

# AN EVENING WITH MAZIAR BAHARI

### Saturday, October 12, 2013 8:00 p.m.

Maziar Bahari will share his inspirational story of extreme courage set against the backdrop of contemporary Iran. His memoir is being told in the upcoming movie **Rosewater**, directed by Jon Stewart.

The evening will honor the legacies of Temple Israel Past Presidents of blessed memory

Marvin Borman • Burton Joseph Marty Finch • Stan Schweitzer

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Dear Friends,

Throughout our strategic planning at Temple, education has consistently come up as a top priority. The vision is to build upon the high academic standards in our Judaic and

Hebrew curriculum to provide Jewish education that inspires and excites. Recently, the opportunity arose to hire a unique individual whose vision for Temple's educational and communal programs mirrors our own. This person has the experience and dynamic appeal to bring our dreams for the education program to fruition.

I am thrilled to announce that Andy Halper joined Temple in September as Director of LifeLong Learning. This position and Andy's creativity will give our education program an enhanced vision for the 21st century.



Andy is described by all who know him as a visionary, a gifted educator and an out-ofthe-box thinker and doer. He is known for creating community, guiding cultural change and developing programs that work.

As Director of LifeLong Learning, Andy will work alongside our strong education team: Director of Administration and Religious School Darcy Schnitzer, Director of Hebrew School Jeri Saad, 7th/8th Grade Program Director Heidi Tarshish, Early Childhood Center Director Trish Mintz and Adult Education Programs Coordinator Wendy Schwartz.

Andy's lifelong relationship with the Minneapolis Jewish community began at Temple Israel in the 1970s. He led 9th grade retreats, oversaw the informal education department and directed Camp TEKO. As executive director of Herzl Camp, he was essential in revitalizing the camp culture. Following his work at Herzl, he joined the University of Minnesota in the School of Public Heath managing research, curriculum development, implementation, training and evaluation for more than 30 health promotion programs.

At ChartHouse Learning Corporation, Andy served on the senior leadership team as the director of education, training and new product development specializing in concepts, strategies, tactics and trends in education and training. In his most recent job as a Creative at Apple Inc., he deepened his understanding of the intersection between education and technology, training store employees to help customers of all ages and backgrounds become more proficient and excited about technology, computers, mobile-devices and social media.

Andy is a big picture thinker and enjoys creating opportunities for students of all ages to truly engage in their Judaism in innovative ways. He has the gift of making education stick. At the university his programs helped people with chronic illnesses make healthier life choices. At ChartHouse he turned a business model into an educational program to provide exceptional and memorable customer service experiences. And at Apple he gave 80-year-old customers the confidence to work with technology in a way they never dreamed possible. Every situation becomes a teachable moment for Andy. He creates learning experiences that capture enthusiasm in ways that help people learn, and make them want to keep learning

We are lucky to have Andy Halper at Temple Israel. I invite you to join me in welcoming Andy – a masterful teacher and someone every one of us can learn from.

Pirkei Avot tells us: If we learn one chapter, one verse or even one letter of Torah from another, we are obliged to show honor to him or her. I am honored to welcome Andy to our Temple Israel team. Join me as we learn together.

Polli Mari A. Zim

Rabbi Marcia Zimmerman Alvin & June Perlman Senior Rabbinic Chair





## **AROUND TEMPLE**

## A Candlelight Shabbat

On Friday, June 21, disaster struck when severe storms rolled through the Twin Cities and unleashed violent winds, hail and heavy rains. Trees fell and thousands lost power. Temple Israel was no exception. The lights went out, the air conditioning ceased and water poured in through the lobby doors.

Jonah Harrison and Sasha El-Hai had their B'nai Mitzvah scheduled for Saturday morning. Executive Director Miriam Seidenfeld learned at 6 a.m. that the power was not going to be restored before 10:30 services. She alerted Temple staff, and in the next several hours they developed and implemented a plan.

Two hundred candles lit up the hallways, the sanctuary and Minda Hall. The doors to the Emerson side of the sanctuary were opened to let light in and to circulate cooler outside air. At the end of the service, Senior Rabbi Marcia Zimmerman, Cantor Barry Abelson and members of the staff held flashlights in the hallway so that congregants could easily navigate their way down the hall and down the stairs. The lunch was held by candlelight. Since the elevator was out, a second lunch was set up in the first floor Jacob's Room for congregants who were unable to go down the stairs.

"We are grateful to the Temple's staff and clergy for transforming a possible disaster into a magical and memorable experience," said Jack El-Hai, father of the Bat Mitzvah, Sasha.

"We've heard over and over from people who attended that it was the most incredible experience," added Norah Shapiro, mother of the Bar Mitzvah, Jonah. "Others joked that they were going to get power turned off for their Bar and Bat Mitzvahs. It was extraordinary."



