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THE WISE CONNECTION

דברים מן הלב - D'VARIM MIN HALEV

"Words from the Heart"

BY RABBI LEWIS KAMRASS



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One day, 33 people went to work, as if it would be like any other day, for even a half-mile below the earth's surface, on most days, a mine is a workplace with repetitive tasks and physical effort demanded. It is not considered a place that is special and certainly not regarded as a holy place. And yet, on that fateful day when the Chilean mine collapsed and 33 miners were trapped within it for over two months, that same mine would become transformed, as would the lives of those individuals. Many of us watched in anticipation, relief, awe, and gratitude as the miners were rescued in mid October. One by one, ascending through a small rescue tube, they made their way to the surface and to freedom's light. It was an extraordinary rescue effort and under the glare of the cameras, the world was able to witness that glorious moment of release and of relief.

In the days since the rescue, we have begun to learn how these 33 ordinary individuals endured this long captivity, the physical and the emotional stress, and the abiding anxiety that, despite all best efforts, they may not be rescued. There was the full range of human emotion, from great devotion to one another, to fighting as well. What is clear is that these ordinary people had to call on deeper resources of the heart and the spirit than they may have known that they possessed. They had to help each other and form bonds of community that required that they look past their own individual fears, in order to give strength to

each other. They had to help each other with alternating moments of deep faith, as well as the fog of doubt. Each passing day required of the trapped miners a deep trust in those unknown people a half mile above who were determined to rescue them, a faith in one another, as well as a reexamination of their own souls and their faith in God. For each of them, every day that passed was a new drama of faith and doubt, belief and questioning, and of deepening the bonds of community that comes with any shared experience of danger and uncertainty.



During all of that time, what began as a mundane workplace, a mine spread a half mile beneath the earth's surface, became a sacred space, a place of holiness. It was not that this mine was ever built or designed for sacred purposes; but the human beings who inhabited it, and those above devoted to their rescue, transformed it by their deeds, by their faith, and by their trust in one another. In Judaism, we have always taught that sacred places are not simply those "shrines" designated by others, but often can be mundane places in which holiness is imbued by the hearts and the hands of those who inhabit them. In Judaism, the home is called a *mikdash m'aht* (a miniature sanctuary); a synagogue, even with its beauty, cannot house a worship service, until a minyan of ten people have come together to pray within its walls. And yes, even a mine with workers trapped for two

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Upcoming Eitz Chayim Programs

Your Guide to Adult Jewish Learning

Our classes provide opportunities to learn about our sacred heritage, to study with our rabbis and special guests, to develop friendships, and to contribute to a sense of community at Wise Temple. You can register for classes at www.wisetemple.org/eitzchayimregistration or call Anne Powers at 793-2556.

Downtown Lunch and Learn

Biblical Models of Leadership: Joshua

Date: Thursday, December 2

Time: Noon – 1:00 PM. We will give you directions when you register.

In examining various biblical personalities, we see that different types of leadership are embodied by the characters. In this year's Lunch and Learn and Sunday Learning Series, we will focus on four figures from the *Bible*: Moses, Joshua, Deborah, and Solomon. We will study the biblical text and commentaries so that we can analyze their leadership styles, methods, and efficacy. We will also explore what we can learn and take from each biblical model so that we can each be more effective leaders in our own realms.

This session we will focus on what we can learn from Joshua.

Tuesdays with Torah

Blessings, Prayers, and Worship

Dates: Tuesdays, December 7, 14, and 21

Time: Noon – 1:00 PM at Wise Center

"Prayer is a thing of the moment; worship is sculpted...." Join Rabbi Shulman as we investigate the power and meaning of the prayer and worship experience. Some of the questions we will explore include: How do we pray? What is the structure of prayer? Why do we pray? Why are there so many different ways to communicate with God?

Sunday Learning Series

Women in the Rabbinate

Date: Sunday, December 12

Time: 10:00 – 11:30 AM at Wise Center

One of the most powerful changes perceived by the pioneering women in the Reform rabbinate is how they understand the definition of success. Join Rabbi Emily Huebscher as we explore the personal testi-


mony of women ordained between 1972 and 1981 on the subject of what makes a successful rabbinate. We will investigate how these rabbis understood success prior to the integration of women in the rabbinate. We will also consider their responses to the question of what, in their rabbinate, they feel was their greatest success as rabbis.

On-going Study Opportunity

Rabbinic Literature Class

Date: Monday, December 27

Time: 5:30 – 6:30 PM at Wise Center

Join our Rabbis as we take a more in-depth investigation into Rabbinic Literature, from *Talmud* to *Midrash*. This class is for those who want to engage in serious study, debate, and discussion of Jewish texts. Texts chosen will illuminate key theological and ethical issues as they relate not only to the age in which they were written, but also to today. 

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months' time achieves the status of holy because of the prayers and hopes of those within and its rescue workers above. Because of the indelible bonds of community and trust in one another that emerged from the ordeal, and because of the human ability to reach toward God, that sends us reaching out with deeper meaning and inspiration toward one another. Faith inspires us to reach up and to reach out of the narrowness of our own lives. And sometimes in extraordinary circumstances, faith's teachers can be 33 trapped miners. That is what we each felt when we saw the rescue succeed.

