



# KOL TIKVAH

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### ***Kehilat Hesed – Caring Community***

During the High Holy Days we individually took a *heshbon ha-nefesh* — an accounting of our lives — and we were challenged to live our lives more Jewishly. During this time of a rabbinic search for a new settled (i.e. permanent) rabbi, we as a congregation are taking a collective *heshbon na-nefesh* and are challenged to create a stronger and more vibrant community here at Temple B'nai Tikvah. One of my top priorities is that we are a *kehilat hesed* — a true caring community.

If there is one thing I have learned in my life, it's that we can't go it alone. In isolation our spirits atrophy; our lives can spin out of control. We all need love, friendship, mentors, and supportive people in our lives. We all need a caring community to help us cope with the problems we face with our health, our jobs, kids, spouses, and our aging parents. We all need a sense of hope for the future.

In community, no one should have to walk through divorce, unemployment, bereavement, serious injury or disability, or loneliness alone. In community we should learn how to give — and what is still harder for most of us — how to receive.

A Hasidic story is told of a boy and his father traveling together up a hill in an old wagon. Suddenly a large boulder appeared on the road, which the wagon could not get around. The boy pondered the situation, got out of the wagon, and tried to move the boulder. He couldn't; it was simply too heavy. So next he went to a tree, took off a large branch, and tried to pry the stone out. The branch snapped under the effort. The boy then tried to roll the stone downward, but to no avail. Exhausted, frustrated, the boy climbed back into the wagon and said to his father, "I've tried everything. I just can't do it." His father replied, "You haven't tried everything." "But father," the boy protested, "I've rolled the stone, pried the stone, pushed the stone. What didn't I do?" His father looked tenderly at him and answered, "You didn't ask me for help."

It's so hard for many of us to ask for help. It's much easier to give than to receive; easier to nurture than to be nurtured.

Here at Temple B'nai Tikvah, we have a wonderful Caring Community Committee. Our goal as a *kehilat hesed* is to create a more caring and responsive community; to transform our casual associations into loving and sacred relationships. Our tradition teaches us not to separate ourselves from the community; and it teaches us that we are each responsible for one another. I take this sacred obligation seriously and we need your help.

First, we need you to step forward to volunteer to help others in their time of need. Second, we need you to let us know what your needs are — to be willing to give us a call and ask for help. Please rest assured that your wishes concerning privacy and confidentiality will be honoured.

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### **D'VAR HA RAV: RABBI'S MESSAGE**

Rabbi Teri Appleby

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### **Offering Help**

Please let us know if you are willing to help with any of the following:

- Deliver a meal to a neighbour
- Give a neighbour a ride to a Temple event
- Give a neighbour a ride to an appointment
- Run an errand for a neighbour
- Make a friendly phone call or pay a visit to someone who is home-bound
- Knit a shawl for someone who is ill
- Offer a place at your holiday table

### **Accepting Help**

Please call:

- If there has been a death or a new birth in your family
- If you or a family member is ill
- If you need a ride to Temple
- If you need an errand done
- If you are home-bound
- If you are the primary caregiver of an aging parent or a child with special needs
- If you would like to be hosted for a Shabbat or holiday dinner

As we begin this New Year, may we truly tend and befriend one another.

*L'Shalom,*  
Rabbi Teri

## **LIFECYCLE EVENTS**

### *Mazel Tov*

- Danny and Roz Oppenheim on the birth of their grandson, Shiloh, son of Zoë Oppenheim and Brian Lye
- Jacob Ereshefsky on becoming a *Bar Mitzvah*
- Norm Yanofsky on being nominated as a Continuing At-Large Trustee for the Union for Reform Judaism (the only Canadian!)

### **Healing Prayers**

David Adelman	Harvey Balakofsky	Evy Carnat	Shirley Dunn
Eric Greif	Sophia Slovatek	Sarah Staum	Martin Stoffman
Clara Chames Szulc	Elan Suissa	Gail Dowty	Sylvia Meyers
Ellen Dunn	Tracey Rumig	Ronnie Staffenberg	Allan Bambury
Sherry Bambury			

### **Welcome to our New Members!**

Elaine Bruce-Haynes and Matt Haynes; Bill Elman, Eleanor Surridge and family; Laurie Goldbach and family; David Goldblum, Lesley Rigg-Goldblum and family; Rebecca Green; Dawid Karczewski and family; Valerie Murphy; Kyna O'Gallagher and family; and Mona Rosenbaum

