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FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION

MAZEL TOV TO...

Our members who will celebrate a milestone anniversary in August: **Jeff & Debby Arrigoni**; **Neil & Deborah Davidson**; **Adam Lindberg & Michelle Livingston**; **Fred Haeusler & Leslie Martin**; **Mike & Jeanie Folger**; **Steve & Ruth Kirsch**; **Joel Miller & Nancy Ribeiro-Miller**.

Nora Hoeft and Chris Gordon on their marriage on June 8.

Rachel Hunt on being selected to attend Hillel International's Hillel Institute: August Convening on behalf of her work as co-founder of the South Dakota State Hillel.

Sarah and Matthew Davini on the birth of their son, *Alfred Lynn*, born on March 4.

Sara and Eric Rice on the birth of their son, *Jonah Francis*, on June 25.

Mandy Roll-Kuhne and Michael Kuhne on the birth of their granddaughter, *Wilhelmina Lupine*, on June 30.

Sue and Peter Stein on the birth of their grandson, *Milo Denmark*, on June 11.

Marcia and Dylan Woods-Weisman on their marriage on July 17.

ZICHRONAM LIVRACHA

May their memories be a blessing

WE EXTEND CONDOLENCES TO...

Patrick (Sue) Parks on the death of his mother, *Irene Parks*, on May 13.

Kurt (Anne) Schaeffer on the death of his father, *Neil Schaeffer*, on July 13.

Karen (Les) Suzukamo on the death of her mother, *Erna Clifford*, on May 22.

Angela (Jeremy) Tilsen on the death of her mother, *Alison Sorenson*, on July 14.

Mary Ann (David) Wark on the death of her brother, *William Harris Barrows*, on June 3.

Heidi Wessel-Dehry (Rami Dehry) on the death of her brother, *Michael Wessel*, on June 17.

Patrick Zimmerman on the death of his sister, *Mary Robbin*, on July 3.

May God grant peace to all who mourn and comfort to all who are bereaved.

WELCOME...B'RUCHIM HA'BAIM...
TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

Phyllis Major

Eugene & Ekaterina (Katya) Glozman
and their children, Naomi and Natan.

FROM THE RABBI



As I write this on a beautiful Sunday in Saint Paul (a rare enough event this summer), my focus is divided – even as I enjoy the summer afternoon, I have one eye always on the news, waiting for the next report of rockets fired into Israel from Gaza, or of Israel's military response Operation Protective Edge. I marvel at the vast differences of perspective in the media and the international community. I have no idea what the situation will be in a couple of weeks when you are reading this, but I can't seem to consider writing my bulletin article on anything else.

There is so much confusion, so much fear, the future so unknown. I would like to share two responses I read this week. The first is from Ari Shavit, the Israeli author who spoke here at Mount Zion just a few months ago. Shavit is the author of the award-winning international bestseller *My Promised Land: The Triumph and Tragedy of Israel*, a former paratrooper in the IDF, he studied philosophy at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem and is chair of the Association for Civil Rights in Israel. He is a leading newspaper and television commentator and serves on the board of the daily newspaper Ha'aretz. In a recent article he reflects on the past 10 years of relative calm: He points out that despite the disruptions of the Second Lebanon War (2006) and Operations Cast Lead (2008-9) and Pillar of Defense (2012) all in all, the Israeli-Palestinian conflict was dormant:

Fewer Israelis were victims of terrorist attacks than in previous decades. Fewer Palestinians lost their lives because of Israeli military activity than in the 1990s and the early 2000s. The anti-violence ethos of Mahmoud Abbas, the Palestinian leader, and the reluctance of the Israeli prime minister Binyamin Netanyahu to use force, Israeli-Palestinian conflict-fatigue and Israeli-Palestinian security co-ordination brought a strange calm to the Promised Land.... My two young sons have not been exposed to any of the dangers and fears that older Israelis have struggled with. In recent years my compatriots could really believe they lived in some sort of California.

But noting this leads Shavit to ask some very hard questions:

Why did Israel's Likud governments waste the good years that may not return? Why did moderate Palestinians not rise to the opportunity and act with courage and generosity? Why did America stick to the flawed all-or-nothing approach? Why did Europe not help the Jews and the Palestinians overcome their century-long dispute? Why did Israeli, Palestinian, American and European peaceniks not take advantage of these years of an undeclared ceasefire?

There are no easy answers to these questions, or to the bigger, more pertinent question of how Israel should or will proceed. Which leads me to the second response I want to share. This one was posted on Facebook by one of Mount Zion's young adults (who also happens to be named Ari):

In a week where my concern, anger and frustration with the current situation in and around Israel have reached record levels, I'm taking a moment to step back from the incessant and seemingly interminable intellectual and moral dilemmas I wrestle with on this subject which is so close to my heart. One of the most comforting images to me as a child was a line from the liturgy which asks God to "spread over us a shelter of peace," and so I'm choosing that instead as the thought that I send into the universe on this Shabbat.

To which all I can say is, "Amen."

If, God Forbid, the crisis in Israel continues, please consider making a donation to the American Jewish community's emergency aid campaign called "Stop the Sirens." For information and to donate, enter "Stop the Sirens" on your favorite search engine, or call the Jewish Federation of Saint Paul at 651-690-1707.

May the rest of August bring calm in the Middle East and sunshine in Minnesota.

Esther Adler, Rabbi

MAKE SHABBAT YOUR SANCTUARY

Iton Tziyon Cover: I am Mount Zion

By Steve Blank

We go to Tot Shabbat because it helps us connect (build a community) with other families with young children, and it is a fantastic way to introduce and engage very young children in Jewish practice and learning. What child doesn't love the cuddly Shabbatasaurus?

