



Temple Israel

CHRONICLE

August/September 2017

**RABBI MICHAEL S. FRIEDMAN,
SENIOR RABBI**



Some of you may have noticed that in recent years our clergy team has selected an annual theme for the High Holy Days.

We have chosen each theme to emphasize that every High Holy Day season is unique. Our society is not the same as it was a year ago. Each of us has grown, learned, changed, laughed, cried, celebrated, aged. How, then, can this Rosh Hashanah be a mere repetition of the same prayers we offered last year? Rather, it should be a new opportunity to consider the state of our world and our selves. So too this Yom Kippur should not be a rote re-hashing of the same tired confessions, but a new opportunity to take stock of who and what we have become.

This High Holy Day season, especially, we desperately need to step outside of our routine so that we can experience the most essential of human emotions: Wonder, Hope and Awe.

Wonder

There is no question that we are among the most fortunate human beings on earth. Nonetheless all of us lose sight of the many miracles of our existence, much like the



Our children embody Wonder, Hope and Awe as they explore at Shabbat on the Beach.

Jews of legend who walked through the miraculous walls of water complaining of the mud and muck on their shoes. Each of us yearns to experience appreciation and gratitude for God's many blessings. We ache to marvel at the beauty of the earth and the gorgeous spectacle that is our lives. In short, we desperately long for Wonder. As theologian Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel taught, "The beginning of our happiness lies in the understanding that life without wonder is not worth living."

Hope

We have each experienced disappointment, disillusion, failure and loss. Our people has likewise suffered communally in every generation. In fact, one wonders why we didn't give up long ago. Rabbi Joseph Potasnik, executive vice president of the New York Board of Rabbis, reminds us of the centrality of hope in Jewish law. "If I lose an object and I do not give up hope of it being found, then it still belongs to me. However if I lose something and relinquish all hope,



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then the “finders keepers” rule applies and it now belongs to the new owner.” Simply put, no matter how bad the situation gets, the greatest of all Jewish values and the highest of all Jewish aspirations is Hope. We will gather on these High Holy Days to affirm that despite everything we will continue to put one foot in front of the other because this New Year will be a better year.

Awe

Although we sometimes call the High Holy Days the “Days of Awe,” we might be at a loss to define Awe itself. The Hebrew word *yir'ah* connotes a combination of reverence and fear. Each of us can instantly recall that indescribable feeling we get when we hear the call of the shofar or the tune of Kol Nidrei. That just might be the sound of Awe itself, passed down to us through the generations. To experience Awe is to acknowledge that there is a power beyond human capacity and understanding that sustains all life, determines truth, and defines love. Awe enables us to experience grandeur, humility, and the ineffable ecstasy and sadness of human existence.

May each of us find what we so desperately need this High Holy Day season. May these be days of Wonder, Hope and Awe.



2017/5778 High Holy Day Schedule

SELICHOT

Saturday, Sept. 16 at 8:00 pm

Temple Shalom

259 Richards Ave., Norwalk

EREV ROSH HASHANAH

Wednesday, Sept. 20 at 8:00 pm

Temple Israel

ROSH HASHANAH FAMILY SERVICE (PRE K- GRADE 2)

Thursday, Sept. 21 at 9:00 am

Temple Israel

FIRST DAY ROSH HASHANAH

Thursday, Sept. 21 at 10:30 am

Temple Israel and Bedford Middle School

TASHLICH

Thursday, Sept. 21 at 5:00 pm

Westport Public Library

SECOND DAY ROSH HASHANAH

Friday, Sept. 22 at 9:30 am

Temple Israel

KOL NIDREI

Friday, Sept. 29 at 8:00 pm

Temple Israel

YOM KIPPUR FAMILY SERVICE (PRE K - GRADE 2)

Saturday, Sept. 30 at 9:00 am

YOM KIPPUR MORNING SERVICE

Saturday, Sept. 30 at 10:30 am

Temple Israel and Bedford Middle School

YOM KIPPUR COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

Saturday, Sept. 30 at 1:45 pm

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YOM KIPPUR AFTERNOON, YIZKOR & NEILAH

Saturday, Sept. 30 at 3:15 pm

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Yizkor will begin at approximately 4:45 pm, followed by Neilah.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Shabbat Celebrations