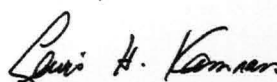
As we approach the festival of Chanukah,

we are once again reminded of those who looked squarely in the face of danger and against all odds, because their faith imbued them with determination, motivation, and steadfastness of spirit. They overcame a reality of an oppressor that they could no longer tolerate, and banded together to reach the light of freedom of the spirit. Chanukah is a festival of the spirit which not only retells the historical events of that moment, but reminds us of what we are capable of doing, and of the power of our own spirit, today, in our own lives. The long ordeal of those 33 ordinary miners who went to work on a regular day, and who found themselves transformed by extraordinary circumstances, renews in us that same message. To see them each rescued, one by one, falling into the arms of those they love,

and falling to their knees in prayerful gratitude, is a reminder to us of the deepest lessons of the spirit to which we are called in this season, and with each day of our lives. We would do well to learn from their example, and from the many examples in our own tradition, and renew our own spirit with gratitude and with hope.

May the light of Chanukah bring light to your own life, and renew your spirit with meaning, with gratitude, and with perspective.

Faithfully,



חבר לב בן דוד וחנה לאה

• Rabbi Lewis H. Kamrass

Lo Tachmod – You Shall Not Covet

BY BARBARA DRAGUL

It is the season of giving and receiving. Many homes are full of bright wrapping paper and shiny ribbons. Family members excitedly prepare for the exchanging of gifts. Although Chanukah is not traditionally a gift giving holiday (in fact Purim is the traditional time to give gifts) every child knows that the best part of Chanukah is the gifts one will receive. As we grow older, at some point, hopefully, we realize that the best part of Chanukah is our family gathered around the candles and bringing joy to others by “giving” gifts. But giving and receiving gifts can stir all kind of emotions – most of them positive, but not all. Have you ever had the experience of opening gifts with your family or friends and realizing that you wanted, not the gift you received, but the gift someone else is unwrapping?

December is the perfect time for us to reflect upon our **Value of the Month**, *Lo Tachmod*, (you shall not covet.) There are two ways the dictionary defines covet: 1) to desire wrongfully, inordinately, or without due regard for the rights of others: *to covet another's property*. 2) to wish for, esp. eagerly.


Lo Tachmod is the last of the Ten Commandments. Some of our rabbinic commentators suggest that you shall not covet is the last of the Ten Commandments because breaking this one can lead to breaking the other nine – killing, stealing, committing adultery, dishonoring parents, etc.

We know that coveting can be very destructive leading to unethical behavior. Coveting can cause distrust and resentment sometimes damaging our most important relationships. Taken to its extreme it can lead to dangerous actions. In *I Kings* there is a story to warn us of what coveting can lead to. Susan Freeman describes the text in *Teaching Jewish Virtues*, “Ahab’s desire for Naboth’s vineyard begins innocently enough. But Naboth is not interested in parting with



his vineyard. Ahab’s desire for the vineyard grows. He complains and pouts. His wife Jezebel gets involved. Things get out of hand. Eventually Naboth is murdered. God considers the whole episode an abomination.” Even not taken to the extreme, coveting can create unhappiness and dissatisfaction with one’s life, leading to depression and despair.

But, is coveting a path towards breaking the other nine commandments as some of our rabbis suggest? As we know, in Judaism there is always another opinion or two or four! Rabbi Mark Glickman raises the following question about this commandment on the Union for Reform Judaism’s 10 Minutes of Torah website: “Numbers one through nine of the Ten Commandments deal with behaviors concerning Shabbat, honoring parents, theft, murder, adultery, and so on. But then we come to number ten, the prohibition against coveting. Unlike its predecessors, this commandment seems to prohibit a thought or a feeling

rather than an action. When another person has something that we want, we’re not supposed to, well, want it.” Rabbi Glickman goes on to explain that the Hebrew which is generally translated as Ten Commandments, *Aseret HaDib’rot*, literally means, the Ten Utterances. So perhaps do not covet is not a commandment, but a statement. He says *lo tachmod* might mean “you will not covet,” not “you shall not covet.” How does this make a difference? In Glickman’s interpretation he believes that, “‘you will not covet,’ sounds like a promise – a promise with which God concludes these Ten Great Pronouncements. Keep numbers one through nine – honor your parents, celebrate Shabbat, show fidelity to your spouse, take only what is yours, and do all of the others – and you *won’t* covet. You’ll be happy with what you have.” In other words, this is God’s promise that by honoring the *Aseret HaDib’rot*, we will find true contentment in our lives. *Ken yi’hi ratzon* – may it be God’s will! 

Purchase a Meaningful Chanukah Gift

Can’t think of a Chanukah gift to buy a family member or friend that will be meaningful?

Something that will last, be used regularly, and that they will find meaningful.

Purchase a prayerbook that we use at Shabbat Services each week. Dedicate a prayerbook in their honor, or to honor a special event. We will notify them of your generosity and put a dedication bookplate in the inside front cover of the prayerbook.

If you would like to dedicate our Congregational prayer book,

Avodat Halev – Worship of the Heart,

or

Mishkan T’fillah,

the Reform Movement prayer book, both of which are used in our Shabbat congregational worship, simply fill out the enclosed card and return to Wise Temple.

For more information, contact Heather Spegal at 793-2556, ext. 5111 or email hspegal@wisetemple.org.

Festival of Lights

BY RABBI ILANA BADEN

There are many wonderful traditions that go along with the celebration of Chanukah: the eating of the latkes, the spinning of the dreidel, and the recounting of the Maccabee story are just a few. Perhaps the most popular one, however, is the lighting of the menorah. After all, since we are embarking on the “Festival of Lights” it only makes sense that the *chanukiah* (the official name for our Chanukah menorah) be the highlight of our observance.

We know from the Chanukah narrative that the *chanukiah* is meant to remind us of the great miracle of oil that our ancestors experienced. As the story goes, when the Israelites reclaimed the Holy Temple after its desecration by the Greeks, there was only one cask of pure oil with which to light the sacred menorah. This cask should only have sufficed for one day’s worth of burning, yet it actually lasted eight days. Because of this, our ancient rabbis explained,



we observe this festival for eight days.