Tot Shabbat is about a wonderful monthly gathering of young families to enjoy age-appropriate, clergy and songleader led worship through prayer, song and stories. Afterward, the families share a potluck lunch to get to know each other.

Steve, his wife Rebecca Slisz, and children Jordan (3) and Chelsea (1) have been members of Mount Zion for over eight years.

Cover photo photo by Sue Lund Photography.



Tot Shabbat

Tot Shabbat will resume on **September 13**. Following September, it will be held the 2nd Saturday of the month at 10:30 a.m. **No Tot Shabbat in August.**

Invite Your Friends to Meet Mount Zion!

An Open House and Brunch for Unaffiliated Jews in Our Community



Sunday, September 7

10:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Childcare Provided.

Mount Zion's annual Open Houses have been extremely successful in introducing our Temple to those seek a welcoming and vibrant spiritual home.

Please invite those you know!

RSVPs can be made online at www.mzion.org.

Complimentary High Holy Day tickets will be given to Open House guests. Attendees can contact the Temple with questions or to request their complimentary High Holy Day tickets at 651-698-3881.

See enclosed flyer for more details.

Summer Shabbat Eve Service Times

Every Friday night until **August 29 at 6:00 p.m.**

5:30 p.m.

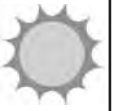
Kabbalat Panim – Greeting Time.

6:00 p.m.

Hour-long Shabbat Service.

7:00-7:30 p.m.

Oneg Shabbat.



AUGUST

FRIDAY SHABBAT EVENING SERVICES

August 1, 6:00 p.m.

Celebrate Shabbat!

August 8, 6:00 p.m.

Celebrate Shabbat!

August 15, 6:00 p.m.

Birthday Blessings

August 22, 6:00 p.m.

Celebrate Shabbat!

August 29, 6:00 p.m.

Celebrate Shabbat!

SATURDAY SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES

August 2, 10:00 a.m.

*D'varim - Deut. 1:1-2:1**
Shabbat Chazon
Celebrate Shabbat!

August 9, 10:00 a.m.

*Va-ei'chanan - Deut. 3:23-5:18**
Shabbat Nachamu
Celebrate Shabbat!

August 16, 10:00 a.m.

*Ekev - Deut. 7:12-9:3**

August 23, 10:00 a.m.

*Chukat - Num. 19:1-20:13**
Anna Perleberg, Bat Mitzvah

August 30, 10:00 a.m.

*Reeh - Deut. 11:26-12:28**
Sarah Abrahamson, Bat Mitzvah

Daily Service Schedule

Daily services are held in the Harris Chapel, *Monday through Thursday at 5:45 p.m., Sundays at 9:30 a.m.*

August

Mondays: Rita Grossman, Batya Spector, Marilyn Silver

Tuesdays: John Mast, Barbara Barany, Toba Lazor

Wednesdays: Eric Lund, Henry Lippman, Denise Jacobus

Thursdays: Charles Fodor, Janet Kampf, Nancy Mason Hauser, Rick Hauser

Sundays: John Mast, Rita Grossman, Janet Kampf

If you would like to participate in Leading or Greeting at daily services, contact Janet 651-482-9951 or Charles 651-646-6543.

Schedule Every Shabbat Day

9:00 a.m. *Open Torah Study* - Drop in any time to study the week's Torah portion (listed above). *Using a triennial [3 year] cycle, we are reading the first third of each *parashah* this year. (*Torah study will be in Sisterhood Lounge in June*).

10:00 a.m. *Shabbat Morning Service*



It was the spring of 1991, and I was a freshman in high school. I had recently auditioned for the venerated La Crosse Central Robed Choir, and was waiting anxiously with a crowd of people outside the school office for the newest member roster to be posted. I still remember seeing my choir director tape up the list—I frantically searched for my name, then saw it: scrawled in his angular handwriting, listed under the soprano section. No exaggeration: my life changed from that moment on.

Choir meant everything to me back then, and it changed the course of my personal history. Because of choir, I started down the path that led me here, and I know for a fact I would not be where I am today without that experience and without the influence of my amazing choir director, Mike Esser, who inculcated in me the transcendent joy of making music with others.

Now, not everyone is lucky enough to sing with the Robed Choir, but there are wonderful opportunities to share in the choral experience right here at Mount Zion. We are blessed with three choirs, and are additionally blessed with the opportunity to sing under the baton of Judy Sagen [please see below], an acclaimed choir director who also happens to be a member of Mount Zion! She will be working with the Torah Tones on three special projects throughout the year. Even if you can only join for one or two of these projects, we encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity!

Research has shown again and again the good choral singing does us, and you don't have to audition for—or get into!—Robed Choir to find that out. Please join us, and see for yourself what all the talk is about!

Jennifer Strauss-Klein, Cantor

With Appreciation to Torah Tones' Guest Conductor Judy Sagen



Judy Sagen received her undergraduate degrees in Music Education and Piano Performance from Drake University, and her Master's Degree from the University of Minnesota. In 2011, she retired from School District 196 after having taught chorus music in the district for 37 years. While teaching in District 196, Judy's choirs were featured performers at both the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) and Minnesota Music Education Association (MMEA) numerous times. Her concert choirs have performed in New York City, Europe, The British Isles, and the Czech Republic, and have performed with world-renowned Chanticleer in a festival concert in the Twin Cities in March of 2006. She has received numerous awards for choral direction, and in the spring of 2011, received the District 196 Outstanding Service Award recognizing her 37 years of excellence in teaching.

Since retirement, Judy continues to keep herself busy! She originated and is the Artistic Director of the Minnesota Valley Women's Chorale, a 100 voice Community Women's Choir which performs primarily south of the river. She also works with choral groups, assists with musical productions, accompanies vocalists and choirs throughout the Twin Cities, and serves as vocal director for the Eagan Community Theater's Musical Productions.

