



"TO GOD'S EARS"

A DOCUMENTARY

JANUARY 27TH AT 3:00 PM



The history of conflict between Catholics and Jews over thousands of years has eased in present times. A concert of twenty Jewish Cantors singing in a Roman Basilica celebrates the progress in interfaith relationships and the importance of understanding and tolerance.

"**To God's Ears**" is a 42-minute documentary presenting a beautiful combination of music, performance, story and history. The film examines Catholic-Jewish dialogue, telling a story of how far we have come.

"**To God's Ears**" will be showing in the Multipurpose Room on **January 27th at 3:00 PM**.

The film will be followed by a Q & A session at 4:00 PM with the film's director, Jeffrey Schneider, who will join us by Skype from California, and Cantor Shapiro, who was a participant in this concert.

Admission is free. However, donations will be accepted and will support the film and the American Conference of Cantors.



A SPECIAL LECTURE, DINNER & SHABBAT EXPERIENCE WITH RABBI DARBY LEIGH

FEBRUARY 1ST

*See page 12 for details
and to RSVP*

TU BISH'VAT, JANUARY 25TH

On Friday, **January 25th** we will be exploring the meaning of *Tu Bish'vat* with a special *Tu Bish'vat* experience followed by Shabbat services. *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 and your temple community. Our *Tu Bish'vat* experience and Shabbat services will begin at 7:00 PM. 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.

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FROM THE DESK OF RABBI RIGLER

In the *Mishnah* we read that, "A human being mints many coins from the same mold, and they are all identical. But the Holy Blessed One strikes us from the mold of the first human, and yet each one of us is unique." This well-known teaching highlights the fact that differences are to be embraced. It is our responsibility as a community to both celebrate these differences and to welcome those with differences into our midst.

Do we do enough in the Jewish community to embrace those with differences and provide opportunities of real inclusion? What is inclusion? Inclusion is the opportunity for people of any and all abilities to participate in meaningful ways within their community. An inclusive community includes both an understanding of who people with disabilities are, and an understanding of how to talk about and communicate with someone who has a disability. It is important to realize that anyone can become a person with a disability. Some people are born with disabilities, while others acquire one later in life. Some disabilities can be seen because of one's appearance, behavior or cognition and are visibly impacted. Others are considered invisible, and are not as readily apparent. Disabilities in the area of learning, paying attention, interpreting social cues and emotional well-being are examples of these.

As we know, many of our great leaders and teachers in the Bible are thought to have had various disabilities. Isaac became blind in his later years - "When Isaac was old and his eyes were too dim to see..." Jacob had difficulty walking and also became blind. Leah is described as having had weak eyes. Even Moses, the leader of the Jewish people, is portrayed as having some type of speech impediment.

God could have chosen anyone to be the greatest leader of the Jewish people. In choosing Moses, a person with a disability, God shows us a powerful example of how individuals with disabilities can make significant contributions to our community.

In Isaiah 56:5 it is written: "For my house shall be a house of prayer for all people." This text is a call to action for the Jewish community to ensure that people with disabilities and their family members have access to a full life of faith which includes worship, study, service to the community and leadership. As we

consider this obligation, we should begin to ask ourselves the following question:

How can we begin to turn barriers in our community into bridges so that people with disabilities can be fully welcomed and included in communal Jewish life? Fostering dialogue between people with disabilities, their family members, religious and educational leadership and the larger Jewish community is an excellent way to begin.

We wanted to find a way to discuss these important issues of inclusion and our community together. The Cantor shared with the Senior Staff a story of her friend and our colleague, Rabbi Darby Leigh. We were inspired to meet him and hear from him!

Born profoundly deaf, Rabbi Darby Jared Leigh is a native New Yorker who loves mountains. A passionate snowboarder, Leigh's rabbinate is characterized by inclusivity and a commitment to diversity. He currently serves as the Associate Rabbi at Bnai Keshet in Montclair, New Jersey, and as a Rabbi of The New Shul in New York City.

On [Friday, February 1st](#), please join visiting scholar Rabbi Darby Leigh, who will be speaking on deafness in Judaism and treatments of deafness in Jewish history.

At 6:00 PM there will be a Shabbat dinner during which Rabbi Leigh will teach and lecture about, "*From Deaf and Dumb, to Deaf: The Deaf Person in Judaism, from Torah to Today*" followed by Shabbat Worship at 8:00 PM. Please join us for services, our dinner/lecture program or both. The cost for the catered Shabbat dinner and lecture program is \$18 per adult, children 12 and under, \$10. Dinner reservations are required. RSVP to the Temple office by [Thursday, January 24th](#). For details, see the flyer on page 12.

Our Shabbat service begins at 8:00 PM and will include a sermon by Rabbi Leigh, "*Why Does This Deaf Rabbi Love Music So Much? Reflections About Deafness & Personal Experiences.*" Rabbi Leigh will also participate during the service using American Sign Language and will teach the congregation to sign as well.

~ Rabbi Peter Rigler

CANTOR SHAPIRO'S MESSAGE

Social Justice and our Reform Jewish Tradition

Our torah teaches us, *Tzedek, tzedek, tirdof!* (Justice, justice, you shall pursue!) The prophets urge us to protect the rights of the dispossessed within our communities. Our Reform movement has been at the forefront of social justice issues for many years. And within our own congregation, social justice is being sought after in various meaningful ways.

Rabbi Rigler has taught us this year about worker's rights in Imolakee, Florida, the tomato capitol of our country, where workers are mistreated, asking us to consider where our food comes from. We have come together to help people without homes who reside at the Life Center. Our 10th grade students will be heading to Washington, D.C. to learn about Jewish values and how they can and should influence our own choices. I had the pleasure of teaching Social Justice to our 8th graders at Temple Sholom Academy. In a few days from this writing, I'll be handing out Free Trade Hanukkah gelt this year at parties for the children's choirs here at Temple Sholom.

Our congregation was founded in 1956. Shortly after we came together as a congregational family, the Religious Action Center was founded in 1961. The RAC is the home of Jewish social justice and legislative activity in Washington, D.C. and is an arm of the Reform movement. The office is non-partisan and provides education for our congregations and also lobbies for legislation which promotes Reform

Jewish values. You can read more about the RAC here: <http://rac.org/aboutrac/#ixzz2EOE8ebIM>.

Rabbi David Saperstein, the Director of the RAC wrote, "The core of our insight [as Reform Jews] is that serious Jewish study inevitably leads to the soup kitchen; that serious prayer, among other vital things, is a way of preparing to do battle with injustice, that social justice without being grounded in text, without a sense of God's presence, is ephemeral and unsustainable. The heart of the argument is that there is no such thing as 'Social Action Judaism,' that the thread of social justice is so authentically and intricately woven into the many-colored fabric we call Judaism that if you seek to pull that thread out, the entire fabric unravels, that the Judaism that results is distorted, is neutered, is rendered aimless."

As we continue to come together for worship, study and camaraderie, let us remember that our tradition calls us to work toward creating a more perfect world. As our sages wrote, in *Pirkei Avot*, "It is not your duty to complete the work. Not up to you to finish it. But neither are you free to desist from it."

B'shirah ~ Cantor Kerith Spencer-Shapiro



TANAKH STUDY WITH RABBI RIGLER

Wednesdays,
January 2th, 16th, 23rd & 30th
at 10:30 AM in the Library

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

FEBRUARY 27TH AT 7:30 PM



Save the Date:
Annual Spring Fundraiser Cantor's Concert
Saturday, May 4th

NEWS FROM THE OFFICE



Director's Corner

Now that winter is upon us we want to invite all of you in from the cold and into our warm Temple Sholom building, just to relax (of course, we want you to join us for our many programs, services & activities). If you find yourself with some free time, or even if you want to make the point of creating some, please know you are always welcome here with us. Bring an e-book, book, newspaper and magazine or borrow one from Temple and curl up in our library, lobby, sanctuary or any other available space. Bring your journal, to-do list, a creative project and/or your laptop and come over to enjoy your Temple building and our company. Take a break from your house, your errands or your office, and come over to Temple Sholom during the day. We would truly enjoy your company, and it may just give you that few minutes of down time you have been looking for.

~ Warmly, Abbey Krain,
director@temple-sholom.org

SAVE THE DATES:

Jewish Life and Learning

February 13 and March 13 at 7:30 PM

Rabbi Rigler will be discussing our prayerbook, *Mishkan Tefilah*



Marple Newtown Clergy Association members at Thanksgiving Service at Temple Sholom.



Community Coordinator

Did you know that we have our very own secret garden? I was just browsing through *The Gift Garden* and admiring all of the beautiful Judaica and jewelry and thinking about what a hidden gem it really is.

