

# TEMPLE ISRAEL WINDOW

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## THANKSGIVING INTERFAITH PRAYER SERVICE

The Akron community is invited to the Akron Area Interfaith Council's first annual Thanksgiving Prayer Service on Wednesday, November 22, 2006, at Temple Israel, located at 133 Merriman Road. The service will begin at 7:00 p.m. Representatives from the Interfaith Council, as well as others from the community will participate. Everyone is welcome to attend. A reception will follow the service.

According to Rabbi Lipper, President of the Interfaith Council, "Thanksgiving allows people of many faith traditions to come together and thank God for the bounty of the year. It also is a time of awakening responsibility. While we may give thanks for what we have, there are many in our community who struggle daily. Until all have thanks to give, our work here is not done."

This first annual service will last about one hour. It will include the new Prayer of Thanksgiving, written by Dr. Michael A. Petrochuk (St. Paul's Episcopal Church) and Council members, and recently adopted by the Interfaith Council. In addition, the service will include choirs, readings from various faith traditions, and other prayers, all with the general theme of thanksgiving.

"Through music and prayer we will gather together to ask God's blessing on our community," commented Rabbi Lipper, "We are all one human family. For that we can give thanks."

The Akron Area Interfaith Council was established in 1980. The board is comprised of 24 individuals from various faith traditions from the Akron area. Along with this inaugural prayer service, the council hosts an annual dinner, coordinates an annual CROP Walk, promotes interfaith dialogue and respect, and addresses vital interfaith issues as needed.

### *A Prayer of Thanksgiving*

O Creator and God of All,  
We give thanks for all that we have.

For our food, we give thanks.  
Help us to remember those who are hungry.  
Instill in us the goal to feed all of your people.

For our friends, we give thanks.  
Help us to remember those who are alone.  
Instill in us the care to bring others into our circle.

For our job, we give thanks.  
Help us to remember the jobless.  
Instill in us the resources to find jobs for all.  
For our health, we give thanks.

Help us to care for those with health needs.  
Instill in us the focus to provide all with needed health care.

For the beauty of nature, we give thanks.  
Help us to remember that we are stewards of creation.  
Instill in us the wisdom and will to care for our planet.

When we sit to rest and think that all is well,  
stir us up to know that your work is not done.  
Instill in us the heart to love all as we serve all.

Amen



## FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

RABBI DAVID A. LIPPER

As the days turn darker and the leaves fall from the trees, my thoughts turn to Thanksgiving this month. My mouth begins to water as I can smell my turkey, frying in the back yard (a Texas tradition) and hominy cooking in the oven. We have so much to be thankful for.

On Yom Kippur morning, I shared this blessing. These words were inspired by a colleague of mine,

Rabbi Janet Marder. Many of you wanted copies so I thought that I might print them in the *WINDOW*. Please share it with your children and remember to be thankful for them.

*My Child –*  
Sometimes we think about how you look. Your clothes. Your face. Your strange haircut. Your curly mop way out to here. That nose ring. Or even, God forbid, a tattoo.

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# FROM THE PRESIDENT

MICHAEL NEUMANN

## YOM KIPPUR 2006

As we gather together on Kol Nidre night, we reflect on last year, and what we can do to improve as individuals. This process of reflection and reconciliation directs us towards realizing our greater potential. Furthermore, the Torah teaches us that each individual's life is always on a balance like the old time scales where the weights were put on one side. The other side of the scale is for acts of mitzvah to "tip the scales." The Torah also teaches us that each community, each country, and ultimately the world, are judged in the same manner. Thus an individual must understand that the tipping of a scale is not for them alone, but may tip the scale of mankind! Lastly, in our prayer service for confession, *Al Chet*, we pray in plural. This teaches us we are one people and responsible for each other. This process can be an exciting as well as a challenging time for all of us.

The very same analysis can be applied to our Temple. Our family at Temple is also responsible for one another. It is our responsibility to grow and change together. With the challenges at hand, there will be numerous changes to Temple. It was President John F. Kennedy who stated the following: "There are risks and costs to action. But they are far less than the long range

risks and costs of comfortable inaction." I have a friend who not as eloquently stated, "If you always do what you always did, you would always get what you always got!" Many of the changes that we are undertaking, and I will be discussing tonight, remain a direct result of the Long Range Planning Committee chaired by Dr. Larry Kaye and Dr. Dick Schwartz—a plan that took over two years to complete, a plan that was unanimously approved by the Board of Directors, and a plan that will change the short and long term stability of our beloved Temple. Each and every family will be receiving our Long Range Plan in the very near future.

Our Temple has been a religious institution that has been the model for Reform Judaism in the Akron area for over 140 years. It is all of our responsibilities to secure Reform Judaism for our children and our children's children.

One of the major components of the plan was the need for additional programming at Temple. For those of you who have attended an adult education program, the 92<sup>nd</sup> Street Y, Torah study, Social Action programs, Shabbat Shelly dinners, guest speakers and so on, realize that our programming is good. We need to do better this year.

