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RABBI JONATHAN KATZ

ANNUAL MEETING MARCH 30TH, 2008

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I just have a few words to express my feelings this afternoon.

The first is thanks. To the congregation for electing me president these past two years, and then being so indulgent during my extensive on the job training.



To my wife Betty, for permitting me to take on this role, and to my colleagues who served with me as officers and board members and were equally quick and kind in detecting my weaknesses and providing needed support, and of course Rabbi Eisenstat who was always nearby with counsel. And a special thanks to our staff, who were always ready when I needed them. Whatever I've done I couldn't have achieved without their help. In some cases my reach may have exceeded my grasp and promises may have overshadowed deliverables.

Today we will vote in a slate of officers and current and new board members who are smart and hardworking with a great attitude, who are willing and anxious to move our Temple into the 21st century.

We find ourselves here today in a world of change, not merely this Temple Community, and while we have taken steps these past two years to adjust to this change, it is greater than I ever had imagined.

I believe we moved the ship from the dock. I'm sad that we were not able to complete the job on my watch, requiring me to pass the responsibility on to others. There is a massive appetite for change, so I am optimistic that the new leadership will move the ship out to sea.

I hesitate to mention by name those who contributed so much of their time and energy these past two years, in fear I may forget someone, but there is one exception. I wish to thank Bill Sandy and the members of the Innovation Committee who this past week presented to me a report of ideas and possibilities for the future growth of Temple Beth Israel. This road map will prove to be invaluable to the future Temple leadership.

On a personal note, these past two years have been truly for me an experience that I will never forget. I never left the Temple without a good feeling, never without a smile. The relationships and friendships that I enjoyed were priceless. Sure there were a few bumps in the road, but when I was faced with a situation and had to make a decision, I asked myself the question, 'what is best for the Temple.' The answer came easier.

I want to thank those of you who founded Temple Beth Israel, and those who have been involved these past 28 years.

In a short time we will be celebrating our Temple's 30th anniversary. I pray to G-d we will all unite together and put into place policies that will serve succeeding generations equally well for the next 30 years.

Shalom,

Charles Ackerman

WORSHIP SERVICES

SHABBAT SERVICES

FRIDAY EVENING 8:00 PM

SATURDAY MORNING 10:00 AM

Shavuot

Monday, June 9, 10 AM

Shabbat Services begin at 5:30 p.m.

Friday June 13



MEET ELAINE WEILL, OUR NEW PRESIDENT

As of June 1, Elaine Weill will be using her background, experience and personal philosophy to guide this congregation as it ends one rabbinical era and enters another. The president-elect, who is finishing her second year as a vice president, is no newcomer to her new position. She



and her husband, Donald, belonged to the largest Reform synagogue in New Jersey where she served as its president from 1990-1992. Incidentally, she is only the second woman in the history of Temple Beth Israel to ascend to the presidency; the first was Lillian Maltzer in the 1990s.

Her professional career adds a special dimension to her understanding and caring about people. Elaine holds a Master of Social Work degree from Fordham University and she worked as a psychotherapist for 30 years at a private agency in Westfield, New Jersey.

The Weills have been married for 51 years, are the parents of four married children, and the grandparents of nine. During her spare time, Elaine volunteers at the Wellness Center of the Senior Friendship Center, plays bridge and golf and exercises regularly at a gym. Her deep pride and passion in her sense of Judaism will be an asset in her new role at Temple Beth Israel.

Gloria Sabin



FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY....

"When I did the math," I calculated that this column was about #110, since I arrived at Temple Beth Israel. The time has flown.

So many of the things that I am doing are the "last time" I will be doing them at Temple Beth Israel. The awareness of that reality came home to me only in the last couple of weeks: my Retirement Weekend celebration (that was a beautiful and very moving experience for me and for Nancy), the election of a new Rabbi for our Congregation (who I am sure will delight us all), my last time at being responsible for the Community Yom HaShoah commemoration at Temple Beth Israel, and writing this last "From the Rabbi's Study..." column.

People have occasionally asked me: "if you had it to do all over again, would you still become a rabbi?" I never hesitate to say that I would. I have found the rabbinate to be a spiritually fulfilling life. I have had the opportunity to touch many lives and, in turn, to be touched by many lives. The rabbinate has enabled me to learn and to teach, to listen and to speak. It has provided me with an avocation as well as a vocation with which to serve the Jewish people and to serve God in whom I believe, deeply. What more could I ask?

I have been particularly fortunate to have had a wonderful partner in my life's work. Nancy has always been my source of strength and comfort, and sharing my rabbinate with her has been particularly meaningful.

