

The Hanukkah Happening Is The Place To Be!

Join the Temple family as we celebrate the Festival of Lights with our Hanukkah Happening on **Sunday, December 14** at 11:00 a.m. There will be fun activities and events for all members of the congregation.

Each of Temple's religious school grades will entertain the crowd with skits featuring a Hanukkah theme. Everyone is encouraged to create their own menorah for display at the Happening. Please bring them to Gimel when you arrive.

After the entertainment, witness daring contests of strength and skill. Do you have what it takes to outlast the competition until there are "nun" left? Then join us for the "Dreidel spin-off" competition for kids both young and old. Or perhaps pedaling a bicycle is more your speed? Test out our special "light the menorah" bicycle. See if you can pedal fast enough to power the light for the



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Sunday, December 14
11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

menorah. How long will you last?

To help you get ready for the holiday, dreidels, gelt, Hanukkah candles and decorations will be for sale, during the Happening and also the Sunday before, December 7, in the morning.

A lunch of hot dogs, carrots, sufganiyot, latkes and soda will

be available, for \$5 per adult, \$3 per children 4-12 and free for younger children. Tickets may be purchased at the door, or in advance at the Kibbitz Café any Sunday morning.

Special Hanukkah Oneg

Friday, December 19, following Shabbat services. A unique latke bar in honor of Hanukkah is on the menu! This is your chance to try new combinations and savor old favorites.

Break The Chill With Temple's Wintertime Brunch

Join old friends and make some new friends at Temple's ever popular Wintertime Brunch sponsored by the Social Committee on **Sunday, December 28** at 11:30 a.m.

This year's featured entertainment will be Jewish comedian Aaron MG, who has performed at Dayton's own Wiley's Comedy Club.



Enjoy a delicious brunch, entertainment and *your* fabulous desserts. Please bring a dessert to serve ten people. Cost is \$12 per person prior to December 22 or \$15 per person at the door.

Call the Temple office at 496-0050 and we'll be happy to reserve a spot just for you.

Fifth Annual Chili Cook-Off Will Warm Up Shabbat

Do you like your chili spicy or mild? With beans or without? Loaded with veggies or on top of spaghetti? Whatever your taste, the "No Name" Chavurah will make sure you are well fed at their fifth annual chili cook-off on **Friday, January 9**. Services begin at

6 p.m. and the chili cook-off begins immediately afterwards. Do you have a favorite recipe? Bring a pot of chili (*no pork,*



please!) and you'll get in **FREE**—and yours might be judged best in the taste-off!

The cost is \$5/adult and \$3/child ages 4-12; free for kids 3 and under. If you don't bring a pot of chili, please bring a side dish (enough to feed 10 hungry

people) to share: last names starting with A – M please bring a dessert; N – Z please bring a salad. For information or to RSVP, call Temple at 496-0050.



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A Message From... Rabbi David M. Sofian

2015 has always held a special place in my consciousness. Even when I was at the beginning of my career, there were moments when I would think about the far away future 2015 as the finish line of my active pulpit career. And now it is actually here. I know it must seem odd that I would occasionally think about this even when I was in my thirties, but nevertheless it is true. In fact, I don't think this was unique to me at all. I think every Rabbi has these reflective moments. Why is that?

You may have already guessed. There are those inevitable moments when a person wonders if what he is doing is what he should be doing or should he be thinking about doing something else. I'm sure whenever those occasionally irritating work days come around every person in every field has these moments.

Nevertheless, there is a constant discussion about this general subject in the Rabbinate. Because synagogues need the very best Rabbis, concerns about developing them and keeping them are ever present. As Temple Israel moves forward to its next rabbinic phase, I would think it would have such concerns. The long hours and fishbowl existence have effects on Rabbis personally and on their effectiveness. Questions arise about burnout and fatigue as well as what kind of temperament is right for the

job. How should the constant stress of working for and with so many congregants with so many desires and needs be dealt with? Of course, there are no definitive answers since every Rabbi goes about the job a little differently, depending on that Rabbi's experience, abilities, interests and likes. Also every congregation has its own culture and expectations. A given Rabbi might succeed wildly in one congregation and fail in another.

I experienced and took part in discussions along these lines when I was in rabbinical school. In essence, rabbinic school was preparation for a "marathon" (a career of approximately 40 years) and these discussions were part of that preparation. They didn't end there. Most meetings of the Central Conference of American Rabbis included at least some programming more or less along these lines. In the 1980s the C.C.A.R. was sufficiently worried about its members' ability to function at a high level for the long term that it sponsored Mid-Career Reviews. These were retreats, run by a Rabbi/psychologist, with the goal of giving colleagues an opportunity to talk about these issues in a safe collegial environment, and thereby renew themselves for continued service.

