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JEWISH EDUCATION SHABBAT - FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2011

HONORING OUR FABULOUS TEACHERS!



Kevin Zeldin and
Stephanie Rhea
5 Years



Jennifer Patchin
10 years



Patty Bloom
15 years



Adele Lewis
15 years



Bob Schnurman
25 years



Rochelle Novack
35 years

As another school year draws to a close, we will join as a congregation in honoring our dedicated teachers and celebrating the achievements of our students at Jewish Education Shabbat on Friday, May 13. Bring the entire family and join us at 6:30 p.m. for our lively *Shabbat B'Shir* service in song. Come early for light appetizers at 6:00 p.m. and be sure to stick around for a special Oneg at the end of the evening.

As part of this special evening we will present awards to students for perfect and excellent attendance and we'll distribute gifts to students in 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grades who attended their recommended number of Shabbat services this year.

We are very blessed at Temple Israel to have an incredibly talented and dedicated group of teachers who genuinely love working with our children. A strength of our education program is continuity. It is not unusual for teachers to stay with us for many years. This year we are honoring seven teachers for their extraordinary service to our school and our congregation: Rochelle Novack, 35 years; Bob Schnurman, 25 years; Patty Bloom and Adele Lewis, 15 years; Jennifer Patchin, 10 years, and Stephanie Rhea and Kevin Zeldin, 5 years.

We hope you can join us on May 13.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Friday, May 6, 2011

6:00 p.m. Tot Shabbat with Kidzrock

7:30 p.m. Shabbat Worship

Saturday, May 7, 2011

11:00 a.m. Shabbat Worship

Torah Portion: Leviticus 23:33-44

Haftarah: Ezekiel 44:15-20

Friday, May 13, 2011

6:30 p.m. Shabbat B'Shir

Jewish Education Shabbat

Saturday, May 14, 2011

11:00 a.m. Shabbat Worship

Torah Portion: Leviticus 24:8-17

Haftarah: Jeremiah 32:6-15

Friday, May 20, 2011

6:30 p.m. Shabbat Worship

Chai Learning Shabbat

Saturday, May 21, 2011

11:00 a.m. Shabbat Worship

Bat Mitzvah of Jaclyn Raskas
daughter of David and Karen Raskas

Torah Portion: Leviticus 26:3-13

Haftarah: Jeremiah 16:19-21

Friday, May 27, 2011

6:30 p.m. Shabbat Worship

Saturday, May 28, 2011

11:00 a.m. Shabbat Worship

Bat Mitzvah of Aliza Gartenberg
Daughter of Roberta Gartenberg
and Steve Gartenberg

Torah Portion: Numbers 3:1-10

Haftarah: Hosea 2:11-15



WORSHIP SERVICE BROADCASTS TO RESUME

Live audio broadcasts of all Temple Israel Shabbat (Friday and Saturday) and holiday worship services will resume starting May 6-7. Thanks to the generosity of anonymous donors to our Broadcast Fund, we are now able to reinstate this valuable service which had been suspended as a result of the economic downturn. With the resumption of these broadcasts, congregants who are ill or homebound, or family members and friends from out-of-town who are unable to travel to attend a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, can hear a live audio broadcast of our worship services from the comfort of their home.

There are two convenient ways to access these free live audio broadcasts - by phone or online. To listen by phone, dial 1-800-846-4808. When prompted, enter our TI account code: 8053. To access the live broadcasts online, click on the "Listen to Services Live" link on our TI website, www.ti-stl.org.

We are so grateful to the generous donors who are enabling us to resume these broadcasts for the benefit of those who are physically unable to attend our worship services. We welcome additional donations to the Broadcast Fund at the Temple to help us ensure the long-term availability of this service.

DAVID SIMON'S KIDZROCK TO HEADLINE TOT SHABBAT

Families with young children can rock out to the music of Dave Simon's Kidzrock band at our next Tot Shabbat on Friday, May 6, at 6:00 p.m. As always, the evening will include Shabbat blessings and a child-friendly light dinner for the kids and wine and cheese for adults. Great news! Tot Shabbat will continue all summer. Mark your calendar now and join us on the first Friday of every month.

