## TEMPLE BETH-EL

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Mission Statement: Temple Beth-El is a congregation of Jews and their families building a community committed to participation in all aspects of Jewish life. By community, we mean a group of diverse people who share a strong connection fostered by Temple Beth-El. By participation, we mean that all members will partake in and support the spiritual, cultural, educational and social life of Temple Beth-El.

# Time to "Consider the Conversation"

On Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10:00 the Adult Education Committee of Temple Beth-El will present a program discussing end-of-life care. Our guest will be Kellie Miller from Northern Illinois Hospice. Kellie will show the documentary film "Consider the Conversation" which examines the multiple perspectives on end-of-life care. The discussion asks the question, "How do you want to live before you die?" The program will include an open discussion on

identifying what is important to you and how you can communicate these wishes to your loved ones.

Kellie Miller from Northern Illinois Hospice will bring written material and other reference mate-

10:00 AM, Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup> at the Temple.

rial to assist in this important topic. Everyone knows someone who is getting older or is getting older. This important program will begin at 10:00 AM, Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup> at the Temple. Learn how to live out our lives in a rich meaningful way. We hope you will join. Admission is free.

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Shalom Chaverim,

As I write this, I have been enjoying a very nice and long overdue vacation in Daytona Beach, Florida. We are staying with my in-laws and it has been very relaxing. Even though it's a little cool here (mid-60s, low 70s - I know, feel sorry for me...), we've managed to go to the pool



From Rabbi Binah Wing

and the beach. We even spent a day at Disneyworld. Sometime in the future, I'll share about my experiences with you. One quirky thing I'll share with you now as it applies to the arrival of the new year.

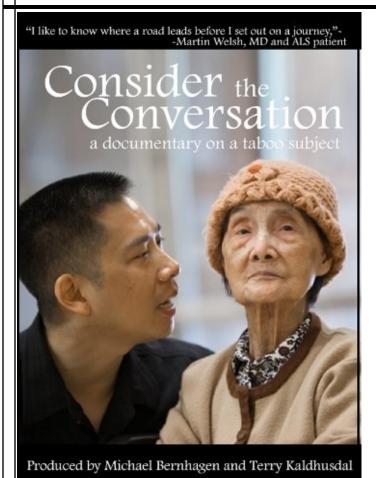
Even though my in-laws live 10 minutes from the beach, they hardly ever go there. It took us, traveling thousands of miles from Rockford, IL to get them to go. While there, it was lovely and we all had a nice time.

How often do we dismiss, forget about, or generally just ignore the treasures around us? Even though Rockford has it's problems, it does have a lot to offer. Perhaps we might all set a goal this year of taking better advantage of the place in which we live, instead of waiting for a visitor to make us appreciate it?

And while we're at it, perhaps we could also use this time to relish the other blessings in our lives - family, friends, shelter, sustenance, love, health, just being alive. It's easy to forget how much there is to appreciate.

May 2015 bring many gifts and blessings your way and abundant peace to all.

Shalom, Rabbi Wing



A Documentary on a Taboo Subject is an intimate story about the American struggle with communication and preparation at life's end. It contains the perspectives of patients, family members, doctors, nurses, social workers, clergy and national experts from around the country. The goal of this film is to inspire dialogue between patient and doctor, husband and wife, minister and parishioner, parent and child. Join us......

Temple Beth-El
Sunday, January 18, 2015
10:00 AM
Discussion leader:
Kellie Miller—Northern Illinois Hospice

# From the Temple Board.... By Secretary Ellen Salley

The Temple board met on December 11th, 2014. Brina called the meeting to order and Rabbi shared a prayer about winter. The minutes of the last meeting were read, a correction was made and the minutes were then approved.

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Rabbi reported that the combined service for Thanksgiving was very good and more churches are interested in participating. She also announced that she will be on staff this summer during OSRUI. She will be finding service leaders to replace her while she is there. David Sklar will replace her when she is on her vacation. This will be Friday December 26<sup>th</sup>.

The Temple Hanukkah dinner was held on December 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00. On January 18<sup>th</sup>, an adult education presentation on "Consider the Conversation" will be held. Also there is a list of plaques from Ohave Shalom. Please check this list to see if you or someone you know would be interested in claiming the plaque.