### **Todah Rabah**

- The Carnat family for sponsoring an *Oneg* in memory of their father, Dr. Morris Carnat
- Sandy Mann for sponsoring an *Oneg* in memory of her mother, Gloria Chappe
- Monica and Adrian Lis for sponsoring an *Oneg* in memory of Monica's mother, Eva Safir
- Ayala Roudstein and Marc Ereshefsky for sponsoring an *Oneg* in honour of Jake's *Bar Mitzvah*
- Norm Wolf and Anna Wei for preparing and sponsoring an *Oneg* in honour of the 98<sup>th</sup> birthday of Norm's mother, Riva

*Todah Rabah* to the following for helping to sponsor the *Erev Rosh Hashanah Oneg* and the Temple's communal Break Fast:

Abe Agema; Harvey and Kim Bernbaum; Jordan and Yvette Cohen; Polina and Lazar Ersh (in memory of Polina's parents, Reuven and Sarah Smushkevich); Leslie & Lee Handy; David Hodgins and Roz Mendelson; Betsy Jameson (in memory of her brother David Jameson); Naomi Johansen (in memory of her husband Merv Johansen); Natalie Levitt; Susan Light; Susan and Myron Podlog; Chelsea Rushton; Sari Shernofsky; and Shauna Switzer.

# NOTES FROM THE TEMPLE OFFICE

## Tribute Cards

Remember a special occasion by sending a personalized mazel tov, to express your condolences to a friend, or for any other reason, and help out your Temple at the same time. To send a card, please contact the Temple office. We can help you decide to which of our many funds you might want to direct your donation. The suggested minimum donation is \$18.00.

## Oneg Sponsorship

The Friday evening *Oneg Shabbat* gives our members an opportunity to gather socially after the *Shabbat* service. We invite our members to sponsor or co-sponsor an *Oneg*. Some members choose to sponsor the *Oneg* in memory of a loved one whose *Yahrzeit* is being observed. Others sponsor in celebration of a *Bar/Bat Mitzvah*, a special birthday or anniversary, an upcoming wedding or for no special reason at all! The Temple office staff takes care of all the details, and the cost of the *Oneg* (\$180) is tax-receiptable. If you are interested in sponsoring an *Oneg*, please contact the Temple office at (403) 252-1654 or office@bnaitikvah.ca.

## Pizza Parties and Shabbat Shiraz

We are also looking for sponsors for the pizza meal which is served prior to our monthly Family *Shabbat* service on the first Friday of the month, and for the *Shabbat Shiraz* fruit/cheese/crackers 'spread' which is held just before our musical *Shabbat* service on the fourth Friday of the month. The cost of the pizza party is \$250 and the *Shabbat Shiraz* gathering costs \$54. Both are tax-receiptable. The Temple office takes care of the details for you.

## Safeway Gift Cards

For those who are waiting to receive their annual order of Safeway gift cards starting in October, the Temple office has a small number of \$250 cards available for purchase.

# YAHRZEITS

## To be read October 2/3

Archie Eisenstadt	Minnie Kahanoff
Trudy Malais	Louis Binder
Harry Waterman	Nathan Kornberg
Clara Fromson	Esther Krygier
Sidney David Leo	Doreen Shachter
Nathan Wachnow	Dave Greber
Bella Sher	Harry Eisenstadt
Max Zabrodski	

## To be read October 9/10

Ronald George	Stanley Gotlieb
Edith Rosenberg	Harold Gelman
Margaret Orpen	David Dworkin
Rifka Switzer	Sarah Bleviss

## To be read October 16/17

Doris Handy	Mandy Helper
Hyman Sheinin	Zeasel Wener
Richard Wroot	Mary Goorevitch
Joel Klein	Jack Winograd
Olga Haas	Joseph Tucker
Eva Karlinsky	Etta Sheckter
Rose Schacter	Harvey Vinson
Hetty Waterman	
Ernestine Janet Roeder Roll	

## To be read October 23/24

Tony Stern	Avis Vinson
Matthew Karlinsky	Anne Maister
Irv Stein	Sally Bernbaum
Isaac Hardin	Jack Shore
Jenny Smolensky	Jack Daiter
Ralph Sher	William Mattison
Jeanette Mitchell-Ostolosky	

## To be read October 30/31

Frances Binder	Emma Flint
Ruth Oppenheim	Anne Tulchinsky
Helen Michaud	James Foyle
Sam Ponak	

# TEMPLE DANCE PARTY

The celebration of our 36<sup>th</sup> anniversary continues!!!

