TU BISH’VAT SEDER AND SHABBAT WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

Friday, February 10 at 6:30 PM

On Friday, February 10th we will be celebrating Shabbat and having a Tu Bish’vat experience at Temple Sholom! Tu Bish’vat marks the New Year for the trees. In the Middle Ages, Tu Bish’vat was celebrated with a feast of fruits in keeping with the Mishnaic description of the holiday as a "New Year." In the 16th century, the kabbalist Rabbi Yitzchak Luria of Safed and his disciples instituted a Tu Bish’vat seder in which the fruits and trees of the Land of Israel were given symbolic meaning. The main idea is that eating ten specific fruits and drinking four cups of wine in a specific order while reciting the appropriate blessings would bring human beings, and the world, closer to spiritual perfection. In Israel and here in the United States, the Tu Bish’vat seder has been revived.

Come and enjoy this special experience with Rabbi Rigler, Cantor Shapiro, Kol Shalom and your temple community.

Our evening will begin with a potluck dinner and will continue with a Shabbat/Tu Bish’vat experience beginning at 6:30.

For those commemorating the yahrzeit of a loved one, we will be reciting kaddish in the Main Sanctuary after our Tu Bish’vat program at approximately 8:00 PM.

CELEBRATE SHIRA BY THE SEA WITH YOUR SISTERS AT SISTERHOOD SHABBAT Friday, February 3 at 8:00 PM

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For the Sake of Our Children

Israeli statesman Abba Eban once stated, "Now is an interesting time in Israel. In fact it is always an interesting time in Israel!"

We can't help but watch with worry and great concern now as we see the shifting sands of the Middle East. What will this year bring in that part of the world? You may not be surprised to know that I consider myself a Zionist and care deeply about the future of the State of Israel. I do not agree with every policy and have spoken out when I am concerned. I hope that we can all agree that the future existence of the State of Israel is something we are committed to.

In the coming months and years Temple Sholom will continue to find ways to engage with Israel. From learning to debating and celebrating. I am excited this month to be bringing another group of Temple Sholom members to see the Holy Land. We travel not just for ourselves, but to represent the families of Temple Sholom. I will share our trip pictures and stories when we return with the congregation.

Our members Steven and Ilene Berger are among those within our synagogue family actively committed to Israel. Steve in fact was recently named to the Board for the American Technion Society! Steve recently shared a message with the Board that I found moving and important. I have asked him to share his words with the entire congregation. See Page 7 for Steve’s message.

~ B’shalom, Rabbi Rigler

Welcome to our Newest Members:

The Sلومianski Family
Antonia & Netanel, Hila, Alona & Yaron

The Kelleher Family
Patrick & Jackie, Ryan, Lauren, Rachel & James

The Morton - Berger Family
Debra & Ben, Harry, Arnie & Tess
Tu Bish’vat, the new year for the trees, always falls on the 15th day of the month of Shevat on the Jewish calendar. This year Tu Bish’vat falls on February 8th. We will observe the holiday here at Temple Sholom on Friday, February 11th with a very special Shabbat service and Tu Bish’vat experience.

Trees hold an important place in Judaism. From our texts, there is, of course, the mention of trees in the Garden of Eden. And Deuteronomy asks the question, “Are trees of the field human?” in a verse that prohibits people from cutting down trees in battle. Natan Zach is a great Israeli poet, born in Berlin, who immigrated to Haifa as a child. He published a well-known poem playing on this verse in 1999. An excerpt of the poem in translation follows:

For man is like a tree of the field.  
Like man, the tree also grows;  
Like the tree, man is cut down.  
And I know not, where I’ve been nor where I’ll be, like the tree of the field.

The poem was set to music by Shalom Hanoch. You can listen here: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N1ur8e-2IYE&feature=related

In early December of 2010, forest fires raged through Northern Israel and “cut down” many trees of the field. The fires took the lives of 41 Israelis, taking the lives of trees and people together, making no distinction in its path of destruction. More than 30 square miles of forests were destroyed in the blazes.

At home in North America, just in 2011, 538,000 acres were swallowed in the worst fire in AZ state history; 34,000 acres in the worst fire in Texas state history and 1,800,000 acres of forest were lost to fire in Alberta, Canada.

Each year when Tu Bish’vat arrives, Israelis plant trees. Many Jews around the world send money through the Jewish National Fund to plant trees as well. If this is your tradition, please consider contributing again this year at http://www.jnf.org. I have also been approached from time to time by congregants who prefer to plant trees in Israel through other organizations. There are now opportunities to support progressivism in Israel by planting trees through Rabbis for Human Rights. RHR has launched a campaign to replant olive orchards in the West Bank that were burned by Jewish settlers. You plant a tree through RHR here: http://www.rhr-na.org/blog/?p=1354

Rabbi Jack Riemer wrote these words that appear in our prayer book:

We cannot merely pray to you, O God, to end war, for we know that you have made the world in such a way that man must find his own path to peace within himself and with his neighbor.

We cannot merely pray to you, O God, to end starvation, for you have already given us resources with which to feed the whole wide world, if we could only use them wisely.

We cannot merely pray to you, O God, to root our prejudice, for you have already given us eyes with which to see the good in all men, if we would only use them rightly.

We cannot merely pray to you, O God, to end despair, for you have already given us the power to clear away slums and to give hope, if we would only use our power justly.

We cannot merely pray to you, O God, to end disease, for you have already given us great minds with which to search out cures and healings, if we would only use them constructively.

Therefore we pray to you instead, O God, for strength, determination and will power, to do what we can, to do what we must, to do instead of just to pray, to become instead of merely to wish.

As we celebrate Tu Bish’vat this year, let us remember that we cannot merely pray to God to restore the forests and the destructions wrought by human carelessness, for God has given us hands to rebuild and plant with, and hearts and minds to care with if we would only use them with wisdom and compassion.

~Cantor Shapiro
**NEWS FROM THE OFFICE**

**Director’s Corner**

Although it is the middle of winter, I am starting to think about what I will grow in my garden this Spring. I love that our Jewish calendar has us celebrate Tu Bish'vat this time of year. It’s the perfect opportunity to look ahead and think about all that needs to be planned in order to grow a successful garden. My children and I will need to decide what we want to grow. We will need to choose our seeds and think carefully about what is a good fit for us (green beans, tomatoes and peppers are always a big hit, whereas watermelons and pumpkins, although appealing, never make it in the end for us - but that doesn’t stop us from trying every year). We always plant some returning favorites and continue to try new seeds as well. Once the growing season starts, we will need to carefully tend to our garden, watering and weeding it on a regular basis. We will call to one another with excitement as the plants sprout and we will be ecstatic when flowers and then vegetables appear. Then of course, we will collect the fruits of our labor. We will enjoy eating them and giving them to our friends, all the while bursting with pride that we were, at least partly, responsible for our garden.

Temple Sholom truly reminds me of a garden. We have a wide variety of members representing many different constituent groups, much like the endless varieties of seeds. Some of us are new. Many of us are returning. All of us depend upon one another in times of happiness and need and even "in between." We have similarities and differences, and are truly a community. Just like a garden, we need to reach out to others (new and returning) to grow and to flourish.

The winter time seems like the "off" season for gardening but is actually the time of year that we plan for the future. Similarly, this time of year seems like the "off" season for Temple membership. In reality, this is the perfect moment to start talking about a Temple Sholom membership with your family, friends and acquaintances. As our garden seeds need the time to cultivate, our future members need the time to think about all that Temple Sholom has to offer them.

We are a community of over 440 families and we want to continue growing. With your help we will do so. Reach out to our current members and let them know how important this community is to you. Invite those who you think would benefit from membership at Temple Sholom to our programs, services and events. Bring them along with you, or let us know of their interests and we will match them up with a current member with similar interests so that they feel welcome. In addition, send their names and contact information to me (director@temple-sholom.org) so that we may follow up with them and answer any questions they may have.

Just as we tend to our gardens year round so that they are a success in the summer months, so too, may we tend to our community on a regular basis so that we continue to bloom and flourish together.

~ Warmly, Abbey Krain

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**Community News**

What exciting times we have ahead with a fabulous selection of diverse programming!

- The Super Bowl Sunday PATS concert is geared for all ages. Bring the whole family!
- CSA vegetable and fruit sign ups continue
- Tu Bish'vat potluck and seder
- Sisterhood Jewelry Extravaganza
- Jewish Travelers sponsored by the Brotherhood and Sisterhood
- Scholar-In-Residence: Storahtelling

Calendar planning for next year will start in March and be finalized at the end of May, please let me know if there is a program or activity you would like to see at Temple Sholom.