These ancient rabbis knew that there should be some kind of ritual that involved light associated with this holiday. However, there was considerable debate as to how this ritual should be set. In particular, the two main groups of Jewish sages, the School of Shammai and the School of Hillel, bitterly disagreed over how the candles were to be set. Shammai’s group thought that the candles should represent the number of days of the festival still to come.


Therefore, the School of Shammai urged that on the first night of this holiday, eight lights should be kindled. Then, on each of the next nights, a candle would be taken away. By the end of Chanukah, only one candle would remain.

Hillel’s group, on the other hand, felt that the candles should represent the days as they are fulfilled. So, the School of Hillel urged that on the first night, only one light should be kindled. Then, on each of the next nights,

a candle would be added, resulting in eight candles on the last night of this Holiday.

In the end, a compromise was reached. It was decided that we would follow Hillel’s system of lighting the Chanukah candles for now. When the messiah comes, though, the authorities ruled that we will switch over to Shammai’s suggestion.

The reason that we follow Hillel’s way of lighting, according to the tradition, is that the candles are a symbol of holiness. By adding candles each night, we are increasing holiness rather than diminishing it. In our world, this is a very desirable thing. However, when we reach the Messianic Age, holiness will already be complete. The idea of diminishing holiness will no longer be applicable.

As we light our Chanukah candles this year, may we also be open to increasing the sense of holiness in our lives. Each night of this year’s festival, I pray that we may all attain and experience new heights of joy, fulfillment, and peace. 

GUCI is more than just a summer camp! GUCI is a community.

For more information or to register your child for camp, visit www.guci.urjcamp.org.

Rabbi Ilana Baden with Wise Temple members during the first session of camp



Write About What You Love

BY ANDREA RAPP, TEMPLE LIBRARIAN

Aspiring writers are often told, "Write about what you know." We asked some book-loving congregants to write about what they *love* – that is, to share with us some books they've read because the books deal with their favorite subjects.

Mel Marmer loves baseball, and he read a two-volume set by Burton and Benita Boxerman called *Jews and Baseball*. Mel writes, "I was amazed that these authors discovered numerous items of baseball trivia previously unknown to me. For example, who knew that the concept of the World Series originated with Barney Dreyfuss, the Jewish owner of the Pittsburgh Pirates, in 1903? Or that the first game of that 1903 World Series was played on Yom Kippur? Hundreds of footnotes enhance the book and confirm the veracity of these rarely heard items of baseball trivia. This two-volume set is a must-read for anyone interested in the topic of Jews and baseball.

Ellen Kleinfeld loves cookbooks. "Did you know that there are a thousand ways to prepare a fig?" she asks. "Okay, maybe only 800!" In our library at Wise Temple, there is a vast variety of cookbooks with a Jewish theme, presenting history, traditions, techniques, and thousands of intriguing recipes. One recent addition is *Entrée to Judaism*, by Tina Wasserman. Within its pages you will find stories and words of wisdom to accompany its recipes – recipes for Jews-by-birth and for Jews-by-choice, attempting to prepare a dish for the first time. All of them are focused on loving and living a Jewish life.

Another fascinating (and award-winning) book is *Aromas of Aleppo: The Legendary Cuisine of the Syrian Jews*, by Poopa Dweck. Aleppo is an ancient city, and Aleppian cooks from around the world contributed recipes to this gorgeous book. Many of these were developed long ago, but are still prepared in Aleppian homes today, and many were written down for the first time for this book's publication. Both of these cookbooks provide a marvelous resource for the preservation of values and heritage to be passed on to

future generations."

Vera Gutin loves immigrant stories, and she enjoyed Robert Rand's, *My Suburban Shtetl*. Vera tells us: "It takes place during the 1960s and '70s in Skokie, Illinois, a *shtetl* whose population consists of many close-knit immigrant groups to Chicago. Among them is a fairly large concentration of Holocaust survivors struggling to escape their memories and to assimilate into the American community.


"We meet Grandpa Abe Yellin when he is arrested for assault after hitting a Nazi with a kosher salami. Based on an actual event which occurred in Skokie in 1977, the book goes on to describe the efforts of the outraged Jewish citizens to stop a band of Nazi sympathizers from marching in the town. This is a story that is a quick read – full of humor, nostalgia, and vividly described incidents reminiscent of the times, and populated with colorful and familiar characters."

Sue Ransohoff loves the *New York Times*, and she read Max Frankel's autobiography, *The Times of My Life and My Life with the*

Times. Sue writes that she thinks of this multi-faceted book as "...a six-course meal that satisfies many hungers. The quality of writing is very high. For example, in describing his father's 1940 sojourn in Russia, where he was so depleted by starvation that he felt he wouldn't live much longer, Frankel wrote: 'Instead of waiting...he feigned exhaustion, banking on that frail line of decency that distinguished Bolshevik cruelty from Nazi barbarity.'

"Fast forward to Frankel's career with the *Times*: there were the years in Communist Russia, then Cuba, return to New York, and later to Washington, where he came to know several Presidents.

"Very significant is his response to the *Times*' hiding of its information about the Holocaust – they buried what they knew on the back pages. Frankel calls this 'the bitterest journalistic failure of the century.'"

Tempted to explore any of these books and topics? Stop by our wonderful Temple library! 


Welcome To Wise The Value of Connecting

Perhaps you have had the experience of traveling to other cities and attended services at another synagogue. As a guest, even a meaningful worship experience can be diminished, when as a visitor you were not made to feel welcomed. We never want that to be the experience at Wise Temple. Whether one is a newcomer, visitor, or member of our congregation, we want everyone to feel that it matters when they come to Shabbat Services.