## Holocaust Torah under repair

For many years the Holocaust Torah has been a centerpiece of Temple Israel's B'nai Mitzvah program. As our students become Jewish adults they read from this historic Torah, which was stolen from a small but thriving Jewish community in Tabor, in what is now the Czech Republic. The Nazis planned to display the Torah in a museum of the exterminated race that they intended to create.

Now, this beloved Torah is in need of repair, with parts of the scroll severely disintegrated and letters no longer legible. The scroll has become difficult to read and extremely fragile. It is our blessing and responsibility to restore it.

With special thanks to the Rhoda<sup>z"1</sup> & Tom Lewin family for their generous support, this month the Holocaust Torah is being sent to Florida for repair with an anticipated return in early January. While it is gone from our sanctuary, B'nai Mitzvah will read from Temple's newest Torah, which was written for our congregation in the early 2000s.

Our Holocaust Torah is a living memorial to preceding generations. Our beautiful new Torah represents and reflects our vibrant community today and the generations ahead. Together, they serve as living witnesses to the dynamic, unfolding story of the Jewish people.

## What's Happening...

#### **October Worship Services**

#### Friday, October 4 – First Friday

6:00 p.m.

• Erev Shabbat Service

- Tot Shabbat Service followed by dinner
- Scholar-Led Study Session

#### Saturday, October 5

9:00 a.m. Torah Study: Noach, Genesis 6:9-11:32

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

#### Friday, October 11

6:00 p.m. Carlebach Shabbat Service

#### Saturday, October 12

- 9:00 a.m. Torah Study: Lech L'cha, Genesis 12:1-17:27
  10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service including the Bar Mitzvah of Kameron Richter followed by a Kiddush luncheon
- 10:30 a.m. Jewish Renewal Service

#### Friday, October 18

6:00 p.m. Nefesh Shabbat Service including the presentation of the Rabbi Max A. Shapiro Tzadik Award to Dr. Josie Johnson

#### Saturday, October 19

- 9:00 a.m. Torah Study: Vayeira, Genesis 18:1-22:24
- 10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service including the Bat Mitzvah of Shanie Cohn followed by a Kiddush luncheon

#### Friday, October 25

6:00 p.m. Beyond Words: The Sublime Music of the Classic Cantorial Art Shabbat Service including scholarin-residence Yossi Klein Halevi, followed by dinner and program

#### Saturday, October 26

9:00 a.m. Torah Study: Chayei Sarah, Genesis 23:1-25:18
10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service including the B'nai Mitzvah of Emily Strauss and Ethan Strauss followed by a Kiddush luncheon

#### **Torah Study**

#### Free and open to all. Come when you can!

#### Every Saturday, 9:00-10:15 a.m.

Join in 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 in community.

#### **Erev Shabbat Scholar-led Study**

#### Friday, October 4, 6:00 p.m.

Throughout the year on the first Friday night of the month, we offer a variety of options for the celebration and observance of Erev Shabbat. In addition to worship services, Rabbi David Wirtschafter will lead the study of the works of Rabbi Leo Baeck (1873-1956), an influential Reform theologian from Germany who shaped the way we think about essential Jewish beliefs concerning God, Torah and Israel. A survivor of Theresienstadt concentration camp, Baeck refused to allow Nazi brutality or the complacency and complicity that enabled it to change his core beliefs or diminish his commitment to education, justice and peace.

#### **Voices of Inspiration Benefit for Temple Israel** Featuring Maziar Bahari

#### Saturday, October 12, 8:00 p.m.

Not to be missed! Support Temple and be the first to hear Maziar Bahari, even before his story is released in film. Details on front cover and page 11. Buy your tickets now at templeisrael.com/benefit.htm, benefit@templeisrael.com or 612-374-0310.

#### Jewish Community Conference on Mental Health Sunday, October 13, 12:30-5:30 p.m. at Temple Israel

In honor of the Bar Mitzvah year of the Twin Cities Jewish Community Annual Conference on Mental Health, this year's program will feature David Wellstone, author of "Becoming Wellstone: Healing from Tragedy and Carrying on My Father's Legacy." The conference will include two sessions of workshops with 24 topics on issues affecting youth and adults such as: "Helping Yourself and Others Recover from Depression," "Strategies for Better Sleep," "The Science of Addiction and Recovery" and "Aging with Peace and Happiness." For more information on the conference as well as pre-conference events, go to www.jfcsmpls.org. For a conference brochure and mail-in registration form, call 651-698-0767. Advance registration is requested. Free and open to all.

#### Rabbi Max A. Shapiro Tzadik Award Shabbat service honoring Dr. Josie Johnson

#### Friday, October 18, 6:00 p.m.

Temple Israel will present the fourth annual Rabbi Max A. Shapiro Tzadik Award to Josie Johnson. The award honors individuals whose contributions to our community pay tribute to the memory of Rabbi Shapiro. Details on back cover. Please join us.