The Foundation continues to do well.

GRTY went bowling with the Healing Pathway students and had a good time. They also had a presentation from 15 presenters from the Temple and the community on career education. The presentation was awesome. The religious school students made challah with Ronit Golan and did an art project with Sandy Simon entitled "Gratitude Project A-Z."

In this month's bulletin you will see a new article entitled "A Minute with a Member." A Temple member will be featured each month. We will again be collecting school supplies for the Rockford schools for second semester. Also mark your calendars for January 31<sup>st</sup> when the Zussman's will be hosting a social evening. Chocolate and Havdalah is involved! Continue to send in rummage for the sale in March.

We are looking into ways to make the building more secure.

The board wishes everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

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## Brina's Bits

It is hard to believe that 2014 has gone by so fast and we are beginning 2015. I have been the President of Temple Beth-El for one year and it's time to reflect and

look forward. How am I doing? How are you doing as the congregation?

So, what are the duties of the Temple President? According to the Constitution of Temple Beth-El, the President enforces the Constitution, presides over all meetings of the Congregation and the Board of Directors, signs all official documents on behalf of the Congregation, appoints committee chair people and serves as an ex-officio member of all committees, casts the deciding vote on all questions in which there is an equal division of votes, submits a written report at the annual meeting, is the principal executive officer of the

Congregation, has general charge and supervision of the affairs of the Congregation, and carries out other duties that normally pertain to the office of President.

The President is also responsible for the congregation. What makes our membership feel

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welcome, wanted and fulfilled? I was so thrilled to see a full sanctuary for the farewell to Judy and Chuck Picus and again for the conversion of the Quimbys and the *Aufruf* for the Pearlmans. It is very rewarding to see more people at our services. What will encourage you to come more often in the New Year? I would like to hear from you on this and any subject.

I think one of the hardest parts of the role of President is writing this article on a monthly basis. I enjoy meeting and greeting members and guests visiting the Temple. I try to meet with Rabbi once a week to touch base with her, but writing this begs for your input on subjects that might be of interest to you or questions that I can address that would be of interest to the entire membership. I hope one of your new year's resolutions might be to drop me a quick note and let me know how I can make this next year an even better one for us all.

I hope you all have a healthy, happy, peaceful new year.

See you soon, Brina



Food-A-Rama Committee Meeting Wednesday, January 28th 6:30 pm



Mark your calendars! Rummage Sale March 26th, 27th and 29th

# We are still accepting rummage through March

Drop off your clothing, furniture, household items, etc. **NOW!** 

We cannot accept Old TVs or computer monitors.

Thank you for your help!

## 10 Minutes of Torah

UNION FOR REFORM JUDAISM'S DEPARTMENT OF LIFELONG JEWISH LEARNING

The Union will send you a one page e-mail each day on a topic of Jewish Interest.

All you need to do is find 10 minutes a day to "do Torah."

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# SOHOOK DOZE

200 Words or Less... By Goldie & Adrian



We had a great Chanukah party on Sunday, the 14th with lots of things going on! Max Weinstein from OSRUI Jewish camp came for a visit and shared everything you would want to know about the camp experience! We saw the newest video and answered all questions. Everyone went home with the 2015 brochure, OSRUI wrist bands and free slushy cards to redeem at camp. We are grateful to the Garten and Dermer funds for helping to provide camperships for four students this coming summer.

Sandy Simon led the students in their special photo frame art project and Mike Reid and Jordan Towne led Chanukah bingo games. The culminating event of any Jewish holiday is the food and our chef in residence, Ronit, didn't disappoint. We had traditional latkes and jelly doughnuts along with hot dogs, salad and other yummies! Thanks to Ronit's kitchen helpers Dan Libman, David Goldblum, Amy Towne and Fave Marcus. The Jewish Federation, Religious School and Hadassah sponsored this event. This "Potato Pancakes for Parkinson's" luncheon is in memory of Sterne Roufa. All donations collected will go towards research for this disease. Thanks to everyone who lent a hand during the morning.