Our hosts have welcomed congregants and guests graciously, engaged them in

conversation, helped them feel more at home and connected them to others. Creating a feeling of hospitality and graciousness is not only important for community building within our congregation, but is one of the *Mitzvot* embodied in the phrase, "Welcoming the Stranger."

At this time we invite you to be a part of this program as we continue to deepen the sense of warmth, welcome, and community at Wise Temple.

To sign up or for more information about hosting contact Renee Greenberg at 489-5659 or rinks4@aol.com. 

LISTING OF EVENTS



Brotherhood

Unless otherwise indicated, for more information about Brotherhood contact Andy Markiewitz at 225-2477.

Brotherhood Monthly Meeting
Thursday, December 9
6:00 PM at Wise Center

Brotherhood Lighthouse Dinner
Thursday, December 16
5:30 PM at Wise Center



Eitz Chayim Continuing Adult Education

NOTE: Some Eitz Chayim classes require pre-registration. Check your Eitz Chayim Brochure for details. For more information, contact Anne Powers at 793-2556, ext. 5115 or apowers@wisetemple.org or register online at www.wisetemple.org/eitzchayimregistration.

Beginning Hebrew for Adults
Wednesdays, December 1 and 8
4:45 – 5:45 PM at Wise Center

Downtown Lunch and Learn: Biblical Models of Leadership - Joshua
Thursday, December 2
Noon – 1:00 PM
Location information available upon registration.

Women in the Rabbinate
Sunday, December 12
10:00 AM at Wise Center

Ongoing Rabbinic Literature Class
Monday, December 27
5:30 PM at Wise Center

TUESDAYS WITH TORAH

Blessings, Prayers, and Worship
Tuesdays, December 7, 14, and 21
Noon at Wise Center



Religious School

Unless otherwise indicated, for more information about Religious School contact Terri Snavely at 793-2997 or tsnavely@wisetemple.org.

Grade 6 Geshet
Sunday, December 5
9:30 AM at Wise Center

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7th Grade B'nai Mitzvah Class
Sunday, December 5
11:45 AM at Wise Center

Grade 2 Family Program
Sunday, December 12
9:15 AM at Wise Center

Kulanu (Cincinnati Reform Jewish High School)
Sundays, December 5, 12, and 19
7:00 PM at Temple Sholom

Grade 4 Geshet
Sunday, December 19
9:30 AM at Wise Center

No School
Wednesdays, December 22 and 29
Sunday, December 26



Seniors

Conversations on Aging (for those over 80)
Mondays, December 6 and 20
10:30 AM at Wise Center
To RSVP contact Cindy Waldo at 793-2556, ext. 5112 or cwaldo@wisetemple.org.

Seniors Movie and Discussion: Lost in Yonkers
Thursday, December 9
1:00 PM at Wise Center
For more information or to RSVP, contact Karen Abel at 521-7353 or kabel@cinci.rr.com, Shirley Behr at 792-0722, Ruth Lowenthal at 281-8608, Barbara Mandell at 697-0356 or planetbam@cinci.rr.com, or Cindy Weiner at 683-0406 or conrwn@aol.com.



Shabbat

Pre-Service Song Session with Shir Chadash
Friday, December 3
5:45 PM at Wise Center

Shabbat Chanukah Service with Shir Hadash
Friday, December 3
6:15 PM at Wise Center

Congregational Chanukah Dinner
Friday, December 3
7:15 PM at Wise Center

Shabbat Evening Service with Brotherhood Participation
Friday, December 10
6:15 PM at Wise Center

Shabbat Evening Service with Birthday and Anniversary Blessings and Kol Rinah
Friday, December 17
6:15 PM at Wise Center



Sisterhood

Sisterhood Board Meetings
Wednesday, December 1 and January 5
9:45 AM at Wise Center
For more information, contact Lorie Kleiner Eckert at 489-7627.

Sisterhood Mah Jongg
Thursdays, December 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30
11:00 AM at Wise Center
For more information or to RSVP, contact Sherri Tieger at 821-8881 or stt105@fuse.net.



WiseUP Social Action Programs

To sign up for WiseUP Social Action projects or for more information, please contact Judy Jennings at 793-2556, ext. 5130 or e-mail jjennings@wisetemple.org, or register online at www.wisetemple.org.

Bedtime Bundles Collection (Sisterhood sponsored)
November 22 – December, 22
Drop off at Wise Center

Freestore Foodbank
Saturday, December 4
1:00 – 4:00 PM

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WiseUp Blood Drive and Gift of Life Bone Marrow Registration
Sunday, December 5
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Lighthouse Youth Services (Brotherhood sponsored)
Thursday, December 16
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

Interfaith Hospitality Network
Sunday, December 19 through
Sunday, December 26

St. Francis Seraph Christmas Soup Kitchen – New Project for 2010
Wednesday, December 22
3:00 – 6:00 PM

Holiday Gift Wrap Wrap
Saturday, December 25
7:30 – 9:00 AM

Drop Inn Center Christmas Day Soup Kitchen – New Project for 2010
Saturday, December 25
9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Youth Activities

Wise Guys (Grades 1 – 4) and Noar Event (Grades 5 and 6)
Sunday, December 12 after religious school
11:45 AM – 2:30 PM at Wise Center
For more information, contact Heather Spegal at hspegal@wisetemple.org or 793-2556, ext. 5111.

8th Grade Mitzvah Corp
Sunday, December 12
Noon at Wise Center
For more information, contact Rachel Kasten at rkasten@wisetemple.org or 793-2556, ext. 5140.