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

- Kabbalat Shabbat
6:30 pm on Fridays
- Meditation & Reflection
8:30 am on Saturdays
- Shabbat Morning Minyan
9:00 am on Saturdays
- Torah Study
10:00 am on Saturdays

Special Services

- Shabbat Under The Stars
Friday, Sept. 8 at 6:30 pm
- Selichot
at Temple Shalom
Saturday, Sept. 16 at 8:00 pm
- Sukkot
at The Conservative
Synagogue
Thursday, Oct. 5 at 9:30 am
- First Festival (Consecration, Sukkot
& Simchat Torah)
Friday, Oct. 6 at 5:30 pm
- Simchat Torah and Yizkor
Thursday, Oct. 12 at 9:30 am
- Save the Date: Rabbi Danny Moss
Installation
Friday, Dec. 8 at 6:30 pm

Religious School

- OPENING DAYS FOR
RELIGIOUS SCHOOL
** Parents are invited to join
our opening assembly

- Grades K, 1, 2, 3
Monday, Sept. 11 at 4:00 pm
- Grades 4, 5, 6
Sunday, Sept. 10 at 9:00 am
- Grades 7-12
Tuesday, Sept. 12 at 6:00 pm
- PARENTS MEETING
*Explore our innovative
programming for 2017/5778*

Grade K:
Monday, Oct. 2 at 5:00 pm

Grade 1:
Monday, Sept. 18 at 5:00 pm

Grade 2:
Monday, Sept. 18 at 5:00 pm

Grade 3:
Monday, Sept. 25 at 5:00 pm

Grade 4:
(Two days per week):
Sunday, Sept. 17 at 9:00-9:35 am

(One day per week):
Sunday, Sept. 17 at 9:35-9:50 am

Grade 5:
(Two days per week):
Sunday, Sept. 24 at 9:00-9:35 am

(One day per week):
Sunday, Sept. 24 at 9:35-9:50 am

Grade 6:
Sunday, Oct. 15 at 9:00 am

- FAMILY PROGRAMS
First Grade Family Programming
"Shabbat in Our Lives"
Sunday, Oct. 29 at 11:00 am
**** This session replaces class
on Monday, Oct. 30.**
- SHOFAR CHOIR
Junior Shofar Choir (Grades K - 3):
Mondays 3:30 to 4:00 pm
August 21, 28; Sept. 11, 18

Shofar Choir (Grades 4 - 6)
Tuesdays 5:30 to 6:00 pm
Aug 22, 29; Sept. 5, 12, 19
Sundays 12:00 to 12:30 pm
Sept. 10, 17

E@T AT TEMPLE

*Religious School Students
in grades 2-6*

This year's dates and times
to be announced soon.

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KATANTY

Students in grades 2-5

- Movie and Lunch
Sunday, Oct. 15 at 12:00 pm
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MITY

Students in grades 6-8

- Dinner at Sakura
Sunday, Oct. 15 at 4:45 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

TISY

Students in grades 8-12

- High Holy Days Teen Experience
Rosh Hashanah (Sept. 21):
Compo Beach at 4:00 pm
Yom Kippur (Sept. 30) at 3:00 pm

Adult Jewish Learning

- Interfaith Theology Course
Tuesdays at 11:00 am-12:00 pm,
Beginning Sept. 12
- TI Book Group
Thursday, Oct. 12 and Nov. 9
at 12:30 pm

Community Events

- Shalom Fest
Sunday, Sept. 10 at 11:00 am
- Sukkot (Community service at
The Conservative Synagogue)
Thursday, Oct. 5 at 9:30 am
- Mi Dor L'dor: From Generation
to Generation Mystery readers
Thursday, Oct. 19, and Thursday,
Nov. 16 at 11:30 am

Women's Group

- Cocktails In The Sukkah
Wednesday, Oct. 4
at 7:00 pm





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Shalom Fest

Sunday, Sept. 10

11:00 am

*Community. Friends.
Celebration.*

FEATURED EVENTS

SPECIAL SERVICES



SHABBAT UNDER THE STARS FRIDAY, SEPT. 8 AT 6:30 PM

Celebrate Shabbat under a canopy of stars, as we move our worship beyond the walls of our sanctuary, and conclude with a community BBQ dinner. In the event of rain, the event will be held indoors. For more information and to register: www.tiwestport.org/shabbatunderthestars



SELICHOT TEMPLE SHALOM, 259 RICHARDS AVE., NORWALK SATURDAY, SEPT. 16 AT 8:00 PM

Selichot offers our first opportunity for soulful, penitential contemplation as we approach our High Holy Day season.