You are cordially invited

SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION

*Erev Shavuot, 6 Sivan 5771
Tuesday, June 7, 2011 - 7:30 p.m.*

Reception to follow

2011 CONFIRMANDS

Heather Alton
Scott and Robin Alton

Harley Ault
Sonia Ault

Adam Belsky
David and Jill Belsky

Eric Bogard
Jeff and Jeri Bogard

Andrew Cohen
Edward and Carol Cohen

Presley Culp
Cory and Jennifer Culp

Nicolette Frazer
Bruce and Joanne Frazer

Taylor German
David and Lori German

Jordan Goldberg
Daniel and Elise Goldberg

Gabe Grand
David and Judy Grand

Caroline Greenberg
Richard Greenberg and Claire Schenk

Rachel Gusov
Mikhail and Eteri Gusov

Adam Kalina
Dale and Marcie Kalina

Alex Kaplan
Gary and Jody Kaplan

Sydney Kitsis
Keith and Gail Kitsis

Ben Kraus
Ken and Anita Kraus

Rachel Lindsay
Wendy Lindsay

Justin Mann
Eric and Caroline Mann

Ellie Morosohk
Bruce and Deborah Morosohk

Jake Sandweiss
Bruce and Caryn Sandweiss

Jonathan Shanker
Brad and Debbie Shanker

Healy Slakman
Sharone and Amy Slakman

Claire Solomon
Ed and Nancy Solomon

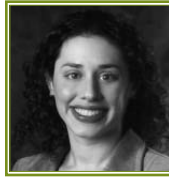
Joshua Stern
Jeffrey and Martina Stern

Jonathan Waldman
Scott and Rita Waldman

Samuel Weiss
Michael and Diane Weiss

IF NOT NOW, WHEN?

Rabbi Amy Feder



In early April, Pastor Terry Jones from Gainesville, Florida made headlines by burning a copy of the *Quran*. His action sparked deadly riots overseas, and his next plan, to put Mohammed “on trial,” sounds equally dangerous, provocative and foolish. While many simply regard him as a media-hungry agitator, it is telling that nearly 10 years after the attacks on America on September 11, 2001, we are still wringing our hands over the dangers of both religious freedom and religious extremism.

I will be the first to admit that I don’t know where the lines must be drawn. I believe that the freedoms of speech and religion are essential principles that define our great nation, and that especially as a people who has been religiously persecuted throughout the centuries, Jews must be particularly vigilant in seeing these freedoms protected. Yet, even as someone who truly believes in religion’s ability to bring good to the world, I am also not so naïve as to think that religion’s power can be equally destructive and dangerous when in the wrong hands.

These issues seem so tremendous, not to mention so distant from us, yet there is still something practical we can do to both support American freedoms and prevent religious hatred. It is based on an underlying principle of who we are as Jews and what we do to make the world a better place. The answer is simple: knowledge. The more we can learn about our own faith and the faiths of others, and the more we can then share that knowledge with others, the less likely it is that ignorance will rule the day.

It should be no surprise to us that ignorance and superstition lead only to hatred. This past month alone marks significant dates on the Jewish calendar that have been marred by this kind of destruction, from passion plays on Passover to *Yom HaShoah* (Holocaust Remembrance Day). Our history is a sad statement about just how deadly ignorance can be. Yet if people were able to truly learn about each other and move beyond xenophobia, the world would be a very different place.

So what is the practical way that we can stop these hateful acts? It doesn’t have to mean shouting from mountaintops or even putting ourselves in harm’s way. It means correcting someone who shares a hateful or ignorant remark about Judaism or another faith. It means feeling comfortable asking even basic questions about religion, both your own and others, so that you can better defend it if asked. The more we learn about ourselves, the more we can share our wisdom with others and make the world a better place.

May it be God’s will.

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CHUTZPAH

Rabbi Michael Alper



A few weeks ago, I had the opportunity to travel to Cincinnati with our 9th graders to visit the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR), our Reform movement's Rabbinic seminary. I will be perfectly honest, I was not entirely looking forward to the experience. The prospect of spending two, seven-hour bus rides with a group of 15 year olds sounded much less exciting than dressing in costume, riding alpacas and playing Purim carnival games in the Isserman Auditorium.

Yet after only a few hours on the bus, I remembered what is so powerful and rewarding about Jewish learning outside of the classroom. The minute we left the Temple grounds, expectations and barriers vanished. Without the limitations of desks and classrooms, students were able to connect socially in different ways. The class rebel shared his I-pod earbuds with the shyest girl in the group; the jock and the honor student bonded over bus card games. Best of all, the Jewish learning was totally unique. We talked *Talmud* at an organic farm and discovered the original architectural plans to the Temple Israel building in the archives at Hebrew Union College.

Clearly, we can't take cross-country trips every week. Both financially and staff-wise, it's not a realistic option. But in truth, we could have been anywhere. We didn't have to go all the way to HUC or spend hours on a bus. What makes these experiences work is that we're taking children out of their everyday environment. Our students are so over-programmed with long hours at school followed by non-stop extra-curricular activities, that by the time they get to us, they are just plain tired. They're ready to leave the classroom behind and be in a place that feels fun, safe and comfortable. So our task, if we want to engage them

Jewishly, is both to take them out of their element and to meet them where they are; to take them out of the classroom and meet them at Starbucks, at the park, or their homes; to help them realize that Judaism isn't something to be learned in *cheder*, it's something to be experienced as a living, breathing part of their lives.

The truth is, this isn't just about kids. It's about adults as well. We need to recognize that the more we can literally think out of the box, the better chance we have of building a real sense of community in an age where communities aren't necessarily defined by walls. In the *Torah*, when the Israelites receive the Ten Commandments, they say, "*Na'aseh v'nishmah*, we will do and we will hear." In order to understand or hear anything, we must actually live it; we must physically try something first. The process of learning requires engagement on both a physical and an intellectual level. Let's engage in our Judaism. Let's actually live it in and beyond the walls of the Temple.

