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#### **INSIDE:**



#### **Dear Friends.**

As I look out my window, I am beginning to see the infrastructure of our new education center and lobby built from the ground up. We are over a quarter of the way to our new building—and it is exciting, and at the same time, agonizing. Exciting as long as I keep my eye on the goal. Agonizing in my desire to see progress and to see it now! So, as I often do with conflicting emotions, I turn to Jewish wisdom.

Because I feel the need for a large dose of patience, I researched what Judaism has to say on the subject. As always, I found it helpful, and thought sharing it with all of you—who might be feeling a bit of frustration, schlepping your children to the JCC or feeling displaced and distant from Temple during construction, or just feeling the frustration of everyday life—might give you some support during these cold months of winter.

Patience in Judaism is all about wisdom. The Hebrew word for patience is savlanut. The root svl means "to bear" or "to hold." Patience is holding the place between doing nothing—letting the world carry you—and the place where we think we have total control. Neither extreme is healthy, but the balance between the two is the wisdom of experience.

Impatience never makes things happen faster or better, and instead only causes agitation and frustration. It is the belief that our own needs, desires and perspectives are somehow of ultimate importance.

Patience is a virtue because it helps us discern between the things we must learn from and let go of, and the moment at which taking action benefits the situation and all involved. It is both the act of tzimtzum in Jewish mysticism—where holding back and observing gives us perspective—and at the same time, engaging in tikkun olam, the acts of justice and righteousness where our voices and actions can make a positive difference not only for ourselves, but for our world. So the next time you almost lean on the horn or yell at the person behind the register, take a deep breath and give the other person the benefit of the doubt. Find your patience.

Join me as we continue waiting—patiently!—and watching the progress toward the opening of our new building this fall. When we find the balance of patience, our hearts will thank us, our families will thank us, and our Temple community will celebrate our collective accomplishment with great enthusiasm.

Thank you for your continued understanding and support during our construction. We understand you are inconvenienced, and we appreciate all that each of you is doing to ensure that Temple is better and brighter in the future.

B'virkat Shalom - With blessings of peace,

Palli Mari A. Zinn

Rabbi Marcia A. Zimmerman
Alvin & June Perlman Senior Rabbinic Chair





### **January Worship Services**

Friday, January 1

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

Saturday, January 2

9:00 a.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Gertman:

Sh'mot, Exodus 1:1-6:1

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service

including the Bar Mitzvah ceremony of

Joseph Afremov followed by a

Kiddush luncheon

Friday, January 8

6:00 p.m. Carlebach Erev Shabbat Service

with Guest Cantor Jennifer Seeger

Saturday, January 9

9:00 a.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Glaser:

Va-eira, Exodus 6:2-9:35

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service

followed by a light Kiddush

Friday, January 15

6:00 p.m. Nefesh Erev Shabbat Service

Cantorial Intern Jennifer Rueben will join

our clergy on the bimah

Saturday, January 16

9:00 a.m. Torah Study with guest teacher Rabbi Alan

Shavit-Lonstein: Bo. Exodus 10:1-13:16

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service

including the Bat Mitzvah ceremony of Josie

Fieldman followed by a Kiddush luncheon

Friday, January 22

5:15 p.m. "A Taste of Tu BiSh'vat" Oneg Shabbat Reception

Come and sip Israeli wines, and snack on

fruits from trees and vines!

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

Shabbat Shirah: A New Song of Rising Seas On this Tu BiSh'vat, Rabbi Glaser will discuss Jewish views on global efforts to reduce

carbon emissions and confront the potential

consequences of climate change.

Saturday, January 23

9:00 a.m. Torah Study with guest teacher

Rabbi Joseph Edelheit: B'shalach, Exodus 13:17-17:16

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service

followed by a light Kiddush

Friday, January 29

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

Saturday, January 30

9:00 a.m. Torah Study with guest teacher

Rabbi Joseph Edelheit: Yitro, Exodus 18:1-20:23

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service

including the Bat Mitzvah ceremony of Sadie Yarosh followed by a Kiddush luncheon

## **February Worship Services**

#### Friday, February 5

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

Cantorial Intern Jennifer Rueben will join

our clergy on the bimah

Saturday, February 6

9:00 a.m. Torah Study with guest teacher

Rabbi Lynn Liberman:

Mishpatim, Exodus 21:1-24:18

9:30 a.m. Tot Shabbat at the Sabes JCC Auditorium

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service

including the Bar Mitzvah ceremony of

Leo Besikof followed by a Kiddush luncheon

Friday, February 12

6:00 p.m. Carlebach Erev Shabbat Service

Saturday, February 13

9:00 a.m. Torah Study with guest teacher

Rabbi Joseph Edelheit:

T'rumah, Exodus 25:1-27:19

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service

including the Bat Mitzvah ceremony of Emily Rudick followed by a Kiddush luncheon

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Friday, February 19

6:00 p.m. Nefesh Erev Shabbat Service

Saturday, February 20

9:00 a.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Zimmerman:

T'tzaveh, Exodus 27:20-30:10

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service

followed by a light Kiddush

Friday, February 26

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

Saturday, February 27

9:00 a.m. Torah Study with guest teacher

Rabbi Joseph Edelheit: Ki Tisa, Exodus 30:11-34:35

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service

including the Bat Mitzvah ceremony of

Melanie Cohn 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 and guest teachers.

#### Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Monday, January 18

The Temple building will be closed on January 18, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

The 6:00 p.m. daily service will take place as usual. If you have a pastoral emergency and need to reach a member of our clergy, please call our clergy answering service at 952-988-5787.

#### Sisterhood Book Club

#### Wednesday, January 20

Community Room at St. Louis Park Byerly's

Start off the New Year with a wonderful read, *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr.

For questions, contact Judy Chucker at 952-546-4429 or jchucker1@comcast.net.

"Ten years in the writing, Anthony Doerr's All the Light We Cannot See is an epic work of historical fiction. With richly detailed language and characters who are both brave and heartbreaking, Doerr weaves together the stories of a French girl named Marie-Laure who has lost her eyesight and a German orphan named Werner. As Hitler's occupied territory grows, Marie-Laure and Werner's lives and families are torn apart by the war, yet this gorgeous novel is the story of people who, against the odds, find good in one another." —Publisher

## Tu BiSh'vat: The New Year for the Trees

#### Sunday evening, January 24 - Monday, January 25, 2016

Tu BiSh'vat or the "New Year of the Trees" is Jewish Arbor Day. The holiday is observed on the 15th (tu) of the Hebrew month of Sh'vat. Scholars believe that originally Tu BiSh'vat was an agricultural festival, marking the emergence of spring. In the 17th century, Kabbalists created a ritual for Tu BiSh'vat that is similar to a Passover

seder. Today, many Jews hold a modern version of the Tu BiSh'vat seder each year. The holiday also has become a tree-planting festival in Israel, in which Israelis and Jews around the world plant trees in honor or in memory of loved ones and friends.

#### Tu BiSh'vat Activities to Do at Home (from ReformJudaism.org)

#### **Planting Activities**

- Plant parsley seeds in sod pots by a sunny window. Harvest the parsley for your Passover seder.
- Plant a flowering bulb kit by a sunny window. In the middle of winter this is a wonderful hint of the spring season to come soon.
- Plant trees in Israel through your donations to the Jewish National Fund.

#### **Food Activities**

- Prepare a Tu BiSh'vat seder and invite friends to join you.
   Enjoy fruits and nuts from 3 categories:
- Fruits and nuts with shells: walnuts, almonds, pistachios, peanuts, pecans, chestnuts, pomegranates, coconuts, bananas, etc.
- Fruits with pits at their center: cherries, olives, plums, apricots, avocado, dates, etc.
- Fruits that are entirely edible: grapes, raisins, apples, pears, blueberries, raspberries, strawberries, etc.
- Eat fruits and grains known as the sheva minim, the seven species of sacred fruits and grains grown in the Land of Israel: wheat, barley, grape, fig, pomegranate, olive, and date.
- Prepare recipes for Tu BiSh'vat from around the world.

#### Tikkun Olam Activities

- Give tzedakah (charity) to an environmental organization.
- Learn about the history of Tu BiSh'vat on ReformJudaism.org or MyJewishLearning.com.
- Explore the Coalition on the Environment and Jewish Life (COEJL) to learn about the Jewish community's commitment to stewardship and protection of the Earth through outreach, activism and Jewish learning.
- Participate in an environmental cleanup project in your community.
- · Make a commitment to live more sustainably.

#### Crafts

- Make leaf prints for paper placemats and use the placemats at a Tu BiSh'vat seder.
- Take photos of beautiful trees and frame them.
- Make a bird/animal feeder with birdseed or plain popped popcorn and leave it in the branches of a tree.

#### Calling All Hamantaschen Bakers

#### Sunday, February 28 and Sunday, March 6

It is time once again to put on your apron, bring your rolling pin, and come bake with us on Sunday, February 28th, and Sunday, March 6th, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Menorah Plaza. We know you are busy, so if you can stay for the whole shift, fantastic! If not, consider a few hours. Bring a friend or two. It is a lot of fun. To schedule a baking shift, contact Leslie Held at 952-920-5376 or sign up at www.templeisraelsisterhood. com. Purim is a time to celebrate Jewish unity and friendship. Please join us!

#### Tu BiSh'vat

#### Friday, January 22

#### 5:15 p.m. "A Taste of Tu BiSh'vat" Oneg Shabbat Reception

Come and sip Israeli wines, and snack on fruits from trees and vines!

#### 6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

#### Shabbat Shirah: A New Song of Rising Seas

On this Tu BiSh'vat, Rabbi Glaser will discuss Jewish views on global efforts to reduce carbon emissions and confront the potential consequences of climate change.

