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Rabbi Jennifer Gertman

Dear Friends,

Jews doing Jewish together as often as possible. That, say some Jewish sociologists, is the key to keeping people Jewish. I believe this is why Jewish summer camp is such a powerful tool in keeping students connected to Judaism.

During the school year our children are pulled in many different directions. They have school and sports, theater and dance, Religious School and Hebrew School—not to mention the large amount of time homework takes up. They are running from one activity to the next, leaving here a little early and getting there a bit late. It is hard to focus all of one’s attention on any single thing. That is why Jewish summer camp is so revolutionary. At summer camp every minute of every day is Jewish—and fun!

When we send our children to Jewish summer camp we send them into a world where they can live and breathe Jewish tradition and values with every step they take. At Camp TEKO students begin and end their days with Hebrew songs and prayers. During the day they go to *Omanut* (art) and *Teva* (nature), they learn about Israel from their *shlichim* (Israeli counselors), they act out Torah stories in drama and learn about Jewish sports heroes in the bowl. Often times they do not realize how much they have absorbed until they return to Religious and Hebrew School in the fall where they

sing the prayers a little bit louder and know a few more Hebrew words and remember a few more bible characters.

Summer camp is more than just a place to have fun. Summer camp is a place where campers learn new skills and build confidence in old ones. It is a place where children learn to trust other adults, because they need to rely on others to help them when you, their parents, are not around. It is a place where children are allowed to make friends without



the pressures of academics. It is a place where kids are allowed to take risks, to fall and scrape their knees and know they can get back up again. Jewish summer camp is a place where campers

are able to integrate their Jewish experiences with their secular lives. It is a place where children internalize all of the values you are trying to teach them, because their peers and counselors share your values...but aren’t their parents.

Camp shows them that Jewish experiences are all around them. It leads them to understand how integral Judaism is to their daily lives. Jewish summer camps, along with summer experiences in Israel, are a gift that we give not only to our children, but to the Jewish people.

I can’t wait to hear about your children’s Jewish summer camp experiences in the fall!

B’virkat Shalom - With Blessings of Peace,

Rabbi Jennifer Gertman



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Worship Services

July Worship Services

Friday, July 4

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

Saturday, July 5

9:00 a.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Zimmerman:
Balak, Numbers 22:2–25:9

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service
including the B'not Mitzvah of Mina Aarsheim
and Rachel Bagley followed by a
Kiddush luncheon

Friday, July 11

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service
Views from the Pews Guest Speaker Dean Goldberg

Saturday, July 12

9:00 a.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Gertman:
Pinchas, Numbers 25:10–30:1

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

10:30 a.m. Jewish Renewal Service

Friday, July 18

5:45 p.m. Camp TEKO Shabbat Picnic followed by a
Shabbat Service

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service at Temple

Saturday, July 19

9:00 a.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Glaser:
Matot, Numbers 30:2–32:42

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service
including the Bar Mitzvah of Charles Steven
Fiterman followed by a Kiddush luncheon

Friday, July 25

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service
Views from the Pews Guest Speaker Hope Melton

Saturday, July 26

9:00 a.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Zimmerman:
Mas-ei, Numbers 33:1–36:13

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

High Holy Days Service Time Changes

We are looking forward to observing the 2014 High Holy Days with you. The Religious Practices Committee, along with our clergy, has been carefully reviewing our High Holy Days service times over the past two years. After much conversation with congregants and clergy, focus groups and a survey of young families, slight changes were made to the 2014 High Holy Days worship service schedule to accommodate the needs of all congregants. The evening service times will remain the same as in the past; 4:45 p.m., 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.

NEW The early morning services will take place from 8:15 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

NEW The Tot service will take place from 10:30-11:00 a.m.
(previously held in the afternoon)

NEW The late morning service will take place from 11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Please call Miriam Seidenfeld or her assistant,
Amy Griffiths, at 612-374-0324 with any questions or concerns.

August Worship Services

Friday, August 1

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service
Views from the Pews Guest Speaker
Roland Minda – *Temple Israel: Anecdotes of the
first 85 years: 1878-1963, including the tenure
of Roland's father, Rabbi Albert Minda*

Saturday, August 2

9:00 a.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Zimmerman:
D'varim, Deuteronomy 1:1–3:22

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

Friday, August 8

5:45 p.m. Camp TEKO Shabbat Picnic followed by a
Shabbat Service

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service at Temple

Saturday, August 9

9:00 a.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Glaser:
Va-et'chanan, Deuteronomy 3:23–7:11

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

10:30 a.m. Jewish Renewal Service

Friday, August 15

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service
Views from the Pews Guest Speaker
Rachael Freed

Saturday, August 16

9:00 a.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Zimmerman:
Eikev, Deuteronomy 7:12–11:25

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

Friday, August 22

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

Saturday, August 23

9:00 a.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Glaser:
R'eih, Deuteronomy 11:26–16:17

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service
including the B'nai Mitzvah of Gerald Perelman
and Jack Marker followed by a
Kiddush luncheon

Friday, August 29

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

Saturday, August 30

9:00 a.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Gertman:
Shoftim, Deuteronomy 16:18–21:9

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

What's Happening

Torah Study

Every Saturday, 9:00 – 10:15 a.m.

Free and open to all. Come when you can!

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.

New Horizons Dinner and Entertainment

The Chai-Light Chorus Presents

Highlights from the Chai-Light Chorus

Sunday, July 13, 6:00 p.m.