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EXPERIMENT IN FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE TIMES QUESTIONNAIRE

Please return completed form to Temple Israel, attn: Rabbi Feder, #1 Rabbi Alvan D. Rubin Drive., St. Louis, MO 63141. To complete the survey online, paste the following link into your internet browser:
<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/HDV57KQ>

Which service time do you prefer? (circle one)

- A. 6:30
- B. 7:30
- C. Other (please specify) _____

Why do you prefer it? (circle all that apply)

- A. It makes it easier for me to get to services
- B. It makes it easier for me to enjoy the rest of my evening
- C. It is a better time for my family, especially those ages _____
- D. Other (explain) _____

How frequently do you typically attend Friday night Shabbat services? (circle one)

- A. Regularly (at least once a month)
- B. Occasionally (4 or more times a year)
- C. Rarely (fewer than 3 times a year)

If the service time is changed permanently to 6:30, I will attend: (circle one)

- A. More often
- B. Less often
- C. As often as I came previously

Do you usually bring children to services with you? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, what are their ages? _____

Did you utilize our free childcare? Yes ___ No ___

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

A Fun, Fabulous Weekend to Benefit Temple Israel

Saturday Evening, Aug. 13

Cocktails / Dinner / Entertainment / Surprises

Monday, Aug. 15

Temple Israel Golf Tournament

8:30 a.m. shotgun start

Both events at Meadowbrook Country Club

Details to follow.

Questions?

Contact Judy Lewis, jlewis@ti-stl.org or 341-432-8050.

TI STARS

Editor's Note: Max Goldfarb, son of Marc and Holly Goldfarb, is a TI alum who is currently majoring in English at Bates College in Maine. He has embarked on a project to create a short film titled *Four Questions*, that is based on a poem he wrote about Passover. We are so proud of our students who keep Judaism in their lives in creative, thought-provoking ways beyond the Temple walls. Mazel tov, Max!

Four Questions is the story of a couple's first seder dinner with the boy's family. It will chronicle the girl's integration into the family shown through body language and ambient noise. The crux of the story, however, assumes the role of a voice-over throughout the film by an older gentleman who we do not meet until the conclusion of the story. The poem he reads mirrors the nostalgia he feels for his first seder with a special girl. This project is about acceptance and a family's dynamic during Passover. To find out more and to donate to the project, visit:

<http://www.kickstarter.com/projects/maxgoldfarb/four-questions-a-short-film>

TI CARES

By Rebecca Gutmann

Editor's Note: Rebecca Gutmann is a senior at the University of Michigan. She wrote this article for her campus Hillel newsletter. Rebecca is the daughter of congregants Dr. David and Robin Gutmann.

The trip began at 4:45 a.m. on Sunday, February 27, when eight Jews and eight Muslims met at Detroit Metro Airport, sleepy but excited for the week ahead. The preparation for the trip started first semester with meetings and fundraisers that continued up until right before the trip.

Through these meetings and events, the group members had already begun to build relationships with one another. By the time the plane landed in New Orleans, LA, it seemed as if all those previously established



relationships had solidified into one united group - MuJew.

Our volunteer project through Relief Spark started on Monday. We arrived at McDonogh 42, a charter elementary school in Treme. Treme was one of the places in New Orleans that had been pretty badly affected by [Hurricane] Katrina. Treme was not even one of the most affected areas, so it was disheartening to see how much work still needed to be done six years later. Our group worked on a couple of projects around the school. We began by repainting and reorganizing the library. We then repaired and replanted a garden that had been built in memory of a student who had been shot.

The garden had been destroyed by the hurricane. Those who were not working in the garden were helping to strip boards, and clean mold off the former art cottage that had been flooded by Katrina. It was incredible to see how much could be accomplished in such a short time by our group, yet sad because we left the school with more still to be done.

In addition to the volunteer project, our week was also spent learning about Judaism, Islam, and Jewish and Muslim cultures. There were two official dialogues and one official education session over the week, but we found that discussions occurred throughout the trip (above and beyond the prescribed times). The group also observed one another's religious customs - the three daily Jewish prayers, the five daily Islamic prayers, Jumma service on Friday afternoon, and Shabbat services Friday evening and Saturday morning. Everyone was respectful and inquisitive about one another's customs, leading to wonderful discussions and learning.

MuJew also found time for some New Orleans-style outings. The entire group visited the historical Preservation Jazz Hall, explored the French Quarter, ate beignets at Café Du Monde, and watched the parades pass by from the Touro Synagogue on St. Charles Street.

It was a perfect combination of volunteer work, learning, and fun. I believe the group came away from this trip with a better understanding of one another's faiths (maybe even of their own faith), lasting friendships, Mardi Gras beads and amazing memories.

Join Temple Israel for a Lag B'Omer

Family Barbecue

Saturday, May 14
5:30 p.m.





Bring your whole family for a good old-fashioned community dinner with lots of races, games and music.




