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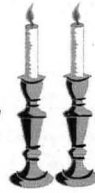


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Shofar Soundings

Friday, March 1, 2013
5:30 p.m.

**TOT
SHABBAT**
(See page 2 for details)



Saturday, March 2, 2013
10:30 a.m.

**SHABBAT MORNING
SERVICE**
With 7th/8th Grade
Class Participation

Friday, March 8, 2013

ROCK SHABBAT



Wit 2nd/3rd Grade Participation & Birthday Blessings
FOLLOWED BY SHABBAT DINNER

Friday, March 15, 2013

Sisterhood Dessert Seder

Multi-Generational Program with Valley Temple
(See page 8)

Let My People Go:

A Passover Experience at the
National Underground Railroad Freedom Center

Sunday, March 17, 2013, 9:30 a.m. - 12 Noon

An intergenerational event for the congregations of Valley Temple & Rockdale Temple
to explore the meaning of Passover at the



Experience the story of the Haggadah surrounded by
the history of the American slave trade and the Civil Rights Movement!

Tuesday, March 26 through Monday, April 1, 2013

Passover

(See page 3)



FROM THE RABBI'S DESK

~Hava Nagila, Harry Belafonte and Passover~

The Cincinnati Jewish and Israeli Film Festival opened this year with a showing of "Hava Nagila" at the Cincinnati Museum Center. Roberta Grossman's film traces the development and influence of the music to which we usually dance the hora at weddings and b'nei mitzvahs. A highlight of the movie for me was a clip of Harry Belafonte singing this Jewish folk song with Danny Kaye. But more importantly was what Belafonte said about the song. Belafonte said that this music (along with the "Banana Boat Song") was what made each of his shows light up around the world. In particular, he remembered the emotion he felt while singing it in Germany not long after World War II. Belafonte speaks in the film of the pure joy that Hava Nagila transmits.

Hava Nagila—which means, "come, let us rejoice" has become ubiquitous. We find it schmaltzy and perhaps trite. It has sometimes been stripped of its meaning and been appropriated. It has sometimes become a stand-in for Jewish literacy. Some hate Hava Nagila, some resent it. But Belafonte really rescued this music for me in the documentary. Because sometimes it takes someone from outside, but someone who understands your story to repeat it back to you. Sometimes we need to look at ourselves from beyond ourselves in order to understand our story's meaning. With Hava Nagila, we have taught the world some true joy.

What else does our story teach? As we move forward to Passover, our congregation, along with Valley Temple will be able to understand our story of freedom in a new way. We will be looking inside and outside at Exodus together at the Freedom Center. I invite you to join with our community as we explore the Passover story and the story



of African slavery together. We will understand our wanderings from slavery to freedom and how they are intertwined with the Civil Rights narrative. We will grapple with our histories along with the present as we consider how to meet the future. The dialogue we will have with each other and with the Museum exhibits will serve to help us see something new and challenging.

Please join with us on March 17th for Let My People Go: A Passover Experience at the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center from 9:30-12:00. We will begin with breakfast, continue with a communal experience and move on to learn in smaller groups. The program is for children, families and adults. While there are educational opportunities for our Religious School students, there are also learning sessions for adults who come without children. This collaborative program is free to you. It is funded by a grant from the Bureau of Jewish Education Endowment Fund, administered by the Jewish Community Education Council (JCEC) and the Mayerson JCC. Please see the ad in this bulletin for more information. I look forward to learning with you, in dialogue from within and without. And may this Passover be a season of meaning for all.

Rabbi Sigma Faye Coran

Join the smiling faces of Tot Shabbat



Friday, March 1, 2013

Tot Shabbat Service

PASSOVER DELIVERY



jewish family service...

Dr. Samuel S. Rockwern
Passover Delivery
of Jewish Family Service...

Collection dates are
February 15 ~ March 10

Rockdale Temple is collecting boxes of Matzo Ball Soup Mix that Jewish Family Service volunteers will deliver to more than 400 Jewish families in the Cincinnati area. The Matzo Ball Soup Mix is just one of several Passover food items personally delivered Sunday, March 17, 2013 during the 15th Annual Dr. Samuel S. Rockwern Passover Delivery of Jewish Family Service. Feel free to drop off boxes of Matzo Ball Soup Mix in the blue barrel in our lobby February 15 through March 10.

Dr. Samuel S. Rockwern Passover Delivery of Jewish Family Service was adapted from a tradition that began hundreds of years ago to help those less fortunate observe Passover. Today, there is a great need in our own Cincinnati Jewish community.



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Join us for a memorable Congregational Passover Experience

1st Day Of Passover
Tuesday, March 26, 2013
10:30 a.m.

Morning Service

No Passover Luncheon

6:00 p.m. Seder

Social Hall

Facilitated by
Rabbi Sigma Faye Coran



Last Day Of Passover

Monday, April 1, 2013
10:30 a.m.

Yizkor Memorial Service

Followed by Passover Luncheon

TEMPLE OFFICE CLOSED

We will begin promptly at 6:00 p.m.