(e)YGOW

Excellent Youth Group of Wise

For more information, contact Aaron Meyer at ameyer@wisetemple.org or 793-2556 ext. 4202

(e)YGOW Chanukah Event
Saturday, December 4
6:00 PM at Wise Center

(e)YGOW General Board Meeting
Sunday, December 12
11:45 AM at Wise Center

(e)YGOW New Year's Eve Lock-In
Sunday, December 31
6:00 PM at Wise Center



YoFI

Young Family Involvement

To register and for more information, contact Heather Spegal at 793-2556, ext. 5111 or hspegal@wisetemple.org.

YoFI Chanukah Program
Friday, December 3
5:30 PM at Wise Center

Wise Tykes Service
Friday, December 17
6:30 PM at Wise Center



Miscellaneous

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting
Tuesdays & Thursdays
5:30 PM at Wise Center
For more information, contact the Temple at 793-2556.

Jewish Takeout

Eitz Chayim, Wise Temple's outstanding adult education program, is expanding its offerings to include "Jewish Takeout," a program to bring Eitz Chayim into your home. Those of you who participated in one of the Israel Parlor Meetings held during the past few months have already experienced the essence of Jewish Takeout. Our Rabbis will lead an Eitz Chayim session in your home for 15 or more participants. Here is what you need to know if you are interested in hosting a Jewish Takeout learning session:

- 1) Watch for the new Eitz Chayim brochure to arrive in your mailbox next month. You can select class topics from just about any of the classes our Rabbis are offering this year.
- 2) Select the Eitz Chayim class you wish to host.
- 3) Contact Anne Powers in the Temple office at apowers@wisetemple.org or 793-2556 to indicate your interest in hosting a class and one of our committee members will contact you.
- 4) About four weeks before your program, invite your guests. We can help you connect with potential participants. The minimum number is 15.

We hope that you will take advantage of this new twist on Eitz Chayim programming to build community through learning in a comfortable and convenient setting. Watch for more information on this exciting new program!

Co-Chairs: Jim Greenberg, Liz McOsker, and Carol Tenenholtz

Friday Night Services

Become an active participant in our beautiful Friday Shabbat services by completing the *mitzvah* of kindling the Shabbat candles or reciting the Kiddush at an upcoming service.

Please contact Suzanne Voos at 891-9266 or Sue828@fuse.net or Joyce Alpinier at 489-3989 or jalpinier@aol.com if you would like to sign up or have any questions. Include name, phone number and/or e-mail address and date(s) desiring to participate.

Congregational Shabbat Chinese Dinner

Friday, December 24


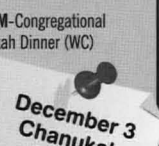
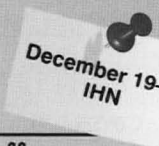
Join us for dinner immediately following 6:15 PM Shabbat Service at Wise Center.

Sponsored by the Brotherhood.

Reservation deadline is December 20.

Register online at www.wisetemple.org/shabbatdinner or on the attached card.

