27:20–30:10

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service including the Bat Mitzvah of Emilia Shermeta followed by a Kiddush luncheon

Evening Esther's Banquet:
A Purim Feast for Adults in Four Acts

Sunday, February 24 - Purim

10:30 a.m. Purim Shpiel

What's Happening...

"First Friday" Shabbat

Friday, January 4

Join us on the first Friday of each month for Shabbat experiences for all ages.

Pre-Service Oneg Reception, 5:15 p.m.

Erev Shabbat Service, 6:00 p.m.

Our clergy will lead a warm and intimate Shabbat service.

Tot Shabbat Service, 6:00 p.m.

Tot Shabbat is geared to infants, toddlers and children up to age 6. Older siblings, parents, grandparents and family friends also enjoy this youthful celebration of Shabbat. Children's music, stories and prayers are followed by a pizza dinner at 6:30 p.m. No reservations necessary. A \$15 donation per family is suggested for dinner.

Scholar-Led Study Session, 6:00 p.m.

Rabbi David Wirtschafter will lead this study session of *Everyday Holiness: The Jewish Spiritual Path of Mussar* by E. Alan Morinis.

Torah Study

Every Saturday, 9:00 a.m.

Join an instructive and spirited discussion of the week's Torah portion led by our rabbis. Gain a better understanding of Torah and its relevance to contemporary life through study and dialogue. Open to all. Come when you can.

Congregational Shabbat Morning Service

Every Saturday, 10:30 a.m.

Join members of our congregation as we guide one another through a musical Shabbat Morning Service with a Torah Service, D'rash (explanation of the weekly portion) and B'nai Mitzvah ceremonies. Instrumentalists accompany us as we worship with voice and song.

We will pray together and then gather for a Kiddush luncheon as a community with our clergy. All are welcome!

Jewish Memory Loss

Caregiver Support Group

Wednesdays, January 9 and February 13, 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

If you are interested in this group, please contact Barbara Rudnick, JFCS Program Manager for Family Life Education, at brudnick@jfcsmpls.org or 952-542-4825. Pre-registration is required. All calls are confidential.

Downtown Jewish Study Group

Monday, January 14 at 12:15 p.m.

Spend your lunch hour studying with the "Downtown Jewish Study Group." For more information, please contact Wendy at 612-374-0344 or wendy@templeisrael.com.

Free Childcare provided at Nefesh Services

Fridays, January 18 and February 15, 6:00 p.m.

We are pleased to offer free childcare during our Nefesh Shabbat services, funded by the Kellar Kennen Child Care Fund. Reservations are required for childcare by the Wednesday before the Nefesh Shabbat service to ensure we have enough nannies to care for the children. Please contact Kisha at 612-374-0324 or kisha@templeisrael.com to make your reservation. Drop-ins are welcome if space permits.

Tu BiSh'vat Seder

Friday, January 18, 7:15 p.m.

Celebrate the Jewish New Year of the Trees at a congregational Tu BiSh'vat Seder. Embrace Jewish wisdom, stories, music and the rituals of our natural world. Delight in delicious foods including the traditional fruits, juices and nuts of the Tu BiSh'vat Seder ritual. RSVP to Barb Nesheim by Monday, January 14 at 612-374-0315 or barbn@templeisrael.com. Temple members can register online with the "Member Login" section of our Temple website. The cost to attend the Seder is \$10 per adult and \$5 per child.

Kabbalah Sparks

Mondays, January 28 and February 25, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Join us for a monthly study and meditation on Kabbalistic themes. Some familiarity with the basics of Jewish mysticism is encouraged, but all inquisitive seekers are welcome.

"First Friday" Shabbat

Friday, February 1

Join us on the first Friday of each month for Shabbat experiences for all ages.

Shabbat Workshop, 5:00 p.m.

Preparing for Shabbat: braid challah, create a challah cover, make a spice box and candle for Havdalah.

Tot Shabbat Service, 6:00 p.m.

Scholar-Led Study Session, 6:00 p.m.

Rabbi Joseph Edelheit will lead this study session.

Learners' Shabbat Service, 6:00 p.m.

Come together as a community, adults and children alike, to learn about and participate in the celebration of Shabbat! From baking challah and experiencing the rituals associated with home Shabbat observance to worshipping in a service that explains the meanings and movements of Shabbat prayers, this Learners' Shabbat evening will enrich your experience and understanding of Shabbat.

The service is followed by a Learners' Shabbat Dinner. Reservations are required for dinner, \$15 per person. Make your reservation by contacting Wendy at 612-374-0344 or wendy@templeisrael.com.