#### **Highlights in Jewish History:**

#### Houdini & Copperfield: Escape Artist, Illusionist, Amazing Jews! Saturday, October 19, 2013, 10:30 a.m.

Join us for lively discussions of some of the most important events in Jewish history with Dr. Joseph Goldman, a noted historian and regular lecturer at Temple Israel. Free and open to all.

#### **New Horizons Dinner and Entertainment**

A Tribute to Broadway and the Great American Songbook Sunday, October 20, 4:00 p.m.

Temple members over 70, join us for an evening of good friends, good food and fun entertainment presented by Heidi Ziman and Les Block. Reservations required; please contact Wendy Schwartz at wendy@templeisrael.com or 612-374-0344.

#### Like Dreamers: Seven paratroopers of the Six Day War who reunited Jerusalem and divided a nation

With Scholar-in-Residence Yossi Klein Halevi Friday, October 25, 6:00 p.m. service followed by dinner and program

See details, this page.

#### **Kabbalah Sparks**

#### Monday, October 28, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Instructor: Rabbi Sim Glaser. Join us for study and meditation on Kabbalistic themes. Some familiarity with the basics of Jewish mysticism is encouraged, but all inquisitive seekers are welcome. Free and open to all.

## SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE AT TEMPLE ISRAEL

Yossi Klein Halevi

Journalist and Author Like Dreamers: Seven Paratroopers of the Six Day War Who Reunited Jerusalem and Divided a Nation

Friday, October 25, 2013

5:15 p.m. Oneg Shabbat

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

Yossi Klein Halevi will speak from the bimah

#### 7:30 p.m. Dinner and Program

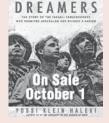
Reservations required for \$25 fish or vegetarian dinner or \$10 child pasta dinner.



Acclaimed journalist Yossi Klein Halevi shares the amazing story of a military unit that returned Jerusalem to our people in 1967, only to embark on divergent social and political paths in the decades that followed: founding of the religious settlers' movement, the miraculous growth of Israel's economy, the socialist Kibbutzim, ardent peace activism, even an anti-Zionist terror underground in Syria.

Yossi Klein Halevi is a senior fellow at the Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem and a contributing editor of the *New Republic*. An internationally respected commentator on Israeli and Middle Eastern affairs, he writes regularly for leading American publications, such as *The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal*. His new book on this topic will be published in October.

To make a reservation for dinner, contact Wendy Schwartz by **Monday, October 21** at 612-374-0344 or wendy@templeisrael.com. Please send your check, payable to Temple Israel Scholar-In-Residence Program, 2324 Emerson Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN 55405.



Sponsored by The Jay and Rose Phillips Family Fund of the Temple Israel Foundation, and the Temple Israel Maurice L. Melamed Memorial Lectureship Fund

#### The Holocaust as Portrayed in Hollywood Film

Annual Holocaust Remembrance Program with Filmmaker and Educator Robert D. Kline Friday, November 15, 6:00 p.m. service followed by dinner and program Saturday, November 16, 9:00 a.m. Torah Study with Robert Kline

On Friday night, Robert Kline will speak from the bimah as well as at the 7:30 p.m. dinner, with extensive use of film clips in his dinner presentation. Reservations required for the dinner – \$25 per adult (fish or vegetarian); \$10 per child (pasta). Please send your check by Monday, November 11, payable to the Temple Israel Holocaust Remembrance Program, 2324 Emerson Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55405. Contact Wendy Schwartz for assistance at 612-374-0344 or wendy@templeisrael.com. Underwritten by the Temple Israel Irving and Regina Lee Holocaust Remembrance Fund



#### Samuel Patrick Murphy October 5, 2013

Sam is the son of Alison & Geoff Murphy; grandson of Janet & Richard Miller, and ſ Virginia & the late Daniel Murphy Sr.; C brother of John and Grace. Sam enjoys Ž making movies, baseball, basketball, music and anything with friends. Sam has enjoyed Bar Mitzvah training and "hanging out" with his Jewish friends. When he grows up Sam would like to be a movie director or an actor. His favorite subjects at Maple Grove Junior High are math, physical education and anything creative. Sam also takes honors classes at MGJH. When asked about his upcoming Bar Mitzvah, Sam said,"I'm so excited to recite my Torah portion, and party with my friends and family!"



#### Daniel Hudson October 5, 2013

C Daniel is the son of Ziva & Lawrence Hudson; grandson of Zahava & Moshe Stauber, and the late Joann & the late Mike Hudson; brother of Allie. Ζ Daniel enjoys playing music, cycling, volunteering in the community, studying Jewish text, and is an avid reader and writer. When he grows up Daniel would like to be a musician. His favorite subjects at Amos & Celia Heilicher Minneapolis Jewish Day School are language arts, social studies and science. When asked about his upcoming Bar Mitzvah, Daniel said, "I look forward to sharing the wisdom of my Torah portion with my family and friends."



