Temple Israel

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Sisterhood Sukkah Decorating

Everyone is invited to decorate the Sukkah on Friday, September 20 at 9:00 a.m. Please call Dianna Howard at 235-9131 if you can help.

Sukkot Family Dinner

Sponsored by
Temple Israel Sisterhood
Sunday, September 22
6:15 p.m.
\$6.50—Adults
\$4.50—Children (5-12)
\$1.00—Children
(Under 5)

RSVP with your check by September 13 to Betsey Krause 567 Woodlawn Avenue Westerville, Ohio 43081

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SUPPORT OUR YOUTH! YFTL Car Wash

September 8th 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. In the Temple Parking Lot Temple Israel goes smoke-free

t the July 30th
Board of Trustees
meeting an important decision
was reached regarding
Temple Israel. In the interest
of health and consideration
for our congregants, Temple
Israel, as of September 1,
1991, will be a completely
SMOKE FREE environment.
Smoking will not be permitted in any area of the Temple,

including the social hall. This applies to all social functions as well.

The board understands the hardship this may create for some. However, the overall concensus determined the long range benefits far outweighed the inconvenience.

Your cooperation in enforcing this new policy will be greatly appreciated.

New Foundation fund established

Thanks to the generosity of David and Beatrice Roth, a new Temple Israel Foundation fund has been established. The interest generated from this fund will be used for Temple operations. The Roths have chosen to name this fund simply the David & Beatrice Fund. Thank you to David and Beatrice for their ongoing support and interest in Temple Israel's future.



From the Rabbi:

The right question for the New Year: What does it mean to be a congregation?

As a student I once learned this important question:

"What does it mean to be a congregation? It means to care about each other!

Pray?

We pray also at home.

We come together as a congregation in order to <u>share</u> in our life as Jews; to be a part of the community of Israel.

Past. Present. Future.

Here lies the very essence of our way of life:

Every person, man or woman, young or old, must share in every other person's life and not leave them to themselves—either in sorrow or in joy!"

Are we a congregation? I ask this question to each and every man and woman, young and old, who is a member of Temple Israel. Are we really a congregation? Stronger than the sum of its parts? United in vision, if not always in opinion or prayer? Linked to each other by ties ancient and ever new?

I believe that we are indeed a congregation—a congregational family. Acting like a family in more ways than we realize ourselves. That is how I answer the question.

And yet any member of a 2,000 year rabbinate will admit to you that it is ulti-

mately not the answer that is important, but the question. The question itself and the way we each answer what it means to be a congregation will continue to lead us in right paths for "God's namesake." And it is "God's namesake" that inspires us to what we do as a congregation and as individual Jews.

These High Holidays, sitting in the sanctuary with hundreds of other Temple Israel members surrounding us, consider the question of what it means to be a congregation. To care and to share and to

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Temple Israel

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

B'nai Mitzvah for September, 1991

September 7 Shawn Ehmann, son of Francine Jones



September 14 Molly Anne Stanich, daughter of Daniel & Heather Stanich

September 21 Joseph Pope, son of Bill & Judy Pope



September 28 David Kaufman, Son of Paula & Jeffrey Kaufman



Parents: Pictures for Bar/Bat Mitzvah must be received by the first of each month prior to the month of the Bar/Bat Mitzvah. Put in *Bulletin* mailbox. Wallet size school pictures are recommended.

Rabbi Bradley and Merrie Bleefeld
Rabbi Steven and Beverly Engel
Rabbi Jerome Folkman
Cantor Vicki and Dr. Harold Axe
and the entire Temple Israel Staff
wish each and every one of you

A Very Happy New Year!

Schedule of services

August 31	Selichot Program and Service	10:30	p.m.
September 8	Erev Rosh Hashana 7:00 &	£ 9:15	p.m.
September 9	Rosh Hashana Morning Service	10:00	a.m.
	Children's Observance (ages 3-8)	10:00	a.m.
September 13	Erev Shabbat Shuvah Service	8:00	p.m.
September 14	Shabbat Shuvah Morning Service		-
September 15	Greenlawn Memorial Service	12:00	noon
	Forest Lawn Memorial Service	2:00	p.m.
September 17	Erev Yom Kippur 7:00	& 9:15	p.m.
	Kol Nidre Service		
September 18	Yom Kippur Morning Service	10:00	a.m.
	Children's Observance (ages 3-8)	10:00	a.m.
	Meditation Service	1:00	p.m.
	Afternoon Service	2:15	p.m.
	Yiskor Service	4:30	p.m.
	Neilah Service	5:30	p.m.
September 22	Sukkot Evening Dinner	6:15	p.m.
	Erev Sukkot Service	7:30	p.m.
September 23	Sukkot Morning Service	10:30	a.m.
September 27	Shabbat Service	8:00	p.m.
September 29	Erev Simchat Torah Service/	7:00	p.m.
140	Consecration		
September 30	Simchat Torah Breakfast/	9:00	a.m.
	Study Session		
	Morning Service/Yiskor	10:30	a.m.
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JCC adult mini-school program

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For more information contact Carol Folkerth, Adult Mini-School Coordinator—231-2731.