Judy worked with Torah Tones last year and has been a member of Mount Zion since 1985. She's married to Michael Atherton and they have two children, Brent Atherton and Amy Jo Cherner, who is married to their son-in-law, David Cherner. Judy and Mike are grandparents to Eli and Avi. We are so grateful that Judy is volunteering her time and sharing her talents with our adult choir.

CHOIRS AT MOUNT ZION

Come sing with us!

Shir Tzion, for 3rd - 6th graders

Led by Cantor Spilker

- ♪ Meets on Sunday when there is Religious School, 9-9:30 a.m.
- ♪ Participates in services the first Friday of every month
- ♪ First rehearsal - **Sunday, September 7, 9-9:30 a.m.**
- ♪ Choir Camp - **Sunday, September 7, 12:15-3:15p.m.**

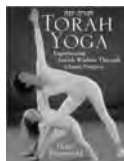
Shir Chants, for 7th-12th graders

Led by Cantor Strauss-Klein

- ♪ Meets on Sunday when there is Religious School, 8:45-9:15 a.m.
- ♪ Participates in services regularly throughout the year
- ♪ First rehearsal - **Sunday, September 7, 8:45-9:15 a.m.**
- ♪ Choir Camp - **Sunday, September 7, 12:15-3:15p.m.**

Torah Tones, for adults

- ♪ Meets on Wednesday evenings, 6:15-7:15 p.m.
- ♪ Participates in services regularly throughout the year
- ♪ High Holy Day Rehearsals:
Wednesdays, September 3, 10, and 17 6:15-8:15 p.m.
- ♪ After High Holy Days, regular rehearsals begin
Wednesday, October 22, 6:15-7:15 p.m.



Torah Yoga

with Diane Bloomfield

Wednesday, August 6, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

With tea, cookies and conversation to follow our practice.

Join St. Paul native (now Jerusalem resident) Diane Bloomfield, the founder of Torah Yoga, as we go deeply into yoga poses and Jewish text. Diane teaches Iyengar style (alignment based) yoga. Please bring a yoga mat if you have one, but we will have a few extras. This class will have a \$20 fee payable to our guest instructor.

Trope Troupe

... the more Torah, the more life. -Hillel

Todah Rabah to our June/July Ba'alei Korei (chanting Torah): Sue Benfield, Siana Goodwin, Laurie Hadler, Alex Klass, Zoe Klass-Warch, Ben Konstan, Laura Mathews, Maria Rubinstein, Brian Serle, Kent Simon

Todah Rabah to our June/July Ba'alei Haftarah (chanting Haftarah): Shel Finver, Siana Goodwin, Laurie Hadler, Brian Serle

Todah Rabah to our Megiliat Ruth chanter:
Siana Goodwin

To sign up to chant Torah or Haftarah on Shabbat,
e-mail Cantor Jennifer Strauss-Klein at jstrausklein@mzion.org

FROM THE PRESIDENT



I am learning a lot during my time as President of Mount Zion. For example, I know many of you have experience with strategic planning. Planning has happened around me in the past but I have never been as directly involved. While planning takes much thought and work, it is NOT very interesting to talk about. I think I now understand what a “policy wonk” is. Much more interesting are the visions of where we could be if we can make the plan happen; what we as congregants might see and feel as changes, hopefully for the better.

This work seems especially challenging when we already have lots of great things going on. Any changes will be incremental—our theme is Strengthening Connections, improving what we do. We are not building a new building or expanding into the southern suburbs. The Board is now at the point of evaluating the proposals put forward by our Action teams; of making the plan into something that all of us will feel. We will consider these proposals at our annual Board/Kehillah council retreat in August. Now we need to confirm what we will do, when we will do it and how to make it happen.

I believe that when we implement the plan, we will really be able to see and feel the changes. That will be much better than talking about it!

Betsy Rest, President



Please join us at the
**Annual Kehillah Council/
Board of Directors Retreat**

Sunday, August 17

9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

at Shalom Home East (740 Kay Ave., St. Paul)

A lunch and a light breakfast will be served. For the last 18 months we have asked questions, analyzed data, talked and reflected. Now is the time to discuss and craft the final 2014-2018 strategic plan proposal for the Board to consider at its September meeting. The meeting will be facilitated by Judi Sharken-Simon, Mount Zion's Kehillah Council Facilitator, and Gary Stern, President of Stern Consulting International.

RSVP to Jennifer at jbaddin@mzion.org.



Preparing for the High Holy Days

Not as “early” as last year. More information will be sent by email in late-August.



Selichot

“The evening that ushers in the High Holy Days”

Saturday, September 20, 8:30 p.m.

9:30 p.m. - Interlude: Light Dessert and Coffee

10:00 p.m. - Selichot and Havdalah Service

Rosh Hashanah

Erev (evening) – **Wednesday, September 24**

Day – **Thursday, September 25**

Tashlich – **Thursday, September 25, 4:30 p.m.**

Healing Service

Saturday, September 27, 4:00 p.m.

Cemetery Service

Sunday, September 28, 11:00 a.m.

Yom Kippur

Erev (evening) – **Friday, October 3**

Day – **Saturday, October 4**

Library News



by Bob Epstein, Librarian & Charles Fodor, Library Committee Chair

Women and Judaism

The Library has significant holdings by, for, and about women in Judaism. Our books cover the breadth of Jewish history, biography, fiction, spirituality, social and religious practice, Israel, arts, commentary on Torah and Tanakh, and feminism. From Rachel Adler's *Engendering Judaism*; *The Torah: a Women's Commentary*; and Nehama Leibowitz's commentaries on Torah, to the several titles covering all aspects of Jewish women's lives including Rabbi Debra Orenstein's two volume *Lifecycles* (on life passages and milestones and Biblical themes in contemporary life), and the two volume biographical dictionary of *Jewish Women in America*, our library provides hundreds of titles for and about Jewish women in all times and places in Jewish life and history.