Temple members over 70, join us for an evening of good friends, good food and fun entertainment. Reservations required; \$15 per person. Please contact Wendy Schwartz at wendy@templeisrael.com or 612-374-0344.

Caregiver Support Group for Adult Children

Mondays, July 14 & August 11, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Temple Israel (Every Second Monday of the Month)

Jewish Family and Children's Service of Minneapolis (JFCS) is offering a Caregiver Support Group for adult children who are caring for ill and/or aging parents. Barbara Rudnick, MA, JFCS Program Manager for Family Life Education, will lead the support group. There is no charge for the group, but participants must pre-register. For more information and to pre-register, contact Barbara Rudnick at 952-542-4825 or brudnick@jfcsmpls.org. Temple Israel is co-sponsoring the support group, which is open to the community.

2014 Camp TEKO Shabbat Picnics & Services

Friday, July 18 and Friday, August 8

5:15 p.m. Gates Open, 5:45 p.m. BBQ Picnic

Shabbat Service follows BBQ Picnic

All are invited to our Men's Club-sponsored BBQ picnic followed by an outdoor Shabbat service overlooking the lake with our clergy. An oneg reception sponsored by our Sisterhood will follow the service. Come by yourself or bring your future, current or alumni campers.

Kabbalah Sparks

Monday, July 28, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Instructor: Rabbi Sim Glaser

Free and open to all.

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

2014 Sisterhood Garage Sale

• • • Drop Off Details • • •

Gather your clean and gently used clothing, linens, accessories, jewelry, books, sporting goods, bicycles, toys and games, luggage, collectibles, and household items of all kinds.* We especially appreciate clothing already hung on wire hangers.

Sunday, July 20 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Monday, July 21 9:30 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Tuesday, July 22 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

*Sorry, we are unable to accept television sets, VCRs, video tapes, computers, furniture, text books, magazines, cribs, car seats, bike helmets, florist vases or large exercise equipment.

• • • Shop the Sale • • •

Sunday, July 27, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Opening Day, \$5 admission (best selection)

Monday, July 28, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

The sale continues with
free admission starting today

Tuesday, July 29, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Half price day! Books \$5/bag

Wednesday, July 30, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Bag day: Bag sizes \$8, \$10 and \$20

To volunteer to help with the garage sale, sign up on our Volunteer Spot at <http://tinyurl.com/tigaragesale>. If you have any questions, please call Marsha Seltz at 612-920-7337.

New Horizons Dinner and Entertainment

Eisner's Klezmerim Presents

Chuppah: Yiddish Music from the Ashkenazic Wedding

Sunday, August 17, 6:00 p.m.

Temple members over 70, join us for an evening of good friends, good food and fun entertainment. Reservations required; \$15 per person. Please contact Wendy Schwartz at wendy@templeisrael.com or 612-374-0344.

Temple Israel Staff Development Day

Thursday, August 28

The Temple Israel business offices will be closed for a staff development day.

Elul Reflections E-List

August 27 – September 24, 2014

Receive a brief daily e-mail reflection from Jewish sources for each day of the month of Elul, the month preceding Rosh Hashanah. Elul is traditionally a time of repentance and self-examination. E-mail: e-learning@templeisrael.com to subscribe. If you have subscribed to e-learning in the past you will continue to receive Elul and Omer daily reflections.

VOICES OF INSPIRATION

A BENEFIT FOR TEMPLE ISRAEL

SAVE THE DATE!

SATURDAY EVENING
OCTOBER 25, 2014

AN EVENING WITH
BILL POHLAD

VIEW^S from the PEWS

Summer 2014

We are delighted to present Views from the Pews during our Erev Shabbat summer services. Each week a member of our congregation will speak from the bimah on their area of expertise and its connection to our Jewish values.

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| June 20 | Mick Belzer |
| June 27 | Carol Shapiro |
| July 11 | Dean Goldberg |
| July 25 | Hope Melton |
| August 1 | Roland Minda |
| <i>Temple Israel: Anecdotes of the first 85 years, 1878 - 1963, including the tenure of Roland's father, Rabbi Albert Minda</i> | |
| August 15 | Rachael Freed |

Please watch E-News
for more information.

Upcoming Youth & Education Dates

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Early Childhood Center begins for 2-Day and 5-Day Programs
- 3 Early Childhood Center begins for 3-Day Program
10th Grade Confirmation begins
- 6 Haggigat Shabbat Opening Day
- 7 Sunday School Opening Day
9th Grade Program begins
- 8 Early Childhood Center Parent Orientation
Hebrew School (M/W) begins at Temple Israel
- 9 Hebrew School (T/TH) begins at Western Campus
- 14 7th Grade Orientation for Students and Parents
- 21 7th/8th Grade Opening Day Program

OCTOBER

- 1 ECC PAC Parent Wine and Cheese Party
- 8 11th/12th Grade Program begins
- 12 Religious School Consecration Service and Breakfast

Adult Hebrew Classes at Temple

Hebrew I (Beginners)

Sundays, 9:15 – 10:15 a.m. • Sept. 2014 – May 2015

Instructor: Fran Rosen • Fee: \$300

If you've never had the opportunity to study Hebrew before or need a refresher, this class covers the basics of letter recognition and reading.

Hebrew II (Intermediate)

Sundays, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. • Sept. 2014 – May 2015

Instructor: Fran Rosen • Fee: \$300

Study vocabulary, grammar and reading with an emphasis on prayers and understanding their meaning and place in the service.