I love the diverse collection of holiday ceremonials, platters, gift items as well as books and music for kids. When you have a chance, stop in, the wide selection of Seder plates (and Passover accessories) should be on display soon. There is really an incredible array of very well priced items. I highly recommend you come in and visit to see all the wonderful treasures *The Gift Garden* has!

On the topic of diverse items, look at our upcoming calendar for the next couple of months. We have a very busy winter ahead!

Winter Highlights include:

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Pajama Havdalah for Preschoolers and their families (details to follow)

Saturday, February 9

Fabulous Film & Food, a combined Brotherhood and Sisterhood event (details to follow)

Sunday, February 17

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~ B'Shalom, Sandy Cohen

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JANUARY ONEG SPONSORS

January 11

Dalet Family Shabbat

January 16

David and Emily Mendell in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Chase

January 25

Leland Maxwell and Laurie Burstein-Maxwell in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Samantha

A special thank you to the Danowitz family for sponsoring a month of Choir for January.

***CELEBRATING A SIMCHA?
SHARE IT WITH AN ONEG!***

Honor your loved ones and the Temple by sponsoring an Oneg and sharing your special day with us. A birthday, anniversary, baby naming, or marriage blessing are all perfect occasions. Please contact the Temple office at 610-356-5165 or info@temple-sholom.org for details.

JEWISH MEDITATION

Welcome to January, 2013. If you were ever wondering about Jewish Meditation, start the New Year by joining us to find out what it is all about when we meet for a quiet time of meditation. Some of the themes we meditate on include Jewish teachings, holidays, Torah portions or prayers. Each session is a new experience. It offers a time to reflect and listen to your thoughts and the teaching for that day. Meditation can open the doorway to compassion, wisdom, wonder and inner joy.

No previous experience with meditation is necessary. All Temple members are welcome to join our circle when we meet in the Temple Annex on Wednesday mornings from 9:30 to 10:15 AM. If you wish to join us, please try to arrive by 9:25 so that we can begin promptly.

You are welcome to meditate with us on as many Wednesdays that are convenient for you. It can be a



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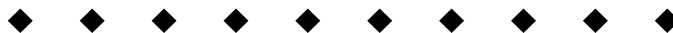
Joanna Gould, selected as 1 of 8 for the National Association of Temple Educators (NATE) internship

Steve Berger who was installed as the president of the American Technion Society, Philadelphia Chapter

Barbara and David Smilk on the occasion of their grandson, Ezra Beaubien's Bar Mitzvah, which they will celebrate in Israel!

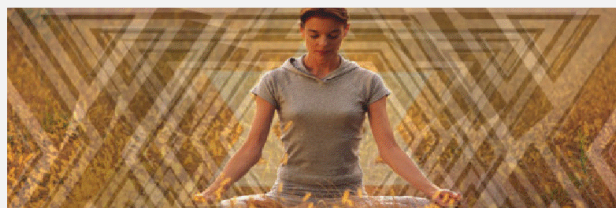
Robin and Frank Sylvis, on the engagement of their daughter, Mariel to Matthew Balaban

Let's share our happy occasions, milestones and good news with one another. Please submit your information (anniversary, birth, graduation, new job etc.) by Tuesday of each week to our Temple office: director@temple-sholom.org.



great way to start your day! We would love to see you become a part of our circle.

When: Wednesdays 9:30 to 10:15 AM



Where: Temple Sholom Annex
Dates: [January 9, 16, 23 and 30](#)

We look forward to you joining us. Please note: In case of bad weather or driving conditions, please contact Linda Tarash at 610-446-2101 or linda.tarash@gmail.com.

MEMORY MAKER: SANDY COHEN, TS COMMUNITY COORDINATOR

Temple Sholom's Community Coordinator Sandy Cohen Keeps Congregation Connected

A major driving force of Temple Sholom in Broomall is Community Coordinator Sandra K. Cohen. She keeps our congregation running smoothly and promotes Temple Sholom with all its lights shining to the outside community. This is definitely not an easy job!

What makes Sandy's position even more impressive is that she rewrote her job title and refashioned her position in just 3 ½ years. Before she joined Temple Sholom, Sandy had spent 23 years in market research in Princeton, New Jersey, specializing in surveys for litigation. She explains, "I created surveys that were used as evidence in matters of intellectual property, covering trademarks, tradenames and false advertising. Our clients were law firms. We were expert witnesses presenting our market research surveys to judges as examples of evidence."

When Sandy was looking for a new career, she knew she liked the idea of working for a nonprofit institution and especially of working with the Jewish community. She earned a BA and a Master's Degree in sociology from Bates College in Maine, plus a Master's degree from Rutgers University in Edison, New Jersey, which she earned while working full time. Sandy is a well organized person who works with many people on a daily basis. She notes, "Two of my favorite aspects of being Community Coordinator here is that I work with wonderful people (as I did before), and just never know exactly what is going to come across my desk or computer screen on a given day. Also, working in a synagogue is different than working in a for-profit environment because of

the need to keep in mind that it is more than just an office, I'm working in a holy place." She had spent much of her time on the phone in her previous position but she relishes the person-to-person interaction at Temple Sholom.



A review of Temple Sholom's previous job description led Sandy to immediately reconsider the position's title. She's pleased with the title of Community Coordinator and relates that she could also call herself "Mistress of the Calendar" or "Publicity Maven."

Sandy grew up first in the Boston area and then in the Princeton area. She met her husband Herb, who lived in Philadelphia, and she admits, "That's how I got over the river. Commuting was just terrible." Sandy and Herb have a daughter Victoria who is in the 4th grade. Sandy describes Victoria as "energetic and inquisitive and nonstop. She thinks she wants to be a veterinarian, because she likes the idea of working with reptiles, a herpetologist." Their household also includes three cats and has three fish tanks and a koi pond inside the house. "I don't even know how many fish we have!" Sandy confesses. Sandy was raised in a Reform household where her religious studies took place in a little synagogue in New Jersey called Beth Chaim. Ironically, two of the founding members of the congregation were Rabbi Peter

Rigler's parents. Sandy became an adult Bat Mitzvah many years later at Congregation Or Hadash of Fort Washington with Rabbi Vivian Schirn.

A member of Keneseth Israel in Elkins Park, Sandy learned of the available position through Rabbi Rigler, who was previously at KI. When Sandy's not busy being Community Coordinator, a wife and mother, she enjoys downhill skiing, reading, hiking, gardening, and her new passion, a "hula hooping" class. She's fascinated with landscape and pond arrangement and envisions a waterfall flowing parallel to the flight of steps leading up to her front door sometime in the future.

When asked about her dreams for Temple Sholom, Sandy imagines how great it would be if Temple Sholom would be able to build a new wing or add a second story to the main building. She explains, "Then, we'd be able to accommodate every programming request and have more meeting space."

Sandy is active with the Programming Directors of Reform Judaism (PDRJ). At the annual conference last October, Sandy led a discussion group addressing one of the more challenging aspects of her position and not unique to Temple Sholom: the RSVP issue. "If only I could convey to congregants how important timely RSVPs are for planning, budgeting, custodial issues, supplies and purchasing," Sandy laments. "I think this problem is universal because people are so busy that they end up juggling their options. People don't realize that there is a trickle-down effect connected to the late RSVPs or the non RSVPs."

Sandy, Continued on next page

THE REASONS I VOLUNTEER IN ISRAEL

By Steve Plotkin (Kevin Plotkin's Dad)

Each year I volunteer to work on an Israeli (IDF) military base as a civilian noncombatant volunteer. I offer my personal services through the nonprofit Volunteers for Israel program (www.vfi-usa.org).

Over the past 10 years I've been stationed at bases diverse enough to put me on the Lebanese/Syrian border in the north and the desert in the south. Israel has a skinny east to west, but I've been there too.

I'm certainly not unique as there are hundreds of volunteers every year with ages 16 to 90 from many countries, many religions and every socioeconomic group. I've been able to ask many of these wonderful people about their reason(s) for coming to Israel to do volunteer work at military bases.



Sandy, Continued from previous page

Sandy is particularly proud of her accomplishments last year of getting the Humanities on the Road show at Temple Sholom and then facilitating our congregation's airing on television. The episode is still available for viewing on YouTube. This resulted in increased media presence for Temple Sholom. She also initiated the recycling program at Temple Sholom including tracking down and purchasing the exterior recycling bin.

In spite of the many changes going on at Temple Sholom in recent years, such as a new Rabbi, Cantor, Executive Director, and Community Coordinator, Sandy Cohen declares that the staff is extremely cohesive. "This work environment is filled with incredible people. We share a genuine camaraderie and respect for each other."

Sandy feels strong optimism for Temple Sholom's future. "We have a unique grassroots history that serves itself well as our congregation moves into the future. We are blessed with devoted clergy and top notch staff, lay leadership and volunteers. When a synagogue has all those factions working together, then you really have everything."