Cooking with Ruth Knelman

February 6 and 12, 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Ruth Knelman shares her delicious recipes and cooking tips during her monthly cooking classes at Temple. She will lead Hamantaschen baking classes on February 6 and 12 from 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Reservations required. More details about Ruth's famous cooking class can be found on page 15.

Israel Symposium

Israel: The Challenge of Peace in an Economic Powerhouse; How Did Israel Get to this Point and Where is She Going?

Sunday, February 10, 9:00 a.m. at Temple Israel

Join us for an upbeat overview of history, conflict, attempts for peace, innovations and positive contributions by the state of Israel over the decades since its inception.

Volunteer for Temple's Homeless Shelter

Sunday, February 17 - Sunday, February 24

Temple Israel will host families through our partnership with Families Moving Forward (FMF). We invite all of our volunteers from previous hosting weeks to join us. If you have not had the opportunity to volunteer during our FMF hosting, now is your chance! We need help cooking, serving and dining with our families; playing with and entertaining the children; and one guy and one gal to stay overnight each night during our hosting session at Temple. More details about this wonderful mitzvah can be found on our website. Contact Mark Ratner with any questions at 612-272-7060 or mratner@hotmail.com.

Volunteers are required to participate in a training session on Wednesday, February 13 at 7:00 p.m.

*** Purim 2013 ***

Esther's Banquet

A Purim Feast for Adults in Four Acts

Saturday, February 23, Evening

An evening featuring the finest food and drink suitable for royalty and a mouth watering tour through the Megillah. See our website for the delicious details.

Purim Shpiel and Service

Sunday, February 24, 10:30 a.m.

Grab the entire family and throw on your costumes for a Purim service and Megillah reading, led by our clergy.

Family Purim Carnival

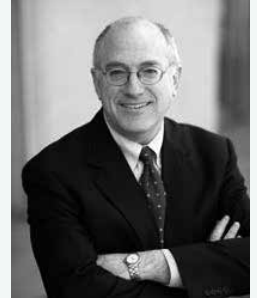
Sunday, February 24, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Join us at the 2013 TIPTY Purim Carnival for food, games and prizes. It's a treat for the whole family! Tickets for games and food can be purchased the day of the carnival.

J Street and Temple Israel's Israel Committee present America's Role in the Arab-Israeli Conflict with Ambassador Daniel Kurtzer

Wednesday, February 27, 7:00 p.m. at Temple Israel

Former Ambassador to Israel Daniel C. Kurtzer is the author of *Pathways to Peace: America and the Arab-Israeli Conflict* and *The Peace Puzzle: America's Quest for Arab-Israeli Peace, 1989-2011*.



This event is free and open to all, and sponsored by Temple Israel's Israel Committee and J Street. Dessert reception and book signing to follow the talk. More details about this event will be available on our website.

This program is part of an on-going series of speakers and events at Temple Israel to provide a broad understanding and diverse perspectives on Israel.

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Liebenberg/Knelman Interfaith Seder

Sunday, March 10, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Table Hosts Needed at the
Liebenberg/Knelman Interfaith Seder

On Sunday, March 10, neighbors and friends from area churches, mosques, and other worship communities will gather at Temple Israel as we host our 32nd Annual Interfaith Seder. We hope you will consider hosting a table of guests as we share the rituals of Passover and sample some traditional Passover foods. Since 1981, Temple Israel has invited area houses of worship to be our guests at the Interfaith Seder, free of charge. The event is funded by the Knelman Family Fund for Interfaith Relations, dedicated to the idea of understanding through interfaith dialogue and sharing.

If you, your spouse and/or teenage family members would like to help host our guests at this cherished event, please contact the Temple Israel Interfaith Seder Co-Chair Len Kennen at 952-475-4030 or at interfaithseder@templeisrael.com.

Dr. Wendy Mogel Speaks at Temple

Sunday, April 28, 2013

Dr. Wendy Mogel is an internationally acclaimed clinical psychologist, parenting expert and the author of the *New York Times* bestselling parenting book, *The Blessing of a Skinned Knee*. Her new book, *The Blessing of a B Minus*, is about raising teenagers. A popular keynote speaker, she lectures widely at conferences and schools. Please save the date and watch your next issue of HaKol for more details.

Our B'nai Mitzvah Reaching Jewish Adulthood



Nathan Shapiro
January 5, 2013

Sh'mot Nathan is the son of Vicki & Rich Shapiro; grandson of Katherine Williams, Robert Beugen and Merle & the late Fred Shapiro; brother of Talia and Josie. Nathan enjoys playing lacrosse, basketball, football and guitar. When he grows up Nathan would like to work in the music or sports industry. Nathan is on the high-honor roll and in the Pre-AP program at Plymouth Middle School. His favorite subjects in school are science and math. When asked about his upcoming Bar Mitzvah, Nathan said, "I'm looking forward to celebrating with my family and friends, and becoming a man!"