#### Kameron Richter October 12, 2013

Kameron is the son of Robin Livingston-Richter & Sam Richter; grandson of Shelia & the late Ken Livingston, and Marilyn & Jerry Richter; brother of Maddie.
Kameron enjoys baseball, football, basketball, ultimate Frisbee, Herzl Camp and loves animals. When he grows up Kameron would like to be a professional athlete or a veterinarian. His favorite subjects at Benilde-Saint Margaret's are math and gym. When asked about his upcoming Bar Mitzvah, Kameron said, "I'm excited."



#### Shanie Shira Cohn October 19, 2013

Shanie is the daughter of Susan & Marc Cohn, granddaughter of Barbara & the late Stanley Cohn, and the late Grete & the late Melvin Levy; sister of Gabe and Micah. Shanie enjoys soccer, tennis, flute, singing, drawing, reading and going to Camp Chi. When she grows up Shanie would like to be a singer. Her favorite subjects at Wayzata Central Middle School are math, reading, art and music. When asked about her upcoming Bat Mitzvah, Shanie said, "I am excited to become a Jewish adult."



#### Emily Rose Strauss October 26, 2013

Emily is the daughter of Julie & Tony Strauss; granddaughter of Sandi & Nate Rosenbaum, and Karen & David Strauss; sister of twin brother Ethan. Emily enjoys skiing, snowboarding, tennis and attending Herzl Camp. When she grows up Emily would like to be a lawyer. Her favorite subjects at Wayzata Central Middle School, where Emily is on the "A" honor roll, are math and science. When asked about her upcoming simcha, Emily said, "I'm excited to share our B'nai Mitzvah with family and friends."



Ethan Chase Strauss October 26, 2013

Ethan is the son of Julie & Tony Strauss;
grandson of Sandi & Nate Rosenbaum,
and Karen & David Strauss; brother of
twin sister Emily. Ethan enjoys football,
skiing, golfing and Herzl Camp. When
he grows up Ethan would like to be an
architect. His favorite subjects at Wayzata
Central Middle School, where he is on
the honor roll, are science and social
studies. When asked about his upcoming
Bar Mitzvah, Ethan said, "I have worked
hard for this day and can't wait to share
it with family and friends."



Temple Israel Herzl campers having fun with Rabbi Jennifer Gertman and doing the "TIPTY thing'

#### **Upcoming Youth & Education Dates**

#### **OCTOBER**

2 Opening Day of Confirmation Class (6:00-8:30 p.m.) 4-6 9th Grade Retreat Program 6 7th / 8th Grade Program (12:00-2:30 p.m.) followed by field trip: BIG THRILL FACTORY (2:30-5:30 p.m.; drop off/pick up at Temple Israel) 13 7th/8th Grade Program: Bowlathon at Park Tavern (drop off/pick up at Park Tavern) 16 11th / 12th Grade Program (6:00-8:30 p.m.) 16-20 No Hebrew School, Haggigat Shabbat or Religious School: EMPC (Education Minnesota Professional Conference) weekend 18 ECC Closed 23 **Confirmation Class** 25-27 NFTY Fall Kallah (Milwaukee) 26 **Pre-Kindergarten Class** 27 9th Grade Program



Rabbi Zimmerman with 2013 Temple Israel Usher Corps recognition award winners, (L-R) Jerry & Joey Laurie. We thank them for their dedication to Temple Israel, the Usher Corps and the congregation through this important volunteer role at the High Holy Days and throughout the year. If you are interested in joining the Usher Corps, contact Jim Gainsley at 952-926-2776 or jgainsley@rencocorp.com for more information.

## HELP FEED THE HUNGRY

More than 10,000 meals to be packaged in one day

Sunday, November 3, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., at Temple Israel RSVP to Heidi at heidi@templeisrael.com

The Torah teaches us, "Eim Ayn Kemach, Ayn Torah." If we don't have basic sustenance, there can be no Torah.

On Sunday, November 3, our congregation will gather to participate in an all day food packaging project to provide for needy families in our community, across the nation and around the world. Thanks to a generous donation from congregant Fremajane Wolfson in celebration of her 70th birthday, the entire Temple Israel community will be able to participate.

Imagine rows of tables filling the Joseph Room, and congregants lined up side by side at each table packaging dried nutritionally balanced meals at one of the many shifts throughout the day, with 7th/8th grade Na'aseh V'nishma families overseeing the project. Two years ago, a similar effort by 300 volunteers resulted in 27,136 meals being packaged.

The 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. shift will be open to the congregation. Help will also be needed from 7:30-9:30 a.m. to unload the food supplies truck and assist with setup. Religious School students and various Temple groups will staff other shifts throughout the day. To participate, RSVP to Heidi Tarshish at heidi@templeisrael.com or 612-374-0307.

