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**Rabbi Sim Glaser**

Friends,

The month of April features the Jewish holidays of Yom HaShoah, Yom HaZikaron and Yom HaAtzma-ut, 20th century additions to the Jewish calendar. In our commemorations of these days we move from the sadness of

Holocaust remembrance to honoring fallen Israeli soldiers and then to the peak experience of the establishment of the state of Israel.

Sixty-two years since its birth Israel still fuels us with amazing spirit and strength of purpose, provides our families with ultimate Jewish experiences and provides a centerpiece, a hub if you will, for worldwide Jewry. Our

children travel there at a pivotal time in their lives and come back imbued with not only the spirit of Zionism but with a renewed sense of what it means to be a Jew.

I recently finished reading *Start Up Nation – The Story of Israel’s Economic Miracle* by Dan Senor and Saul Singer. What a thrill-ride-page-turner of a book celebrating the chutzpah, dynamism, guts, initiative and creativity of Israeli entrepreneurs as they develop some of the most remarkable products over the six-plus decades of Israel’s existence. Drip agriculture increasing crop yield by up to 50% using 40% less water; a pill containing a video camera; the initial development of the Intel microprocessor; electric cars with battery replacement stations; instant messaging...to name only a handful.

Israel continues to be held to a high standard, for the development of its land, for the treatment of its neighbors and for the gifts it offers to the world. Rabbi Yitz Greenberg, whom I had the honor of studying with at a recent rabbinical retreat, is fond of saying “if Israel is 5% better than the rest of the

world then we will be an ‘or la goyim,’ a light unto the nations. If Israel is 25% better, Messiah will come. And if it is 50% better it’s dead.” Such has always been the role of the enterprising Jew in human history.

An interesting illustration of this concept is in Israel’s response to the earthquake in Haiti. As soon as word of the devastation spread, Israel began to organize rescue teams, medical squads, temporary hospitals and machines to rescue those buried in the rubble. Weirdly enough, criticism of

Israel’s motives began almost as rapidly as the rescue efforts. Did Israel dash to Haiti to get good quick PR? Does Israel use such tragedies as a means to train its forces on medical rescuing and providing treatments?

Why does Israel care so much about the Haitians and not about the ruins of Gaza? Some of this criticism came out of Israel itself. But this wasn’t the first time that Israel had responded to a nation in crisis. It is almost as if such action is in our national DNA.

The concern for Israel’s struggles and its future are real and profound. But in this season of celebration we should remind ourselves that this way we have of looking at the positive possibilities and forging ahead works as well for a young entrepreneur with an exciting new product of global impact as it does for a nation that cares about suffering in the world beyond its own borders. Israel cannot function fully when it is constantly struggling to defend itself. Given the cushion of peace and prosperity, however, Israel will grow to be a beacon of light to a world in need of light.

Something every Jew can be proud of. B’virkat Shalom - With Blessings of Peace,

*Rabbi Sim Glaser*

Rabbi Sim Glaser

**Information about the events connected with Yom HaShoah, Yom HaZikaron and Yom HaAtzma-ut can be found on our ‘Calendar of Events’ page on our Temple website.**



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# What's Happening

## April Worship Services

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### Friday, April 2

- 6:00 p.m. Tot Shabbat Service  
8:00 p.m. Shabbat Service

### Saturday, April 3

- 9:00 a.m. Torah Study for the Shabbat during Passover  
10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service

### Monday, April 5

- 10:30 a.m. Congregational Passover Healing Service

### Friday, April 9

- 6:00 p.m. Shabbat Service with Scholar-in-Residence Rabbi Reuven Firestone

### Saturday, April 10

- 9:00 a.m. Torah Study with Scholar-in-Residence Rabbi Reuven Firestone  
10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service including the Bat Mizvah of Libby Jacobson; Rabbi Firestone will speak from the bimah

### Friday, April 16

- 6:00 p.m. Nefesh Shabbat Service

### Saturday, April 17

- 9:00 a.m. Torah Study & Service—Tazria–M'tzora, Leviticus 12:1—15:33 followed by a Kiddush sponsored by Men's Club  
9:15 a.m. Bar Mitzvah of Noah Goldstein  
11:15 a.m. Bar Mitzvah of Myles Moss

### Friday, April 23

- 6:00 p.m. Shabbat Service

### Saturday, April 24

- 9:00 a.m. Torah Study—Acharei Mot–K'doshim, Leviticus 16:1–20:27  
9:15 a.m. Bat Mitzvah of Sophia Frank  
11:15 a.m. Bar Mitzvah of Benjamin Schribman

### Friday, April 30

- 6:00 p.m. Shabbat Service

## Counting the Omer E-List

### Daily Reflections, March 31 - May 18

Join our community e-list to count the days and weeks between Passover and Shavuot (March 31 – May 18). Each daily e-mail includes a quote from Jewish sources for reflection. To participate send an e-mail to [e-learning@templeisrael.com](mailto:e-learning@templeisrael.com).