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We can't believe it sometimes – how beautiful you look to us. We wish you could look that good to yourselves.

Sometimes it is your voice we think about. Stronger now, maybe deeper, different than it was when you were a child. Your voice on the phone for hours and hours, talking about...we're not sure what. Your voice, coming from the back seat of the car, when you're chatting with friends and you don't think we're listening. The way you sound when you're laughing or angry or earnestly making a point. The way you sound when you're sad—we can tell, even if you try not to show it. Your voice—loud and sassy; enthusiastic; sensitive; tough; quiet, thoughtful; monosyllabic. Your voices...drifting in from the lobby at Temple as a gentle reminder of your presence. Your voice...at home, coming from behind a closed door that we don't know how to open.

Maybe you are happy to be spending Yom Kippur in the synagogue, or maybe you're not. If you are not, we thank you for observing the mitzvah of honoring your parents.

And we want to tell you why it's important to us that you are here. First because we hope this day, and this faith, and this family of the Jewish people, and this ancient and strong tradition will come to be important in your life...if not now, then some day. Some day when your parents aren't here, we want you to have something strong and solid at the center of your life.

And second, because Yom Kippur is about asking forgiveness, and we want to ask yours. For underestimating you; for expecting too much of you. For not remembering what it's like to be your age, or for not understanding that it's different nowadays to be your age. For times when we talked too much, or were too busy to listen. For times when we weren't around and you needed us. For times when we were short-tempered or short-sighted, or couldn't manage to be the parents you needed us to be right then. For times when you were sad and we didn't know how to help. For wanting you to be naches machines, whose success makes us feel better about our own lives. For not accepting you as you are. For our own failures of integrity, when we couldn't live up to the behavior we ask of you.

Forgive us for being sentimental about you and worrying about you so much.

Believe us when we say we are trying to do our best. We know it isn't always good enough.

And believe us when we say that even if you sometimes drive us crazy, we value and respect the very qualities that sometimes drive us crazy. Your ability to reason and think for yourself. Your challenging of authority. Your resistance to being managed and nagged.

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## Bar Mitzvah



### Lucas Adams Aronson

Saturday, November 11, 2006

10:30 a.m.

*Vayera*

Lucas Aronson is the son of Ugne and Brian Aronson of Akron and the brother of Alex. Grandparents are Tillie Aronson of Akron and Vladas and Veronika Adams and Herbert Aronson (deceased).

Lucas attends Revere Middle School where he is in the seventh grade. He enjoys playing baseball, basketball, Paintball and the drums.

## OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

**We would like to offer a warm welcome to our newest members of Temple Israel.**

Stephen & Joan Werber  
2560 Lafayette Dr.

University Heights, Ohio 44118  
216-291-0737

Sheryl and Chris Deppisch  
842 Clearwood Rd.  
Copley, Ohio 44321  
(330) 664-0990  
Miranda 11/10/98  
Robbie 2/2/01

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As we look at "tipping the scale," we will be seeking grants such as the JIDF grant that recently underwrote a number of programs as well as other creative measures to enhance our programming efforts. One of the specific areas of new programming will be a strong focus on outreach. We are working on programs for intermarriages to help individuals seek out Judaism. Rabbi Eric Yoffie, in the Biennial sermon in November 2005, stated the following: "When a non-Jewish spouse involves him or herself in the activities of the synagogue...and, most important of all, commits to raising children as Jewish, he or she is deserving not only of our welcome but our profound thanks. These spouses, it needs to be plainly said, are heroes—yes, heroes—of Jewish life. They support our congregation and encourage their children in their studies and Jewish commitments." For those of you who are a non-Jewish spouse praying with us today, on the holiest night of the year, let it be known that we do honor you and thank you for joining us. We will be supporting and encouraging Jewish choices for interfaith families. We will listen to your voices and empower you to celebrate Judaism in your own home.

As many of you know, this is a challenging time for Temple financially as well. The bottom line is that Temple has gone from struggling to balance our budget to forecasting a deficit this year, even after borrowing some of the interest from our endowment fund. Our glorious facility is 95 years old, and it has been 20 years since our last renovation. There are immediate expenditures needed for roof repairs, HVAC reconfiguration, carpeting, sound systems and so on. The windows also make this building economically inefficient. We will be conducting an overall study of the building with timetables outlining specific expenditures. We have also created a committee to study the possibilities of moving to a new site.

We face the challenges of dissecting the components of our budget while comparing it to other synagogues our size. Tighter controls have been put on expenditures, and we will be exploring creative ways to reduce our current deficit. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your recent support of our "Giving Chai" program, chaired by Andrew Mirman. Please realize that our dues as well as religious school fees for a congregation our size remain a bargain compared to most synagogues.

The real question is what else is this Temple doing to help "tip the scales" in our favor?

