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As we kindle the festive Chanukah lights,  
let us rededicate ourselves to the ideals of  
*Freedom, Hope, Charity, Peace and Unity,*  
all of which are symbolized by the candles of our Menorah.

# Clergy Voice

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**Rabbi Sim Glaser**

Dear Friends,

We were sitting out in the Sukkah a few weeks ago, some thirty 7th graders and I, discussing the enduring importance of that festival. In the ancient Jewish world when the Temple still stood in

Jerusalem, Sukkot was a holiday of major importance. Thus, I noted with irony how literally thousands of their Temple Israel co-parishioners showed up this year for the awesome High Holy Days, while we had to scrape together a minyan for erev Sukkot.

“Why, if it is such an important holiday, didn’t anybody show up?” asked young Malka (real name withheld for legal purposes). “Because,” I responded, “the three pilgrimage festivals of Pesach, Sukkot and Shavuot were extremely vital to the Jewish farmers and shepherds of the Middle East. They needed to bring their offerings to the Temple, and Sukkot is a Torah-commanded holiday to be celebrated for seven days.” “Important like Chanukah?” asked Shmerele. “Oh, by far more important,” I exclaimed. “Did you kids know that Chanukah is an eight day celebration because the Maccabees were prevented from entering the Temple for years and could not celebrate the hugely important Sukkot holiday? So the first thing they did, upon defeating Antiochus’ Greek forces, was to celebrate the days of Sukkot in their Temple. That’s the reason for the eight days of Chanukah.

“Now hold on one second here,” said Rivka Bracha, “what about the oil story?” “Oh that...” I replied. “That’s just a rabbi story so the whole thing looks like God’s miracle rather than a military victory.” “So basically you’ve been lying to us,” said Rivka Bracha with an accusatory

glare. “Er – ah, well, that oil story is easier for the little ones to swallow,” I demurred.

At this point it was like “Occupy Sukkah” out there in the booth. “So Rabbi, how do we know which stories are true and which are not?” cried the deflated children. “How do we know that God really provided these booths in the wilderness, and split the seas, or brought the plagues? Tell us the truth Rabbi G!”

Clearly I was pinned to the cornstalks. “Think of it this way,” I stammered. “The holidays are all here to provide hope. Rosh HaShanah is a beacon of a sweet year to come. Yom Kippur means a second chance. Sukkot celebrates the gifts of God. Pesach is about freedom. Chanukah represents the miracle of human dignity and freedom of religious expression. When you guys were younger we wanted to tell stories about miracles to make you feel safe and charmed. Now that you are

older we still want you to be inspired by your tradition, but in the context of facing real life events, hard truths and challenges.

The rabbis of the Talmud argued as to whether we should light all eight candles the first night and get them down to one by the last night in order to symbolize the diminishing oil in the lamp in the legend. But that was rejected in favor of lighting an additional candle every night to represent growing joy and light against sadness and darkness. We are a people of hope, always looking for the greater light. Within every holiday and life cycle occasion in our tradition there is hope.”

This explanation was met with stunned silence, broken only by a single comment.

“Nice. Can we have snack now?” said Moishe.

**Wishing you and your loved ones a joyous Chanukah,**

*Rabbi Sim Glaser*

**Join us for our  
Chanukah Family  
Shabbat Service  
and Dinner  
Friday, December 23  
at 6:00 p.m.  
*Details on page 5***

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# Board Matters

## Temple Israel Board Opposes Proposed Marriage Amendment

The Temple Israel Board of Directors voted unanimously on October 26 to oppose the proposed amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, which would recognize marriage only as a union between a man and a woman. The amendment initiative is slated to be on the ballot on November 6, 2012.

“The Board vote is consistent with our values as a congregation and with our longstanding practices,” said Temple Israel President Sherri Feuer.

Minnesota law already limits marriage to a man and a woman and does not recognize same sex marriages. At this time, the Temple Board did not vote on the issue of same sex marriage, per se. However, it did make clear that it opposes amending the Constitution, which is a near-irrevocable act.

“Temple has performed commitment ceremonies and blessed same sex couples for many years. We have embraced and welcomed them into our congregation, and we will continue to do so,” Feuer said. “I am proud that our Board members, who represent diverse components of our congregation, have spoken out in such a clear and united

*Below is the proposed amendment to the Minnesota Constitution that would only recognize marriage as a union between one man and one woman.*

LAWS of MINNESOTA for 2011 Ch. 88

CHAPTER 88—S.F.No. 1308

*An act proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution; adding a section to article XIII; recognizing marriage as only a union between one man and one woman.*

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:**

**Section 1. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED.**

An amendment to the Minnesota Constitution is proposed to the people. If the amendment is adopted, a section shall be added to article XIII, to read:

Sec. 13. Only a union of one man and one woman shall be valid or recognized as a marriage in Minnesota.

**Sec. 2. SUBMISSION TO VOTERS.**

(a) The proposed amendment must be submitted to the people at the 2012 general election. The question submitted must be:

“Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended to provide that only a union of one man and one woman shall be valid or recognized as a marriage in Minnesota?”

Yes .....  
No .....

(b) The title required under Minnesota Statutes, section 204D.15, subdivision 1, for the question submitted to the people under paragraph (a) shall be “Recognition of Marriage Solely Between One Man and One Woman.”