## Torah Study

### Every Saturday, 9:00 a.m.

Join in an instructive and spirited discussion of the week's Torah portion led by Rabbis Zimmerman, Glaser and Saks, as well as occasional guest teachers. Come when you can. Torah Study is free and open to all.

## Congregational Shabbat Morning Service

### Saturday, April 3, 10:30 a.m.

Join members of our congregation as we guide one another through a musical Shabbat morning service with a Torah service and d'rash.

## Congregational Passover Healing Service

### Monday, April 5, 10:30 a.m.

Join our clergy for a congregational Passover healing service which will include the Yizkor Memorial Service. A Kiddush will follow the service.

## Strategic Planning Town Hall Forum

**Part of a large-scale strategic planning process designed to pave the way for Temple's future**

### Wednesday, April 7, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

We need your voice as we move forward in creating and perpetuating our dream for the future of Temple Israel. Whether you see yourself as an active participant in the discussion or an earnest listener, an empty-nester or the parent of a pre-schooler, a Temple lay leader or someone who walks through our doorway once or twice a year, we need you, we need everyone...it is important for all of us to hear one another as we move forward together.

The members of the Temple Israel Strategic Planning Task Force, under the leadership of co-chairs Dan Ribnick and Ellie Zimmerman, invite you to participate in a World Café-style Town Hall Forum to share information and elicit your opinions as we begin to shape Temple's future direction.

We hope you will join us on this provocative journey. **Come, let your voice be heard!** Please RSVP to Regan McCormack at [rmccormack@templeisrael.com](mailto:rmccormack@templeisrael.com) or 612-374-0314, or feel free to just show up.

# What's Happening

## THE RABBI MAX A. SHAPIRO RABBINIC LECTURESHIP

**Rabbi Reuven Firestone, Ph.D.**

*Professor of Medieval Jewish and Islamic Studies, HUC-JIR, Los Angeles*

**Shalom, Salaam...**

**What Every Jew Wants and Needs to Know about Islam**



Reuven Firestone is Professor of Medieval Jewish and Islamic Studies at HUC-JIR, Los Angeles and is Co-Director of the Center for Muslim-Jewish Engagement (CMJE), a joint program of Hebrew Union College, the Omar Ibn Al-Khattab Foundation and the Center for Religion and Civic Culture at the University of Southern California.

Professor Firestone's specialties are early Islam and its relationship with Jews and Judaism, scriptural interpretation of the Bible and Qur'an, and the phenomenon of holy war.

### Friday, April 9

**6:00 p.m.** Shabbat Evening Service

Rabbi Firestone will speak from the bimah

**WHO ARE THE REAL CHOSEN PEOPLE?**

**7:30 p.m.** Shabbat Dinner and Study Session

**WHO ARE THE REAL CHOSEN PEOPLE?**

**The Meaning of Chosenness in Judaism, Christianity and Islam.**

*Reservations are required for \$20 adult fish dinner or \$7 child pasta dinner.*

### Saturday, April 10

**9:00 a.m.** Torah Study

**THE QUR'AN AND THE BIBLE:**

**Scripture and Interpretation in Islam**

**10:30 a.m.** Congregational Shabbat Morning Service

Libby Jacobson will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah

Rabbi Firestone will speak from the bimah

**SHALOM, SALAAM:**

**One Holy Land, Two Holy Peoples**

**12:30 p.m.** Scholar Lunch and Learn

**THE FIVE PILLARS OF ISLAM:**

**An Introduction to Islam and Its Relationship with Judaism**

*Reservations are required for \$10 lunch.*

### Sunday, April 11

**9:00 a.m.** Sunday Morning Forum

**DIVINE AUTHORITY AND MASS VIOLENCE:**

**Holy War in Judaism, Christianity and Islam**

*Free and open to all*

*Co-sponsored by the Temple Israel Men's Club*

To make a reservation for dinner or lunch, contact Wendy Schwartz at 612-374-0344 or [wswartz@templeisrael.com](mailto:wswartz@templeisrael.com). Please send your check, payable to Temple Israel, 2324 Emerson Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55405.

*Sponsored by the Rabbi Max A. Shapiro Rabbinic Lectureship Fund, Doris & Leo<sup>z</sup>l Hodroff, the family of George & Edith<sup>z</sup>l Nadler, and The Jay & Rose Phillips Family Foundation.*

## 2010 Twin Cities Annual Yom HaShoah Holocaust Commemoration

**Sunday, April 11, 7:00 p.m. at Mount Zion Temple in St. Paul, Minnesota**

More information about this event can be found on the 'Calendar of Events' page on our website.

## Everything You Want to Know about the Secret Lives of Your Children without Reading their Diaries

**Monday, April 12, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

Join our youth education department for a parent-only program with special guest speaker Scott Fried. Scott is a motivational speaker and author of three books for teens. This talk will reveal the secrets most teens would like to keep from their parents. We will discuss specific ideas and techniques on parenting a teenager through this difficult time of adolescent angst.