Ryan Rossmann
January 5, 2013

Sh'mot Ryan is the son of Harlan & the late Colleen Rossmann; grandson of Bonnie Beugen & Allan Beugen and the late Stephen Rossmann, Walter White & Carol Bros and Dorothy White; brother of Raquel. Ryan enjoys playing football, baseball and basketball, and fishing. He likes spending his summers at Herzl Camp. Ryan is on the high-honor roll at Plymouth Middle School and his favorite subjects are math and science. When asked about his upcoming Bar Mitzvah, Ryan said, "I can't wait to share my Bar Mitzvah with my friends and family."



Annie Bush
January 12, 2013

Va-eira Annie is the daughter of Monique & David Bush; granddaughter of the late Karen & Jay Nadeau and Carol & Mel Bush; sister of Mikaela and Betsy. Annie enjoys dance, hanging out with her friends and volunteering at mitzvah sites. When she grows up Annie would like to become either a doctor or a zoologist. When asked about her upcoming Bat Mitzvah, Annie said, "I'm looking forward to reading from the Torah and celebrating with my friends and family."



Lillie Anne Cowen
January 19, 2013

Bo Lillie is the daughter of Stacie & Perry Cowen; granddaughter of Gail & Marc Kalman, Bobbie Kalman and Ravel & Stanley Cowen; sister of Abby. Lillie enjoys playing volleyball, hanging out with friends, cooking and volunteering at mitzvah sites. Her favorite subject at Maple Grove Junior High is math. When she grows up Lillie would like to become a fashion designer. When asked about her upcoming Bat Mitzvah, Lillie said, "I can't wait to celebrate with all my family and friends."



Zachariah Nissim Wirtschafter Sippy
January 26, 2013

B'shalach Zachariah is the son of Shana Sippy & Rabbi David Wirtschafter; grandson of Carol & the late Jonathan Wirtschafter, Roni Sippy, and Lachman & Anjali Sippy; brother of Emanuelle. Zachariah enjoys politics, feeding the hungry, theater and biking. His favorite subjects at HMJDS are social studies, biology, algebra and participating in the school newspaper. When he grows up Zachariah would like to be a political strategist and advisor to the DNC. When asked about his upcoming Bar Mitzvah Zachariah said, "I'm excited to take the next step in my Jewish life and have all my family and friends join me at Temple Israel."



Justin Evan Gainsley
February 2, 2013

Yitro Justin is the son of Julie & Peter Gainsley; grandson of Elaine & Sheldon Singer, the late Irene Singer and Bonnie & Phillip Gainsley; brother of Ilyssa and Dylan. Justin enjoys technology, sports, hanging out with his friends, and playing hockey, lacrosse and golf. He takes pride in volunteering at mitzvah sites throughout the Twin Cities. When he grows up Justin would like to become a movie director. His favorite subjects at The Blake School are social studies and science. When asked about his upcoming Bar Mitzvah, Justin said, "I'm excited to have my friends and family celebrate this special day with me."

JANUARY

1	ECC Closed: Winter Break
1-4	No Hebrew School: Winter Break
2	ECC Resumes
2/3	B'nai Mitzvah Training in Session
5/6	Religious School Resumes
7/8	Hebrew School Resumes
7	TIPTY Hang Out
9	10 th Grade Confirmation
12/13	4 th Grade Family Education Program
13	8 th Grade ONLY Family Education Program (12:00 - 3:00 p.m.) <i>No 7th Grade Class</i>
16	10 th Grade Confirmation
19-21	No Religious or Hebrew School: Martin Luther King Jr. Day
21	ECC Closed: Martin Luther King Jr. Day
23	11 th Grade Program
25	ECC Shabbat Family Dinner (5:00 - 6:30 p.m.)
26	TIPTY Event
27	6 th Grade Share-Save-Spend Family Program 7 th Grade Program 8 th Grade Parent/Teen Share-Save-Spend Program
30	10 th Grade Confirmation Class

FEBRUARY

1	7 th and 8 th Grade Program (Please note special time 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.)
3	7 th Grade Family Education Program <i>No 8th Grade Class</i>
6	10 th Grade Confirmation Class ECC PAC Meetings 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
8-9	9 th Grade TEKO Retreat Program
10	2 nd Grade Family Education Program 7 th and 8 th Grade Program 7 th and 8 th Grade JYG Event
11	TIPTY Hang Out Night (Purim)
13	11 th Grade Program
16-18	No Religious School or Hebrew School: Presidents' Day Weekend
18	ECC Closed: Presidents' Day
20	9 th Grade Parents and Teen Program 10 th Grade Confirmation
21/22	ECC Purim Parades: 9:15 a.m. <i>Wear your favorite costume.</i>
24	Purim Shpiel during Religious School; Purim Carnival following Religious School
27	11 th Grade Program