Join us for a dance party in the Betty Switzer Social Hall on Saturday, October 3rd at 7:30 pm. This will be a casual evening with light munchies provided by Gruman's Deli, a cash bar with wine, beer and soft drinks, and great music with *One Night Band*. The cost is just \$10.



RSVP to the Temple office at 403-252-1654 or office@bnaitikvah.ca by Wednesday, September 30th so we'll be sure to have sufficient quantities of food and drink on hand.



## *Mah Nishtana Ha Ona Ha Zot?*

Why is this Season different from other seasons?

It's the night after our Shabbat school's first day (*shavuah tov!*) While I should've been there more often in the past, I'm really glad I came by this morning. I was amazed at a number of things. Firstly, we have an incredible teaching staff. Really, one can almost smell the dedication in the air. Secondly, as an old *Habonim* summer camp guy, I loved seeing the hugs of kids who haven't seen each other for months. It was almost like the start of July when the Montreal and Toronto buses arrived and the Ottawa kids ran to swarm them. Is our Shabbat school cohesive? There's your answer.



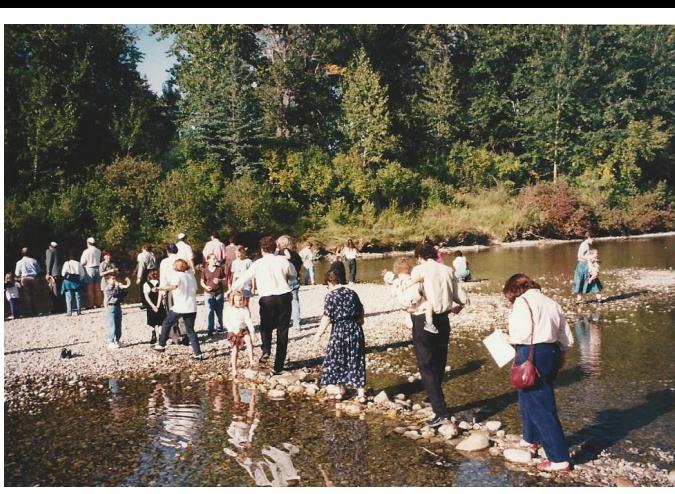
## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Steve Eichler

I also was amazed at how this year our school has honoured the past but added a new coat of the present. We still have morning prayers in the *t'fillah* room; we just have a bigger, brighter *t'fillah* room. I heard one student exclaim as we walked the Torah in to be put in the Ark, "Wow, it's like a real sanctuary in here!" And he was right; in fact, that whole morning felt like we were in a sanctuary, our Temple kids singing the *Shma*, the vets showing the newbies where to go, our teachers getting down to making another generation of proud, educated Jews. N combat the burgeoning anti-Israel, anti-Zionism, anti-semitism that seems to be by Shabbat school. *Am Israel Chai* indeed.

I always had a hard time in September; it seemed like a month of Sunday nights. While it was no doubt the return to school affecting a youngster, the High Holidays at the oppressive synagogue I grew up at didn't help. And so *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur* got swept in my cyclone of September dread. They were my least favourite holidays. But no longer. Maybe it's a function of age, maybe it's being a parent, maybe it's having finally understood benefits of the holidays; but these days, the Days of Awe, have become among my faves. Who among us, what community, what society, couldn't use a season of reflection, a time to reflect, to weigh our deeds? Whether you consider the Book of Life a metaphor or not, somehow our intention to live the next year in a more loving, more purposeful, more present way has so much more gravitas than a mere New Years resolution to lose weight.

Our Board of Trustees has been traversing two paths these past few months. One involves the Search Committee's work to find a new settled rabbi. As I write, the wording for the request for applications is being finalized. We should be getting candidates' submissions soon. The other path involves focusing on our programming, our services, our events. Stay tuned for news on Hebrew and other adult education classes.



## Temple Memories: Tashlich at Stanley Park, 1996

And block off Oct 3rd — we're having a dance with a terrific band, *One Night Band*, playing everything from Glenn Miller to '70s disco to Bruno Mars. PLUS our own Tibor Kaldor and Megan MacFarland are going to give dance lessons! A great way to kick off the year.

In the meantime, from the staff and Board of Trustees and our families, we wish you a very happy and healthy New Year. May you have a more loving, more purposeful, more present 5776. See you 'round the Sanctuary, in a class or on the dance floor.

## Runaway Tallitot

Now that the High Holy Days are over, do you know where your tallit is? We have a number of tallitot in the office that are looking to be find their way back home. Please stop by if you are missing one.