Filed with the Secretary of State May 25, 2011

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voice against this amendment. This is a human rights issue. It is about providing equal opportunity for all.”

In addition, Temple staff members with

same sex partners receive the same employee benefits as other families. “It is a priority for us to give all our staff members and their families appropriate and equal treatment in all areas, including access to health care and other employee benefits,” Feuer said.

The Reform movement has long been a proponent of civil unions for same sex couples. In 2000, the Central Conference of American Rabbis made history by becoming the first major group of North American clergy to give support as an organization to their clergy choosing to perform same sex ceremonies.

“Judaism teaches that all human beings are created b’tselem Elohim – in the image of God,” said Senior Rabbi Marcia A. Zimmerman. “Each person has unique qualities to contribute to our world. Excluding anyone from our community lessens our chance of achieving our goal of a more perfect world. Regardless of context, discrimination against any person is inconsistent with the fundamental belief that we are all created equal and that the stamp of God is present in each and every one of us.”

If you have questions, please contact Sherri Feuer, Temple President, at [feuerslf@aol.com](mailto:feuerslf@aol.com) or 612-805-1798.

## Call for Candidates

### Temple Israel Board of Directors

*Pick from each of your tribes [those] who are wise, discerning, and experienced, and I will appoint them as your heads. — Deuteronomy 1:13*

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 submit an application for yourself or for other members of the congregation. For information about the roles and responsibilities of members of the Board, and for information about the Nominating Committee process, please contact Howard Kaplan, Nominating Committee Chair. Visit [www.templeisrael.com/pdfs/boardnomination.pdf](http://www.templeisrael.com/pdfs/boardnomination.pdf), to download an application form or contact Howard Kaplan at 612-868-7071 or [hkap@aol.com](mailto:hkap@aol.com).

All applications must be received by January 6, 2012.

# What's Happening...

## December Worship Services

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### Friday, December 2

First Friday: Three Options

- 6:00 p.m.
- Erev Shabbat Service: OSRUI Shabbat
  - Tot Shabbat Service with camping theme followed by a pizza dinner and camp activities
  - Study Session led by Rabbi Joseph Edelheit: "The Way of Man" by Martin Buber

### Saturday, December 3

9:00 a.m. Torah Study—Vayeitzei Genesis 28:10–32:3

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service including the Bat Mitzvah of Ellen Sussman followed by a Kiddush Luncheon

### Friday, December 9

6:00 p.m. Carlebach Shabbat Service with guest Cantor Lisa B. Segal and Storyteller Arthur Strimling

### Saturday, December 10

9:00 a.m. Torah Study—Vayishlach Genesis 32:4–36:43

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service including the B'nai Mitzvah of Zoe Kirshbaum and Sam Stillman followed by a Kiddush Luncheon

10:30 a.m. Jewish Renewal Service

### Friday, December 16

6:00 p.m. Nefesh Shabbat Service

### Saturday, December 17

9:00 a.m. Torah Study—Vayeishev Genesis 37:1–40:23

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service followed by a Kiddush Luncheon

### Friday, December 23

- 6:00 p.m.
- Chanukah Family Shabbat Service followed by a festive Chanukah dinner; 2nd and 3rd grades are participating
  - Chapel Shabbat Service and Kaddish

### Saturday, December 24

9:00 a.m. Torah Study—Mikeitz Genesis 41:1–44:17

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service followed by a Kiddush Luncheon

### Friday, December 30

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

### Saturday, December 31

9:00 a.m. Torah Study—Vayigash Genesis 44:18–47:27

10:30 a.m. Congregational Shabbat Morning Service including the Bar Mitzvah of Solomon Dworsky followed by a Kiddush Luncheon

## Torah Study

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

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

## Camp Shabbat

Friday, December 2

It feels like summer when it's Camp Shabbat. Come hear about the Reform movement's camp, OSRUI (Olin-Sang-Ruby Union Institute), located in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, and learn more about Temple Israel's Camp TEKO at the Tot Shabbat service and dinner. Details on page 11.



## TIPTY and SPoRTY Co-TYG event

Saturday, December 3

Don't miss our event with SPoRTY, Mount Zion's youth group. Contact Laurel Herold at laurel@templeisrael.com or TIPTY Programming Vice President Ben Gleekel at tipty.pvp@gmail.com for more information.

## JL@TI (Jewish Learning at Temple Israel)

Mondays, December 5, 12 and 19, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

**\$36 per person (includes a book for your Jewish library)**

Choose ONE of these three-session courses. Check our website for detailed course descriptions. To register, use the "Member Login" section of our website or contact Wendy Schwartz at 612-374-0344 or wendy@templeisrael.com. Walk-in registrations welcome.

- *A Jewish View of Life and Death* with Rabbi Marcia Zimmerman
- *God and the Atheists* with Rabbi Sim Glaser
- *The Virtues and Vices of Food* with Rabbi Jennifer Gertman
- *Beyond Words: The Sublime Art of the Cantorial Tradition* with Cantor Stephen Abelson
- *The Rise and Fall of Yiddish Civilization* with Dr. Joe Goldman
- *The Alef-Bet of Torah: Torah Study 101* with Instructors Rachael Freed and Steve Levie
- *Rabbi David Hartman Understood: The Provocative Writings of a Modern Orthodox Pluralist Zionist* with Rabbi Joseph Edelheit

## Sisterhood Networking Group

Wednesday, December 7, 8:30 a.m.