Editor's Note: A special "Thank you" to our Memory Makers column writers/interviewers Barbara Clarke and Donna Hendel. They do such a wonderful job helping us get to know members of our interesting and diverse community.

As you may imagine, their answers are as varied as the volunteers themselves. Some have been to Israel many times as tourists, but wanted more personal intimate involvement – to get out of the insular "tourist trap." Some have written checks for years to various causes that support Israel, but decided to get personally involved on the ground. They all want to give their very best of themselves! Some go for religious reasons; others want to support the only true democracy in the Middle East.



Marcia & Steve Plotkin

I share these reasons for volunteering with my fellow volunteers, but I also have other reasons. I want to continue working shoulder-to-shoulder with these young soldiers who protect our Jewish Homeland, to look them in the eyes and tell them that they are not alone.

- ◆ With all the negative press Israel receives, U.N. condemnation and waning support here in the U.S., I am
- ◆ even more determined to make a stand with Israel. Will
- ◆ I blindly support every decision made by Israel? No, just
- ◆ as I don't support all decisions of my own country. But I
- ◆ do believe Israel is our Jewish Homeland; a physical and
- ◆ spiritual sanctuary.

- ◆ I am inspired by Israel's spirit of survival and outrageous
- ◆ success in the presence of determined enemies. I think
- ◆ that we as Jews are often made stronger through
- ◆ troubled times. I know that the founding fathers of our
- ◆ country (and those of Israel) were tempered in the fire of
- ◆ conflict and still had the strength to form nations of vision
- ◆ and greatness.

- ◆ I have often thought of Israel as the "burning bush,"
- ◆ often to be set upon by enemies – but never to be
- ◆ consumed.

- ◆ My personal contributions to Israel are indeed small, but
- ◆ I am proud to do what I can, when I can. When I am very
- ◆ old and unable to travel, then I hope my memories will
- ◆ be intact so I can think back upon all the truly wonderful
- ◆ people I met and revisit the inspiring sights I witnessed
- ◆ while I was in Israel.

Questions? Comments? You can reach Steve at steveplotkin@erols.com

A WORD FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Dear Temple Family:

As we enter the bitter cold month of January, my heart couldn't possibly feel any warmer. In just a few days, after months of study, my son Chase will become a Bar Mitzvah on the *bimah* of Temple Sholom. I am so tremendously proud of him - as all Jewish parents are on this momentous occasion. But my pride extends well beyond my child. It overflows to the Temple Sholom community who has collectively brought Chase to this milestone. It takes a village to raise a Jewish child – and that has never been more apparent to me than it is today.

From the moment we enrolled Chase in religious school on Sundays through his evenings spent at Hebrew School, to the time he now spends at TS Academy; our synagogue is a place he wants to be. I credit Lori Green and her outstanding faculty for making Jewish learning fun and engaging, from kindergarten through high school. But I also recognize that Chase has built some tremendous friendships with his cohort of students - and for this I am so very grateful to the parents who have raised such nice children and bring them to synagogue to be part of something bigger.

I watch Chase's smile in services during the Rabbi's D'var Torah or when Cantor Shapiro sings. I know that it is not just the entertaining nature of the sermons or the loveliness of the music that makes my son feel at home in the sanctuary. It is the fact that our clergy is so accessible to him. Around these religious leaders, Chase is at ease. He looks up to Rabbi and Cantor with knowledge that they never look down on him.

It was through Temple Sholom that we were first introduced to URJ Camp Harlam where both my boys will spend their fifth summers this coming year. It is here that they have formed strong and meaningful bonds with Judaism and love of prayers and music. All the values that we want to instill in our children are cemented during four weeks in August each and every year.

I take tremendous comfort in knowing that once Chase's Bar Mitzvah is over, he will go on for

confirmation – not because he has to, but because he wants to. Dave and I alone could not have compelled him to continue his Jewish education – that was his recognition that there are countless opportunities for him to grow now that he has come of age – and they are waiting for him at Temple Sholom.

That same village that has helped raise my Jewish child, has helped raise me as a Jew as well. Through my work with the synagogue I, too, have grown. I never leave our building without learning something new, making a meaningful connection, or re-energizing from the spirit that permeates our community. Our clergy, staff, educators, lay leaders, volunteers and congregants each bring the best pieces of themselves to Temple Sholom for the good of the whole.

So as the temperature drops and the ice begins to form outside, come bask in the warmth of our congregation and glow of our vibrant and inclusive community. There is always something to do for everyone. From the smallest child to the oldest adult, your village is calling.

B'shalom,

~ Emily Mendell, Senior Vice President

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USED BOOK FAIR



Sunday, January 27

9:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Multipurpose Room

**Help the library while
grabbing some really
great books at a great
price.**

\$5.00 for a bag of books.

**Donations accepted for individual
books.**

**Donate new or used books by leaving
them on the Library desk**

**Questions ???? call Mary Ann Gould
@ 610.356.4725**

***BOOK FAIR DONATIONS
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AN OPEN LETTER TO THOSE WHO SIGNED UP FOR MITZVAH CORE CALLING - VISITING - MEALS - SHIVA, ETC.

Thank you all so very much for your willingness to give your time to help our fellow congregants. You may be wondering why most of you haven't been called to help, however. The response to Rabbi Rigler's rousing call on Yom Kippur was overwhelming and heartfelt - so many of you turned in the forms for volunteering! The "good/bad" problem we have is that we have had so few requests for help; it's good that our Temple members are either healthy, or have help from family members and/or friends, and this is "bad" from the point-of-view of those who want to help. Don't despair!

Spread the word that help is available for Temple members by Temple members. Urge people you know to call, even if it's just to have someone call them once in a while, or help with some small - or large - task.

If you have any questions or ideas please call me at 484-412-8066, or email bbooker628@aol.com, or call the Rabbi, Cantor, or Abbey, and let us know what you would like from us. We will do the rest!!

~ Barbara Barr, Coordinator



MITZVAH MEALS PROGRAM

Congregation Support is Amazing!

This year will be a landmark year for the Mitzvah Meals Program - thanks to the outpouring of support after our Mitzvah Core appeal during the High Holy Days, we actually have a surfeit of volunteers!

Everyone who volunteered will be able to get involved in some way in our efforts to feed the hungry. However, quite a few of you will be offered other projects beyond the six scheduled Mitzvah Meals at the Life Center shelter.

If you have signed up to help with a meal, we encourage you to please wait to hear from the person coordinating that meal before you buy anything or plan anything definite. They will be in touch at least 6 to 8 weeks before the planned meal.

We look forward to continued opportunities for everyone in our community to serve people in need.



SISTERHOOD TAKES A MINI-BREATHER IN JANUARY GEARING UP FOR FEBRUARY EXCITEMENT!



Sisterhood has much to feel happy about in January while we look back at our successful December. Wow, what a month!

The Jacob International event last month was a culmination of much work by Chairperson Laurie Burstein-Maxwell and her committee people of Sharon Goldman, Barbara Clarke, Barbara Barr, Barbara Berlin, Melissa Fein and Evalyn Elias. The program was an enormous success due to the professional support of Jacob International. We also owe thanks to the Neiman-Marcus sponsorship of this important educational program. It was so kind of them to provide goody bags to participants.

There was so much to learn from the evening's event, "Generation to Generation: Breaking the L'Dor Vador of Cancer." The audience listened in rapt attention to the Jacob International medical professionals who were also kind enough to respond to questions at the end of the program. Delicious refreshments were provided by Sisterhood.

We quickly followed up with a Hanukkah Candle Lighting by Sisterhood and Brotherhood members together, which was webcast to our entire community on the second night. What a nice bonding experience.

Of course, another highlight of December was our congregational Hanukkah Dinner, which was, as always, a delightful and delicious dinner, this year catered by Pumpnick's. Many thanks to the careful planning of Co-Chairs Evalyn Elias and Melissa Fein, and the wonderful help of Frances Epstein.

Many thanks to all the members who benefitted the community and our Sisterhood by participating in holiday gift wrapping at King of Prussia Mall and at Barnes & Noble Bookstore in Broomall. We thank Nancy Hays, Amy Cylinder, Margaret Husick, Elaine Smith, Anilee Seitchek, Evalyn Elias, Barbara Barr, Shirley Birenbaum, Lauri Sila and Berte Rosen.

We're gearing up now for our next event on **February 9th**, so mark your calendars now for Fabulous Film & Food, a combined Brotherhood/Sisterhood Event that will include a fabulous Saturday night of Deli Dinner, a great movie and extra surprises during the evening.