Gefilte Fish
Matza Ball Soup
Featuring a Choice of:
Traditional Roasted Brisket
Oven Roasted Chicken Breast
With Cranberry Glaze
Stuffed Portabella Mushrooms
(Vegetarian Option)

Seder Menu

Sauteed Vegetable Bouquet
Oven Roasted Red Skin Potatoes
Children's Entree
Clusters of Grape & Orange Slices
Chicken Nuggets
Tater Bites
Passover Sponge Cake
With Fresh Berries, Sorbet & Fresh Mint

Reservations are Required



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~Reservations Due Friday, March 22, 2013, 891-9900 or E-mail reberhart@rockdaletemple.org

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____

Please Reserve the following for dinner:

Members: _____ \$28.00 Adults _____ \$10.50 Children ages 3 to 12 _____ Free (Children 2 & under)

Non-Members _____ \$32.00 Adults _____ \$12.50 Children ages 3 to 12 _____ Free (Children 2 & under)

Number of Chicken Breast _____

Number of Brisket _____

Number of Vegetarian _____

Number of Children's Meals _____

Enclosed is my check for: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to **Rockdale Temple**

If possible please seat me with _____

Highchair Needed _____

Name of Guests: _____

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FROM OUR RABBINIC INTERN

~Our Story Begins with Freedom~

During the months of November and December, I had the privilege of teaching a short T'filah (prayer) Enrichment course to our 4th, 5th, and 6th grade Hebrew classes. For six weeks, I spent fifteen minutes in each of these classrooms, talking about prayer, tradition, and music with our grade school students. The 4th grade class, with one year of Hebrew instruction under its belt, focused its T'filah Enrichment time on the prayer "Mi Chamocha." Together, we learned that the words of Mi Chamocha come straight from our Torah, from the Book of Exodus, and are part of a section of text we call "Shirat HaYam," the Song of the Sea. We explored the meaning of the phrase "Who is like You, God?" and decided that this must be a rhetorical question, used to explain God's awesomeness. And with the energy that comes with being a group of 4th graders, we danced and sang these words for weeks on end, learning a multitude of musical settings for the words, proclaiming together as a small "community" of learners and pray-ers, that God is indeed awesome, because God granted us freedom.

As part of my rabbinical thesis, I created and piloted this T'filah Enrichment course in our Hebrew School. Thesis requirements aside, this was an extremely rewarding experience for me, just as I hope it was for our students. As a lover of all things prayer and music, I was particularly excited to teach our young learners all about the relationship between liturgy and sacred music, just what we do to pray as Jews, and the connections between our prayers and our experience as the Jewish people. And though I didn't teach this particular idea to our T'filah Enrichment participants, I thought I would expand my project to include the rest of the congregation, as well! Here is



a bit of T'filah Enrichment for all of us to share in light of the upcoming observance of Passover:

In the body of our prayer services, we include liturgy focusing on three major themes: Creation, Redemption, and Revelation. These prayers are:

- ☆ Yotzer Or (day) / Ma'ariv Aravim (night) ~ Creation
- ☆ Shema/V'ahavta ~ Revelation
- ☆ Mi Chamocha ~ Redemption

I always find it interesting that the prayers occur in our service in the above order. Wouldn't it make more sense to place Shema/V'ahavta after Mi Chamocha, since we were redeemed from Egypt before we received the Torah? This gets even more confusing when we consult our medieval commentator Rashi.

Rashi, at the very beginning of the Book of Genesis, writes that God should not have begun the Torah with the story of Creation, but rather with the first commandment given to the Israelites – that of the pascal lamb, found in the story of the Exodus from Egypt! When we consider that many of our commandments are often supported by the idea that "I led you out of Egypt to be your God" (or something like it), we begin to understand that our identity as the Jewish people began with our redemption from Egypt.

Rabbi Elliot Dorff writes that the Redemption story is, in fact, the "birth story" of the Jewish people. He explains that, "God redeemed us from Egypt not because of our size, power, or worth, but because God chose to love us and to do special things for us, so that indeed, on condition that we carry out the God-given mission articulated at Sinai. More than freedom from slavery, the Jewish birth-story of redemption is freedom to become responsible partners with God

in the ongoing divine acts of creation, revelation, and redemption."

In this season of redemption, as we sit down to our seder tables, may we all experience the relationship between our liturgy and sacred music, understand what it means to learn and pray as Jews, and find the connections between our prayers and our experience as the Jewish people.

Chag Pesach Sameach!

Wishing you all a happy and meaningful Passover!

Meredith Kahan
Meredith Kahan
Rabbinic Intern

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BAR MITZVAH CELEBRANT

Saturday
March 16, 2013
Bar Mitzvah of
Frederick "Quint" Kaufman
son of
Sara & Fred Kaufman
brother of
Gabriel Kaufman



Quint Kaufman (Frederick J. Kaufman V) attends Rockwern Academy and is currently in 7th grade.

Quint enjoys all kinds of outdoor activities, including snowboarding, mountain biking, wake boarding and running. He is having a busy winter on the Rockwern basketball team, which is currently undefeated.

Quint's mitzvah project has been volunteering with the children from Special Olympics as he really enjoys helping others. He is collecting used old cell phones at the request of the Special Olympics organization. If you have any laying around your home or in drawers please drop them off at the Temple Office.