Scott Fried will meet individually with Jewish 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Graders at Whole Foods in Calhoun Commons on Sunday, April 11 at 6:30 p.m. More information about this event can be found on the 'Calendar of Events' page on our website.

## The Garden of the Finzi-Continis Why a Jewish Opera?

**Monday, April 12 at 7:00 p.m.**

You won't want to miss this opportunity to meet world renowned composer Ricky Ian Gordon and librettist Michael Korie! Ricky and Michael will be coming to Temple Israel—all the way from New York City—to discuss their forthcoming opera, *The Garden of the Finzi-Continis*, premiering at the Minnesota Opera in 2011. While Jewish themes are prevalent in theater, film and novels, there are few operas about Jewish life.

Last fall, over 150 people attended Temple Israel's screening of the movie of the same title. On April 12 noted opera expert and Temple Israel member Phil Gainsley will moderate the discussion of the birth of this new opera set in Ferrara, Italy during the Holocaust. Singers will perform excerpts from the new work.

## Women of Reform Judaism Midwest District's 2010 Kallah

**April 16 - April 18, 2010**

Visit the 'Calendar of Events' page on Temple's website for registration information.

## Youth Sleep-Out to Help End Homelessness at "A Night on the Street"

Friday, April 16 - Saturday, April 17 at  
Plymouth Congregational Church

Temple Israel's 9th & 10th graders and TIPTY members are invited to join us to raise awareness about teen homelessness at "A Night on the Street." Teens should register with Laurel Herold at [lherold@templeisrael.com](mailto:lherold@templeisrael.com) or 612-374-0349.

## Guest Speaker Helmut Zack

Friday, April 16, 6:00 p.m.

Born in 1924 in East Prussia, Germany, Helmut Zack experienced Kristalnacht and survived the Holocaust. Mr. Zack will speak during the Shabbat service about his personal experiences of the Holocaust.

## Men's Club Forum, Sports with Marc Rosen

Sunday, April 18, 9:00 a.m.

Who's the Vikings' quarterback? Will the Twins do as well at Target Field (what is that turf anyway)? Talk to Marc Rosen about the Gopher's recruiting. All topics will be addressed. "I don't care about MN sports," you say? Don't let that keep you away! There is a lot more discussed here than just sports. As always, breakfast is courtesy of Men's Club.

## Screening of *Bewoket: By the Will of God*

Sunday, April 18, 12:00 p.m. at the Sabes JCC

*Bewoket: By the Will of God* will be shown as part of the Sabes JCC Jewish Film Festival, which occurs April 8 - 18. Each year 10,000 orphans die in Ethiopia; Bewoket was one who survived—with the help of Dr. Rick Hodes, who will speak after the film. Please visit [www.mplsjff.org](http://www.mplsjff.org) for more information.

## New Horizons Event

Sunday, April 18, 5:30 p.m.

New Horizons engages Temple members 60 and over; men and women, single and married, for socializing and fun. Are you looking to meet new friends? Join Temple's New Horizons Group. See page 10 for more information.

Join us Sunday, April 18 for an evening of worship, dinner and entertainment. Members of the *The Edgewater Eight* will sing jazzy and nostalgic tunes of yester-year.

## Yom HaZikaron, Israel's Memorial Day

Sunday, April 18, 7:00 p.m. at the Sabes JCC

Join our community and commemorate Israel's fallen

soldiers. For more information contact Noga Shavit at 952-381-3551 or [nshavit@mplsfed.org](mailto:nshavit@mplsfed.org).

## Sisterhood Spring Meeting and Dinner Meet Sandra Brick: Textured Elements

Wednesday, April 21, 6:00 p.m. at Temple Israel

Meet Sandra Brick, a Twin Cities artist, whose work can be seen in the Minneapolis Institute of Art, fine art galleries and shops. Her art is multi-dimensional. Sandra will share how the study of Torah informs her art. She will also exhibit some of her pieces at this very special event. Seating is limited. Please RSVP by April 7 for \$15, late RSVPs cost \$20. Your check is your reservation. Please send your check, payable to Temple Israel Sisterhood, to Bonnie Blumberg, 1614 Oregon Ave. S., St. Louis Park, MN 55426. Contact Bonnie at 952-544-7375 for more information.

## Yom HaAtzma-ut

Israel's 62nd Independence Day

Wednesday, April 21, 6:00 p.m. at the Sabes JCC

Bring the whole family for music, dancing, great food and fun. For more information contact Noga Shavit at 952-381-3551 or [nshavit@mplsfed.org](mailto:nshavit@mplsfed.org).

## Highlights in Jewish History

Saturday, April 24, 10:30 a.m.

Dr. Joe Goldman will lead a lively discussion, *From having dominion to caring for creation: How environmentalism has developed in Judaism and Israel*.