- We will be enhancing the overall programming to better fit our congregational needs. Our initial thrust will be with our Outreach programs. In fact, all of our committee chairs have been charged with the responsibility of developing programs to strengthen Temple.
- Now that the passing of our Long Range Plan is complete, we will be jump-starting our endowment campaign that will carry Temple into the future. The endowment plan will be tied specifically to the Long Range Plan.
- We will continue to seek out creative fundraising activities to help meet our budgetary needs without taxing the congregation. For those who attended the initial Jewish Festival chaired by Jeannine Marks, we know what a marvelous success that was and how it can be a significant fundraiser in the future. This event not only brought hundreds of volunteers from the Temple, but also created an exciting event for the entire community. We need these types of programs.
- As I outlined in my installation speech, we must stabilize our membership numbers in very hard demographic times. We believe in the Akron area and its surrounding communities there are approximately 300 unaffiliated family units. We will seek out these families. One of the major priorities is to seek out younger families to join Temple. Here are the shocking realities: 40% of our congregation is 66 and older, another 48% is between 45 and 65, and a mere 12% are under 45 years old. I am happy to report though the Jewish population in Akron is declining, we have been fairly stable over the last year. We need to not only hold this trend, but also improve on it.
- We must strengthen, encourage, and welcome our existing members to participate in all facets of Temple life: worship, education and social activities.

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## Sisterhood

### Susan V. Coran TYG Award Fund

Susan Coran was an active member of Temple Israel Sisterhood. The Youth Group was very special to her, and she devoted a great deal of time to it.

In her memory, our Sisterhood, in conjunction with the Coran family, established the Susan V. Coran Award. This award was established to recognize and encourage future leadership in TYG from those members in the ninth and tenth grades.

The winner of this award will receive a book of Jewish content, tuition to a NFTY-NELR event and the honor of having his/her name placed on a special plaque.

Since TYG is not active at this time, the Coran family was consulted and has agreed to expand the scope of this fund to provide money for any youth activity of Temple Israel.

This year Sisterhood will make a contribution to the Confirmation class for their trip to Washington, DC.

## OUR CARING COMMUNITY HELPS MANY

### CONTRIBUTIONS:

**Karyn & Steve Katz** in memory of Harold Garson, in honor of Rabbi David Lipper's 18 years in the Rabbinate; **Zippy & Stan Silverman** in honor of Ken Weinberger's Temple presidency, in honor of Michael Neumann's installation as president of Temple; **K. Mirman Philanthropic Foundation** in honor of the work of Caring Community; **Carol & Eric Blum and Family** in memory of David Kaye, Joel Silverman, David Greenberg, Kornel Markis, and Dr. Lewis Silverman; in honor of the installation of Michael Neumann as president of Temple Israel, in honor of Ketti Kanfer's marriage to Donny Zigdon, in honor of the 40th anniversary of Sid Steinberger's Bar Mitzvah; in honor of the B'nai Mitzvah of Amanda Rabe and Myles Light.

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As winter approaches, we always need donations of adult and children's coats, scarves, hats, gloves and boots, or knit scarves and hats for preschoolers in classes at Headstart. Call Carol Blum for clothing donation arrangements.



### Save December 25th!

Come to the Blum's home for brunch at 10:30 a.m. and deliver hot lunch to police and fire stations at noon. RSVP to Carol Blum at 330-668-2461 or by e-mail at [cmblum225@aol.com](mailto:cmblum225@aol.com)

Caring Community donated funds to Forest Hill and Windemere Schools for their 2007 One Hundred Book Challenge.

Caring Community delivered flowers for the High Holidays to senior citizens in nursing homes, assisted living and independent living in Summit County.



Donations to Caring Community are always welcome. Please send to:

Temple Israel Sisterhood's  
Anne Zoss Caring Community Fund  
c/o Zippy Silverman  
508 Haskell Drive  
Akron, Ohio 44333

Please see page 10  
for a list of Sisterhood's  
paid members.

## Sisterhood events that you won't want to miss:



\* **Thursday, November 16**—Ladies Night Out at Wasabi, 150 Montrose West. Cocktails at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. **NOTE CHANGE OF DATE!** Please RSVP to Carol Friedman at 330-869-9662 or by e-mail at [csandybeach1@hotmail.com](mailto:csandybeach1@hotmail.com) by November 13.

\* **Sunday, November 19**—Sisterhood and Brotherhood will fry latkes in temple's kitchen for the Family Chanukah Dinner and for the school's Chanukah party. Contact Beth Sugerman or David Adler to volunteer for this fun event.

\* **Friday, December 15**—Family Chanukah Dinner. This popular event needs two enthusiastic people to co-chair the dinner. Keep in mind that the latkes will already be made! Contact Beth Sugerman to volunteer.

\* **Sunday, April 29, 2007**—Plan ahead for Sisterhood's Donor Luncheon. The entertainment will be provided by the Cuyahoga Valley Youth Ballet.

### Caring Community's Shiva Assistance

**Committee** is available to provide support to Temple Israel members mourning their loved ones. Shiva assistance is coordinated with volunteers, the family in mourning, and Rabbis Lipper and Werber.