Lag B'Omer is a time of dancing and singing. Families go on picnics and outings. Lag B'Omer dates back to the time of Rabbi Akiva and is celebrated on the 33rd day of the Omer.

 Hot dogs and hamburgers (vegetarian option also)

 Bring your guitar or musical instruments for a sing-along

 Fun races and "back yard" games

 Surprises for everyone.

\$8.50 for adults

*\$6.00 for kids
8 and under*



Family Barbecue - Return by May 6

Family Name _____ Phone # _____

of adults _____ (x\$8.50 each)=\$ _____

of children under 8 _____ (x \$6.00 each)=\$ _____

Total included: \$ _____

Checks payable to Temple Israel, #1 Rabbi Alvan D. Rubin Drive, St. Louis, MO 63141

Attn: Stephanie Rhea

Any food allergies or restrictions? _____



Trivia Night

Join Us at Temple Israel
Saturday, May 21st, 2011

Doors Open at 6 pm, Trivia begins at 7 pm

Invite Your Friends & Family!

We bring the questions and you provide the answers!

Wide range of categories!

Bring Food and Snacks – Cash Bar provided by Major Brands

\$20 per player....Tables of 10

Get a table of friends together or we can match you up with one!

Proceeds will directly benefit Deutsch Early Childhood Center

Sponsorship Opportunities Available



Register in advance:

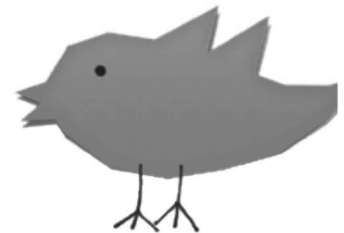
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DEUTSCH EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER OF TEMPLE ISRAEL

Leslie Wolf, Director

I cannot believe that this is the end of my second year at DECC. This year we have seen an unbelievable amount of growth in every age group. At the beginning of the year we had 72 students enrolled, which already was a substantial increase from the previous year. As the year progressed new families continued to enroll their children in our school. We currently have 113 students enrolled! I continue to give tours to prospective families who are looking to send their children to camp this summer and to our school next fall. You helped us plant the seeds for this amazing growth by spreading the word about our great program at DECC. The dedication of our families and the loving and caring environment created by our great teachers and staff are the keys to our continued success!

While DECC has grown by leaps and bounds this year, we have also worked hard to maintain the close-knit and nurturing environment that makes our preschool so special. Our remarkable teachers take the time to get to know each student individually in order to understand each child's learning style and ascertain what will motivate them to do their best. The classroom environment is always warm and friendly. The flexibility that we have built into our program is the talk of the preschool world! Our families know that their children have a place to go 10 hours a day, five days a week, and that they can vary their child's schedule from day to day or week to week to meet their needs. There is no other Jewish preschool that offers this degree of flexibility!

Enrollment is also well underway for our Rabbi Mark and Carol Shook Preschool Camp for children ages 6 months-6 years. Camp Shook offers many of the same fun activities as DECC in a relaxed summer environment. Plus, every camper age 3 and older receives swimming lessons taught by certified YMCA instructors in Temple Israel's in-ground pool. For our younger campers, we offer plenty of time for splashing and playing in our water tables! Our counselors at Camp Shook are extremely energetic and are led and supervised by experienced preschool teachers, so you know that your campers will be happy and well cared for. It is going to be a super summer at Camp Shook!

As this school year draws to a close, I extend my deepest thanks to Rabbi Amy Feder and Rabbi Michael Alper, who are always so supportive of DECC, and to Debbie Morosohk, the Temple's Director of Education, who has been there for us every step of the way. My new assistant Kim Heil has been my rock in the office. Her expertise and hard work on the business side of DECC has been incredible! Most important, a big thank you goes to all of our teachers who make this school the very best Jewish preschool in the area. They are the heart and soul of DECC. It indeed takes a village, and what an awesome village we have created. Thank You.

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TEMPLE ISRAEL EDUCATION CENTER

Deborah Morosohk, R.J.E., Director of Education

There is a story that is told in the *Talmud* of a town that was suffering from a lack of rain. A highly respected rabbi came to the town and told the people that they should pray and fast in order to make the rain fall. All the townspeople gathered in the synagogue to pray for rain.

The visiting rabbi led the prayers but nothing happened. The town's mayor led the prayers, and still nothing happened. Then someone suggested that Shmuel, who was sitting in the back of the sanctuary, should try leading the prayers. Shmuel was hesitant, but he did come forward, go before the ark, and recite the words from the prayer book. "God causes the wind to blow," he read, and immediately the wind began to blow. Then Shmuel recited, "God causes the rain to fall," and the rain began to fall. The townspeople were jubilant that their prayers had been answered.

The visiting rabbi asked Shmuel, "What special deed have you done to merit such a reward that God answers your prayers while others go unanswered?" Shmuel answered, "I teach young children, those of the poor as well as those of the rich. I take no fees from anyone who cannot afford to pay. Also, I have a fish pond, and if a child does not want to study, I give him some fishes to keep and win him over in that way so that soon he becomes eager to learn."