Overdue Library Books

We are asking our borrowers to look for and return their overdue books. For inventory purposes, we need to know if the books are simply overdue, or if they are lost. Many of you have already been contacted by Charles Fodor, Chair of the Library Committee and have returned your books. We are encouraging borrowers to return their books so that others may have the chance to check out the books as well. If you are unable to find the requested titles, please contact the librarian so that we can either arrange to have the title replaced, or to make a donation to the Library Fund.

Thank you.

Bob Epstein, Librarian

A Taste of Honey: An Introduction to Judaism

Member: \$36, Public: \$75

Mondays, September 22 - December 22, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Rabbi Esther Adler

This half-year long course provides students with a basic understanding of Jewish practice and belief. Topics include Jewish history, life cycle, Shabbat, theology, home observance and more! If you are interested in learning more about Judaism and/or thinking about conversion. Completion of the Taste of Honey class is a requirement for conversion.



Yom Kippur

Swab a Cheek, Inscribed for Life

A quick cheek swab could save a life! Mount Zion is joining dozens of other Reform congregations across the country in hosting a bone marrow donor recruitment drive on Yom Kippur.

If you are between the ages of 18 and 60, you can join the Gift of Life's bone marrow and blood stem cell registry and be a potential match for a person with a life-threatening blood disease like leukemia. You'll just need to fill out a health history evaluation form and a swab your cheek at our drive on **October 4, Yom Kippur Day**.

In addition, we'll need some volunteers to help get everyone registered in an efficient way. Contact Sally Glick at sallyoglick@gmail.com or Hannah Riederer at hstander@gmail.com to volunteer for a 2 hour shift at the registration table. Thank you!

For more information about Gift of Life, go to www.giftoflife.org or rac.org/giftoflife



ISRAEL MATTERS

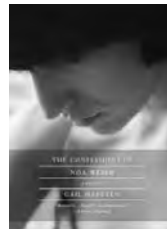
An Israel Book Discussion

The Confessions of Noa Weber

By Gail Hareven

Monday, September 8, 7:00 p.m.

in the Mount Zion Library



Join Charles Fodor and Jonathan Eisenthal as well as members of Mount Zion's Israel book club for an engaging conversation about Israeli life through its literature.

Contact Charles at CSFodor@aol.com or Jonathan at jkeisenthal@comcast.net.

CARING COMMUNITY

Mount Zion Cares!

The Caring Community Program is here to help Mount Zion Temple members in their moments of need. We reach out to you with a helping hand when there is injury, illness, grief or other life stressors.

We provide meals, rides, visitors, and shiva support.

To get help contact the program at caringcommunity@mzion.org or call 651-698-3881.

Mount Zion's New Employees!

Jana Robbins, Annual Campaign Coordinator



The Annual Campaign Coordinator is a new, part-time position identified in the Strategic Planning process, to help meet the growing fundraising needs of the temple. This position works with the Clergy, Staff, Board of Directors and lay leadership to implement and coordinate effective annual campaigns and fund raising efforts. Her office is located on the 2nd floor above the library.

Jana Robbins has worked as an independent development and communications consultant for the last nine years and has led successful local and national publicity campaigns. Jana has worked with several local nonprofit organizations and publishers, including Graywolf Press. Jana received her B.A. from the University of Minnesota and attended the Publishing Institute at the University of Denver. She has also worked at Coffee House Press, the House of Hope Church, and Milkweed Editions. A Minnesota native, Jana lives in St. Paul with her family.

Liza Mole, Youth Engagement Associate



Youth Engagement Associate is a new job assisting Ana as interim Religious School director. Liza will work closely with Ana on Religious School special programs and day-to-day needs, as well as planning and staffing many of the shabbatonim in both the Lower School and Chai School. In addition, Liza will also continue in her role as SPORTY Advisor. Liza has been working at Mount Zion since 2008. Over the years she has served in many roles including teaching in both Lower School and Chai School, coordinating shabbatonim, advising youth groups, staffing shabbatonim, and more.

Liza Mole received her BS in Environmental Science Policy and Management from the University of Minnesota, and she is currently pursuing her Masters in Education from Hamline University. Liza also served for a year as a naturalist at Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Center in Lanesboro, MN.

Do you know who to call in the Temple Office? Phone: 651-698-3881

Janelle Norlien (jnorlien@mzion.org) is the *Temple Bookkeeper*. Janelle handles the financial records, reports and documents and all accounting related and financial matters. Please contact Janelle with questions relating to payments, expense reimbursement, donations or gifts, or other financial matters.

Julie Beckman (jbeckman@mzion.org) is the *Clergy/Executive Assistant*. Julie provides a variety of administrative support to the Temple's Clergy team. Contact Julie with congregational life-cycle scheduling, appointments and related communication with the Clergy.

Teresa Matzek (tmatzek@mzion.org) is the *Communications and Technology Coordinator*. Teresa oversees a variety of communications and technical support functions for the Temple. Teresa prepares Social media and electronic communications, the Temple Bulletin, *This Week at Mount Zion*, marketing support materials and documents. Please contact Teresa with any items for these publications or to reserve space or request meeting or event space at Mount Zion.

Jennifer Baddin (jbaddin@mzion.org) is the *Administrative Coordinator*. Jen supports the Executive Director, Interim Religious School Director, Youth Engagement Associate, Religious School Faculty, Board of Directors, and other temple committees in office/administrative tasks associated with day to day operations of the temple. Please contact Jen with questions or requests relating to the Yahrzeit process (plaque sales, daily service lists, High Holy Day booklet, Cemetery memorial service lists, and communication of deaths/funerals to congregation), school issues, b'nei mitzvah tutoring, general questions, and daily services information.