# ADULT EDUCATION

To register for an adult education course, please contact the Temple office.

## Jewish Prayer 101

Have you ever wondered about the structure, choreography and meaning of the prayers we recite and sing at *Shabbat* and festival services? If you have, this class — taught by Rabbi Teri Appleby — is for you.

Pre-requisites: None. No Hebrew required.

3 Sessions:

Sunday, October 18th, 3:00 - 4:30pm

Sunday, October 25th, 3:00 - 4:30pm

Sunday, November 1st, 3:00 - 4:30pm

Fee: \$15

## Monthly Talmud Lunch & Learn

What is Talmud? Is it *halachah* (law)? Is it *aggadah* (stories)? Is it a commentary on the *Mishnah*? Is it an exact record—a transcript—of the rabbis' discussions in the Academy? Does the Talmud have only an historical interest for us, or can it speak to us as modern Jews? In this course taught by Rabbi Teri Appleby, we will discover answers to all these questions as we "journey through the sea of Talmud" together.

No previous experience is necessary – only curiosity and a sense of humor.

First session: Wednesday, October 21st, noon - 1:00 pm  
No fee. Please bring your own lunch.

## Global Day of Jewish Learning

Save-the-date: Afternoon of Sunday, November 15th

NEW! For the first time, Temple B'nai Tikvah will be hosting a Global Day of Jewish Learning.



NOV.15.15  
A project of the Aleph Society

As its name suggests, the Global Day of Jewish Learning is a day of world-wide encounters with Jewish ideas and sacred texts. It reaches every corner of the Jewish world and brings Jews of all beliefs and backgrounds together in a day of study and unity. There will be sessions for adults, middle school students, and the PJ Library pre-school set. This year's theme is: *Love: Devotion, Desire and Deception*. For more information, visit [theglobalday.org](http://theglobalday.org).

## THANK YOU

A big thank you to everybody who volunteered for our recent bottle drive. A very special thank you to Tess Morgenstern-McCormick for her outstanding work organizing this event that helps to provide much-needed clothing for our Inn from the Cold guests.



## TEMPLE LIFE



Rabbi Teri Appleby led a children's service in the sanctuary on the afternoon of Yom Kippur.

# TEMPLE FUNDS

Each month, Kol Tikvah recipients will see a list of donations to various Temple funds and activities. The following are brief descriptions of the purpose of the funds and the ways that the dollars are used.

## **Building Fund (R)**

The money in this fund is directed towards maintaining the Temple building as a welcoming home appropriate for the broad range of activities and functions that the synagogue provides.

## **Dan Arato Fund (R)**

This fund was created in 2003 in memory of Dan Arato by the members of his B'nai Mitzvah class. Dan was a happy, fun-loving kid who loved to entertain other kids by juggling, doing magic tricks and telling jokes and funny stories. In that spirit, the fund provides financial assistance for kids to go to summer camp and annually sponsors the children's entertainment at the Chanukah and Purim celebrations.

## **Jewish Enrichment**

Scholarships are given from the proceeds of this account to assist Temple members in attending conferences and events which enrich their Jewish lifestyle and practice.

## **Kiddush/Oneg Fund**

Money donated to this fund is used to pay for the food provided after Shabbat services, as well as purchasing coffee, juice and soft drinks for Temple functions.

## **Cohos Youth Education Fund**

This fund is dedicated to supporting youth education by funding programs, events and social action projects for the youth of our Temple.

## **Rabbi's Discretionary Fund (R)**

Donations made to this fund are used by Rabbi Appleby to assist individuals in need, and for worthy causes.

## **Sam Switzer Programming Enrichment Fund (R)**

This fund will allow us to support and be innovative with programming in all areas to maximize our members' involvement in Temple.

## **Shabbat School**

Proceeds of this fund allow our Shabbat School to purchase additional resources for the benefit of the children in the school.

## **Smolkin Fund**

This fund was spearheaded by Temple members, Barry and Debby Smolkin. Proceeds provide additional support to the needs of the Temple and its members.

## **Social Action Fund**

Donations to this fund are directed to Inn from the Cold, the Calgary Drop-In Centre Major Mitzvah meal, and other critical social action projects carried out by the Temple family.