## Sisterhood Mah Jongg

Sunday, April 25, 1:00 p.m., Offsite

Let's Play Mah Jongg! Bring a snack to share. Please RSVP to Marcy Frost at [frostm@moss-barnett.com](mailto:frostm@moss-barnett.com) or 612-877-5338. Please check our 'Calendar of Events' page on our website for location information.

## Sisterhood Races for the Cure

Sunday, May 9

Real men think pink! Fathers, grandfathers, brothers and sons, honor the mothers in your lives on Mother's Day by participating in Temple Israel Sisterhood Friends & Family Race for the Cure Team. Register, walk, run, or contribute to join the battle against breast cancer.

Sisterhood is kicking up our participation several notches this year with a goal of 500 registrants, so pass this information on to friends and family. Register and contribute to the Temple Israel Sisterhood team online at [www.komenminnesota.org](http://www.komenminnesota.org). Contact Arlene for more information at 952-935-8500 or [nbr1ma@aol.com](mailto:nbr1ma@aol.com).

# Jewish Learning @ Temple Israel

Spring 2010 / 5770

“When I pray, I speak to God; When I study, God speaks to me.” - Rabbi Louis Finkelstein, z”l

**Mondays, April 26, May 3 and 10, 2010, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.**

**Fee: \$36 per person** (includes a book for your Jewish library) • **Please register by Friday, April 16, 2010**

*Choose ONE of these three-session courses taught by our clergy, congregational and community scholars.*

*All courses are open to everyone. Classes may be closed or cancelled due to the number of registrations.*

*In the spirit of Tikkun Olam, please donate soft-cover books to the Women’s Prison Book Project on any night of JL@TI. They provide women in prison with free reading material.*

## GIVE MY REGARDS TO BROADWAY: HOW JEWISH COMPOSERS SHAPED THEATER MUSIC

**INSTRUCTOR: CANTOR BARRY ABELSON**

From Gershwin to Comden and Green to Rodgers and Hammerstein, we will explore the melodies that have become the hallmark of our theatrical culture. These composers infused their music with elements of their Jewish heritage. Come hear songs performed, listen to classic recordings and sing together as we tip our hats to the great Jewish voices of Broadway.

*Cantor Barry Abelson is the Cantor at Temple Israel.*

## GEMS FROM THE KABBALAH

**INSTRUCTOR: RABBI SIM GLASER**

Open to all students who want to expand their understanding of Jewish mysticism or explore it for the first time. Rabbi Glaser will survey some of the most intriguing ideas in Jewish mysticism. Among the topics covered: the sefirot, Lurianic Kabbalah, Gematria (numerology), Hasidic mysticism, Alef-bet mysticism, meditation and selections from the Zohar. A good introductory class, but also fun for those who want to re-engage with Kabbalah.

*Rabbi Sim Glaser is an Associate Rabbi at Temple Israel.*

## REEL THEOLOGY: ENCOUNTERS WITH LEGACY AND MEMORY IN POP CULTURE

**INSTRUCTOR: RABBI JARED SAKS**

What role can popular culture play in the sacred study of Judaism? In this class we’ll use film, television, radio, and the written word to explore how we choose to be remembered and the ways in which we remember others.

*Rabbi Jared Saks is an Associate Rabbi at Temple Israel.*

## MYSTERIES OF THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS

**INSTRUCTOR: DR. ALEX JASSEN**

Prepare for the Science Museum of Minnesota’s exhibition on the Dead Sea Scrolls. Have you ever wondered about the Dead Sea Scrolls and the controversy surrounding them? Join us to learn about the scrolls and their importance for the history of the Bible, Judaism and Christianity. We’ll discuss the authors of the Dead Sea Scrolls and explore the controversies surrounding their discovery, publication and interpretation.

*Dr. Alex Jassen is an Assistant Professor of Early Judaism in the Department of Classical and Near Eastern Studies and a member of the Center for Jewish Studies at the University of Minnesota. He is a consultant to the SMM Dead Sea Scrolls exhibition.*

## USING JEWISH VALUES TO TALK ABOUT DIFFICULT SUBJECTS WITH YOUR CHILDREN

**INSTRUCTOR: BARBARA ‘MUFFY’ RUDNICK**

*This class is sponsored by Temple Israel Sisterhood as part of their Parenting series.*

Most parents invite their kids to talk to them about anything and everything. But let’s face it...some topics are easier to talk about than others. This class will focus on talking with your kids about money, risky behaviors, and other difficult subjects from a Jewish parenting perspective.