One third of the meals will stay in the community and go to S.T.E.P. (St. Louis Park Emergency Program) and to I.C.A. (Inter-Congregational Communities Association). Food For Kidz/ImpactLives will bring a mobile "warehouse on wheels" to Temple Israel with supplies.

## JL@TI • Jewish Learning @ Temple Israel • Fall 2013

#### Mondays, December 2, 9 & 16, 6:45 - 9:15 p.m.

Fee: \$36 per person (includes a book for your Jewish library) Please register by Monday, November 18

Our new format divides the evening into two sessions allowing you to choose two different classes for the three nights of JL@TI. Please choose ONE class for EACH session. All courses are open to everyone. Classes may be closed or cancelled due to the number of registrations.

#### SESSION ONE

#### A JEWISH VIEW OF LIFE AND DEATH

### INSTRUCTOR: RABBI MARCIA ZIMMERMAN, ALVIN & JUNE PERLMAN SENIOR RABBINIC CHAIR AT TEMPLE ISRAEL

Back by popular demand, this course deals with how questions about life and death challenge the Jewish soul. Explore how Judaism confronts these issues, helping us make sense of human mortality through ritual and belief. We will discuss these serious issues in a safe and supportive environment.

#### **ZOHAR SPARKS**

#### INSTRUCTOR: RABBI SIM GLASER, RABBI AT TEMPLE ISRAEL

Explore highlights from the fabulous 13th century seminal text of Jewish mysticism along with some basic Kabbalah. Beginners, veterans and reincarnated souls all welcome!

#### **DEFIANCE AND DEVOTION: A STUDY OF THREE GREAT PROTAGONISTS**

INSTRUCTOR: RABBI DAVID WIRTSCHAFTER, VISITING SCHOLAR IN JEWISH STUDIES AT THE JAY PHILLIPS CENTER FOR INTERFAITH LEARNING & RABBI AT AMES JEWISH CONGREGATION IN IOWA

Drawing on the works of Avivah Zornberg, we will explore how she understands biblical figures Jonah, Esther and Abraham and the profound choices they make using observations from psychology, film and literature that challenge us to think in profoundly original ways.

#### FINDING GOD IN UNEXPECTED PLACES

INSTRUCTOR: RABBI LYNN LIBERMAN, POLICE/FIRE CHAPLAIN AND INSTRUCTOR AT AUGSBURG COLLEGE, SERVED AS A CHAPLAIN INTERN AT MN CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

Discovering God in unexpected places: Between prison bars; in natural disasters; in the mundane actions of our everyday lives. What does it mean to find God wherever we are and in whatever we are doing?

#### EVERYTHING YOU EVER WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT ORTHODOX JEWS

INSTRUCTOR: RABBI DAVID FREDMAN, M.ED., AISH MN'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As an Orthodox Rabbi I am faced with misunderstandings of how Orthodox Jews live and view life. We will explore the Orthodox mindset and practice, leading to open dialogue, discussion and debate.

#### ANTI-SEMITISM IN MINNEAPOLIS

#### INSTRUCTOR: PROFESSOR STEPHEN SIMON, EMERITUS CLINICAL PROFESSOR OF LAW AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA AND IS INVOLVED IN MANY JUDICIAL EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

Minneapolis was known as "the capital of anti-Semitism in the United States" throughout the 1950s. Explore this dark side of our city's history.

## THE PALE OF SETTLEMENT IN IMPERIAL RUSSIA AND THE EMERGENCE OF 'YIDDISHKEIT' (1762-1917)

### INSTRUCTOR: DR. JOSEPH GOLDMAN, REGULAR LECTURER AT TEMPLE ISRAEL AND HAS TAUGHT OVER ${\bf 40}$ years at universities and other institutions

Through religion, culture and community, Jews evolved into a civilization amidst czarist oppression. We will explore the Jewish "Dark Continent" buried in Old Russia.

#### SESSION TWO

#### WHAT HAPPENS AFTER WE DIE? JEWISH THINKING ON THE AFTERLIFE INSTRUCTOR: RABBI MARCIA ZIMMERMAN

Jewish tradition firmly believes that death is not the end of human existence even though Judaism is primarily focused on life here and now. Learn the Jewish concept of heaven and hell, the immortality of the soul, the World to Come, the resurrection of the dead, memory, legacy and more.

#### TALMUD GEMS

#### INSTRUCTOR: RABBI SIM GLASER

The Talmud is the foundation of rabbinic Judaism and yet many of us know very little of its contents. We will get a taste of how the rabbis wrestled with Divine instruction and ancient lore, and how it still bears on us today.

#### FAITH AND FINANCES: CHARITY, USURY, AND OTHER MONEY MATTERS IN THE ABRAHAMIC FAITHS

#### INSTRUCTOR: RABBI DAVID WIRTSCHAFTER

How have Judaism, Christianity and Islam addressed financial questions and practices involving lending at interest, providing for the community, and the distribution of wealth? In our own time of wealth and poverty, how should we be generous, responsible and just?