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August 28, 1991

Dear Friends:

On Sunday, September 15, 1991, Temple Israel will host the Annual Meeting of the Columbus Jewish Federation at 7:30 p.m. We are delighted to facilitate this important community program and hope you will wish to be part of it.

This is the 65th Annual Meeting of the Federation, and the evening will feature many special award presentations as well as a review of the Federation family's achievements and accomplishments this past year. In addition, the evening will formally open the 1992 Jewish Community Campaign.

The annual Abe I. Yenkin Memorial Address will be presented by Malcolm Hoelein, Executive Director of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations.

We encourage you to mark the date on your calendar and plan to attend. Your continued support of Temple Israel and community activities is appreciated. We look forward to having you join us.

Sincerely,

Fred Summer President

Fred a. Summer

TEMPLE ISRAEL PRESCHOOL'S
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AGES 18 MONTHS - 2½ YEARS
PARENTS AND TODDLERS MEET
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8-WEEK SESSIONS BEGINNING IN OCTOBER

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FOR INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION
FORMS CALL LINDA HAYON
PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR - TEMPLE ISRAEL
5419 E. BROAD STREET, COLUMBUS 43213

REQUIREMENTS FOR BAR/BAT MITZVAH

Dear Parents:

Hebrew education is meant to be a very meaningful and integral part of a Jewish child's development. Knowledge of the Hebrew language learned in conjunction with other aspects of Jewish religious education can result in a solid appreciation of our sacred heritage. With this background, the Bar/Bat Mitzvah can be a powerful emotional and spiritual experience for both the child and the family.

REQUIREMENTS FOR BAR/BAT MITZVAH

1. Temple Israel Religious School

All Bar/Bat Mitzvah candidates are to be actively enrolled in Temple Israel Religious School by the third grade. Temple Israel offers classes from Kindergarten through 12th grade. The curriculum includes Confirmation and post Confirmation with a three week component in Israel in the post Confirmation year.

2. Kol Ami Community Hebrew School

All children, except those attending Torah Academy, are to be enrolled at Kol Ami Community Hebrew School from third grade through Commencement at the end of seventh grade. Kol Ami is an afternoon Hebrew language school, with classes two days a week at Temple Israel, Agudas Achim, or Beth Tikvah. Regular attendance in the Aleph, Bet, Gimel, Daled, and Hay years of Kol Ami is required. In the fifth year, candidates for a Bar/Bat Mitzvah will enter a training program designed to prepare them for the day when they will read from the Torah and lead the congregation in worship.

Mitzvah Projects

The truths and values of Judaism are translated and understood in the doing of Mitzvot, good deeds. Beginning in the third grade, special attention will be given to Mitzvah Projects. These projects will be coordinated with Temple Israel Religious School, and may be group projects or a personally chosen Mitzvah of kindness or service to family or community. Possible areas of Mitzvot are Heritage House, Shalom House, Temple, assisting Soviet Familes, tutoring younger students, etc.

4. Attendance at Shabbat Services

Jews throughout time have expressed their faith in God through community worship. Attendance at Shabbat Services continues to fulfill this centuries-old practice. For our students, attendance at Shabbat Services also reinforces the Hebrew learning process and is an opportunity to become more fluent in Hebrew prayers. Therefore, regular attendance at Shabbat Services is encouraged, with a minimum requirement of three Friday nights and three Saturday mornings, each year of Kol Ami, beginning with Kitah Bet (fourth grade). While family attendance is desirable, unaccompanied students will be provided with a supervised section in the sanctuary. Each week, the Rabbis and Cantor will acknowledge, with pride, the presence of our Hebrew (While attendance at Shabbat Services is beneficial for all students, this attendance requirement applies to those students entering Kol Ami September, 1989 and on.)