FROM OUR BOARD PRESIDENT ~Rockdale Temple Needs You~

The iconic Uncle Sam image became an almost ubiquitous image of patriotism during the early parts of the 20th century. Today, Rockdale Temple wants YOU!

Your membership is just one part of your support for Rockdale Temple. Congregational committees are the heart and soul of synagogue life. We are grateful to Rockdale members who serve year after year on these committees. If you are not presently involved in a Congregational committee, why not take a turn working in an area that interests you. Our committee chairs work hard to create organized efforts where your time can be rewarding and productive. Committee meetings are conveniently scheduled by the members.

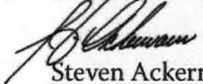
The Finance, Dues, Membership, Investment along with Building and Grounds committees directly support the administration of our congregation. The Ritual, Religious School, Adult Education and Caring committees work with our Clergy supporting the

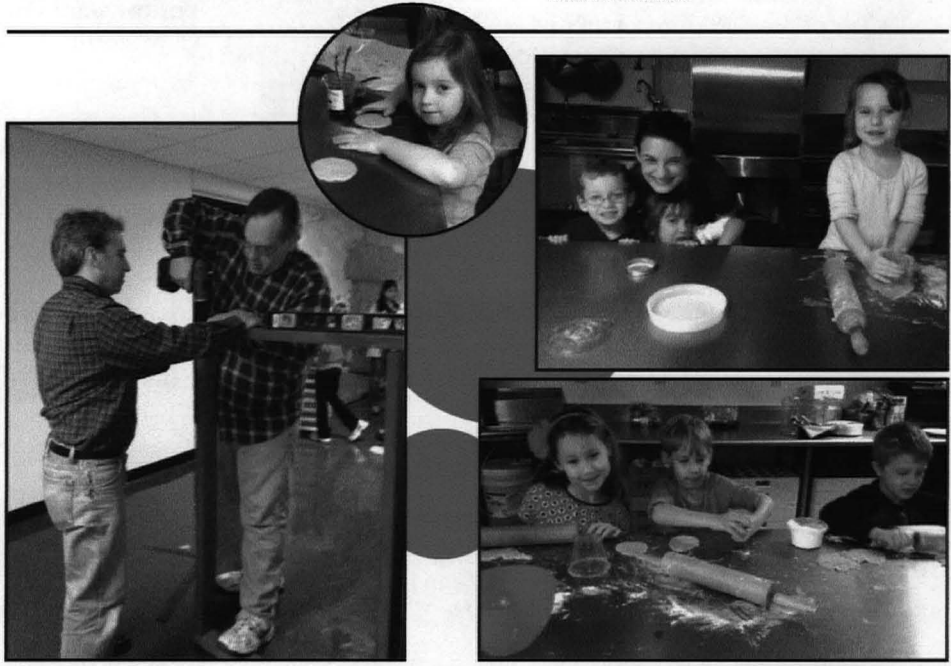
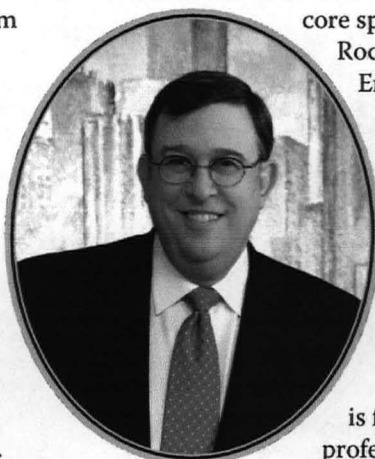
core spiritual missions of Rockdale. Social Action, Environmental and Marketing committee members work on specific projects directly related to Rockdale Temple's involvement in the Cincinnati Jewish community.

Rockdale Temple is fortunate to have a professional staff

that routinely handles many of the chores performed by a myriad of committees in other congregations. Our committee structure is streamlined and simple—we are only missing one element—YOU!

Give the Temple office a call and ask that one of our committee chairs give you a call.


Steven Ackermann
Board President



Let My People Go:

*A Passover Experience at the
National Underground Railroad Freedom Center*

Sunday, March 17, 2013

9:30 a.m. - 12 Noon

An inter-generational event for the congregations of
Valley Temple & Rockdale Temple
to explore the meaning of Passover
at the

 **National Underground Railroad
FREEDOM CENTER**

50 East Freedom Way, Cincinnati, OH 45202

Experience the story of the Haggadah surrounded by
the history of the American slave trade and the Civil Rights Movement!

9:30 am.

Breakfast in the Great Hall

10:00 am.

A communal experience in
the Harriet Tubman Theater

The morning continues:

**Learning experiences for
children, families & adults**

in smaller group sessions, utilizing the
exhibits and audio-visual presentations
of the Freedom Center as well as drawing
on the expertise of our
own educators and rabbis.

Themes to be explored:

- ✧ Story Telling
- ✧ Decision-Making and Jewish Values
- ✧ Who is a Hero?
- ✧ Jewish Freedom Texts and the Story of Slavery
in America
- ✧ What Challenges to Freedom Still Exist?
- ✧ Making a Difference

This event is FREE & paid for by the
generosity of the **Bureau of Jewish Education
Endowment Fund**, Administered by the **Jewish
Community Education Council (JCEC)** and the
Mayerson JCC.