Anshei Mitzvah: The Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class

This class and life cycle ceremony is offered to our Temple Israel members every few years. A new class will be starting this fall. The Anshei Mitzvah class provides adult Jewish learners, not yet a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, the opportunity to learn the skills and experience the mitzvah of leading worship and reading Torah. For more information, please contact Wendy Schwartz. Pre-requisite: Hebrew II or equivalent.

Contact Wendy Schwartz at wendy@templeisrael.com
or 612-374-0344 for more details.

Our B'nai Mitzvah Reaching Jewish Adulthood



Mina Aarsheim
July 5, 2014

Balak Mina is the daughter of Maia Aarsheim & Mike Palmquist; sister of Else, Gus and Mette; and granddaughter of Vicki & Trygve Aarsheim and Beverly & Stephen Palmquist. Mina enjoys choir and theatre at Barton Open School, where her favorite subjects are language arts and dance. Her favorite Jewish activity is observing Shabbat. When she grows up, Mina would like to work in the music industry or in the theatre. When asked about her upcoming Bat Mitzvah Mina said, "I feel honored to spend this special day with my family and friends."



Rachel Bagley
July 5, 2014

Balak Rachel Bagley is the daughter of Tamar Herman Bagley & David Bagley; sister of Douglas and Joshua; and granddaughter of Wendy Bagley & the late Major Douglas Bagley, and the late Shoshana Herman & the late Rabbi Jack J. Herman. Rachel enjoys climbing, tennis, and volunteering with young children. She loves observing Shabbat, especially while at HERZL Camp. Her favorite subjects at HMJDS are Hebrew, social studies and math. When asked about her upcoming Bat Mitzvah Rachel said, "I am excited to celebrate with my family and friends."



Miya Fayva Latz
July 12, 2014

Pinchas Miya is the daughter of Julia Shmidov Latz & Ron Latz; sister of Nate and Yana; and granddaughter of Anna & Semyon Shmidov, and Carolyn & Bob Latz. Miya enjoys reading, cooking, travel, writing songs, playing the guitar and singing. Miya received the Academic Excellence Award and is on the A Honor Roll at Hopkins North Junior High School, where her favorite subject is math. When she grows up, Miya would like to be an architect and an author. When asked about her upcoming Bat Mitzvah Miya said, "I'm really excited to celebrate becoming a Jewish woman with my friends and family."



Drew Rosenblum
August 2014 in Israel

Va-et'chanan Drew is the son of Judy & Keith Rosenblum; brother of Will; and grandson of the late Pnina & the late Shalom Markovits, and the late Lois & the late Victor Rosenblum. Drew enjoys playing tennis, golf, skiing, piano and reading. His favorite Jewish activity is celebrating the holidays. His favorite subjects at The Blake School are math and social studies. When he grows up, Drew would like to be a computer programmer or lawyer. When asked about his upcoming Bar Mitzvah Drew said, "I am very excited to have my Bar Mitzvah in Israel!"



Sawyer Winnick Michaelson
August 9, 2014

Va-et'chanan Sawyer is the son of Beth Slater Winnick & Christopher Michaelson; brother of Reese and Esme; and grandson of Arlene & Stephen Winnick, Margaret Wong & Walter Graff, and Ron & Dorcas Michaelson. Having lived in NYC and London, Sawyer likes to travel, play sports, create art and volunteer. A published writer who's won two Keren Or Writing Awards and a Fort Myers News-Press Poetry Award, his favorite subjects at Ramsey Middle School are Language Arts and Science. Sawyer hopes to be a surgeon, writer, sports analyst and/or graphic designer. About his upcoming Bar Mitzvah, Sawyer said, "It's cool to be part of something that's larger than myself."



Isaac David Wahl
August 16, 2014

Eikev Isaac is the son of Lauri Wahl; grandson of Barbara Fermon, and Lisa & Robert Slesinger; great-grandson of the late Nene & the late "Papa" Dave Fermon; and nephew of the late Margaret Elizabeth Spencer. Isaac enjoys playing his oboe, acting with the Top Hat Theatre and rock polishing. His favorite subjects at St. Louis Park Middle School are math, writing and Spanish. When he grows up, Isaac would like to be a biologist. When asked about his upcoming Bar Mitzvah Isaac said "My Bar Mitzvah is a great time that the whole family gets together and celebrates a big part of Judaism."



Charles Steven Fiterman
July 19, 2014

Matot

Charles is the son of Elyse Nancy and Amy & Miles Fiterman II; brother of PJ and Rebecca; and grandson of Susan & Steven Fiterman, Terry & Dr. Emmanuel Nancy, and Lura Ross. Charles enjoys playing football, soccer and baseball, and celebrating the holidays with his family. When he grows up, Charles would like to be a lawyer, politician, artist or comedian. When asked about his upcoming Bar Mitzvah Charles said, "I am looking forward to celebrating this day with my family and friends."



Sonya Chechik
July 26, 2014

Masei

Sonya is the daughter of Sara & Joel Chechik, and sister of Lucy. Sonya enjoys playing the piano and guitar, playing tennis and hanging out with friends. Her favorite subjects at Southwest High School are math and science. Sonya's favorite Jewish activity is singing with the TIPTY choir during the High Holy Days. When she grows up, Sonya would like to work in the field of psychology.



Eli Alexander Kenyon
August 2, 2014

D'varim

Eli is the son of Todd Kenyon and Mary Kenyon; and grandson of Diane Dempsey, Barbara & Allan Kenyon, Joyce Borgen and the late Don Borgen. Eli enjoys playing piano, basketball, magic and juggling. His favorite Jewish activities are learning Hebrew and lighting the menorah. His favorite subjects at Hopkins North Junior High School are math and language arts. When he grows up, Eli would like to be a comedian, musician or band teacher. When asked about his upcoming Bar Mitzvah Eli said, "I'm excited to show people all that I have learned."