#### **TEXTS OF TERROR**

#### INSTRUCTOR: RABBI LYNN LIBERMAN

Tamar, Yephtach's Daughter, and Hagar are challenging stories of three Biblical women subjected to abuse, dismissal and trickery. These biblical tales portray women whose lives are not their own. Come examine their stories in the context of biblical times as well as their relevance in our own day.

#### KNOWING WHAT YOU KNOW

#### INSTRUCTOR: RABBI DAVID FREDMAN, M.ED.

How can we filter what is "real" and what is not? Is it possible to truly know anything? Based on centuries of Jewish wisdom, re-examine what you think you believe with a brand new pair of lenses.

#### LETTER OF THE LAW: CRIMES & SENTENCING THROUGH A JEWISH LENS INSTRUCTOR: PROFESSOR STEPHEN SIMON

Examine cases that vividly illustrate fundamental ills in our society involving hate based crimes, domestic abuse, prostitution, and more, and how basic Jewish values might come to bear on the decision making process.

#### ISRAEL, THE ARAB SPRING AND THE KALEIDOSCOPIC MIDDLE EAST INSTRUCTOR: DR. JOSEPH GOLDMAN

We will explore historical and geopolitical factors going beyond the surface interpretations of our daily news sources and examine the dilemmas faced by all the players in the region and the world over.

#### SEXUALITY AND SPIRITUALITY: READING ETTY HILLESUM

**INSTRUCTOR: SUSAN STEIN ADAPTED HILLESUM'S DIARIES INTO THE PLAY "ETTY" AND WAS ON THE FACULTY OF PRINCETON DAY SCHOOL AND STUDIED ACTING AT NYU AND PURCHASE** Esther "Etty" Hillesum was a young Jewish woman whose letters and diaries, from 1941-1943, describe life in Amsterdam during the German occupation. Explore the remarkable thinking of a deeply sensual woman who asks us, in her gentle yet forthright way, not to leave her at Auschwitz.

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#### DECEMBER 2013 JL@TI REGISTRATION FORM • DEADLINE MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18

December 2013 JL@TI Classes: (Choose ONE classes)	s for EACH session) \$36 per person \$			
SESSION ONE (Choose one)         A Jewish View of Life and Death         Zohar Sparks         Defiance and Devotion: Three Great Protagonists         Finding God in Unexpected Places         Everything You Ever Wanted to Know: Orthodox Jew         Anti-Semitism in Minneapolis         The Pale of Settlement in Imperialist Russia	SESSION TWO (Choose one) Uhat Happens After We Die? Talmud Gems Faith and Finances Texts of Terror Knowing What You Know Letter of the Law: Crimes & Sentencing Israel, the Arab Spring and the Middle East Sexuality and Spirituality: Reading Etty Hillesum			
□ Included is a contribution to support the participation of others \$				
Total enclosed (Make checks payable to Temple Israel) \$				

Registration and payment to:

Adult Jewish Learning Coordinator Wendy Schwartz, Temple Israel, 2324 Emerson Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN 55405 612-374-0344 wendy@templeisrael.com

## SISTERHOOD

#### Join Us! Call Sisterhood Co-Presidents, Sheri Yarosh at 612-670-7229 or Beth Birke at 952-215-4076, for the latest on Sisterhood membership or programs.

#### Cook for Moms and Kids at Jeremiah House Thursday, October 3, 4:30-7:00 p.m.

Jeremiah House, 1510 Laurel Ave, Suite 100, Minneapolis

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.

#### Book Club: "The Storyteller," by Jodi Picoult Monday, October 21, 7:00 p.m. at Temple Israel

In this searingly honest novel, Jodi Picoult gracefully explores the lengths we will go to protect our families and keep the past from dictating the future. When does a moral choice become a moral imperative? And where does one draw the line between punishment and justice, forgiveness and mercy? For more information or to RSVP for book club, contact Dana Rubin at drubes@comcast.net or Deb Bomberg at debabcteacher@gmail.com.

#### Sisterhood Business and Professional Networking Group Mastering the ABCs of networking with Teresa Thomas of WIN (Women in Networking) Tuesday, October 22, 6:30 p.m.

At Mount Zion Temple, 1300 Summit Avenue, St. Paul

Networking is really about seeing the interconnectedness between all of us. It is about listening and noticing the ways we can lift each other up. Please join women from Mount Zion, Temple Israel and Bet Shalom in this highly interactive session where you will learn more effective strategies for your business, creating contacts and building business relationships. You will leave this event with your batteries recharged and with a positive outlook for your work ahead. Bring your business cards to this free event. RSVP to Leslie Held 952.920.5376 or Lheld18@comcast.net.

#### **Sisterhood Gift Shop Turkey and Latkes!**

Chanukah arrives on Thanksgiving Eve this year, beginning at sundown on Wednesday, November 27.