PRIME TIMERS

For members 55 and older.

Prime Timers' Lunch with Rabbi Spilker

Israeli Poetry Related to Living with Conflict

Rabbi Spilker will bring some of the most poignant poetry of the past 100 years. We will read the poems in translation, learn about the historical context of each, and listen to the few set to music. Participants will walk away with a sense of the reality of conflict and the undying human quality of hope. All are welcome.

Wednesday, August 27 at Mount Zion

12:00 p.m. – Potluck Dairy Lunch

1:00 p.m. – Presentation and Discussion

Trout Fishing at Star Prairie Trout Farm

Sunday, September 28, 1:30 p.m.

Catch your own fish! You pay for what you catch! Prices will vary per pound. Bait And Tackle Furnished. (Rods/reels/nets and buckets are provided FREE, there is a small charge for bait). Details about Star Prairie Trout Farm at www.starprarietrout.com. Contact Ira for details or to RSVP at Ikipp@comcast.net or 651-276-2143. Please RSVP soon so car pool arrangements can be made.



Anna Perleberg

August 23, 2014

Anna Perleberg is the daughter of Paul and Elaina Perleberg and the sister of Nina Perleberg. She is the granddaughter of Bella and Alex Kopilenko and Mary Ann and Leo Perleberg. Anna is entering the 8th grade at St. Paul Academy. She enjoys tennis, skiing, swimming, biking and acting. Anna was the captain of the SPA middle school tennis team and played Tinker Bell in the SPA middle school production of Peter Pan. Anna loves spending summers at Camp Chi and is at camp now getting ready for her Bat Mitzvah. Anna volunteers by distributing food at neighborhood schools with the Second Harvest Meals for Minds program. She is donating a portion of her gift money to Second Harvest.

Sarah Abrahamson

August 30, 2014

Sarah Abrahamson is the daughter of Steve and Ruth Abrahamson and sister of Emma. She is the granddaughter of Fred and Joyce Brandt and Al and Bonnie Abrahamson. Sarah is a 7th grader at a Friendly Hills Middle School where her favorite classes are math and reading. Sarah enjoys soccer, gymnastics and spending time with her friends. She loves going to summer camp and hopes to be a pediatrician. She will be donating a portion of her gift money to the Alzheimer's Association.

Isaac Fink

September 6, 2014

Isaac Fink is the son of Henry and Amy Fink and younger brother of Ben. He is the grandson of Paul and Lucy Fink (of blessed memory), and of Joseph and Jane Micallef. He has attended school at Talmud Torah of Saint Paul through 5th grade, and currently attends Minneapolis Jewish Day School. His favorite subjects are science and math. He will be starting 8th grade this fall. Isaac plays tennis and racquetball, and enjoys downhill skiing. He also plays piano and enjoys designing and playing different kinds of games. This summer, Isaac and his family took part in Mount Zion's 2014 excellent adventure in Israel. While there, he continued his bar mitzvah preparations with Cantor Spilker in the lobby of the Mount Zion hotel, with a beautiful view of Jerusalem's Mount Zion in the background! In honor of becoming a bar mitzvah, Isaac will donate a portion of his gift money to Jordan River Village (a unique facility in Israel which welcomes children from all backgrounds and is designed to give reprieve from everyday life for seriously ill children.)



MIRIAM'S WELL

Sisterhood's Judaica Shop News

Miriam's Well, Mount Zion Sisterhood Gift Shop, is a volunteered run store that provides our congregation with Judaica and specialty items.

Year Round: Fridays: ½ hour before services.

During the School Year (September - May):

Sundays: 9:20 a.m.-12:20 p.m.

Wednesdays: EARLY SHIFT - 4:30-5:45pm &

LATE SHIFT - 5:45pm-7:15pm

We provide training for any computer literate adult. Benefits include a 15% discount at the shop, an end of the year brunch and knowing you are helping to keep our doors open. Please contact Ruth Garner at 651-278-9596 / ruthsg1966@comcast.com or Sheri Frisque at 651-270-3352 / SheriFrisque@yahoo.com.

"Do good things! Meet great women! Have fun!"

Sisterhood Opening Meeting

Sunday, September 14, 9:30 a.m. at Mount Zion Temple

All are welcome to the opening meeting for Sisterhood! Festivities include a light brunch and a speaker who will be discussing the Torah, Koran and New Testament. Brunch starts at 9:30am. *Please join us to learn about this intriguing subject and more about Mount Zion Sisterhood.*

Women's Networking Event

Tuesday, October 21, 7:00 pm.

Cost is \$10 (pre-registration is required.) Experts will be available in Margolis Hall to give advice on business cards, interview tips, time management and much more! We look forward to seeing you there!

Join Sisterhood now!

For those who have been members - it is time to renew your Sisterhood dues today! Dues can be mailed to Mount Zion, paid in the gift shop, or during the opening meeting. If you have any questions about Mount Zion Sisterhood - please contact Michelle Morris, Co-President at 651-319-3189.

WRJ Midwest District Convention:

Building Your Arc: Navigating Your Future

Join us as we begin our journey into the future of Sisterhood!

October 23-26 at the Hilton - Minneapolis (Bloomington)

For information contact Sheri Frisque (sherifrisque@yahoo.com) or Marcia Koester (mjkoester@comcast.net).

Sukkot Cruise

Sunday, October 12, 4:30- 7 p.m. (Boarding begins at 4 p.m.)



This event is being sponsored by Mount Zion's Brotherhood, Sisterhood & Prime Timers groups. For more details, see page 11.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

Back-to-School Information



We're excited for the school year to begin! Back-to-school information, including class assignments and other important information, will be emailed to registered families soon.