Gerald Perelman
August 23, 2014

R'eih

Gerald is the son of Jodi Marker Perelman & Rubin Perelman; brother of Robert; and grandson of Marilyn Marker & the late Gerald Marker, and Celia & Dmitry Perelman. Gerald enjoys playing hockey, tennis, and volunteering at Feed My Starving Children and STEP. His favorite subjects at St. Louis Park Middle School are language arts and social studies. When he grows up, Gerald would like to be an NHL hockey player and sports announcer. When asked about his upcoming Bar Mitzvah Gerald said, "I am looking forward to sharing my Bar Mitzvah with my family, friends, and cousin Jack."



Jack Marker
August 23, 2014

R'eih

Jack is the son of Alyssa & Jon Marker; brother of Madeline; and grandson of Marilyn Marker & the late Jerry Marker, Shirley Rubenstein & the late Dr. David Rubenstein, and Judie & Paul Wester. Jack enjoys celebrating the Jewish holidays with his family. He is on the A Honor Roll at Valley View Middle School, where his favorite subjects are math and science. When he grows up, Jack would like to be a sports medicine doctor. When asked about his upcoming Bar Mitzvah Jack said, "I am excited to read from the Torah and celebrate with my family and friends."



Eva Berezovsky
August 30, 2014

Shof'tim

Eva is the daughter of Melissa & Louis Berezovsky; sister of Hannah; and granddaughter of Sandy & Julie Berezovsky, and Susan & Bruce Meyer. Eva enjoys playing tennis and doing yoga. Her favorite Jewish activity is her family's Passover Seder gathering. Her favorite subjects at The Blake School, where she has received the Academic Excellence Achievement award, are English and Spanish. When asked about her upcoming Bat Mitzvah Eva said, "I am excited to spend this day with all of my friends and family celebrating the milestone of becoming an adult in the Jewish community."



Dearest Friends,

In my wildest dreams, I could not have imagined an event more wonderful than the one in celebration of my 25 years in the rabbinate. All the elements of a perfect gala for me were there: My family, a great band (that let me play with them), delicious food from the terrific Georgia at Kafe 421, a cool black and white tribute video, and most importantly that so many of you were able to join in. You even let me perform a solid half hour of stand-up comedy! Temple presented me with a gorgeous tallis lovingly crafted by our own talented Kris Prince.



I had received a Doctor of Divinity in the big apple a week earlier, but the party here with the congregation I have been serving for the last 15 years was what deeply moved me. My smile muscles hurt after an evening of taking selfies with you all.



I am deeply grateful to those who put together the whole deal: Melody and Larry Chestler, Rabbi Marcia Zimmerman, my wife Barbara Glaser, Mindy Isaacs, Sandy Donaldson, and our staff, especially Liz Mack and Jennifer Marmer, who did so much behind the scenes prep. And a todah rabbah to my musical brothers Dale Engquist and Andy Morantz for putting the music together for the "club scene" downstairs.



I have been blessed to be a rabbi here at Temple for the last decade and a half and look forward to many wonderful years of song, prayer, celebration and fellowship as we continue living our Jewish lives together here in Minnesota.



Thank you! Thank you! -Rabbi Sim Glaser



... 2014 Confirmation Class ...



Front Row: Mikaela Bush, Margo Strifert

Second Row: Julie Smelansky (Confirmation Faculty), Elizabeth Bukingolts, Gloriana Wolf, Sydney Krelitz, Mimi Marion, Elyse Friedman, Shira Rabkin, Madeline Richter, Sari Hattis, Wendy Schwartz (Confirmation Coordinator)

Third Row: Rabbi Jennifer Gertman, Shawn Stiles, Joshua Berman, Charles Berg, Matthew Howard, Daniel Scal, Holden Platt, Reed Goldstein, Rabbi Marcia Zimmerman

Inset: Cantor Barry Abelson, Rabbi Sim Glaser, Jonah Edelman, William Kieffer

Not Pictured: Zoe Stern (Confirmation Faculty)

Mazel Tov to Our Confirmands



For the Love of LifeLong Learning

An Uncommon Interview with Andy Halper (by Andy Halper)

On a recent Sunday morning, our Director of LifeLong Learning, Andy Halper, sat down to interview Andy Halper, our Director of LifeLong Learning. It wasn't so much out of self-absorption or narcissism, rather a desire to give heartfelt homage to the Hillel sayings, "If I am not for myself, who will be for me? But if I am only for myself, who am I? And, if not now, when?"



Andy Halper

Andy: Hello, Andy. You're looking positively intrepid today.

Andy: I'm not sure what that means, but thank you, Andy. You look older than I remember, not that there's anything wrong with that.

A: You're too kind. Let's get this conversation going with a subject you know a little something about: yourself. You've spent most of

your professional life exciting and inspiring others to learn and grow and develop profound, lasting relationships with each other. You could say your work has always involved education but not always education in a traditional sense. How does LifeLong Learning (LLL) take a nontraditional approach to meeting the educational needs of the Temple community in fresh, relevant ways?