#### Kabbalah Sparks

Monday, January 25, 7:00—9:00 p.m.

Monday, February 22, 7:00—9:00 p.m.

Temporary location during construction:

Plymouth Congregational Church, 1900 Nicollet Avenue, Minneapolis

Join Rabbi Glaser 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.

# Join in the Mitzvah of Serving Dinner to Moms and Kids at Jeremiah Program

#### Thursday, January 28, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Jeremiah Program, 1510 Laurel Ave, Suite 100, Minneapolis

For more information contact Donna Fredkove at 763-208-5061 or dffredkove@aol.com.

Volunteers are needed to prepare food and to serve the dinner at Jeremiah. Jeremiah is a non-profit organization helping mothers to provide a stable family life for their children. Jeremiah relies on community organizations to provide dinners, and Temple Sisterhood has always stepped up to do our part. Our continued participation is vital and deeply appreciated.

#### **Tot Shabbat**

#### Saturday, February 6, 9:30—10:30 a.m.

Sabes JCC Auditorium

During Temple's construction project, Tot Shabbat is taking place on select first Saturday mornings with our Temple clergy at the Sabes JCC. Tot Shabbat is a wonderful family experience for infants, toddlers and children up to 7 years old. Join us for one or all of the dates. No registration is necessary. Child-friendly snacks will be served and child-friendly fun will be had by all. Additional Tot Shabbat dates: March 5 and May 7.

#### Sisterhood Game Day

(Mah Jongg, Bridge, Canasta)

#### Sunday, February 21, 1:00—4:30 p.m.

The Laurel at 250 Turners Crossroad South, Golden Valley

Come and enjoy a fun afternoon of Mah Jongg and other games! Beginners to experts-instruction and cards will be available. For more information, visit the Sisterhood website at www.templeisraelsisterhood.com.

#### Junior Youth Group Kallah (6th-8th graders)

#### Friday, February 26—Sunday, February 28

OSRUI in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin

At Junior Youth Group Kallah, your teen will engage with other Reform Jewish teenagers from all over the Midwest. The weekend will be full of fun, food, singing, dancing, water parks, and more! Register online at tipty.weebly.com. Contact Haylee Davis, TIPTY Advisor, at hdavis@templeisrael.com with questions. We'll see you at OSRUI!

January & February Youth and Education Dates		
Jan. 1-3	No Hebrew School, Haggigat Shabbat or Sunday School (Winter Break)	
Jan. 1	No Early Childhood Center (Winter Break)	
Jan. 14-15	Early Childhood Center: Closed for conferences on January 14 <sup>th</sup> starting at 12:30 p.m. and all day January 15 <sup>th</sup>	
Jan. 18	No Hebrew School or Early Childhood Center (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)	
Jan. 24	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade (11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.) at Sabes JCC	
Jan. 27	No Confirmation	
Feb. 3	No Confirmation	
Feb. 7	7/8 Grade (11:30 a.m 2:00 p.m.) at Sabes JCC	
Feb. 13 -16	No Hebrew School, Haggigat Shabbat or Sunday School (President's Day Weekend/ Mid-Winter Break)	
Feb. 15	No Early Childhood Center (President's Day Weekend/Mid-Winter Break)	



# Know, Do, Believe, Belong: Building on a Good Thing

Just take a glance out my office window, or visit the Temple website to view the construction web cam—Have you seen the time-lapse video? WOW!—and it's clear that progress on the new building is happening in a big way. There's no doubt it will be jaw-dropping, state-of-the-art, you-better-brace-yourself gorgeous. But how about what will happen inside those new walls?

While the architects, construction managers and Building Committee have been busy planning the new education center and lobby over the past few years, our Lifelong Learning team has been planning and building, too. We are using every ounce of our creative energy and learning know-how to evolve our Jewish education curriculum into something even more dazzling than our beautiful new space. Our aim is to build on the goodness and relevance that already exists in Temple's education programs, and to spark new energy among our young learners.

How do we make a good thing even better? We start by having great education minds at the table. Alongside Temple's clergy, we—the Education Team of Liv Anderson, Avi Baron, Haylee Davis, Jamie Diamond, Megan Dolezal, Sharon Rosenberg-Scholl, Jeri Saad, Darcy Schnitzer, and yours truly, Andy Halper—are putting our heads and hearts together to develop experiences that will engage our kids in spectacular ways.

Jewish education at Temple has always been about four core actions: knowing, doing, believing, and belonging. As we evolve our curriculum, we will preserve this foundation and build upon it in ways that crackle with energy and relevance.

- **Know & Do -** Our young learners come to know our Jewish traditions and rituals by doing. Instead of downloading information onto them, we invite our kids to experience the wisdom and beauty and joy of Judaism through experiences that they will remember long after the activity is done. This is the core of experiential learning.
- Believe & Belong We also cultivate purpose and connection. Our programming helps our kids believe

intuitively in the importance of Jewish culture in their lives, and know in their hearts that they belong to a vibrant Jewish community. The activities we do together and the relationships our kids develop with each other will create a warm, trust-built environment where exploration and discovery can happen. This kind of relational learning is what makes the good stuff "stick" and become an unwavering part of our kids' Jewish identities.