Temple Israel Religious and Hebrew Schools are beneficiaries of the Minneapolis Jewish Federation



Grace Folven
February 9, 2013

Mishpatim Grace is the daughter of Laura & Jim Folven; granddaughter of Lou & Jerry Rotman and Mina & the late Donald Folven; sister of Griffin. Grace enjoys playing basketball and softball, and volunteering with Feed my Starving Children and Sholom Home. Her favorite subject at Wayzata West Middle School is language arts. Grace's softball team won first place in the state softball tournament. When she grows up Grace would like to become a police officer. When asked about her upcoming Bat Mitzvah, Grace said, "I'm excited to celebrate with my family and friends."



Emilia Ruth Shermeta
February 23, 2013

T'tzaveh Emilia is the daughter of Natalie & Nick Shermeta; granddaughter of Joanne & Michael Silverman and Margo Mensing & the late Dr. Dennis Shermeta; sister of Lindsay. Emi enjoys dance, soccer and tennis, and loves to help others. Emi received the Award of Excellence in Consistent Academic Achievement at Breck School. Her favorite subjects are English and Math. Emi wants to become a fashion designer. When asked about her upcoming Bat Mitzvah, Emi said, "I am very excited to get up on the bimah and share my special day with family and friends."

Temple Israel's Early Childhood Center

Registration Begins
for the 2013 - 2014 School Year
Wednesday, January 2

Please contact ECC Director Trish Mintz at
612-374-0334
for more information or to set up a tour.

Watch for registration information in the mail soon! Come be a part of the fun and excitement as we laugh and learn together. Please contact ECC Director Trish Mintz at 612-374-0334 for more information. Or set up a tour so you can see our wonderful school in action. We offer discounted tuition rates to members of Temple Israel!

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*SESSION BET

July 1 – July 19

*SESSION GIMMEL

July 22 – August 9



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Scholarship Information

Scholarships for summer camps and trips to Israel are available for Temple Israel members. For additional community scholarship information or more detailed information, please contact each individual organization directly.

Temple Israel

Deadline: February 1, 2013

Contact: Barb Nesheim at 612-374-0315 or
barbn@templeisrael.com

Jewish Family and Children's Service (JFCS)

Deadline: March 29, 2013

Contact: Barbara Rudnick or Sheri Sell at 952-542-4843

Minneapolis Jewish Federation

Deadline: Friday, March 29, 2013

Contact: Wendy Clyman at 952-417-2354 or
wclyman@mplsfed.org

K'tanim (Little Ones) class to start this January at Temple Israel

For parents and their children ages birth – 16 months old

Wednesday Nights, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Starting on Wednesday, January 16

Come for fun, conversation and camaraderie! Much like an ECFE class, each week a different topic will be discussed including child development, Jewish life, general parenting and more. Join Sharon Rosenberg-Scholl, Director of Curriculum at the Temple Israel Early Childhood Center, and meet other parents with young children.

For more information, please contact Sharon at 612-374-0374 or sharon@templeisrael.com.

Lighting the Way

"That one generation must care deeply and prepare the way for the next...is the essence of Jewish peoplehood."

– Erica Brown and Misha Galperin

Temple Israel Foundation launches Legacy Circle

Your Vision, Our Jewish Future



Howard Zack

With the 2013 launch of the Legacy Circle, the Temple Israel Foundation is recognizing those who have committed to continuing the legacy of

Temple Israel as a thriving, vibrant, relevant, inclusive congregation – a central Jewish institution in Minneapolis in the 21st century.

People who have named the Temple Israel Foundation as a beneficiary in their will, retirement plan, insurance policy or other estate gift

are automatically members of the Legacy Circle. This distinguished group is made up of visionary investors in Temple's future.

"Temple Israel thrives today because of the investments of earlier generations,"

said Temple Israel Foundation President Howard Zack. "We inherited a great legacy; it is our responsibility to pass it on. It is our turn to equip our children and grandchildren for the future.

"I invite each of you to join me in making a legacy gift. A legacy gift symbolizes a deeply felt commitment to a vibrant, thriving Jewish tomorrow.

No matter the size of the gift, this is a personal statement of commitment to our Jewish future in the form of financial support for Temple Israel in the years ahead."