I could go on at length about the specific issues raised in these programs and retreats. Let me give you just one.

Inevitably the question of the balance between family and work arises. The nature of the Congregational Rabbinate is that the work is never done. There is always another class to prepare, or sermon, or person to visit, or ritual to conduct. There is never an end to the teaching and/or comforting. There is always another meeting to attend. This means there is always another demand to be met, so the balance issue is ever present.

I am not raising this subject in order to complain, indeed the opposite. My opinion has always been that the Rabbinate has issues just as every profession has issues that go with it. I raise this now because, with the arrival of 2015 as I am looking back over my career, I feel very blessed to have had the opportunities that came my way and to have experienced the rabbinate the way I have. Indeed, I can't think of anything else I would rather have done. I am sure in large part I feel this way because I am married to the right person for the work I do. If I managed to find the proper balance, the credit goes to Simone. I even think if you were to ask my kids they would say positive things about growing up in a rabbinical family.

Let me end this rumination by thanking all of you at Temple Israel for making the last third of my active Rabbinate the great experience it has been. Have there been any of those questioning moments I mentioned above? Of course there have. But on the whole, being Temple Israel's Senior Rabbi has been wonderful. I'm sure there will be more to be said along these lines as winter turns to spring. But for now, let me just say again, thanks.

Be A Temple Ambassador

If you know of an individual, a couple or a family who would enjoy all that Temple Israel has to offer, please encourage them to contact Temple for information or send us an e-mail at membership@tidayton.org.

We'll take it from there!

From the Rabbi

Latkes, Soup, and Doughnuts (Oh My!)

Do you like food? Better yet, do you like FREE food? Shabbat Kiddush lunches are back - beginning December 13! For our first lunch, Hanukkah comes early. Get your fill of latkes, chicken matza ball soup, sufganiyot and more. Join us for services at 10:30 a.m. with lunch immediately following. If you would like to help with food - anything from applesauce and sour cream to kugel - please contact Judy Heller at jrheller7777@aol.com

Be sure to mark your calendar for the next three lunches - January 24, March 14, and April 25, 2015.

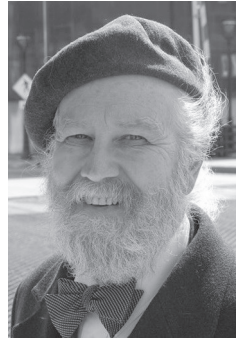
Shabbat Shalommm Yoga

Friday, January 23 at 6 p.m.

Looking for a new way to connect to your Judaism? Interested in trying something different? Join instructor Cathy Hackett and Courtney Cummings for an evening yoga practice incorporating prayers from the Shabbat service. All are welcome, no previous experience is required and chair modifications will be made for those with limited physical abilities. Come with an open mind, a yoga or exercise mat, and a blanket or towel. Cost is \$5 per person.

Remembering Ritter

Join us on Friday, January 30 at 7:30 p.m. for a special service in memory of our friend and colleague, Ritter Werner. The Shabbat service will feature some of his favorite Jewish liturgical musical settings and will include a small memorial plaque dedication. Special guests will be participating in this musical experience and all are welcome to attend.



Ritter Werner

Ryterband Series Continues On Sunday Mornings

December 7

Paul Cooper

Former C-141/C-130 Pilot and Wing Commander
The C-130 Air Raid on Entebbe- An Israeli Response to Terrorism

January 11

Rabbi Bernard Barsky

Rabbi Emeritus, Beth Abraham
The Language of God and the Language of Adam

January 25

Marshall Weiss

Dayton Jewish Observer
The First Biblical Movie Epic: DeMille's The Ten Commandments, 1923

Each Ryterband lecture begins with a light breakfast of bagels and coffee at 9:45 a.m. followed by presentations at 10:15 a.m. Cost is \$5 per week or \$50 for the series; the series is free for new Temple members and post-confirmation students. For more information, call Bill Gronefeld at 433-7984.

Building Community: Temple and Omega Baptist Join Together For Annual Exchange Weekend

Friday, January 16

7:30 p.m.

Shabbat In The Sanctuary at Temple Israel

Reverend Daryl Ward and Reverend Vanessa Ward will deliver the sermon. Everyone is invited to a celebratory oneg following services.

Sunday, January 18

11:15 a.m.