## **Temple Life**

Provides additional resources for the maintenance of Temple activities

*\*Except for those funds marked by an (R), any contributed dollars in excess of those needed for the above described purpose or activity will, at fiscal year end, be directed toward the Temple's operating account to cover ongoing needs.*

# DONATIONS

To	From	Occasion
<b>Building Fund</b>		
Temple	Caroline Kugelmass	
Temple	Tibor Kaldor	
Temple	Annabelle Gurevitch	Remembering Barbra
Temple	Annabelle Gurevitch	Remembering Karl
Temple	Annabelle Gurevitch	Missing Ben
Frank Rackow & Leslie Myers	Ron & Judy Bing	Condolences
Temple	Maurice Yacowar	In memory of Samuel Yacowar
Frank Rackow, Leslie Myers & family	Steve Eichler & Tracey Rumig	Condolences
Barbara Rackow	Steve Eichler & Tracey Rumig	Condolences
Sara & Peter Brodsky	Steve Eichler & Tracey Rumig	Condolences
Judy Shriar	Steve Eichler & Tracey Rumig	Condolences
Ken Brown & family	Steve Eichler & Tracey Rumig	Condolences
Frank Rackow & family	Norm & Marlene Yanofsky	Condolences
Rabbi Rick Jacobs	Norm & Marlene Yanofsky	Condolences
Frank Rackow, Leslie Myers & family	Betsy Jameson	Condolences
Frank Rackow, Leslie Myers & family	Adam Singer, Marg Semel & family	Condolences
Esther Friedman & Len Rabin	Joyce & Don Krusky & family	Condolences
Temple	Molly Ross	In memory of Max Ross
Ken Brown & family	Roz Mendelson & David Hodgins	Condolences
Temple	Jeff & Wendy Kohn	In memory of Toni Kohn Woodward
Temple	Sandy Stern	In memory of Toni Kohn Woodward
Temple	Leslie & Lee Handy	In memory of Anne Tulchinsky
Temple	Leslie & Lee Handy	In memory of Doris Handy
Temple	Leslie & Lee Handy	In memory of Shana Zimmer
Kathy & Norm Schachar	Leslie & Lee Handy	Condolences
Carolyn Baker & Andrew Wilson	Leslie & Lee Handy	Mazel Tov
Lynn & Nick Millard	Leslie & Lee Handy	Mazel Tov
Jackie Mann & Jonny Barrett	Leslie & Lee Handy	Mazel Tov
Sandy Mann	Leslie & Lee Handy	Mazel Tov
Judy Shriar	Danny & Roz Oppenheim	Condolences
<b>Temple Life</b>		
Frank Rackow, Leslie Myers & family	Roz Mendelson & David Hodgins	Condolences
Barbara Rackow	Roz Mendelson & David Hodgins	Condolences
<b>Jewish Enrichment</b>		
Frank Rackow, Leslie Myers & family	Jane Paterson	Condolences
Ken Brown & family	Jane Paterson	Condolences
Katherine & Tyler Pickering	Karry Taylor	Mazel Tov
<b>Rabbi's Discretionary Fund</b>		
Sara Brodsky & family	Shauna Switzer	Condolences
Rabbi Appleby & Jon	Amy O'Reilly	Mazel Tov
Temple	Ila & Barry Hardin	In honour of Kara and Evan's marriage
Frank Rackow & family	Susan & Myron Podlog	Condolences
Temple	Abe Agema	In memory of Janna Agema
Jordan Kohn	Phyllis Krygier & family	Get better soon
Rabbi Appleby	Frieda Miller & Danny Shapiro	In appreciation
<b>Smolkin Fund</b>		
Temple	Barry & Debby Smolkin	In memory of Pauline Smolkin
Temple	Barry & Debby Smolkin	In memory of Maurice Levine
Temple	Fanny Lewin	In memory of Ralph Lewin
<b>Social Action</b>		
Frank Rackow, Leslie Myers & family	Alex Francoeur & Maggie Serpa	Condolences
Frank Rackow, Leslie Myers & family	Marc Ereshefsky, Ayala Roudstein & family	Condolences

# TEMPLE LIBRARY NEWS

It is wonderful to see the library so well used by Temple members. However, there is a problem! Books are not being returned in a timely fashion, and sometimes not at all! Many books have been missing for some time. Most have not been signed out so there is no way of knowing where they are. As you know the library operates on the honour system and that means signing them out and returning them after the three week borrowing period - not borrowing them on a permanent basis.