If you have not yet registered for the 2014-15 school year, please go to mzion.nirsham.com. If you have questions, please contact Ana Apter, Interim Religious School Director, at 651-698-3881 or aapter@mzion.org.

Yom Rishon – the First Sunday of Religious School

Sunday, September 7, 9:30 am – 12:15 p.m.

Yom Rishon is the first day of Sunday Religious School classes for students in grades PreK-6.

- 9:30-10:00** Welcome Back Assembly
- 10:00** Parents/Guardians escort child(ren) to classrooms, visit classrooms, meet teachers, and pick up classroom information.
- 10:00-11:15** Session 1
- 11:15** Healthy Snack – provided by Mount Zion
- 11:15-12:15** Session 2

New Family Welcome and Orientation (All Grades)

Sunday, September 7, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

We want to welcome new families to the Mount Zion Religious School! Join together for a brief information session where you can learn more about our program, philosophy and curriculum. Following the presentation there will be time for questions, as well as, a meet and greet with parents from a variety of grades. *Then stop by the New Member Open House beginning at 11:00 a.m.*

Save the Dates!

Wednesday, September 3

First Day of Hebrew School (Grades 2-6)

Sunday, September 7

Yom Rishon – First day of Sunday Religious School

Sunday, September 7, 10:00 a.m.

New family Welcome & Orientation
Mount Zion Open House

Wednesday, September 24

Rosh Hashanah begins in the evening
No School

Thursday, September 25

Rosh Hashanah children's program during sermon time

Friday, October 3

Yom Kippur begins in the evening

Saturday, October 4

Yom Kippur children's program during the sermon time

Sunday, October 5

No School

Fall Holy Days for Children at Mount Zion

Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are quickly approaching. Please take a close look at the High Holy Day bulletin for important information for your children.

Sign up!

We are asking families to sign-up children in grades 2-6 for children's programming on both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. With your help, we will be able to plan and staff our programs accordingly. Make your reservation here: mzion.nirsham.com/events

Pizza in the Hut!

Wednesday, October 8

5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

**Sukkah Decorating and
Complimentary Light Dinner**
(Pizza in the Hut)



6:00 - 6:45 p.m.

Family Friendly Erev Sukkot Service

Welcome to Hebrew

Program for 2nd Grade Parents/Guardians

Sunday, September 28, 9:45-10:30 a.m.



Mount Zion at OSRUI!

Mount Zion sent 30 campers, 3 teen staff, and 2 adult staff to camp this summer.



TEEN AND YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Chai School

(7th-12th Grade)

Wednesday, September 3, 6:00-7:15 p.m.

First night of class

Friday, September 12 - Sunday, September 14

10th Grade Confirmation Retreat

Friday, September 19 - Saturday, September 20

7th Grade A Day Apart Shabbaton

Monday, October 13, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Crossing Delancey Movie Night!

11th Graders (Youth Lounge)

Wednesday, October 15 - Sunday, October 19

11th Grade New York Trip

Friday, November 21 - Sunday, November 23

8th-9th Graders Torah & Teva Shabbaton

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(9-12th Grade Youth Group)



August 13-17

NFTY Summer Kallah
@ OSRUI

December 19-21

NFTY Winter Kallah
@ OSRUI

October 10-12

NFTY Fall Kallah
at Bet Shalom

April 23-26

NFTY Spring Kallah
in Kenosha

Questions?

Contact the SPORTY Advisor Liza Mole at sportyadvisor@mzion.org

New This Year!

Mount Zion Youth Lounge

Teen Hangout

Mondays 3:00-6:00 p.m.

All 7th-12th graders are invited to the youth lounge on Mondays from 3-6pm. Come for some or all of the time, come once, come weekly—we'd love to see you there! Enjoy the newly remodeled space that now has laptops to use, a TV with **Netflix** and **video games**, and plenty of **comfy seating**.

Light snacks will be provided...see you there!



BROTHERHOOD



It's Saints Baseball!

Tuesday, August 26, 7:05 p.m.

Tickets only \$12 (\$5 for children)

Join us!

Please mail your payment to the MZBH at Mount Zion to be part of the block of tickets that the Brotherhood will reserve for this game. RSVP to Dan Levey at danlevey2@gmail.com or 651-756-8801 (h) / 207-751-9762 (c). Please mail your payment to the MZBH at Mount Zion or pay to mztbrotherhood@gmail.com using your PayPal account.

Brotherhood **Bagel Sales** will start September 7 this year with bagels, cream cheese, lox and coffee each Sunday from 9:00 until 10:30 whenever Sunday school is in session.

Habitat for Humanity: Thanks to Arnie Krohn for leading the Mount Zion Temple group. They are helping to build a home for a deserving family, as a member of the Interfaith Builders group of 12 religious organizations. A few spaces may remain for volunteers between August 4-8 and 11-15. Contact Arnie for more information at 651-398-6602 or askrohn@comcast.net.

Membership: Thanks to Shel Finver for sending out Brotherhood membership forms to all men in the congregation in late June. If you have yet to respond, please send in your dues to the Brotherhood at the Temple (1300 Summit Avenue, St. Paul MN 55105) to help support our activities for the coming year. You can also use PayPal to pay your dues online – pay to Mount Zion Brotherhood.

Grand Old Days Parking. Thanks to Mark Cohen for coordinating this event and to all those who helped park cars, several working two shifts, to raise money for our activities and contributions to the Temple and to the community.

L'hitraot, and enjoy the rest of the summer!

Richard Newmark, Brian Serle, Brotherhood Co-Presidents

Mount Zion's

Online Calendar!

www.mzion.org



The Mount Zion electronic calendar shows worship services, school dates, programs and events through next year! This calendar is updated daily!