Services at Omega Baptist, 1821 Emerson Avenue (at Salem)

Rabbi Sofian will deliver the sermon. All Temple members are encouraged to attend this friendly and uplifting service. Religious school students will be transported by bus to attend services at Omega after 10:45 a.m. early dismissal as part of regular classes at Temple.

Reverend Vanessa Oliver Ward is Co-Pastor of the Omega Baptist Church, where she introduced the model of the comprehensive, holistic, quarterly curriculum with classes on topics ranging from theology and bible to parenting and aerobics.



The Reverend Dr. Daryl Ward is Senior Pastor of the Omega Baptist Church, which has 30 active ministries including a prison ministry, a full-service bookstore, and a community development corporation.



Rabbi Karen N. Bodney-Halasz

Jerome Epstein Family
Director of Education

Last month I found myself in a state of ambivalence as I checked out a book from our Learning Resource Center (LRC). As I signed my name I noticed that the last time the book I was holding had been checked out was in 1989! At first I was thrilled that such a great resource was being used (even if it was only by me). But then came the disappointment of knowing it had lain dormant on a shelf for 25 years.

One of our greatest (and most underused) resources here at Temple Israel is our Library/LRC. It is filled with award-winning stories, novels, and picture books for all ages. Because of the hard work of our library volunteers, we always have access to some of the best new Jewish books around. Our LRC is a treasure trove of Jewish knowledge

for the curious mind. It is filled with dozens of textbooks for every aspect of Jewish life, offering fun and creative ways to learn and to teach our tradition. It also contains an array of recordings: Jewish music, stories, lectures, and even humor. All of these are just around the corner from whatever wonderful activity may have brought you to Temple. And, even if you are unable to make it here, there is an online catalogue from which you can browse our collection from home.

If you are interested in learning more about what our Library/LRC has to offer, or even simply looking for something new to read, please come in and look around. I know you will be glad you did. Should you need help finding a book or a resource, I will be thrilled to facilitate in any way that I can. Help me keep these great works in circulation.

TEMPLE ISRAEL DAYTON YOUTH

TIDY

Wow! TIDY and Temple Israel know how to put on a youth group regional convention. It was an amazing weekend and I know our high school students who attended had a great time and learned a lot. Hopefully they made some new friends too.

Again, thanks to all of our congregants who helped us house the visiting youth. Thanks to the congregation for being so welcoming to our guests and to everyone who helped us facilitate the dinners we had at Temple. And a big thank you to temple's staff for helping the weekend operate so smoothly, and to Rabbi David Sofian and Temple President Lisa Pierce for trusting TIDY with such a huge undertaking.

Now that the regional event is in our past, let's concentrate on the future, which I know will be great.

Planning such a large event required a great deal of time and effort towards our TIDY members. Now, our planning and focus will shift to the Junior Youth Group. Watch for information about programs and events in the TIDBits email newsletter. Information will also be sent home with your children after religious school.

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Mazal Tov!

...to **Mary Anne Robinson** and Kelley Davis on their engagement.

...to **Scott Halasz**, who was named to the Ohio School Boards Association Media Honor Roll for his fair and balanced reporting of news about public schools. He was nominated for the award by Xenia Community Schools.

...to **Michael and Karen Weprin** on the engagement of their son, Joshua Howard, to Elyse Beth Averbach. Josh is also the son of the late Jamie Jo Weprin. Elyse is the daughter of Stuart and Pearl Averbach of Pittsburgh, PA. A May wedding is planned.

...to **Michael and Cindy Seaman** on the engagement of their son, Todd Michael, to Susie Manship, daughter of Phil and Ann Manship of Indianapolis, Indiana. A fall 2015 wedding is being planned.

...to **Ralph and Fran Schwartz** on their daughter Carrie's wedding to Marc Siegel on November 1.

New On The Shelf

The following books are new in the Temple Israel Library, thanks to generous donations to our Buy-A-Book Fund:

The Nazis Next Door: How America Became a Safe Haven for Hitler's Men
By Eric Lichtblau

The ZimZum of Love: A New Way of Understanding Marriage
By Rob and Kristen Bell

Enchantress: A Novel of Rav Hisda's Daughter
By Maggie Anton

Henna House: A Novel
By Nomi Eve

The Betrayers: A Novel
By David Bezmozgis

Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class 5775

Congratulations to the six member of Temple's Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class who were called to the Torah on Saturday, November 1, 2014. Your dedication and hard work really paid off. Mazal Tov!