~ Sandy Cohen, skcohen@temple-sholom.org

*In case of questionable weather please check with the Temple Office or check the website. School Closing #510.*
**Super Bowl Sunday**

**Pats Concert**

Join us for an afternoon of Singing, Dancing and Telling Stories!

A Recital for Cello & Piano

With special guests

**Frances Rowell and Beth Robin**

A Program for young and old alike

**February 5th at 2:00 PM**

(and you’ll be home in time for kick off)

**Suggested Donation: $10**

**Refreshments will be served**

"All music either sings, dances, or tells a story." African drumming, Indian ragas, baroque waltzes and disco anthems all dance. Ancient traditions of religious chant, German lied, grand opera arias, and folk songs all sing. Opera, musicals, country songs, and epic orchestral tone poems (wordlessly!) all tell stories. There are many more examples in every category.

The concert will feature a variety of works by many composers from different eras which are rooted in these three **DIFFERENT** avenues of musical expression.

This concert is a great way to connect to Classical music whether you are young, young at heart, an aficionado, or completely new to it!

**Don’t forget to order your special Pizza! See page 17 for order form**

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**JLL (Jewish Life & Learning) Sponsors**

**An Evening of Learning on Tu Bish’vat with Rabbi Rigler**

"The Prayer Book"

**Wednesday, February 8, 7:30 PM**

The Siddur (Prayer Book) in Judaism can be overwhelming, seem limiting and bring up some deep theological concerns.

Time exploring the structure, meaning and messages can open new worlds as we share our prayer together. We will explore the prayer book meanings and history together in the next JLL series class.

There is no cost for this event.

Babysitting available with advance notice.

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**February Oneg Sponsors**

**February 3**

Wendy Levin and Ron Nordone, in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Lainey

The Sisterhood, in honor of the Women of Temple Sholom

**February 10**

Michael and Eve Galvin, in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Baila

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**Tanakh Study**

Wednesdays, February 1, 8, & 29

at 10:30 AM in the Library

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**Share your simcha with the congregation. Sponsor an oneg. Contact the Temple office at 610-356-5165 for available dates and details. A downloadable form is available in the weekly e-newsletter.**
A MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

“The Torah is the tree of life, and those who hold fast to it are happy.” Judaism teaches us to live a happy life. The winter issue of “Reform Judaism,” the Union for Reform Judaism publication, which we all receive as members of Temple Sholom, focuses on just this topic. In “Living a Happier Life,” several articles discuss how Judaism, spirituality, and involvement with others all contribute to our ability to live happy and fulfilling lives.

Sonja Lyubomirsky, when interviewed by the Reform Judaism magazine editors, gives many “happiness boosters,” which can help us live happier lives. These strategies are basic building blocks of action. There is nothing “new” about these ideas. Many were given to us in the Torah. Jewish philosophers including Philo of Alexandria (who lived before the Common Era), Maimonides (who lived from 1138 to 1204) and Moses Mendelssohn (who lived in the 1700s) taught us that happiness cannot be attained from material goods or fleeting pleasures. Jewish wisdom has always taught us that true happiness comes from living a flourishing, thriving life; a life in which we help the world become a better place.

Here are a few of Lyubomirsky’s happiness strategies.

* Count Your Blessings - Being grateful and being aware of all we have makes us happier individuals. In Judaism, there is a blessing of gratitude for almost everything - upon waking up in the morning, before eating, and even on being able to think. It can be so easy to focus on all that goes wrong in our lives. By changing the focus to one of gratitude for all those things that go right, we are on the pathway to being happier individuals able to share our happiness with others.

* Practice Acts of Kindness - An act of kindness can be as easy as introducing yourself and giving a friendly hello to someone you don’t know at Temple. We have so many opportunities to perform mitzvot - bringing canned foods for the local food bank, donating wool for our knitters making afghans for the homeless, or planting a tree in Israel. Doing good and being kind not only makes the “doer” happier but also contributes to improving our world.

* Savor Life’s Joys - Pay close attention to those details that give you joy whether it be seeing the sun shine on the ground on a winter day, smelling the aroma of a good meal cooking, hearing the beautiful voice of Cantor Shapiro, or feeling the happiness of those you love and care for. Savoring these moments allows you to appreciate them and feel them more deeply.

* Take Care of Your Soul - Nurture your soul - that part of yourself which is most attuned to God, and to what you perceive as bigger than yourself. Whether this is through going to Services and hearing Rabbi Rigler’s words of wisdom, studying Torah or other inspiring texts, saying your own private prayers or taking a walk with nature - this caring for the deep part of yourself will allow you a deeper sense of meaning and purpose.

Happiness and joy are God’s gifts to us. And for the month of Adar, which starts this year on February 27, we are supposed to be especially happy. This opportunity for “extra happiness” is given to us to commemorate the miracle of Purim. We are reminded to give thoughtful consideration as to our role in this world and the meaning of our lives.

So, let us rejoice and be happy.

~ Laurie Browngoehl

Editor’s Note: This is Laurie Browngoehl’s first year as a Board Member. She says that becoming a member of the Board is, indeed, a blessing and it gives her much happiness!

Mazel Tov to:

Ari & Rebecca Forman on the birth of their first son, Zachary Jay Forman

Becky Krangel on the birth of her twin granddaughters, Emily Isabel & Holly Lynn Pogoda

Dr. Scott Spencer on having the publication of his book: “The Ballad Collectors of North America: How Gathering Folksongs Transformed Academic Thought and American Identity”  
(Note: This can be purchased by going to the Temple Sholom homepage then clicking on the Amazon.com link)

Andrea Kalan, on being cast as Mama Noah in “Children of Eden” at the Players Club of Swarthmore
When it comes to Israel I realize now, more than ever, that there is a disconnect between how I view Israel and the views of so many others.

Please let me articulate the basis for my unwavering support for Israel. I understand that I come from a different place than most people, and my opinions have been shaped accordingly. For one, I am of a generation older than many of my fellow Board members. Furthermore, a large limb of my family tree was severed during the Holocaust.

I have vivid recollections of Passovers during my childhood with my aunt and uncle and their three children. Sadly, this was my Uncle's second family. His first wife and all his children died in the concentration camps. At the end of every Seder, everyone exclaimed "Next Year in Jerusalem". For my family, this was not simply a cliché. For them it was a dream that they prayed would eventually become a reality. One of my uncles finally made aliyah in the 1980's with his wife and children and realized his desire to lay at rest in Mount of Olives Cemetery. His children and numerous grandchildren continue to live in Jerusalem.

My grandparents' families were always grateful for the opportunities afforded to them in the US. However, in a sense, they always felt like guests here. History told them that it was a matter of when, not if, their descendants would be forced to flee. My Grandmother's first reaction to any news was "whether or not it was good for the Jews." God forbid a Jew was portrayed in a bad light. She simply did not want to face any more anti-Semitism.

I attended a school in which only a handful of students were Jewish. While anti-Semitism was not overt, I did not feel comfortable being Jewish. Only at my synagogue or at the JCC did I feel it was okay to publicly acknowledge my faith.

In 1990 I made the first of many trips to Israel with my wife and three children. This was shortly after the first Gulf War. When our plane made contact with the runway, and all the passengers sang "Hatikva," I was overwhelmed with emotion. Walking through the airport and in the streets I actually welcomed the sight of young men and women, in and out of uniform, carrying weapons. For the first time in my life I felt protected and secure with my faith, knowing that these soldiers were serving one purpose and one purpose only. They were making sure that my family and Jews throughout the world would always have a place of refuge on this soil. The government of Israel demonstrated this commitment when they provided refuge for over a million Soviet Refuseniks in the late 1980's, and a few years later provided refuge for over 100,000 Ethiopian Jews. This was a Herculean effort considering the resources required to absorb these people into their borders.

When I returned to Israel in 2006 and four additional times thereafter, we saw a county that still embraced its core purpose of providing a homeland for all Jews. However, we now witnessed a country that was now serving the humanitarian interests of the entire world. We visited the Western Galilee Hospital just after the Lebanon War. Many of the patients were from Lebanon, the country from which rockets were being fired against Israel.