Below is a list of some books that have mysteriously disappeared over time. If you have borrowed any from the Library over the past five years, please check around your houses and return them immediately. The books are identified by a Temple address inside and also a colour-coded circle(s) on the spine. — *Judy Bing*

## **PRAYER/WORSHIP SECTION**

- My People's Prayer Book: The Sh'ma and Its Blessings, Volume 1
- My People's Prayer Book: Traditional Prayers, Volume 3
- The Complete Shireinu
- The Path of Blessing
- The Sabbath Evening Service
- The Way into Jewish Prayer

## **TORAH SECTION**

- A Torah Commentary for our Times, Volume 1 – Genesis (2 copies)
- A Torah Commentary for our Times, Volume 2 – Exodus & Leviticus (2 copies)
- A Torah Commentary for our Times, Volume 3 – Numbers & Deuteronomy
- Abraham: A Journey to the Heart of Three Faith
- ArtScroll Tanach Series: Tehillim: Psalms 73-150
- ArtScroll Tanach Series: Tehillim: Volume 2 Psalms
- Biblical Literacy: The Most Important People, Events, & Ideas of the Hebrew Bible
- The Art of Torah Cantillation and CD
- The Lord is My Shepherd

## **JEWISH LIFE**

- And They Shall Be My People  
Down-to-Earth Judaism  
Jewish Living: A Guide to Contemporary Reform Practice  
Jewish Matters  
Judaism as a Civilization  
Judaism in the Beginning of Christianity  
On Judaism: Conversations on Being Jewish in Today's World  
A Complete Book of Jewish Observance  
The How to Handbook for Jewish Living  
The Jewish Book of Why  
The Shengold Jewish Encyclopedia  
To Be a Jew: A Guide to Jewish Observance  
To Life!  
What is a Jew?  
Who is a Jew – Conversations, Not Conclusions  
Why Me? Coping with Grief, Loss and Change

## **HEBREW**

- Aleph Isn't Tough: Hebrew for Adults, Book 1 with flashcards  
Aleph Isn't Enough: Hebrew for Adults, Book 2 with flashcards  
Bet is for B'reishit: Hebrew for Adults, Book 3  
Tav is for Torah: Hebrew for Adults, Book 4

## RABBINIC SEARCH NOTES

As I write this, just before *Rosh Hashanah*, I am thinking about the changes at Temple B'nai Tikvah during 5775 and the hopes I have for our congregation in the coming year. During our 36<sup>th</sup> anniversary year, we said good-bye to Rabbi Howard and welcomed Rabbi Teri Appleby. Between *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur* we will post our Senior/Solo Rabbi Application with the Rabbinic Placement Commission. By the time you read this, we may have begun to hear from applicants who hope to become our next Rabbi. As we conclude our anniversary year and begin our journey toward our "triple chai" anniversary, we will begin our relationship with a new Rabbi who will lead Temple B'nai Tikvah toward our future.

A number of dedicated members gave their energy and input as we hired Rabbi Teri Appleby as our Interim Rabbi. Fifteen dedicated members are giving their time and energy on the Search Committee for our new Rabbi. Some of you have already attended gatherings with Rabbi Appleby and offered your thoughts about what you have valued in your Temple membership and shared your hopes for our future. Your insights have been very helpful as we drafted the application for our new Rabbi, and will continue to guide us as the search continues.

We need to hear from the rest of you. After the High Holidays, we will resume the gatherings in private homes and at Temple. We are a diverse community, and every voice is important. The next gatherings will be held in late September and in October, and will continue after that if there is sufficient interest. The October gatherings will be held at Temple at 7:00 pm October 14th, and at the home of Jenny Laing, 213, 550 Westwood Drive SW, at 7:00 pm Sunday, October 25th. We hope to see you then.

The best way to offer your input and your visions for the future will be through the gatherings. For those of you unable to do that, we will soon post a questionnaire on our web site that you can complete and return privately to the Search Committee at [searchcommittee@bnaitikvah.ca](mailto:searchcommittee@bnaitikvah.ca). I hope to hear from all of you in the weeks ahead. — *Betsy Jameson, Search Committee Chair*

### ....Library News Continued

#### ISRAEL

- A Day in the Life of Israel
- Every Spy a Prince – A Complete History of Israel's Intelligence
- From Beirut to Jerusalem
- The History of War in the Middle East
- The Secret War Against the Jews: How Western Espionage Betrayed the Jewish People

#### KABBALAH

- Everyday Kabbalah
- Eyes Remade for Wonder
- Practical Kabbalah: A Guide to Jewish Wisdom
- Zen Judaism: Teaching Tales
- Zohar – The Book of Splendor

#### THEOLOGY/PHILOSOPHY

- A Code of Jewish Ethics: You Shall be Holy, Volume 1
- Contemporary Jewish Religious Thought
- Essential Judaism: A Complete Guide to Beliefs, Customs and Ritual
- God in Search of Man
- God Was in This Place and I, Did Not Know
- The Healer of Shattered Hearts
- The Hidden Face of God

# FOUNDER'S CORNER

## TEMPLE ROOFS

As we recently celebrated the Jewish New Year, I would like to bring you up to date concerning the Temple roofs. This project includes the main sanctuary, and the low slope (flat) roofs between the social hall and the sanctuary. Some of these tar and gravel roofs date back to 1955 having had many repairs over the years. The roofs over the social hall (Area F) and small sanctuary (Area E) are in reasonable condition so were not touched.