Adults will be able to either learn with their children or choose to be part of the adult learning sessions. Children and families will be able to join in educational experiences that are created around the story of freedom and with consideration to developmental understandings.

We have intentionally created learning opportunities for adults who come to participate and do not have children in our Religious School programs. Come engage in the conversation: What do our stories mean? How do our stories intertwine? How do we see the present through the lens of freedom?

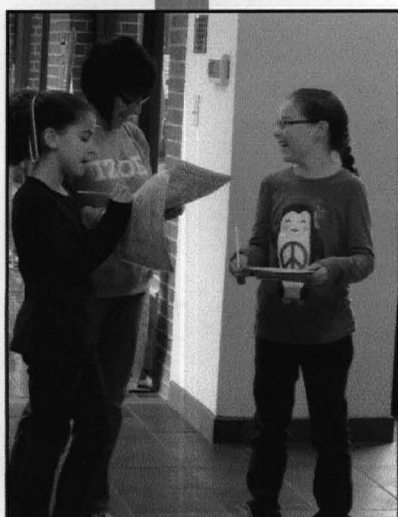
*Please let us know that you will be joining us and tell us how many
will be sharing in breakfast at 9:30 am.*

RSVP: reberhart@rockdaletemple.org; 513-891-9900 by **March 8, 2013**

Kahal Kodesh Religious School

~Sunday, January 27, 2013~

KEHAL KODESH RELIGIOUS SCHOOL ~Telling the Exodus Story~



Stories. Who doesn't love to hear a great story? Children are often heard chanting, "Again, again!" at the end of a story, especially one that truly engages them with all of their senses. Last month, several of us teachers had a wonderful opportunity to learn about the art of storytelling from world-renowned storyteller and author, Peninnah Schram. Ms. Schram talked about three tools of storytelling: voice, Bbdy and imagination. For the voice, she stressed the importance of varying one's volume, pitch, pace and quality, making sure to also utilize silence and pauses. Body language is very important when telling a story, and for this tool, she demonstrated various ways of carrying one's body in order to convey different aspects of the story. Finally, for imagination, she summed it up by saying, "I don't tell stories with words. I tell stories with images."

In Judaism, one of our greatest stories is that of the Exodus from Egypt. It is not difficult to utilize the tools mentioned above when retelling the events that unfolded several thousands of years ago. In fact, when we gather around our Seder tables on Passover, we do just that; we engage everyone in remembering the story, from the horrible years of enslavement all the way through the miraculous departure from Egypt. If you're looking for some different ideas on how to share the story of Passover, we have many resources available upstairs in our

library. Come check them out!

Along the lines of Passover and storytelling, I would like to share with you a very exciting congregational event that will take place in March. Along with Valley Temple, on March 17 we will explore the meaning of Passover at the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center (NURFC). As part of our exploration we will examine our Jewish connections to freedom, both in the Exodus from Egypt through our ancestors and in our own migrations from various parts of the world to Cincinnati. In partnership with NURFC, we will also explore the parallels between our freedom stories: the Exodus from Egypt and that of African slavery and the Civil Rights movement, focusing on how our stories are intertwined and how freedom, or the lack thereof, affects all of us.

On March 17, we welcome our Religious School families, as well as our entire congregation to take this adventure together. More details to come!

L'Shalom,

Alexia Kadish
Interim Director of Education





WRJ/SISTERHOOD March Updates

Thank you to everyone who came to hear Dr. Crane speak on Divided Lives. It was a very interesting topic and we had a nice turn out.

In March, we have two events and a meeting.

On Saturday, March 2, we're joining with Brotherhood and going to the theater to see *Dangerous Liaisons*, performed at the Cincinnati Shakespeare Company. **If you haven't already sent in your reservation form and check, please do so immediately.**

On Friday, March 15, we'll be hosting Valley Sisterhood here for a Multi-generational Seder. The seder is open to any woman affiliated with Valley or Rockdale Temple, and non-member guests are more than welcome to attend. Bring your sisters, daughters, cousins and aunts. Of course, you don't have to bring anyone but yourself; we'd love to have you there. RSVPs requested, email Alison at Auerbach.family@gmail.com or call her at 821-1828.



Teresa Ames & Alison Auerbach
Sisterhood Co-Presidents

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

March 3

April 7

April 28

**May 19 – End of Year Luncheon
& Annual Meeting**

Alison Auerbach & Teresa Ames
Sisterhood Co-presidents

Please join us as we follow the footsteps of Miriam and generations of women in a joyous celebration of Passover

Valley & Rockdale Joint Sisterhood Multi-generational Women's Dessert Seder

Friday, March 15, 2013

Rockdale Temple, 8501 Ridge Road

Shabbat Services 6:15, Seder 7:30

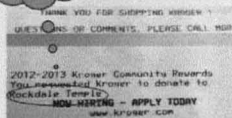
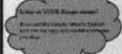
Bring your daughters, bring your sisters, bring your aunts!
(Mothers are welcome too!)

For an evening of fun and festivities.

We'll read from a special women's Haggadah and our 'feast' will be desserts brought by participants (plus, since it's not Passover yet, you can bring any dessert you want!) In addition we'll be collecting tried and true Passover recipes to share. The seder is open to any woman affiliated with Valley or Rockdale Temple, and non-member guests are more than welcome to attend.