A: It sounds like a pretty tall order, doesn't it? You know what they say: Sometimes it takes a short guy to fill a tall order... But I digress. LLL is a practice that passes along wisdom and knowledge and ideas that will hopefully spark fires within us and ignite a sense of high curiosity. Temple Israel has always taught fundamental strengths and virtues that enable people and our community to thrive. LLL takes this tradition and infuses it – illuminates it! – with contemporary energy and ideas from our tradition as well as the humanities, including philosophy, literature, music, visual arts, and psychology. These ideas are meant to

exercise, stimulate, and expand hearts and minds – regardless of a person's age or stage in life.

A: HOW we pass along wisdom and expand our understanding is an important question, Andy. But WHY we pass it along is a big deal, too. At the core of LLL at Temple is the belief that people want to lead meaningful and fulfilling Jewish lives. We yearn to cultivate the best within ourselves and enhance our experiences of love, work, community, and play. We desire to do something extraordinary – to paraphrase the poet Mary Oliver – with our “one wild and precious life.”

A: That's some mighty deep territory.

A: It certainly is. But deep doesn't have to mean serious or somber or straight-faced. By welcoming playfulness and remaining open to the inherent wisdom of warm-hearted humor, we might surprise ourselves into making sense of some of life's great mysteries.

A: By the way, did you write the introduction to this interview?

A: Yes, in fact I did.

A: It was beautiful. Sucked me right in. Well done.

A: Don't flatter us too much. What were we talking about?

A: I don't remember, but let's talk about camp because it's a great model for what LLL is all about. At Jewish camps like Camp TEKO, we can learn and explore ideas in nontraditional ways. It's an environment where learners of all kinds – not just conventionally “book smart” thinkers – can participate openly and fearlessly. There's something remarkable about camp





as a physical place but also a spiritual place where we can discover who we really are and what we care deeply about. LLL takes these magical, meaningful elements so present at camp and recreates them in a different setting.

A: I couldn't agree more. Real, good stuff happens at camp. It's where we form our Jewish identities and where the groundwork is laid for a lifetime of engagement in our synagogue and faith community. There's actual research to back up this claim.

A: Seriously?

A: Do I look like a serious person? Wait, don't answer that. But yes, there is evidence that the social and emotional environment created at camp helps young people become adults who feel connected to and want to participate in their Jewish community.

A: It's sounding like LLL is an extension of what Judaism already encourages us to do: pray, study, do sacred deeds, and enter into relationships with others.

A: Yes and more. The relationship part is especially important. LLL is a vehicle for developing a genuine sense of purpose and belonging at Temple. It's this kind of Relational Judaism that Dr. Ron Wolfson sees as the future of our faith.

A: OK, how does LLL enhance our faith on an individual level?

A: It helps prevent spiritual rust. LLL is an invitation to keep thriving and laughing and ensuring our faith is truly relevant to our real lives. LLL welcomes the Big Questions about being human and our Jewishness and explores these questions in uncommon ways. There's much to consider about our individual and collective *raison d'être*—our "reason for being." By making room for playfulness, joyfulness, enthusiasm, and humor (see Rabbi Glaser), LLL gives us a way into these Big

Questions – a safe and stimulating point of access.

LLL can also help us make the big leap of faith from living as a reaction to circumstances to being the force that says what our lives should be. As Viktor Frankl so simply yet powerfully put it, "Everything can be taken from a man but one thing: the last of the human freedoms—to choose one's attitude in any given set of circumstances, to choose one's own way."

Learning and exploring something new isn't just one more thing to add to our full-to-the-brim schedules. LLL is an elixir that wakes us up to new insights about our career, our family life, and ourselves. When the environment is right, learning can even spark new energy, clarity, and direction.

A: SOLD!

A: Of course you're sold – you're the Director! But this is only the proverbial tip of a very big, very spiritually rich iceberg. Many plans are in the works, including intergenerational shenanigans at Camp TEK0, new ways to cultivate new relationships, online experiences that will help members get more out of Jewish living, and new family education programs. Those are just a tiny taste of the LLL we'll be enjoying here at Temple.

In the meantime, I would like to invite you to come visit me at my office. I'm on the second floor at Temple – Rabbi Shapiro's^{z"l} office. We'll yak about tradition and innovation, reverence and chutzpah, all the delicious yin and yang of being a human on this earth in these wild times.

A: Or we can just drink some Diet Snapple and stare out the window.

A: Either way, I'll be glad to see you and do some schmoozing and explore together the possibilities for LLL at Temple, and for you.

A: Me too.



Remembering Marjorie Graceman Kline

September 24, 1912 – October 9, 2013

Last October, Temple Israel lost a great friend and supporter. Marjorie Graceman Kline grew up in the halls and classrooms of Temple and heard about Temple affairs over the family dinner table from her father, P.B. Juster, Temple Israel's 15th president.

"Temple and Jewish life meant so much to her," said her daughter Mimi Gleekel. Along with actively volunteering in the Jewish community, Margie was a devoted member and past president of the Sisterhood — and a regular at Friday night Shabbat services until just a few years ago. She was also involved

in many organizations and boards in the secular community that expanded the reach of Temple to the general community.

Born Marjorie Juster, "Margie" always loved Temple and looked to the future. She left a gift to the congregation in her estate that will benefit and strengthen generations of Temple youth. This planned gift has increased a scholarship fund that Margie and her first husband, Don Graceman, established.

Don was one of a handful of Men's Club members who bought the property at Lake Minnetonka for Camp TEKO. The Donald & Marjorie Graceman Scholarship Fund is held by the Temple Israel Foundation and helps



send children to Jewish overnight camps, Israel and on other Jewish programs.