Members of the newly established Legacy Circle will be invited to periodic briefings and gatherings with

Temple clergy and leadership. The inaugural event is Tuesday evening, May 7. If you have informed Temple of a planned gift, you will receive a personal invitation. Otherwise, please let us know of your plans or interest and plan to join us for a wonderful evening.

SAVE THE DATE
Legacy Circle
Inaugural Celebration
Hors d'oeuvres & Dessert
Tuesday, May 7, 2013
7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

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How to make a legacy gift to Temple

Whether in your will, retirement plan, insurance policy or other estate gift, please use the Temple Israel Foundation for your beneficiary:

Temple Israel Foundation, 2324 Emerson Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN 55405
Tax ID # 41-1769841

Contact Jeri Glick-Anderson, Temple's Development Director, for more information and to let us know of your plans:
612-374-0302 or jeriga@templeisrael.com.

Who makes legacy gifts?

The young, the visionary and the loyal

Read on for some surprising facts about legacy giving.

It is a myth that only older people establish legacy gifts.

65% of charitable bequests are made by people ages 18-64.

It is a myth that only wealthy people establish legacy gifts.

58% of legacy gifts are established by people with incomes under \$75,000.

It is a myth that the primary reason for legacy giving is for estate planning.

97% of people establish legacy gifts because they love an organization and want to be sure its work continues.

It is a myth that complex planning is needed to establish a legacy gift.

80% of legacy gifts are made by listing an organization as a beneficiary of a will, retirement plan or insurance policy.

Sisterhood Movie Night: *Citizen Ruth*

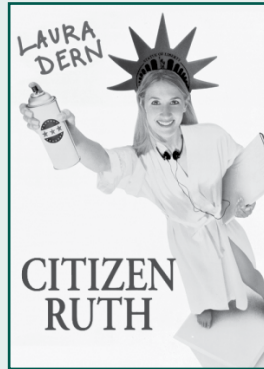
Wednesday, January 9, 7:00 p.m., Temple's Auditorium

A night to commemorate the 40th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade

Join the Sisterhoods of Temple Israel, Bet Shalom and Mount Zion, Rabbi Zimmerman and our special guest Reverend Kelli Clement of the Minnesota Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice (MRCRC) as we celebrate together the 40th anniversary of Roe v. Wade (February 5, 2013).

Citizen Ruth is a 1996 satire that tells a story of a poor, irresponsible and pregnant woman who unexpectedly attracts attention from those involved in the debate about morality and the legality of abortion.

This event is free but donations will be accepted and given to the MRCRC. Popcorn will be provided. Bring your own beverage to enjoy. RSVP by January 3 to sheryarosh394@gmail.com or call 612-670-7229.



Cook for Moms and Kids at Jeremiah House

Thursday, January 10, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Jeremiah House, 1510 Laurel Ave, Suite 100, Minneapolis, MN

Provide dinner for single moms and their kids who reside at Jeremiah House. RSVP to Sue Smukler at 612-377-9692 or ssmukler@usgo.net and let her know if you can bring a side dish or dessert.

Sisterhood Full Board Meeting

Sunday, January 20, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Calling all past, present and future Sisterhood Board members. Join us for our breakfast meeting and find out all the good things that we've got going on. RSVP by January 15 to Denise Fogel at denisefogel@usiwireless.com or 612-889-1669.

Chai Tea

Sunday, January 20, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Temple Israel Sisterhood and the Sholom Community Alliance are hosting a Chai (High) Tea for the residents at Knollwood Place. Come have tea and cookies, visit the residents and hear the wonderful music sung by the Twin Cities Jewish Chorale. All ages are welcome to this event; bring a friend or family member. If you can bake for this event, please respond to Aviva Weisberg at 612-702-4726 or avivanw@gmail.com, or Sue Tish McMorris at 612-554-4116 or susan@xactsensing.com.

Women's Networking Event with Marketing Expert Betsy Buckley

Tuesday, January 29, 7:00 p.m.

Mount Zion Temple is hosting the Women's Professional Networking Group where marketing expert Betsy Buckley will discuss *How to use Our Strengths to Bring in More Revenue, Profits and Clients*. RSVP by January 22 to Leslie at Lheld18@comcast.net.

Please join women from Mount Zion, Temple Israel and Bet Shalom in this highly interactive session to learn how to be your best, and assess how you can better earn the confidence of business prospects. Bring your business cards to this free event. Betsy Buckley has had major leadership positions in four very different careers. For the last 15 years she's run What Matters, LLC, a company that helps professional services firms and their leaders grow more profitable revenues and more positive reputations.

Garage Sale Steering Committee Meeting

Sunday, February 3, 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Join us for the first steering committee meeting for our 26th Annual Sisterhood Garage Sale. Contact Esther Schak at ers@schak.com.