INTERFAITH CONNECTIONS

Mount Zion welcomes everyone in our community. If a Mount Zion member is Jewish and others in her or his household are not Jewish, all of them are welcome to be involved in our congregation.

Mount Zion has many households with mixed religious backgrounds. This fact alone suggests what many personally attest to: interfaith families feel comfortable being part of the Mount Zion community.

Our doors are open. We invite you to make Mount Zion your spiritual home. We look forward to meeting and getting to know you.

I am here to hear your ideas for programming or concerns you may have as an interfaith family member.

Maureen Davidson, *Interfaith Coordinator*
reendavidson@yahoo.com 651-645-9244



InterfaithFamily.com is the premiere resource supporting interfaith couples exploring Jewish life and inclusive Jewish communities. We offer educational content; connections to welcoming organizations, professionals and programs; resources and trainings for organizations, clergy and other program providers; and our new InterfaithFamily/Your Community initiative providing coordinated comprehensive offerings in local communities.

Join Mount Zion Temple for a
gorgeous fall-colors cruise
down the St. Croix River to
celebrate Sukkot!

Cost: \$23.20 (\$19.90 for kids ages 4-12)
Buffet dinner includes pot roast, chicken,
fruit, salad, rolls and gourmet cookies.
Vegetarian dinners available if
requested before Oct. 10.

Sukkot Cruise

Sunday, October 12
4:30- 7pm; Boarding begins at
4pm

Reservations are now being
accepted: St. Croix Boat & Packet
Co., Stillwater
651-430-1234
(Please indicate you are with the
Mount Zion Temple group.)

This event is being sponsored by Mount Zion's
'Brotherhood,' 'Sisterhood' & 'Prime Timers' groups.

Directions: MN-36 to Stillwater. Just as you get to the bottom of the hill you will see a metal building, **St. Croix Boat and Packet Co.**, with the large boats behind the building. There is a large parking lot on the right, some street parking on MN-36, and parking along the road (including handicapped spaces) up to the building at **525 S Main Street.**

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Sponsoring an Oneg Shabbat after Friday evening services is a lovely way to honor or remember a loved one or to celebrate an upcoming simcha. When you sponsor an Oneg Shabbat you help our community connect in the way that is part of our Mount Zion culture. For details please contact Larry Solomon at lsolomon@mzion.org or 651-698-3881.

SOCIAL ACTION UPDATE

Food and More Needed for Neighborhood House



During the summer months many families struggle to feed children who are on school break, and no longer have access to subsidized breakfast and lunch.

Can you collect unsold produce at the Farmer's Market AND/OR help deliver it to Neighborhood House?

Farmer's Market - Help collect and transport unsold produce at the downtown St. Paul Farmer's Market for distribution in Neighborhood House's food shelves. Volunteers are needed from **12:30-2:30 p.m. on Sundays** in August, September and October.

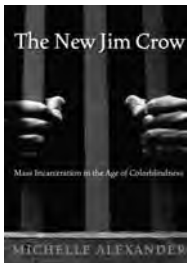
Neighborhood House also has the following wish list:

Vacuum Cleaner: Seeking a small, bagless, "stick vac" style vacuum cleaner for vacuuming the carpeted space in the preschool classroom.

Baby Items: New bottles, pacifiers, diapers, baby lotions, baby bath, and new/gently used onesies for expecting mothers.

To help with any of the above, please email Anders Ringdahl-Mayland (ARMayland@neighb.org) or 651-789-2524

Fall Book Discussion



Michelle Alexander's *The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness* (New York: The New Press, 2010) is one of the most important books in recent memory to outline in detailed analysis the insidious nature of institutional racism through her examination of the public policies that have created our prison system. As part of Mount Zion Temple's ongoing relationship building with Camphor Methodist Church, the Tzedek Committee offers this book as a focus for discussions about race and public policy. These gatherings are discussions, not lectures or presentations, so please read the book and come prepared to converse with your fellow congregants.

Mon., Sept. 8, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., Fireside Lounge, *Chapters 1-2*

Mon., Oct. 6, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., Fireside Lounge, *Chapters 3-4*

Mon., Nov. 3, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., Fireside Lounge, *Chapters 5-6*

Questions, contact Michael Kuhne (michael.kuhne@minneapolis.edu).

Here are some of the reviews about the book:

"The New Jim Crow offers a devastating account of a legal system doing its job perfectly well. We have simply replaced one caste system (Jim Crow) for another one (imprisonment, parole, detention) that keeps the majority of minorities in a permanent state of disenfranchisement. Alexander looks in detail at what economists usually miss, namely the entire legal structure of the courts, parole, probation and laws that effectively turn a perpetrator of a crime into a moral outlaw who is unworthy of rehabilitation[. . .]."

—Forbes

"[An] instant classic. . . The New Jim Crow is a grand wake-up call in the midst of a long slumber of indifference to the poor and vulnerable."

—Cornel West

June 2014 Family Shelter



Again this year in June we housed a shelter for families without homes. This is the 14th time in 13 years that we have had the Family Shelter at Mount Zion. We provided a place to sleep for 11 different families: 11 women, 4 men and 21 children. Two families spent almost the whole month with us and two families spent 18 nights with us. In total, 476 bed nights were provided...nights that these families might have spent on the street if we had not opened our doors.

In many ways the Family Shelter was different this year. We had less turnover of families in Shelter as they are staying longer in the Project Home system. Judi Levin Marshall stepped out of many roles and divided the work she had done alone into ten positions. She still did two major positions (Communications and Overall Coordination) but the following wonderful people stepped up to leadership roles and we all greatly appreciate their time and effort to make Shelter happen. Thank them when you see them!