In our Jewish tradition, teachers have always been held in highest regard. Our teachers merit special honor and distinction for the important work they do. Teachers can and do make the wind blow and the rain fall. When a Religious School student gets out of the car grumpy on a Sunday morning from having to wake up too early, but leaves two hours later with a big smile on his face because

of all the fun he had at Religious School, the wind has blown! When a Hebrew School student who has struggled with learning to read Hebrew proudly chants the Four Questions at her family Passover Seder, the rain has fallen!

Please join us in honoring our incredible teachers who make the wind blow and rain fall at our annual Jewish Education Shabbat on Friday, May 13, at 6:30 p.m.

dmorosohk@ti-stl.org

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2011-2012 school year will begin mid-May. We will contact current Religious School families about the re-enrollment process. Temple Israel families who plan to enroll their children for the first time should contact Gale, 314-432-8050.

NEW THIS YEAR: Temple Israel has established a non-member option for unaffiliated families who want to try our Religious School. Unaffiliated families may send their child(ren) to our Religious School at a non-member rate for one year. Temple membership will be required for those who want to continue in our program beyond the first year. Tell your unaffiliated friends to try us out!

If you have questions about our programs, please call us at 314-432-8050 or e-mail ghilburg@ti-stl.org. School handbooks and class assignments will be mailed home at the end of August.

MAY 2011

| SUN | MON | TUES | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|---|--|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|---|
| 1 9:30 am Crafting for Community 1 pm TIFTY elections 3 pm Israeli House Yom HaShoah | 2 | 3 6:30 pm Life in Transition 7 pm TIFTY Lounge Night 7 pm Tuesday Institute 7:30 pm Scout Troop 11 | 4 9 am Opera Lecture Class | 5 12:30 pm Rabbi's Roundtable | 6 6:00 pm Tot Shabbat 7:30 pm Shabbat Worship | 7 9:45 am Bible Study 11 am Shabbat Worship |
| 8 Mother's Day | 9 DECC Conferences No School 7:30 pm Scout Committee Yom Ha'atzmaut | 10 7 pm Board of Trustees 7:30 pm Scout Troop 11 | 11 9:30 am Study Group | 12 | 13 9:30 am DECC Special Person's Breakfast 6:30 pm Jewish Education Shabbat | 14 9:45 am Bible Study 11 am Shabbat Worship 5:30 pm Family Barbecue |
| 15 3 pm Israeli House | 16 6:30 pm Confluence of Faith | 17 7:30 pm Scout Troop 11 | 18 | 19 1 pm Crafting for Community | 20 6:30 pm Chaier Learning Shabbat | 21 9:45 am Bible Study 11 am Shabbat Worship Jaclyn Raskas Bat Mitzvah 6 pm DECC Trivia Night |
| 22 9 am Challah Brigade 12 pm TIFTY Banquet | 23 6:30 pm DECC Pre-K Graduation | 24 7:15 pm Committee Night 7:30 pm Scout Troop 11 | 25 DECC Last Day | 26 | 27 6:30 pm Shabbat Worship with HaShemesh | 28 9:45 am Bible Study Last Day 11 am Shabbat Worship Aliza Gartenberg Bat Mitzvah |
| 29 | 30 Memorial Day Building Closed | 31 7:30 pm Scout Troop 11 | | | | |

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL *calendar*

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| May 1 | Religious School (Last Day) Hebrew School Confirmation |
| May 3 | Hebrew School |
| May 10 | Tuesday Hebrew School (Last Day) |
| May 13 | Jewish Education Shabbat |
| May 14 | Mitzvah Mania |
| May 15 | Hebrew School |
| May 22 | Sunday Hebrew School (Last Day) |



Classroom 219 was dedicated in honor of Dr. Harry Offenbach "For a Lifetime of Teaching at Congregation Temple Israel with devotion to Jewish Learning and Living." Ninth and 10th grade students attended the dedication ceremony, which was led by Rabbi Feder.

CHAIER LEARNING

We invite you to join us in giving special *kavod* (honor) to congregants who have demonstrated a commitment to life-long learning by engaging in one or more adult learning opportunities at the Temple during the past year. We will recognize and honor our "Chai'er" learners during our 6:30 p.m. Shabbat service on Friday, May 20.

Temple Israel's "Chai'er Learning" initiative is the brainchild of our Adult Education Committee. The initiative is designed to encourage and recognition adults who pursue adult learning at the Temple. On May 20 we will honor those adults who have completed 18 hours or more of adult Jewish study and we will recognize everyone who attended one or more classes.

Letters notifying all honorees will be mailed in early May. If you do not receive a letter and have attended an adult education class during the past year, please contact Gale in the Education Center, 314-432-8050 or ghilburg@ti-stl.org, and let us know. We don't want to leave anyone out!

COMING UP IN ADULT EDUCATION

Tuesday, May 3, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

"Jewish Resistance in the Holocaust" presented by Bob Schnurman

Mark your calendars now for a fabulous bonus opportunity to study with Rabbi Shook.