We visited the Home Front Command Base, their Civil Defense Agency. Within hours after a hurricane hit Haiti in 2008, El Al Airlines began diverting civilian travelers in order to provide the Home Front Defense with a 747 to deliver humanitarian assistance to an island on the other side of the world. The wheels were up on the 747 before the crew had any idea as to where and how they would be able to land. There are countless stories of humanitarian efforts by the Israelis. Unfortunately not enough are publicized. Israel's contribution to the world goes beyond humanitarian aid. Every day of your life you use technology that came from Israel. The US Patent Bureau approves more patents by Israelis than almost any other country, thus improving lives throughout the world. Israelis have been awarded a disproportionate number of Nobel prizes based on population.

Israel, a country the size of New Jersey, is outnumbered 800 to 1 by its neighboring countries; some who would like nothing more than to annihilate it. Israeli Jews represent 8/100th of 1% of the world's population. The Jewish population throughout the rest of the world is about the same percentage. If the support of Jews outside of Israel wanes, Israel will fall, and the world will suffer. I wish that each and every one of you could be as passionate about Israel as I. This tiny country needs our support. Remaining neutral effectively supports the intents of its enemies and will lead to annihilation.

I urge you to learn as much as possible about this amazing land. Or, better yet, if you have not experienced Israel, do so as soon as possible. You may find yourself having a life changing experience as did Steve Granoff witnessing the sunset over Masada while looking over the Kineret, the Sea of Galilee.

~Steve Berger, past Temple President and current Board Member
Christmas - What do you do? You may be thinking "Chinese food and a movie," but this year, over seventy members of Temple Sholom in Broomall and Congregation Kneseth Israel also had the opportunity to help create and serve a wonderful Christmas dinner for people in need. The dinner took place at the Broad Street Ministry in Center City Philadelphia. The congregation, which describes itself as an "alternative church community" that emphasizes diversity, openness and social activism, is housed in a hundred-year-old building on Broad Street between Spruce and Pine. On December 25th, the sanctuary was turned into a festive restaurant surrounded by the high arches and stained glass windows of the historic building, festooned with windmills and strands of paper cranes.

Some of us spent the morning setting up tables with red tablecloths while others helped to prepare a turkey dinner with stuffing, green beans and pasta salad, and brownies for dessert. The food was subsidized by a grant from Aramark, and largely prepared by volunteers. In the afternoon, other volunteers organized an assembly line to bring plates of food to scores of hungry and grateful people - old and young, of various races and ages and backgrounds. There were families with young children dragging teddy bears, there were lonely people who came partly for the chance to sit and talk with others. Everyone ate their fill, and complaints were few or facetious ("May I have the wine list, please?") Though at times it seemed there were more volunteers than necessary - not a water glass sat empty for more than a few seconds! - it was great to be able to work at a relaxed pace that enabled many of us to enjoy conversations with the guests. We also had time to dance and/or sing along with the lively Christmas carols. We were entertained throughout by the musically gifted Amdur family, who sang and played classic holiday tunes from "Jingle Bell Rock" through "Baby It's Cold Outside."

When the time came to clear away the food and tables and prepare the sanctuary for the evening worship service, there were so many hands helping that cleanup was a breeze.

Keneseth Israel has been helping to host this meal for a number of years, but this was a first for Temple Sholom. No doubt, it will become a holiday tradition that many of us will look forward to.

*Editor’s Note: I had the pleasure of working in the Ministry’s kitchen to help prepare the feast. My husband, Daniel and I are already signed up to do it again next year!*
Board Meeting:
The Hilltoppers Board will meet on Thursday, February 2nd at 10:30 AM, in the Temple Library. Our Board meetings are open to all Hilltoppers members. This is where our programs are decided upon. Why not attend a meeting and become involved? You'll find it interesting.

Regular Monthly Meeting:
Our meeting will be held on Thursday, February 16th at 1:30 PM. (Please note that this is an afternoon meeting.) Dr. Moylan Mills will discuss “The Life and Works of Leonard Bernstein.” Dr. Mills is Professor of Integrative Studies on the Faculty of Pennsylvania State University and is no stranger to us, having spoken to Hilltoppers many times over the years. He also speaks to and teaches at various places of learning in the area. His topics are extremely well researched and delivered.

Refreshments and a social hour will follow the discussion. Our meetings are open to Hilltoppers at no charge, with a suggested donation of $2.00 for non-members.

Book Discussion:
Our book group will meet on Wednesday, February 29th at 1:15 PM. (Please note the change of day for this session to Wednesday.) Rabbi Peter Rigler will facilitate our discussion of the “The List” by Martin Fletcher. This is the ‘One Book - One Jewish Community’ selection for 2011-2012. Copies of the book are available for purchase in the Temple Office.

Reminder:
We are now able to direct our donations to the Hilltoppers Fund by making checks payable to “Hilltoppers” and mailing them to the Temple. Your donations will be listed in “The Temple Tidings.”

In Loving Memory

We wish to remember Nathan Bender, who passed away on December 14th. It was Nate and the late Bea Lucas who were instrumental in getting Hilltoppers of Temple Sholom started in 1994. He was a devoted member and worked with us wearing a variety of hats over the years. He was very well loved and will be missed.

Computer Classes for Hilltoppers
led by Jim Meyer
Tuesdays,
March 6, 13, 20, and 27
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM in the Library
Class size is limited. Contact Jim to reserve your spot.
610-359-1133 or james.m.meyer@verizon.net

DOING MITZVOT

David Learner-Wagner performed a mitzvah! He played flute for the residents of Martins Run. The residents were very appreciative of his musical entertainment and sang along with his music - especially for Tumbalalaika and Hatikva. What a wonderful way to share your musical talent.

Over the Holidays, Daniel Endy performed a mitzvah by leading Hanukkah and Shabbat Services at the Broomall Nursing Home and Sunrise of Paoli. A special shortened Shabbat Service was created by his wife, Elyse, and is available to anyone who wishes to lead worship services.
**February B’nai Mitzvah**

Lainey Nordone, daughter of Wendy Levin and Ron Nordone, will become a Bat Mitzvah on February 4th. A Tredyffrin-Easttown Middle School 7th grader, Lainey will celebrate her day with her brother, AJ, and grandparents Larry and Connie Levin from Delray Beach, Florida, and aunts, uncles, and cousins coming in from New Jersey, North Carolina, Washington, D.C., and Washington State. Lainey enjoys singing, acting, playing the piano, listening to music, going to plays with her grandmother, hanging out with friends and ice skating.

Lainey describes her Mitzvah Project: For my Mitzvah Project I cooked dinner for the men who are housed in the Bethesda home in Philadelphia. I then made cards of hope with the men to include with meals shared with the elderly by Philabundance.

Baila Galvin will become a Bat Mitzvah on February 11th. She is the daughter of Eve and Michael Galvin and is in the 7th grade at Hill Top Preparatory School, where she writes for the middle school newspaper and sings in the school chorus. Celebrating with her will be her younger sister, Tamar and her grandparents, Tom and Shelly Galvin of Cleveland, Ohio, and Helen Rauch of Sleepy Hollow, New York. Other friends and relatives will be coming from Massachusetts, New York, Ohio, and Michigan. She enjoys horseback riding and takes guitar and singing lessons.

For her mitzvah project, Baila volunteered at All Riders Up, a therapeutic stable where she takes lessons. She helped clean the barn, groomed horses, and assisted other students with their lessons.

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Please contact Gloria Kresch at 610-853-1054 if you want to help out at this unique event.
**Etta Natalie Rosenblatt Preschool**

Hanukkah was celebrated in a grand fashion by the Temple Sholom Preschool. We’re now getting ready for Tu Bish’vat. The children are decorating their rooms, learning about our holiday of trees and preparing for the Tu Bish’vat Seder.

I’m happy to report that our preschool is busy, happy, and growing. We will be opening a Junior Kindergarten next fall and registration for the School Year 2012-13 is open. Please spread the word about our school to your friends, neighbors and relatives. I can always be contacted at preschool@temple-sholom.org. I’m glad to share information about our wonderful program with you.

~ Miss Liz Z. Sussman, Early Childhood Education Director

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**College Admissions:**

**Where to Begin**

Confused about the college admissions process? Need extra help in:

- Getting your college search organized?
- Figuring out where to apply?
- Learning about standardized testing options?
- Presenting yourself in a way that will enhance your qualifications?
- Assessing religious/cultural environments on campus?
- Writing application essays?
- Looking for ways to pay for college?

Come to a **FREE** informational workshop for students and their families offered by Sue Bilsky, Educational Consultant with JEVS College Strategies and Temple Sholom member. Lots of great handouts!!