RSVP to Becca at the Rockdale office 891-9900
or Alison at Auerbach.family@gmail.com or 821-1828
By Wednesday, March 13.

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The new Kroger program
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Go to www.Kroger.com and click on the COMMUNITY tab on the top of the page then select Kroger Community Rewards along the left hand side of the page.

Or, call the Rockdale Temple office and someone will be happy to help!

Image: Miriam Dances, 1931 by Marc Chagall

RAK LIMUD

April Adult Education

What I Learned When...

Wednesday Evenings

7 PM

5th Year HUC Rabbinic Students (soon to be rabbis) share topics from their theses:

April 10th

Chocolate Moses

David Spinrad will discuss his research concerning a contemporary Jewish response to forced labor, child labor and human trafficking.

April 17th

Bonia Shur: Improviser

Jim Stoloff will offer a picture of the late Bonia Shur, composer and one-time Director of Liturgical Music at Hebrew Union College, in Cincinnati. We will understand Bonia's impact on contemporary Jewish music and the modern rabbinate.

April 24th

How the Spirit Moves

Rockdale Temple's Rabbinic Intern, Meredith Kahan, will share research, music and stories about Children's Spirituality and how what moves us changes, or doesn't, as we grow older.

1948-2013: Israel at 65

Sunday Mornings

10:15 AM

April 14th

1948

A survivor, from the Speakers' Bureau of the Center for Holocaust and Humanity Education, will give some perspective into the events of 1948 and beyond.

April 21st

2013: The Israeli perspective of Israel at 65.

May 5th

Yair Cohen Cincinnati Shaliach (emissary)

Yair will speak about current issues of interest involving Israel.

BROTHERHOOD PRESENTS:

~Sunday, March 3, 2013~

Bringing The Dead Sea Scrolls Alive

With Rabbi Matthew Kraus

Sunday, March 3rd at 10 a.m. at Rockdale Temple

We know the Dead Sea Scrolls are important, but what do they actually say? Rabbi Matthew Kraus introduces the history, practice, biblical commentary, and theology of the group that produced the Dead Sea Scrolls. Get to know the Jews who lived 2000 years ago from their own words.



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Brotherhood/Sisterhood NIGHT AT THE THEATER

~Saturday, March 2, 2013~

Les Liaisons Dangereuses
DANGEROUS LIAISONS
FEBRUARY 15 TO
MARCH 10, 2013
BY CHRISTOPHER HAMPTON

Ticket price: \$32
(or less if we qualify
for a group rate)
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now! RSVP to
tcames@att.net

Brotherhood & Sisterhood
Night at the Theater
Dangerous Liaisons
Saturday, March 2, 7:30 p.m.
Cincinnati Shakespeare Company
(Not recommended for children due to adult themes)

MARCH 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <h2>Passover</h2>						9:30 a.m. Sichat Torah (Torah Discussion) 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service With 7th/8th Grade Class Participation Followed by Class Shabbat Luncheon 7:30 p.m. Brotherhood/ Sisterhood Event Dangerous Liaisons Shakespeare Theater
9:30 a.m. Kehal Kodesh Religious School 10:15 a.m. Brotherhood Program Bringing The Dead Sea Scrolls Alive 7:00 p.m. Kulanu (CRJHS) Wise Temple		4:30 p.m. Hebrew School			5:30 p.m. Tot Shabbat 5:45 p.m. Shabbat Nosh 6:15 p.m. SHABBAT SERVICE 	1
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SOUP KITCHEN COOKING 9:30 a.m. Kehal Kodesh Religious School With 6th Grade Family Education 10:30 a.m. Environmental Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m. Kulanu (CRJHS) Wise Temple		4:30 p.m. Hebrew School 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal 7:30 p.m. Ritual Committee Meeting			5:45 p.m. Shabbat Nosh 6:15 p.m. ROCK SHABBAT SERVICE With 2nd/3rd Grade Class Participation & Birthday Blessings Followed by Shabbat Dinner 	DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS  9:30 a.m. Sichat Torah (Torah Discussion) 10:30 a.m. Service-in-the-Round
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APRIL 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
PASSOVER ~6TH DAY~ SOUP KITCHEN COOKING NO KEHAL KODESH RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NO KULANU (CRJHS) March 31	PASSOVER ~7TH DAY~ 10:30 a.m. YIZKOR MEMORIAL SERVICE <i>Followed by Passover Luncheon</i> TEMPLE OFFICE CLOSED	No HEBREW SCHOOL		NFTY-OV REGIONALS 5:00 p.m. NFTY Regionals <i>Rockdale Temple</i>	NFTY-OV REGIONALS 8:00 a.m. NFTY-OV Regionals <i>Rockdale Temple</i> 5:45 p.m. Shabbat Nosh 6:15 p.m. ROCK SHABBAT SERVICE <i>Welcoming NFTY-OV Regional Participation & Birthday Blessings Followed by Shabbat Dinner</i>	9:30 a.m. Sichat Torah <i>(Torah Discussion)</i> 10:30 a.m. Service-in-the-Round
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YOM HAZIKARON 9:30 a.m. Kahal Kodesh Religious School <i>With 7th-8th Grade Family Education</i> 10:15 a.m. Rak Limud Adult Education <i>Israel at 65: 1948</i> 7:00 p.m. Kulanu (CRJHS) <i>Wise Temple</i>	YOM HA'ATZMA'UT	4:30 p.m. Hebrew School 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Board Meeting	7:00 p.m. Rak Limud Adult Education <i>HUC Student Theses: Bonia Shur: Improviser with Jimmy Stoloff</i>	7:30 p.m. Women's Book Club Library	5:45 p.m. Shabbat Nosh 6:15 p.m. SHABBAT SERVICE <i>With Anniversary Blessing & Choir Singing</i>	9:30 a.m. Sichat Torah <i>(Torah Discussion)</i> 10:30 a.m. Bar Mitzvah of Matthew Wagner <i>Son of Stacy & Steven Wagner</i>
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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28	29	30				