Both of us are in one hundred percent agreement that we could not have concluded our "official" congregational life in a more wonderful congregation than Temple Beth Israel. Your talents, your labors, your skills, and your willingness to share them for the good of our Congregation have made these last "work" years into "fun" years.

You have become our friends and our family. We love you and we look forward to sharing the coming years with you. Thank you for your friendship and devotion.

Fondly,

Rabbi Michael B. Eisenstat

RABBI KATZ TO LEAD THE CONGREGATION

For months and months, the Rabbinic Search Committee met weekly, interviewed candidates and worked assiduously to find the "right match" for Temple Beth Israel. Towards the middle of April, the committee voted unanimously to hire Rabbi Jonathan Katz; subsequently, the Temple Board of Trustees met on April 24 and concurred, again unanimously, with the Search Committee's choice.



The sanctuary was filled to capacity on Friday evening, April 25, when Rabbi Katz was invited to lead the Shabbat service. At the congregation meeting on April 29, the members voted to confirm the hiring of Rabbi Katz.

The new leader at Temple Beth Israel, whose last pulpit was in Fort Wayne, Indiana, was ordained in 1988 and served congregations in Baltimore, and Woodbridge, Virginia. He has an extensive background that is both scholarly and pragmatic, spanning issues relating to Judaism and spirituality, writing numerous articles on both secular and non-secular issues, promoting interfaith relations and balancing the seriousness of Torah with relevance to everyday life, using anecdotal illustrations. His educational background includes a Bachelor of Arts degree from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, rabbinic ordination from the Hebrew Union College in New York City and a Master of Arts degree from the Hebrew Union College in Los Angeles. Rabbi Katz and his wife, Marty, are the parents of a six year old daughter, Emma; they plan on living in Sarasota throughout the year.

Rabbi Katz has said, "I find fulfillment as a rabbi in offering words that bring a measure of comfort after the loss of a loved one, giving a sermon with which people particularly identify, sharing a humorous Jewish anecdote, and articulating the beauty of our faith in ways that inspire hope and nurture a deeper appreciation of our religious character."

Gloria Sabin

Flowers, Onegs and Kiddush

Celebrate a Simcha with the Temple Family. Remember a loved one, honor birthdays, anniversaries, birth of a grandchild or great-grandchild. It's a Mitzvah to share.

To reserve a Friday evening date contact Selma Horowitz 346-8225 or the Temple Office at 383-3428. To sponsor a Saturday Kiddush call Marsha Frank 383-3082.



ANNUAL MEETING MARCH 30TH, 2008

INSTALLATION REMARKS

For over 2,000 years the foundation of Jewish life has been the synagogue. It is the place where Jews come to be with one another at times of great joy and at times of sorrow. It is the foundation of our Jewish learning. It is the place where we come to be sustained spiritually and the place where we stand up for justice.

However, given what we as a people have had to overcome historically, it is a miracle that we are still here at all...and still making our enormous contributions to the world. How amazing! To no small extent, it is the synagogue which connects us to our great traditions and enables us to pass on our beliefs from generation to generation.

Our founding members were aware of this when they created Temple Beth Israel here on Longboat Key almost thirty years ago. Like synagogues the world over, we have our share of challenges. Among the issues that await us, as our Rabbi Eisenstat retires, are the hiring of a new spiritual leader, creating a sound financial footing, and attracting new members. Fortunately, we have a membership – from those original founders to our newest congregants – that has an extremely high level of experience and a strong desire to be involved. And because of that I know we will not only come up with sound answers to those challenges, but continue to build upon the richly deserved reputation we enjoy. The future for Temple Beth Israel appears to be very bright indeed. It is my honor to serve as president at this exciting time.

Now I want to thank our dedicated trustees whose terms are coming to a close. It was a pleasure to have served with you. My congratulations to those of you who are joining the board and those who are continuing your terms as board members. I greatly appreciate the opportunity to work with you as well as with my fellow officers and especially our outgoing president, Charles Ackerman. I also look forward to cooperating with our auxiliaries and committees on their wonderful programs and events.

Rabbi Lawrence Kushner has written: "synagogue life is not perfect – we all know that – but it is light years ahead of whatever comes in second."

I am confident that, while there will always be issues to deal with, we in this room will give of ourselves with fullness of heart to resolve those issues and move Temple Beth Israel forward in the process.

I cannot think of a more rewarding way for us to spend our time and our effort. We are, after all, a small yet integral part of the ongoing miracle of our people.