All this goodness might sound a bit on the serious side, but those of us who know the power of experiential and relational learning know it's way more than serious — it's a ton of FUN. What kind of fun? The kind that kids have at camp. The kind that makes them come home thrilled, energized, and bursting with the stuff they're doing, the friends they're meeting, and the things they're learning about themselves. The kind that makes a kid say, "I can't wait to go back!"

The process of transforming Jewish learning at Temple is already underway. We're in the classrooms now, evolving Jewish education each day to make it the most relevant, engaging, entertaining and experiential curriculum imaginable. As the excitement builds for our new education center and lobby gathering space, our program builds, too, engaging kids in new and unique ways—ways that help them sense, feel, think, act and relate to their Jewishness.

What isn't changing is our commitment to Temple families, nourishing the heart and soul through Judaism. At its core, Jewish learning at Temple Israel speaks to our human desire for meaning, purpose, play, and connection. From generation to generation, this remains and is renewed.

Ready to learn more? Starting in March, we will be hosting family-centered learning experiences so parents will be able to dive into the robust dimensions of this very special curriculum for themselves. Keep your eyes open for further information coming your way soon!

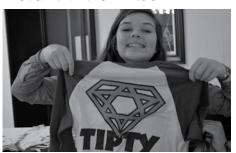
-Andy Halper, Director of LifeLong Learning

# Jewish Learning Through Experience!





Our 7th- and 8th-grade students cooked a complete meal-including Rice Krispie treats-for the residents of St. Stephen's shelter for the homeless.



At Tot Shabbat, our youngest learners meet and create, While their parents connect with our clergy and one another.







The 23rd Annual Stephan Larsen Wolf Meals on Wheels Program led by our TIPTY crew served the needy in our community on Thanksgiving Day.













Joseph Michael Afremov January 2, 2016

Joseph is the son of Lorie & Michael Afremov; the grandson of Bella & the late Roman Afremov and Juanita & Currie Conrad; and the brother of Sam, Nina, and Deanna. Joseph enjoys NFL football, listening to music, and chess. His favorite Jewish activity is eating latkes. Joseph attends Wayzata West Middle School, where his favorite subject is math. When asked about his upcoming Bar Mitzvah, Joseph said, "I am looking forward to celebrating my Bar Mitzvah with relatives and friends."



**Josie Bea Fieldman** January 16, 2016

O Josie Fieldman is the daughter of Candice Fieldman and Josh Fieldman; granddaughter of llene & Ed Engle and Linda & Les Fieldman; and sister of Charlie. Josie enjoys playing soccer for Tonka United, spending time with her friends, and watching movies with her family. Her favorite Jewish activity is going to all of her friends' B'nai Mitzvah ceremonies. She attends Hopkins North Junior High, where her favorite subject is English. When asked about her upcoming Bat Mitzvah, Josie said, "I am so excited to share this weekend with my family and friends."



**Sadie Yarosh** January 30, 2016

Yarosh; the granddaughter of Julie & Jim Yarosh; the granddaughter of Shirley & Sam Yarosh and Susan & the late Arnold Goldman; and the sister of Sophie and Arnie. Sadie enjoys basketball, baking, painting, soccer, and gymnastics. Her favorite Jewish activity is attending Herzl Camp every summer. Sadie attends St. Louis Park Middle School, where her favorite subjects are art and social studies. When asked about her upcoming Bat Mitzvah, Sadie said, "I am excited to share this special day with my friends and family."



**Leo Besikof** February 6, 2016

Leo is the son of Heather & Kevin Besikof; the grandson of Shirley & Marshall Besikof and Ann & Neil Covin; and the brother of Wesley. Leo enjoys tennis, snowboarding, hanging out with friends and cousins, and serving on the Kid Advisory Panel for the Cycle Health Organization. His favorite Jewish activity is attending Herzl Camp. Leo attends Hopkins North Junior High, where his favorite subject is math. When asked about his upcoming Bar Mitzvah, Leo said, "I look forward to celebrating with friends and family at my Bar Mitzvah."



Emily Irene Rudick February 13, 2016

Emily is the daughter of Lynn & David Rudick; granddaughter of Chelle & Art Rudick and Janet & the late Patrick Eckert; and the sister of Adam. Emily enjoys theater and playing softball. Her favorite Jewish activity is celebrating Chanukah. She attends Valley View Middle School in Edina, where her favorite subjects are social studies and theater. When she grows up she would like to be an actress. When asked about her upcoming Bat Mitzvah, Emily said "Iam super excited about my Bat Mitzvah! I've been working very hard and it is something I am proud of."



