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RABBI'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

It was not that long ago that summer meant a vacation from Judaism. Once religious school was finished for the year, Jewish life slowed down until it was time for the Yamim Nora'im, the High Holy Days, and the new religious school year.

Much has changed since those days. Summer has become a time to broaden our Jewish activity. There are so many wonderful new books which have joined the ranks of "classic" Jewish books. Whatever your interests, from art to the Zohar (mystical commentary on the Torah)—you can find something stimulating and enjoyable to read. A good place to look is in the Temple's library.

If you are traveling, visit one of the many places of Jewish interest along the way or at your destination.

Listen to some Jewish music.

Find some new Jewish recipes. For those of us with Ashkenazi backgrounds, there are delicious foods that are part of the Sefardic traditions – Greek, Turkish, Tunisian, Egyptian, etc.

Learn some Hebrew. Study some Torah. For starters, you can go to www.URJ.org.

Take the opportunity to do things for which you may not have time during the rest of the year. You will not regret it.

As I conclude this letter, it is time for me to say "I'hitra-ot," "till we meet again." It has been a privilege to have been part of the Temple Shalom family this year and serve as your rabbi. Your friendship has made me feel at home. Together we have learned, shared and celebrated, both the good and the sad. That forges bonds which strengthen us all. Shalom —May you have peace, wholeness, and well-being.

—Rabbi Judith A. Bluestein

WORSHIP SERVICES

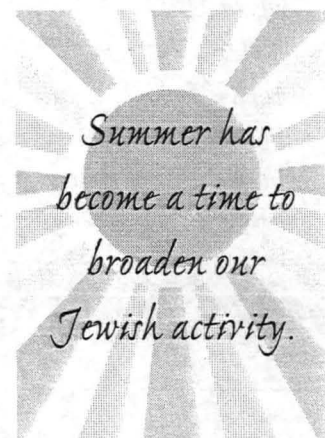
The Worship Committee would like to thank Stefan Broidy for assisting with Shabbat services from January through May. During July, we will have our regular Friday night services, conducted by members of the congregation. If you would like to lead a service, please contact Fran Rickenbach at 767-1084 for more details. Complete training will be offered to anyone who is interested.



—Fran Rickenbach, Chair

LADIES NIGHT OUT

For those who purchased a ticket to Ladies Night Out at the last Goods and Services auction, please note this date change. This event, which was originally scheduled for June 16, has been changed to Wednesday, August 4. Ladies Night Out will be held at the home of Kim Fish and will begin at 6:00 p.m. If you should have a conflict and are unable to attend on August 4, please contact Kim Fish at 399-5399.





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Thank you, thank you, thank you— these are the simple yet heartfelt words that I would like to say to the following people:

- *To Rabbi Judith Bluestein who came to us in our time of need and helped us through our grief and helped to keep our congregation going this past year.*
- *To all of the members of our congregation who helped out whenever and wherever they were asked – leading services, tutoring Bar and Bat Mitzvah students, teaching Sunday school, setting up one's, and numerous other tasks.*
- *To the members of the Rabbinical Search Committee who put in many hours reviewing resumes, interviewing candidates, spending time reviewing the comments and input of our congregation, and providing us with a new Rabbi.*
- *And a big Thank you to Rabbi Janice Garfunkel for accepting the offer to become our new Rabbi. I know that each of you will join me and the rest of the Board in giving her a warm Temple Sholom welcome when she begins her new position in early August.*

The Board and I are excited about the arrival of Rabbi Garfunkel and beginning the preparation for a new Temple year.

—Laurie Leventhal

THANK YOU TO LAY LEADERS

After a brief conversation with one of our lay leaders about holding services in our beautiful main sanctuary, my mind started wonder. It had been a particularly busy week, and being able to worship on this Shabbat, in either room, gave me a feeling of peace and comfort. I wondered if the congregation has expressed their appreciation for the fine job our lay leaders have done for our Temple. Have we let them know how fortunate we feel that we are able to share our Shabbat with them?

This past year has been difficult for all. We certainly can never replace our Rabbi Gevirtz, and we have been very fortunate to have Rabbi Bluestein to lead us. But we have come to truly depend on our lay leaders—these talented, gifted, and generous individuals. Perhaps the Board has thanked them for all of us. But if this group didn't put forth their efforts, we might not worship on Shabbat with our friends in the congregation whom we love and in our wonderful Temple Sholom.

So, I wish to take this opportunity to extend my most heartfelt appreciation to our wonderful lay leaders. I thank them for all of their time, energy, and devotion to our small group. I so appreciate being able to end my week with a lovely, relaxing, and musical service. Thank you again, and all the best.