SUKKOT THURSDAY, OCT. 5 AT 9:30 AM AT TCS, 30 HILLSPPOINT RD., WESTPORT

Sukkot is our autumn festival of rejoicing in the earth's bounty, while commemorating the desert wanderings of our ancient ancestors. For Sukkot this year we will join The Conservative Synagogue for a community-wide morning service.



FIRST FESTIVAL

FRIDAY, OCT. 6 AT 5:30 PM

Celebrate Sukkot and Simchat Torah together with the Temple Israel community at this unique First Festival. We will rejoice as the Torah is taken from the ark and is fully unrolled from end to end. First Festival will also honor all new incoming Religious School students with our Consecration ceremony. For more information and to register: www.tiwestport.org/firstfridays

5:30 - 6:00 pm

Tot Shabbat Sing Along

*Song and celebration starring
Cantor Dan & our rabbis*

6:00 - 6:30 pm

Pizza and Crafts

*Food and family fun
\$5 child / \$8 adult*

6:30 - 7:30 pm

Congregational Shabbat service

Soulful music and inspirational worship

7:30 - 8:15 pm

Community Dinner

*An opportunity for connection and friendship
\$12 child / \$15 adult*

8:15 - 10:00 pm

Playing God Film Series

Oct. 6: TBD

10:00 pm

Dessert Reception

A sweet conclusion to the evening

FEATURED EVENTS

SIMCHAT TORAH AND YIZKOR THURSDAY, OCT. 12 AT 9:30 AM

Celebrate the cyclical nature of Torah as we conclude our annual reading of the last section of the Torah, and then immediately begin reading anew with the opening section of Genesis, or *B'reishit*.



SAVE THE DATE: RABBI DANNY MOSS INSTALLATION FRIDAY, DEC. 8 AT 6:30 PM

Our congregation will have an opportunity to formally welcome and bless Rabbi Moss as he settles into his role as our Assistant Rabbi. Our guest speaker will be Rabbi Daniel Zemel of Congregation Micah in Washington DC, who has been a mentor to Rabbi Moss for many years.

ADULT JEWISH LEARNING



ADULT LEARNING CHAVURAH THURSDAYS AT 9:30-10:45 AM STARTING SEPT. 14

The Adult Learning Havurah is a new group for those looking for "201"-level learning and engagement on a variety of Jewish topics. Rabbi Danny Moss and other guest teachers will lead exploration of Jewish history, holidays, Israel and more. This course is open to all.

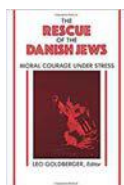
TI BOOK GROUP

Come and enjoy engaging discussions and rich fellowship.

For more information and descriptions of each book visit: www.tiwestport.org/tibookgroup



THURSDAY, OCT. 12 AT 12:30 PM Moonglow By Michael Chabon



THURSDAY, NOV. 9 AT 12:30 PM The Rescue of the Danish Jews: Moral Courage Under Stress By Leo Goldberger



INTERFAITH THEOLOGY COURSE TUESDAYS 11:00 AM-12:00 PM, BEGINNING SEPT. 12

Westport/Weston clergy of all faiths are joining together to offer this brand-new course on interfaith theology. Each clergy member will teach a segment of the course, enabling us to learn a multitude of perspectives on creation, revelation, redemption, good & evil, covenant and many other topics. Together with our neighbors, we will listen and share with mutual respect and openness in order to achieve greater understanding of others and ourselves.

FEATURED EVENTS

COMMUNITY EVENTS



SHALOM FEST SUNDAY, SEPT. 10 AT 11:00 AM

Community. Friends. Celebration. Bring your family and friends for food and fun as we reconnect as a Temple community at our annual welcome back event. Free of charge.