DECEMBER 2010 KISLEV/TEVET

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>WC = Wise Center PST = Plum Street Temple O = Other Location</p> <p>See listing of events for more detailed information.</p>	<p>For more information, please call the Temple at (513) 793-2556 or visit www.wisetemple.org</p>		<p>1</p> <p>1st Night of Chanukah 9:45 AM-Sisterhood Board Meeting (WC) 4:30 PM-Midweek Hebrew School (WC) 4:45 PM-Beginning Hebrew (WC)</p> <p> December 1 1st Night of Chanukah</p>	<p>2</p> <p>2nd Night of Chanukah 11:00 AM-Sisterhood Mah Jongg (WC) 12:00 PM-Downtown Lunch and Learn: Biblical Models of Leadership: Joshua (O) 5:30 PM-AA Meeting (WC) 7:30 PM-Kol Rinah Rehearsal (WC)</p>	<p>3</p> <p>3rd Night of Chanukah 5:30 PM-YoFi Chanukah Program (WC) 5:45 PM-Pre-Service Song Session with Shir Chadash (WC) 6:15 PM-Shabbat Chanukah Evening Service/Shir Chadash (WC) 7:15 PM-Congregational Chanukah Dinner (WC)</p> <p> December 3 Chanukah Dinner</p>	<p>4</p> <p>4th Night of Chanukah 9:00 AM-Bat Mitzvah of Anneke Stern (PST) 9:30 AM-Shabbat Morning Service (WC) 10:45 AM-Torah Study (WC) 11:15 AM-Bar Mitzvah of Benjamin Annenberg (PST) 1:00 PM-WiseUP: Freestore Foodbank (O) 6:00 PM-(e)YGOW Chanukah Event (WC)</p>
<p>5</p> <p>5th Night of Chanukah 9:00 AM WiseUP: Community Blood Drive (O) 9:30 AM-Grade 6 Geshher (WC) 9:30 AM-Grade 5 Geshher (WC) 11:45 AM-7th Grade B'nai Mitzvah Class (WC) 7:00 PM-Kulanu (Temple Sholom)</p>	<p>6</p> <p>6th Night of Chanukah 10:30 AM-Conversations on Aging (WC)</p>	<p>7</p> <p>7th Night of Chanukah 12:00 PM-Tuesdays with Torah: Blessings, Prayers, and Worship (WC) 5:30 PM-AA Meeting (WC)</p>	<p>8</p> <p>8th Night of Chanukah 4:30 PM-Midweek Hebrew School (WC) 4:45 PM-Beginning Hebrew for Adults (WC)</p>	<p>9</p> <p>11:00 AM-Sisterhood Mah Jongg (WC) 1:00 PM-Seniors: Movie and Discussion - <i>Lost in Yonkers</i> (WC) 5:30 PM-AA Meeting (WC) 6:00 PM-Brotherhood Monthly Meeting (WC) 7:30 PM-Kol Rinah Rehearsal (WC)</p>	<p>10</p> <p>6:15 PM-Shabbat Evening Service with Brotherhood Participation (WC)</p>	<p>11</p> <p>9:30 AM-Shabbat Morning Service (WC) 10:45 AM-Bat Mitzvah of Melissa Goodman (WC) 10:45 AM-Torah Study (WC)</p>
<p>12</p> <p>9:15 AM-Grade 2 Family Program (WC) 10:00 AM-Sunday Learning Series: Women in the Rabbinate (WC) 11:45 AM-(e)YGOW General Board Meeting (WC) 11:45 AM-Wise Guys and Noar Event (WC) 12:00 PM-8th Grade Mitzvah Corp (WC) 7:00 PM-Kulanu (Temple Sholom)</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>12:00 PM-Tuesdays with Torah: Blessings, Prayers, and Worship (WC) 5:30 PM-AA Meeting (WC)</p>	<p>15</p> <p>4:30 PM-Midweek Hebrew School (WC) 4:45 PM-Beginning Hebrew for Adults (WC)</p> <p> December 19-25 IHN</p>	<p>16</p> <p>11:00 AM-Sisterhood Mah Jongg (WC) 5:30 PM-WiseUP: Brotherhood Lighthouse Dinner (O) 5:30 PM-AA Meeting (WC) 7:30 PM-Kol Rinah Rehearsal (WC)</p>	<p>17</p> <p>6:15 PM-Shabbat Evening Service/Birthday and Anniversary Blessings/Kol Rinah (WC) 6:30 PM-Wise Tykes Service (WC)</p>	<p>18</p> <p>9:30 AM-Shabbat Morning Service (WC) 10:45 AM-Torah Study (WC) 10:45 AM-Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Sullivan (PST)</p>
<p>19</p> <p>IHN 9:30 AM-Grade 4 Geshher (WC) 7:00 PM-Kulanu (Temple Sholom)</p>	<p>20</p> <p>IHN 10:30 AM-Conversations on Aging (WC)</p>	<p>21</p> <p>IHN 12:00 PM-Tuesdays with Torah: Blessings, Prayers, and and Worship (WC) 5:30 PM-AA Meeting (WC)</p>	<p>22</p> <p>IHN No Midweek Hebrew School 3:00 PM-WiseUP: St. Francis Seraph Christmas Soup Kitchen (O)</p>	<p>23</p> <p>IHN 11:00 AM-Sisterhood Mah Jongg (WC) 5:30 PM-AA Meeting (WC)</p>	<p>24</p> <p>IHN Office Closed 6:15 PM-Shabbat Evening Service (WC) 7:15 PM-Congregational Shabbat Dinner (WC)</p>	<p>25</p> <p>IHN 7:30 AM-WiseUP: Holiday Gift Wrap (O) 9:30 AM-WiseUP: Drop Inn Center Christmas Day Soup Kitchen(O) 9:30 AM-Shabbat Morning Service (WC) 10:45 AM-Torah Study (WC)</p>
<p>26</p> <p>No Religious School</p>	<p>27</p> <p>5:30 PM-Rabbinic Literature Class (WC)</p>	<p>28</p> <p>5:30 PM-AA Meeting (WC)</p>	<p>29</p> <p>No Midweek Hebrew School</p>	<p>30</p> <p>11:00 AM-Sisterhood Mah Jongg (WC) 5:30 PM-AA Meeting (WC)</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Office Closed 6:00 PM-(e)YGOW New Year's Lock In (WC) 6:15 PM-Shabbat Evening Service (WC)</p>	



PROGRAMMING NEWS

Save the Date!

Annual Sisterhood Retreat

Saturday, February 26, 2011

This year we will find JOY while beating the winter blues. Tap into our physical, spiritual, and creative sides as we eat, pray, and think our way through a day devoted to Joy and Sisterhood. *For more information or to be part of the committee, contact Jennifer Zelkind at jen@zelkind.net or Dian Deutsch at dian@cinci.rr.com.*

COMMUNITY SERVICE AND ADVOCACY

Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN)

The Sisterhood will be hosting IHN on Monday, December 20 at Wise Temple. We need volunteers to cook, play with the children, greet the guests as they arrive, and spend the night with the families. This is a wonderful family *mitzvah* project in which all ages can participate. We welcome couples, singles, and families. *For additional information, please contact Suellen Applebaum at 884-3654 or appletree1@earthlink.net.*

Bedtime Bundles Bring Comfort to Young Victims of Domestic Violence

Assist children staying at theYWCA's Battered Women's Shelter by putting together a "bedtime bundle." The bundles contain basic necessities: a new toothbrush and toothpaste, underwear, pajamas, socks, new book, toy, or stuffed animal. NO food please.

The bundles are given to children when they arrive at the shelter to provide comfort at a difficult and frightening time. The need for the bundles is ongoing as the shelter continues to stay at or above capacity. If you have not participated in this wonderful holiday *mitzvah* before, this would be a great time to start. If you have donated a bundle in the past, we hope you will continue to make this a holiday tradition for your family.

Label the bundle by filling out the "Bedtime Bundle Checklist" below and attaching it to the bundle with a safety pin. While we hope that all Temple families will assemble complete bundles, donations of any items on the checklist will also be greatly appreciated. Drop off your

bundle(s) in the crib set up in the Temple lobby any time from November 22 through December 22. Families can also bring their bundles to the Chanukah dinner on December 3. *For additional information, please contact Joyce Alperin at 489-3989 or Ellen Bowmann at 737-1067.*

FUNDRAISING

Kroger Cards

Support Wise Temple Sisterhood – Purchase a Kroger Gift Card for just \$5.