Golden Valley Country Club

Sisterhood invites you to a continental breakfast, featuring a presentation with Marni Bumsted, president and inventor of Hollywood Fashion Tape. Reservations required. Details on page 6.

## Carlebach Shabbat Service with Cantor Lisa B. Segal and Storyteller Arthur Strimling

Friday, December 9, 6:00 p.m.

Join us in a celebration of the ordination of Cantor Lisa B. Segal, daughter of Merle & Roland Minda and Howard & Millie Segal, and granddaughter of Albert G. Minda, Temple Israel's Senior Rabbi from 1928-1963.

Cantor Segal was raised in Minneapolis and was deeply involved with Temple Israel's youth group and choir. On May 12, 2011, she was ordained as a Cantor by the Academy for Jewish Religion (AJR) in New York. For over 10 years, Cantor Segal has served congregation Kolot Chayeinu/Voices of Our Lives in Park Slope, Brooklyn. She has performed with a wide range of Jewish musicians, created a concert series in Brooklyn called "Off the Bimah!" and is known for introducing both new and traditional music and liturgy to Kolot's growing congregation. She is a proud member of the Women Cantor's Network and the Association of Rabbis and Cantors. Lisa and her husband, Jewish storyteller Arthur Strimling, live in Park Slope, Brooklyn.



We welcome Cantor Segal and her husband, Arthur Strimling, to her home congregation for an evening of song and stories.

Please join us for this special evening.

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## Minneapolis Jewish Federation

### Super Sunday

Sunday, December 11, 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Help support our Jewish community locally, in Israel and around the world. Please respond generously when you are contacted, or volunteer to help out during this community wide effort. The Minneapolis Jewish Federation is a major supporter of Temple Israel's Jewish education and special needs programs. Contact Andrea Nadel at 952-417-2334 or [anadel@mplsfed.org](mailto:anadel@mplsfed.org).

## TIPTY Chanukah Party

### (and Annual Ugly Sweater Contest)

Saturday, December 17, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Cost is \$12 or \$10 with a canned good

Come for food, friends and fun as we celebrate the festival of lights. Don't forget to wear that ugly sweater you found from the 80s! For information, contact Laurel Herold at [laurel@templeisrael.com](mailto:laurel@templeisrael.com).

## Chanukah Family Shabbat Service and Dinner



Bring your menorah and we will provide the candles!

Latkes ▲ Dreidels ▲ Cookie Decorating ▲ Songs ▲ Fun

Friday, December 23, 2011

5:15 p.m. Oneg Reception

6:00 p.m. Shabbat Service

Featuring our 2nd and 3rd grade students followed by a festive congregational dinner

Adults \$12; Children \$5; Age 3 and younger, no charge.

Financial assistance is available.

Please RSVP by Monday, December 19

- Use the "Member Login" section of our website;
- Send a check payable to Temple Israel-Chanukah Dinner; or
- Contact Regan McCormack at 612-374-0314 or [regan@templeisrael.com](mailto:regan@templeisrael.com).

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## Kabbalah Sparks

Monday, December 26, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Rabbi Sim Glaser leads this monthly study and meditation on Kabbalistic themes. All inquisitive seekers are welcome.

## Mah Jongg at Temple

Crak, Bam, Dot

**Sunday, December 4, 1:00-4:00 p.m.**

Join Sisterhood for an afternoon of mah jongg! All skill levels (including, "What's a bam?") welcome. Bring a treat to share and your mahj card (if you have one). There's no better way to spend a December afternoon. Please RSVP to Marcy Frost, at 612-877-5338 or frostm@moss-barnett.com.

## Sisterhood Business Networking Group:

**Winter Breakfast with Marni Bumsted,  
Co-Owner of Hollywood Fashion Secrets**

**Wednesday, December 7, 8:30-10:00 a.m.**

**Golden Valley Country Club**

"Hello Girlfriends!" Greetings from Fashion Fairy Godmothers, Marni Bumsted and Jane Dailey. If you have ever had a wardrobe malfunction, you may already know all about Hollywood Fashion Secrets. What you might not know is how they turned a "once upon a time" idea into a successful "dream come true" thriving business.

Temple Israel Sisterhood Business Networking Group invites you to hear the inspirational and motivational story of Hollywood Fashion Secrets Co-Owner, Marni Bumsted, followed by coffee, connections and croissants.

We can accommodate up to 40 members, so please make your reservation no later than December 2nd by mailing a check of \$15 payable to Temple Israel Sisterhood to: Leslie Held, 5929 Ewing Ave. S., Edina, MN 55410. Contact Leslie Held at 952-920-5376 or lheld18@comcast.net with any questions.

### Please remember:

- You must be a current Temple Israel Sisterhood member to participate in the business networking group.
- Membership is only \$36 for the year.
- Bring your business cards.

## Kol Isha 2012 is coming

**Mark your calendars!**

**February 3-5, 2012, Marriott Southwest**

"It's all gOOD!" An intergenerational weekend retreat sure to help you find your smile and elevate your mOOD! For more information contact Julie Zimmerman Berg at 952-926-9311, Liz Mack at 952-942-5912 or Sue Tish McMorris at 612-554-4116.