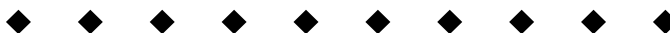
Sisterhood Book Club continues with an enthusiastic group of reading women. Our upcoming selection for January is "*Once We Were Brothers*."

Be sure to visit *The Gift Garden* this month. Do some browsing and check out the incredible deals on frames, art and photo albums. Do your one-stop shopping at *The Gift Garden*.

It's also a good time to mark your calendars for March 3rd for our Mother/Daughter (or Grandmother/Daughter or just Woman's) Tambourine Event with our **March 22nd** tie-in of Sisterhood Shabbat. Even more fun programs are planned for Spring, so ...

Please join us at our upcoming Sisterhood Board Meeting on **Thursday, January 3rd at 7:30 PM** in the Temple Library. We welcome all members to our meetings; you needn't be on the Board to attend, but we promise you an enjoyable evening and that we will welcome your valuable input. For questions about any of our events, to become involved in Sisterhood, or Sisterhood in general, please contact me at 561-445-0021 or shoot me an e-mail at sisterhood@temple-sholom.org.

Looking forward to hearing from you, or seeing you, soon! ~ Donna Hendel, Sisterhood President



Sisterhood Visit to Wharton Esherick Museum

On November 15th, the Temple Sholom Sisterhood visited the Wharton Esherick Museum. Wharton Esherick was a sculptor who worked primarily in wood. We took a docent led tour of his unusual studio, designed and built by the artist himself. Inside we found interesting sculptures, paintings, handmade furniture and an extremely unusual staircase.

After our fascinating tour, we enjoyed lunch at Margaret Husick's house. Margaret would like to thank her committee, Stella Maser and Barbara Litt for all of their help and hard work to make this outing a success.



JACOB INTERNATIONAL - AN INFORMATIVE EVENING

Jacob International is an acronym for Jews Against Cancer of the Breast. Ashkenazi Jews are at higher risk for BRCA1 and BRCA2 gene mutation that can lead to breast, ovarian and prostate cancer. Both men and women are much more susceptible than the general population. The organization was founded by Debra Fishman and Linda Kivitz who carry on their sister Lori's legacy of educating Jewish Families about assessing their inherited genetic risks of cancer.

On December 5, Temple Sisterhood invited Jacob International to speak with us about this very important topic. Dr. Debbi Copit, Director of Breast Imaging at Einstein Health talked with us about the difficulties in screening for breast cancer, particularly in women with dense breast tissue, and discussed various screen techniques that increase accuracy. She recommended that all women have yearly digital mammograms at age 40, be screened annually by a doctor, and that high risk women have a screening MRI.

Tanya Bardakjian, Einstein Genetics counselor talked about the genetics of breast cancer. We learned that all people have the BRCA1 and BRCA2 genes. It is the mutation of these genes which cause cancer and to which we are particularly susceptible. If an individual has a mutation, each offspring has a 50% chance of that mutation being passed on. Thus, it is important that a family member with breast, ovarian or prostate cancer be tested, to pass the gift of knowledge onto their family members. Men as well as women are at risk, and can pass the mutated gene on to their children.

Dr. Lisa Jablon, Breast Surgeon and Director of Einstein's Breast Health Program told us that Ashkenazi Jews have a 1/40 chance of having the mutation, compared to 1/250 women in the U.S. overall. If an individual has the mutation, by age 50, she has a 50% chance of getting ovarian cancer, and a 70% chance of it by age 70. The same woman has an 87% chance of developing breast cancer by age 70. She encouraged testing for all women with breast cancer, because there is a 27% likelihood that a second breast cancer or an ovarian cancer would develop within five years. She talked about options for those who test positive including careful surveillance, prophylactic surgery and chemoprevention.

Lori White spoke to us about her family history of grandparents and parents who died from cancer until her aunt realized the genetic connection and determined the importance for all adult family members to be tested. Lori and several family members chose life, and prophylactic surgery. She talked about her mother's gift to her before her death, i.e. her willingness to get tested and to provide family members with the information necessary to stop the *L'dor vador* of cancer. Her story was quite moving.

Thank you to all who attended and helped in organizing this informative evening. A special thank you to my committee: Barbara Barr, Barbara Clarke, and Gina Levin, and also to Evalyn Elias, Melissa Fein, and Sharon Goldman for stepping in to help as well!

~ Laurie Burstein-Maxwell, Event Chair



A SPECIAL SHABBAT EXPERIENCE WITH RABBI DARBY LEIGH



Born profoundly deaf, **Rabbi Darby Jared Leigh** is a native New Yorker who loves mountains. A passionate snowboarder, Leigh's rabbinate is characterized by inclusivity and a commitment to diversity. He currently serves as the Associate Rabbi at Bnai Keshet in Montclair, NJ, and as a Rabbi of The New Shul in New York City.

On Friday, February 1 at 8:00 pm please join us for Shabbat services with visiting scholar Rabbi Darby Leigh, who will be speaking on deafness in Judaism and treatments of deafness throughout Jewish history.

Prior to services, at 6:00 pm there will be a Shabbat dinner during which Rabbi Leigh will teach and lecture about, "From Deaf and Dumb, to Deaf: The Deaf Person in Judaism, from Torah to Today"

Please join us for services, our dinner/lecture program or both. The cost for the catered Shabbat dinner and lecture program is \$18 per adult, children 12 and under, \$10.

Dinner reservations are required. **[RSVP by Thursday, January 24.](#)**

February 1st 6:00 pm Rabbi Darby Leigh Lecture and Shabbat Dinner

Adults Attending @\$18 _____ # Children Attending @\$10 _____

Name _____

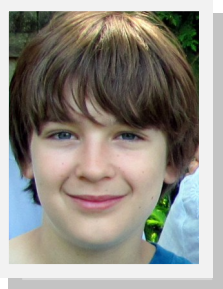
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Make checks payable to "Temple Shalom in Broomall"
55 North Church Lane, Broomall, PA 19008

For more information contact skcohen@Temple-shalom.org or 610-356-5165
Reservations are REQUIRED. **[RSVP by January 24](#)**

JANUARY B'NAI MITZVAH

Chase Mendell, son of Dave and Emily Mendell, will be called to the *Torah* on January 19th. Sharing in his special day will be his brother Noah, Nanny Brook Levin, Pop-Pop Gary Levin, Grammy and Papa Mendell from Rhode Island, and other friends (including some from Camp Harlam) and relatives from Massachusetts, New York, Ohio, DC Area and New Jersey.



A 7th grader at Strath Haven Middle School, Chase plays the drums in the school concert and jazz bands and sings in the school chorus. He plays baseball and basketball in Nether Providence. He is also on the honor roll.

For his mitzvah project, Chase made three different tallitot for Temple Sholom to use. He was fortunate enough to be able to pick out his own hand sewn tallit when he visited Israel with his family last December. And he wanted to share that feeling with others.

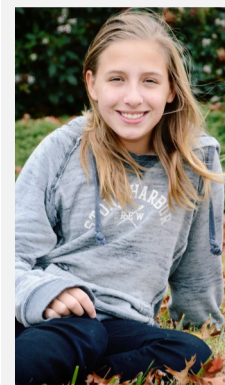
Cantor Shapiro encouraged him to choose a mitzvah that allowed him to give a part of himself to the project. He has always been very creative with duct tape and a friend of ours in Cincinnati



sent us a link to a website where a Rabbi shows the proper way to decorate a Tallit with the tape. He worked with his grand mom, Brook Levin for many hours, designing and cutting and ironing. Then they tied the tzitzit and the result is three beautiful tallit which Chase is gifting to Temple Sholom to use in the religious school for teaching or for

anyone who is in need of a prayer shawl during services. Chase is also happy to teach anyone who wants to learn how to make one of these prayer shawls. Rabbi Rigler explained to him that this was "chidur mitzvah" - or making the mitzvah beautiful.

Samantha Page Maxwell, daughter of Laurie Burstein Maxwell and Leland Maxwell will be called to the *Torah* on January 26th. Along with her brother Daniel, she will share her special day with all her cousins and close family members that are coming.



A Radnor Middle School 7th grader, Samantha loves to swim and spend time outside. She also loves nature and science.

Samantha describes her Mitzvah Project: My Mitzvah Project is helping out at *Cradles and Crayons*. *Cradles and Crayons* is an organization that helps families, and especially children who don't have as much as they need. You can donate old clothes or games and books, whatever you are not using anymore as long as they are only gently used. You can also help out by sorting out all the goods into piles so they can send things out to people who need them. You can fold clothes and get them ready to be sent out.



PARA-RABBI/PARA-CANTOR/SHIVA LEADERS WANTED

Are you interested in becoming more involved in Jewish ritual? Would you like to celebrate Shabbat from the bimah? If so, consider training to serve as a para-Rabbi, para-Cantor or Shiva leader. These lay leaders are taught to lead services and participate in services when our Rabbi and/or Cantor are not available. Some training and study is involved.