Please consider signing up for Schnuck's e-Scrip program for Religious School if you haven't done so yet. It's easy to do. Just stop at the customer service desk at the store. We have been averaging between \$50 -\$60 a month due to the points earned for us by you shopping there. Thanks so much! It's easy to do and we sure can use your help! By signing up you will also get breaks on Mobile gas purchases.

Have a great winter break. Hope you enjoyed your Chanukah celebrations and mark your calendars for our special Family Shabbat evening on Friday, January 16th!

Till next time, Shalom.

## <u>TEMPLE BETH-EL</u> <u>MINUTE WITH A</u> MEMBER

Dear TBE Friends: The bulletin this month will feature our first "Minute with a Member". Please take a few moments to learn a bit more



about our President of the TBE Board, **Brina Grigg**. Below are her answers to a few questions. We hope you will enjoy getting to know her a bit more!

- -Tell a little about yourself and family: I was born and raised in Peoria, IL. I moved to Rockford on December 31, 1979 and became a member of Temple Beth-El in 1980. My two sons were born and raised in Rockford and attended Religious School and Hebrew School at Temple Beth-El and became Bar Mitzvahs. Like so many children, they have moved away from Rockford.
- -Something people would be surprised to learn about you/us: When I was in high school, I rode quarter
- **-Your favorite Temple activities:** Singing in the choir is my favorite Temple activity.

horses.

-A memorable moment at Temple Beth-EI: My most memorable

moment at TBE was being asked by Rabbi Wing to carry the Torah during a Friday night service. I was overcome with joy and had goose bumps. Having been raised in a conservative synagogue in Peoria, IL, I never thought I would carry a Torah.

- **-Favorite Judaic holiday or food:** Latkes with sour cream is my favorite holiday food.
- -What is the biggest challenge you have ever faced? At the age of 3, my oldest son, Marty became insulin dependent. It broke my heart to have to prick my son's finger four times a day and give him shots.
- -If you could meet anyone, living or dead, who would you want to meet? Having grown up in Central Illinois, I would like to have met Abraham Lincoln, the great emancipator.
- **-What was your first job?** I worked the concession stand at the Fox Theater in Peoria IL. It was torn down and is now a Super 8 Motel.

## January Oneg Committee

## January 2

Lynn Reid

Linda and Jerry Barenbaum

## January 9

Andrea and Brian Bear

Merle Langs

## January 16

Sandy and Michael Simon

Andrea Levey

January 23 No Oneg

January 30

Goldie Pekarsky

Melissa and Josh Tatman

The Temple Beth-El Family greatly appreciates and thanks our Oneg Hosts for helping to make our Services more meaningful and offering an opportunity for us all to mingle and socialize.



## TBE SOCIAL ACTION ON THE MOVE...

## **SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE**

Second semester of the school year is right around the corner! Students have already used up a good deal of school supplies from the start of the year.



The Social Action Committee of Temple

Beth-El would like to help Spring Creek Elementary School replenish these supplies.

Please consider donating some new school supplies to this worthy cause. There will be a box set up in the library for collections.

Some items that are always needed are: pencils, pens, spiral notebooks, notebook paper, solid colored folders, crayons, markers, etc. Monetary donations are always welcome (please leave in the office, with checks made out to Temple Beth- EI).

Let's help our children in the community have a successful learning experience by being able to use some new school supplies this winter! Any questions, please contact Faye Marcus: fe.marcus@att.net or 815-877-4285.

## January Birthdays & Anniversaries

Adults		Jonathan Rozman	1/20
Eric Marcus	1/3	Lisa Marcus	1/26
Elisa Whitman	1/4	<b>David Deutsch</b>	1/26
Diana Behr	1/9	Joshua Weiss	1/27
Jordan Towne	1/10	David Goldblum	1/29
Daniel Cohen	1/14	<b>Howard Weiss</b>	1/30
Jeffrey Lash	1/15	Benjamin Ahles	1/30
John Holmstrom	1/16	Connie Paris	1/31
Julie Sparks	1/16		
Jonathan Simon	1/17	Children	<b>A</b>
Benjamin Bear	1/19	None	ĬŇ
Laura Kamin	1/19	$Q_{i}$	UU
Madilyn Reid	1/19	Anniversaries	<b>→</b>
Vicki Weiss	1/19	None	
Lisa Kopnick	1/20		

Mazel Tov to Lisa Hergert and Larry Pearlman On the occasion Of their marriage December 20, 2014

## The Temple Beth-El Gift Shop



#### GIFT SHOP HOURS

Monday-Friday, call the office Sunday 10am - noon\* \*Open Sundays when school is in session. And 1/2 hour before 7:30 p.m. services

If you need to visit the shop at another time, please call the Temple office (398-5020), Milly Kaplan (877-5717) or Susan Rosenfeld (964-8642).