Melanie Anne Cohn February 27, 2016

Melanie is the daughter of Cara Helper & Herb Cohn; the granddaughter of Elizabeth & the late Rudolf Cohn and Bonnie & Michael Helper; and the sister of Tyler. Melanie enjoys practicing martial arts, spending time with friends, and watching movies. Her favorite Jewish activity is going to Herzl Camp. Melanie attends Central Middle School, where her favorite subject is math. When she grows up, she would like to be a doctor. When asked about her upcoming Bat Mitzvah, Melanie said, "I am nervous and excited."

# Construction Update



- · Installation of structural steel for the new building will begin just after the New Year.
- Concrete will be poured throughout mid-winter to create foundation slabs.
- In February, steel framework will be added to begin enclosing the new building.

Please visit our website at www.templeisrael.com to view the time-lapse video of the construction site, and to learn more about the latest project progress.



# **Honoring Our Pillars**

Over the decades, the Fiterman Building, the Nadler Atrium and the Jacobs Room have been at the heart of so much that has happened at Temple—joyous community gatherings, Friday night onegs, excitement at the beginning of the school year, and so much more. As these spaces are

removed or reconfigured in our newly designed and expanded building, we gratefully honor and thank those pillars of our community whose names are behind the spaces that impacted our entire congregation over so many years.

## Dolly & Edward Fiterman Building

When the need arose for a building addition to accommodate a growing congregation in the 1970s, Dolly & Edward Fiterman wanted to be involved. Edward was a civic and business leader, and a close friend of Temple's senior rabbis. Dolly was one of the community's most prominent arts patrons. "There was no question my parents would help," said daughter Kimberley Fiterman-Duepner. "Temple Israel was always at the

top of their philanthropic priorities." The Fitermans gave the first million dollar gift in Temple's history, and the Fiterman name became synonymous with the west entrance lobby. "My mother and father instilled in me the importance of being involved and giving back," Kimberley said. Today at age 92, Dolly continues to attend High Holy Days services with Kimberley, and the impact of the Fiterman legacy lives on.



Dolly & Edward (1903-1984) Fiterman with daughter Kimberley in 1978

## The Jacobs Room

As an entrepreneur and businessman, Irwin Jacobs knows how to build something from nothing. In 1911, his father Samuel Jacobs immigrated to Minneapolis from Russia and got his start in the grain business. By age 12, Irwin began working alongside his father, learning about business first hand. Irwin knew how to work hard and think big, and soon he was starting, building and growing businesses.

In the 1980s, Temple Israel was in the midst of a campaign to expand the Temple building to accommodate the growing congregation. Senior Rabbi



Max A. Shapiroz" turned to Irwin to support the project, and Irwin and the Jacobs family jumped in and said "yes." Today we gratefully thank the Jacobs family for having had the confidence and faith to invest in Temple's future. Generations of Temple leaders, families and youth have been the beneficiaries.

#### The Nadler Atrium



Edith (1919-2010) & George E. Nadler (1920-2011)

Over nearly seven decades, Temple Israel was central to the lives of Edith & George Nadler. "Even as they became active in civic affairs and engaged in growing their businesses, Temple is where my parents made lifelong friendships, brought us kids to Purim parties and to religious school every week, and where we prayed," said their son Charles "Chuck" Nadler. "My parents valued the Temple community and understood how important Temple's outreach is to the broader community. They wanted to be a part of supporting the congregation and keeping it on a firm economic foundation. Today, my parents would be delighted to know that their grandchildren and great grandchildren will be following in their footsteps in the new Temple building."



# L'Dor Vador Campaign

## Campaign Volunteer: Lindsay Holden

As Temple grows into its future, we are fortunate to have many members step up to help make the Temple vision and dreams a reality. Lindsay Holden, co-chair of the General Phase for the L'Dor Vador Campaign, is one such leader.

Lindsay is inspired by the improvements and transformations she sees happening through the campaign. "It feels like Temple is really committed to creating areas and moments that bring the community together and allow us to build lasting relationships with each other," she said.



Holden family

Lindsay feels most excited about her children's future at Temple. "George and Harriet will have a beautiful place in which to learn, worship, celebrate family and develop great friendships. My husband Blake and I are excited to raise Jewish children in an already strong community; one that I think will only be strengthened by investing in the place that is so central to many important events in our lives."

"I am honored and proud to give back to a place and a community that has given me so much over the years."

Our warmest thanks to Lindsay and all the volunteers who are working together to make our Temple the best it can be now and into the future.

## From the Campaign Chairs

## "A new chapter!"

As we mark a new calendar year, now is a time when we reflect on the year behind us and look ahead to see what the next year holds in store. For some, it might include sending a child off to college or planning a wedding; others might take that long awaited trip or accept a new job offer. At Temple Israel, we have an exciting year ahead of us, as well. In addition to the normal buzz of activity and life-cycle events happening around here, we will dedicate our newly renovated building in the fall. In the



Cindy & Joel Shapiro

meantime, we get to watch the excitement build as the project-the physical building and our capital campaign—heads toward completion.