**Thursday, February 16 from at 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.**

Everyone welcome - bring your friends and family!

Please call 215-854-1818 and tell us you will be coming so we know how many packets of information to prepare.
Help Support the Temple Tidings!

Place Your Ad Here

Contact Tidings Editor for details tidings@temple-sholom.org

HOSPICE IS WAITING TO HELP YOU!

Our Hospice Group continues to be available to our Temple congregants to supply books to young children, to help with medical supplies, if needed, to relieve the caregiver for a few hours of respite, and to be a careful listener for the patient.

Any of our members are available if you need to talk to someone. Confidentiality is always respected.

~Barbara Smilk 610-356-0840

NEED HELP? WE’RE HERE!

THE MITZVAH CORPS

PLEASE CALL THE TEMPLE OFFICE AT 610-356-5165

UPCOMING JLL LECTURES WITH RABBI RIGLER

March 14 - Shabbat
April 11 - Death and Dying
May 9 - God
June 14 - Comparative Judaism

Classes begin at 7:30 PM

Sponsored by JLL (Jewish Life and Learning). JLL provides Temple Sholom adults with enhanced educational opportunities, enriching the synagogue experience.

BIMAH BASKETS

Festive baskets to decorate the Bimah and benefit Temple Sholom’s Religious School and the Life Center for Eastern Delaware County.

Two Bimah baskets are $150 ($75 each) and a smaller Oneg Basket is available for the Oneg Table for $45. Interested in ordering the baskets?

Please contact Stephanie Albero at 610-459-3645 or email her at stephalbero@yahoo.com

SH P SHOLOM

Grocery Shopping and Gift Cards

Families!
Try Gift Cards online ordering system.

Please use the following code when registering for ShopWithScrip.com

983DL9A317L72

Gift cards can also be ordered now through the School Office or during Sunday Religious School hours in the lobby or the easiest and BEST WAY: Become a regular monthly subscriber!

Shop Sholom order form

Contact Nertila in the School Office at 610-886-2065 or schooladmin@temple-sholom.org

TEMPLE TIDINGS February 2012
**Lobby Café**

Take away the February blues and join us on Sundays for a delicious cup of coffee, bagel or donut and kibbitzing at the Religious School Sunday Café. It’s a fun and easy way to meet new people and share a cup of coffee with them. The Lobby has free Wi-Fi, so bring your laptop too. Hanging out at the Café is a great way for new families to connect with other Religious School families. All proceeds go directly to the Religious school.

Can’t actually help out on a Sunday but want to lend a hand and help raise funds for our kids? How about donating homemade or store-bought baked goodies to the Café? You can just drop off the goods on Sunday morning. Please remember that Temple Sholom is nut free.

We also have a number of Sunday shifts open at the Café. Come work with your significant other or your best friend. Each shift is only two hours long. The early shift (9:00 AM) gets to make coffee and set things up for the day and the late shift (11:00 AM) gets to clean up at 1:00 PM.

Help is needed for both shifts on: March 4, 18, 25 both shifts and April 15, 22, 29

Note: The Café will be closed on March 11 for the Purim Carnival.

After coordinating the Café for a number of years, it is now time for me to move on to other things. I am looking for one or two parents who are interested in shadowing me for the remainder of the year this school year, in hopes of taking over next September as the Religious School Café Coordinator. If you are interested please contact me on my cell at 610-212-2400 or email at larkimseg@juno.com.

I appreciate everyone’s help and support.

~ Kim Segal, Café Coordinator

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**ToaSTY’s Tidings**

Hi everyone! ToaSTY is having a great start to 2012!

We had six members attend WINSTY, NFTY-PAR's annual social action event held January 13-15. This year’s WINSTY was hosted at Main Line Reform Temple and all our members who attended had an amazing time. The next NFTY-PAR event will be in April, so look forward to more information on that in the coming months.

The ToaSTY Board has been planning some amazing events for the rest of the year, including dinner and a movie, a scavenger hunt, and a possible river rafting trip. If you are interested in being part of the ToaSTY Board or have any event ideas, please email toasty@temple-sholom.com.

Look for more information about upcoming events in the near future and please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

~ Alyssa Kress, Youth Group Advisor

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**People Are Still Hungry! Please Keep Those Donations Coming!**

Do a Mitzvah! Donate your unopened cans and packaged foods (no glass, please) to the Hilltoppers Winter Food Drive. A bin is located in the lobby waiting for your contributions.

Suggestions:

- Canned Tuna, Beef Stew, or Chili
- Jelly and Creamy Peanut Butter
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Canned Fruit Cocktail
- Canned Green Beans or Canned Corn
- Breakfast Cereal or Hot Cereal
On Wednesday, February 8th, Jews around the world will celebrate the holiday of Tu Bish’vat. Tu Bish’vat, corresponding to the 15th day of the Hebrew month of Shevat, is not mentioned in the Torah but it is believed to have begun as a festival that marked the emergence of spring. Although we are still enveloped in the cloak of winter, Israel is just beginning to see the first signs of spring with the early blooms of fruit trees. It is customary to plant trees for the holiday of Tu Bish’vat as well as focusing on the mitzvah of Shomrei Adamah - Taking Care of Our Earth.

One of my favorite stories that relates to Tu Bish’vat is the story of Honi the Circle Maker.

One day Honi was taking a walk and saw a man planting a carob tree. Honi asked the man, "How long will it take for that tree to grow?"

The man replied, "Seventy years."

Honi looked shocked as he asked, "How do you know that you will live another seventy years?"

"I don’t, but just as my grandparents and parents planted for me, I am planting this tree for the generations to come," replied the man.

Planting seeds for the future is something that we, as Jews, do every day that we educate our children both formally and informally. Recently I attended the Union for Reform Judaism (URJ) Biennial held in Washington, D.C. The Education Summit component of this convention was focused on teen engagement. What became clear was that successful teen engagement happens way before the onset of the teen years. From the time that a child is born, we begin planting the seeds for a life of Jewish commitment. Whether that commitment be connections to synagogue life, Jewish learning, Israel or living a Jewish life, the seeds are planted at birth and nourished throughout the child’s life.

Just as a young tree does not bear fruit until it reaches maturity, we won’t know whether the lessons we teach, the experiences we offer, or the holidays we celebrate will “bear fruit” until our children leave home and begin a life of their own. One thing I am sure of is that if we do not tend and nurture our children’s Jewish lives in our classrooms, in our synagogues, in our homes, until they spread their wings and leave home, then we contribute to stunting their growth.

During the spring months we will be reflecting on our education program at Temple Sholom. Are we doing all that we can to nurture our children? Are we meeting the educational needs of our children and our families? Look for information on dates when you can add your voice and join the conversation.

~ Lori Green, Education Director

A new way to make Hanukkiot.

Enjoying the fruits of their labors!
We are always eager to have new volunteers who would like to help feed hungry and homeless people at the Life Center in Upper Darby. Temple Sholom's next turn to do this is Tuesday, February 14th. The Temple Sholom Academy (grades 8-10) is in charge of the meal this time, but additional volunteers are always welcome. Please contact Emily Freedman at emily.freedman2@gmail.com, or 610-449-2894 if you'd like to help.

February Religious School Calendar Notes

Sunday, February 5
4th gr. Dor l’ddor

Sunday, February 19-Tuesday, February 21
NO SCHOOL - President's Holiday Break

Sunday, February 26
6th gr. Bar/Bat Mitzvah Series with guest artist, Avi Zukerman
AM & PM Sessions meet at 9:30 AM -11:00 AM
Optional Yad-making 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Religious School Website!

Have you heard? Our Religious School has its own interactive website! Visit www.temple-sholom-school.org and explore. Everything PreK - 12th grade can be found on this website. From announcements, class pages, links to interesting sites, Cantor Shapiro’s Bar/Bat Mitzvah page, a ToaSTY page and so much more! No more dozens of emails cluttering up your inbox, no more missed emails … everything is in one central place!

HAVDALAH IN THE HOME

Temple Sholom Havdalah group met at Ed and Gloria Kresch's home January 7th. Gloria started the evening with a short spiritual poem she wrote for the occasion. We followed up with the beautiful chant Ozi, created by Rabbi Shefa Gold. I thank Gloria for introducing it to those of us who had not heard it before.

Havdalah prayers, ShavuaTov and Elyahu Hanavi followed. Great food and company was provided by all. (Beware of Gloria's desserts, they can be habit forming.)