Pictured (left to right) are Carol Finley, Lisa Pierce, Victoria Kisel Carmen, Linda Novak, Vicki Kemmerer and Fran Rickenbach.

Nuts About Green: A Community Tu B'Shevat Celebration

Sunday, February 8, 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Join us for a delicious farm-to-table lunch and Tu B'Shevat seder followed by interactive and educational sessions about Tu B'Shevat and Jewish environmentalism.

This program is made possible through an Innovation Grant from the Jewish Federation of Greater Dayton and is a joint program with the Federation Young Adult Division.

Make This A GUCI Summer

Enrollment is open for children entering third through tenth grades at our regional URJ camp, the Goldman Union Camp Institute (GUCI). With four-week sessions (two week option for third through sixth graders), GUCI offers a full range of sports, arts and Jewish programs within the exciting and motivating atmosphere of a Reform Jewish community of young people.

Information is available online at www.guci.urjcamp.org.

*Temple's Joseph and Janet Patterson Campership Fund and the Schwarz Campership Fund provide financial assistance to Temple Israel children. To qualify for a campership, an application must be completed and returned to Rabbi Bodney-Halasz no later than **January 15**. No late applications will be considered.*

RAC Trip For Confirmation Students

Temple Israel's confirmation students, along with students from Temple Beth Or, will be heading to Washington, D.C. for the Religious Action Center L'taken Seminar. Students will leave on Friday, December 5 and return Monday, December 8.

6 Hebrew Classes Will Take You From Aleph To Bet And Beyond

Cost for each course is \$50/Temple member; \$55/non-member. A minimum of five students is required for each course to be offered. For more information or to register, please contact Rabbi Bodney-Halasz at karen@tidayton.org or 496-0050, ext. 226.

Advanced Beginner Hebrew
Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m.

Instructor: Judy Heller
January 7 until February 25

We'll continue using *Prayerbook Hebrew the Easy Way*.

Modern Conversational Hebrew

Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.

Instructor: Sara Faust
January 6 through February 10 and February 24.

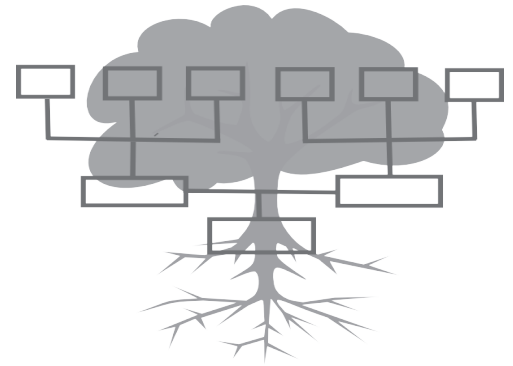
Advanced Biblical Hebrew
Mondays at 1:30 p.m.

Instructor: Rabbi Bodney-Halasz
January 5, 12, 26, February 2, 9, 16, 23

The class will focus on translating biblical texts and will use *The First Hebrew Primer* as a sourcebook.

Interested in Exploring Your Family Tree?

If you need some help knowing where to start, then join the Jewish Genealogical Society at their next meeting on Sunday, December 7. The meeting will be held at 10:30 a.m. at Temple Israel in the Lifecycle room. The topic will be "Beginning Genealogy: Organizing the letters, photos and memorabilia that you've been saving!" RSVP to Molly Blumer at jmblumer@hotmail.com or call 937-479-8880.



Temple's Fifth Annual Jewish Cultural Festival Will Feature Food, Dance, Music, Education and Fun For Everyone

Mark your calendar now for **Sunday, June 7**. You won't want to miss being part of Temple's fifth annual **Jewish Cultural Festival (JCF)**! It's not too early to get involved in the festival fun. This year's event co-chairs, Jon Freeman and Teresa Wyman, have some new and exciting ideas to help introduce the Greater Dayton community to our congregation and our heritage; but they'll need *your* help to make it all happen.

A committee chair is still needed for children's activities and some co-chair positions remain available. Volunteers will also be needed to help get the word out, to assist with planning, to bake cookies and breads, to greet visitors, to act as tour guides, to assist with children's activities and many more. You can help on the day of the festival or in



JCF 2015 Committee Chairs

Bakery	Amy Margolin
Beer & Drinks	Scott Miller
Education & Greeters	Pam Feldman
Entertainment	Shelley Dickstein
Food	Mary Anne Robinson
Greening	Rachel Magdalene
Hospitality & Volunteers	Marsha Pfeiffer
Logistics & Security	Dan Young
Mitzvah Alley	Karen Bodney-Halasz
Outreach	Mimi Rayl
Parking	Rick Goldberg
Publicity	Walter Ohlmann
Raffle	Shirlee Gilbert
Sponsorship	Courtney Cummings
Vendors	Helene Blumenthal

advance. There is plenty of work to be done for all ages and skill levels. Contact the Temple office by phone at 496-0050 to volunteer or e-mail jcf@tidayton.org and let us know how you would like to help.