Moving to Minneapolis from South Dakota with her family in 1913, Margie and her three sisters – Evy Juster, Kiki Wien and Percy Bloom – attended Washburn High School as well as Sunday school and Confirmation classes at Temple Israel. Popular and gregarious, the "Juster Girls" sang, acted and performed in numerous school and Temple theatrical presentations. It was at Washburn that she met Don Graceman; they were married

at Temple after both earned bachelor's degrees at the University of Minnesota.

"My mother was elegant, gracious and generous — someone who knew how life should be lived," recalled her daughter Mimi. "She had a great sense of humor, was a wonderful cook and loved to entertain, frequently opening her home to new Temple members for the holidays." In addition to Mimi, Margie & Don raised two sons, Barry and Ronnie. After Don's death in 1980, Margie married a longtime family friend, Jason Kline.

"Temple Israel was the center point of her life and her philanthropy," Mimi said. "Temple was her extended family – a community, her Jewish home."

–Written by Doug Nathan

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Thriving at (Jewish) Summer Camp

By Doug Nathan

Campfires. Israeli dancing. Jumping into the lake. The greatest counselor. Shabbat around the flag pole. So many new best friends.

Summer camp is about newfound independence and freedom. It's about shaping Jewish identities and widening each child's community of Jewish friends. Young people explore their personal interaction with Judaism at camp, openly and fearlessly.

Generous contributions make this possible – special funding for programming and equipment, facilities maintenance, resources for campers with special needs, and need-based camp scholarships.

“When I was 12, I begged my parents to let me go to camp but they couldn't afford it,” recalled Andy Halper, Temple Israel's Director of LifeLong Learning. “I received a scholarship, and after attending Jewish camps for several summers, I ended up becoming a counselor and eventually the Camp TEKO Director. Without a doubt, that experience changed my life and put me on the path to where I am today.”

A 2011 study by the Foundation for Jewish Camp showed that youth who go to Jewish camps are significantly more likely to light Shabbat candles, attend synagogue, contribute to Jewish charities and feel more emotionally attached to Israel.

For all youth, summer opportunities and programs are an essential part of learning and social stimulation. But for those whose families are unable to afford extracurricular program fees,

summer can be a mixture of empty and unsupervised days, too much screen time and boredom. Studies show that children lacking stimulating summer activities experience what has been dubbed “summer learning loss,” and they return to school behind their peers academically and socially.

Temple Israel camp scholarships assure that camping programs are accessible to all children within the congregation. And the need is great. As of June 1, Temple Israel had granted 37 children and teens \$16,972 in camperships, just 25% of the dollar amount requested.

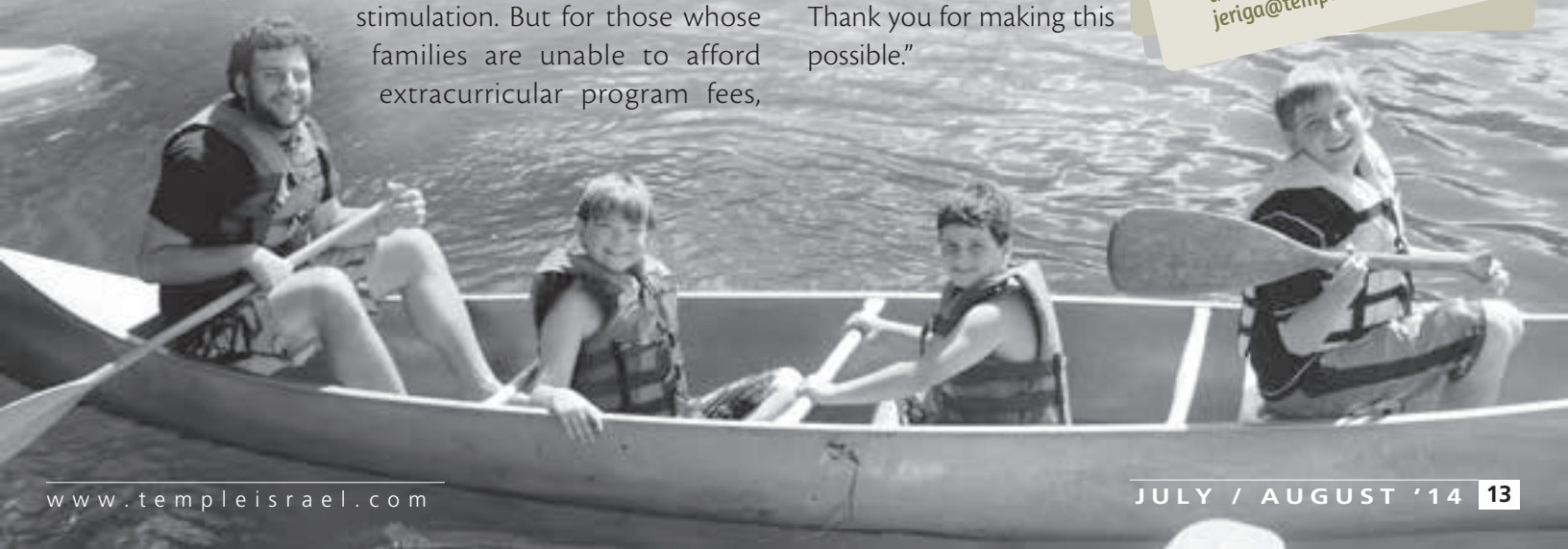
Two significant sources of scholarship and camp funding are the Camp TEKO Endowment Fund, which provides funding for TEKO programs and activities, and the Youth Scholarship Endowment Fund, which helps send children to Jewish overnight camps, Israel and on other Jewish programs.