Please join Rabbi Rigler **Tuesday, January 15th at 6:30 PM** for an informational meeting.

Please let us know if you will be attending the meeting by contacting Sandy at skcohen@temple-sholom.org.

RELIGIOUS AND HEBREW SCHOOL NOTES



Color Wars! Music Videos! Cleaning the Temple!..Oy Vey!

Hanukkah may be over, but the memories linger on. December's Hanukkah experiences went beyond merely spinning the dreidel and eating latkes. Our 5th grade Shabbaton involved families creating copper Hanukkiyot with guest artist, Avi Zukerman and the students creating their own Hanukkah music video. The 1st graders in Adina Green's class experienced what it might have been like for the Maccabbees to enter the destroyed Temple and find only enough oil for 8 days. They re-enacted the entire story in their "destroyed" classroom and even found the oil! All of our Kindergarten through 6th grade students participated in a Hanukkah version of Color Wars as they competed in scavenger hunts, physical challenges, academic and food challenges. And of course, ate "lotsa latkes"! And the fun continues....

~ Lori Green, Education Director

Want to see more about what is happening in our school? Check out our school website, www.temple-sholom-school.org to see pictures, postings, blogs and so much more.

January at a Glance:

Tuesday, January 1

NO SCHOOL – Happy New Year!
Confirmation Class returns from Israel

Sunday, January 6

3rd grade Dor l'dor
Rosh Hodesh meets

Friday, January 11

Dalet Class leads Shabbat Worship

Saturday, January 12

TRIVIA NIGHT! Don't miss it!

Sunday, January 13

6th grade and Gesherim Bar/Bat Mitzvah Series
#3 with Cantor Shapiro

Sunday, January 20 - Tuesday, January 22

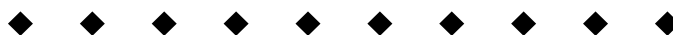
NO SCHOOL! Martin L. King weekend

Sunday, January 27

Religious School Used Book Fair!

LeV Update!

The LeV Team, comprised of teachers, lay leaders, Education Director Lori Green and Rabbi Rigler, have been meeting regularly to "Re-Imagine" what Jewish Education can look like at Temple Sholom in Broomall. With the help of Jewish Learning Venture, we have been busy identifying the core values and goals of Temple Sholom as we look at the many different models that are being piloted across the country. Our goal is to create a new paradigm for Jewish Education at Temple Sholom! Our school is "under construction" and we couldn't be more excited!



Religious School Parent Meet and Greet

On Saturday, December 1st, our new social group for parents of Religious School age children at Temple Sholom in Broomall met for an evening of margaritas, munchies and mitzvot. Fifty Temple members met at the home of Robin and Steven Gall for a wonderful evening of simply hanging out together. Participants had the chance to relax while connecting with old friends and making new acquaintances. There is definitely a buzz about this new group. We are planning our next event for late winter. Stay tuned for the date and all the details.

If you'd like to find out more, contact
Rebecca Parmet 610-322-4356 or
templeholomfamilies@gmail.com

Rebecca Parmet & Robin Gall



LOBBY CAFÉ - A SUNDAY TRADITION!

We are always looking for more volunteers. if you're interested in baking, selling (or both) you can sign up directly at <http://tinyurl.com/TS-Cafe> or drop Steve Kanes an email sjkanes@mac.com.

PHOTO GALLERY



ETTA NATALIE ROSENBLATT PRESCHOOL



O Hanukkah, O Hanukkah!

In the Jewish calendar, December basically is the month of *Kislev* and *Kislev* means “Hanukkah.” At the Temple Sholom Preschool we did Hanukkah big for the whole month of *Kislev*. First came the art projects. Our school turned into a beautiful Hanukkah landscape. We started out with The Olive Oil press. Then came the Hanukkah songs with their messages of “light, joy and courage.” Next were the latkes and the *sufganiyot* and smiles of happiness and satisfaction. Like the miracle of Hanukkah, the Hanukkah spirit in the Preschool just kept glowing.

Our month-long celebration culminated in special lightings of our *Hanukkiyot* and a fabulous Hanukkah Festival Program. Dreidels and gelt, Maccabees and Menorahs, singing and smiles, it's all here and more.

When we come back next year, we will begin to work on our next holiday, Tu B'shvat, the wonderful Jewish holiday of trees. We will be learning about all the good things trees do for the environment and us as well as about trees in Israel and how Jews around the world celebrate our Jewish Arbor Day.

Of course, there's lots more at Preschool. We are always learning, growing and sharing. We are a community of friends, little people who do big things together!

Have a healthy, happy New Year 2013!

~ Best, Miss Liz Sussman, Early Childhood
Education Director
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preschool@temple-sholom.org



The Temple Tidings Publication Guidelines

**Deadline for the February, 2013 issue:
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Please make submissions by EMAIL if possible. A confirmation message will be sent on receipt of your e-mail or send submissions to the Temple TYPEWRITTEN or CLEARLY PRINTED. Questions?

tidings@temple-sholom.org

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 Alberro at
610-459-3645 or email her at
stephalbero@yahoo.com**

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Doing Mitzvot in the Community?
Please let us know so we can share
your story with the congregation!
Contact the Temple Tidings Editor at
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HOSPICE COMMITTEE

We are a group of dedicated, trained volunteers who have been serving hospice patients and their families in our temple and surrounding community for over 25 years. We are available to stay with patients so that family members can have some respite time, provide books for children, do grocery shopping, and many other things as needed.

We are also organizing support groups for bereavement issues. Please contact Pam Haas at 484-802-1186 or Amy Berkowitz at 610-353-8077.



~ Pam Haas, Hospice Chairperson



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SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB



(Sisterhood Membership is not required).

Sisterhood's next book selection is "*Once We Were Brothers*" by Ronald H. Balsom

When: **Thursday, January 10th at 7:30 PM**

Where: Harriet Rosenblatt's House
 232 Fawn Hill Road
 Broomall, PA 19008
 610-356-5105

"*Once We Were Brothers*" is a contemporary legal thriller and a poignant look back into the lives of small town Poland during World War II.

Elliot Rosenzweig, a wealthy Chicago philanthropist, is attending opening night at the opera. Ben Solomon, a retired Polish immigrant, makes his way through the crowd and shoves a gun in Rosenzweig's face, denouncing him as former SS officer, Otto Piatek. Solomon is blind-sided, knocked to the floor and taken away. Rosenzweig uses his enormous influence to get Solomon released from jail, but Solomon commences a relentless pursuit to bring Rosenzweig before the courts to answer for war crimes. Solomon finds a young attorney, Catherine Lockhart, to whom he recounts his family's struggles and heroisms during the war, revealing to her that he and Piatek grew up as brothers in the same household.

Questions? RSVP to Laurie Burstein-Maxwell at 610-525-8895 or lauriejb@verizon.net

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.*

BROTHERHOOD

A small but motivated group car-pooled to the The National Museum of American Jewish History on December 2nd. It is a great museum and I certainly recommend it. We spent a few hours there but I could have easily spent much more time. When I get a chance I'll visit again. Please don't miss an opportunity to learn more about the Jewish experience and important Jewish individuals from the mid-17th century to contemporary times.

On **January 20th** the Brotherhood will sponsor a Jewish Relief project. I am in the process of learning more about it with the Jewish Relief Agency in NE Philadelphia. It will be a chance to be supportive and provide a helping hand. As I learn more, I will forward the information.

Questions? Please contact me at brotherhood@temple-sholom.org.

~ Elliot Wunsh, Brotherhood President



CONVERSATIONS WITH MEN

Meditation: Connecting with Our Essence

Sunday, January 13th from 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM in the Rabbi's Office

What is meditation all about? What are the various types? What are the benefits? What is the point of meditation? Join us as Daniel Endy answers these questions and leads us in a special guided meditation.

Questions? Contact Bob Isaacson at bob@fullcirclesolutions.net



TEMPLE SHOLOM HITS THE SLOPES!

**Join other Temple Sholom members
for a casual meet up
on the Bear Creek Mountain Ski Slope
January 26th**

We will meet up for lunch at 1:00 PM in the south lobby. Either pack your own lunch or choose from the lodge cafeteria or Trail's End restaurant.