Our Temple Havdalah group will next celebrate at the home of Steve and Donna Hendel on February 25th beginning at 4:00 PM.

Contact Bob Slater at 610-527-4138 or bobnmarians@aol.com for information or for advice on forming your own group. Expand your Temple Sholom horizons. Share food, friendship, and Judaism.

YOU CAN BRING SHABBAT TO PATIENTS AT PAOLI HOSPITAL

Last summer, Temple Sholom joined with Jewish Family and Children’s Services to initiate a new program. Every Friday, a volunteer delivers challah to the bedside of Jewish in-patients at Paoli Hospital. The job is rewarding and fun but it is currently being done by only two volunteers, and they could use some additional hands.

Once you've completed the procedures required of all new volunteers, you will be issued an official blue Paoli Hospital volunteer jacket and photo ID. That, a challah and a smile are all you need to make someone else's day just a little bit brighter.

Delivering the challah is easy and very rewarding. We check the hospital census, go to Wegman’s to pick up our challah order, and then pay a brief visit to Jewish patients to wish them a “Shabbat Shalom.”

For additional information, please contact Rivka Goldman, JFCS Secretary of Volunteer Services at 267-256-2088.
SISTERHOOD AND BROTHERHOOD ANNOUNCE
THE JEWISH TRAVELERS EVENT
FEATURING
RABBI MAYER AND ANN SELEKMAN

Have you ever taken a trip, and visited the local Jewish community while away? We'd love to hear your story! Here's an opportunity to share your adventures, while showing us slides, photos or mementos. People who will share their stories are limited to five minutes each. Admission for presenters is free, but they are cordially asked to provide refreshments reflecting the location where they visited. Admission for all others is $4.00 for Brotherhood and Sisterhood members and $5 for all other attendees.

We can't wait to hear what Rabbi Mayer and Ann Selekman will describe!

Temple Sholom Travelers
Saturday, February 11th 7:30 PM
Multipurpose Room

Reservations are necessary (especially if you plan to share a story) by Monday, February 6th

I would like to share a travel story (in 5 minutes): Yes: ___________ No, but I’m coming to listen: ___________

I visited ____________________ and will bring ____________________ as a refreshment.

I can't wait to attend: ________________________

(Name & Contact Info)

Price: $4.00 for Brotherhood & Sisterhood members, $5 for guests

Please send your reservation to
Temple Sholom, Attention Sisterhood, 55 N. Church Lane, Broomall, PA 19008
or contact Sisterhood at sisterhood@temple-sholom.org.

KEEP THE KNITTERS KNITTING!

With winter here, local shelters are in desperate need of warm blankets. The Hospice group is hoping to be able to give a handmade afghan to every family in need during the holidays. So continue to keep people warm this winter. Donate wool for the Knit Wits. Thank you for your support of this wonderful endeavor. Please call me at 610-353-8077 if you have any questions.

~Amy Berkowitz

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO RSVP PROMPTLY. IT’S A BIG HELP TO OUR VOLUNTEERS AND STAFF.
**Mom's Bake at Home Pizza**

**Super Bowl Spectacular**

Sale February 5th

**Order Form**

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Indicate coupon orders with “C” after number in quantity column. All pizzas are available with low fat, low cholesterol cheese. Indicate order with “L” after number in quantity column. For whole wheat crust, indicate with “W” and add $2.00 to the price (for low fat or whole wheat). All pizzas are 16 inches in diameter.

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### Specialty Pizzas

- Veggie Lover’s: white pizza with broccoli, tomato, spinach and mushroom
- Greek: white pizza with spinach, tomatoes, black olives and Feta cheese
- Italian: red pizza with roasted red peppers, mushrooms, onions and veg. sausage

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### Mom's Gourmet Stromboli (indicate number of each)

- Spinach
- Mushroom
- Cheese
- Veggie Sausage & Low Fat Cheese
- Broccoli & Low Fat Cheese

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Make checks payable to: Temple Sholom. Send to: Temple Sholom Pizza Sale, 55 N. Church Lane, Broomall, PA 19008. Orders due no later than January 30.

**Order Pick up ON Sunday, February 5**

- During Sunday School break 11:00-11:30
- Following the concert approx. 3:00
- Mail my coupons
The Sisterhood of Temple Sholom in Broomall Presents:

Jewelry and YOU!

Wednesday, February 29, 7:30 PM

Have you ever wondered whether gold or silver looks better with your coloring? Whether chunky bracelets might be a better fit on your wrists rather than slim ones? Are you undecided about wearing multiple, long necklace chains or chokers?

Participants will have the opportunity to learn what jewelry looks are best for them at Sisterhood's "Jewelry and YOU!" event.

Two Temple Sholom members, Valeri Riesenfeld and Amy Pasnak, own a fun and trendy jewelry business. They will offer an evening of their accessory expertise, choosing audience participants to offer professional jewelry advice. Jewelry will be available for purchase.

This event is open to the public. Refreshments will be served. Reservations are necessary. Admission is $3.

Please RSVP by Feb. 22.

Yes, I will attend the February 29th event Jewelry and YOU!

Print name: ________________________________________________________________

Phone & e-mail: _____________________________________________________________

To make reservations, send this tear-off to Temple Sholom, 55 North Church Ln., Broomall, PA 19008, or contact sisterhood@temple-sholom.org
CONVERSATIONS WITH MEN

Join Conversations with Men on Sunday, February 12th from 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM when we welcome Fr. Paul F. Morrisshey, founder of the Spiritual Health Center.

After directing the Austin Center for Counseling in New York for ten years, Paul came to Philadelphia to begin the Spiritual Health Center (SHC) in 2004. Based out of the Ministries Center at St. Augustine Church at 4th and Vine Streets, and following the chrism of St. Augustine, it is hoped that this center can foster a reach-out to all people seeking spiritual guidance and connection in a disjointed world.

Paul’s unique mix of a civil engineering background and a doctoral degree in spiritual direction are the catalysts that impel him to initiate an “electronic spiritual community” by means of the SHC website. In addition, Paul is a trained group facilitator, an award-winning author (“Let Someone Hold You: the Journey of a Hospice Priest,” Crossroad, 1994), and currently serves as a prison chaplain in the Philadelphia Prison System.

The Spiritual Health Center is currently staffed by volunteers. If you would like to assist in any way, contact Fr. Paul at 215-922-2277.

For more information, call or email Sandy Cohen in the Temple Office at skcohen@temple-sholom.org.

LANCASTER FARM FRESH CSA EARLY BIRD SIGN-UP SAVINGS

For the third year in a row, Temple Sholom in Broomall is thrilled to be a pick-up spot for the Lancaster Farm Fresh CSA. The CSA (community supported agriculture) is a vegetable subscription program where individuals and families purchase a share of the harvest, paying the farmers in the winter and early spring, and receiving produce throughout the summer and fall. The vegetable share runs 25 weeks. Other options include fruit shares (22 weeks), flower shares (20 weeks) and various organic dairy products and medicinal herbs which are also available for sale.

Certified organic vegetables, fruit, flowers and medicinal herbs. Good for the environment, good for you. Sign up now for the $25 early-bird discount now through February 3rd.

If you want to learn more visit http://www.lancasterfarmfresh.com/ and click on “CSA.” Register directly through the Lancaster Farm Fresh website. Make sure to write in “Temple Sholom in Broomall” as your pick-up location if it does not come up on the site list.

For more information, call or email Sandy Cohen in the Temple Office at skcohen@temple-sholom.org.

Remember Temple Sholom when you Shop with the AMAZON ASSOCIATES PROGRAM

Please remember to make your amazon.com purchases through the Amazon link on the bottom of our website - http://www.temple-sholom.org and Temple Sholom will automatically receive a commission based on your purchase. No further steps are necessary.

Helpful Tip: For one click service, you can bookmark Temple Sholom’s Amazon link to make it even more convenient for you.

For details, please contact Bob Isaacson at 610-446-4981 or bob@fullcirclesolutions.net.
**February will be Sisterhood’s busiest month yet!**

We are totally geared up for our special February events, and I’m delighted to say it involves many of our Sisterhood members.

We begin early in the month on Friday evening, February 3rd, when our Sisterhood friends welcome you to our Shabbat service. Created by Mary Ann Gould, we know this will be a lovely and spiritual evening. Please come to worship along with us.

We thank in advance Mary Ann’s committee for organizing our service to welcome Shabbat. They include: Barbara Barr, Barbara Clarke, Julie Leavitt, and Cantor Shapiro.

