

Congregation B'Nai Jeshurun



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# The South Street Temple BULLETIN

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## THE CANTOR'S MESSAGE

This is a very exciting time in the life of our sacred Temple. We have witnessed a growth in our membership with the inclusion of several new families. We're up to about 103 now. And wonder of wonders, we have babies all over the place. On a recent Friday evening there were six. We've gotten to the point where we will surely have to provide child care on a regular basis. Attendance during our services has been good even through the beginning of the Summer Doldrums. The Religious School Committee is about to get to work creating the program for the 93/94 school year. Social Action Committee is looking for new ways to be of service. I am receiving calls from many of our members who are seeking ways to become involved in the Temple.

This is all very good. We are an active vibrant bastion of Reform Judaism!

We still have a long way to go, however. Our finances are in a precarious state. We need to do some fund raising in order to meet our obligations. A garage

sale is planned for August, and there are some other things under discussion. You can help with your ideas and your contributions to make us financially stable.

Won't you search your hearts and minds and help your Temple continue in its successful ways. The Temple was provided to you by those who came before you; it is up to you to preserve that wonderful legacy for those who will come after you.

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## SERVICES

### Friday Evening Shabbat Services

7:45 P.M.

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### Tuesday Evening Adult Education

7:30 P.M.

"For My House shall be a House of Prayer for All people." -- Isaiah 56:7

# *SOUTH STREET TEMPLE NEWS*

## SPECIAL SONG EVENT

A special song event is scheduled for July 2, 1993 during the regular service.

Maxine Noodell, a resident of Omaha will be singing the Liturgical music of the Temple during services and will be accompanied by George Hiatt on the organ.

Maxine is a twenty year member of the Beth El Choir; a member of the Omaha Symphonic Chorus for ten years; participated in the productions of *BRIGADOON* and *HAIM SOLOMON* at the Jewish Community Center. She also sings for other programs and weddings.

We request your support on this Sabbath event. Come and hear the songs of Shabbat!

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## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

A member of our Congregation has recently been appointed to the Lincoln Jewish Welfare Federation as Vice President. Charles Griffin will assume the duties of Vice President under Herbert Friedman who is the new President.

Also elected to the post of Secretary is Marsha Rosenberg and Eve Hoffman.

As you know the Federation is a lot more than just a welfare agency. It plays an active role in the everyday lives of the Jewish community in Lincoln, Nebraska, United States, and around the world. However, it is due to people like you that this agency is a functional part of Lincoln.

Get involved and support the new officers and look forward to articles in this Bulletin as to just what the Lincoln Jewish Welfare Federation is doing.

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## **OFFICE NEWS**

As you know Deb Wineberg has been manning the office for some time. As she is a volunteer it is very important not to over use those who give of their time.

The new office hours will be as follows:

**Tuesday - Thursday**  
**9:00 A.M. 'til 3:00 P.M.**

However, Cantor Weisser will be there on Fridays. If you need to leave a message, it is asked that you leave a number to reach you at and the nature of your call.

**COMMUNICATION IS IMPORTANT!**  
**YOU ARE IMPORTANT TO THE TEMPLE!**

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

In my article in last month's Bulletin, I noted that I saw as one of the priorities for the coming year the creating of a greater sense of community in the Congregation by offering more social, educational, and religious activities and by involving more members in the process of planning and carrying out these activities. Accordingly, the Board of Trustees is presently in the process of appointing a number of committees that will be charged with the responsibility of setting goals and objectives for their particular areas and then formulating plans for the implementation of those goals and objectives.

Among the committees we would like to see in operation are:

**Cemetery** -- responsible for the oversight of the cemetery, the enforcement of the Temple's by-laws, the management of cemetery funds, and liaison with Wyuka Cemetery.

**Membership** -- responsible for contacting and recruiting new members, introducing new members into the Temple family, and creating a brochure outlining the Temple's programs for prospective members.

**House** -- responsible for the upkeep of the building and grounds and recommending policies to the Board regarding the use of the building.

**Religious School** -- responsible for the setting of policy regarding the administration of the programs of youth education in the Congregation, formulating rules and regulations for the Religious and Hebrew schools, and setting standards for various levels of educational achievement.

**Social Action** -- responsible for leading the Congregation in areas of concern to Jews and non-Jewish alike, bringing the Temple into an activist role in local charitable activities, and for educating the membership in various local, national, and worldwide Jewish causes.