MI DOR L'DOR: FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION MYSTERY READERS THURSDAY, OCT. 19, AND THURSDAY, NOV. 16 AT 11:30 AM

The Carol Schoke Early Childhood Center is looking for older adult volunteers to read preselected books to our 3 and 4 year olds. If interested, please email Nancy Isaacs at nisaacs@tiwestport.org or call (203) 227-1656.

WOMEN'S GROUP



COCKTAILS IN THE SUKKAH WEDNESDAY, OCT. 4 AT 7:00 PM

Reconnect with old friends and meet new ones at a joyous gathering for all the women in our TI community in our courtyard Sukkah. Enjoy cocktails, light appetizers, etrogs, and lulavs. Please RSVP to Womensgroup@tiwestport.org

OTHER



2017-2018 RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Register online at: <http://www.tiwestport.org/rsregistration> or contact Religious School Administrative Assistant Jackie Fuchs at 203-227-1656, ext. 308. We are looking forward to a year of exploration, challenge, discovery, and growth!

A Message From the President

GARY SCHANZER



I always look forward to the summer months. Summer offers a sliver of respite: time to recharge before the drive towards year end. For my wife and I, this means getting out on the golf course as much as possible, an annual weekend in Maine with our oldest and dearest friends, and simply trying to restore more balance to our lives.

Each summer when the Temple Israel year comes to a close in June and starts anew in July, the downtime of summer offers a chance to reflect on our achievements and identify possible areas which could use improvement in the coming year. Certainly this past year TI saw many successes: the restoration of our Torahs through the generosity of many congregants, the continuing popularity of First Fridays and Shabbat On The Beach, and the successful launching of our new Shabbat at Home program. We welcomed new leadership in our schools and bid a fond farewell to Rabbi Schwartz after his four years of service to Temple Israel. And importantly we took the first step in addressing what has been a six-year-long operating deficit through the launch of the Annual Fund for Temple Israel.

At the same time, we know that there are countless areas of potential improvement. Our clergy and staff spend critical time together during the summer ideating and planning ways to enhance worship, educational and social programming to make life at TI even more meaningful for all congregants. I've certainly learned a lot in my first year as Temple Israel president, and look forward to improving the effectiveness of the work of the Board of Trustees on your behalf. And of course we will look to build on the success of our first year of active fundraising to secure our financial future.

I hope all of you enjoyed your summer as well. Refresh, recharge, and relish what this time has to offer. We look forward to welcoming you back during the High Holy Days for what we know will be another exciting, meaningful year at Temple Israel.





Temple Israel: Standing Together In Sickness & In Health

Temple Israel wants to be by your side, both in sickness and in health.

If you or a loved one is planning a hospital stay, please call the congregational office to let us know when you will be admitted. If you are taken to hospital in an emergency, please ask a loved one or a friend to call Temple Israel or inform the hospital that you are Jewish and would welcome a clergy visit.

Our clergy and Caring Committee make regular hospital visits. If they are aware that you are a patient they would be happy to stop by.

Having the support of the Temple Israel community can make a painful time more bearable. Please allow us to lend a hand during your time of need. Contact Temple Israel at 203.227.1293, or dmoos@tiwestport.org.

Introducing Lianna Mendelson, Cantorial Intern



I'm Lianna Mendelson and I am looking forward to joining the Temple Israel community as your cantorial intern. I am a second-year cantorial student at the Debbie Friedman School of Sacred Music at Hebrew Union College, and I recently returned from a year of study in Jerusalem. I'm from Rochester, NY, and graduated from the University of Rochester with a BA in Music and a minor in Hebrew. During my undergraduate studies I spent a semester at Hebrew University in Jerusalem, studying music and Jewish Studies.

I am currently a member of the inaugural cohort of the Weitzman-JDC Fellowship in Global Jewish Leadership. The Fellowship is an initiative for rabbinical and cantorial students to increase understanding of global Jewish issues through overseas service and local fieldwork. I have recently become passionate about Jewish travel. I spent Passover in Belarus as part of the FSU Pesach Project and visited the Jewish community of Buenos Aires as a participant on a JDC-Entwine Inside Jewish Argentina trip for HUC students. In addition, I love to knit. I can't wait to create music and prayer with you!

TEMPLE ISRAEL WELCOMES THE GOVER TORAH: ALL ITS PATHS ARE PEACE



We all know about the Ten Commandments. But did you know there are 603 additional commandments, or mitzvot, outlined in the Torah?