Join us on February 11th at 7:30 PM - Sisterhood and Brotherhood are combining efforts to bring you a really special Saturday night event, featuring Rabbi Mayer and Ann Seleikman. Most of us know that Mayer and Ann are great travelers. Not only will they treat us to recaps of some of their journeys where they visited Jewish communities, but Temple Sholom members are also invited to participate in the evening’s event. Refreshments will include foods from featured countries. Reserve your place now for the “Jewish Travelers Event;” see the flyer on page 16.

Thanks, in advance to our Sisterhood committee members, Laurie Albert, Fran Epstein, and Barbara Clarke, and to the Brotherhood for their help.

Searching for the jewelry “look” that’s right for you? Search no more! On Wednesday, February 29th at 7:30 PM, Sisterhood presents “Jewelry and YOU!” For the admission fee of only $3, participants will have the opportunity to focus in on the correct way to accessorize with jewelry, based on their individual characteristics. Temple Sholom members Valeri Riesenfeld and Amy Pasnak, co-owners of a jewelry business, will analyze and help you achieve your personal style. Refreshments will be served. Bring your friends! Space is limited, so please reserve now by completing the bottom part of the flyer on page 18.

Working on this fun program are: Elizabeth Bloch, Beverly Granoff, Jessica Lynn, Cindy Meyer, and Harriet Rosenblatt.

Perhaps our most exciting and unique Sisterhood program will take place on Sunday afternoon, April 15th. We’re holding back on details but asking you to mark your calendars now for an event that could be life changing for you and family members. We promise you an unexpected afternoon of learning, revelation and fun.

Temple Sholom women, are you looking for a way to connect with other women and to become involved? Sisterhood is the ideal place for you! Please join us at our next Sisterhood monthly board meeting on Thursday, February 9th at 7:30 PM in the Temple Library. Your input is valuable to us. We hope to see you then.

For questions about upcoming Sisterhood programs, or about Sisterhood in general, please contact sisterhood@temple-sholom.org, or call Donna Hendel at 561-445-0021.

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**JNF Trees for Israel**

A quick and easy way to honor and/or remember a friend, relative or event is to plant trees in Israel. A lovely certificate is sent to the honoree. For details and to make arrangements through the Jewish National Fund call Shirley Birenbaum at 610-328-2171.

A tree was planted by Lisa & Mark Warner in memory of Grace Shaiman, beloved mother of Ms. Barbara Shaiman.

Two trees were planted by Ethel Levenson & Myrna Levin in honor of Myra Wolpert’s birthday.

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Need a Ride to the Temple? Call on the Brotherhood. For information, please contact Howard Cylinder at 610-355-7554 or hcyylinder@msn.com
Sisterhood Book Club
for Working Women and Mothers
(Sisterhood Membership is not required).

Our second book will be: “The Hotel On The Corner Of Bitter And Sweet,” by Jamie Ford

Join us on February 1st at 7:30 PM at the home of Laurie Burstein-Maxwell

Co-facilitators: Laurie Burstein-Maxwell and Lisa Warner. Questions Contact: lauriejb@verizon.net or alissamgm@aol.com

Coffee & Refreshments provided

To RSVP and for directions, contact: Laurie Burstein-Maxwell lauriejb@verizon.net or call her at 610-527-8895

Gift Garden Hours

Sunday - 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM
Monday - 7:00 - 8:30 PM
Tuesday - 3:45 - 5:30 PM
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday - By Appointment Only

For special hours during Preschool and Holidays, please check the Gift Garden door for postings.

Look for our sidewalk sales throughout the year on Sundays.

Visa and Mastercard accepted for purchases over $25.00

If you don't see something you like, please ask to see a catalogue.

Contact Linda at 610-220-2148
To Volunteer or to Arrange a Special Time to Visit the Gift Garden.
Gift Registry: Contact Kim Segal at 610-212-2400

The Gift Garden Offers Invitations

- Newborn Announcements
- Stationery
- Bar/Bat Mitzvah
- Wedding
- Save the Date

Contact Nancy at 610-325-4297 or haz@comcast.net for more information

Women’s Spirituality

To All Women at Temple Sholom

On Wednesday, February 22nd at 7:30 PM all women from Temple Sholom are welcome to share in an evening with Women’s Spirituality. Our own Cantor Shapiro will be discussing the role of the niggun in Chasidism and how it’s been adapted for use in the Reform movement. The evening will be filled with learning, listening and singing. If you want to experience the niggun, come and enjoy listening to some examples as well as singing along.

We look forward to seeing you in the Library on Wednesday, February 22nd at 7:30 PM for a special evening with Cantor Shapiro.

Here is how to find our Live Webcast ....
Go to our website: www.temple-sholom.org
Click on “Live Webcast”
It’s on the home page.
It’s that simple!

*Not all services will be webcast.
**WEBCASTING PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT**

Services conducted in the sanctuary may be webcast and can be viewed simultaneously on the Temple's website. Your image/voice may be seen/heard on the Internet. For more information concerning webcasting at Temple Sholom, please see the document entitled “Temple Sholom Webcasting: Policies and Procedures,” copies of which are available outside the Sanctuary.

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**HAPPINESS & MEMORIAL CARDS**

For details and to send Happiness & Memorial cards, call Shirley Birenbaum at 610-328-2171. It’s a stress-free way to remember friends and loved ones and it saves you a trip to Hallmark!

To: Lisa Pottiger & Family
From: The Sisterhood Board
Cindy & Jim Meyer
Condolences on the death of your beloved mother, Sylvia Gesoff Thomas

To: Renee Campion
From: The Sisterhood Board
Cindy & Jim Meyer
Condolences on the death of your beloved father, Max E. Burns

To: Michael & Michele Cooperstein & Family
From: The Sisterhood Board
Cindy & Jim Meyer
Condolences on the death of Milton Cooperstein, beloved father, father-in-law, & grandfather

To: Ron Nordone & Wendy Levin
From: The Sisterhood Board
Mazel Tov on the Bat Mitzvah of your daughter, Lainey Nordone

To: Michael & Eve Galvin
From: The Sisterhood Board
Mazel Tov on the Bat Mitzvah of your daughter, Baila Galvin

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**RECYCLE PRINTER CARTRIDGES AT TEMPLE SHOLOM**

Please don’t toss out those old printer cartridges. Recycle them! Used ink and laser jet printer cartridges are being collected by Sandy in the main office. Please drop off any used cartridges at the front desk. Thank you.

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**CONTRIBUTION FORM**

I wish to make a donation to the _______________ Fund in the amount of $_____________.

The contribution is in (check one): _______ memory _______ honor _______ appreciation of: _______________.

The card should read: ________________________________

This gift of tzedakah is from: _______________________

Address: _______________________________________

Area/Phone: ________________________________

Please send this form with your check made payable to: TEMPLE SHOLOM, 55 North Church Lane, Broomall, PA 19008
**Tzedakah**

**Cantor’s Discretionary Fund**
- In memory of Newton Berger
  - John & Merraine Rein
- In memory of Irving Shanelfeld
  - Andrew & Liz Shanelfeld
- In memory of Feyga Litvin
  - Mayya Isaeva
- In appreciation of Cantor Kerith Spencer
  - Shaprio
  - Renee Campion

**Financial Assistance Appeal**
- In memory of Sylvia Gesoff Thomas
- In memory of Nathan Bender
- In memory of Fannie Shereshevsky
- In memory of Jay Belfer

**General Fund**
- In memory of Nate Bender
  - Eve L. Epstein
  - Jerome Kaplan
- In memory of Solomon Stern
  - Rita Way

**Hilltoppers Fund**
- In memory of Nate Bender, a kind, nice gentleman
  - Barbara Shuster
  - Nancy Fox, Sam, & Simon
  - Shirley Chalick
  - In memory of Jay Belfer
  - Joan Belfer
  - In memory of Fannie Shereshevsky
    - Adele Persky