We are truly thankful for the generosity of those who have already given to the L'Dor Vador campaign. For those we have not reached yet, you will be receiving a letter or phone call inviting your participation. We ask that you wait to make a decision regarding your gift until we contact you with more information about this historic undertaking. We cannot wait to share our excitement with the entire congregation as we seek to secure Temple's role as a leader in the community today and for generations to come.

> Wishing you and your family a happy and prosperous 2016. -Cindy & Joel Shapiro

# We Need Your Help!

Join Lindsay and other Temple volunteers to share information about our capital campaign with as many congregants as possible.

If you are willing to volunteer a few hours per week between now and March to help with the L'Dor Vador campaign, please contact us to learn more.

> Rachelle Bennett 612-374-0360 rbennett@templeisrael.com

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This list reflects gifts received through November 19, 2015. Gifts received after that date will be listed in subsequent issues of HaKol.

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Birthday of Nancy Brown Harriet Horwitz Memory of Michael Selib Karen & Frederick Malver

#### **DEBBIE'S DEN - DEBRA KIEFFER EISENBERG LEARNING RESOURCE**

Birth of Roni & Alan Gingold's granddaughter Birth of Kay & Bruce Goldstein's granddaughter Memory of Frances Rosen Cindy & Joel Shapiro

#### **EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

Oren & Sharron Steinfeldt Family Foundation

#### **FOOD SHELF FUND**

Eileen & Alvin Badiner Birthday of Arnold Ribnick Phyllis Chucker Birthday of Burton Cohn Recovery of Ardene Meshbesher Rosann Kahner Memory of Morris Cohen Memory of Sarah Feinstein Karen & Frederick Malver Memory of Sam Sarat Bonnie & Alan Ziskin

#### **RABBI JENNIFER S. GERTMAN DISCRETIONARY FUND**

Appreciation of Rabbi Gertman The Family of Esther Honkin

#### **CINDY KUNIN GINSBERG FAMILY** ASSISTANCE FUND

Birthday of Sid Bader Birthday of Arthur Lavintman Birthday of Leon Lerner Birthday of Mitchell Johnson Beverly & Paul Kunin

#### **RABBI SIM GLASER** DISCRETIONARY FUND

Appreciation of Rabbi Glaser Anna Escuder & Scott Hattis Judith Adams & Vladimir Leytes Arlene & Zvi Leibovich Carol Roemhild Dorrie & Perry Rosen Shari, Michael, Sophia, Adam and David Rothman

#### **EDWIN F. HARRIS PRESIDENTS' FUND**

Memory of Howard Harris Memory of Serene Harris Judith & Jon Harris

#### **ROSELEE & SIDNEY HASKOVITZ HEALING FUND**

Memory of Ida Bach Memory of Fred Ziman Marci, Shelby, Cassie and David Kaplan Jodi, Allison, Nathan and Russell Lind Beth & Mark Saliterman

#### JAMES M. KAHNER CAMP TEKO **SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Marriage of Dorothy & William Sipkin's granddaughter Rosann Kahner

#### **GEORGIA & IVAN KALMAN** LIBRARY FUND

Memory of David Oswald Memory of Muriel Schuman Georgia Kalman

#### L'DOR VADOR CAMPAIGN

Honor of Alan Silver receiving the Sidney Barrows Lifetime Commitment Award Janet & Joshua Arnold Memory of Everett Janssen Vicki Schraber & Larry Leventhal

#### JUDY SALLOWAY LADIN **MEMORIAL FUND**

Memory of Harlan Haimes Memory of Karen Shorr Robyn, Reid, Jordyn and Sophie Schwartz

#### **KLARA & SIGMUND MAIER EDUCATION FUND FOR INNER CITY YOUTH**

Recovery of Ruth Knelman Memory of Helen Weinstein Judith Luck Sher & Neal Sher

#### JAMI ALANNA MARKS TIKKUN **OLAM FUND**

lamos Hallfin Sheila Locketz

#### MEMORIAL PARK ENDOWMENT FUND

Memory of Jane Frank Pauline Gale

#### **ONEG AND FLORAL DONATIONS**

Bat Mitzvah of Haley Rosen Dorrie & Perry Rosen Memory of Jeffrey Belzer Ellyn Wolfenson & Michael Belzer and family Memory of Jane Schapiro

#### **JEANNE & STEVE PRAWER EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND**

Memory of Glenn Charney Sharon & Gerald Schraber

Karen & Frederick Malver

#### SCHOLARSHIPS-RELIGIOUS/ **HEBREW SCHOOL**

Oren & Sharron Steinfeldt Family Foundation

#### **SPECIAL PROJECTS**

Temple Archive

Marjorie & Charles Ostrov

#### **CAMP TEKO ENDOWMENT FUND**

Memory of Glenn Charney Noreen & Bernie Milstein

#### TEMPLE ISRAEL ENDOWMENT FUND

Anniversary of Bonnie & David Blumberg Peggy & Ira Denenholz Bat Mitzvah of Ruth Hornstein Carol Scal Birth of Aron Simms