### Sanctuary Roof (Area A)

The old shingles were removed and a new roof was installed over the wood deck. The changes includes 2" Polyisocyanurate insulation with a vapour barrier, air space, a new membrane and "50 year Legacy MALARKEY" shingles. The old roof was made of wood without insulation. The added insulation should improve both the climate in the room and the longevity of the shingles.

### Low Slope Roof (Areas C & D)

Three HVAC units, along with tar and gravel, were removed down to the wood deck. A new membrane was installed over a SOPRASMArt board covered by a granulated cap sheet. Then the HVAC units were re-installed over the new roof. Concrete pavers were installed creating a pathway to the HVAC units.

### Flat Roof (Area B)

This area required new grading so that the water would flow into the drains and onto the gutter on the north side of the building. Over the past 50 years the building had settled causing the water to pool on the roof. This problem was overcome by installing a tapered insulation package, raising the roof as much as 8" in some locations. The tar and gravel were removed and the same roofing materials installed as on the low slope roof.

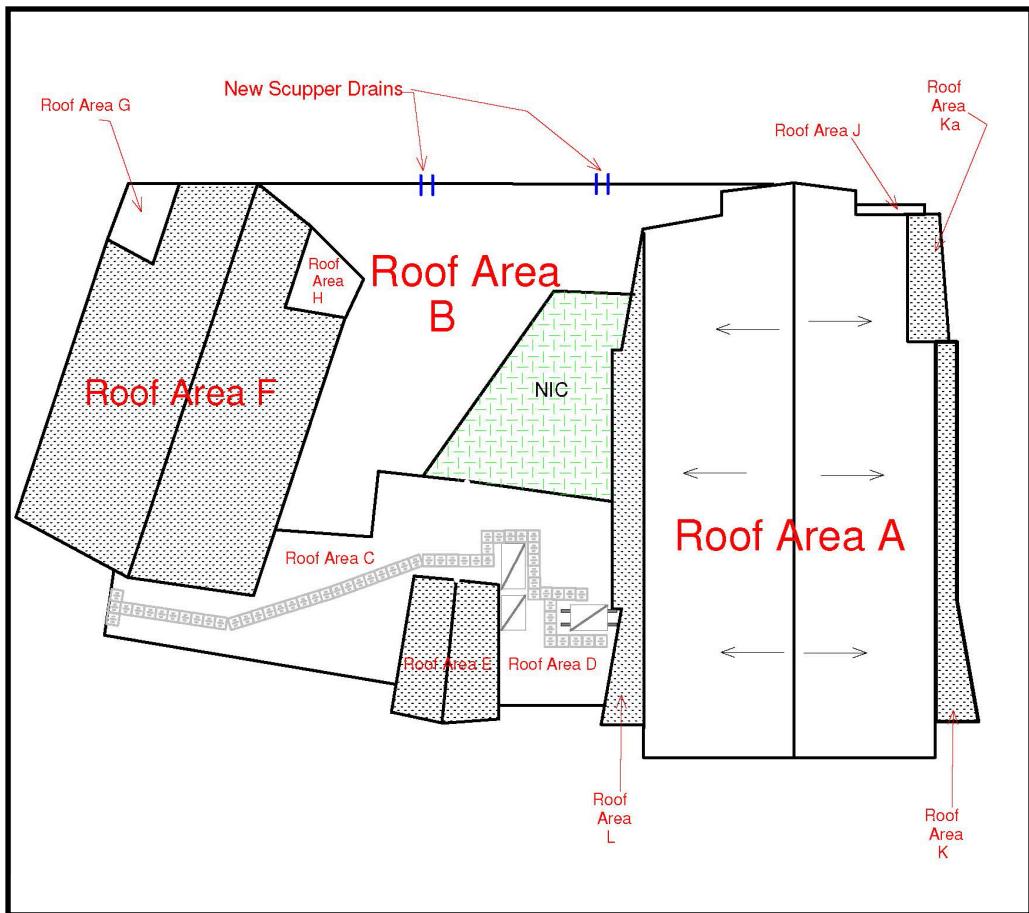
### Progress

At the time of this report most of the roofing work has been completed with the exception of the metal flashings and improvements to the down-comers.