Untangling the Forces of Revolution in the Middle East

Monday, June 6, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. - "Echoes of Empire" - at Temple Israel

Monday, June 20, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. "Political Discourse in the *Koran*" - at the Daar UI Islam Mosque

Monday, June 27, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. - "Exploring the Israeli Paradox" - at Temple Israel

TIFTY

Temple Israel Federation of Temple Youth

It's April, and TIFTY is speeding up as we head for the finish line for this year! Looking back, we had a successful Spring Lock-in and Chocolate Passover Seder. Speeding forward, on Saturday, May 14, we are heading to Nascar Speedpark at St. Louis Mills. It should be a very entertaining day! We are also looking forward to Sunday, May 22, when we will host our annual appreciation brunch honoring anyone and everyone who has helped us make TIFTY an amazing youth group this year!

May is election time for TIFTY. Watch for an announcement of TIFTY's new Board for 2011-2012 in next month's *DATELINE*.

As always, to get the latest scoop on programs and upcoming events, visit our TIFTY website, www.tifty.org, and join our "TIFTY is NFTY" group on Facebook.

Presley Culp

Communications and Visuals Vice President

TIFTY TAKES HONORS

Our Temple Israel youth group earned several honors at the recent NFTY-Mo Valley regional conference. Mazel tov to Healy Slakman, who was elected NFTY Mo-Valley's new Regional Songleader, and to Shira Morosohk, who received a Social Action Award for the program she created for the Junior Youth Group (JYG) Chavurah held at Temple Israel this spring. The JYG Chavurah was so successful that it earned the Chavurah of the Year award from the region.

JYG

Junior Youth Group Temple Israel

Spring is a time of transition for our youth groups. For JYG this means welcoming current 6th graders to our JYG programs this spring and preparing to say farewell to our 8th graders who are ready to join TIFTY. For parents, this may all get a little confusing because teens are now receiving invitations to activities for both JYG and TIFTY, or in some cases, Club 56 and JYG. Encourage your child to give youth group a try. We promise good times with great people!

Our 6th through 12th graders had a blast at our Chocolate Seder in April. This was a fun twist on the Passover seder where everything served had a chocolate component. Who knew we could actually have so much chocolate that we'd be sick of it?

Our final JYG event for this school year will be our bowling outing on Saturday, May 7. If you have any questions about this program or about youth group in general, contact advisor Jennifer Patchin at jennifr319@yahoo.com or call 314-307-9940.

TEENAGERS!

Want more baby-sitting jobs?

Maybe even a summer nanny position?

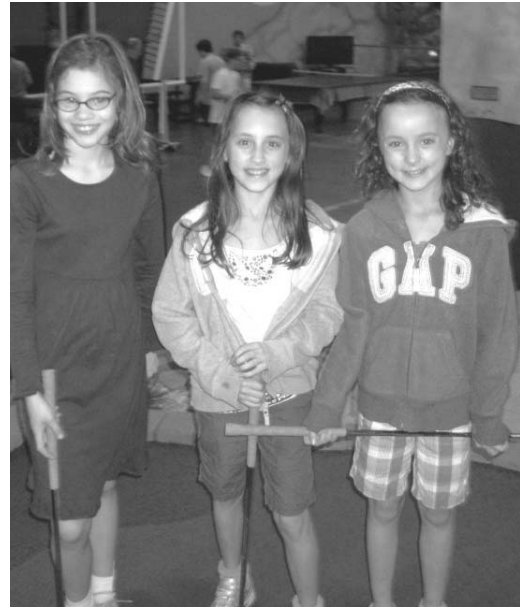
Contact Stephanie at srhea@ti-stl.org to be placed on the Temple Israel community baby-sitting list.

CLUB 56

5th and 6th Grade Youth Group

Club 56 has just wrapped up another fantastic school year. Our final event for this year at Sports Fusion was tons of fun for all! Thank you to everyone who participated in Club 56 this year, and to parents for their wonderful support. We have a great group of 6th graders who will be moving up to JYG this fall. We'll miss you! We are looking forward to welcoming an equally great group of current 4th graders who will be joining Club 56 this fall. Wishing everyone a safe and happy summer. See you in the fall!

Stephanie Rhea
Club 56 Advisor



Club 56 enjoyed an afternoon of fun and games at Sports Fusion as their final event of the school year.

ST. LOUIS NORC

NATURALLY OCCURRING
RETIREMENT COMMUNITY



Join NORC for their spring trip to Jefferson City, MO on Thursday, May 19. The bus will depart from the back (north) parking lot of the Jewish Community Center at 8:00 a.m. and will return to the JCC at 5:30 p.m.

Spend some time in the magnificent home of Missouri's First Family, the Governor's Mansion. We will also tour the Old Missouri State Penitentiary. This will be a bus and walking tour.

The cost is \$55 per NORC member and \$60 per person for non-members. Priority seating will be given to NORC members. All other seats are subject to availability. (Cost includes round-trip coach bus transportation, tours/admission to prison and mansion, lunch and gratuities).