Honor of Michael Belzer receiving the Diehl Award Sherri & Larry Feuer Birthday of Barbara Sigel

Judy & Herbert Goldenberg Marriage of Ellen & Steve Engelson Andrea Kaufman & James Jacobson

Honor of Alan Silver receiving the Sidney Barrows Lifetime Commitment Award Linda & David Estrin

Marriage of Elyse Feuer & Doug Martin Carol & Alan Shapiro

Memory of Herman Birnberg Susan & Hart Kuller

Memory of Glenn Charney Lisa Akerson and the

Coloplast Care Advisor Team

The Gale Family Joey & Jerry Laurie Nancy Skadron Memory of Bess Stein Mischa Dworsky

#### STEPHAN LARSEN WOLF MEMORIAL **MEALS ON WHEELS FUND**

Birthday of Anne Wolf Birthday of Idy Garvis Judith Belzer & Jeremy Waldman Memory of Stephan Larsen Wolf Diane & Jon Rappaport

#### YOUTH PROGRAMS **ENDOWMENT FUND**

Memory of Sheila Cohen Marjorie & Michael Earhart Memory of Glenn Charney Helen & Gary Teper Alexandra & Jeffrey Teper

#### YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP **ENDOWMENT FUND**

Diane & Duane Tangeman

#### **RABBI MARCIA A. ZIMMERMAN DISCRETIONARY FUND**

Appreciation of Rabbi Zimmerman Janet & Joshua Arnold Mira Simon & Charlie Christensen Sherri & Larry Feuer Ilyne & Mark Ravich Memory of Herman Birnberg Memory of Glenn Charney Sandra & Sheldon Olkon Memory of Glenn Charney Gail Finney

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Thank you to our generous congregants and friends for donations and in-kind gifts.

Donation of coffee for the Anshei Mitzvah Kiddush Lissie Rappaport Schifman & Jim Schifman

# Temple Israel's Early Childhood Center

Come be a part of the ECC's inaugural year in Temple's brand-new education center!



#### Registration Begins Monday, January 4 for the 2016 - 2017 School Year

Registration materials will be mailed to Temple members with children who will be 16 months old through pre-kindergarten.

Priority registration for Temple members is January 4 - 15! Spots fill fast, so visit soon. We offer discounted rates to members of Temple Israel.

Please contact ECC Director Liv Anderson at 612-374-0334 or liv@templeisrael.com for more information. We'd love to set up a tour for you to see our wonderful program in action.

Be a part of the fun and excitement!





# Camp





June 20-July 1 (Day Camp)

#### **MACCABI MADNESS**

July 5-8 (Day Camp)

#### **SESSION BET**

July 11-22 (Day + Overnight Camp)

#### SESSION GIMMEL

July 25-August 12 (Day + Overnight Camp)

www.TEKO.org 612-374-0321





# 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 2016. To nominate an extraordinary volunteer you know, please email the following to Amy Griffiths at agriffiths@templeisrael.com or call 612-374-0324.

Your name • Your phone number • Name of Nominee • Reasons for nominating

Nominations are due by Friday, February 12.









# Call for Candidates: Temple Israel Board of Directors



The Temple Israel Board of Directors Nominating Committee is now assembling a slate of candidates for officers and directors for election at the Annual Meeting in June. You may nominate yourself or other members of the congregation. We seek candidates with diverse areas of interest and expertise who wish to serve the Temple Israel congregation.

To download a copy of the Nomination Form, please visit the Temple website at www.templeisrael.com.

Completed Nomination Forms may be emailed or mailed to Alan Silver, Nominating Committee Chair, at asilver@bassford.com, or Alan Silver, 4320 - 25th Street West, St. Louis Park, MN 55416.

For information about the roles and responsibilities of Board members, and for information about the Nominating Committee process, please contact Alan Silver at asilver@bassford.com or 612-376-1634.

# **Sharing Our Lives**

#### **Anniversaries**

5 <sup>th</sup>	Micki Herman Kay & Neil Kay	2/4
15 <sup>th</sup>	Lissie Rappaport Schifman & Jim Schifman	n 1/1
$20^{\text{th}}$	Joyce & David Peifer	2/29
$20^{\text{th}}$	Heidi & Brian Wasserman	2/24
25 <sup>th</sup>	Nora & Dave Tillman	1/20
35 <sup>th</sup>	Dianne & Noel Korengold	2/28
35 <sup>th</sup>	Susan & Jim Miller	2/14
45 <sup>th</sup>	Perri & Stephen Levitus	2/7
45 <sup>th</sup>	Roberta & Howard Liszt	2/14
55 <sup>th</sup>	Dorothy & Leonard Levin	1/22
55 <sup>th</sup>	Rosemarie & Mort Ryweck	2/4
60 <sup>th</sup>	Hilarie & Norman Stein	1/22