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|-------------------------|--|
| Maria Kirsch | Donations and Supplies, Sign Up Board |
| Lisa Taran Maddy | Donations and Supplies |
| Ilona Rouda | Move In/Move Out, Signage and Orientation |
| Laura Schauben | Shelter Leader Coordinator |
| Jennifer Wallen | Sign Up/Scheduling of Volunteers |
| Susan Koch | Technical Advisor for Sign Up system
Susan has done this role for four years. |

Thanks! Thanks! Thanks!



A HUGE THANK YOU to members who donated clothing, supplies and food for our guests. HEARTY THANKS to those who helped to move Shelter IN (**Julie Dean, Shel Finver, Karen Gjerstad, Claire Hoyum, Alex Kravitz, Raline Paper, Ilona and Bob Rouda, Sue Stein, Ellen Wersan**) and OUT (**Joan Cleary, Susan Gottlieb, Jerry Helfand, Ilona Rouda, Carrie Siegel, and Ellen Wersan**) of our building! GREAT BIG HUGS go to the many volunteers, adults and children, who volunteered to help in the Family Shelter. Seventy-six Mount Zion households volunteered. Seven Mount Zion households volunteered for the first time! A SPECIAL thanks to the 23 households who volunteered more than once. Way to go!

An ENORMOUS THANK YOU goes to **Karen Gjerstad, Susan Gottlieb, Jeanne Herzog, Maria Kirsch, Shirley Kulevsky, Ilona Rouda, Laura Schauben, Lisa Taran-Maddy and Sue Stein** who served as lead people. You held it all together! And special thanks for the help of our building staff, Don and Elias, for making sure that the Shelter space was clean each night.



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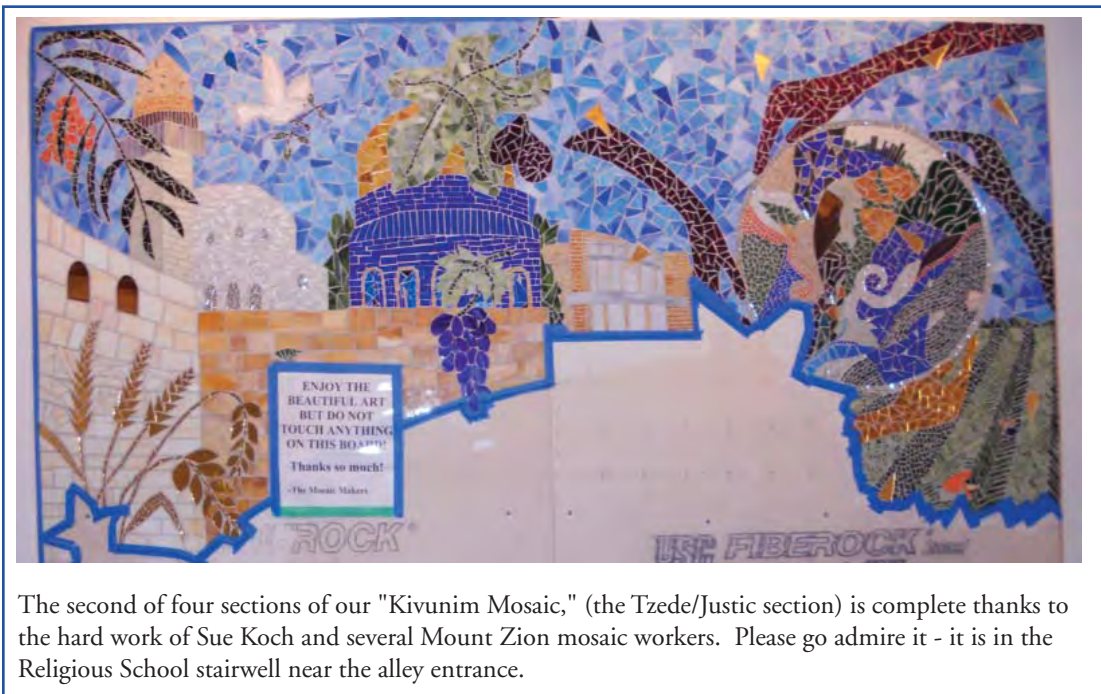
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The 16th Annual Communal Observance of
Tisha B'Av
Monday, August 4 / 9 Av
at Beth Jacob Congregation (1179 Victoria Curve, Mendota Heights)
8:30 p.m. "When God Mourns" Teaching by Rabbi Adler
9:00 p.m. Service by Candlelight, including Maariv & Eicha / Lamentations
Sponsored by Beth Jacob, Mount Zion Temple, & Temple of Aaron



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The second of four sections of our "Kivunim Mosaic," (the Tzede/Justic section) is complete thanks to the hard work of Sue Koch and several Mount Zion mosaic workers. Please go admire it - it is in the Religious School stairwell near the alley entrance.

Please Invite Your Friends and Acquaintances to Meet Mount Zion!



An Open House and Brunch for Unaffiliated Jews in Our Community

Sunday, September 7, 10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Mount Zion's annual Open Houses have been extremely successful in introducing our Temple to those seek a welcoming and vibrant spiritual home.

Please invite those you know who are unaffiliated so they can:

- ✧ Discover 150+ years of Mount Zion's rich history.
- ✧ Learn about Mount Zion's dedication to worship, learning, & social justice.
- ✧ Meet our clergy, lay leaders, and Temple members.
- ✧ Tour our building and religious school.
- ✧ Get a taste of our various organizations and activities.



Meet!



Listen!



Nosh!

Complimentary High Holy Day tickets will be given to Open House guests.

Childcare Provided.

RSVPs can be made online at www.mzion.org.

Attendees can contact the Temple with questions or to request their complimentary High Holy Day tickets at 651-698-3881.