—A Grateful Congregant

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, July 2, 6 PM:

Shabbat evening service

Tuesday, July 6, 7 PM:

Temple Board meeting

Friday, July 9, 8 PM :

Shabbat evening service

Friday, July 16, 6 PM:

Shabbat evening service

Friday, July 23, 8 PM:

Shabbat evening service

Saturday, July 24, 6:30 PM:

Cocktails and Dinner, home of Ed and Laurie Leventhal

Friday, July 30, 8 PM:

Shabbat evening service

Tuesday, August 3, 7 PM:

Temple Board meeting

Wednesday, August 4, 6 PM:

Ladies Night Out, home of Kim Fish

Friday, August 6, 6 PM:

Shabbat evening service

Friday, August 13, 8 PM:

Shabbat evening service

Friday, August 20, 6 PM:

Shabbat evening service

Friday, August 27, 8 PM:

Shabbat evening service

BLOOD DONATIONS

Donating blood is good for the nation and for you. Blood donors have fewer heart attacks because they accumulate less iron, a suspected risk factor. Normally, it takes only a couple of days for your body to replace the fluid you lose with donation. However, it takes several weeks for the red blood cells to be replaced, so you should space blood donations at least two months apart. Thank you to Rick Krauss and Itzka Zohar for giving a donation in Temple Sholom's name.

— Beverly Weiser, Blood Donor Chair

Room of Remembrance

PLAQUES HUNG IN ROOM OF REMEMBRANCE

Plaques have been hung in the Room of Remembrance in memory of Theodore Adler and Rabbi Marianne Gevirtz. A Hands in Friendship plaque has also been hung in loving memory of Rabbi Marianne Gevirtz from members of the congregation of Temple Shalom.

MEMORIAL PLAQUES

Each year as we approach the High Holidays, we recall the memories of our loved ones who have passed away. We would like to remind you that a plaque in the Temple Shalom Room of Remembrance is an appropriate and fitting way to honor the memories of your deceased loved ones.

The cost of each plaque is \$300.00 and must be paid in full before the plaque can be ordered. For more information, please call the Temple office at 399-1231 or Marj Newman at 390-3513.

SOCIAL ACTION NEWS

On May 18th, JAM held an ACTION meeting attended by 18 members and friends of Temple Shalom. While this turnout was lower than in previous years, the Temple's presence was critical to having our issues adopted.

Our three County Commissioners were in attendance and agreed to work with JAM's Job Committee to (1) find a vehicle to fund the Community Improvement Corporation which works to attract business to the city and county (2) increase the amount of vocational training available to unemployed and under-employed residents (3) work with JAM to increase leverage and accountability of those employers receiving incentives to hire from the local pool of job seekers.

Two of our five Springfield City School Board members were in attendance and agreed to work with JAM's Education Committee to be certain that our children have the best reading curriculum available to them by (1) attending a workshop on scientifically-based researched reading programs (2) visiting with us both classrooms within our district and national schools of excellence using scientifically-based researched reading programs (3) re-applying for Reading First federal grant dollars to be invested in the best scientifically-based researched reading programs with a proven track record.

Since the ACTION, we have been busy working in committees and working with the Chamber of Commerce, commissioners, and school board members. Watch as we take **action** on the ACTION.

— Paul Cornez, chair



NEW ADDITIONS TO TEMPLE LIBRARY

A Year of Jewish Stories, 52 Tales for Children and Their Families, by Grace Ragues Maisel and Samantha Shubert (UAHC Press, New York, NY, 2004)



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

Our Religious School ended this year with a picnic

where we enjoyed lots of food and games. At this time we chose to donate our tzedakah funds of \$139.83 to the American Cancer Society and Pediatric Aids. Thank you to parents and students for caring and sharing. We are proud of your efforts and the difference that you have made.

This year would not have gone so well without the efforts of Itzca Zohar and Rabbi Bluestein. We also appreciate the many efforts and support of parents who volunteered when we needed them.

We wish everyone a safe and joyful summer. Look for an informational letter about plans and the calendar for next year.

—Millie Archer and Rick Krauss, co-chairs



NEW MEMBERS

At the June Board meeting, a membership application was approved for Stanton and Carol Gurevitz, 264 Oak Drive, West Liberty, OH 43357. Their telephone number is (937) 465-6180 and e-mail address is sgurevitz@woh.rr.com. Please make this addition to your Temple directory and welcome them into our congregation.