### Finance

The total cost of this work is estimated at \$220,000 of which we have raised approximately \$190,000 leaving a shortfall of \$30,000. The \$30,000 will be taken from the temple contingency fund, but must be replaced. Please consider a donation to the building fund in order to complete the funding for this project. A project critical for the life of our buildings. Thank you.

Thanks to Howard Bock and the staff of Bock Roofing for their good work. Thanks to the Government of Alberta for their contribution to the funding. A special thank you to all the members who have donated to the building fund and specifically to this project. Thanks to Danny Oppenheim, our executive director, for managing the work. — Ron Bing



## IN THE COMMUNITY

I've been a donor to Calgary Jewish Federation's annual UJA Campaign for decades, but I never felt I had time to help with the canvassing...until last year. So, with that experience, I want to pass along a few of the things that I learned:

1. Asking people for money wasn't as difficult as I thought because almost all the people I was calling had already supported the UJA Campaign in previous years. Who knew? My job was really to nudge people, to remind them that it was time to give and give generously.
2. Not until I did this phoning did I really appreciate what a huge contribution our UJA dollars makes across the entire community. Here's a list of some of the programs that depend on our support:
  - The JCC itself (our community's living room!)
  - The Integrated Bursary Program (subsidies for school, camp and other Jewish experiences)
  - Seniors' programming through the JCC and Jewish Family Service Calgary
  - Cultural Arts programs
  - Support for the needy, here, in Israel and around the world
  - Youth programs
  - Subsidies for formal and informal Jewish education
  - PJ Library
  - Holocaust and Human Rights Education and Commemoration
  - Israel and Jewish advocacy
3. The campaign organizers are very easy-going in terms of their expectations: I signed up for one evening of phoning from the JCC, and I could have stopped there. In the end, on my own initiative, I took some canvassing cards home and phoned more people over the following weeks, at my own leisurely pace.

Not many of you reading this are old enough to remember what it was like in Canada before we had the United Way, as it was formed in 1929. We all appreciate that it is an umbrella organization for more than 100 programs that need our support, and that's why we give. Calgary Jewish Federation is our Jewish United Way: we know that all those programs are important, but we really do not want to be approached individually by each of the agencies providing service.

Through the annual UJA Campaign, Federation uses its expertise in efficient fundraising to benefit multiple agencies, covering a wide range of activities in our community. That way, each of these agencies (experts in their own fields) can put more time and energy into the services they provide.

As we head into the 2015 campaign, I'm stepping up and volunteering to be a canvasser again so I can help make a difference. Won't you join me? Please call me (403-245-0568; 403-617-2800) or email me ([kaplan@ucalgary.ca](mailto:kaplan@ucalgary.ca)) to discuss this possibility further. — *Bonnie Kaplan*

### JEWISH BOOK CLUB

**Date:** Wednesday, Oct. 14  
**Time:** 7:00 pm  
**Location:** Chapel  
**Book:** *The Boston Girl*  
By Anita Diamant



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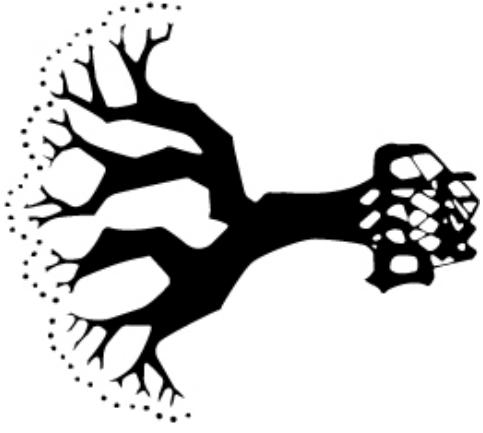
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10/24 - Manny Krygier

Bat Mitzvah

10/10 – Rachel Peszneker

Candle Lighting

- 10/02 – 6:54 PM  
10/09 – 6:39 PM  
10/16 – 6:24 PM  
10/23 – 6:09 PM  
10/30 – 5:56 PM

Torah Portions

- 10/03 – Chol Hamoed  
 Sukkot  
 10/10 – Bereishit  
 10/17 – Noach  
 10/24 – Lech-Lecha  
 10/31 – Vayeira

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