*Barbara Rudnick is the Program Manager for Family Life Education at Jewish Family and Children’s Service of Minneapolis and is President of the Board of Trustees at Temple Israel. She has 30 years experience creating programs and teaching adults on issues of family life, parenting, interfaith, grief, loss, change, transition and Jewish healing.*

### SPRING 2010 JL@TI REGISTRATION FORM

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to receive e-mail notifications of adult Jewish learning events at Temple Israel?  Yes  No

Would you like to receive e-learning daily reflections for the Omer and the month of Elul?  Yes  No

Are you a Temple Israel member?  Yes  No

#### Spring 2010 JL@TI Classes: Registration Deadline Friday, April 16, 2010

(Choose ONE)

\$36 per person \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Give My Regards to Broadway: How Jewish Composers Shaped Theater Music
- Gems from the Kabbalah
- Reel Theology: Encounters with Legacy and Memory in Pop Culture
- Mysteries of the Dead Sea Scrolls
- Using Jewish Values to Talk about Difficult Subjects with Your Children

Included is a contribution to support the participation of others \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarships/payment plans available, send me a scholarship/payment plan form

**Total enclosed (Make checks payable to Temple Israel.)** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

#### Return Registration and Payment to:

Wendy Schwartz, Adult Learning Coordinator  
Temple Israel, 2324 Emerson Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55405  
612-374-0344 • wschwartz@templeisrael.com

# 2010 Board Slate

## Temple Israel Officers and Directors Nominated

The Nominating Committee is pleased to submit the following slate of nominees for election at the Annual Meeting of the congregation in accordance with Article IV, Sections 4.1.a and 4.1.c, Article V, Section 5.1; and Article VII, Section 7.6 of the Bylaws.

### Officers Nominated for a One-Year Term (2010-2011)

**President:** Barbara (Muffy) Rudnick\*

**Vice President:** Sherri Feuer\*

**Treasurer:** Lennie Kaufman\*

### Directors Nominated for a Two-Year Term (2010-2012)

Helaine Bolter

Rick Ross\*

Roberta Bonoff

Alan Silver

Howard Kaplan

### Directors Nominated for a One-Year Term (2010-2011)

Sandy Donaldson\*, *Temple Israel Foundation Representative*

Lil Fallek, *Auxiliaries Representative*

### Continuing Board Members

Andy Gellman

Steve Levie\*

Stuart Goldenberg

Larry Schoenfeld

Mindy Isaacs\*

### Immediate Past Board President

Howard Zack\*

### Non-Voting Members

Myra Giesener, *ex officio* as Chief Operating Officer\*

Miriam Seidenfeld, *ex officio* as Executive Director\*

Rabbi Marcia Zimmerman, *ex officio* as Senior Rabbi\*

**Respectfully submitted and presented to the Board of Directors at its February 17, 2010 and March 17, 2010, meetings by the Nominating Committee:** Michael Hoffman, Chair; Larry Chestler, Mark Chodosh, Mindy Isaacs, Steve Levie, Jill Marks, Elizabeth Nirenstein, Ellyn Wolfenson and Howard Zack.

The Annual Meeting of the congregation is scheduled for June 4, 2010, at 5:45 p.m. prior to Shabbat services at which time the slate of Officers and Directors will be presented to the congregation for election. Article XI, Section 11.1.g of the Bylaws provides for alternate nominations for any position to be made by written petition of at least 150 Members in good standing filed with the President at least 15 days prior to the Annual Meeting.

*\*Nominated (and ex officio) Members of the Emergency Action Committee to be elected.*

## Camp Haverim is right around the corner!

Registration is open for this excellent summer option for your child age 16 months - 5 years old! We will play, laugh, and learn as we do everything from frolicking in the sprinklers to creating art and experimenting with science!

We hope you will join us for one or more of our thrilling three-week sessions that will begin on June 1, 2010!

For more information, please contact our Early Childhood Center office at 612-374-0334.



## Upcoming Youth and Education Dates for APRIL

1	B'nai Mitzvah Training	12/13	Hebrew School resumes
1 - 6	No ECC: Passover/Spring Break	14	10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Class with Scott Fried
1 - 8	No Religious or Hebrew School: Passover/Spring Break	16/17	"Night on the Street" at Plymouth Congregational Church This is a required event for all 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Kallah participants. This event is also open to all TIPTYites.
7	ECC: School Resumes		
	10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Class		
7/8	B'nai Mitzvah Training		
10	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Family Ed Seminar at Camp TEKO 11:30 - 3:30 p.m.	17	Religious School Pre-K Class
10/11	Religious School Resumes	18	7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Program
11	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Family Education Program	19	TIPTY Hang-Out Night
	TIPTY Board Meeting	22-25	NFTY No Spring Kallah Milwaukee, WI
11	7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Program	28	10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Class: Service Rehearsal, Class Picture and Make-up Work Due 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Scott Fried Program (Parents/Students)		
12	8 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade Program with Scott Fried (Parents Only) 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	30	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Shabbat Dinner and Service



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# Uniongrams and Goldengrams

## Temple Israel Confirmation Class 5770/2009-2010

*The Shavuot Confirmation Ceremony will be held Wednesday, May 19, 2010*

Now is the time to order Confirmation Uniongrams and Goldengrams. Each Uniongram and Goldengram contains a special congratulatory message with your name and address. The Sisterhood volunteers will sign your name and your address to each individual Uniongram and Goldengram you wish to send. All proceeds benefit the Women of Reform Judaism, The Federation of Temple Sisterhoods' Youth, Education and Special Projects (YES) Fund.