GOODS AND SERVICES

Just a reminder for those who purchased tickets at the Goods and Services Auction for Cocktails and Dinner. This event will be held on Saturday, July 24, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at 3017 Stonehaven Drive. Your hosts will be Ed and Laurie Leventhal, Stan and Phyllis Nedelman, and Jay and Roberta Greenland. There is still space available if you would be interested in attending. Cost of the event is \$50 per person. Please call the Temple office at 399-1231 for more details.

- A very generous gift to Temple Sholom was received from Alice and Gabe Rubin
- A generous donation was received in memory of Sophie Berger from Ronald and Janet Spier
- A generous donation was received in memory of Harry Leventhal from Todd Mauer, Basic Plastics, Todd and Gabriele Leventhal, and Freudenberg Household Products
- A very generous gift to Temple Sholom was received from the Marianne L. Gevirtz Trust



ENDOWMENTS

DIAMOND

- In memory of Harry Leventhal from Rick and Julie Nedelman, Ed, Laurie, Amy, Alyse, Adam and Jenna Leventhal, Albert and Annette Becker
- In honor of Marilyn and Craig Crossley for their continuing support of the Wittenberg Jewish community from Andrew and Minda Meyer

GOLD

- In memory of Rose W. Kimmelman from Margaret Malahy
- In memory of Arthur Turyn from Stanley and Barbara Bernstein
- In memory of Harry Leventhal from Stan and Phyllis Nedelman, Ray and Char Schiff
- In honor of Joe and Elaine Bettman's golden wedding anniversary from Stan and Phyllis Nedelman
- In honor of the graduation of Bri, Candi, and Jesse Spier from Ray and Char Schiff
- In memory of Millie Archer's mother Barbara Shaw from Larry and Kim Fish
- In honor of Rabbi Judith Bluestein's service to Temple Sholom from Stan and Phyllis Nedelman

SILVER

- In honor of the yahrzeit of Blanche Stillpass from Stan and Phyllis Nedelman
- In honor of Roberta Greenland's special birthday from Sanford and Faye Flack
- In memory of Sheila Beyer's mother from Sanford and Faye Flack
- In memory of Bettye Glass's sister Alyce from Ray and Marilyn Schneider
- In honor of Fred Leventhal being named Citizen of the Year from Stan and Phyllis Nedelman
- In memory of Natalie Cornez's mother, Kathleen Geiger, from Stan and Phyllis Nedelman, Ed and Laurie Leventhal, Ray and Marilyn Schneider, Fred and Maxine Leventhal, Sam and Ida Friedman, Diane and Harry Smith, Mark and Judy Kossoff, Mike and Sylvia Silverstein
- In memory of Mrs. Martin Cook's son from Fred and Maxine Leventhal
- In honor of Rachel Crossley's admission to Rabbinical school from Fred and Maxine Leventhal
- In memory of Harry Leventhal from Paul and Natalie Cornez, Rik and Marj Newman, Mark and Judy Kossoff
- In honor of the birth of Itzca Zohar's granddaughter Paige from Ed, Laurie, Alyse, and Amy Leventhal, Ray and Char Schiff
- In memory of Millie Archer's mother Barbara Shaw from Ed and Laurie Leventhal
- In honor of the yahrzeit of Louis Stillpass from Stan and Phyllis Nedelman

REGULAR

- In memory of Elyse Lipsey from Marjorie Fishbain

SHARON LEE BROOCK FLOWER FUND

ROSE

- Congratulations and best wishes to Rachel Crossley on her acceptance to Hebrew Union College from Ben and Pauline Broock, Ray and Char Schiff
- In memory of Natalie Cornez's mother, Kathleen Geiger, from Ben and Pauline Broock, Bill and Priscilla Dixon
- In memory of Harry Leventhal from Leslie and Sharon Broock, Robert and Nancy Broock, Jimmie and Sabra Broock
- In honor of Sean Grodner's marriage to Theresa Jean Keaton from Ray and Char Schiff, Stan and Phyllis Nedelman
- In honor of Rachel Levine on her Bat Mitzvah from Stan and Phyllis Nedelman
- In memory of Millie Archer's mother Barbara Shaw from Stan and Phyllis Nedelman
- In honor of the birth of Itzca Zohar's granddaughter Paige from Stan and Phyllis Nedelman



Yahrzeit List

July 9: Hyman Adler, Ben Rubinoff, Helen Weiser, Ruth Bernstein Brender

July 16: Ethel Slesh Freed, Henry Kempler, Rose Edith Lapinsky, Ida Blucher, James Robert Dewitt, Frank Friedsam, Anna Margolis, Robert A. Wile, Sondra Zendlovitz