Bear Creek information and directions can be found on their website: <http://www.skibearcreek.com/>

Interested? For more information contact:

Steve Kanes sjkanes@mac.com or
Jen Isayev isayev@live.com



ONE BOOK ONE JEWISH COMMUNITY (OBOJC) SELECTION

***"What We Talk About When We Talk
About Anne Frank"* A collection of short stories
by Nathan Englander**

Nathan Englander, a master of short fiction, writes about West Bank settlers and Orthodox families, the Holocaust and mixed marriages, but not to editorialize about them. His real subjects are memory, obsession, choices, and consequences. "In Nathan Englander's eyes, human beings make choices for admirable and regrettable reasons, with good and bad outcomes. His compelling storytelling, his compassion, and his startling originality make Englander an essential writer. This collection confirms his exceptional talents yet again, and it is not to be missed." Jewish Book Council

Copies of *"What We Talk About When We Talk About Anne Frank"* can be purchased at amazon.com - the list price is \$24.95. Don't forget to log into Amazon via the Temple Sholom website!

Save the date: Rabbi Rigler will facilitate a book discussion for *"What We Talk About When We Talk About Anne Frank"* at the Hilltopper's Book Club meeting on **February 27th at 1:15 PM.**

THE HILLTOPPERS

Board Meeting:

The Hilltoppers Board will meet on Thursday, [January 3rd at 10:30 AM](#) in the Temple Library. Our meetings are open to all Hilltoppers. You are invited to join us and see how our programs are planned.



General Meeting – Multipurpose Room

In January we will have an afternoon meeting which will be on [Thursday, January 17th at 1:30 PM](#). Dr. Moylan Mills has agreed to be with us once again and this time he will educate us on the fascinating life and music of the great Giacomo Puccini.

Dr. Mills is Professor Emeritus of Integrative Studies on the faculty of Pennsylvania State University. He has spoken to us 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 always interestingly 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 Group – Annex

On Thursday, [January 24th at 1:15 PM](#), our book group will review, “*The Lost Wife*,” by Alyson Richman. Bev Granoff will facilitate.

Donations

Please direct your donations to the Hilltoppers Fund by making checks payable to: “Hilltoppers of Temple Shalom” and mailing them to the Temple. Your donations will be listed in *The Temple Tidings*.



PHOTOGRAPHY PRESENTATION PROVES PICTURE PERFECT!

Last month's Hilltoppers' presentation by Joel Perlish on digital photography was important for all photographers, both amateur and professional. Joel, who is a professional photographer (among several other talents!), offered tips for better, clearer picture taking.

In his attempt to help all the attendees better understand the workings of their digital cameras, Joel suggested some important rules.

Rule #1: If you want to capture a good picture, take more than one. If you're shooting a group, take four or five. In that way, you have more of a choice when selecting the best shot.

Rule #2: When taking a photo of a speaker, one should take a posed shot whenever possible. It is generally not flattering taking a picture when someone is talking. Also, it's usually a better photograph showing bodies from the waist up; the result is more appealing... and who needs feet, anyway?

Rule #3: The law reads that a person needs permission to copy a professionally shot photograph. If you take a professional photographer's photo to a store such as a CVS or Staples for duplication, it is illegal for you or them to

process your request without the photographer's permission.

Rule #4: Red eye does not come from shooting in the sun (a common misconception); it has to do with how close your flash is to the lens. One way to eliminate red eye is to shoot outdoors. Most professional photographers have a bracket that moves the flash way above the plane of the lens. Otherwise, the flash shoots right into the eye and takes a great picture of the red veins in the back of the eye! The pre-flash function on most cameras usually simply makes a subject blink.

One advantage of using the flash is that it nicely fills in shadows, even outside. Another way to lessen shadows on people is to use a light disc or a piece of cardboard to block the sun's harsh light from getting to the subject's face.

Rule #5: To eliminate flash flare back on eyeglasses one needn't ask people to remove them. Suggest the wearers push their glasses all the way up and tip their chins just a fraction of an inch downward.

Rule #6: You cannot believe anything you see in a photograph, nor take it as true reality. You need to be smart enough to know that it's not real.

Rule #7: You can do anything with digital photography! You can change a hairdo, remove an ex-spouse, put in a new one, etc. Photoshop is great software for making photographic adjustments, although some versions of it are technical and expensive. Perlish recommends Graphics Converter for everyday pictures, which costs approximately \$40.

Rule #8: Anything you could do with film, you can do better now with digital photography. Film cameras are strictly for nostalgia purposes and Perlish joked that the only use for them these days is as doorstops.

Perlish was kind enough to stay after his presentation to assist Hilltoppers members with their individual questions about their cameras' operation. He offered his expert advice about backlighting. He also suggested folks should never delete images directly from the camera but should upload the images to a computer and then use the format function (found in the menu) to format the card.

The enthusiastic and attentive Hilltoppers audience would certainly say that a fun and "snappy" time was had by all.

IN LOVING MEMORY ... A TRIBUTE TO RUTH YASKIN

I lost a very dear friend a couple of months ago.

Ruth was one of the first people I met through Sisterhood, and Ruth and I became friends when she was president of the Temple and I was VP and then president of Sisterhood. We both spent so much time at the temple that it became a standing joke that we had bunk beds tucked away in the last classroom.

When I think of Ruth as she was then, I recall a vibrant woman with red hair, lots of bling, and the most incredible collection of colorful shoes. Her personal flair extended to her writing skills and her sense of humor. When we had a big party to welcome Rabbi Meyer Selekman back from his sabbatical, his mother could not be there. But she sent a letter – and Ruth read it to us with a sense of timing and irony that brought the house down. When Ruth was called on to deliver board greetings at High Holiday services, she was a tough act to follow. Everyone kept chortling over her commentary all day.

Ruth's big legacy at Temple Sholom is the lower parking lot. It was her vision and drive that made it happen despite the prevailing attitude that we could not "mess" with the little league traditions. She had seen Steve Clarke carrying then toddler Michelle on Church Lane one dark and stormy night when many had to park in the lot on the corner, and there was no sidewalk. She knew that this was an accident waiting to happen, and it was not going to happen if she had any say in it. So she battled local politics, prevailing traditions, and sold in-house bonds to finance the work, and we have plenty of parking for everything with the exception of High Holy Days and it is all due to Ruth's vision.

She was also the only person I ever knew who broke a toe making meatballs for the Scholar-in-Residence weekend. Ruth was having the board lunch with our scholar at her home in Drexel Hill. She dropped a meatball while rolling them, and instead of picking it up, she kicked it towards the trash can. Her follow through was into a chair ...

Ruth became part of our family. My mother passed away in 1992 and my mother-in-law was in Massachusetts. So Ruth became surrogate grandmother at grandparents' day events at the schools. She attended recitals, concerts, Hi-Q matches and more for my children. She was a regular at our table for holiday gatherings. We had an ongoing lunch date every other week. We used to meet at Pathmark on Wednesday mornings, and the highlight of then toddler Daniel's week was that he could ride in Ruthie's shopping cart for a few aisles... One time

when we were out to lunch, our server commented on how nice it was that I took my mother out regularly. Ruth corrected him immediately with "I only wish she were my daughter."



Ruth had a best friend we should also remember. Abby Haftel was another wonderful temple volunteer and dear friend we lost a few years ago. They shared a decades-long friendship, and the challenges of both having husbands with Parkinson's Disease. They worked together to form Parkinson's support groups. It may have seemed to many that they drifted apart after they moved to different Retirement Communities. But the truth is that each did not want the other to see them as their health deteriorated as they did not want to cause the other worry.

At Riddle Village, Ruth took on the challenge of writing a monthly health newsletter for residents and their families. She was always reading and doing research for this, and it filled her days and gave her something to complain about with pride. She knew she was making a big contribution to her community.

Ruth's birthday was December 25th. So we had a regular tradition of taking her out for her favorite Chinese dinner each year. Ruth loved to get spare ribs. She would joke that she must have been a dog in a previous life because she loved to gnaw on bones. Daniel just last week realized that he would be able to come home in December and had hoped we would go see her for her birthday.

As Alzheimer's stole her recent memories, she continued to recall details from long ago and would often tell me about growing up in Delaware and attending the University of Delaware as a commuting student. She could tell me about the women she helped as a counselor to prison inmates and abused women. She could joke about the early days at Temple Sholom and leaky roofs. But she could no longer recall that I worked full time, or that my children were no longer in elementary school and she often accused me of making up stories about them doing great things in college and beyond while she knew they were still just little kids.

I ask that we all remember her as the colorful and vibrant, wickedly funny woman she was every time we park in the lower lot, or eat Chinese food, and that we give thanks that we had her in our lives.

~ Laurie Albert

Temple Sholom Trivia Night

For Adults Only, so set up the babysitters now!!



Saturday, January 12, 2013 at 7:00 PM

Come test your Knowledge against other friends as Temple Sholom hosts a Trivia Night with MC, Rabbi Peter Rigler to benefit our Religious School.

You will also want to enter one of our several raffles because we have some really fabulous prizes for you to win!!!