## YAHRZEIT LIST

If you are interested in having your loved one's name on the Yahrzeit list, please call Joyce in the Temple Office, 398-5020

#### Read Jan 2

Emilia Pap Joseph Weiner Maurice Froelich George Seidler Mikel Frankel Morris Kobrin Aron Kleinberg Michael Gary Raffle David Merrill Frazin

## Read Jan 9

David S. Gesmer Johanna Gustafson Robert Adelman Abraham Fischer Abram Patlove Frances Skora Alex Lazarus

#### Read Jan 16

Elbert Bagus
Amy Susan Raskin
Bob Goldman
Albert Tobias
Gussie Slavinsky
Morton Einhorn
Fred Rick
Phyllis Slobard
Lenore I. Shanhouse
Lillian C. Busch

## Read Jan 23

Dorothy Zenoff
William Shanhouse
Bernard Cohen
Julius Schnaper
Harry Feinstein
Abraham Shussin
Louis Sanders
Martin Toder
Jean Toder
Louis Levy

## Read January 30

Herman Saruk Leon Gross Arnold Powell Harold Fusch Michael A. Dermer Sidney Rettig Betty Hertz

## YAHRZEITs cont.

Rose Share Herman Gudema Martin Hernandez



## **MEMORIAL BOARD**

Honor the memory of your loved ones by placing their names on the board in our memorial alcove. Please supply the Temple office with the name, date of birth and date of death. The minimum donation is \$200. The light alongside each name is lit every year to mark the

is lit every year to mark the anniversary of the death, and the name appears in the annual memorial book.



# **CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR FUNDS**Benjamin Schaider Building Fund

Congratulations to Jay and Susan Kamin on the birth of their granddaughter, Maya In honor of Susan Kamin's 60th

birthday

-Terry and Carol Gordon

#### **Dermer Fund**

In honor of Lisa Hergert and Larry Pearlman

-Brina Grigg

In honor of the marriage of Lisa and Larry Pearlman

-Dorie and Gloria Bertram

## **Garten Fund**

In memory of Mary McCabe -Elisa Whitman

In memory of Mary McCabe
Congratulations to the Quimby
family on their conversion
Good luck to Chuck and Judy
Picus on their new adventure
In honor of Lisa Hergert and Larry
Pearlman's wedding

Speedy recovery to Marian Peters -Faye Marcus

In memory of Arthur Zussman -Zussman family

In honor of Faye Marcus and Judy Picus for their outstanding service to the Jewish community In honor of Sue and Jay Kamin's new granddaughter, Maya Emilia In loving memory of Joseph Kimmelsman Nanci and Marc Soriano

## Landscaping Fund

In memory of Betsy Castellano -Sara and David Deutsch and family

In memory of Betsy Castellano

-Nanci and Marc Soriano

#### **Lazarus Fund**

In memory of Jan Lazarus -Sandy Lazarus Keller and family

## Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In loving memory of Wally Peters and David L. Hillman

-Marian Peters

In honor of the Quimby family In memory of Ben Rossin

-Brina Grigg

In honor of the marriage of Lisa and Larry Pearlman

-Scott Johnson

## **Unrestricted Fund**

In memory of Walter Oppenheimer

-Dina Oppenheimer

In memory of Mary McCabe

-Sara and David Deutsch and family

## **CONDOLENCES TO:**

Sara Deutsch and family on the passing of Her sister, Betsy Castellano

#### Thank You.....

The Temple has been the recipient of donations from the Temple Family in the name of many funds in order to supply much needed money for worthwhile programs and projects. We would like to spotlight a couple of these funds.

The Robert and Joel Garten Youth and Scholarship Fund is to provide camperships for religious school students. This fund is administered by the Education Committee and the Rabbi.