The gift shop is fully stocked with a wide variety of Chanukiot, dreidels and decorative Chanukah candles. We are all looking forward to cozy gatherings with our families and friends, lighting the candles and eating latkes. Visit the shop and we promise it will lift you into the spirit of the season. Remember, Sisterhood members receive a 20 percent discount year-round on most merchandise!

Mondays Wednesdays Fridays Sundays

• • • • • Gift Shop Hours • • • • • • 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and and 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m.-Noon

4:15-7:00 p.m. 4:15-5:45 p.m. 4:45-5:45 p.m.

#### Cook for Moms and Kids at Jeremiah House Tuesday, October 29, 4:30-7:00 p.m.

Jeremiah House, 1510 Laurel Ave, Suite 100, Minneapolis

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 Blood Drive**

#### Sunday, November 3, 9:00 a.m.-Noon

The Memorial Blood Centers' (MBC) Bloodmobile is coming to Temple Israel for Sisterhood's Blood Drive. Make a life-saving difference! This is a real mitzvah. To sign up visit the 'Calendar of Events' page on our Temple web site, locate the Blood Drive and follow the link to the MBC web site. Questions? Contact Aviva Weisberg at 612-702-4726 or avivanw@gmail.com.

#### Fall Membership Event: Comedy and Camaraderie Monday, November 4, 6:00-9:00 p.m. at Temple Israel

Temple Israel Sisterhood presents Comedy Nite featuring local comedienne Amy Salloway with an introduction by our own Rabbi Sim Glaser. To become part of the planning committee or for questions, please contact Suzi Gerber at 612-720-6272 or gerbermom@msn.com.



The Garage Sale Steering committee celebrates its most successful sale to date! The funds raised will assist Sisterhood in fulfilling its mission, strengthening Temple Israel programs, and donating to worthy causes in our community.

#### Garage Sale: A Big Thank You

A big thank you to all the vendors who generously donated food or gift cards for our hungry garage sale workers. Please join us by thanking and supporting the following restaurants:

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## Foundation Board of Directors

To provide for the long-term financial stability of Temple Israel, perpetuate our meaningful traditions and allow for continual innovation to serve our evolving Jewish community, a strong and growing endowment is essential. Our endowment will provide the resources for Temple to remain forwardthinking, responsive and relevant, while securing core operations into the twenty first century.

Meet the people who are developing, growing and overseeing the endowment – the Temple Israel Foundation Board of Directors:



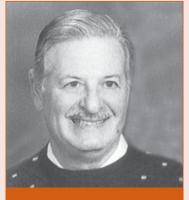
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## Temple Israel Board of Directors

## Meet the newest members of the Temple Board

Michael's interests are planning for the future of Temple Israel and building community. "Now is the perfect time to build the foundation for the future, both through the anticipated transformation of our building on Emerson, and through the implementation of plans for Temple to continue to grow and thrive." Michael and his wife Rebecca have two children who



attend Temple's Early Childhood Center. Michael is a funeral director at Hodroff-Epstein Memorial Chapels, his family business.

Cliff has rejoined the Temple board after a decade-long hiatus. Cliff is interested in the formulation of plans to enhance Temple's worship and community spaces to assure a vibrant congregation for generations to come. Cliff and his wife Kim, who just completed her own service on the board, were married at Temple 40 years ago. Their children grew up at Temple, were active in TIPTY musicals



Clifford Green

and today all have careers in the arts. Cliff is a trial lawyer at Greene Espel, the business litigation firm he founded.

Pam is dedicated to creating a community where members and families feel highly engaged and connected to Temple. Her two children attended Temple's Early Childhood Center and Camp TEKO. As a family, they are currently participating in pilot Religious and Hebrew School programming as Temple explores alternative education models. "It's an exciting time to be involved



Pamela Ross Weinstein

as Temple executes a compelling strategic plan to move us forward, " she said. Pam is the manager of community affairs at UnitedHealth Group. VOICES OF INSPIRATION

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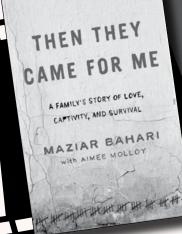
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## **Sharing Our Lives**

#### **October Anniversaries**

5th	Robyn & Marc Ingber	10/5
5th	Jody & Max Levy	10/25
10th	Karen & Jeffrey Bland	10/25
15th	Pamela Ross Weinstein & David Weinstein	10/17
20th	Sally & Maurice Blanks	10/30
20th	Sheri Fine & Dale Engquist	10/2
20th	Gena & Joseph Janetka	10/9
20th	Robin & David Sternberg	10/23
25th	Lisa & Chris Mottla	10/9
40th	Shelly & Ira Golden	10/20
55th	Lynne & Stewart Segal	10/12
65 <i>th</i>	Cecile & Sidney Goldstein	10/16
65th	Elaine & Norton Rogin	10/17