July 23: Ethel Arnovitz, Sarah Endelman, Morris Amdur, Belle Romanoff, Minnie Waxman

July 30: Robert Lee Levine, Harry Stadler, Maisie Demmel, Morton Leider, Julia Lieberman, Dorothy Spier

August 6: Max Endelman, Joseph Friedberger, Julius Holzberg, Abraham M. Lapinsky, David B. Russack, Elizabeth Z. Dates, Ben Mazur, Eva Susman Rosensweig, Betty-Anne Zoldan

August 13: Dora Lebensberger, Sophie Roth, Moses N. Sanders, Riva Stessel, J. Leonard Werber, Arnold Shatsky

August 20: George Hart, Emma Kossoff, Ruth Levin, Robert Pommer, Arthur A. Cornez, Sam Lite, Rose Newman, Mollie Unger

August 27: Mary Jane Broock, Phillip Buchfirer, Douglas Goldman, Anna Kaminsky, Rebecca LaSalle, Lena Myers, Elizabeth Ritoff, Saul Schneider

Sept 3: David Krauss, Minnie Weixelbaum, Louis Feinstein, Paul Lewis Stein, Moshe Zohar

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mazal Tov To...

- Itzca Zohar on the birth of his granddaughter, Paige Elizabeth Hill, on May 12
- Rachel Levine and her parents Randy and Kathleen on Rachel's recent Bat Mitzvah
- Rose Weiss upon her conversion into the Jewish faith on May 21
- Ryan Crossley upon his acceptance to the University of Toledo's College of Law

Thank You To...

- All the wonderful congregants of Temple Sholom for sharing Shabbat on Friday May 7 from Carrie Jez
- Mike and Sylvia Silverstein for their involvement and work with the Interfaith Hospitality Network Day Center

Condolences To...

- Paul and Natalie Cornez on the death of her mother Kathleen Geiger
- Shirley Leventhal and the family of Harry Leventhal on their loss of a husband, father, brother, and uncle
- Millie and Eric Archer on the death of her mother Barbara Shaw

May their memories be for a blessing

New Address For Members

- Joe Lite: 223 Northwood Dr., Yellow Springs 45387-1926, Telephone 767-7475

New E-mail Address For Members

- Todd and Gabriele Leventhal: leventhal4@sbcglobal.net
- Joe Lite: jlite@woh.rr.com

SHARON LEE BROOCK FLOWER FUND (cont.)

DAISY

In memory of Millie Archer's mother Barbara Shaw from Beverly Weiser

HANDS IN FRIENDSHIP PLAQUE

In memory of Harry Leventhal, the following have contributed toward a Hands In Friendship plaque to be placed in the Room of Remembrance: Ben and Pauline Broock, William and Priscilla Dixon, Larry and Kim Fish, Marjorie Fishbain, Sanford and Faye Flack, Jean Gerson, Rabbi Lloyd and Bernice Goldman, Jay and Roberta Greenland, Ed and Laurie Leventhal, Fred and Maxine Leventhal, Todd and Gabriele Leventhal, Rick and Julie Nedelman, Stan and Phyllis Nedelman, Lillian Pollens, Gabe and Alice Rubin, Ray and Char Schiff, Ray and Marilyn Schneider, Marvin and Sandy Silverstein, Reda Singer, Beverly Weiser

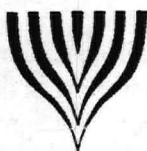
If you would like to be part of this lasting memorial, please contact the Temple office at 399-1231. The cost is \$25.00 per family.

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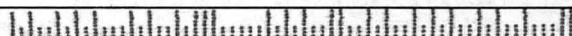


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George Gershwin Alone

Celebrate Champaign County's Bicentennial with America's great composer, George Gershwin. Concert artist Hershey Felder will be at the Steinway and will present the life and music of the man who "made a lady out of jazz." This concert will be held on Saturday, July 24 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, July 25 at 2:00 p.m. at the Kuss Auditorium in Springfield. Tickets are available for \$10, \$15, and \$20 with a limited number of premium tickets for \$50, which includes a post-performance reception with Mr. Felder. Spend 90 minutes with George and stay for a sing-along of your favorite Gershwin standards. For tickets, please call the box office at 328-3874.



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TAKE A LOOK

If you have done any spring or summer cleaning, you might have come across a prayer book, bible, or library book belonging to the Temple. It is so easy to borrow a book and then lay it down with your books at home. Please take a look, and we would appreciate it if you would return any Temple books you should find. Thank you.

BULLETIN/DATE CLEARANCE: Bulletin Deadline: Aug. 15. Contact: Temple Office