The impact can be seen in the stories and testimonials. Said one parent, “Without equivocation, camp has a positive impact on my son. He returns home refreshed, at peace, feeling good about the world and his place in it as a Jewish teen. Camp is that magical place for him. Thank you for making this possible.”



REMINDER
Make a gift today to support camperships and Jewish summer programs!
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We will resume our regular hours on September 1. Times will vary during the summer. We will open for special events and encourage you to call Temple 612-377-8680 for appointments.

A Message from the Gift Shop Managers, Lil Fallek and Marni Bumstad:

We take great pleasure in thanking all of our loyal shift volunteers. In spite of sleet and snow they kept the doors open, and we can proudly announce to our Temple community that it has been a successful year. We extend our thanks to the community for your continued support. It is always a pleasure to do business with you. We are receiving new merchandise. Remember the High Holy Days are just around the corner.

Happy summer breezes!

Lil Fallek and Marni Bumstad—Co-managers



Temple Israel Sisterhood Spring Event "It's All About You!"

On April 30, 2014, Temple Israel Sisterhood was once again proud to host our annual spring event. The best part was the theme initiated by committee chairs Dana Rubin and Deb Bomberg: "Like a Birthday Celebration, It's All About You!" And it was. The evening consisted of a girls' night adorned with fabulous food catered by Deco, cupcake demonstrations by Patti Meyer, gourmet coffee provided by Brew Master Greg Martin of Urban Bean, Ergonomic Yoga Demonstrations by Angela Krejca and an enlightening demonstration on entertaining Jewishly by Amy Zaroff of Amy Zaroff Events + Design.

The Volunteer of the Year Award was presented to long-time Sisterhood member Sharon Leavitt.

From the beautiful decorations and an incredible dinner, to fabulous demonstrations and goodie bags filled with the candy of your choice for the ride home – no detail was forgotten. More important was the warmth and fun that was shared between all the attendees, including new members, old members, and visiting guests.

Deb and Dana extend thanks and appreciation to fellow committee members Kay Goldstein, Lauren Kelner, Cheri Sudit and Kayla Wright. They attribute the success of this evening to the fabulous camaraderie and teamwork by the entire committee. Dana and Deb want to also extend a special thank you to Co-Presidents Sheri Yarosh and Beth Birke, and to Rabbi Glaser and pianist Andy Morantz for the lovely music they provided at the event.



Sharing Our Lives

July Anniversaries

5th	Mary Grahek & Mike Zimmerman	7/11
10th	Marina Daylis & Garry Vaynberg	7/4
10th	Rhona & David Brack	7/31
15th	Tracey Deutsch & David Chang	7/4
15th	Josi & Steve Javinsky	7/18
20th	Shannon & David Schribman	7/3
20th	Julie & Peter Gainsley	7/31
25th	Cindy & Stuart Kaufman	7/2
25th	Rachel & Terry Skelton	7/2
30th	Janice & Frank Feinberg	7/1
30th	Karen & Bruce Gershman	7/22
35th	Diane Pearson & William Kaplan	7/19
40th	Cindy & Don Brown	7/8
45th	Karen & Morris Davidman	7/31
50th	Mary Ellen & Nate Karol	7/5
50th	Stephanie & Marvin Segal	7/26
55th	Sharleen & Joseph Yablonsky	7/25
60th	Ione & Samuel Siegel	7/9
60th	Pneena & Sheldon Sheps	7/14

In Memory

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

Fred Baron, *Husband of Judy Baron*
 William Barrows, *Brother of Bob (Linda) Barrows*
 Burton Bolter, *Father of Jeff (Helaine) Bolter*
 Virginia Boman, *Mother of Robin (David) Sternberg*
 Ruth Braun, *Mother of Susan (Rand) Gottlieb*
 Harvey Blumenberg, *Father of Lon (Bette) Blumenberg, Carole (Ignacio) Garrigos and Companion of Ronna Rossman*
 Anna Granat, *Mother of Toby (Frank) Berman*
 Miriam Glickstein, *Mother of Scott Glickstein (Sydney Kase)*
 Shirley Goldman
 Shoshana Herman, *Mother of Tamar (David) Bagley*
 John Jaquish, *Father of Vanessa (David) Gollin*
 Naomi Lyon
 Jay Nadeau, *Father of Monique (David) Bush*
 Delores Pikovsky
 Judith Smith, *Wife of Steven Smith*
 Audrey Snitkin, *Mother of Sheryl Snitkin*