**Hospice and Healing Fund**
- In memory of Nathan Bender
  - David & Barbara Smilk
- In memory of Sylvia Gesoff Thomas
  - Roberta & Richard Plotnick
  - Erica & Justin Foley
  - Abbe & Andrew Goldberg
  - In memory of Sylvia Solomon
  - Barry & Carol Jacobs
- Howard Weiner Library Fund
  - In memory of Goldie Neff
  - Robert & Leslie Neff
- Judith Bernick Music Fund
  - In memory of Eva Burns
  - Renee Campion
- Marlene Kleinman Campership Fund
  - In memory of Alice McElroy
  - Howard & Cindy Verbofsky
- Preschool Fund
  - In memory of Nate Bender
  - Edward & Evalyn Elias
  - Michael & Erica Danowitz
  - Len & Joan Menaker
  - Andi Joseph
  - Phyllis & Martin Cohen
  - Elaine & Don Krasnick
  - Mary Wood Groves
  - In appreciation of Rabbi Selzman
  - The Bender Family & Ruth Wolf
- Rabbi’s Discretionary Fund
  - In memory of Jean Gubkin Brown
    - Kevin & Laurie Brownpoehl
  - In memory of Morris Greenberg
    - Barbara Shuster
    - In memory of Esther Roth
      - Matthew & Shelby Frankel
      - In memory of John A. Rein
        - John & Merraine Rein
      - In memory of Donald Nachman
        - Brad & Laura Nachman
      - In memory of June Mendel
        - Kenneth & Susan Mendel
      - In memory of Jacob Cohen
        - In memory of Betty Reiner
          - Steven & Dana Querido
          - In memory of Nate Bender
            - Natalie Silverman
            - Irv & Betty Berger
            - In memory of Sylvia Gesoff Thomas
              - Jack & Linda Tarash
              - In memory of David Cooper
                - Matthew, Marguerite, & Kevin Cooper
                - In memory of Theresa Schiaffino
                  - Dan & Bev Joie
- In memory of Morton Ross
  - Alan & Bonnie Ross
  - In memory of Jordan Hersh
  - William & Jessica Charmont
  - In memory of Emanuel Hymowitz
  - Robert & Sandra Dell
  - In memory of Bea Miller
  - Carl & Susan Miller
  - In memory of Eugene Fine
  - H. Jeffrey & Judy Newman
  - In memory of Herbert Kaspin
  - Jerry & Barbara Goldstein
  - In memory of Mabel Levin
  - David & Emily Mendell
  - In memory of Bernice Levin
  - Ken & Christine Levin
  - In appreciation of Rabbi Peter Rigler
    - Karen & John Berberian
    - Sara Shapiro
    - Julian & Irene Gladstone & Family
      - Renee Campion
      - The Bender Family & Ruth Wolf
- Religious School Education Fund
  - In memory of Pearl Brouda
  - Howard & Ilene Brouda
  - In memory of George Ellis
  - Marion Ellis
  - In memory of Sarah Pulda
  - Ruth Gail & Steven Cohen
  - In memory of Joyce Dichter
  - David & Beth Vermen
  - In memory of Dr. Norman Learner
    - Richard Wagner & Lisa Learner-Wagner
  - In memory of Miriam Finkelstein
  - Samuel & Carol Finkelstein
  - In memory of Nate Bender
    - Elaine & Debbi Samans
  - Sacred Music at Temple Sholom
  - In honor of the birth of Henry Van Dellen, grandson of Cantor Patty & Jeff Kaplan
    - Andi Stern
  - In memory of Dr. Alexander Leavitt
    - David & Julie Leavitt
  - In appreciation of Cantor Kaplan
    - Renee Campion
    - The Bender Family & Ruth Wolf

**Sanctuary Book Fund**
- In memory of Harry Blaufeld
  - Andi Stern
  - Selekman Jewish Leadership Fund
  - In honor of the birth of Samuel Bernard Selzman, great grandson of Rabbi Mayer & Ann Selzman
  - Andi Stern
  - In memory of Louis I. Zabell
  - Arthur Zabell
  - Technology Fund
  - In honor of Ilene Berger’s special birthday
  - Irv & Betty Berger
  - In memory of Max W. Pottiger
  - Michael & Lisa Pottiger

**Temple Beautiful Fund**
- In memory of Eileen Berger
  - John & Merraine Rein
  - In memory of Eric Heinemann
  - In memory of Gustavo Heinemann
  - Paul Sachs & Vera Neumann-Sachs
  - In memory of Philip H. Damsker
    - Richard & Sue Zackroff
  - Tzedakah Fund
  - In memory of Saul Levin
    - Larry & Connie Levin
  - In memory of Maxwell Frank
    - Barbara Drizin
  - In memory of Isadore Rosenblith
    - Louis & Shirley Shellef
  - In memory of Nathan Kaspin
  - In memory of Frances Kaspin
    - Jerry & Barbara Goldstein
  - Women’s Spirituality Fund
  - In memory of Sylvia Gesoff Thomas
  - In memory of Nate Bender
    - Ed & Gloria Kresch

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Yahrzeids in February … z”l

February 1
Rose Drucker
  aunt of Amy Berkowitz
  aunt of Susan Garelik
Roslyn Gittleman
  mother of Sheryl Gittleman

February 2
Jean Much
  mother-in-law of Elaine Smith
Herman W. Smith
  father-in-law of Elaine Smith
John Ingram
  father of David Ingram
Milton Goldberg
  grandfather of Valeri Riesenfeld
Max Axelrod
  grandfather of Jerome Axelrod

February 3
Ford Bayuk
  uncle of Myra Rios
Eugene Fine
  father of Judy Newman
Ben Sessler
  father of Norman Sessler
Myra Levy
  sister-in-law of Shirley Plotkin
Grace O. Davis
  grandmother of Thomas Lynn

February 4
Harry Miliks
Martha Psigoda
  aunt of Natalie Kramer
Gertrude Kelner
  mother of Frederick Kelner

February 5
Edward Rose
Eva Elias
  mother of Edward Elias
  aunt of Eileen Wolfson
Jacob Satzman
  father of Roy Satzman
Myer Sherak
  grandfather of Scott Kalish
Max Skalesky
  grandfather of Barbara Berlin
Jean Tintner
  mother of Eleanor Segal
Pem Miller
  great niece of Warren & Carolyn Clein
Abraham Solow
  father of Rochelle Solow
William Clear
  friend of Nancy Hays

February 6
Alice Berkowitz
Bernice Levin
  mother of Kenneth Levin

February 7
Bernardo Neumann
  father of Vera Neumann-Sachs
Gustavo Heinemann
  uncle of Vera Neumann-Sachs

February 8
Rose Hoffman
  mother of Robert Hoffman
Henry Rosenfelt
  late husband of Pam Haas
Jacquie Stiefel
  mother of Eileen Buckwalter
Mark Frank
  friend of Linda Hershman

February 9
Mary Weinberg
Edward Burstein
  father of Laurie Burstein-Maxwell
Anita Ender
  mother of Robin Weinstein
Elizabeth Schiller
  grandmother of Rabbi Stacy Rigler

February 10
Samuel Myers
Mary Brecher
  mother-in-law of Anita Brecher
Emma Greenberg
  grandmother of Barbara Barr
Meyer Psigoda
  uncle of Natalie Kramer
Annie Lipshitz
  mother of Thelma Greenbaum

February 11
Reba Kolsky
Maurice Fienman
Rose Ann Rose
Morris Rosenthal
  father of Sophie Kean

February 12
Richard Swart
Carl Stephen Ehmann
  father of Sherry Scherer
Morton Fastman
  father-in-law of Cindy Fastman
Mary Ann Litwin
  mother of Daniel Litwin
Dr. Howard Smith
  husband of Elaine Smith
Beverly Slater
  sister-in-law of Robert & Marian Slater
Marc Solow
  brother of Rochelle Solow
Len Harris
  father of Joan Eckstein

February 13
Ida L. Greene
Chan Baille
  husband of Loraine Baille
Mildred Kaufman
  mother of Richard Kaufman
Janet Davis Lynn
  mother of Thomas Lynn

February 14
Hannah Friedman
  aunt of Carol Rubin
Eric Heinemann
  grandfather of Vera Neumann-Sachs
Franklyn Steinberg
  father of Linda Cantor
Esther Usser
  mother of Analee Granik
Ruth Wolfson
  aunt of Mitchell Wolfson
Rudy Lidsky
  grandfather of Adam Weinstein
Marsha Schwartz
  aunt of Robin Weinstein
Ralph Opstbaum
  father of Elisa Habbart
Louis I. Zabell
  father of Arthur Zabell

February 15
Hilda Savar
Gloria Choukroun
  cousin of Amy Berkowitz
Ada Kresch
  mother of Edward Kresch
Jacob J. Ostrow
  father of Edwin Ostrow
Nathan Scherer
  father-in-law of Sherry Scherer
Nancy Roomerberg
  sister of Charles Goldman
Myndi Rosenfeld Christie
  cousin of Michele Cooperstein
  cousin of Denise Moser