Contact Laura for information at 314-442-3255.

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WALKING TO JERUSALEM

JUDAISM FOR THE MIND, BODY AND SOUL



When: Sunday, May 15, 9:45-11:15 a.m.

Where: Temple Israel Parking Lot

Who: People of all ages (pets are welcome, too!)

What: Walk with us as we get a little exercise, learn healthy eating habits with Dr. Howard Schlansky, and find out from our Rabbis what Judaism teaches us about taking care of ourselves – mind, body and soul. Enjoy some healthy snacks and meet some new friends along the way!

How: Just show up! In case of inclement weather, we will move the program indoors.

**How many steps will it take for us
to walk to Jerusalem?
Let's find out together!**

SHARE YOUR TEMPLE ISRAEL STORY

In celebration of Temple Israel's 125th anniversary, we are gathering information and stories on families who have a long history at the congregation. If you would like to share your family's story with us, please contact Nancy Solomon, nancysolomon@charter.net or 314-991-4278. We would love to hear your story and add it to the Temple archives!

We are also looking for any family pictures taken at Temple Israel (weddings, baby namings, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Confirmation, or other simchas). If you have photographs taken at other Temple meetings, events, or activities, those are most welcome as well. All photographs will be scanned and returned to you. If possible, please identify the people in the photographs. To share your photographs, bring them to Carol Wolf Solomon at the Temple (Please include your name and phone number on the back of each photo.) Or contact Nancy Solomon to make arrangements.

CORRECTION

The article "L'Dor V'Dor - From Generation to Generation" in last month's *DATELINE* was written by congregant Nancy Solomon. Her byline was inadvertently omitted. Nancy's correct e-mail address is nancysolomon@charter.net. The Bat Mitzvah family photo should have included a photo credit for Kristi Foster.

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March 11 and 18: In loving memory of Ralph Kalish

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With love, from Lynne Cole and Children

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With love, from Harriet and Lloyd Arkin, Sue and Rich Miller
and Larry Schiffer

April 29 and 30: In honor of Hannah's Bat Mitzvah

With love, from Steve, Lael and Richard Simon

IN OUR TEMPLE FAMILY

Mazel Tov to **Tracy** and **Matthew Gross** and **Dorette** and **Ed Goldberg** on the birth of their daughter and granddaughter, **Emma Alexandra Gross**, born on April 10, 2011.

Mazel Tov to **Amanda Packman**, daughter of **Diane** and **Michael Packman**, who was selected to give the invocation at the honors convocation at Illinois Wesleyan University.

Mazel tov to **Gary H. Feder** who was sworn in as President of the Board of Directors of the Clayton Century Foundation.

Mazel Tov to **Jake Kreinberg**, son of **Nancy** and **Jeff Kreinberg**, who earned a 1st place award from the Missouri College Media Association for his sports column titled "Missouri Football; A Box of Chocolates" that appeared in *The Maneater* student newspaper of the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Mazel Tov to **Dr. David L. Weinstein** on his appointment as Chief of OB-GYN at Missouri Baptist Hospital.

Mazel tov to **Evie Bernstein**, who won first runner-up honors in the *St. Louis Jewish Light's Pesach* dessert contest for her recipe for Passover Pecan Muffins.

Mazel tov to **Ray Hartmann**, who will receive the Star of Hope award from the Metro St. Louis/Greater Missouri Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation for his long-time commitment to humanitarian causes.

Mazel Tov to **Jeff L. Fox** on receiving the Distinguished Alumni Award from the Olin Business School at Washington University.

CONDOLENCES:

We extend our deepest sympathy to the families of:

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|------------------------------|----------------------|
| John Frederick Bottchen, Sr. | Lawrence Max Lippman |
| Edwin Solomon Brownstein | Dr. Milton Reiser |
| Adrienne Davis | Moisey Samoylovich |
| Elizabeth Hare | Juanita Yawitz |
| Ruth S. Kosberg | Jack Zuckner |

WHAT'S NEW AT NEW MT. SINAI?

The New Mt. Sinai Cemetery Association is owned and operated by congregations B'nai El, Shaare Emeth, and Temple Israel. Each congregation has six members on the association's Board, as well as Life Members who have served as past presidents. Temple Israel's Board members are Neil Handelman, 3rd Vice President; Lou Loebner, Treasurer; Norman Roth, Bill Eiseman, Rob Epstein, Robert Meyer, Randall Scherck, and Sandy Silverstein. At our recent annual meeting, the current officers were all re-elected to new terms. We thank them and all of the other Temple Israel members who serve on our Board.

Reminder: Our "Movers & Shakers" tour of the cemetery will take place Sunday, May 22, from 1:00-3:00 p.m.

If you haven't made a reservation yet, call right away. We are almost booked up! Also, don't forget our new arrangement with our owner congregations. Your purchase of property at New Mt. Sinai will result in a donation by us to Temple Israel. Call now and schedule an appointment for a tour of New Mt. Sinai.