## SISTERHOOD DEDICATED FUNDS

**as of October 3, 2011**

### ALLAN NEUMAN MITZVAH FUND

*Honor of Judy Goldenberg; thinking of you & wishing you the best in the New Year*

Mary Neuman

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## TEMPLE ISRAEL SISTERHOOD GIFT SHOP

### Annual Chanukah Bazaar

**Sunday, December 4**

**9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**

**Temple Lobby**



*We gift wrap!*

We have everything you need to light up your holiday and make your Chanukah shimmer.

Check out our beautiful selection of menorahs, candles, dreidels and gifts for those special people on your list. The gift shop has an extensive collection of contemporary and traditional holiday, Judaica and specialty gifts. Sisterhood members get a special discount on many items.

### Gift Shop Hours

Sundays	9:00 a.m.-Noon
Monday, Wednesday, Friday	9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Mondays and Wednesdays	4:15-5:45 p.m., during Hebrew School
Friday evenings	4:45-5:45 p.m., before Shabbat services

*Your purchases help Sisterhood give back to Temple programs.*



**Ellen Sussman**  
December 3, 2011

**Vayeitzei**

Ellen is the daughter of Cathy & David Sussman; granddaughter of Bonnie Kaufman Sussman and Evy & Ross Sussman, Rosemary Curran and the late John Curran; sister of Sarah. Ellen enjoys swimming, and her favorite subjects at Hopkins North Junior High are math and science. When asked about becoming a Bat Mitzvah, Ellen said, "I'm excited to share my Bat Mitzvah with my friends and family."



**Zoe Kirshbaum**  
December 10, 2011

**Vayishlach**

Zoe is the daughter of Jane & David Kirshbaum; granddaughter of Sheila Kaplan, Eloise & Elliot Kaplan, Mitchel Kirshbaum, the late Roberta Kirshbaum and the late Cal Hall; sister of Abby. Zoe enjoys tennis, volleyball, animals, fashion and hanging out with her friends. Her favorite subjects at The Amos and Celia Heilicher Minneapolis Jewish Day School are Judaica and Social Studies. When asked about becoming a Bat Mitzvah, Zoe said, "I am excited to share this special day with my cousin and friend, Sam Stillman, and to celebrate with all of my friends and family."



**Sam Stillman**  
December 10, 2011

**Vayishlach**

Sam is the son of Debbie & Jed Stillman; grandson of Rachael Freed, Eloise & Elliot Kaplan, Marshall Levin & Joy Greenberg and Marvin & Chelle Stillman; brother of Sophie and Gigi. Sam enjoys weekly family Shabbat dinners and Herzl Camp. His favorite subjects at Hopkins North Junior High are Spanish, English, math and science. When asked about becoming a Bar Mitzvah, Sam said, "I am really excited to become a Bar Mitzvah, and being able to share this day with my best friend and cousin, Zoe Kirshbaum, makes it even better!"

Upcoming Youth and Education Dates for

**DECEMBER**

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|----|---|--------|---|
| 3  | SPORTY/TIPTY Joint Event  | 17     | TIPTY Chanukah Party (and Annual Ugly Sweater Contest)                            |
| 4  | 7th/8th Grade Program   | 18     | 4.5.6. Youth Group Movie and Chinese Food at Temple Israel                        |
| 7  | 10th Grade Confirmation Class   | 21/22  | No Hebrew School (B'nai Mitzvah training in session)<br>Hebrew School Conferences |
| 9  | ECC Family Shabbat Dinner   | 21-1/3 | Winter Break: No Religious or Hebrew School                                       |
| 10 | Religious School Pre-Kindergarten class meets   | 22-1/1 | Winter Break: No ECC  |
| 11 | Kindergarten Family Education Program   | 23     | Family Chanukah Service and Dinner (2nd/3rd grades participating)                 |
| 11 | Chanukah Concert during Religious School<br>7th/8th Grade Program<br>7th/8th Grade Youth Group trip to Sky Zone | 28/29  | B'nai Mitzvah training  |
| 14 | 9th Grade Kallah<br>10th Grade Confirmation Class   |        |   |



**Solomon Dworsky**  
December 31, 2011

**Vayigash**

Solomon is the son of Beth & William Dworsky; grandson of Mischa & the late Doris Dworsky, and Sharon & Gerald Wetak; brother of Ari. Solomon enjoys downhill skiing, drawing, camp, biking and soccer. His favorite subjects at The Amos and Celia Heilicher Minneapolis Jewish Day School are science, social studies and math. When asked about becoming a Bar Mitzvah, Solomon said, "I'm excited and nervous about my Bar Mitzvah and look forward to seeing my family and friends."

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**REGISTER NOW!**  
**NFTY Winter Kallah**

**This will be an awesome weekend. Join us!**

NFTY-NO (Northern Region) brings together Reform Jewish teens from across the region for friendship, fun, learning, worship and community service. Participants create lifetime friendships and develop a meaningful connection to Reform Judaism. Programming topics cover everything from Judaism, community, social action and Zionism – to issues of interest to every teenager in high school.

**Friday-Sunday, January 20-22, 2012, at OSRUI in Wisconsin**

Register by going to [www.nfty.org/no/events](http://www.nfty.org/no/events). If you need the username and password for a first-time registration, contact Laurel Herold at [laurel@templeisrael.com](mailto:laurel@templeisrael.com)

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# Lighting the Way

## A SHINING LIGHT: Anita B. Schwartz

March 15, 1929 – April 20, 2011

Before Anita B. Schwartz passed away earlier this year, she knew she had one more thing left to do. A woman who loved life, friends, family and her dogs, she wanted to be sure that the memory of her parents would be honored and their names would be remembered at Temple Israel forever. Despite her own significant role as a professional woman, community volunteer and active Temple member, her primary concern was to perpetuate the names of her mother and father.