By meeting the above requirements, students will demonstrate their preparedness for Bar/Bat Mitzvah. Sometimes students with special needs will be unable to meet the requirements outlined. In this event, each case will be carefully considered and the program modified to enable all our students to have Bar/Bat Mitzvah.

With commitment to Religious School, Kol Ami, Mitzvah Projects and Attendance at Services, having a Bar/Bat Mitzvah with deep meaning is within the reach of all our students and their families.

Sincerely yours,

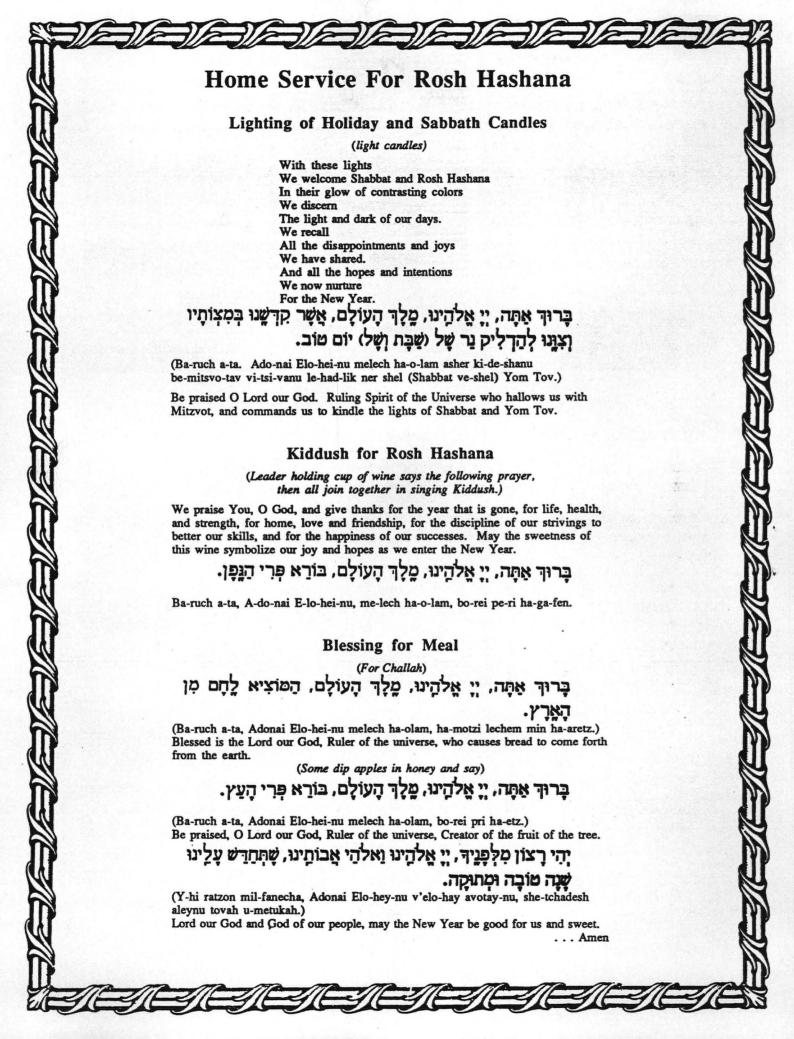
Barb Guthoff, Chair Hebrew Education Committee

Barb Authoff

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Fred a. Summer





ROSH HASHANAH 5752 HOME CEREMONIAL READING

During the course of the festive meal on Rosh Hashanah evening, pieces of apple that have been dipped in honey are distributed to the participants and the following is read either in unison or responsively.

For centuries, Jews have celebrated Rosh Hashanah by eating apples and honey. We express our hopes and prayers that this new year ahead may be especially sweet for ourselves, our loved ones and all the Jewish people around the world.

Seated at the festive table, we remember our precious heritage. We understand that the new year is a sacred time for reflection and hope, as we pray for guidance to meet the challenges of the coming year.

The beginning of the year 5752 is marked by extraordinary events.

We are witnessing the redemption of Ethiopian Jews in the land of Israel. May their memories of famine and danger fade, as they experience the joy of reunification with their families.

We are witnessing the emigration of more than 250,000 Soviet Jews who have been isolated from the mainstream of the Jewish world for decades. May they find empathy and caring as they establish new homes among the people of Israel.

We are witnessing — where there had been repression — the resurgence of Jewish vitality in Eastern Europe. May these communities gain new strength and success in their endeavors.

We are witnessing, through Operation Exodus, an outpouring of compassion and generosity for all Jews in need. May we be thankful for our religious freedom and the ability and opportunity to extend help to others.