Elaine Weill

The 2008 Race to the White House

On Sunday, May 4, Dr. Herbert Waltzer, a former political science professor who has taught and written extensively on politics, presented a behind-the-scenes look at what it takes to get elected president beginning with the announcement, the primaries, the caucuses, the conventions and the election campaigns.



Dr. Waltzer is a Men's Club member and holds the title of Professor Emeritus of political science at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, where he held such prestigious positions as Dean of the Graduate School and Dean of Research and Associate Provost. He has taught and written extensively on American politics and public affairs and has worked as a journalist and public affairs commentator and served as an election analyst for CBS News.

Doris White



5769 – 2008 Service Schedule

Selichot.....	Saturday, Sept. 20, 10:00 PM
Rosh Hashanah Eve.....	Monday, Sept. 29, 8:00 PM
Rosh Hashanah Morning.....	Tuesday, Sept. 30, 10:00 AM
Yom Kippur – Kol Nidre.....	Wednesday, Oct. 8, 8:00 PM
Yom Kippur – Morning.....	Thursday, Oct. 9, 10:00 AM
Afternoon (Followed by Yizkor)	Thursday, Oct. 9, 2:30 PM
Neilah (Concluding Service).....	Concludes By 6:15 PM
Sukkot.....	Tuesday, Oct. 14, 10:00 AM
Simchat Torah / Yizkor.....	Tuesday, Oct. 21, 10:00 AM

TIDBITS

Much appreciation and gratitude go out to Harold Ronson, who underwrote the costs of our wonderful new siddurs, "The Tabernacle of Prayer" in honor of his wife, Kay, a victim of Alzheimer's Disease. Temple Beth Israel is the first reform synagogue in the area to adopt the new prayer book.



Kay was a convert who loved Judaism and instilled that love into their daughter, Norma Koppel, who today is the president of Central Synagogue in Rockville Center, L.I., New York.

A World War II veteran, Harold graduated from the Philadelphia College of Textiles and Science and headed a synthetic fiber company, from which he retired some 20 years ago, when he and Kay moved from New York to Longboat Key. He was recently named a trustee emeritus of the college.

A large thank you, Harold Ronson, for your generosity.



Check out the December 2007 issue of The Bulletin for more detailed background, written by Dr. Jerome Rosenthal, about how the new prayer books came about and how they contain features that make our services more "user friendly." To access this Bulletin issue through the internet, enter www.tbi-lbk.org. When the Temple image appears, enter "Temple Bulletins."



When WOOO (Women on Our Own) ordered a bus to transport the members to the BIW-sponsored "Night at the Ballet" on March 22 at the Van Wezel, they received quite a surprise.

The women met at the Temple on that rainy night to await the arrival of the bus. Time passed, and to their collective consternation, the bus failed to show up at the appointed time. Their contact, known simply as "George" not only apologized for inconveniencing the women but sent three limousines to take them to the ballet.

Later, in negotiations with WOOO President Maye Lavinson, about the costs of the limousines, a decision was made to pay George \$200. He received the payment, but turned around and donated the entire amount to the Temple. As of this writing, we were unable to track down the name of George's company, but if anyone needs to get in touch with him, his full name is George



Kechirotis and his telephone number is 383-5409.

Men's Club

The MEN IN BLACK (one with a red bowtie) were not arresting aliens but were actually Men's Club members serving as ushers at Opera Night March 18 and with great care helping attendees climb the steps and inch their way down the ramp at the banquet honoring our Rabbi's retirement March 30.

They were but a half dozen of our members who ALL serve our Temple in preparing and serving such events as Breakfast for the Scholar in Residence, drive for Meals on Wheels, do Thursday Night at the Movies and arrange for the many programs. This past year they included the opening Jazz Concert, New York Jews in the Jazz Age, the Lost Wooden Synagogues of Eastern Europe, Dr. Herb Waltzer's talk on the Race to the White House to name a few.

The net income from Opera Night has permitted us to allocate donations as follows:

- Temple Beth Israel
- Friends of Beit Daniel
- American Friends of Mogan David
- Sarasota Jewish Federation for Children's Camps
- Alyn Children's Home
- Jewish Housing Council
- Meals on Wheels
- Catholic Diocese of Venice
- (Previously awarded 2007: Temple Beth Israel for the Kitchen)

On Sunday, November 9, 2008 we will serve a MEET OUR NEW RABBI Dinner at which we also welcome back snowbirds. Hold the date now and plan to return from up north in time!

Other programs including Opera Night again are planned for January, February, March and April. Look in the next Bulletin in September.