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For more information, please contact: **Jane Kirshbaum** at (952) 933-4004 or [jkirsh64@kirshbaum.com](mailto:jkirsh64@kirshbaum.com) or **David Sussman** at 763-374-4486 or [dsussman@comcast.net](mailto:dsussman@comcast.net).

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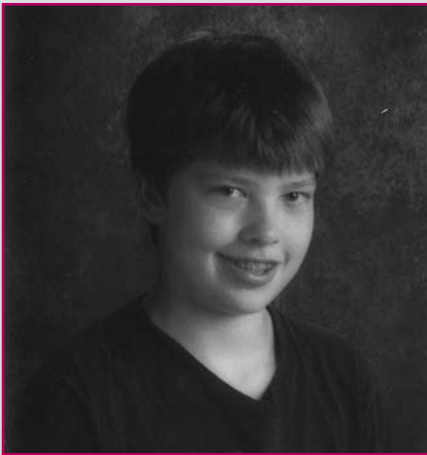
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**Noah Perry Goldstein**  
April 17, 2010

**Tazria-M'tzora** Noah is the son of Linda & Steven Goldstein; grandson of Sandy & Julius Berezovsky and Beverly & Herbert Goldstein; brother of Zoe. Noah enjoys playing lacrosse and ultimate Frisbee. He also enjoys karate and earned his black belt. Noah takes pride in participating in the Temple Israel Na'aseh V'nishma program. At Hopkins North Junior High School his favorite subjects are math and social studies. When Noah grows up he wants to become an architect. When asked about his Bar Mitzvah, Noah said "It's hard work, but it's worth it."



**Myles Emerson Moss**  
April 17, 2010

**Tazria-M'tzora** Myles is the son of Julie & Scott Moss; grandson of Wanda & Arnold Moss, ElsaBeth Crohn and Norman Tolchiner; brother of Maxwell. Myles enjoys outdoor sports such as biking and skiing. He loves karate and has earned his blue belt. He takes pride in volunteering at mitzvah sites. At Wayzata East Middle School, where Myles is the school mascot, his favorite class is writing. When he grows up Myles wants to be a salesman. When asked about his Bar Mitzvah, Myles said "I am excited to have all my family and friends join me at Temple Israel for my Bar Mitzvah."



**Sophia Pearl Frank**  
April 24, 2010

**Acharei Mot-K'doshim** Sophie is the daughter of Debra Blindman-Frank & Luther Frank; granddaughter of Joanne Blindman & the late Bruce Blindman, and Ethel Van Ryswyk & the late Douglas Frank; sister of Beatrice and Charley. Sophie enjoys playing hockey and softball. She takes pride in being a teaching assistant for Temple Israel's kindergarten classes. At North Junior High Sophie's favorite subjects are math and orchestra and she earned the Academic Achievement Award for her 4.0 GPA. When asked about her Bat Mitzvah, Sophie said "I'm excited to share this day with my friends and family."



**Benjamin Maxwell Schribman**  
April 24, 2010

**Acharei Mot-K'doshim** Benjamin is the son of Shannon & David Schribman; grandson of Eileen & Jeff Silver, Bernice Chorney & Ernie Naruzny, and Patty & Arnie Schribman; brother of Alexandra. Ben enjoys soccer, reading, playing the baritone and chess. He also enjoys karate and earned his black belt. Ben takes pride in volunteering at charity events with the 7th/8th grade program at Temple Israel. When asked about his Bar Mitzvah, Ben said, "I feel proud and happy that I have reached this milestone, and I am excited to share this special day with family and friends."

## Temple Historical Photos to be Accessible on the Web

Finding and identifying parents, grandparents, family and friends among the historical photos outside of Minda and Joseph Halls on the lower level of Temple Israel is a time-honored and beloved tradition.

Now a team of Temple congregants is working to make those photos accessible on the web, and your help is needed.

Initially, congregant Dean Phillips envisioned the day when his children would be able to go to the computer and pull up photos of family members from Temple's photo archive. Congregant Nance Alexander loved the concept and agreed to head up the project. National Camera Exchange owner, Jon Liss, volunteered to scan the photos. And David Grossman, of Grossman Design, began working on the web technology.

With this concept, someone can go to Temple Israel's website, type in a keyword (first name, last name or year), and all photos matching that keyword will pop up. In addition, it will be possible for viewers to add the names of people not yet identified in the photos.

Currently, Nance Alexander and Debbie Simon are meeting with congregants to identify people in the photos.

Watch for more information in upcoming issues of E-News and HaKol.

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**Help is needed. Please contact Nance Alexander if you can help with any of the following:**

- Identify students in the Confirmation and high school graduation photos of 1923-1950, and High School graduation classes of 1940, 1943 and 1956 - 1972.
- Locate Confirmation photos of 1928 and 1953. These are missing from Temple's archives and copies are needed.