Again this year the festival will offer activities for children, adults, families and people of all faiths, heritage and cultures. Bring your family, friends, co-workers and neighbors. Remember the key to the festival success is in our attendance and our volunteers. So spread the word, talk to people, hang up posters and get involved in your Jewish community. It can't be done without you.

We Remember

These names are inscribed on the Memorial Tablets in our Sanctuary and, together with others whose Yahrzeit occurs during these weeks, will be read during Shabbat services before Kaddish and listed each week in TIDBits.

December 5 and 6

Mildred K. Altschul, Jean Bachrach, Pierre J. H. Ball, Lewis Bernstein, Rose Lewis Bernstein, Philip Brown, Faye Fleece Cantor, Rosalie Ach Eisenberger, Harry Gershow, Esther Ruth Goldberg, Theodore Goldberg, Steven Goldberg, Leon Gradsky, Corinne Kusworm, Esther M. Lebensburger, Abe Margolis, Pearl Paul, Ada Rosenthal, Esther R. Ross, Marguerite B. Ruslander, Rosa Schadel, Ira H. Schatzley, Sue J. Silverman, Jacob L. Simon, Louis Sternberger, Max Weiner, Jamie Jo Weprin, Carrie Yassenoff, Esther Zissen

December 12 and 13

Herman D. Bloom, Simon (Si) Burick, Leon W. Dragul, Mabel Fialcow, Henry M. Field, Ralph H. Fink, Bertha Friedlander, Charles Getz, Samuel Gordon, Samuel W. Gralnick, Loeb Jacobs, Bessie R. Klein, Rosamond Kulback, Rose M. Lebensburger, Louis A. Lebowitz, Max Margolis, Lottie Office, Clara Huber Office, Anna Office, Kathryn Ostrov, Morris Paul, Jonas Rosenthal, Bessie Sindell, Blanche Slutzky, Herbert Tepping, Frank Wolpa, Saul Zehring, Howard L. Zimmerman

December 19 and 20

Julius Berdas, Harriette Tyroler Cline, Norman Cohen, Esther Daener, Kathryn Donenfeld, Lillian Fedotin, Muriel Feldstein, Rose Gross, Ray Herman, Howard Kastner, Jennie Lehman, Rose P. Leon, Herman Levi, Newman Maimon, Florine A. Margolis, David Rakieta, Max C. Rosen, Mae R. Rosensweet, Fannye Salman, Nathan Sanders, Abe W. Schulman, Rebecca Tiber

December 26 and 27

Betty Blumer, Charles Booth, Nathan Caplan, Carrie Daneman, Isabelle Fleece, Jack J. Goldstein, Bena Gradsky, Rosalyn P. Greene, Abraham Heller, Abe Kaplan, Jean F. Kritzer, Ruth Lehman, Ida Levine, Max L. Lewin, Jeanette Maimon, Ruth Rubin Margolis, Julius Ohlmann, Sidney Orthwin, Harry B. Patterson, Janet Patterson, Louis Pollock, Michael A. Rosen, Nette Goldswig Rosset, Lester G. Rothenberg, Frank Rubin, Jack H. Saidel, Ralph D. Schear, Sylvia M. Schragar, Wilbur Sussman, Stephen James Thal, Adeline Traxler

January 2 and 3, 2015

Blanche B. Block, Mose Budnick, Rachel Burick, Barbara Colp, Sadie M. Donenfeld, Milton E. Feldstein, Dave Finkelman, Edward Flagel, Lewis Michael Friedman, Louis G. Froelich, Lt. Julius N. Hurwitz, Max Hurwitz, Helen Hurwitz, Charles Jacobs, Todd Andrew Kaufman, Freda M. Matusoff, Elmer L. Moyer, Rhea Beerman Peal, Herman H. Rose, Rose Bell Ross, Maurice Ross, Sarah D. Saldoff, Pauline Schwartz, Celia Linder Segaloff, Charles Morton Straus, Kate Udelson Suppre, Myra J. Witt