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

Adults of March

- 1 Josie Brower
..... Ayzik Feldman
- 3 Florence Zaret
- 7 Janet Roger
- 8 Julie Lerner
- 9 Leah Levy
- 11 Jane Garfield
..... Samuel Greengus
- 12 Barbara Misrach
..... Becky Rubenstein
- 15 Peggy Stricker
- 17 Gordon Margolin
- 20 Arthur Stern
- 21 Loris Ungar
- 22 Gerry Kraus
- 27 Larry Bratburd
..... Betty Wacksman
- 29 Barry Berman
..... Gene Hirschberg
..... Jessica White

Children of March

- 1 Grace Hageman~11 years old
..... Ellie Torem~10 years old
- 4 Arielle Seid~15 years old
- 13 Henry Schmulewitz~12 years old
- 18 Maya Jaffee~6 years old
..... Talia Martinez~3 years old
- 26 Sydney Kraus~8 years old
- 30 Laurie Heldman~14 years old
- 31 Evan Schmulewitz~10 years old

Adult Birthdays are listed every five years starting with the 40th birthday and for all members who have reached the age of 75. "Children of the Temple" are those who are 18 years old & younger.

Adults of April

- 4 Felicia Holub
..... Harvey Richman
..... Ann Robens
- 10 Blair Tillett
- 12 Barbara Harshman
- 14 Mark Schaengold
..... Paul Travis
- 16 Rachel Kambelis
..... Lois Spahn
- 17 Sam Potter
- 19 Sally Peterson
..... Alice Price
- 20 Phil Cohen
- 21 Morton Harshman
- 22 Elaine Fishman
- 23 Marjorie Rosenthal
- 24 Doug Goldberg
- 25 Frances Lowenstein
- 30 Richard Wiener

Children of April

- 2 Emily Hageman~14 years old
..... Tate Sheldon~4 years old
- 5 Adrianna Schneider~18 years old
- 8 David Zuckerman~7 years old
- 12 Indrani Chatterjee~17 years old
..... Vikram Chatterjee~17 years old
..... Libby Mack Hoicowitz~7 years old
- 13 Eric Schmulewitz~7 years old
- 15 Jacob Shapiro~5 years old
- 18 Carly Varland~17 years old
- 22 Sienna Maltz~6 years old
- 23 Caroline Routh~10 years old
- 24 David Fryxell~16 years old
..... Cassie Heldman~16 years old
- 30 Elyse Kadish~10 years old

Anniversaries

March Anniversaries

- 14 Paul & Wilma Travis~59th
- 18 Jack & Nancy Messer~45th
- 30 Marvin & Gerry Kraus~55th

April Anniversaries

- 4 Shock & Julie Torem~15th
- 11 Joseph & Marilyn Hirschhorn~59th
..... Gene & Betty Wacksman~60th
- 12 Howard & Jeanne Goldberg~54th
- 15 Matthew & Jean Chimsky~63rd
- 18 Bert & Barbara Rosenberg~65th
- 30 Samuel & Lesha Greengus~56th

Anniversaries are listed every five years starting with the 10th anniversary. All anniversaries of 50 years and over are recognized.

Welcome New Members

Jason Ballas

Nurit & Aaron Friedberg

Judith Nutt

Sam & Maxine Potter

Merrie Tessler

Zvi & Adele Zuckerman

and their son

David

Mazal Tov

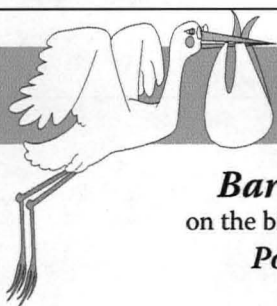
Barbara & Don Misrach

on the birth of their grand granddaughter

Poppy Augusta Misrach

daughter of

Craig & Megan Misrach



RITUAL COMMITTEE

The Ritual Committee serves as a liaison between the congregation and the clergy. Its goals are to promote and encourage participation in services for Shabbat and festivals and Shabbat Morning Torah discussions and services, to evaluate liturgy and music, to discuss issues raised by congregants, to understand rabbinic plans in order to explain them to congregants, and to participate in Temple activities.

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and

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David & Abby Schwartz;

SHABBI, THE SHABBAT DINOSAUR

Shabbi vacationed in Florida with Mason Crane in January.



ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

~Become a CSA Member~

Spring is the season of beginnings. This year we hope to begin offering Rockdale Temple members share in a Community Supported Agriculture (CSA), in which fresh farm produce is delivered to the Temple for pickup on Tuesday evenings. Enrollment consists of paying at the start of the growing season for a share of the farm's seasonal produce. A share consists of a box of vegetables every week or two from the farm. Our Harvest CSA has agreed to deliver shares of their farm's 2013 produce to Rockdale Temple if a minimum of 15 people commit to purchasing farm shares. Joining a CSA for a season is a wonderful opportunity to connect with the food you eat, the environment where it's grown, and the farmers that feed us.

A growing season starts slowly after the winter. Only the leafy part of vegetables has had time to grow by May, other than root vegetables planted the previous fall. Nonetheless, spring shares of seasonal produce may include

broccoli, carrots, kale, lettuce, onions, radish, spinach, sugar snap peas, and swiss chard. By the end of summer, your share of produce will be an embarrassing bounty with such items as basil, beans, corn, cucumbers, eggplant, fingerling potatoes, garlic, melons, okra, peppers, tomatoes, and zucchini. Until harvest ends in November, autumn shares include beans, beets, bok choy, lettuce, pumpkin, sweet potatoes, turnips, winter squash, and more.

By purchasing seasonal food directly from a local farm, consumers and farmers both benefit. Your fruits and vegetables are grown organically and arrive within days of harvest. In contrast, produce in supermarkets may be harvested before ripe and bred not for taste but hardness to endure a journey of hundreds or thousands of miles from farm to market. Farmers benefit from CSAs because customers who pay upfront make it easier to plan the farming season. By joining a CSA, you'll have a meaningful experience learning about food, cooking, and our

environment by enjoying your farm share, invited farm visits, and weekly newsletters with pictures, recipes, and updates from the farm.

To join, send a \$50 check without delay payable to "Our Harvest CSA" and add the note, "Pickup at Rockdale Temple." Final payment is due May 1st. Choose between a pickup of:

- ★ Whole share = \$550 (6-10 items, feeds 4-6 people each week)
- ★ Half share = \$300 (4-6 items, feeds 2-3 people each week).

If you have any questions, contact Kristen Gangwer, Assistant Manager of Our Harvest CSA (Kristin.gangwer@gmail.com ; (405) 818-3731), or Rockdale Temple congregants, Bennett Kottler (bkottler@hotmail.com, 510-4581) and Teresa Ames (tcames@att.net, 289-5697).

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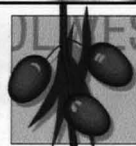
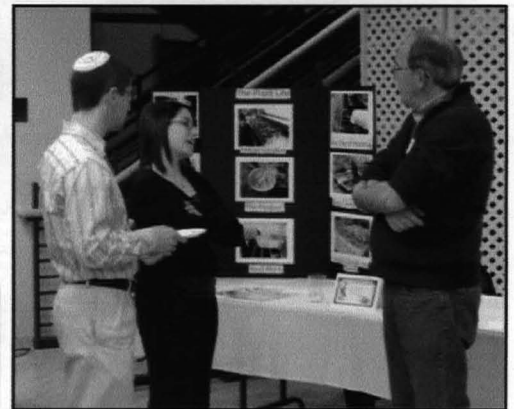
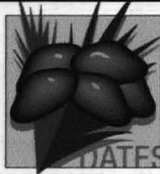
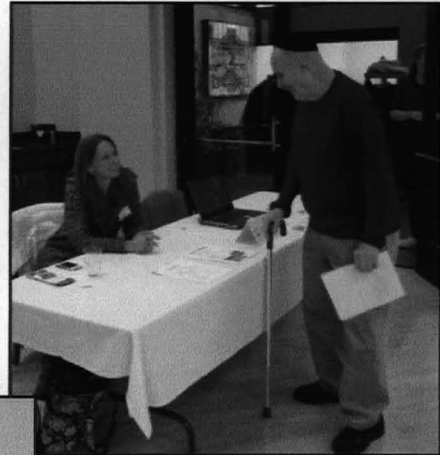
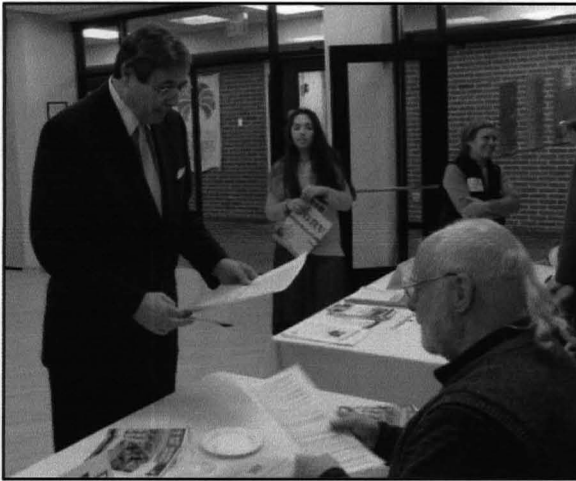
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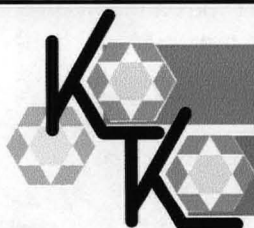
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Rak Noar Retreat ~January 12 2013~



Jewish Overnight Camping Program

The Jewish Overnight Camping Program provides grants for all Jewish youth from the Greater Cincinnati area who want to attend Jewish overnight camps. The grants are an investment in our children's future, made possible by the support and generosity of The Jewish Foundation of Cincinnati and other donors.