When Caring Community contacts the family prior to the day of the funeral, they can discuss Jewish funeral and shiva customs, including suggestions on traditional foods served.

When a family requests help from the Shiva Assistance Committee, the following items can be donated: paper goods, disposable utensils, kugels, hard boiled eggs, dessert, pop, ice, coffee, creamer, and sugar. Items for loan are a water pitcher, large coffee pot, and serving trays and utensils, and other needed items as needed.

Volunteers stay in the home during the funeral, set up the food for the shiva, help serve the food, and organize and pack the food following shiva. Sometimes, a large meal is provided to the family prior to the funeral or during the week of shiva.

The family is contacted again a few weeks following the funeral to check and see how they are doing.

Volunteers are currently needed to serve on the Shiva Assistance Committee.



## ACADEMY OF ADULT JEWISH LEARNING

### Temple Israel Fall Adult Education Series

The Adult Education Committee's Annual Fall Series is scheduled for four consecutive Mondays in November and will focus on two timely and thought-provoking topics.

#### What is G-d?

**November 13 and 20 from 7-9 pm**

We'll explore how different traditions explain the concept of G-d. How should we view G-d? How does G-d play a role in our everyday lives?

#### November 13 - Various Jewish Views

Rabbi Stephen Grundfast, Beth El Congregation  
Rabbi David Lipper, Temple Israel  
Rabbi Mendy Sasonkin, Revere Road Synagogue

#### November 20 - An Interfaith Perspective

Rev. Nancy Arnold, Unitarian Universalist Church  
Sr. Joanne Buckman, Director of Crown Point Ecology Center  
and an Ursuline Sister  
Rev. Jay Groat, First Congregational Church  
Dr. Saad Sanyurah, President,  
Islamic Society of Akron and Kent

These two panels are supported by a grant from the Jewish Identity Development Fund of the JCBA.

### The New Reform Prayer Book - Mishkan T'filah November 6 and 27 from 7-9 pm

Our new prayer books present numerous opportunities for our congregation. On November 6 and November 27 Rabbis Lipper and Werber will lead us through an exploration of the new siddur and discuss ways for congregant participation in services.

All of these programs are free and are held in the Temple Israel Social Hall.

For more information, call Temple Israel, 330-762-8617.

## COMMUNITY SHABBAT HAVDALLAH DINNER NOV. 11



End Shabbat on a happy "note" at the Community Havdallah Service on Saturday, November 11 at 6:00 p.m. Temple Israel is the site for z'mirot, Havdallah blessings, and stories told by the Rabbis. Join us for dinner following the service.

Cost is \$15 for adults and \$10 for children 4-12. There is no charge for children under 4 years old. Reservation forms are available at Temple Israel.

Contact the JCC at 330-835-0024 for more information.

## HONORABLE MENTSCHEN

Mazel Tov to **Kathy and Jack Bouker** on the birth of their grandson, **Sebastian Maxwell Singer**, born to Josh and Claudia Singer on September 17.

**Mark and Andrea Light** became the parents of **Jacob Edward Light** on September 15. Jacob weighed 7 lbs. 11 oz. and was 19½ in. long. He is the brother of Ashley, Madyson and Myles.



**Sid Landskroner** fulfilled a dream when he made a trip from Akron to Mission Viejo, California, and back again on his 1000cc Kawasaki Concourse motorcycle. Sid, a long time American Red Cross volunteer, made the trip to raise money and awareness for the organization. He and his wife Sandra contacted everyone on their e-mail lists seeking contributions. He raised over \$1500. On his travels, Sid visited several Presidential Libraries—Lincoln, Truman, Eisenhower, Reagan, Nixon, Johnson, Bush, Clinton and Carter. Sandra joined him in California in time to visit family. Sid attended the September 92<sup>nd</sup> St. Y program broadcast at Temple and found Rabbi Harold Kushner's comments about having dreams and goals very interesting. Now that he fulfilled his cross country trip dream, Sid wants to do it again by car with his wife, this time with the goal of visiting National and State Parks.

**Cantor Norman Rose**, who served our temple from 1956-1967, recently received an honorary doctorate of music degree from the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, commemorating his 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a cantor. Cantor Rose was honored during the September 8<sup>th</sup> Shabbat service at Temple Emanu-El in Oak Park, Michigan, where he has been cantor emeritus since his retirement two years ago due to illness.

*Jewish Woman Magazine*, a publication of Jewish Women International, has listed **Marcella Kanfer Rolnick** as one of "Ten Women to Watch" in the Fall, 2006 issue. "When you look at her, you're glimpsing the face of the Jewish future," the article says. She grew up in Akron in a family deeply involved in the Jewish communal world and has stayed on that path as an adult. Marcella learned a lot about involvement from her father, **Joe Kanfer**, and her late grandfather, **Jerry Lippman**.



**Benjamin Lipper** was elected District 10 (NE Ohio) Vice President for DECA, an organization for high school and college students interested in careers in marketing and business.