## Mazel Tov To...

- Gloria & Jeff<sup>z</sup><sup>"</sup> Belzer on the birth of their grandson, Briggs Jeffrey Belzer, on May 20, 2013. Briggs is the son of Jamie & Jeffrey Belzer.
- Visual artist, art historian, social media and technology innovator Paige Dansinger, whose first solo show ran in August and September at SOOlocal.
- Max Fallek, for his keynote speech at an event in south Minneapolis commemorating the 50th anniversary of the March on Washington and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s "I Have A Dream" speech. He was also featured in an article in the Pioneer Press remembering that historic day.
- Lindsay Gruen, daughter of Joanne & Bruce Gruen, on her engagement to Brett Goldenhorn. A wedding is planned for October 2014.
- Rebecca Ratner, daughter of Joyce & Ed Ratner, on her engagement to Ricky Kamil. Both Rebecca and Ricky are rabbinical students at Hebrew Union College (HUC-JIR) in Cincinnati. A wedding is planned for August 2014.
- Ellen Joseph and Dennis Ready, who were married July 27, 2013, at the Aster Cafe in Minneapolis. Judge Thomas M. Sipkins officiated at the joyous occasion.
- Nancy & Marc Rosenberg, and Lorraine & Sid Applebaum, whose son and grandson, Billy Rosenberg, co-produced the acclaimed movie "The Spectacular Now." The lead actors won the Jury Prize at the Sundance Film Festival.
- Matt Saxe, who produced, directed and performed in Grimm for Kids and performed in Theatre 101 at the 2013 Minnesota Fringe Festival.
- Erin Striker on her promotion to assistant director of the Early Childhood Center at the Sabes JCC.
- Rich Wien, who has been asked to serve on the Hamline University Alumni Board for a three-year term.

### **New Members**

Mariona Perez Belles & Michael Bortinger Shana Cohen & Becca Gee Heather & Eric Corndorf Julia & Harry Edelman Danielle Elkins Evelyn & Harvey Flom Aviva Grans-Korsh Stacey Hoffman Shana & John Klesk Sarah & Adam Kohnstamm Sheila & Franci Livingston Paula & Harry Luxenberg Cecily Marcus & Steve Perry Jarad Margolis Alex & Matthew McCarthy Dorothy Robinson Jeffrey Schulman Ben Steinberg Zachary Strouts Anya Voeller

#### **In Memory**

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

Roxy Applebaum, Sister of Sheila Locketz Eric Boehm, Father of Deborah Boehm Audrey Freidson, Grandmother of David Freidson (Jacqueline Michaud) Eloise Gershone, Sister-in-law of Roberta (Alan) Jaffe Henry Hart, Father of Patti (Bill) Lisberg Martin Moldo, Father of Patti (Bill) Lisberg Martin Moldo, Father of Marc Moldo Edward Pritzker Jeanette Shapiro, Aunt of Neena Cohen Neal Tilsner, Father of James (Donna) Tilsner Deera Tychman, Sister-in-Law of Mimi Sanders Sally J. Winer, Mother of Scott (Randi) Winer and Sister of Jon (Helen) Liss Michael Winston, Son of Mona Austrian and Jeffrey Winston, and Nephew of Susan Austrian (Mark Dillon)

## We've got ruach, yes we do! We've got ruach, how 'bout you?





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#### A Shabbat Evening Honoring

## JOSIE JOHNSON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18 AT 6:00 P.M.



On the 50th anniversary of the March on Washington, Temple Israel is proud to present the fourth annual Rabbi Max A. Shapiro Tzadik Award to civil rights advocate, former Minneapolis Urban League director and educator, Dr. Josie Johnson.

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Rabbi Shapiro<sup>z"1</sup> served Temple Israel and the greater community for more than 40 years. He was a visionary with a passion for learning, a quest for social justice and an undying faith in humankind. The Rabbi Max A. Shapiro Tzadik Award honors individuals whose contributions to the community pay tribute to the life work and memory of Rabbi Shapiro.

> **Dr. Josie Johnson** became politically active in Texas in the 1940s as a teenager. Accompanying her father as he worked to overturn a state polltax law preventing African Americans from registering to vote, she dedicated herself to a lifelong struggle for equality and justice. In the mid-1950s after moving to Minnesota with her husband and children, Johnson worked as a community organizer and sought fair housing practices, voting rights, equal employment and educational opportunities. In 1971 Johnson became the first African-American to serve on the University of Minnesota Board of Regents.

She was instrumental in creating the African American Studies department and later was named associate vice president for academic affairs responsible for minority affairs and diversity. A friend of Rabbi Max A. Shapiro and Temple Israel, Johnson also founded an organization that brought together African-American and Jewish high school students to study and work together to promote understanding, dispel stereotypes and develop leaders committed to fighting racism and anti-Semitism. Please join us as we honor this remarkable leader of our community, Dr. Josie Johnson.



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