- You can refill it while in the checkout line at Kroger.
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Stop in the Gift Shop and purchase your card today. *If you would like to purchase a card but can't make it to the Gift Shop, or for more information, call Kim David at 774-8266.*

Flea Market

- Moving?
- Cleaning closets?
- Redecorating?

The Flea Market will gladly take those no-longer needed items. We accept costume jewelry, furniture, bedding, table linens, even cars and boats. No clothing, books, or toys please. *Drop off your donations at Phyllis Fine's house, 3145 Fairhaven Lane, or call Phyllis at 731-6063 to arrange pick up of large items.*

Fund Highlight

Orla Mielziner GIVTY Fund

Give to Temple Youth (GIVTY) Scholarship Fund is one of Wise Temple Sisterhood's continuing projects.

Contributions to this fund help to serve the needs of our Temple youth for scholarships, camperships, and extracurricular activities. A contribution to this fund is a meaningful way to honor a family member or friend.

Contributions may be sent to Elaine Pockrose at 351-6452.

Recipe of the Month A sweet twist on a traditional food

Sweet Potato Latkes

Ingredients

- 3 eggs
- 1/3 cup maple syrup
- 2 medium sweet potatoes, peeled, and grated
- Pinch of salt
- Non-stick cooking spray

Preparation

Beat together the eggs, maple syrup, and salt in a large bowl. Mix in the grated sweet potato. Spray griddle with non-stick cooking spray and pre-heat to medium heat. Spoon the batter onto the griddle and cook until golden brown, flipping once.

Notes

If the batter is too runny, it can be thickened with flour, or add more egg if too stiff. Batter can also be fried in a pan with oil, like traditional latkes. Can store in warm oven on paper towel over cookie sheet until ready to serve. Can make ahead and reheat in 200 degree oven.

Traditions & Treasures Gift Shop

**Chanukah is around the corner.
Visit us for all your holiday needs!**

To our prospective volunteers:

If you are interested in joining our Gift Shop team, please contact Margie Meyer at 984-2345.

Hours:

Tuesday & Thursday: 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM
Wednesday: 2:30 – 5:45 PM
Sunday: 9:15 – 11:45 AM
(and by appointment)

Bedtime Bundle Checklist

Fill a new pillowcase with the items greatly needed at theYWCA's Battered Women's Shelter. Please tie your "Bedtime Bundle" with two new shoelaces. Check off the items included and **safety pin this form to your bundle**. This bedtime bundle includes the following newly purchased items:

☐ Underwear ☐ Child's toothbrush ☐ Pajamas ☐ Toothpaste ☐ Socks

☐ Storybook, toy or stuffed animal

Size _____ (infant through child's size 14)

Gender ☐ Boy ☐ Girl

Brotherhood Gears Up for Chicken Soup Cook-Off

Calling all chicken soup lovers! It's getting to be that time of year again, and we invite you to take out your favorite recipe and enter the competition.

The annual Cincinnati Chicken Soup Cook-Off has become a signature event and each year it is bigger and better. The Brotherhood promises more of the same at this year's 7th Annual Chicken Soup Cook-Off on Sunday, January 30, from 12:15 until 2:00 PM at Wise Center. Last year, more than 923 people attended and consumed more than 136 gallons of soup in 2½ hours.


In addition to the fun and enjoyment of sampling a myriad of varieties of chicken and other soups prepared by Wise Temple congregants and area restaurants, the event helps feed the hungry at the Over-the-Rhine Soup Kitchen. Last year's Cook-Off enabled

the Brotherhood to donate more than 132 gallons of soup, resulting in nearly 2,000 servings.

The Cook-Off also raises funds for the Brotherhood. The funds are earmarked for special charitable organizations, including the Lighthouse, which rehabilitates troubled juveniles, and the Interfaith Hospitality Network, which provides shelter for the homeless.

As the January 30 date draws closer, Brotherhood is calling on amateur chefs to sign up. The deadline to register is December 31. Prizes and certificates for the best soup will be awarded in each of three categories: chicken noodle, matzo ball, and most original. Winners will also receive 3-foot trophies. Participants in the chicken soup competition are also encouraged to decorate

their tables in the most creative ways they can imagine. There will be prizes for the tables with the best decorative themes in a variety of categories. Everyone who enters the soup competition will automatically be registered for prize consideration.

The entry fee is \$25. Each entrant is asked to prepare three gallons of soup, plus another gallon of cold or frozen soup to donate to help feed the hungry. To enter contact Craig Margolis, Chicken Soup Cook-Off, 8329 Ridge Road, Cincinnati, OH 45236 or download a registration form at www.wisetemple.org/chickensoupcookoff. If you have any questions, call Craig Margolis at 771-2345 ext. 123 or send him an email at cmargolis@carpetland-cincy.com. 

MAZEL TOV...

The Temple offers congratulations to the following families:

B'nai Mitzvah

December 4 – **Anneka Stern**, daughter of Annie and David Stern.

December 4 – **Benjamin Annenberg**, son of Jennifer and Dr. Alan Annenberg and grandson of Gloria and Bud Annenberg.

December 11 – **Melissa Goodman**, daughter of Karen and Dr. Richard Goodman and granddaughter of Lois and Dr. Saul Polasky.

December 18 – **Jacob Sullivan**, son of Julie Tucker-Sullivan and Chris Sullivan and grandson of Ellen and Tom Neuman.

Engagements

Bibs and Sheal Becker on the engagement of their grandson, Justin Schneider to Joanna Wapinski.

Jann and Kevin Bobier on the engagement of their daughter, Lauren Bobier to David Gerber.