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Grants from the Jewish Overnight Camping Program are a gift. They are not need-based and are not contingent on other scholarship or financial aid dollars.

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LIBRARY UPDATE ~New Library Catalog System~



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with children's play area,
games and movie space,
& adult social room.**

**Look for more
Information
in the April Bulletin.**

A joint Brotherhood & Sisterhood Event.

This winter, the library was lucky to receive from elsewhere at Rockdale a newer, faster computer with a newer operating system. Ironically, it was a mixed blessing in that all the data that resided in the old computer, namely the library's digital catalog of holdings files, then needed to move to the new computer. And further, to continue to the catalog on the new computer, we needed to upgrade to new library software! So down the rabbit hole we went into that dizzying world...

Most programs were too expensive and far more complex than we needed, capable of fully automating circulation and networking with search computers, other libraries, etc. All for only thousands of dollars!

Thankfully, I believe I found a perfectly adequate upgrade of a system that will be well within the Library's and the Temple's budget. It will do all we need it to, and more---once we negotiate the full install and then the learning curve! Best of all, it will allow us to place on Temple's website (on the



Sidney Rose Library page, that pops up under the Education tab) a link allowing you to search the Temple's library holdings for books of interest to you. It is my understanding that congregants will also be able to place a "hold" on library materials, essentially asking me to set aside for you the books you request, so that you can find them easily to check out when you come to the library.

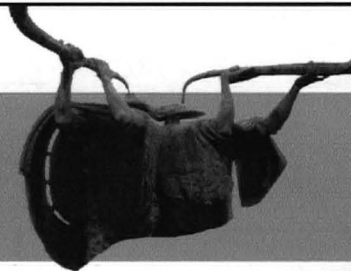
Not all of our Library's collection is digitally cataloged---only the materials that have been added since 1996. But they number about two thirds of our total collection, and the newer ones at that. All these will be searchable from the Temple website's link.

I hope to have the new system up and running as soon as I possibly can! When the Library link is up on the website, I will let you know. Meanwhile, if you need to communicate with the library for whatever reason, write to: library@rockdaletemple.org

Karen Zanger
Volunteer Librarian

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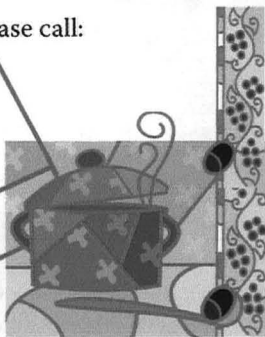
Soup Kitchen

March 10th & 31st

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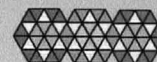
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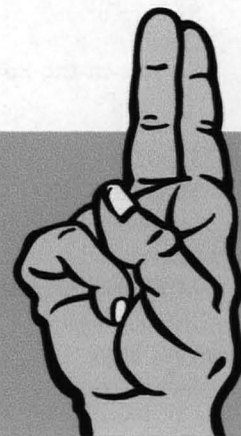
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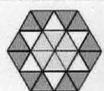
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Len Berenfield

HAVE YOU PLEDGED?

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

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Friday, March 1, 2013

5:30 p.m. Tot Shabbat Service
 5:45 p.m. Shabbat Nosh
 6:15 p.m. SHABBAT SERVICE



Saturday, March 2, 2013

9:30 a.m. Sichat Torah
 (Torah Discussion)
 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Service
*With 7th/8th Grade
 Class Participation*
 Followed by
 Class Shabbat Luncheon

Friday, March 22, 2013

5:45 p.m. Shabbat Nosh
 6:15 p.m. SHABBAT SERVICE
*With Anniversary Blessings
 & Choir Singing*

Saturday, March 23, 2013

9:30 a.m. Sichat Torah
 (Torah Discussion)
 10:30 a.m. Service-in-the-Round

Friday, March 29, 2013

Passover~4th Day

5:45 p.m. Shabbat Nosh
 6:15 p.m. SHABBAT SERVICE

Saturday, March 30, 2013

Passover~5th Day

9:30 a.m. Sichat Torah
 (Torah Discussion)
 10:30 a.m. Service-in-the-Round

Friday, March 8, 2013

5:45 p.m. Shabbat Nosh
 6:15 p.m. Rock SHABBAT SERVICE
*With 2nd/3rd Grade
 Class Participation
 & Birthday Blessings*
 Followed by Shabbat Dinner



Saturday, March 9, 2013

9:30 a.m. Sichat Torah
 (Torah Discussion)
 10:30 a.m. Service-in-the-Round

Friday, March 15, 2013

5:45 p.m. Shabbat Nosh
 6:15 p.m. SHABBAT SERVICE
 7:30 p.m. Sisterhood
 Multigenerational
 Dessert Seder

Saturday, March 16, 2013

9:30 a.m. Sichat Torah
 (Torah Discussion)
 10:30 a.m. Bar Mitzvah of
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