The last commandment, number 613, instructs every Jew to write a Torah himself, or to have one written. Very few of us are aware of this obligation, or even give a thought to the provenance of our congregation's Torah scrolls.

Alan Gover, a lawyer from Greenwich, Conn., was aware of this last obligation. He decided to



not only undertake the mandate, but also to share the fruits of his labor with Temple Israel.

Now, the majestic Gover Torah, emblazoned with the burnt red, ochre and gold flame graces Temple Israel's ark. Its hand-woven mantle is embroidered in gold thread with a verse from Proverbs, "Its ways are ways of pleasantness and all its paths are peace."

The act of commissioning the Torah, Gover explained, was to celebrate his marriage to his wife, Janine Behrman, and to honor their children.

"Having a Torah written was a uniquely special experience and journey," said Gover. The process took a year and a half. It involved selecting a *sofer*, or religious scribe, procuring a variety of specialty materials and artisans as well as planning and designing the Torah, among other things.

As Gover recounted, the Torah-designing odyssey brought him to Jerusalem and the ultra-Orthodox neighborhood of *Mea She'arim*. There, a series of coincidences led him to Rabbi Shmuel Rosenfeld, a *sofer* who he enlisted to work on his family's scroll.

"There are scribes, and there are scribes," said Gover about Rosenfeld, who he describes as "highly talented," and his lettering as "vivid." Gover and Rosenfeld, originally from Brooklyn who had made *aliya*, became friends instantly.

The pair selected the parchment for the scroll, shopping around for the best



quality available. According to Gover, Rosenfeld stressed a phrase from the Torah which says that you elevate God to the highest level by always doing your best. The *sofer* worked according to that principle and aimed to bring the highest honor to God through his skill.

Armed with his quill pen, Rosenfeld expertly crafted the scroll in Assyrian script according to exacting Torah law specifications. The script on the Gover scroll seems to pop out at the reader, and the ink still appears to be wet.

"This Torah is among the most exquisite examples of scribal craftsmanship I have ever seen. It will add beauty and majesty to our worship for many years to come," said Rabbi Michael S. Friedman. "We are incredibly grateful and appreciative that the Gover family has entrusted Temple Israel with this scroll."

For Gover, commissioning the Torah was more than just a process of selection and design. "It was an experience like no other," he said, adding that having his grandson Joshua Zeitlin be the inaugural reader of the Torah at his Bar Mitzvah was "exhilarating."

"A Torah is not an artifact," explained Gover. The goal of the Torah, Gover asserted, is to make sure it inspires and does all the things it is supposed to. "We feel confident under Rabbi Friedman and Cantor Sklar our Torah will do those things at Temple Israel," Gover said.

GIFTS MID-MARCH

ADULT JEWISH LEARNING

Rita Chingas in memory of Ida Krieger
Rita and Alex Chingas in memory of Del Markoff
Eleanor Dinitz in memory of Joseph Kushner
Vikki and David Dunn in memory of Barry Blau
Susan and David Kalman in memory of Jill F. Cohen
Julie and Rob Potack
in honor of Gabrielle Schickler's bat mitzvah
Lisa and Robert Rowan
in honor of Amy Gare's bat mitzvah
Sheryl Udell in honor of Felicia Sale's bat mitzvah
Lauri Weiser in honor of Terrie Langer's bat mitzvah

ART FUND

The Crain Family in memory of Dr. Richard M. Crain
Yvonne and Michael Marks in memory of Jill F. Cohen
Aliza and Maury Wind in memory of Alex Hyman

ASSISTANT RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

The Family of Barry Blau in memory of Barry Blau
Margo and Sidney Friedman
in honor of Jacob Friedman's bar mitzvah

BUILDING AND GROUNDS BEAUTIFICATION FUND

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in memory of Edith Sussman and Leo Heller
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Stanley Nayer in memory of Judith Nayer Spevack

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The Brenner Family in memory of Murray Brenner
Saralee and Lewis Robins in memory of Harry Robins