**Lisa Manes**, daughter of former Akron residents, **Steve and Judy Manes**, recently graduated with honors from NOVA Southeastern University with a master's in medical science. She is working as a physician's assistant for a family practice in Wellington, Florida.



## Gedaliah Gertz Education Center



### CONSECRATION CLASS 2006

On Simchat Torah, eight young children walked down the aisle of the Temple Israel Sanctuary to be welcomed into the study of Torah by Rabbi David Lipper. The Consecrants said the "Shema." Each child received a small Torah and a Certificate of Consecration. This year's Consecration Class includes:

Jacob Brawley, son of Abigail Edgell (not in photo)  
 Miranda Deppisch, daughter of Sheryl & Chris Deppisch  
 Robbie Deppisch, son of Sheryl & Chris Deppisch  
 Rachel Hilton, daughter of Elyssa & Lee Hilton  
 Adam Kalish, son of Carolyn & David Kalish  
 Caroline Kimberly, daughter of Shelley & Mike Kimberly  
 Rebecca Liebler, daughter of Debbie and John Liebler  
 Daniel Mandel, son of Lisa & Thom Mandel  
 Miranda Norin, daughter of Christine & Mark Norin

### THE PLACE TO BE AT SCHOOL

The Youth Lounge/Computer Lab is up and running. Students and parents are hanging out, doing homework, and just relaxing at the Temple. During class time Matt Butlien and some of the other Hebrew assistants are showing our students how to use the different programs to improve their Hebrew.

### AVAILABLE JEWISH PROGRAMS:

#### *Bar Mitzvah Tutor*

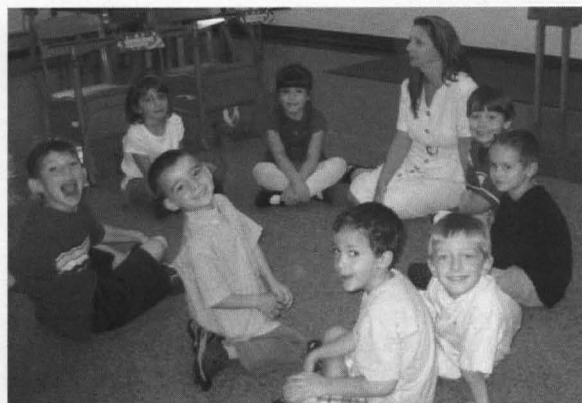
*Shalom Uvraba Interactive*—Learn to read Hebrew. See and hear how Hebrew letters and vowels forms syllables and words through dozens of interactive reading exercise.

*Navigating the Bible*—Interactive Bar/Bat Mitzvah Tutor. Explore the Five Books of Moses in sound and sight on one CD. Chanting also available on this program.

*Trope Trainer*—Another way for our students to learn to chant through use of a CD. Actually follow the symbols and sing with the CD.

*For Fun*—Jewish Holiday Fun House, Davka Classic Games

The system is up and running. Students must sign the COMPUTER INTERNET RULE form in the School Office. There is a sign up sheet for all students to have a chance to work on the computer. This is a great resource for our school and we are really lucky! Thanks to all of those involved with this project.



*The K, 1, 2 class is taught by Mrs. Greer.*

### EIGHTH GRADERS HEAD TO WASHINGTON

Once again our 8<sup>th</sup> graders are going to Washington DC. The mission of the trip is to experience the Holocaust Museum after completing their Holocaust studies. Rabbi Lipper and Susan Clements will accompany our students to many of the sites around the city. Included on the agenda are a visit to a local congregation, the Smithsonian Institution, Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery...and much more. This is always a great trip. Dates of the trip will be December 1-3. We are still planning, so more details will follow. Registration will be available in the next few weeks.



Emily Adelman, Sarah Helfer and Jenna Baker enjoyed their snacks after decorating the sukkah.

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Your need to be independent. Your impatience with hypocrisy. Your desire to change the world. Your wacky sense of humor, even at our expense.

All of those are signs of your strength - of the men and women you will be, before too long. Forgive us when we forget that sometimes.

We know you are figuring out who you are and what you're going to do with your life. We're also trying to figure out who we are and what to do with our lives. Today, on Yom Kippur, we're honest enough to admit that. Today, on Yom Kippur, when nothing matters but the most important things in our life, we want to tell you that YOU are what matters to us - more than anything else could ever matter - and that you can trust us, always, and that we love you, forever.

And this is our blessing for you:

*B'ruchim atem b'voachem B'ruchim atem b'tzeitchem*

May you be blessed as you come and as you go from here  
Wherever you go, wherever you are, you are blessing  
Amen.

Have a happy Thanksgiving and share your blessings with the world.

Shalom,  
Rabbi David A. Lipper



*Matt Butlien and Rabbi Lipper dedicated the Meditation Garden and bench plaques in October.*

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## A Sermon Taken to Heart

*Written by Michael Lapidès to encourage  
congregants to donate food to the Akron  
Canton Regional Foodbank.*



Dear Friends,

Rabbi's Rosh Hashanah message challenged us to share just a little of the vast bounty that most of us enjoy through a donation to the Akron Canton Regional Foodbank. He also called for help in Darfur and Chad through a contribution to Mazon, the Jewish response to hunger.