Now, on this Rosh Hashanah, as we once again dip our apples into honey, we recite the age-old worlds of our tradition. May we enlarge our horizons, pledging to ourselves that this year we will do even more to reach out to Jews in distress, wherever they may be.

Kol Yis-rae-el ah-ray-vim zeh ba-zeh. בָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל עֲרָבִים זֶה בָּזֶה.

All Israel is responsible for one another.

This year may all Jews know a new measure of sweetness.

May each of us continue to grow in our commitment to our people and our faith.

Ye-hi ra-tzon mil-fa-ne-ha, יְהִי רָצוֹן מִלְּפָנֶיףּ, ה' אֱ-לֹקִינוּ וֵא-לֹקִי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ,

Ah-do-noy Eh-lo-hay-nu vay-lo hay ah-vo-tay-nu, she-te-ha-desh ah-lay-nu sha-nah to-vah u-me-tu-kah.

May it be Your will, O Lord our God and God of our ancestors, to renew for us a good and a sweet year.



Prepared by the UJA Rabbinic Cabinet Rabbi Bradley N. Bleefeld, Member Temple Israel, Columbus, Ohio



FOR ADULTS ONLY!!!

A WEEKEND IN JEWISH NEW YORK

NOVEMBER 14-17, 1991



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RABBI BRADLEY AND MERRIE BLEEFELD

Following the same itinerary as our nationally recognized Confirmation trip, we will see New York from a uniquely Jewish perspective. Some highlights of the trip will be a Broadway show, Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty, Temple Emanu-El and the Spanish Portuguese Synagogue, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Jewish Museum, Ratner's, the Carnegie Deli, and a horse-drawn carriage ride through Central Park.

If you are interested in more details of this exciting trip, call Ruth at 866-0010.

Reservations are still available.



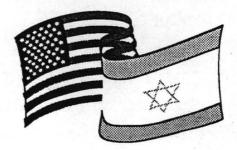
For 5,000 Years, The Shofar Has Called Jews To Prayer.

THIS YEAR, IT ALSO CALLS US TO ACTION.

Legislation authorizing the U.S. to co-sign a \$10 billion loan to assist Israel in absorbing one million Soviet and Ethiopian Jewish refugees is pending before Congress. Passage of this package is the Jewish community's highest priority.

Please contact your Members of Congress to urge their support. Send a message today by calling:

1-800-92 ALIYA*



Prepared messages will be sent to your Representative and both your Senators.

Or contact them directly at:

U.S. Senate Washington, DC 20510 (202) 224-3121 U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 (202) 224-3121

Please see the reverse side for important facts about Absorption Guarantees.

*Your phone bill or credit card will be charged \$7.25

KEY POINTS ON ABSORPTION GUARANTEES

- Israel's request that the U.S. "guarantee" a \$10 billion loan to be distributed over 5 years is not a request for a grant or even a loan from the U.S. government.
- Israel is asking the U.S. to "co-sign" loans that she will apply for from private American banks. No money will be transferred from the U.S. Treasury.
- Israel is one of only two countries which has never defaulted on its obligations to the U.S.
- Israel will use the money to accomplish the enormous humanitarian task of absorbing one million Soviet and Ethiopian refugees.
- Like funds from other U.S. aid programs, this money can only be used within Israel's pre-1967 borders, a commitment she has never broken.

Urge your Senators and Representative to support Loan Guarantees for Israel:

Call 1-800-92 ALIYA* Today!



HIGHLIGHTS

Religious school class assignments

Religious School class assignments will be in the mail the first week in September. If registrations are sent to the Temple late in August or the beginning of September, it is possible that there will not be enough time to send the assignments in the mail. If this is the case, you may pick up your envelope with class assignments and pertinent information at the reception desk before classes begin the morning of September 8.

All families with 3rd grade students should receive a letter concerning their special Hebrew naming ceremony and 8th/9th grade parents should receive a letter for the orientation taking place during the first session of Religious School, September 11.

September religious school calendar of special events

September 8 Opening Session for K-7

Parent Meeting

September 11 Opening Session for 8/9/10

Parent Orientation 8/9 grades

September 22 First Extended 9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Day Session 8/9/10

September 29 3rd Grade Hebrew

Naming Ceremony; Consecration for 1st grade

& New 2nd/3rd Grade Students 7:00 p.m.