February 16
William Greenstein
Nathan Kaspin
  grandfather of Barbara Goldstein
Theodore E. Aronow
  brother of Pearl Klausner

February 17
Judith Cohen
Louis Kolsky
  Jeffrey B. Schwartz
Netta S. Waldbaum
  mother-in-law of Joan Waldbaum
Michael Haas
  father of Dan & Pam Haas
Jean Weinstein
  grandmother of Adam & Robin Weinstein

February 18
Fred Lerman
  father of Dr. Charles Lerman
Geraldine Phillips
  mother of Linda Phillips
Abraham Rose
  uncle of Gerri Sessler

February 19
Reba Rosen
Rose Fishelman
  mother of Barbara Litt
David Goldsmith
  Adolph Rosenberg
  father of Howard Rosenberg
Gregory Mark Kamis
  son of Diane Kamis-Wasserman
Marcus Silverman
  grandfather of Amy Berkowitz
  grandfather of Susan Garelik

February 20
Allan Cherksey
Benjamin Finkelstein
  uncle of Deane Lappin

February 21
Dr. Benjamin Stewart
Dorothea Farberman
  grandmother of Dr. Noah Freedman
Annie Fine
  aunt of Rabbi Mayer Sellsman
Louis Winitsky
  father of Stella Mas-
  grandfather of Lauren Dennis
Joseph Sacks
  father of Adele Persky

February 22
Larry Richelson
  cousin of Carol Boroff
Leon Poch
  father of Richard Poch

February 23
Max Zacansky
Joe Daly
  friend of Joseph Broscoe
Yetta Mark
  grandmother of Jerald Mark
Howard Rosenbloom
  father of Morey Rosenbloom
Edward Brody
  father of Deborah Rex
Raphael Nussbaum
  father of Dalia Bryant
Louis Siegal
  grandfather of Barbara Berlin

February 24
Tom Baum
Esther Reiter
  Helen Miele
  mother-in-law of Florence Bortnicker
Lester Miller
  father of Carolyn Clein
Jean Munin
  mother-in-law of Norma Munin
Eugene Gordon
  father of Debbie Gordon
Walter Wildman
  father of Arlene Hoffman

February 25
Edward Berman
Irvin Hoffman
  father of Robert Hoffan
Jocelyn Miner
  mother of Andrea Miner-Iaasacson
Stanley C. Perkins, Sr.
  father of Thomas Perkins
  Yahrzeid continued on page 25
**Recent Deaths**

Max E. Burns, father of Renee Campion

Samuel Fisher, father of Ellen Fisher

Wilma Barron, aunt of Ellen Fisher

Stanley Schoenberg, uncle of Matthew & Adam Schoenberg

Milton Cooperstein, father of Michael Cooperstein

Lorraine Learner, mother of Lisa Learner-Wagner

Marvin Bogin, brother-in-law of Allan & Diane Jaffe

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**Temple Funds**

**Cantor’s Discretionary Fund**
 Contributions to this fund will be used at the discretion of our Cantor.

**Financial Assistance**
 To offset the reduction of revenue incurred when a Temple Sholom family cannot afford to pay their total dues. Contributions go directly into the General Fund.

**General Fund**
 To support Temple operations.

**Hospice and Healing Fund**
 To assist the Hospice Committee in carrying out its support programs.

**Howard Weiner Library Fund**
 An endowment fund in which the interest is used to purchase books and supplies for the library.

**Jubilee Endowment Fund**
 To secure the future of Temple Sholom in Broomall.

**Judith Bernick Music Fund**
 An endowment fund in which the interest may be used for the music program.

**Marlene B. Kleinman Campership Fund**
 Interest is used to send students to a URJ camp each year.

**Mayer Selkenman Jewish Leadership Fund**
 To provide grants for graduate study toward becoming a Jewish professional.

**Preschool Fund**
 To support the programs of the Etta Natalie Rosenblatt Preschool.

**Preschool Music Fund**
 Established by the Confirmation Class of 2008 to support Preschool Music Programs.

**Rabbi’s Discretionary Fund**
 Contributions to this fund will be used at the discretion of our Rabbi.

**Religious School Education Fund**
 To support programs, special events and materials for education at all levels. Contributions can be earmarked for Women’s Spirituality Group studies at the donor’s discretion.

**Sanctuary Book Fund**
 To defray the cost of purchasing books for our sanctuary. A book plate is placed in each book indicating the donor’s name and the occasion, for a minimum donation of $36.

**Technology Fund**
 To maintain and improve all aspects of technology, including our new Webcast used by Temple Sholom.

**Temple Beautiful Fund**
 To improve and maintain the aesthetics of the Temple, including decor, furnishings, grounds and gardens.

**Tzedakah (Food) Fund**
 To feed the hungry in our community. Contributions are distributed at the close of each fiscal year to outside charities at the discretion of a special Tzedakah committee.

**Youth Scholarship Fund**
 To send Temple Sholom Youth Group members to National Federation of Temple Youth (NFTY) sponsored events. Scholarships are awarded based on financial need.

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### Temple Tidings

#### February 2012 Shevat/Adar 5772

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<td>February 8th is Tu B'Shevat Join us for a special celebration Friday evening, 2/10</td>
<td>8 Shevat 9:30 AM Meditation 10:30 AM Tanakh Study 4 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 5 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class</td>
<td>9 Shevat 10:30 AM Hilltoppers Board</td>
<td>10 Shevat 11:30 AM Preschool Shabbat 8 PM Sisterhood Shabbat Service</td>
<td>11 Shevat 10:30 AM Bat Mitzvah Lainey Nordone</td>
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<td>12 Shevat 9 &amp; 11 AM Sunday Cafe 9:30 AM Religious School 2:00 PM Super Bowl Concert 2:30 PM Adoption Group 4 PM Purim Spiel Rehearsal</td>
<td>13 Shevat 10 AM Preschool Havdalah 6:30 PM Hebrew School 7 PM Evening Academy</td>
<td>14 Shevat 4:00 PM Hebrew School 5:30 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal</td>
<td>15 Shevat 9:30 Preschool Israel Dacing 9:30 AM Meditation 10:30 AM Tanakh Study 4 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 5 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM JLL Series “The Prayerbook”</td>
<td>16 Shevat 7:30 PM Sisterhood Board Meeting</td>
<td>17 Shevat 11:30 AM Preschool Shabbat 6 PM Tot Shabbat Service 6:30 PM Potluck Dinner &amp; Tu Bishvat Experience</td>
<td>18 Shevat 10:30 AM Bat Mitzvah Baila Galvin</td>
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<td>19 Shevat 9 &amp; 11 AM Sunday Cafe 9:30 AM Religious School 1:30 PM Purim Spiel Rehearsal 7 PM Post Confirmation</td>
<td>20 Shevat 10 AM Preschool Havdalah 6:30 PM Hebrew School 7 PM Evening Academy</td>
<td>21 Shevat No Hebrew School 5:30 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal</td>
<td>22 Shevat 9:30 Preschool Kindergarten 4 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 5 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM General Board Meeting</td>
<td>23 Shevat 7 PM College Admissions Seminar 7:30 PM Hilltoppers</td>
<td>24 Shevat 11:30 AM Preschool Shabbat 8 PM Shabbat Service</td>
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<td>26 Shevat No Religious School 1:30 PM Purim Spiel Rehearsal</td>
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<td>28 Shevat No Hebrew School 5:30 PM B’nai Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal</td>
<td>29 Shevat 9:30 AM Meditation 4 PM B’nai Mitzvah Class 5 PM B’nai Mitzvah Class 6:30 PM Gratz Food for Thought 7:30 PM Women’s Spirituality Rosh Chodesh</td>
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<td>6 Adar 9:30 AM Meditation 10:30 AM Tanakh Study 1:15 Hilltoppers Book &amp; Club 4 PM B’nai Mitzvah Class 5 PM B’nai Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Jewelry &amp; YOU</td>
<td>Save the Date Wednesday, March 7th Purim Service &amp; Spiel &quot;A Very Glee Megillah&quot;</td>
<td>Save the Date Friday - Sunday March, 16th - 18th Scholar-In-Residence Storahtelling <a href="http://www.storahtelling.org">www.storahtelling.org</a> Save The Date April: Sunday the 22nd Juggler, Mark Hayward Sunday the 29th “Life is a Cabaret” Gala Fundraiser</td>
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