Anita's parents, Benjamin C. & Estelle Schwartz, were first generation Americans and so proud of their two American children – Anita and her older brother Howard. Anita's father was in real estate, and by the early 1940s, he and Estelle moved from New York and established their home in south Minneapolis. Great admirers of Temple Israel's Senior Rabbi, the late Albert G. Minda, they joined Temple Israel in 1942.

Some 50 years later, after a successful professional career, their daughter Anita became an active volunteer at Temple Israel. Anita took over the leadership of Temple's New Horizons social program for seniors, building it into a large and vibrant group. Anita's marketing strategy was to schmooze with people at different Temple functions, and one by one, invite them to participate.



Anita with her father,  
Benjamin C. Schwartz

“When Anita was in charge of the New Horizons program, she always made sure that every person who wanted to attend had transportation,” said her friend, Libby Epstein. “She gave out a flower to each participant, handmade the nametags, provided a lovely dinner and entertainment, and paid attention to every detail.”

“For Anita, there were many issues of integrity, and she stood firm with those,” said her nephew, Wynn Schwartz. Anita had high standards and she defended those with an intensity and commitment that made people take notice.

Added Senior Rabbi Marcia A.

Zimmerman, “Anita was a spirited woman who was ahead of her time. She was extremely devoted to her parents, her extended family and her lifelong friends – ‘the Broads.’ She always said that she loved taking over the New Horizons program because it brought her closer to Temple Israel, the community and the clergy. It was a real gift in her later years.”

In memory of her parents, Anita left a bequest to Temple Israel and commissioned a lighted plaque in their names for the hallway leading to the Emerson Avenue doors of the sanctuary.

We remember Benjamin C. & Estelle Schwartz, as well as their faithful daughter and a true Temple friend, Anita B. Schwartz. May their memories be for a blessing.



Anita with her mother,  
Estelle Schwartz

### TOP TEN MYTHS ABOUT PLANNED GIVING

#### #9: I'm too young to think about dying or writing a will.

Give a gift to your loved ones by making sure your affairs are in order with a will, health care directive, power of attorney and beneficiary designations on your IRA, 401(k), insurance policies and bank accounts. Give a gift to yourself by making sure your assets are distributed exactly as you want, in accordance with the values you live by. Give a gift to our Jewish community by leaving a legacy through a planned gift to Temple Israel that will create a vibrant Jewish tomorrow for your children and your children's children. It starts with you. For your beneficiary, please use the Temple Israel Foundation, 2324 Emerson Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55405 - Tax ID # 41-1769841.

For more information, please contact Jeri Glick-Anderson at [jeriga@templeisrael.com](mailto:jeriga@templeisrael.com) or 612-374-0302.

# Around Temple

## *Todah Rabah Thank You*



Rabbi Jennifer S. Gertman

Dear Temple Friends,

*I was overwhelmed by the response and the beautiful tribute I received at the occasion of my installation. Thank you for welcoming me into the Temple Israel community. I feel blessed to be a part of such a warm and supportive synagogue. I look forward to getting*

*to know each of you and your families as we worship, study, celebrate and mourn together.*

*Thank you also for welcoming my family and making them feel at home at Temple Israel. I especially appreciate that my friend and mentor, Rabbi Lenny Thal, was able to travel to Minneapolis for this special occasion.*

*This day was special because of all of you. I look forward to the years ahead.*

*With my deepest gratitude,*

## Annual Holocaust Remembrance Program

At the 4th Annual Temple Israel Holocaust Remembrance Program held on October 28, Emory University historian, Dr. Deborah Lipstadt (center), spoke about her successful five-year legal battle against Holocaust denier David Irving. The challenge ended with a sensational trial in 2000 that was as much about the need to stand up against those who use the power of words to incite hatred, distort history and manipulate others, as it was to right the historical record and counter lies that were getting recognition in the popular press.



Pictured above are (left to right): Rabbi Zimmerman, Harrison Grodnick, Dr. Lipstadt, Arlene & Phil Grodnick.

*This program is underwritten by the Irving & Regina Lee Holocaust Remembrance Fund, which was established by the Grodnick family.*

## Temple Israel's Early Childhood Center

Registration Begins  
for the 2012 - 2013 School Year  
Monday, December 5

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

Starting Monday, December 5, 2011, registration begins for the Temple Israel Early Childhood Center. Programs are available for children ages 16 months to 5 years old as of September 1, 2012.

Returning ECC students and Temple Israel members will automatically receive applications. All forms are due by December 19, 2011. In addition, Temple members and sibling applications of returning ECC students will have first consideration after all returning students have been placed.

All completed applications will be considered on a first come, first served basis. Temple Israel members receive a discount on tuition.