Appetizers, desserts, wine, beer and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided. Please contact Merraine Rein for a food donation in exchange for a raffle ticket by emailing Merraine@comcast.net.

If you are business owner and would like to donate a raffle prize or if you have any general questions, please contact Terri Watson, by emailing Terri.Watson@verizon.net or calling 484-716-2870.

RSVP by January 4th, 2013

Names of people attending _____

Phone# _____

Number of people attending _____ @ \$18.00 per person = _____

Please send form and payment to:

Temple Sholom in Broomall
Trivia Night
55 North Church Lane
Broomall, PA 19008

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WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY

Women's Spirituality will be beginning the year of 2013 with our meeting on **Wednesday, January 23rd at 7:30 PM** when Cantor Kerith Spencer-Shapiro will be presenting a very interesting program on *Reform Judaism and the Prophetic Vision of Social Justice*. Judaism is a religious faith with a universal message to all people. Reform Judaism upholds the Prophetic vision that calls us to active engagement in the struggle for peace and social justice for all people. The principles of our prophetic tradition is one of the most significant sources of Jewish unity and inspiration in the world today. To quote Rabbi Jacob Rader Marcus: "... we insist on social justice, on political and religious freedom ... Our prophetic exhortations are the last and best hope for humanity."

Join us in the Temple Library on Wednesday, January 23rd at 7:30 PM as we explore our most fervent hopes and prayers for a strong, creative and spiritually renewed American Jewish community and for freedom and security for Jews everywhere as we strive to work together to build a world of justice, love and peace.

Women's Spirituality also offers a quiet, peaceful time for meditation prior to the start of the meeting, led by one of our members in the Temple Sanctuary. You are welcome to join us at 6:25 PM. It can be a special time for peace and reflection as you come to the end of your busy day. At the conclusion of our meditation we will move to the Library to meet with Cantor Shapiro.

Wednesday, January 23rd

6:30 PM - 7:15 PM Sanctuary - Meditation

7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Program

~ Linda Tarash
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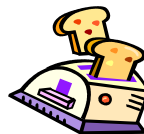
A quick and easy way to honor and/or remember a friend, relative or event is to have one or more trees planted in Israel. Or a donation may be made to help meet Israel's water needs. In either case a lovely certificate is sent to the honoree and/or family. For details and to make arrangements through the Jewish National Fund, please call Shirley Birenbaum at 610-328-2171, or email Surabassa@aol.com.

A Ring of 3 Trees was planted by Roz & Hal Smolinsky in memory of Florence Block, beloved mother of Dr. Lawrence Block.

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A tree was planted by Elaine & Deborah Samans and Mike & Jude Samans-Dunn in honor of Serene Friedman's 90th Birthday.

A tree was planted by Elaine & Deborah Samans and Mike & Jude Samans-Dunn in honor of Shirley Plotkin's birthday.



TOASTY'S TIDINGS



Happy New Year from ToaSTY! We're excited to start the second half of our year and look forward to seeing many of you at our upcoming events.

It's a busy month for NFTY-PAR (North American Federation of Temple Youth-Pennsylvania Area Region), which is the regional Reform youth group for high school students. PAR will host WINSTY, the annual social action weekend, **January 18 - 20** at Adath Emanu-El in Mt. Laurel, New Jersey. Participants will stay with host families and go outside the host synagogue for projects in the community. For more information and to register, go to nfty.org/par.

The following weekend, **January 25 - 27**, is the region's Junior Youth Kallah for 6th - 8th graders. This is an incredible opportunity for future ToaSTYites to get a taste of the youth group experience. For more information and to register, go to junioryouthkallah.com.

Keep your eyes open in the coming weeks for more information about upcoming ToaSTY events. If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at toasty@temple-sholom.org.

Happy New Year!
~ Alyssa Kress, ToaSTY Advisor

SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE SAVE THE DATE!

Scholar-in-Residence is pleased to announce that our 2013 Scholar will be Danny Siegel.

Danny Siegel is a well-known author, poet and a maven on doing mitzvot, tzedakah and tikkun olam (repairing the world). He has touched the lives of countless individuals and communities for over 30 years and founded the non-profit mitzvah organization. Danny is inspirational for all ages.

Save the Date: March 15 - 17, and will include events and programs on all three days.

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ONE CONGREGANT'S NOTE OF THANKS!

There are two big Thank Yous I want to say. The first is to Abbey Krain, the Temple's Executive Director. I have had some medical issues recently, which left me unable to drive. I reached out to Abbey to see if she could find someone at the synagogue who might be available as a driver for my physical therapy, doctor appointments, etc. Abbey was wonderful and relentless in her attempts to find someone. When it looked like there might not be someone, she even offered to drive me to PT herself one day a week! But her efforts paid off and I can't thank her enough for connecting me with a wonderful Temple member who is rapidly becoming not only my driver, but also my friend. Thank You Abbey! Everyone should realize what a gem we have in you.

My other Thank You goes out to everyone involved and/or made donations when Temple Israel in Staten Island, New York reached out to our synagogue after Hurricane Sandy. Jerry and I both grew up in Staten

Island. I remember very clearly when Temple Israel was built (OMG - a Reform Synagogue!!!). Jerry's oldest sister joined and his nephew had his Bar Mitzvah at Temple Israel. All these memories came flooding back when I read that email asking for donations, amazed at what a small world it was. I sent an email out to my neighbors on my cul-de-sac about it and several dropped off boxes. They said they were watching the news and wanted to do something, but weren't sure what was best. When they read my email, they were sure that at least their donations would go where they were needed. Jerry dropped off all the boxes and was very happy to see so many donations. The situation in some areas of Staten Island is still horrific. From the beginning, it has been volunteers helping each other. Thank You to everyone who helped my hometown, Staten Island.

With sincere thanks,
~ *Barbara Goldstein, Past President*

"STANDING SILENT" - A POWERFUL DOCUMENTARY

Join us **February 17th at 4:00 PM** for a screening of "*Standing Silent*," a powerful documentary about survivors of sexual abuse in the Orthodox Jewish community in Baltimore.

One by one the victims stood and described their alleged molesters: the Torah teacher, the rabbi, the ice cream truck driver, the man at the mikvah. That meeting, held nearly six years ago in a small room in a synagogue in Pikesville, just outside Baltimore, went on for four hours. Seated in a circle with the other victims was Phil Jacobs, a Baltimore Jewish Times journalist. He was not there as a reporter. He was there because he, too, had experienced sexual abuse. But after the meeting, a young man who knew Jacobs was a journalist approached and asked to be interviewed, to have his story told. That was the beginning of Jacobs's effort to document sexual abuse in Baltimore's Orthodox Jewish community, bringing the harrowing experiences shared by the 18 victims in that room out into the open. *By Emily Wax in the Washington Post, March 19, 2012*

That process of reporting and writing these experiences has been made into a documentary film, "*Standing Silent*," directed by Scott Rosenfelt. Partially funded by a Sundance Institute grant, it details how Phil Jacobs, an Orthodox Jew himself, has been credited with - and criticized for - uncovering a painful secret in Baltimore's Orthodox community.

Note: Given the subject matter, this film is not appropriate for children.

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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.

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To support Temple operations.

Hospice and Healing Fund

To assist the Hospice Committee in carrying out its support programs.

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To support programs, special events and materials for education at all levels.

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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.

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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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January 1

Irving J. Dorfman
grandfather of Drew Dorfman
Bernard Rovin
uncle of David Berkowitz
Solomon Stern
father of Rita Way
Morris Zaretsky
grandfather of Susan Friedman

January 2

Arthur Blatt
brother-in-law of Sara Shapiro
Philip Drucker
grandfather of Adina Stonberg
Hattie Gold
sister of Thelma Greenbaum
Saul Levin
father of Larry Levin
Linda Roeder
mother of Jacqueline Kelleher
Paul Steinbach
uncle of Brook Levin

January 3

Flora Dorfman
grandmother of Drew Dorfman
Lorraine Learner
mother of Lisa Learner-Wagner
Rose Rosenberg
mother of Howard Rosenberg
Norman Rubin
husband of Carol Rubin
uncle of Carol Jacobs

January 4

Dorothy Biederman
grandmother of Susan Miller
Marian W. Cantor
mother of Eric Cantor
Sadie Horwitz
mother of Ellen Shapiro
Sol Kedson
father of Leonard Kedson
Theresa Schiaffino
aunt of Dan Joie

January 5

Elma Baxt
mother of Betty Hirsch
Jay Belfer
husband of Joan Belfer
Eileen Berger
mother of Merraine Rein
David Foster
brother-in-law of Renee Mack
Berta Rios
mother of J. Alberto Rios