**Please contact:  
Nance Alexander at  
(952) 933-7503  
nbalexander50@gmail.com**



## Over 60? Looking to Meet New Friends?

Join Temple's New Horizons Group

Since 1975 the New Horizons group has been fostering friendship and camaraderie within its membership. It is designed for 60+ year-olds, married and single, who are young at heart and enjoy getting together for dinner, entertainment and good conversation at Temple. Past entertainers have included members of The Edgewater Eight, The Three Abelsons in Concert (Cantor, Margo and Stephen), performance dance groups and other enjoyable acts.

The New Horizons group meets eight times each year, April through October. New Horizons affiliation dues are \$15/year for Temple members and \$18/year for non Temple members. Each monthly dinner, plus entertainment costs \$15 per person.

For more information, please contact Trish Thelen at 612-374-0323 or complete the New Horizons Membership Application below and return it to Trish Thelen.

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(if applicable)

# Lighting the Way

## Remembering Esther Himmelman: Everyone's Favorite Teacher

Every teacher hopes to leave a lasting legacy. Esther Himmelman's legacy is evident in the words and memories of the students she taught between 1929 and 1964 when she was a Sunday School teacher at Temple Israel.

Lovingly described as "a wonderful woman" (Jim Ehrlich), "patient and kind" (Robert J. Beugen), and "always smiling" (Bonnie Sussman), Mrs. Himmelman is remembered for her unflagging enthusiasm for Jewish education and her limitless warmth.

"She was a friend to everybody," recalls Ehrlich. Adds Beugen, "She was a diminutive woman, just about five feet tall, but her power was in her dedication and commitment to teaching Temple youth – no matter who they were, well-behaved or unruly."

**On Wednesday May 19, Mrs. Himmelman (1893-1967) will be remembered during the 10:00 a.m. Shavuot morning service.** Thanks to a donation made to the Temple Israel Bridge to the Future Campaign by the Robert J. Beugen family in honor of Mrs. Himmelman, each Tanach (bible) given to members of the Confirmation Class of 2010/5770 will be dedicated in Mrs. Himmelman's memory.

Mrs. Himmelman's teaching career spanned a significant period in the history of Temple Israel and Reform Judaism. When she began teaching the current Temple Israel building was only one year old, and Sunday School was the only religious education option for



A tribute presented by Rabbi Max A. Shapiro<sup>21</sup> to Mrs. Esther Himmelman<sup>21</sup> on her 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a teacher in the Temple Religious School.

Temple youth. The goal was Confirmation; Temple Israel did not have a Bar/Bat Mitzvah program.

Over the years Mrs. Himmelman taught every grade. Sussman remembers making a salt map of "Palestine" in Mrs. Himmelman's class in the mid-1940s. At that time Israel didn't exist, and the hope for a Jewish state wasn't discussed. "God Is in His Holy Temple" and "Ein Keiloheinu" were sung every week. A visit from Rabbi Albert Minda, the senior rabbi from 1922-1963, was a rare and somewhat intimidating event.

"Mrs. Himmelman taught everything – Jewish history, culture, and a smattering of Hebrew," Ehrlich recalls. "She made the subjects interesting and she was very well respected."

*Written by: Laura French*

## A Link to the Past; A Bridge to the Future

Through a meaningful gift to Temple Israel, the Robert J. Beugen family has linked the past to the future.

Bob Beugen was in the Confirmation Class of 1952, and his teacher, Esther Himmelman, made a lasting impression on him that is impacting the congregation to this day. "Mrs. Himmelman believed in what she was doing, and she gave of herself," Beugen said. "We were exuberant teenagers with lots of energy and ideas, and she was always so patient and kind."

Thus, nearly 60 years later, when Beugen and his life partner, Joanne Ferraro, were asked to support Temple Israel's Bridge to the Future Campaign, the answer was a resounding,



"Yes." The Bridge to the Future Campaign is a three-year, \$1 million campaign to support Temple Israel's core programs of education, worship and community engagement in a difficult economy.

Beugen has always believed in the value of a strong Jewish education and Jewish community, and the gift to the Bridge to the Future Campaign was an opportunity to simultaneously support the congregation and remember Mrs. Himmelman, whose commitment to Jewish education was unwavering.

The Beugen family has dedicated their Bridge to the Future gift: "In loving memory of Esther Himmelman (1893-1967), dedicated and caring Religious School teacher." This inscription will be on the bookplates of each Tanach (bible) given to the Confirmation Class of 2010/5770 during the Shavuot morning service at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, May 19.