Sisterhood Book Club

Wednesday, February 6, 7:00 p.m.

Join us for a lively discussion of Deborah Feldman's *Unorthodox: My Scandalous Rejection of My Hasidic Jewish Roots*, her autobiographical journey from the Satmar sect of Brooklyn to the wider world. See why *O Magazine* calls it one of the top 10 titles to pick up now, and why girls all over Brooklyn are buying this book, hiding it under their mattresses and reading after lights out. No need to be a Sisterhood member to attend. Questions? Please contact Judy Chucker at 952-546-4429 or jchucker1@comcast.net.

Support Sisterhood when you buy your 2013 Mah Jongg Card

It's so easy! Cards are sent directly to you before they show up at any store. Sisterhood will receive a rebate on cards that we order in bulk. Cards are \$7.00 (standard size) or \$8.00 (large print). Ask your Mah Jongg group to place an order through us and help make this project a success.

To order your card(s), please send a check made payable to Sisterhood to: Esther Schak, 2215 - 12th Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55404. Include your name, address and the type (standard or large print) and number of cards that you want. Cards will be shipped directly to the address you provide. Checks must be received **no later** than Friday, January 18.

Online Membership Portal

Temple Israel's Online Member Login

Have you used the "Member Login" area on our website lately? This secure, online membership portal provides another way for members to easily interact with our business office. Many congregants have taken time to login and explore these new features, and the feedback has been very positive. We welcome those of you who have not yet logged in to do so and to explore our online system. To access our system, go to www.templeisrael.com and click on "Member Login" on the left side. If you do not know your User ID or Password, or if you have any questions, contact Communications Director Katie Wood at 612-374-0390 or katie@templeisrael.com.

The password-protected area allows members to:

- Update your member contact information
- Add/Change child information
- View and/or pay your dues
- Make a donation
- Register for Temple events, classes and dinners
- View Yahrzeit information
- View online member directory

Calling all Hamantaschen Lovers and Bakers

It's time to order your Hamantaschen!

Celebrate Purim this year with freshly baked Hamantaschen from the Sisterhood bakers. Each pre-ordered dozen is only \$12; and half-dozen is \$7. Extras will be available for \$15 a dozen while supplies last, but they won't be around long. Get your pre-orders in by Wednesday, February 6 and party Purim-style. Hamantaschen orders can be picked up at the Sisterhood Gift Shop before services on Friday, February 22 from 5:00 - 5:55 p.m. or on Sunday, February 24 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Baking Day Coming Right Up

Have you ever wanted to learn just how Hamantaschen are made? Do you enjoy bonding with women in our community? Put on your aprons and come bake with us on Friday, February 8 from 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and on Sunday, February 10 from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Whether you like to roll, fill, pack or generally organize, laugh and schmooze, bring a friend along or make new ones in Temple's kitchen. Your helping hands provide a mitzvah to the recipients of these delicious treats. Call Betty Kriedberg at 612-819-6095 to schedule a shift or for more information.

2013 Temple Israel Sisterhood Hamantaschen Order Form

Please return this form along with your payment to Betty Kriedberg, 12700 Sherwood Place #309, Minnetonka, MN 55305.

Please make your check payable to Temple Israel Sisterhood.

Pre-order Pricing: \$12 per dozen and \$7 per half-dozen

Name _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Poppyseed

Mixed Fruit

Apricot

Chocolate

How many dozen? _____ ½ dozen? _____

How many dozen? _____ ½ dozen? _____

How many dozen? _____ ½ dozen? _____

How many dozen? _____ ½ dozen? _____

Total dozen _____ Total ½ dozen _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

Sharing Our Lives

January Anniversaries

10th Lesli Hines & Michael Launer 1/4

55th Bette Ann & Dick Bloom 1/5

February Anniversaries

5th Rebecca & Michael Epstein 2/9

15th Janet & Daniel Parker 2/7

15th Maggie Thurer & Simon Stevens 2/15

25th Jane & William Greene 2/27

30th Sandra & Jeffrey Abrams 2/19

45th Dory & Isaac Einisman 2/3

45th Elaine & Richard Rosen 2/4

50th June & Alvin Perlman 2/24

55th Sharron & Oren Steinfeldt 2/2

65th Betty & Gerald Schwartz 2/14

In Memory

Condolences to our Temple families who have recently lost a loved one.