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2012 Summer Dates:

**Day Camp** Tzofim and Giborim – Entering Grades K-6

Session Alef	June 18-June 29
Session Bet	July 2-July 20
Session Gimme!l	July 23-August 10

**Overnight Camp** Chalutzim – Entering Grades 3-6  
2 weeks day camp and 1 week overnight camp

Chalutzim Bet	July 2-July 20
Day camp July 2-July 12	
Overnight camp July 13-July 20	
Chalutzim Gimme!l	July 23-August 10
Day camp July 23-August 2	
Overnight camp August 3-August 10	

**Specialty Week** Entering Grades K-6 August 13-17

**Camp TEKO 2012**

For more information,  
please contact:

Camp TEKO Director  
Andrea Gordon

andrea@templeisrael.com  
or 612-374-0321

[www.CampTEKO.org](http://www.CampTEKO.org)

Join us for  
**CAMP SHABBAT!**

Friday, December 2, 2011

Whether you are thinking about going to OSRUI or Camp TEKO, have already decided, or simply love Jewish camping, join us and other camper families for an evening of camp ruach (spirit).



**OSRUI Oneg** 5:00-5:45 p.m.

Join Rabbi Zimmerman & Rabbi Gertman for a special Oneg Shabbat with light refreshments, conversation and time to be together with other current and prospective OSRUI campers and their families.

Please RSVP your attendance to Michael at 612-374-0324 or michael@templeisrael.com.

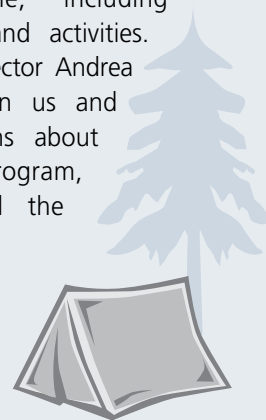


**OSRUI Shabbat Service** 6:00 p.m.

OSRUI's Assistant Director, Solly Kane, will lead songs with Temple Israel's own Lenny Cohn and OSRUI's Jessie Edwards. Come and add your voice to this unique camp-style Shabbat service.

**Camp TEKO Tot Shabbat** 6:00 p.m.

Service and pizza dinner with Rabbi Glaser. The evening will have a camping theme, including songs, snacks and activities. Camp TEKO Director Andrea Gordon will join us and answer questions about the camp program, registration and the 2012 season.



## Great Kids Deserve a Great Camp!



URJ Olin-Sang-Ruby Union Institute, the Reform Movement's camp in Wisconsin, offers a unique environment for campers in grades 2-12. We combine creative and innovative Jewish experiences with **all the fun of summer camp** - swimming, sports, drama, dance, archery, visual arts, horseback riding, waterskiing, photography, campfires, the Alpine Tower, boating, biking, adventure camping, and, most importantly, lifelong friendships.



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60 years of  
happy campers!

**OSRUI**

For information on  
Summer 2012, contact us:  
osrui@uri.org 847-509-0990

Register Now at [www.osrui.org](http://www.osrui.org)

# Sharing Our Lives

## December Anniversaries

20th	Lisa & John Powers	12/22
25th	Wendy Friede & Jay Jaffee	12/20
30th	Cathy & Jeff Molever	12/26
35th	Cheryl Chandler-Rosenblatt & Michael Rosenblatt	12/18
40th	Melanie & Vic Greenstein	12/19
40th	Debbie & Marc Hasko	12/19
40th	Renee & Michael Popkin	12/19
45th	Carol & David Rosenblatt	12/18
45th	Pam & Bob Berkwitz	12/21
45th	Karen & Fred Malver	12/26
45th	Paula & Bob Maisel	12/27
45th	Eileen & Alvin Badiner	12/28
50th	Leslee & Merton Shapiro	12/14
70th	Max & Manya Sherman	12/28

## In Memory

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

Murray Brandys, *Cousin of Barry Broude*

Ernest Cohn, *Uncle of Ilana (Michael) Favero*

Norman Corwin, *Cousin of Judy Luck Sher*

David Dachis, *Uncle of Mindy Isaacs*

Sylvia Martin Greene, *Sister of Cerna Gendler*

Isosif Guler, *Father of Leo (Galina) Guler*

Deborah Halverson, *Cousin of Vicki Schrabber and Gerry Schrabber*

Eleanor Ranta Hoover, *Mother of Kristine Hoover*

Nancy Kaplan, *Aunt of Phylis Goldhirsch*

Robert Kunin, *Brother of Paul (Beverly) Kunin*

Maier Kuznetsov, *Father of Sasha (Inna) Kuznetsov*

Ron Panter, *Brother of Connie Cohen*

Stephen W. Reese, *Uncle of Helenbeth (John) Reynolds*

Sari Robins, *Grandmother of Kim Wolson*

Linda G. Rosov, *Mother of Rachel Rosen*

Shirley Sachs, *Mother of Sue Steinberg*

Paula Tankenoff, *Wife of Jim Tankenoff, mother of Abby and Michael Tankenoff, daughter of Gloria & Howard<sup>21</sup> Weisskopf and sister of Debbie (Michael) Finn*

Howard Weisskopf, *Husband of Gloria Weisskopf, and father of Debbie (Michael) Finn and Paula<sup>21</sup> (Jim) Tankenoff*

Charles Weitz, *Father of Mark (Carol) Weitz*

Lorraine "Lovey" Winnick, *Mother of Susan (Robert) Lewis and grandmother of Tom (Kim) Hoffman and Beth Winnick (Christopher Michaelson)*