CANTOR SKLAR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

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Margo and Sidney Friedman
in honor of Jacob Friedman's bar mitzvah
Mark and Alexandra Friedman
in honor of Jacob's bar mitzvah
Carl and Eileen Glickman in memory of Jack Glickman
Carl and Eileen Glickman
in memory of Martin Glickman and Jack Glickman
Barry and Carol Haber in memory of Jeffrey Fassberg
Claire and David Hertan
in honor of Claire's bat mitzvah
Jodi and Michael Honig in memory of Henry Hirsch
Sandy and Larry Lefkowitz
in honor of Oliver Clachko's bar mitzvah
Phyllis Markoff and Family in memory of Del Markoff
Cary Moskowitz in appreciation of Cantor Sklar
Miriam Neswald in memory of Del Markoff
Ruth-Anne and Robert Perliss
in memory of Ira Tumpowsky
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in memory of Irving Abrams and Deborah Abrams
Diane Rosenblatt in memory of Robert Silverstadt
Tom Seigel and Helene Glotzer in honor of Carly's bat mitzvah
The Walmark Family
in memory of Sondra "Sandy" Ziering
and Marguerite "Marge" Walmark
Maury and Aliza Wind in memory of Shirley Wind

CARING COMMITTEE

Joyce Narins Fensterstock in memory of Frances Kross Narins
Betty Heller in memory of Ira Tumpowsky
Wendy and George Kleros in memory of Edward Winston
Ken and Phyllis Makovsky in memory of Ira Tumpowsky
Ken and Phyllis Makovsky in memory of Murray Peck
Ken and Phyllis Makovsky in memory of Del Markoff
Stanley Nayer in memory of Sophie Nayer
Stanley Nayer in memory of Jill F. Cohen
Julie and Rob Potack in honor of Felicia Sale's bat mitzvah
Molly Small in memory of Sidney H. Small
Lauri Weiser in appreciation of Rabbi PJ Schwartz

CAROL SCHOKE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER ENDOWMENT FUND

James Schoke
James Schoke
in memory of Rose Asher Schoke and Carol Ann Schoke

CEMETERY BEAUTIFICATION FUND

Jane Malakoff
in memory of Allen Rosenberg and Arthur and Carol Rosenberg
William Mazo in memory of Max Mazo and Sylvia Mazo

ELAINE GASTWIRT COLLEGE OUTREACH FUND

Robert, Suzanne, Jeff and Laura Kahn
in memory of Bertha Davis and Carol R. Kahn
Marna and Stuart Novack in memory of Ira Tumpowsky
Marna and Stuart Novack in memory of Nathan Camhy
Marna and Stuart Novack in memory of Del Markoff

FUND FOR JEWISH CONTINUITY

Frances Bregman Mande in memory of Dora Bregman
in memory of Phyllis Rosenberg

GRANDPARENTS FUND

Rita Chingas in memory of Dorothy Kohn
Dayna and Lance Diamond in memory Jeffrey Levitt
Sue and Mark Hariton
in memory of Rose Hariton and Goldy Katz
Barbara and Stephen Raffel in memory of Francis Gurda
Wendy and Brian Sobelman in memory of Phyllis Rosenberg

MELVIN AND RUTH P. ZIMMERS CONCERT FUND

Stanley Nayer in memory of Herman Horn

GENERAL FUND

Joseph and Lois Block in memory of Marc Block
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Carol Gluckman in memory of Del Markoff
Hedda and Lewis Goldman in memory of Del Markoff
Syma Gruss in memory of Del Markoff
Leon and Frances Hyman in memory of Del Markoff
Sheila and Steve Israel in memory of Del Markoff
Julie and Jeremy Kaufman
in honor of Gabrielle Schickler's bat mitzvah
Lawrence Kirschenbaum
in memory of Samuel Kirschenbaum
Sally and Michael Kliegman in memory of Ira Tumpowsky
Sally and Michael Kliegman in memory of Jill F. Cohen
Audrey Magida in memory of Del Markoff
Sheri Michaels in memory of Del Markoff
Myra and Hector Motroni in memory of Del Markoff
Jill and Eric Orent in memory of Doris Kanter
Mary and Tom Porter in memory of Del Markoff
Donald and Pearl Richman in memory of Sam Present
Barbara and Jeff Schwab in memory of Ira Tumpowsky
Barbara and Jeff Schwab in memory of Phyllis Rosenberg
Alexander Schwartz in memory of Martin Schwartz
Paul and Josette Schwartz
in honor of Terrie Langer's bat mitzvah
Shirlee Schwarz in memory of Del Markoff
Sybil Steinberg in memory of Del Markoff
Warren and Maxine Steinberg
in memory of Florence and David Edelman