Dan Brodsky, Executive Director

This Memorial Day WE REMEMBER

Our Temple Israel members
who died in service to their country

Joseph M. Berger III
Michael Blumenfeld
Raymond P. Emmer
Wallace N. Emmer
Allen Franken
Pvt. Fred H. Golding
Jerome Goldman
Philip Gram
Lionel M. Herman
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Betty Schneider
1st Lt. Roslyn Schulte
Gerald Robert Steinberg
David Susman
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Lawrence S. Wise
David P. Wohl Jr.
Joseph Wolfort
James Henry Yalem

MAY 1-7

Sylvia Altman
Mendel Bender
Hertha S. Bernard
Lorgia Marge Bernstein
Simon Bienenstock
Mary Bosse
Dr. Raymond M. Charnas
Fannie Cohen
Marlene Katz Cristal
Rachel Fried Davidson
Phyllis R. Dubinsky
Gussie Edlin
Arthur D. Epstein
Shirley H. Esrock
Julius L. Freund
Nat J. Green
Louis Guckenheim
Carl Handshear
Edith Kalterman
George H. Kaufman
Martin Kodner
Emma Levy
Irene Strauss Littmann
Clara K. London
Lois H. Martin
Gus Nemser
Herbert Perlmutter
Gerald A. Rimmel
Dorothy Passer Rosecan
Dr. Jeffrey Rosecan
Harry Rosenblum
Albert Rothschild
Michel Bernard Samuels
Morris P. Sarner
Dr. Seymour Schlansky
Abe Schneider
Maxine Ruth Schucart
Joseph E. Silverman
Elizabeth Silverstein
Hannah C. Stein
Alvin Morris Swier
Paul Treumann
Jack Tzinberg
Michael Victor
Charles David Weaver
Birdie Kaminer Wegusen
Morris L. Whyman

MAY 8-14

Rose Steinharn
Abrahamson
Jean Appel
Bess Barney
Alvin L. Bauman
Sophie Bendit
Kate Berkowitz
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Jacob G. Bernstein
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Philip Unterberger
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Joe Weil
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MAY 15-21

Alvin W. Abramson
June W. Agress
Henry Appt
Harry J. Arnheim
Rose Barken
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Sybil Margaret Day
Irving Edison
Frieda Baer Fuller
Martha Sacks Gelber
Bessie Weil Glauber
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Ben L. Goldberg
Lillian Goldman
Mollie Grodsky
Rena G. Grosberg
Phillip Kalish
Charles Kessell
Robert James Kligman
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Esther S. Radloff
Celia Fremder Rostenberg
Fannie E. Rothgiesser
Nellie Newmark Sachs
1st Lt. Roslyn Littmann
Schulte
Jack W. Soffer
Faye M. Tuholske
Hattie Sommers Waldheim

MAY 22-28

Joseph A. Bernard
Pauline Kattler Cohen
Julius Cohn
Marjorie Feldman Corn
Harold Robert Davidson
Marvin Deutsch
Morris Josef Drucker
Marian A. Feder
Benjamin Finer
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Belle Grosby Levin
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Mildred Epstein Nemser
Clara Lee Pearline
Mildred Platt
Alyne Polsky
George Potlitzer
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Isadore Riezman
Isaac Rosenblatt
Stanley M. Rosenblum
Diana Freda Schreiber
Sylvia Schwartz
Samuel M. Shuchart
Bertha Lipton Weil
Joseph Wolfort

MAY 29-JUNE 4

Norvell C. Brasch
Rose C. Brasch
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Jack R. Cutter
Scott Allen Dankner
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Emanuel B. Sher
Abe I. Small
Anna Veil
Jeremy Michael Wolfman
Muriel E. Zweig

Names listed have been placed in Perpetual Memorial. For information as to how you may place a loved one's name in Perpetual Memorial, please contact Sydney Masin at smasin@ti-stl.org or 314-432-8050.

TODAH RABAH

TO OUR MARCH USHERS

Heather Alton, Ron Chatmon, Brent and Karen Comensky, Presley Culp, Marvin Goldfarb, Ella Raber, Ken Wilde

TO OUR FEBRUARY B'NAI MITZVAH PRESENTER

Betty Bridge

TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Hui Hua Bernstein, Nancy Kreinberg, and Bruce Morosohk for driving on our Mitzvah Mania field trips.

Scott Rhea, for assisting with our 2nd grade retreat.

GIVE-A-MEAL-A-MONTH

For the month of May the Harvey Kornblum Jewish Food Pantry is looking for these specific items in order to provide well-balanced nourishment for the community in need:

Canned Tuna Fish, Hearty Soups,
Canned Pasta with Meat, Peanut Butter & Jelly,
Canned Fruit, Cereal, Healthy Snacks,
Personal Care Items (shampoo, toothpaste,
soap and baby diapers - all sizes)

Items should be brought to our collection site by the May Chapel. For further information, please contact Louise Levine, 636-227-1259.

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you and your families.