January 9 and 10, 2015

Dorothy Margolis Barrar, Samuel W. Beller, Kathryn Ray Fast, David Goldzwig, Sr., Lillie Jacobs, Ike Kottler, Nellie Lehman, Samuel N. Maimon, Fannie B. Marcus, Freda Matusoff, Ruth H. Metzger, Sheila D. Moyer, Harry A. Nieman, Hannah Orthwin, Evelyn Ostrov, Simon Philips, Charles Rosensweet, John Rubenstein, Julius Saloway, Larnetta Shaman, Harry Silverman, Leah Stein, Jean Waldman, Alice U. Wasserman, Charles Weisman, James (Ritter) Werner, Charles Zimmerman, Max Zimmerman

January 16 and 17, 2015

Leopold Ach, Jennie Blumenfeld, Hattie Jacobs Cohn, Morris Joseph Fast, Max Fisher, Edward Allan Forshaw, Marcus Garfunkel, Ruth R. Green, Marie D. Israel, Bertha D. Israel, Bertha S. Lebensburger, Dorothy F. Levine, Oscar Margolis, Leon N. Office, Betsy Jillian Patterson, Rose B. Patterson, Myrtle A. Quint, Cecile G. Rubin, Celia Sanders, Sarah Seaman

January 23 and 24, 2015

Samuel Dubro, Sidney Eisenberger, Joseph Eloff, Douglas J. Feigelson, Phyllis Frankel, Anna Friedman, Jane S. Goldman, Della Sachs Goldswig, Allan Gradsky, Erving E. Kastner, Morris Kaufman, Louis J. Klein, Gustave Lehman, Frances M. Levy, Rae K. Maimon, Samuel Marcus, Miriam Siegel Marks, Rose Rosenthal, Samuel H. Thal, Maurice (Mike) Zissen

January 30 and 31, 2015

Etta Bloch, Louis Broock, Carolynne Cline, Emma V. Field, Leo Friedlander, Celia Gershow, Mary Golden, Emilie Kohlhagen, Arthur Lotney, Sara B. Philips, Samuel W. Posner, Belle Press, Wilma Rakieta, Cora Sachs, Jennie C. Sapinsley, William T. Schultz, Ruth Seewald, Abe Semmelman, Harry S. Winer

Please Call Us

Our Rabbis want to reach out to congregants in times of need and joy. Please contact the Temple office when a friend or loved one is ill, hospitalized, in a nursing home, assisted living facility or shut in. Share the happy news, too—we might not know about a marriage, birth or other simcha unless you tell us!

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Tribute Donations

Temple gratefully acknowledges these gifts received in October.

This list includes donations of \$10 or more. Temple mails notices of donations of \$18 or more. Donations of \$100 or more are described as "generous." A complete list of Temple funds is available online at <http://bit.ly/ti-funds>. You may donate online at Temple's website — simply click "Donate" on the home page.

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The **Prayerbook Fund** maintains Temple's prayerbooks.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

The Tablet publishes birthdays every five years starting at age 35 and annually starting at 85; we publish anniversaries every five years. If you prefer that your name not be listed, please call Ellen at 496-0050. If you were not included in our list, call Ellen and we will put your name in the next Temple Tablet.

January Birthdays

- 5 Evelyn Barnett
- 6 Ric Lieberman
- 7 Dee Fried
- 8 Robyn Angel
- 10 Diana Sweigart
- 13 Stanley Rakieten
- 16 Barbara Weprin
- 16 Gerald Jacoby
- 18 Leonore Sonnenschein
- 19 Rita Rich
- 22 Kay Cohen
- 24 Sylvia Cohen
- 25 Wilma Keller
- 30 Eric Friedland
- 30 Frieda Blum

January Anniversaries

- 7 Nicholas & Sandra Doninger 30 yrs.

February Birthdays

- 5 Ken Elbaum
- 5 Marilyn Lebowitz
- 8 Ellie Brown
- 9 John Jentelson
- 12 Carolyn Caplan
- 15 Ed Meadow
- 16 Syl Sapinsley
- 17 Harry Rich
- 20 Linda Kahn
- 21 Julie Wagner
- 23 Marty Sacher
- 24 Nick Doninger
- 25 Marilyn Serbin

February Anniversaries

- 12 Curtis & Elisheva Caden 15 yrs.
- 17 Bob & Fern Archer 30 yrs.

We Mourn These Recent Deaths

Dottie Kastner

Carline Ravel

Yale Holt

Husband of Donna Holt

Father of Patty Caruso

Father of Jon Holt



Now At Temple-Full Recycling!