Last year our Foodbank helped feed 163,000 people who live in Summit and the seven additional counties in their service area. Thirty-four percent of the clients served are CHILDREN, some of the most vulnerable members of our society; 10% of the local population in need of emergency food are SENIORS living on fixed incomes. The Foodbank is an important safety net for thousands of single parents, college students, working families and senior citizens right here in our own home town.

Last year our Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank distributed a record breaking 10.2 MILLION pounds of food. But that was not enough. Ten million pounds of food and people are still HUNGRY in our very own community. Surely our generous congregation can do much more than the very modest 5000 pound goal set by the Rabbi.

Please include the Temple "Feed the Family" Food Drive in your shopping plans this week. FILL YOUR TRUNK with bags of non-perishable foods. Foodbank volunteers will be at Temple during Yom Kippur services and will happily unload your donation.

All the best for a good and healthy year and may your car springs groan as you make your way to Kol Nidre this year. You'll be glad they did.

L'Shanah Tovah

Marilyn & Michael Lapidès  
Temple Members and member of the Board,  
Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank

P.S. Inconvenient to make a food donation? Then consider a check to Mazon or the Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank. Forward your check in care of Rabbi Lipper to the Temple, 133 Merriman, Akron, OH 44303.

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NOTE: Our congregants contributed 5,049 pounds of food this year, substantially more than last year. This food will serve over 3,900 meals!

## Brotherhood

### Upcoming Events:

- Brotherhood Dinner Meeting, Tues., Nov. 7 at 6:30 p.m. Contact David Adler 330-864-5702 for further details.
- Interfaith Dinner with St Paul's Episcopal Church Men's Club at Temple, Wed., Nov. 8 at 6:00 p.m. Cost is \$25. RSVP by Nov. 2. Jim Levin is chairman of this event.

### Events in the planning stages for 2007:

- Golf outing in June 2007
- Trip to the Akron Aeros

We hope to include Canton Brotherhood whenever possible.



*Brotherhood treated its many loyal ushers to a delicious brunch on October 15 to thank them for their loyal service.*

### Acme's Community Cash Back Program is on again – 9/17/06 through 4/7/07

Save your Acme register tapes and bring them to Temple or drop them off at Lud Stern's home at 546 Winslow Avenue.

This year, Brotherhood will earn 5% when the following Acme brand items are purchased:

<i>Food Club</i>	<i>Value Time</i>
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*September's Shabbat Shelly cooks  
were Susan Clements, Audrey  
Baker and Randie Ostroff Sass.*

(President's column,  
continued from page 3)

- We will be involving our post B'nai Mitzvah youth in Temple. Our plan is to recommend a long term Tikkun Olam project. Other activities will include travel (the current "Fresh Air" program) and mentoring our younger children. Our programs will also encourage many of our older youth to continue to be involved in Temple.
- We will continue to maintain the high quality of our religious school and seek out recommendations to continue these high standards.
- As the Long Range Plan states, we cannot and will not live in a vacuum anymore. We will investigate seeking certain partnerships with Beth El, the JCBA, and other agencies and synagogues. There are many programs and services that can be shared, and therefore will benefit Temple Israel.

Lastly, think about what you can do to help us on this journey! We need you to become involved!

It is our belief that the implementation of these changes will continue to "tip the scales" in favor of Temple to secure Reform Judaism in the Akron area for many generations.

I would like to thank our officers: Art Krakauer, Keith Mirman, Ron Winer, and Joyce Butlien, and the entire Board of Trustees for their support this year. I would also like to thank Rabbi Lipper and Rabbi Werber for their spiritual guidance as well as Cantorial Soloist Rory Sanders and our choir for creating beautiful melodies. We are also grateful for the entire Temple staff and their commitment.

May you be blessed with a healthy and happy New Year; may you be blessed with a year of peace.

L'Shanah Tovah

### New in the Library

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# YAHREZEITS November 2006

## November 3

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 Rabbi Morton M.  
 Applebaum\*  
 Manuel Baden  
 Bernard Bear\*  
 Maria Bizer  
 Jacob Brower\*  
 Harriet Clayman  
 George M. Cohen\*  
 Constance Cromleigh  
 Isadore Evans\*  
 Annie Baker Gibans\*\*  
 Tillie Gordon\*  
 Dora Henkin\*  
 Esther Lober  
 Louis Loeb\*\*  
 Burton Miller  
 Alisha Louise Moses\*  
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 Sidney Schwartz\*  
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 Dr. Arthur Stein  
 Harry Herman Sugar  
 Herman Waschler  
 Morris Weiss\*\*

## November 10

Leona Bear\*  
 Sidney J. Bear\*  
 Nathan M. Berk\*  
 Benjamin H. Bogen  
 Minnie Cohen  
 Zack Frank\*\*  
 Charles A. Freedman  
 Louis D. Friedland\*  
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 Ira Jerry Reingold  
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 Regina Rose Sheers  
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 Helen Spector  
 Ludwig Speilberger\*\*  
 Ben Taras  
 Sylvia Waldman\*

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## November 17

Max Axner  
 Harold M. Barnett\*  
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 Rebecca S. Holub\*  
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## November 24

Lorraine Beck  
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 Helen Benson  
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### TEMPLE ISRAEL BOOK GROUP

The book group will meet Tuesday, November 14, 2006 at 1:00 p.m. in Temple's Library.