The Michael Dermer Religious School Fund was established for the purpose of raising money to support religious school activities. This fund is used to provide enrichment programs, scholarships and youth activities.

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## **GRTY NEWS**

Submitted by: Co-President Nathaniel Huss



GRTY had the pleasure of listening to guest speakers discuss their various professions on Career Day on December 7<sup>th</sup>. The teens were able to ask questions as 15 quest speakers gave an overview of their job and the path they had to take to get to their career choices. The careers discussed were medical practices, law, engineering, education, physical therapy, accounting, broadcast journalism and a multitude of others. After each presenter gave his/her five minute speech. kids were able to conference with the presenters that intrigued them. The day proved to be an enlightening one for GRTY.

On December 14<sup>th</sup>, GRTY had the annual Hanukkah party. The teens enjoyed two games of Laser Quest, and then they ate a delicious dinner at Shogun next door. The chefs dazzled GRTY with their special skills on and off of the grill. They always put on a good show! The teens also received gifts as part of a Secret Maccabee gift exchange. GRTY also did a mitzvah by bringing gifts, ranging from necessary items to entertainment items, to Rockford's Cancer Resource Center, Healing Pathways.

Coming up on the GRTY calendar, we have NFTY CANOe Winter Kallah at OSRUI the weekend of December 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>. We have the Soup Kitchen on December 28<sup>th</sup>, and after that, the Executive Board will experience leadership training on January 11<sup>th</sup>. The teens will have fun at our annual Lock-in/Game Night on January 17<sup>th</sup>, and to cap January off, the teens will go ice skating on the 25<sup>th</sup>.



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☐ Congratulations to:	□Chai (\$18) □ \$10	□ Pap □ Kupperman □		
☐ In Honor of:	□ \$4 (Min.)	Landscaping □ Gifts&Flowers		
☐ Other:	□ Other:	□ Sachs □ Liebovich Fund □ Other		

# Temple Beth-El

# Family Shabbat Dinner Friday, January 16, 2015

# Service 6:00 pm Dinner to Follow

Menu: chicken, mostaccioli, salad, bread Religious School students will participate in the service

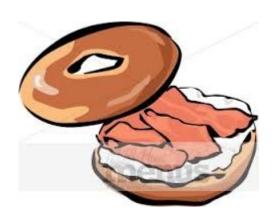


Please return the bottom portion with your check made payable to Temple Beth-El by January 13. Your check is your reservation.

Family Name
Number of adults attending at \$7.00 each
Number of children (age 4-12) attending at \$4.00 each
Children age 3 and under are free.
Total amount enclosed

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Please make check payable to the Jewish Federation of Greater Rockford. Mail to: Sharon Goldsand, 3707 Lakeview Drive, Winnebago, IL 61088

## Please join us for a fun Temple Beth-El Social Event...

An enjoyable adult evening of chocolate, wine, and conversation....



## SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 2015 7:00-10:00 P.M. THE HOME OF KAREN AND MARC ZUSSMAN

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Wine and coffee will be served as well!

NO CHARGE other than your company and your favorite chocolate dessert dish. Please bring at least one chocolate dessert to pass!

RSVP TO KAREN ZUSSMAN BY JANUARY 20, 2015, AT KZUSSMAN@AOL.COM, 815.282.9058, OR TO THE TEMPLE BETH-EL OFFICE



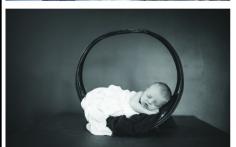
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Our car mitzvah donation program has earned over \$40000 in the last 8 years. This comes about through the incredible generosity of our congregants. Jerry Paris has sold his Midas Auto Repair facility on North Main St. after being in business for 38 years. It is now owned by Butitta Bros and the manager's name is Neil. The new organization has agreed to continue the car donation program under the same arrangement as before.

Please contact the new manager at 815-962-7914 and he will insure that Temple is properly rewarded. If you have any questions, please call Jerry at 815-222-6016.

Thank you for your support.