#### **New Members**

Renee & Steve Fine

Mara Locketz and Dan Pease

## In Memory

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

Edward Applebaum, Father of George (Joanne) Applebaum

Hyman Berman, Husband of Betty Berman

Susan Gleekel Hallfin

Mel Narvey, Father of Roberta Kravitz

Alvin Perlman, Husband of Esther "June" Perlman

Muriel Schuman, Sister of Elaine Rogin

Michael Selib, Brother of Nancy Brown

Lorraine Martin Winters, Sister of Cerna Gendler

#### Mazel Tov To...

- Kelsey & Marc Baumel on the birth of their baby, Sydney Grace Baumel, who was born on August 30, 2015. Sydney's grandparents are Susan & Andrew Baumel and Nancy & Jeff Hans.
- Lily & Ari Beilin on the birth of their daughter, Zoe Beilin, on October 2, 2015. Zoe's adoring grandparents are Deborah & David Knopman and Stephanie & George Beilin.

- Julie Burton, who has written a new book: The Self-Care Solution-A Modern Mother's Essential Guide to Health and Well-Being.
- Ken Cutler, who was reelected to a three-year term as Managing Partner of Dorsey & Whitney, LLP.
- Lindsay & Shahar Dahan on the birth of their son, Rafael Jacob Dahan, on November 20, 2015. Rafael's brothers, Kelton and Kegan, are excited to welcome their new baby brother. Rafael's grandparents are Beryl & Tim Guy from Des Moines, Iowa, and Malka & Yacov Dahan from L'havim.
- June Garber Cheng and Ron Garber on the birth of their baby, Yael Lan Garber, on November 6, 2015. Yael's proud grandparents are Michal & Micah Garber and Huiling Zhu & Xiaotao Cheng.
- Kay & Bruce Goldstein, proud grandparents of Jordyn Natalie Goldstein, who was born October 31, 2015 to Michelle & Aaron Goldstein. Jordyn's maternal grandparents are Loretta & the late Joel Blue.
- Samuel & Jeremy Hanson Willis on the birth of their daughter, Dahlia Lucille, on November 10. Dahlia's grandparents Maxine & Clodius Willis and Elaine & Jim Hanson are all celebrating her arrival.
- Vicky & Rob Kent on the birth of their grandson, Ezra Yasuke Aaron, who was born on November 12, 2015. Ezra's parents, Liz & Ben Aaron, live in Irvine, California. Ezra's brother Alexander is excited to have a new best pal.
- Shana & John Klesk on the birth of their daughter, Lauren Jo Klesk, on November 19, 2015. Lauren's sister is Michaela, and her grandparents are Heidi & Jeff Petty. Lauren and Michaela will have a shared Hebrew naming ceremony
- Joey Knelman, son of Suzanne & Kip Knelman and grandson of Ruth Knelman, who received his PhD in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology from the University of Colorado, Boulder. He has accepted a position with the Joint Genomics Institute in Walnut Creek, California.
- Jason Krause, son of Marjorie & Steve Krause, on his engagement to Betsy Gomez.
- Barry Rubin, whose limited edition artist-designed pens were featured in the Minneapolis Star Tribune in November.
- Sophie Bea Stillman, daughter of Debbie & Jed Stillman, and granddaughter of Eloise & Elliot Kaplan, Rachael Freed, Joy Greenberg & Marshall Levin, and Chelle & Marvin Stillman, has been accepted at Hebrew University in Jerusalem and named one of only forty international fellows in the elite 2016 Nachshon Project, an Israel-based immersion program for young Jewish leaders.

## Temple Israel is saving trees and resources—

# by recycling organics!

For almost a year, Temple has been collecting organic waste for recycling. Funded by a grant from Hennepin County, we purchased new green organics recycling containers for spaces throughout the building. You have probably seen them in the restrooms-paper towels are organic! You have probably seen them in Jacobs-paper napkins, toothpicks, and food scraps are organic! You have probably seen them in the lobby-paper coffee cups and cardboard sleeves are organic! If you have gathered with family and friends at a Bar or Bat Mitzvah luncheon, you may have seen them in the kitchen-most of the waste from these celebratory meals is organic!

Each week, Temple disposes of almost two cubic yards of organic waste, and we hope you will help us reach our goal of increasing that amount to three cubic yards by the end of 2016-that's three cubic yards a week, or 156 cubic yards a year, of waste that will be diverted from a garbage burner or landfill.

Each year, Tu BiSh'vat gives us the opportunity to renew our commitment to environmental awareness and "green" habits. The next time you are at Temple, look for the green organics containers and the blue recycling containers throughout the building. As you celebrate the New Year for Trees, we hope you will commit with us to recycling organics whenever you come to Temple.



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# Join us as we honor the holiday of Tu BiSh'vat every day!