**Social** -- responsible for planning social activities for the Congregation such as pot luck suppers or cocktail parties.

**Program** -- responsible for planning special cultural and educational activities such as speakers and concerts.

**Youth** -- responsible for helping the Temple's youth groups with planning and coordinating their activities.

**Outreach** -- responsible for creating a welcoming atmosphere for mixed married couples and for others who are developing a relationship with the Jewish religion.

**Inreach** -- responsible for creating a welcoming atmosphere for Temple members who are no longer as active in the Congregation as they once were.

**Mitzvah** -- responsible for mobilizing the Congregation when Temple members have special needs, for instance, when there has been a death in the family.

**Ways and Means** -- responsible for raising additional funds for the Congregation through fund raising activities and the seeking of grants.

**Capital Funds** -- responsible for the oversight of the Congregation's capital funds, assuring that the funds are invested in ways that make the most productive use of the Congregation's capital resources.

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## SHALOM FROM HASTINGS

There is an ambitious undertaking and we need your help. Several possible committee members have already been identified through the Time & Talent sheets and other means. But we want everyone who is willing to be involved. Please call the Temple soon and volunteer to serve on a committee. Your input is greatly valued, and we hope that you will find serving your Temple to be a worthwhile and rewarding experience.

**Alan H. Frank**  
**President**

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### LETTER OF THANKS

"To the Board of Trustees,

Thank you for the beautiful Kiddush Cup. I will use it on those special Sabbath nights.

Sincerely,  
Sara Nadelman"

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### CANTOR IN THE COMMUNITY

June 2 - Opened the worship for the Annual Conference of United Methodist Church.

June 7 - Conducted Multicultural Workshops for 400 public school teachers in Hastings.

June 9 - Conducted Multicultural Workshops for 600 public school teachers in Crete.

June 16 - Participated in Nebraska Scholars Institute at UNL.

Marsha had the privilege of writing the first column entitled "Shalom From Hastings", so it is only fair that I take the time and effort to author the second.

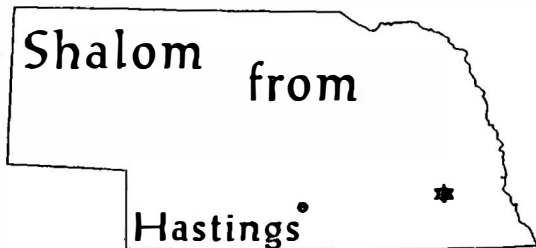
At the Annual Meeting I issued the challenge to the Temple Membership to attend at least one Friday night service each month, and we (Marsha and I) would do the same by making a 200 mile round trip. We kept this promise by attending services on June 18th. We missed having Cantor Michael, however, President Alan Frank and Joe Eisenberg did a fine job conducting services in the Cantor's absence.

During the Easter/Passover season, we read an article in the Hastings Tribune based on a sermon delivered by a local minister with the headline of "Jews Killed Jesus Christ". This was rather upsetting to us, and after long thought, we contacted I. Robert Wolfson of the Plains States Anti-Defamation League Office in Omaha and sent him a copy of the article. After thinking of what might be done, Bob contacted the Hastings Tribune editor and Rabbi Sidney Brooks of Omaha. Rabbi Brooks arranged for an Omaha minister to contact the Hastings minister. Although we cannot rewrite 2000 years of history, we did manage to have explained the Jewish point of view by those who are professionals.

As a result of this contact, Bob and his family accepted an invitation to join us at one of the meetings of the area Jews. Every other month (with Marsha as the initial catalyst), the small Jewish communities of Hastings, Grand Island, Kearney, York, Minden, and Albion are invited to

these get-togethers. (Marsha claims that on a good day we might get enough Jews together in Hastings to have a Minyan.) We have had Cantor Michael of our Temple conduct a Havdallah service last fall with Charles Griffin also making the trip. In December we met for a Chanukah latke party and dinner in Grand Island. At Purim time, Temple members Linda & Gary Perlman and Roz & Ted Perlman hosted a party and Marsha read the Megillah while the young and old used "groggers" supplied by Linda at the mention of Haman's name. These parties have been fun and educational, but terrible for my low fat, cholesterol free, low sodium diet and my waistline. Hopefully, some of the unaffiliated Jews in greater Nebraska will join the Temple, and perhaps have the same feeling of belonging to a congregation as Marsha and I have in our relationship. If Marsha can find Jews living outside of the Omaha/Lincoln metro areas, who knows, you too might find a few living inside Lincoln, and with an invitation, our Temple membership might increase. Sei Gesundt! (Be Well)