## Mazel Tov To...

- **Susie & Mike Arnold**, on the birth of their daughter, Charlotte Mae Arnold, on September 3, 2011. Charlotte Mae is the sister of Ava, granddaughter of Jan & Josh Arnold, and great granddaughter of Janet Arnold & Walter Lubov.
- **Brittany Beck**, who recently was named the Healthy Youth-Healthy Communities Specialist for Jewish Family and Children's Service of Minneapolis.
- **Helen Brooks**, who was named the 2011 recipient of the SIOR Foundation Millie Award, which is presented to an outstanding female with a distinguished career of leadership, accomplishment, productivity and influence in the field of commercial real estate.
- **Janet Horvath**, whose article in the Star Tribune on September 29th told of her mother's legendary Hungarian cooking, family celebrations and Jewish holidays with scrumptious Hungarian meals, her parents' haunted past during the Nazi occupation of Europe, and shared recipes for Horvath Goulash Soup and Hungarian Layered Cabbage.
- **Sanford Morris**, who was recognized by the Sholom Foundation in its fall newsletter for his volunteer work with Sholom residents. He has been volunteering there since 2008 as part of Temple Israel's Beineinu Program.
- **Deborah Paley**, daughter of Ruth & Nathan Paley, on her engagement to Joe Lieberman of St. Paul. The wedding is planned for August 2012.
- **Lisa & Rabbi Stephen Pinsky**, on the recent marriage of their son, Seth, to Angela Sung in New York City. Seth is the president of the New York City Economic Development Corporation. Seth & Angela reside in Brooklyn.
- **Doris Rosen**, who along with Rosalie Vascellaro recently won an Emmy for her critique of the Grammy nominations on WCCO-TV's "Grammies Take on the Grammys."
- **Shirley Ungar**, who was featured in the Variety section of the Star Tribune along with her neighbor and longtime friend, Sherley Unger, in an article that told of the similarities and coincidences in their lives – including grandsons named Izaak and Isaac, husbands who were on the faculty at the University of Minnesota and a love of cooking.

## New Members

Susan & James Bloom

Chloe Caplan

Alyssa Caplan

Stacie & Perry Cowen

Susan & Steven R. Gerber

Julie Kaster & Barry Landy

Amy Lazniarz

Ken Klein

Joseph R. Martel

Michaela A. Martel

Sheryl & Steve Newman

Samantha Ross

Mackenzie Sarat

Manya & Max Sherman

David Waytz

Lauren Suzanne Zwick

## Potato Latkes

Serves 5-6; about 18 latkes

- 6 medium potatoes, peeled and grated
- 1 onion, peeled and grated
- 2 eggs, slightly beaten
- 2 tablespoons matzo meal or flour  
(matzo meal works better)
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Vegetable oil for frying
- Toppings: applesauce, sour cream

Squeeze out liquid from potatoes or drain in a colander a few minutes. Mix with the grated onion, eggs, matzo meal (or flour) and salt. Heat the oil in a frying pan, using enough to cover the latkes amply. Once the oil sizzles when a droplet of water is added, drop the batter from a tablespoon or other large spoon, making pancakes about 3 inches in diameter. Do not allow the oil to smoke, and heat it up again when you replenish the oil. Fry the underside of each pancake until golden brown, then turn and brown the other side. Remove when done. Drain on paper towels. Keep warm in the oven or on a hot plate until ready to eat. Serve with applesauce and/or sour cream.

## Ma'oz Tzur

### Rock of Ages

Traditional Chanukah Song

- Ma-oz tzur y'shu-a-ti, l'cha na-eh l'sha-be-ach.
- Tikon beyt t'fi-la-ti, v'sham to-dah n'za-be-ach.
- L'eit ta-chin mat-be-ach, mi-tzar ha-m'na-be-ach.
- Az egmor b'shir miz-mor, chanukat ha-miz-be-ach.
- Az egmor b'shir miz-mor, chanukat ha-miz-be-ach.

Rock of Ages, let our song, praise thy saving power.  
Thou amidst the raging foes, was our sheltering tower.  
Furious they assailed us, but thine arm availed us.  
And thy word broke their sword, when our own strength failed us.  
And thy word broke their sword, when our own strength failed us.

## Chanukah Candle Blessing

Place the candles in the menorah from right to left (oldest to newest).  
Light the candles left to right (newest to oldest).

BARUCH atah, Adonai  
Eloheinu, Melech haolam,  
asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav  
v'tsivanu l'hadlik ner shel Chanukah.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יי  
אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,  
אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו  
וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל חֲנֻכָּה.

BLESSED are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all,  
who hallows us with mitzvot, commanding us to kindle the Chanukah lights.

BARUCH atah, Adonai  
Eloheinu, Melech haolam,  
she-asah nisim la'avoteinu v'imoteinu  
hayamim haheim baz'man hazeh.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יי  
אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,  
שֶׁעָשָׂה נִסִּים לְאַבוֹתֵינוּ וְאִמּוֹתֵינוּ  
בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם בְּזַמַּן הַזֶּה.

BLESSED are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all,  
who performed wondrous deeds for our ancestors in days of old at this season.

*For first night only*

BARUCH atah, Adonai  
Eloheinu, Melech haolam,  
shehecheyanu v'kiy'manu v'higianu laz'man hazeh.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יי  
אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,  
שֶׁהַחַיָּנוּ וְקִיַּמְנוּ וְהִגִּיעָנוּ לְזַמַּן הַזֶּה.