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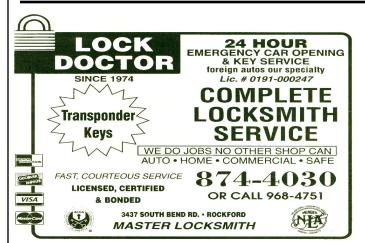
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## **BRING ON THE BOOKS!**

For the past eight years, the TBE Book Sale committee has been accepting your used and/or new books for listing online or for the Rummage Sale. To date we have raised over \$18,000!

We accept your donations throughout the year. There is a bin in the classroom hallway (to the right of the gift shop) for you to place your donations.



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# Coming Attractions

## February 2015 March 2015

Sun. 8th Purrim Carnival at TBE Thur. 26th- 27th, 29th Rummage Sale

## **April 2015**

Sat. 18th Madeleine Libman Bat Mitzvah

Sun. 19th Holocaust Remembrance Day

## May 2015

Sun. 3rd Israel Day Wed. 20th Food-A-Rama

June 2015
July 2015
August 2015
September 2015
October 2015
November 2015

Sat. 21st Aron Tatman Bar Mitzvah

## <u>December 2015</u> <u>January 2016</u>

# Tentative Date \* Temple Board Meets the 2nd Wed. each month Library 7:00 PM

We hope this page of Coming Attractions helps you plan ahead for activities at Temple Beth-El. Please understand that some dates and times might be tentative and will be updated each month as dates get closer.



## GRTY 2014-2015 Calendar

Jan. 11 Leadership Training-Exec. Board only - noon-2:00 Jan. 17Lock In / Game Night—6-10 p.m. 7-8 grades until 9:30 a.m. on Sun. for H.S. teen Jan. 25 Ice Skating—Carlson Ice Arena 2-4:00 p.m.

## \*Means you can earn service hours

Advisors: Nanci Soriano H: 654-

7677 cell: 222-9626

Lauren Lamont: cell: 988-3727

**RSVP to ALL** activities **quickly** please even if you can't attend **Dues: 7-8 graders: \$25** (2<sup>nd</sup> child \$20) **9-12 graders: \$40** (2<sup>nd</sup> child \$25)

*NFTY* on line Registration: www.nfty.org/no

# HELP WANTED: CARING COMMITTEE

The Caring Committee was formed to provide a meal(s) to a member in the event of a birth, death or illness. Anyone interested in being on the Caring Committee list or is interested in providing a ride to a Temple function, please contact Carol Gordon at 815-398-4214 or cggordon50@hotmail.com.

## **Membership**

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membership chairperson at
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## The Tree of Life

Remember a loved one or celebrate a wonderful occasion by noting it forever on the Temple Beth-El Tree Of Life in the foyer. Contact the Temple office for details.

# The Temple Bulletin goes away to College....

If you have a student heading off to college, we would like to send him or her a copy of the Temple Bulletin. Let them have one more connection to home while they are away. All we need are name and address, and we will do the rest. Give Joyce a call in the office, and add one more piece of mail from home for your student.

Visit the Temple Beth-El New Web Site Address...

http://templebethel-rockford.org/.

Check it out!

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## The Yiddish Corner

## meshugge

m'-SHU-geh

Crazy, obsessed, bizarre

I don't go out on New Year's Eve anymore. Everyone just acts too *meshugge!* 

## On the Lighter Side...

Dear Dad.

Univer\$ity life i\$ really great and I'm beginning to enjoy it. Even though I'm making lot\$ of new friend\$, I \$till find time to \$tudy very hard. I already have \$ome \$tuff and I \$imply can't think of anything el\$e I need, \$o if you like, you can ju\$t \$end me a \$imple card a\$ I would love to hear from you.

Love, Your **\$**on

Moi\$he

His father replies: -

Dear Moishe,

I kNOw that astroNOmy, ecoNOmics, and oceaNOgraphy are probably NOt eNOugh to keep even an hoNOurs student busy. But do NOt forget that the pursuit of kNOwledge is a NOble task and one can never study eNOugh.

Love.

Your father,

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# January 2015 Religious Services

January 2

Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 pm

January 9

Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 pm

January 16

Family Shabbat Service and Dinner Service 6:00 pm

January 23

Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 pm

January 30

Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 pm

January 31 (at Zussman's)

Havdalah and Hershey's Service 7:00 pm

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