You may have noticed that our outside paper recycling bin went missing on Friday, October 31. The company that was picking up our paper was sold and could no longer service us. This left a void that needed to be addressed immediately.



The Greening the Synagogue Greening the World Committee is happy to announce that, through generous donations, it has been able to obtain the services of Rumpke recycling.

For your information, Rumpke will take:

- ◆ Plastic bottles and jugs
- ◆ All other plastic recyclables, including drinking cups with numbers on them
- ◆ Glass bottles and jars
- ◆ Aluminum cans
- ◆ Steel cans and lids
- ◆ Paperboard (like cereal boxes)
- ◆ Cardboard
- ◆ Office paper
- ◆ Envelopes and junk mail
- ◆ Newspapers, magazines and inserts
- ◆ Telephone books and catalogs
- ◆ Cartons and boxes
- ◆ Waxed paper drink containers, (like milk and juice but cap or straw must be discarded).

Moreover, we do not have to separate the different materials. We will now have several recycling bins/cans around the interior of Temple Israel and a large recycling dumpster outside. Please help to make TI more environmentally sound by using our new recycling facilities. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Rachel Magdalene at rachelmagdalene@islet-verlag.de or 937-999-7419.

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<p>EVERY SUNDAY IN DEC and JAN <i>unless otherwise indicated on the calendar</i></p> <p>8:45 a.m. Religious School Grades K-10</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Tanakh with Rabbi Sofian</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Hebrew for Grades 3-7</p>			<p>EVERY WEDNESDAY IN DEC and JAN <i>unless otherwise indicated on the calendar</i></p> <p>10:00 a.m. Lattes & Legends at Dorothy Lane Mkt Whipp Road Noon Talmud Study</p>			
<p>Nov 30</p> <p>NO Religious School</p>	<p>1</p> <p>1:15 p.m. Knit and Crochet</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Share Shabbat Reservations Due 2:00 p.m. Adv. Beginner Hebrew 6:00 p.m. Greening Committee Mtg.</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Shabbat Vayishlach <i>Torah: Genesis 32:4-36:43 Haftarah: Obadiah 1:1-21</i></p> <p>6:00 p.m. Share Shabbat Service 7:00 p.m. Potluck Dinner</p>	<p>6</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Service</p>
<p>7</p> <p>9:45 a.m. Ryterband Series Paul Cooper 10:30 a.m. Jewish Genealogy</p>	<p>8</p> <p>1:15 p.m. Knit and Crochet</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>2:00 p.m. Adv. Beginner Hebrew 5:30 p.m. Executive Committee Mtg.</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Shabbat Vayeshev <i>Torah: Genesis 37:1-40:23 Haftarah: Amos 2:6-3:8</i></p> <p>6:00 p.m. Shabbat Service</p>	<p>13</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Service 12:00 p.m. Kiddush Lunch</p>
<p>14</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Hanukkah Happening <i>(see page 1 for details)</i></p>	<p>15</p> <p>1:15 p.m. Knit and Crochet</p>	<p>16</p> <p>First Candle</p>	<p>Hanukkah 1 17</p> <p>2:00 p.m. Adv. Beginner Hebrew</p>	<p>Hanukkah 2 18</p>	<p>Hanukkah 3 19</p> <p>Shabbat Miketz <i>Torah: Genesis 41:1-44:17 Haftarah: 1 Kings 3:15-4:1</i></p> <p>7:30 p.m. Shabbat Service Hanukkah oneg following service</p>	<p>Hanukkah 4 20</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Service</p>
<p>Hanukkah 5 21</p> <p>NO Religious School</p>	<p>Hanukkah 6 22</p> <p>Wintertime Brunch Reservations Due 1:15 p.m. Knit and Crochet</p>	<p>Hanukkah 7 23</p>	<p>Hanukkah 8 24</p> <p>No Lattes & Legends No Talmud Study Office Closes at Noon</p>	<p>25</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Shabbat Vayigash <i>Torah: Genesis 44-18-47:27 Haftarah: Ezekiel 37:15-28</i></p> <p>7:30 p.m. Shabbat Service</p>	<p>27</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Service</p>