(The Right Question continued from Page 1)

link ourselves to the people who for 3,500 years have called themselves Jews. That question, dear congregants, the right question, is the beginning point for all the right answers. Merrie joins me in wishing you and your family a happy and healthy 5752. A year of questions; the right questions.

Rabbi Bradley N. Bleefeld

Temple presented award

The Columbus Jewish Foundation presented Temple Israel with a Merit Award for its Family Life Welcome Baskets Program.

11:00 a.m.

The framed certificate reads: For the establishment and implementation of a new, creative and enlightened program contributing to and enhancing unmet needs of the community.

Open meeting on dues plan

The next open meeting to discuss the Temple dues restructuring plan will be held Sunday, September 15 at 9:30 a.m. in the Temple Library.

We urge all Temple members to attend, share their thoughts and be part of this important planning process.

Sisterhood Yom Kippur memorial booklet

The Memorial Book Committee can accept additional names to be included in the Memorial Booklet distributed during the Yiskor service on Yom Kippur until September 5, 1991. Please contact Milly Rosenberger—252-1398 or Jo Goldsmith—236-5627 with any requests or questions.

Educator search committee

Joyce Simson and Barbara Seeder, co-chairs of the Educator Search Committee, invite members to be part of the search process. Interested members should call either Joyce—252-1250, or Barbara—436-1176.

Humanitarian Shabbat 1991

This year's recipient of the Temple Israel Humanitarian Award is Mr. Gerald N. Cohn, Executive Vice President of Heritage House. The award will be presented at the October 11 shabbat service.

The committee, chaired by Geoffrey Stern, is actively preparing for this important event. Be sure to reserve this date on your calendar.

Memorial plaques

During the High Holiday season, Temple Israel will afford its members the opportunity of purchasing memorial plaques at a special price of \$250, a reduction of 33% off our established price of \$375. This purchase may be extended over one year with a down payment of \$75.

To take advantage of the special price, your request must be received at the Temple office no later than September 30th.

Please call Marlene at 866-0010 for further information.

Temple Israel

BULLETIN BOARD

September calendar

Sept. 3	Sisterhood Board Meeting	12:00 noon, Library
	Brotherhood Board	6:15 p.m., Classrm.
	Youth Activities Committee	7:30 p.m., Lounge
Sept. 5	Opening Day Preschool	
	Youth Act. Parent Orientation	7:30 p.m.
-		0.00

Sept. 8 Religious School begins 9:30 a.m. (parents' meeting)

Sept. 12 YAC Board Sept. 15 Dues Revision Open Mtg. Sept. 21 YFTL Program

YAC Program Sept. 24 Board Meeting

Sept. 27 YAC Dinner & Service

Mazel toy!

... Congratulations to Sheila and Stan Rubin on the birth of a granddaughter, Haley Marisa, born July 6.

...to Mark & Mindy Coffey on the birth of a son, Oliver Jared, born July 23.

...to Kenneth & Diane Cohen on the birth of a daughter, Rachael Kay, born on July 11. Grandparents are Martin & Barbara Schuster and Jerry & Sheila Cohen.

...to Steven and Kimberly Friedman, on the birth of a son, Jared Maxx, and to Joan Friedman, grandmother.

> Hold the date!

October 8

11:45 a.m.

Please hold this date for Sisterhood's Fall Opening Luncheon.

In Memoriam

We record with deep sorrow the passing of:

Ben Balshone Husband of Marianne Balshone Father of Joseph Balshone

Dorothy Bremer Mother of Ann Roth

Oscar H. Cheses Brother of David Cheses

Only relatives of Temple Israel members are listed in In Memoriam.

Sisterhood bake day for Oneg Shabbat

September 25 9 a.m.

Call Marsha Cooper 864-6401

Found

... Man's Wedding Ring. Call Marlene at 866-0010 to claim.

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Used eyeglasses needed in Israel

6:00 p.m.

7:30 p.m., Conf.Rm.

9:30 a.m., Library

2:00 p.m., Library

6:30 p.m., Library

7:30 p.m., Library

Esther Bain Omansky invites you to join a worldwide effort to collect used eveglasses and hearing aids for Ethiopian and Russian immigrants arriving in Israel.

"They need more than we can send them," explained Esther, "and I will be happy to pick up all donations and make certain that they are sent to Israel at no charge to donors."

If you or anyone you know has eyeglasses or hearing aids to donate, please call Esther at 252-1871.

Our thanks-

...to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Melton for another generous contribution to help cover the deficit.

...a special thank you to the Neil Shnider family for the Apple Computer that they have donated to the Religious School.

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