### Bridge to the Future Campaign

Contact: Jeri Glick-Anderson

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# Sharing Our Lives

## April Anniversaries

5th	Jill & Steven Confeld	4/10
5th	Katy & Misha Rozin	4/12
15th	Melissa & Michael Sigel	4/22
20th	Cheryl & Steven Lange	4/14
25th	Karen & Jed Marquisee	4/28
35th	Zina & Yakov Dvoskin	4/19
45th	Delores & Corky Levin	4/30
50th	Toodie & Frank Trestman	4/3

## Mazel Tov To...

- **Richard & Myrna<sup>z"l</sup> Abrams** on the birth of their grandson, Joseph Douglas, on November 16, 2009. Joseph is the son Shelly & Adam Abrams.
- **Kay & Bruce Goldstein** on the engagement of their son, Aaron, to Michelle Blue.
- **Zoe Goldstein**, daughter of **Steve & Linda Goldstein**, on winning first place in the *Keren Or Poetry Contest*.
- **Sue & Steve Harris** on the birth of their granddaughter, Madeleine Regina Standquist, on Feb 2, 2010. Madeleine is the daughter of Jill & Andy Standquist.
- **Janet Horvath** on honoring Holocaust survivors through her music at *Unsilenced. GLBT and Jewish voices of the Holocaust* concert.
- **Sheila & Joel Locketz** and **Teresa Ann & John Schlecht** on the engagement of their children, Marc Lewis Gittleman & Tamara Marie Eklund. Marc is the son of the late Lee Gittleman.
- **Andrea & Reuben Singer** on the birth of their son, Jonah Aaron Singer, on January 31, 2010. Jonah was welcomed home by his sister Adeline (Addy), age 2.
- **Harvey Mackay** on the release of his new book, *Use Your Head to Get Your Foot in the Door: Job Search Secrets No One Else Will Tell You*. Mackay is a well-known businessman, best-selling author and motivational speaker.
- **Susanne & Martin Kanter** on the engagement of their daughter, Debra, to Brad Auerbach. An October wedding in Chicago is planned.
- **Joan & Paul Wernick** on the birth of their granddaughter, Elia Liv Schonwald, on February 20, 2010. Elia is the daughter of Sara & Ian Schonwald.

<sup>z"l</sup>, May their memory be for a blessing

## In Memory

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

Myrna Abrams, *Wife of Richard Abrams*

Janice Applebaum, *Sister-in-law of Sidney Applebaum*

Evelyn Broms, *Mother of Dick Broms*

Fred Lyon, *Husband of Naomi Lyon*

Ruth Marks, *Mother of Gloria Murman*

Bob Markman, *Husband of Emilee Markman,  
Father of Allie and Katie Markman*

Elijah Metzger, *Father of Rhoda Bernstein*

Juliette Rosen, *Mother of Rick Ross*

Frederic Sadoff, *Son of Irving Sadoff*

Herta Chesny Wormser, *Mother of Ilana Favero*

## Jefferson School Book Drive

Thank you to everyone who helped make the book drive for Jefferson School a great success! Over 1,800 books were collected from your donations, which allowed each child to select three books to take home. We look forward to making this an ongoing part of our Thanksgiving Meals-on-Wheels event.



*Pictured above: A thank you note from one of the children who received books from our book drive.*

# Green Corner

*By Melissa Rappaport Schiffman*  
Chair, Ner Tamid Task Force for Sustainability

If you talk to Temple member (and relatively new mom) Katy Rozin, she will tell you that the thing that motivates her most to “go green” is something called the “triple bottom line:” people, planet, and profit. That is the bottom line of the future for businesses and organizations, and Temple Israel is already seeing some of the rewards.

For example, for the Early Childhood Center family dinner, families are bringing all of their own cups, plates, utensils, napkins, and are using picnic blankets for tablecloths -- so the event is virtually zero-waste, and it costs less to run it.

Recent changes at Tot Shabbat are also really exciting: Temple is using its linens and dishes instead of disposable tablecloths, napkins, plates, and utensils. Not having to

purchase disposable supplies over and over again saves Temple money, and it dramatically reduces waste. One could also argue it improves the overall ambience of the dinner! Recently Temple has also invested in colorful kid-sized, BPA-free plastic cups for the blessings at Tot Shabbat, and hopefully those cups can be used for other events as well. This “investment” cost \$60 once, and Temple does not need to continue purchasing smaller disposable cups, which cost much more per year. So the triple bottom line works: people enjoy the experience, the planet is better served, and there are cost savings. As Katy Rozin believes, we do not have to sacrifice money or quality to be more gentle to our planet. And as Jewish values remind us, Tikkun Olam means being good stewards of the earth.

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## Passover and Spring Cleaning:

**Don't forget these tips for keeping your home healthy!**

- Use non-toxic household cleaners (or make your own).
- Change air filters.
- Properly dispose of hazardous chemicals in your home like chlorine, paints, and pesticides.
- Any new painting or finishings should be low or no-VOC.
- Use unscented personal care products.
- Do not use anti-bacterial soaps – regular soap does the job!
- Have plants in your home to help purify your indoor air.

# Save the Date & Spread the Word!

Temple Israel's 10th Annual Benefit  
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Day Camp: July 5 - July 16

Overnight Camp: July 16 - July 23

#### Chalutzim Gimmel:

This session is full.

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August 16 - August 20

## Questions?

Contact Camp TEK0 Director, Tracy Bomberg, at  
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