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<p>See December calendar for recurring Sunday events</p> <p>NO Religious School</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Wintertime Brunch</p>	<p>1:15 p.m. Knit and Crochet</p>		<p>See December calendar for recurring Wednesday events</p> <p>No Lattes & Legends</p> <p>No Talmud Study</p> <p>Share Shabbat Reservations due</p>	<p>Office Closed</p>	<p>Shabbat Veyechi Torah: Genesis 47:28-50:26 Haftarah: I Kings 2:1-12</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Share Shabbat Service</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Potluck Dinner</p>	<p>9:30 a.m. Torah Study</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Service</p>
<p>4</p> <p>6/7 grades make lunches for Daybreak</p> <p>4:30 p.m. St. Vincent dePaul</p>	<p>5</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Knit and Crochet</p> <p>1:30 p.m. Adv. Biblical Hebrew</p>	<p>6</p> <p>5:30 p.m. Finance Committee Mtg.</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Modern Conversational Hebrew</p>	<p>7</p> <p>2:00 p.m. Advanced Hebrew</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Greening Committee Mtg.</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Shabbat Shemot Torah: Exodus 1:1-6:1 Haftarah: Isaiah 27:6-28:13; 29:22-23</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Service</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Chili Cook-Off</p>	<p>10</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Torah Study</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Service</p>
<p>11</p> <p>9:45 a.m. Ryterband Series Rabbi Bernard Barsky</p> <p>10:45 a.m. Religious School Committee Mtg.</p>	<p>12</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Knit and Crochet</p> <p>1:30 p.m. Adv. Biblical Hebrew</p>	<p>13</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Modern Conversational Hebrew</p>	<p>14</p> <p>2:00 p.m. Advanced Hebrew</p> <p>5:30 p.m. Executive Committee Mtg.</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Campership Financial Aid Applications Due</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Shabbat Va'era Torah: Exodus 6:2-9:35 Haftarah: Ezekiel 28:25-29:21</p> <p>Pulpit Exchange with Omega Baptist</p> <p>7:30 p.m. Service</p>	<p>17</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Torah Study</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Service</p>
<p>18</p> <p>Classes in session until 10:45 a.m. followed by Omega Exchange.</p> <p>11:15 a.m. Pulpit Exchange</p> <p>Temple visits Omega Baptist</p>	<p>19</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p><i>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</i></p>	<p>20</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Modern Conversational Hebrew</p>	<p>21</p> <p>2:00 p.m. Advanced Hebrew</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Greening Committee Mtg.</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Shabbat Bo Torah: Exodus 10:1-13:16 Haftarah: Jeremiah 46:13-28</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Shabbat Shalom Yoga</p> <p>7:30 p.m. Service</p>	<p>24</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Torah Study</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Service</p> <p>12:00 p.m. Kiddush Lunch</p>
<p>25</p> <p>9:45 a.m. Ryterband Series Marshall Weiss</p>	<p>26</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Knit and Crochet</p> <p>1:30 p.m. Adv. Biblical Hebrew</p>	<p>27</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Modern Conversational Hebrew</p>	<p>28</p> <p>2:00 p.m. Advanced Hebrew</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Board Meeting</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Shabbat Beshalach Torah: Exodus 13:17-17:16 Haftarah: Judges 4:4-5:31</p> <p>7:30 p.m. Special Service Honoring Ritter</p>	<p>31</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Torah Study</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Service</p>

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Get Yours At Kibbitz Café On Sundays

Stop by the Kibbitz Café any Sunday morning and buy a thermal coffee mug — they're trimmed in blue, but they're one way our Café is going green! Best of all, when you buy your mug for \$15, you'll also get a \$10 Kibbitz Kard to use on any of the Café's menu items.

Remember, Kibbitz offers convenient breakfast and lunch items on Sundays when religious school is in session, including pizza some weeks! All proceeds benefit our religious school.

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RSVP for the following Temple events ONLINE at www.tidayton.org.

It's quick, easy and available 24/7! You can even pay for the event at the same time you make your reservation via PayPal. If you don't have internet access, please call Temple at 496-0050 to RSVP.

Share Shabbat

Our monthly camp-style service begins at 6:00 p.m. and is followed by a potluck dinner. Join us and bring your friends! Temple provides broasted chicken, fresh-baked challah and wine for kiddush. Congregants bring side dishes. Please bring enough to feed 10 hungry people. No pork or shellfish, please! Cost is \$5/adult; \$3/child 4-12; free for kids 3 and under.

December 5, RSVP by December 3

If your last name begins with A to F, bring a starch; G to K, bring a dessert; L to Q, bring a salad; R to Z, bring a vegetable.

January 2, RSVP by December 31

If your last name begins with A to F, bring a vegetable; G to K, bring a starch; L to Q, bring a dessert; R to Z, bring a salad.

A \$2 surcharge per adult will be assessed for reservations received after the deadline.