The book to be discussed is *Golden Country* by Jennifer Gilmore. The Akron Summit County Library has 16 copies available in the system.

## We Remember

\* *Stuart Gerin*, son of Frieda Gerin, brother of Lee (Elena), uncle of Joseph and Jacob Gerin.

\* *Elinor Newman*, mother of Les (Marti) Newman, grandmother of Michelle and Howard Newman

\* *Dr. Lewis Silverman*, father of Stanley (Zippy) Silverman, grandfather of Lindsay and Ryan Silverman

\* *Herbert Ungar*, husband of Selma, father of Leslie and Lisa Ungar

\* *Dr. Matthew Gruber*, uncle of Lisa Pesantez and Dan Sutter, brother-in-law of David Cooper

## Tashlich Prayer

*This prayer was written and delivered by Susan Clements at Tashlich.*



Dearest God—Creator, Sustainer, Redeemer—You of many names and faces,

Another year has passed. We come before you now, as we so often do, with mixed minds and hearts. The shofar blows—waking us up, demanding our attention, calling us home. Gratefully we acknowledge the past year—full of good and bad, moments of surpassing joy and, for some of us, times of nearly unspeakable heart-break. We can see the year to come—its potential, its challenge, the pain and the sweetness that we know will mingle and form the tapestry of our days. But those visions are only an outline. We stand here in this place tentative, on the cusp, holding our individual and collective breaths. The old year is past, the new year is yet to be. Our names have been written, but not yet sealed. We speak to You from that void.

For all our pretensions, all our sophisticated trappings, all our modern ways, we are a ragtag group, and we are as we have always been—wounded still, hurting still, searching still, still empty and waiting to be filled by You.

So we come to this place, Your place, the world as You made it—without bricks or mortar, without glass or steel. No walls to “protect” us. We enter Your space, stripped to its most elemental parts: air, water, earth. And we do as our people have always done—we ask You to forgive us and make us whole—better, kinder, stronger, purer. We cast the wrongs of the last year into this river—the thoughtless cruelties, the unkind words, the missed opportunities, too little attention paid to the world around us, too little attention paid to our own souls; all those ways in which we hurt ourselves and the people around us. We name those things in our hearts . . . then we throw them in the water, and we watch as they go, swirling, eddying, flowing away with the current. Transformed, and transforming, by Your sure, steady, encompassing love.

... because, in the end, there is nothing that is unspeakable before You, O Lord. You know our hearts better than we know them ourselves, and our words before we utter them. We give You our most fundamental flaws and our dearest dreams, and You bless them both. So on this first day of another new year, we cast our past into the water, and miraculously, begin life anew; committing ourselves to You, again and always.

Amen



*Milt Sass celebrated 90 years while Esther Levin recently had her 95th birthday. L'chaim!*



*The choirs from Beth El Congregation and Temple Israel sang the liturgy at the Selichot service on September 16, conducted by Scott Stein, with Cantor Stephen Stein and Rory Sanders, Cantorial Soloist.*

## Yearbook Corrections

Please make the following changes in your 2006 Yearbook:

- \* Charlotte Pollock's e-mail address is: [cbpollock@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cbpollock@sbcglobal.net).
- \* Norman and Nancy Scherr's FL address is: 7770 NW 120<sup>th</sup> Drive, Parkland FL 33076 954-346-2777.
- \* Michelle Rosenfeld's email address is incorrectly listed. The correct email is: [gooofygal@neo.rr.com](mailto:gooofygal@neo.rr.com).
- \* Lauri Agins' phone number is 330-666-0366.
- \* Please delete the e-mail address listed for Aaron and Lori Nusbaum.
- \* Lee and Shirley Kahn's phone number is 330-666-3693.

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## Endowment Fund

Edith & Milt Wiskind in memory of Boris Profis, David Kaye and Stuart Gerin, in honor of Larry Levey's birthday; Jane, Bruce, Stacey & Michael Manes<sup>2</sup> in honor of Larry Levey's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Contribution forms are now available in the Temple office.

1	Silver Donation	\$25-\$49
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Laura Lee Garfinkel in honor of Milt Sass's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday; Candy & Keith Mirman for recovery of Bob Sugerman, in memory of David Kaye, George Mild and Phyllis Fishman, in honor of the marriage of Justin Kattan; Lynne & Irv Reisberg in memory of George Mild and Jean Lazarow, for recovery of Herb Kern.