January 6

Gerson Green
uncle of Ellen Bedenko
Stan Hurwitz
friend of Sherry Halpern
Jack O. Samans
father-in-law of Elaine Samans
grandfather of Debby Samans

Esther Young
step-mother of Sara Shapiro

January 7

Frieda Brooks
mother of Robert Brooks
Marietta Emont
wife of Milton Emont
Sally Kellman
mother of Carol Rubin
Feyga Litvina
grandmother of Gene Isayev
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father of Nanci Marg Capoferri
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mother of Wendy Frankel
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January 8

Betty Bronstein
mother of-in-law of
Nina Bronstein
Morris Greenberg
father of Barbara Shuster
Herman Kresch
father of Edward Kresch
Ann Levis
mother of Fern Bernstein
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grandmother of Myra Rios
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Vera Neumann-Sachs
Jack Rein
father of John Rein
Thomas Stone
father of Mary Weiner
grandfather of Mollie Plotkin

January 9

Harry Blaufeld
father of Andrea Stern
Joseph Edward Broscoe
father of Joseph Broscoe
Mitzi Golub
grandmother of
Melissa Shusterman
Frances Kaspin
mother of Barbara Goldstein

January 10

Thomas Broscoe
brother of Joseph Broscoe
Morris Faktorow
father of Sylvia Oxman
Carole Hildebrand
friend of Harriet Bleiman

January 12

Martin Cohen
Dorothy Dunn
grandmother of Samantha Getz

Herbert Ferdman
Isidore Goss
father of Cynthia Fastman
Dr. Alexander Leavitt
father of David Leavitt
Sarah Pulda
mother of Ruth Gail Cohen
Phillip Veloric
Allan Weiss
friend of Martin &
Shirley Birenbaum

January 13

Mary Blackman
aunt of Loraine Bailie
Herman Goldman
father of Charles Goldman
Mabel Levin
mother of Brooke Levin
grandmother of Emily Mendell

January 14

Leslie S. Coplan
niece of Betty Graboyes
Maxwell Frank
father of Barbara Drizin
Jordan Hersh
father of Eileen Wolfson
grandfather of
Jessica Charmont
grandfather of
Rachel Thomas
Walter Isle
father of Timothy Isle
Samuel Trachtenberg
grandfather of Myra Rios

January 15

Harry Apt
brother of Lottie Morley
Eleanor Irvine
aunt of Daniel Endy

January 16

Richard Goldstein
brother of Natalie Silverman
Henry F. Morley
husband of Lottie Morley
Morton Schwartz
Marjorie Solow
mother of Rochelle Solow

January 17

Isadore Kramer
uncle of Mark Kramer
David H. Lynn
father of Thomas Lynn
June Mendel
mother of Kenneth Mendel
Bea Miller
mother of Carl Miller
Emanuel Robbins
brother of Saul Robbins

January 18

Stuart Grant
Dr. Norman Learner
father of Lisa Learner-Wagner
Suzanne Stecker
friend of Jody Nibauer

January 19

Pearl Brouda
mother of Howard Brouda
Mary Facciolo
friend of Staycee Liberatore
Dora Harris
grandmother of Ilene Berger
Irving Shanefield
father of Andrew Shanefield

January 20

Jacob S. Cash
father of Stephen Cash
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Fannie Grant
grandmother of David &
Barbara Smilk
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mother of Robert Kesselman
William Munin
father-in-law of Norma Munin
grandfather of Rob Munin

January 21

Jim Berger
brother of Steven Berger
Abe Faske
Miriam Finkelstein
mother of Samuel Finkelstein
Bernard Frank
brother-in-law of
Shirley Plotkin
Rose Indig
Loretta Smilk Spitz
mother of David Smilk

January 22

Mae Glick
R. John Gould
Max W. Pottiger
father of Michael Pottiger

January 23

Lillie Frank
Emanuel Hymowitz
father of Sandra Dell
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uncle of Barbara Goldstein
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January 24

Eva Elfman
grandmother of
Linda Hershman
Ruth Litt
mother of Harold Litt

January 25

Fannie Shereshevsky
aunt of Adele Persky

January 26

Calvin Brusman
father of Margie Holber
Rita Haas
sister of-in-law of Dan Haas

Milton Kassel
father of Jane Kassel
Beverly Mellman
Donald Nachman
father of Brad Nachman

January 27

Anne Kedson
mother of Leonard Kedson
Albert Spritzler
uncle of Eileen Buckwalter

January 28

Annie Lipshitz
mother of Thelma Greenbaum
Henry Miller
brother of Carolyn Clein
Meyer Psigoda
uncle of Natalene Kramer

January 29

Joan Broscoe
mother of Joseph Broscoe
Henry Freed
father of Cantor Patrice Kaplan
Bella Mescon
mother of Helen Rosan

January 30

Martin Gottlieb
Norman Kasendorf
grandfather of Eric Rubin
Jack Pine
Sylvia Solomon
mother of Carol Jacobs
sister of-in-law of Carol Rubin
Marc Solow
brother of Rochelle Solow

January 31

Ida Kaplan Bluestone
mother of Nancy Handwerker
Anne Granite
aunt of Trudy Itzko
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Annamarie Scarpa
mother of James Scarpa
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







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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 Trivia Night Saturday, 1/12 (7 PM)	 Tu B'Shevat Saturday, 1/26 Sunday, 1/27 (3 PM) To God's Ears Documentary 	19 Tevet Building Closed Happy New Year!	20 Tevet 9:30 AM Jewish Meditation 10:30 AM Tanakh Study 4 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class	21 Tevet 10:30 Hilltoppers Board Mtg. 7:30 PM Sisterhood Board 8 PM Discussion Group	22 Tevet 9:30 AM Preschool Shabbat 8 PM Shabbat Service 	23 Tevet Torah Portion: <i>Shemot</i> 
24 Tevet 6 9:30 AM Religious School/Cafe 11 AM Kol Sholom Rehearsal 11:30 AM Shape Up!	25 Tevet 7 6:30 PM Hebrew School 6:30 PM Geshertim 7 PM Academy	26 Tevet 8 4 PM Hebrew School 4 PM Geshertim 5:30 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM Intro to Judaism	27 Tevet 9 9:30 AM Jewish Meditation 4 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Executive Board	28 Tevet 7:30 PM Sisterhood Book Club 	29 Tevet 10 9:30 AM Preschool Shabbat 6 PM Tot Shabbat Service 7:30 PM Pot Luck Dinner 7:30 PM Dalet & Family Shabbat Service 	1 Shevat 12 7 PM Trivia Night Torah Portion: <i>Va'era</i> <i>Rosh Hodesh</i> 
2 Shevat 13 9:30 AM Religious School/Cafe 9:30 AM Conversations with Men 11 AM Kol Sholom 11:30 AM Shape Up! 11:30 AM Geshertim 1:30 PM Budget Mtg.	3 Shevat 14 6:30 PM Hebrew School 7 PM Academy	4 Shevat 15 4 PM Hebrew School 5:30 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 6:30 PM Para/Service Leader Mtg. 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM Intro to Judaism	5 Shevat 16 9:30 AM Jewish Meditation 10:30 AM Tanakh Study 4 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM General Board Mtg.	6 Shevat 17 7:30 PM Hilltoppers Program	7 Shevat 18 9:30 AM Preschool Shabbat 8 PM Shabbat Service 	8 Shevat 19 10:30 AM Bar Mitzvah: Chase Mendell Torah Portion: <i>Bo</i> 
9 Shevat 20 No Religious School	10 Shevat 21 Building Closed In Honor of Martin Luther King Day 	11 Shevat 22 No Religious School 7 PM Purim Rehearsal 	12 Shevat 23 9:30 AM Jewish Meditation 10:30 AM Tanakh Study 4 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 6:30 PM Gratz Cooks 6:30 PM Women's Meditation 7:30 PM Women's Spirituality	13 Shevat 24 1:15 PM Hilltoppers Book Club 	14 Shevat 25 9:30 AM Preschool Shabbat 7 PM Tu B'Shevat Seder and Shabbat Celebration 	15 Shevat 26 Bear Creek Ski Trip 10 AM We Sing Shabbat 10:30 AM Bat Mitzvah: Samantha Maxwell Torah Portion: <i>Beshallach</i> <i>Tu B'Shevat</i> <i>Shabbat Shirah</i> 
16 Shevat 27 Religious School Used Book Fair 9:30 AM Religious School/Cafe 11 AM Kol Sholom 3 PM To God's Ears 	17 Shevat 28 6:30 AM Hebrew School 7 PM Academy	18 Shevat 29 4 PM Hebrew School 5:30 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 7 PM Purim Rehearsal	19 Shevat 30 9:30 AM Jewish Meditation 10:30 AM Tanakh Study 4 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class	20 Shevat 31 		

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