by  
Marsha & David Rosenberg



## ONEG SPONSORS FOR THE LAST FEW MONTHS

4/2/93	<b>Shirley Colombe</b>
4/9/93	<b>Moises Kaplan</b>
4/16/93	<b>Mrs Breslow</b>
4/30/93	<b>Charles Griffin, Elaine Monnier Sam &amp; Deb Wineberg</b>
5/7/93	<b>Peter &amp; Millie Eichler Julie Weisser Sue Kelly</b>
5/14/93	<b>The Nadelman Family</b>
5/21/93	<b>Alan Frank</b>
5/28/93	<b>Kelly Headly Michael Weisser</b>
6/4/93	<b>Cybele Londoño</b>
6/11/93	<b>Leslie Young Michael Weisser</b>
6/18/93	<b>Charles Griffin Elaine Monnier</b>
6/25/93	<b>Regina Simon Michael Weisser</b>

We hope that everyone who sponsored an Oneg was recognized, if we missed someone, PLEASE call the Temple and a correction WILL be made.

If you wish to do an Oneg call the Temple to reserve a date.

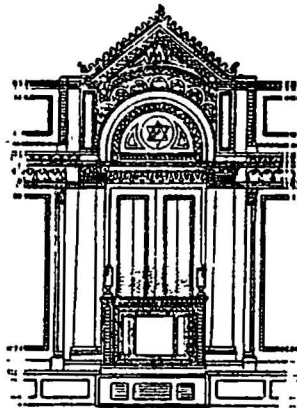
# Gahrzeits

July 2

Sarah Poska Adelson  
Gerson Adler  
Carrie Lynn Chesen  
Charles L. Levy  
David Shire  
Sam Schneider  
Lucille F. Simon  
Julius Speter

July 9

Edward Gugenheim  
Leon A. Nefsky  
Hyman George Rickover  
William Wolff



July 16

Seth Cole  
Pauline Friend  
Leo Rosenberg  
Neil Sharitz

July 23

Emma Bornemeir  
Paul Bornemeir  
Julius Cohen  
Charles O. Davis  
Edward Dekoven  
Goldie Pocras  
Pauline Sandlovich  
Sam Simon

July 30

Ruth N. Goldfen

*May the Memory of the Righteous be for Blessing.*

## JULY

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 2 Marge Ross  
3 Susan Elek  
4 Allan Schreiber  
5 Michelle Schreiber  
8 Tyler Hall  
Paul Marx  
15 Regina Simon  
16 Masha Wallen  
21 Cindy Kohn  
22 Mark Rosenberg  
26 Elaine Gelber

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 4 Alan & Marge Ross  
8 Ben & Elaine Gelber  
11 Mark & Brenda Rosenberg  
Scott Stanfield & Barbara Straus  
18 Stephen & Suzanne Kalish  
25 Jerry & Janis Kohn

## Mazel Tov

**June 5**

Ira & Barbara Schreiber were married.

**June 25**

Deborah Wineberg publicly converted to Judaism after 4 years of faithfully practicing and studying Judaism.

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## TODAH RABAH MANY THANKS

To Dr. Louis Leviticus for bringing Mr. Karel Brower to speak to us on June 11 concerning his experiences during the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands.

The world is better because of him!

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To Marsha and David Rosenberg for the clock in the Social Hall.

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To Robert Rickover for his recent donation to the Temple as "A Friend of the Temple" and for his challenge to other "Friends of the Temple" to do the same.

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### I would like to make a donation

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 Library Fund     Choir Fund     Prayer Book Fund

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Tuesdays  
 Adult Education  
 7:30 P.M.  
 Thursdays  
 Choir  
 Call for verification  
 Fridays  
 Shabbat Eve Services  
 7:45 P.M.

JULY EVENTS

July 2 - Guest Singer 7:45 P M  
 July 4 - Independence Day  
 July 12 - Board Meeting 7:30 P.M.  
 July 14 - Federation Calendar Meeting  
 July 27 - Tisha B'Av