Leonard Atlas, *Father of Jami (Robert) Tish*

Harry Bader, *Father of Arlene (Zvi) Leibovich*

Dorette Boehm, *Mother of Debra Boehm*

Lillian "Babe" Davis, *Mother of Stephen (Angelyn) Davis*

Martin Finch, *Husband of Barbara Finch*

Father of Helaine (Jeff) Bolter and Steve Finch

Jean Fox

Patricia Louise Geiger

Ruth Juhl, *Mother of Sarene Silver*

Zelda Katz

Jeffrey Kullman

Addie Irene Lamar, *Mother of Terese (Shelby) Solomon*

Irv Pinto, *Father of Amy (Lenny) Lome*

Phyllis Mark, *Wife of Dr. Aaron Mark and*

Mother of Michael Mark

Joyce Shirley Peck, *Mother of Thomas (Linda) Sklar,*

Mother-in-Law of Elaine Sklar

Irving Jay Pinto, *Father of Amy (Lenny) Lome*

Dora Rosen, *Sister-in-Law of Doris Rosen*

Frances Silverstein, *Mother of Andrea (Dan) Greenstein*

and Joni (Stanford) Weiner

Reva Winthrop, *Grandmother of Missy (Bob) Swiller*

Robert Zink, *Step-Father of Marc Berg*

(Julie Zimmerman Berg)

Mazel Tov To...

- **Ardis & Jim Barnett** on the birth of their grandson, Geoffrey Benjamin King, on November 17, 2012. Geoffrey is the son of Alison & Mitchell King and was welcomed home by his big brother Levi, age 2.
- **Ellyn Wolfenson & Dr. Michael Belzer** for hosting the Light up the Night Benefit for the Foundation of the Hennepin County Medical Center.
- **David Benowitz** on the success of his business, The Rail Station, which was named the Best Dive Bar by *Mpls.St. Paul Magazine*.
- **Morris Davidman**, who received the Guiding Light Award for Medical Education at the 2012 Light up the Night Benefit for the Foundation of the Hennepin County Medical Center.
- **Janie Finn** on the launch of her new business, Finesse Partners, a boutique search and consulting firm specializing in the medical device industry.
- **Ken Freed**, who appeared on the television show *30 Rock* in November with The New York Philharmonic.
- **Barbara Glaser & Rabbi Sim Glaser** on the engagement of their son, Benjamin Glaser, to Melissa Winders. A wedding in Saratoga Springs, NY is planned for June 2013.
- **Luella Goldberg**, who received the 2012 Katharine Phelps Lifetime Achievement Award from the Minneapolis Junior League.
- **Jane & Norman Gurstel** on the birth of their granddaughter, Madeline Spring Gurstel, on August 25, 2012. Maddie is the daughter of **Anissa & Marc Gurstel** and the great-granddaughter of the late **Maidee & the late Morrie Golden** and the late **Etta & the late Jules Gurstel**.
- **Denise & Marshall Hertz** on the engagement of their son, Ben Hertz, to Lauren Villarroel. Lauren is the daughter of Ronnie Sherman and Marco Villarroel and the granddaughter of Doris and Ed Sherman. Ben is the grandson of Mitzi & the late Mike Diamond and Bernice & the late Benjamin Hertz.
- **Jan Saffron-Johnson & Tom Johnson** on the birth of their granddaughter, Talia Lilly Johnson, on November 17, 2012. Talia is the daughter of Ronit Yaari Johnson & Aaron Johnson.
- **Seth Kaplan** on being named one of the top 100 people to know in 2013 by *Twin Cities Business Magazine* and one of only ten in television.

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Ruth Knelman shares her recipes for cooking and life

Mazel Tov To...

- **Judith Kashtan, M.D.**, who was elected to the Board of Trustees of the American Psychiatric Association.
- **Sarah McGee** on her new role as Assistant General Counsel at Minnesota State Colleges and Universities.
- **Lynda Monick-Isenberg** on having her artwork featured in the upcoming exhibition of *The House We Built: Feminist Art Then and Now* at University of Minnesota's Katherine E. Nash Gallery and T.R. Anderson Gallery.
- **Rachel & Sam Rosen** on the birth of their twins, Burton Edward Rosen and Scarlett Marie Rosen on December 1, 2012. Burton and Scarlett are the grandchildren of **Colleen Eastman Sternau & René Sternau**, **Jill Daniels** and **Bill Toles** and **Fran & Stan Rosen**.
- **Jeri & Adeel Saad** on the birth of their grandson, Dov Gavriel Saad, on November 29, 2012. Dov is the son of Stephanie & Justin Saad and was welcomed home by his big brother Moshe, age 1.
- **Esther Schak** on the marriage of her son, Benjamin Schak, to Dory Weiss. Benjamin and Dory were married in New York City on October 20, 2012.