Joy and Tom Nadler on the engagement of their daughter and **Margie and Mel Nadler** on the engagement of their granddaughter, Stephanie Nadler to Andrew Finn.

Weddings

Beth and Dr. Richard Levy on the marriage of their daughter, Nicole Levy to Joshua Parisher.

Catherine Loftspring and Jared Isaac on their marriage.

Pat and Dr. Eric Silver on the marriage of their daughter, Ellen Silver to Brian Garland.

Births

Inez Allen on the birth of her grandson and **Cherie Fine** on the birth of her great-grandson, Yoseph Shmuel Bernstein.

Peggy and Dr. Bruce Greenberg on the birth of their granddaughter, Phoebe Rothfuss.

Marilyn and Larry Schneider on the birth of their grandson, Ryan Blake Schneider.

Dr. Joe Segal on the birth of his grandson, Menachem Mendel (Mendy) Jankovic.

Lisa and Russell Speiller on the birth of their daughter, Alyssa Joyce Speiller.

CONDOLENCES TO...

Bonnie and Dr. Kerry Burte on the passing of his mother and **Alexander and Amy Burte** on the passing of their grandmother, Miriam Burte.

Lorie Kleiner Eckert and Irv Vollman on the passing of her father and **Shana and Scott Berge** on the passing of her grandfather and **Lila and Tillie Berge** on the passing of their great-grandfather, Morris Kleiner.

Dr. Murray Jaffe on the passing of his wife, Margery Jaffe.

Judy and Andy Jennings on the passing of his mother and **Sammy, Sophie, and David Jennings** on the passing of their grandmother, Joyce Jennings.

Dawn and Mark Levine on the passing of her brother, Walter H. Paugh.

Susannah West and David Powell on the passing of his father and **Marlene and Dora Powell** on the passing of their grandfather, William Powell.

Marion Rosenbaum on the passing of her husband, Leonard Rosenbaum.

Millard Samuels on the passing of his sister, Gwendolyn Shapiro.

Michelle and Tom Smith on the passing of her grandmother and **Benjamin, Joshua, and Samuel Smith** on the passing of their great-grandmother, Ida Goodman.

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In Honor of:

Best wishes for a new year and always to Rabbi Baden by Betty Gooten
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In Honor of:

90th birthday of Stan Berman by Karen and David Hoguet
Susan Brenner receiving the Jewish Federation of North America Award and best wishes and love for the new year by Gertrude Furer

Happy New Year to Rabbi Baden and family by Gertrude Furer

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Graduation of Emilee Kras by Karen and John Sim

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Conversion of Paul McOsker by Linda and Andrew Berger

Confirmation of Emma Rosen by Karen and John Sim

Graduation of Alec Sim by Valerie Friedman

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Birthday of John Sim by Valerie Friedman

Graduation of Daniel Tsevat by Linda and Andrew Berger, Karen and John Sim

Graduation of Sophie Wall by Karen and John Sim

Tzedakah by Jeanne Weiland

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Confirmation of Daniel Westheimer by Karen and John Sim

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Bedtime Bundles Collection (Sisterhood sponsored) November 22 – December 22

For children staying at the YMCA's Battered Women's Shelter in Hamilton County, congregants are asked to create a welcoming "Bedtime Bundle" by filling a new pillowcase with pajamas, socks, underwear, toothpaste and toothbrush, a new book, or a stuffed animal for a boy or girl (ages infant through 14 years). Bundles will be collected in the crib in the Temple lobby.

Project Leaders: Joyce Alpiner at 489-3989 or Suzanne Voos at 891-9266

Freestore Foodbank Saturday, December 4

1:00 – 4:00 PM

Help receive, sort, and pack donated food items for the Freestore Foodbank.

Ages 12+, ages 12 – 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

Project Leader: Kathy Claybon

WiseUP Blood Drive and Gift of Life Bone Marrow Registration at 4750 East Galbraith Road.

Sunday, December 5

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Share your good health this holiday season by giving blood. This year we have also added the opportunity for bone marrow registration. *Gift of Life* is an organization that works in the Jewish community to increase Jewish bone marrow donor registration.

Ages 17+ and a minimum of 100 pounds; age 17 must have permission of parent.

Project Leaders: Mindy Hastie and Denise Scheineson

Lighthouse Youth Services (Brotherhood sponsored)

Thursday, December 16

5:30 – 7:00 PM

Have dinner and interact with disadvantaged youth at Lighthouse.

Project Leader: Ed Waterman

Interfaith Hospitality Network

Sunday, December 19 through Sunday, December 26

Help us be gracious hosts as we welcome homeless families served by IHN. Our classrooms become bedrooms, our Program Room becomes a kitchen, and the Youth Lounge becomes a living room. Your help is

needed to set up the sleeping rooms, launder bedding, prepare an evening meal, play with the children, or spend the night at Wise Center.

IHN Co-Chairs: Margie Burgin and Deb LaFrance

St. Francis Seraph Christmas Soup Kitchen New Project for 2010

Wednesday, December 22

3:00 – 6:00 PM

Volunteers will cook, serve, and clean up as approximately 275 guests are welcomed for dinner.

Ages 12+, ages 12 – 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

Project Leader: Amy Marmer

Saturday, December 25

Holiday Gift Wrap

7:30 – 9:00 AM.

Help wrap gifts for families who come for holiday cheer.

Ages 7+, ages 7-16 must be accompanied by an adult.

Project Leader: Jody Tsevat

Drop Inn Center Christmas Day Soup Kitchen New Project for 2010

Saturday, December 25

9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Volunteers will cook, serve, and clean up for approximately 200 guests as they are welcomed for a holiday lunch.

Ages 12+, ages 12 – 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

Project Leaders: Geri and Andy Kolesar