August Anniversaries

5th	Shana & John Klesk	8/15
5th	Laura & Elliot Ginsburg	8/30
15th	Colleen & Rod Martel	8/7
15th	Yelena & Boris Iliarski	8/8
15th	Amy & Jason Sklar	8/21
15th	Kris & John MacDonald	8/22
20th	Lisa & Allan Caplan	8/7
20th	Beth & William Dworsky	8/7
20th	Joanne & George Applebaum	8/12
20th	Linda & Joe Romeo	8/20
20th	Larisa & Mikhail Shmulyan	8/25
20th	Julie & Marc Berris	8/27
25th	Jane Burns & Allan Orman	8/10
25th	Kathleen Seal & Richard Gray	8/13
25th	Bonnie Gruen & William Tolman	8/13
30th	Rabbi Marcia Zimmerman & Frank Hornstein	8/12
30th	Laurel Paller-Rzepka & Andrew Rzepka	8/19
30th	Susan Schumacher & Jim Kamin	8/25
30th	Judy & Dennis Berkowitz	8/26
35th	Debra & Jim Bomberg	8/5
35th	Sherri & Larry Feuer	8/5
35th	Janet & Bill Lubov	8/19
35th	Linda & James Krause	8/26
40th	Linda & Robert Fisher	8/4
40th	Susan & Hart Kuller	8/18
40th	Robin & Stephen Silverman	8/18
40th	Joni & Harold Troup	8/25
45th	Patti & Jev Baskin	8/3
45th	Judith & Bruce Barnett	8/10
45th	Marilynn & Charles Tuchfarber	8/10
45th	Harriet & Arthur Wiss	8/14
45th	Beverly & George Lillquist	8/17
45th	Lynn & Richard Esensten	8/30
45th	Susan & Charles Muscoplat	8/30
50th	Betty & Jerry Gurewitz	8/2
50th	Sharon & Marvin Resnick	8/9
50th	Wendy & Wayne Salita	8/9
50th	Gail & Richard Weinberg	8/25
55th	Saralee & Neil Mogilner	8/30
60th	Louise & Jerry Rotman	8/29

Mazel Tov To...

- Megan Collins for her clever ideas for kid-friendly decorating. Megan, Casey and their daughters were featured in an article about their Minneapolis home in the Sunday *Star Tribune* Home Section in May.
- Andy Finn on his new position of Vice President of Acquisitions and Investments at Founders Propertices, LLC. He also serves on the board of Jewish Family and Children's Service. Andy, his wife Libby, and their children live in Minnetonka.
- Geoffrey Fischbein on his organization of and performance during the West by Westbank Minneapolis Music Festival, being held on July 13 in Minneapolis. Geoffrey is a local singer/songwriter, finger-picking guitar player, who performs original songs.
- Rachael Freed for an article in *The American Jewish World* that featured her work as an author and a teacher of legacy writing – letters that include a story, a lesson and a blessing; passing along values to loved ones and future generations.
- Bruce Goodman, who received the Outstanding Community Partnership Award from the Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program at the University of Minnesota Law School and Human Rights Center.
- Jane & Jon Gordon on the upcoming marriage of their daughter Katie to Matthew Liegel. Katie is the granddaughter of the late Gerry & the late Robert Geltman and the late June & the late Robert Gordon, and sister to Thomas Gordon and Elizabeth Gordon. Katie, an attorney, and Matt, a CPA, reside in Minneapolis.
- Jamie & Eric Greenspan on the birth of their son, Max Harley Greenspan, who was born on March 31. Max's grandparents are Cathy & Jeff Molever. Max's great-grandparents are Joy Molever & the late Irv Molever, and the late Shirley & the late Norlie Feinstein.
- Sid Hartman, longtime sports reporter and Minnesota legend, who was honored by the Minnesota Twins organization at a special pregame ceremony at Target Field.
- Elliott Kaplan, who was elected to serve on the HCMC foundation Board of Directors.
- Micki Herman Kay & Neil Kay, a former Olympic curling coach, for coordinating the Israel Curling Federation National Team tryouts at the Four Seasons Curling Club of Blaine. Israel's wish is to have an elite men's and women's curling team to compete in the World and Olympic Curling Championships, and Micki and Neil are coordinating the local event.

- Melissa Machovsky & Joel Zimmerman on the birth of their daughter, Ayla Rae Zimmerman. Ayla was born on December 31, 2013, and is the granddaughter of Ellie Zimmerman, and Mike Zimmerman & Mary Grahek, and the great-granddaughter of Shirley Zimmerman & the late Pete Zimmerman.
- Brian Nelson, son of Robbi & Joe Weil, who received his Master's Degree in Religious Studies Education from HUC-JIR, New York. Brian, a longtime Camp TEKO staffer, is continuing his rabbinic studies at HUC-JIR in Cincinnati and serving as a Rabbinic Intern at Valley Temple in Cincinnati.
- Joe Romeo on his new business venture, MediChoice.
- Sisterhood for celebrating 25 years of their annual Garage Sale, which was started in 1989 by Mary Neuman and Merle Rosenberg^{z"l}. Over 100 volunteers staff the sale, which takes place in the summer at Temple. Proceeds from the sale benefit Temple programs and many community projects.

Mazel Tov to Ruth Knelman for receiving the honor of throwing out the first pitch at the Minnesota Twins game at Target Field on May 1, 2014.



New Members

Lana Banchik &
Gary Jones

Vanessa Dembo &
Rob Winnick

Rachel & Michael Joslin

Cym & Jesse Kibort

Marnie & Jordan Marmet

Anat Shinar & Sam Baker

Ellen Summerfield

Arlene & Steve Winnick

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We've got ruach, how 'bout you?



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Temple Israel is proud to present Bill Pohlad as a Voice of Inspiration for our community.

An Academy Award®-nominated producer, Pohlad is the founder and CEO of River Road Entertainment and has been producing films for more than 20 years. His ability to seek out compelling material and bring it to light has established his reputation as a producer unafraid to take creative risks and tackle challenging social issues.

Pohlad and River Road most recently produced and financed the Academy Award®-winning Best Picture *12 Years A Slave*. Pohlad's past films include *The Tree of Life*, *Into the Wild* and Academy Award® winning *Brokeback Mountain*. Pohlad and River Road have also executive produced numerous feature documentaries, including Robert Kenner's Academy Award® nominated *Food, Inc.*

Please join us for a night of inspiration and community.