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## Ben Maidenburg Memorial Fund

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## Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Miriam Agins in sincere appreciation of Bob Godshall and the "Friday night dinner experience," in honor of Esther Levin's special birthday and Lois Reaven receiving the Shaw JCC Volunteer of the Year Award, in memory of George Mild, for recovery of Eunice Sperber, Maxine Shepler and Teddy Reinfeld; Shelly & Larry Kaye<sup>2</sup> in memory of David Kaye; Dr. & Mrs. Elliott Spanier<sup>2</sup> in memory of George Mild; Frances & Jerry Union for recovery of Harriet Garson; Kathy Salem<sup>3</sup> in memory of Israel Salem; Susan & Stephen Sigalow<sup>3</sup> in memory of Joel Silverman; Marilyn & Jack Kent in memory of Rose Kantrovitz.

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Mildred & Arthur Kattan<sup>1</sup> in memory of David Kaye; Renee & Howard Pinsky in memory of David Kaye, George Mild and Joel Silverman; Norma Katz in memory of George Mild; Roslyn & Lewis Zimmerman in memory of Phyllis Fishman.

## Ruth & Arthur Rose Remembrance Fund

Ruth Moss<sup>1</sup> in memory of Sarah Rivitz.

## Shabbat Shelly Fund

Charlotte & Bob Pollock in honor of Milt Sass's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday; Judy & Ed Lasher for recovery of Bob Sugerman and Carla Kodish; Marci & Ron Figler in memory of David Kaye, in honor of Larry Levey's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday; Herbert Fisher & Frances Pules for recovery of Ed Kellerman; Lynne & Ken Weinberger for recovery of Ed Kellerman and Harriet Garson; Susan & David Stadvec<sup>2</sup> in memory of George Mild; Irene & Ed Kellerman in memory of Isadore & Rose Serelson; Judy & Allan Feldman<sup>1</sup> in honor of Milt Sass's milestone birthday; Hope & Harvey Winer<sup>1</sup> in honor of Rose & Herman Rogovy and their beautiful life together.

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Linda Weiner in memory of David Kaye; Judy & Ed Lasher in memory of David Kaye, George Mild and Jean Lazarow; Harriet & Jack Neiman in memory of David Nelson; Meredith & Michael Cymerman in memory of Eleanor Wallace<sup>2</sup> and Gertrude Berman<sup>2</sup>; Eunice Sperber in honor of Ruth & Leonard Sweet's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary and the 95<sup>th</sup> birthday of Esther Levin; Jacqueline Weiner & William McConarty<sup>1</sup> in honor of Meredith & Michael Cymerman's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

## William Weisberger Memorial Fund

Carole & Bob Weisberger in memory of David Kaye; Judy & Al Levine in honor of Jeannine Marks and the great job she did on the Jewish Festival; Rosalind & Harvey Weil in memory of Esther Landers and Harold Garson, in honor of Patsy Siff's Presidency of JFS.



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## NOVEMBER 2006 CALENDAR

### SERVICES

November 3 Shabbat Service—6:00 p.m.  
November 10 Family Service led by the 7<sup>th</sup> Grade—7:30 p.m.  
Kol Tov Choir  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade Shabbat Dinner—6:00 p.m.  
November 11 Community Havdallah Service—6:00 p.m.  
November 17 Shabbat/Healing Service—6:00 p.m.  
Shabbat Shelly Cong. Dinner—7:00 p.m.  
November 22 Interfaith Thanksgiving Service—7:00 p.m.  
November 24 Shabbat Service—7:30 p.m.  
Kol Zimrah Choir

### TORAH STUDY

November 4, 11, 18, 25 led by Rabbi David Lipper, Rabbi Lauren Werber and congregants—9:00 a.m. in the Library

### BAR MITZVAH

November 11 Lucas Aronson—10:30 a.m.

### CHILDREN/FAMILY EVENTS

November 10 Family Service—7:30 p.m.  
November 11 Community Havdallah Service—6:00 p.m.  
November 18 Temple Tots Havdallah—6:00 p.m.

### FALL ADULT EDUCATION SERIES

November 6, 13, 20, 27—7:00 p.m.

### MEETINGS

November 7 AAIC—10:00 a.m., Brotherhood—6:30 p.m.  
November 8 Executive Board—6:30 p.m.  
November 14 Book Group—1:00 p.m.; Temple Board—7:00 p.m.  
November 15 Faculty—6:30 p.m.  
November 19 Sisterhood—9:30 a.m.  
November 21 Social Action, Religious Ed., Ritual—7:00 p.m.  
Adult Education, Outreach—8:00 p.m.

### EVENTS

November 8 Interfaith Brotherhood Dinner—6:00 p.m.  
November 16 Ladies Night Out—6:00 p.m.

### RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

November 1, 8, 15, 29—4:15 p.m.  
November 5, 12, 19—9:30 a.m.  
No School: November 22 and 26

### CONFIRMATION CLASS

November 1, 8, 15, 29  
No Class: November 22

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