BLESSED are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all,  
for giving us life, for sustaining us, and for enabling us to reach this season.

חַנֻּכָּה הַחֲלוּ — HANUKOT HALALU

חַנֻּכָּה הַחֲלוּ אֲנַחְנוּ מִדְּלִיקִים עַל הַנְּסִים וְעַל הַנִּפְלְאוֹת וְעַל  
הַתְּשׁוּעוֹת וְעַל הַמַּלְחָמוֹת שֶׁעָשִׂיתָ לְאַבוֹתֵינוּ וְאִמּוֹתֵינוּ בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם  
בְּזַמַּן הַזֶּה. וְכָל שְׂמוֹנֵת יָמֵי חֲנֻכָּה הַחֲלוּ קִדְּשׁ הֵם. וְאִין לָנוּ  
רְשׁוּת לְהַשְׁתַּמֵּשׁ בָּהֶם, אֲלָא לְרְאוּתָם בְּלִבָּד. כְּדֵי לְהוֹדוֹת וּלְהַלֵּל  
לְשִׁמְךָ הַגָּדוֹל עַל-נִסֶּיךָ וְעַל-נִפְלְאוֹתֶיךָ וְעַל-יְשׁוּעָתְךָ.

WE KINDLE THESE LIGHTS because of the wondrous deliverance You performed  
for our ancestors. During these eight days of Chanukah, these lights are sacred; we are  
not to use them but only to behold them, so that their glow may rouse us to give thanks  
for Your wondrous acts of deliverance.

Excerpt from: Mishkan T'Filah, A Reform Siddur, 2007



## Thank you to Temple Israel Men's Club

For distributing Chanukah Candles  
to our Religious School students

Saturday, December 17-Sunday December 18,  
and for providing candles for many other Temple programs.

## Chanukah Matching Game

Draw a line to match the word in the left column with the correct description in the right column.

Antiochus	Leader of the Jewish army
Chag Chanukah	Light
Chanukiah, or Chanukah Menorah	"A great miracle happened here." Explains 4 letters on the dreidel.
Ner, nerot	Special candle holder for Chanukah
Gelt	Dreidel or spinning top especially for Chanukah
Latkes	9th candle used to light the others
L'had-lik	Holiday of Chanukah
Judah Maccabee	Candle, candles
Mattathias	Doughnuts eaten in Israel on Chanukah
Nes Gadol Hayah Sham	To light
Or	Money
Shamash	Jewish priest who wouldn't worship Greek gods – Judah's father
Sufganiyot	Potato pancakes
S'vi-von	Syrian King



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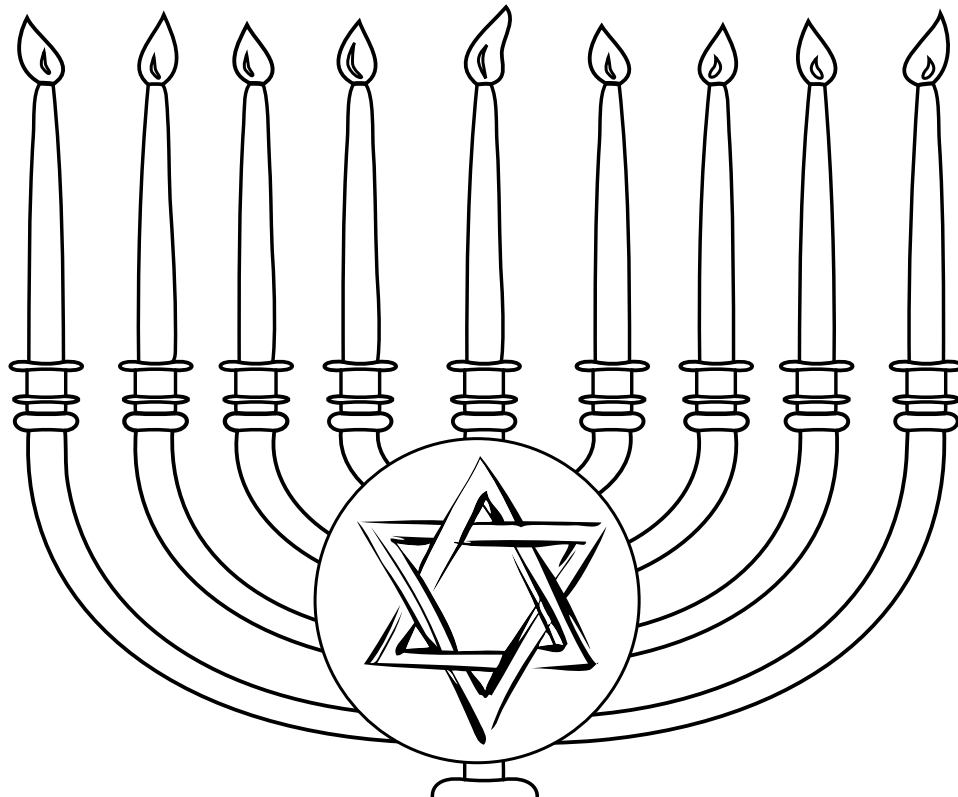
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### Color the Menorah

Bring your decorated cover and completed matching game to the reception desk at Temple and exchange it for a piece of Chanukah gelt (peanut free).



# HAPPY CHANUKAH

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