Ruth Knelman, our 102-year-old active volunteer at Temple Israel, will share her delicious recipes and cooking tips that you can't find anywhere else. Grandma Ruth (her nickname when she volunteers in our preschool) will lead Hamantaschen cooking classes on February 6 and 12 from 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Classes are limited to six people per session due to the size of the Temple kitchen. This is a great opportunity to meet other Temple members. Please bring a few containers to take food home with you and \$10 to cover the cost of the ingredients.

If you're interested in attending, please contact Stephanie Bell at bellux@yahoo.com or 612-581-6062. Please let Stephanie know if you plan to bring a friend with you and which date you want to attend.

If you have any questions, please contact Membership Director Liz Mack at liz@templeisrael.com or 612-374-0318.

Ruth's cooking class was featured on the front page of the Variety section of the *Star Tribune* on Sunday, December 9. See our Facebook page, fb.com/templeisraelmpls, for a link to the article.

Thank you to Trish Thelen

We wish a bittersweet farewell to Trish Thelen, Temple's Membership Services Coordinator. Trish has helped create a warm and caring Temple community with her kind and personal attention to the details of every lifecycle event and program that takes place in our building...and to each and every person who called or walked through our doors since 2006. We are thrilled that Trish will be a part of our Temple family as a congregant, so you will continue to see her around Temple.



Todah Rabah Trish!

variety

Ruth Knelman prepared to taste her chicken soup in the kitchen of Temple Israel in Minneapolis, keeping Ruth City nearby because, of course, it needs a little more salt. Student Judy Leviton looked on, seeking secrets of traditional Jewish food from Knelman who, at 102, knows what she's doing.

Photos by TOM WELLS/LACY - twitter@tomwells.com

a recipe for life

On the face of it, Ruth Knelman teaches cooking classes. But at 102, she also teaches about life. As Hanukkah begins, her thoughts (and a recipe) are worth sharing.

By KIM COE • kcoe@earthlink.net

The revelations began with a peek into the soup pot, which Ruth Knelman nudged open with a bare hand knuckled by arthritis. "You can't touch that hot lid," blurted Ruth City of Apple Valley, before realizing that Knelman hadn't flinched. What the cooking students didn't yet know was that Knelman trusted her instincts. What Knelman didn't yet know is whether they would catch on to her.

"That City glimpsed the simmering chicken. "That's the size of a small turkey," she said. Using a buxom roasting hen — "not those stringy little fryers" — was only the first of

the revelations that Knelman would share in the kitchen of Temple Israel. Some were even about cooking.

A 102-year-old woman, especially one wearing tennis shoes with glitter paint starbursts, knows a lot of things.

She knows that it's not worth stressing over most of what life dishes out.

She knows that patience is one of the most valuable qualities we can possess.

She knows that it's not good to be so busy all the time.

She knows that it's a gift to be able to say, "I never get bored, even if I'm alone."

Lessons continue on B14

Recipe: Grandma Ruth's Matzo Balls float like angels in the soup. If you prefer the denser "sinkers," look elsewhere B14

Holidays are Early this Year!

As we start planning for 2013, please note how early Jewish holidays occur this year.



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Tu BiSh'vat	January 25/26, 2013
Purim	February 23/24, 2013
Passover	March 25-April 1, 2013
Yom HaShoah	April 6/7, 2013
Yom HaZikaron	April 14/15, 2013
Yom HaAtzmaut	April 15/16, 2013
Shavuot	May 14/15, 2013
Rosh HaShanah	September 4/5, 2013
Yom Kippur	September 13/14, 2013
Sukkot	September 18-25, 2013
Simchat Torah	September 25/26, 2013
Chanukah	November 27- December 5, 2013

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LOUIS GAINSLEY DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD NOMINATIONS REQUESTED

The Louis Gainsley Distinguished Service Award was established to recognize the outstanding volunteer efforts of Temple Israel members, both within Temple Israel and in the community at large. The award is an expression of appreciation for and recognition of those who meet the following criteria:

- Whose actions personify Jewish values, the essence of community and volunteerism at Temple Israel and/or in the community at large.
- Whose actions influence others to engage in lifelong learning, meaningful worship, and/or participation within the Temple community or the community at large.
- Whose exceptional and/or innovative service to Temple Israel and its community has spanned ten or more years.
- Who has, through his or her years of volunteer service, garnered the respect and admiration of the Temple Israel community.

The award recipient will be honored at our Annual Meeting in June 2013. Please submit nominations for the Louis Gainsley Distinguished Service Award before Friday, February 8 by completing the following information and returning it to Temple Israel or by contacting Kisha McLain at 612-374-0324 or kisha@templeisrael.com.

Your Name & Phone Number: _____.

I nominate _____ **for the Louis Gainsley Distinguished Service Award because**