RABBI FRIEDMAN'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Marcia Avirom in memory of Ron Kevitz
Ruth and Leonard Baker in memory of Jesse Ellman
Adrienne and Bill Berman in memory of Del Markoff
Herbert and Arlene Bloom in memory of Rose Bloom
The Gerbush Family in memory of Monty Gerbush
Barbara and Timothy Boroughs in memory of Ada Friedman
Melissa and Ed Diamond and Family
in memory of Ben B. Sandberg
Gladys and Martin Floch
in memory of Jean Floch, Samuel Floch and Meyer Wisser

Margo and Sidney Friedman
in honor of Jacob Friedman's bar mitzvah

Mark and Alexandra Friedman
in honor of Jacob's bar mitzvah

Brian Gaines
Sylvia Galambos in honor of Andrea and Claudio's wedding

Enid Ganz in memory of Sylvia Weiss

Indy and Seth Goldberg in memory of Doris Kanter

Claire and David Hertan in honor of Claire's bat mitzvah

Amanda, Jason, Justin, Jesse and Alexa Jakubowicz
in honor of Alexa's naming

Sandy and Larry Lefkowitz in memory of Ira Tumpowsky

Sandy and Larry Lefkowitz in memory of Jill F. Cohen

Robin and Matt Leon in honor of Felicia Sale's bat mitzvah

Phyllis Markoff and Family in memory of Del Markoff

Lynne Mesznik in memory of Jill F. Cohen

Cary and Josephine Moskowitz in honor of Lynnea's bat mitzvah

Cary Moskowitz in memory of Rita Moskowitz

The Neisloss Family
in memory of Sarah Klein and Janet Gottfried

Maxine and Arnold Nickelsberg in memory of Del Markoff

The Orland and Silverstein Families
in memory of Maxwell Orland, Dorothy Orland and Cyrus Topol

Kim Phillips in memory of Elaine Evans

Pat and David Pitchenik in memory of Ira Tumpowsky

Richard Rauh in memory of Florence Rauh

Sandy and Steve Rothenberg in memory of Hyla Raphael

Diane Schwartz in memory of Fred Schwartz

Lana and Rick Steinberg in memory of Dr. Alfred D. Steinberg

Renee Szabo in memory of Ted Szabo

The Walmark Family
in memory of Sondra "Sandy" Ziering and Marguerite "Marge" Walmark

Maury and Aliza Wind in memory of Milton Wind

Maury and Aliza Wind in memory of Del Markoff

Cindy, Alan, Jason, Steph, Jonathan and Julie Zuckerbrod
and Irwin Cohen in memory of Jill F. Cohen

RABBI ROBERT J. ORKAND FUND FOR TEMPLE ISRAEL

Audrey Tumpowsky in memory of Del Markoff

RABBI B.T. AND SUZANNE RUBENSTEIN LECTURE FUND

Connie Beskind in memory of Stanley Beskind

Frances Mande in memory of Irving Mande

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND

Mary Sue and Ed Teplitz in memory of George Teplitz

Randi and Jeremy Vishno
in memory of Lena Merlin and Arnold Witt

Susan Yules in memory of Carol Wantman

SCHIFF/NAD SPECIAL CHILDREN FUND

Randy and Shelly Frank in memory of Sidney Vogel

Warren and Maxine Steinberg
in memory of David and Florence Edelman

STEINBERG LIBRARY FUND

Laurie Caplane in memory of Del Markoff

Sybil Steinberg in memory of Harold Steinberg

TORAH STUDY

Bob and Bobbie Bernstein in memory of Ira Tumpowsky

Lauren Cetlin in memory of Marcia Gelband

Roberta and Paul Cooper in memory of Ira Tumpowsky

Eleanor Dinitz in memory of Ira Tumpowsky

Mark Friedman in honor of the Tuesday Torah class

Torah Study Group in honor of Dan Magida

TZEDAKAH FUND

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