Donald Kayton, Men's Club President



In Memorium

Helen Hochfelder
Eugene Levine
Louis Smerling

INNOVATION REPORT COMPLETED

A 40 page Report from the Innovation Committee has been completed and is now available to Temple leadership in time for forward planning.

The Report presents ideas in five categories—

1) Recruit New Members, 2) Retain Members, 3) Enrich the Temple Experience, 4 Strengthen Temple Finances, 5) Develop Future Leaders.

The Committee was formed in January. An authorizing letter was circulated to all Temple members by President Charles Ackerman and Vice President of Strategic Planning, our next Temple President, Elaine Weill. The mission was described as “looking for ideas...the world around us keeps changing, giving us new challenges and new potentials.”

Bill Sandy, “a Temple member with a professional background in consulting, training, communication and performance improvement” was asked to chair the group. Twenty-two Temple members stepped forward as volunteers, creating a dynamic task force capable of research, brainstorming, conducting focus groups and evaluating recommendations.

Objectives include—

Stimulate open-minded “what if?” creative thinking.

Capitalize on the excitement of a new Rabbi, rotations of Temple leadership, and our 30th Anniversary milestone.

Reinforce current and earlier Temple Strategic Plans.

Clarify issues that stand in the way, suggesting new approaches.

Give more Temple members a feeling of involvement, emphasizing that suggestions are welcome.

The draft is only the first step in a process of revitalization. Next the Innovation Report undergoes analysis by the Temple Board and then ever-widening circles of Temple membership. The process will continue through the summer and autumn as we move from possibilities to specific actions to defining a wide-ranging number of fresh leadership roles for Temple members.

ARZA

RABBI URI REGEV – WORLD UNION

The President of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, Rabbi Uri Regev, our 2008 Kallah Scholar spoke before a capacity audience. He discussed the challenges facing Reform Judaism in Israel and the gains made by the Reform Movement world-wide. Prior to his arrival in Sarasota, he had been in four countries in seven days. Regev stated “Around the world, in neighborhoods large and small, the pulse of Jewish life beats through the many activities provided by the World Union.”

Rabbi Regev stated that the “World Union was established in London in 1926 as the only global body that combines modern liberal values with ancient Jewish traditions. Today, it serves 44 countries and more than 1.7 million people in Reform, Progressive, Liberal and Reconstructionist communities.”

There is no greater testament to the vibrancy of Reform Judaism today than the growth and re-emergence of congregations and communities around the world. The World Union is instrumental in this historic renewal, helping to build and support Reform communities through congregations and leadership.

In the former Soviet Union, and in central and eastern Europe, after nearly a century of religious oppression, the World Union is a driving force for growth among both new and existing congregations.

Funding projects throughout the world is expensive. Rabbi Regev stated that he tries to set up meetings with foundations, corporations, and motivated individuals to gain support for the World Union’s fund-raising needs. The goal of the World Union’s fund-raising campaign is to support Reform congregation building, youth activities, leadership training, education and social action. World Union is NOT a membership organization, and is financed solely through contributions, both large and small. Several of our members were motivated to make generous contributions during Rabbi Regev’s visit. If you desire to help finance the work of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, you can address your checks to the World Union for Progressive Judaism at 633 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10017. (At the memo space on your check write “Rabbi Uri Regev.”)

To learn more about what’s happening the in the global community of Reform Jews, sign up for the World Union for Progressive Judaism’s e-newsletter, “WUPJ News.” To register, send a blank e-mail (no text or subject) to WUPJ News – SUBSCRIBE@WUPJ.org.il

Al Grossman, Chair
ARZA/World Union

WOMEN ON OUR OWN

Wednesday, May 21st at 12:30 pm WOOO will have their end-of-the-season luncheon at the Bijou Café located on First Street in Sarasota.

WOOO members should please call Dorace Zucker 383-2657 or Maye Lavinson 383-6786 to make a reservation.

Valet parking is available.



TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL SUMMER ACTIVITY & LECTURE SERIES

For almost 50 years The Asolo Repertory Theatre Company has enriched our lives with diversified and stimulating theatre productions.



Originating in 1959 in the Historic Asolo Theatre, its rapid growth necessitated a move to its present quarters, housing a 500 seat theatre.

We have scheduled a private guided tour of this facility to hear its history and:

- View the costume department and have a first hand look at how these costumes are constructed.
- Visit the Wig master and prop rooms.
- Learn the back stage workings enabling 3 different plays to be produced in one week.
- View the performers' quarters and the myriad of ropes, pulleys and flys for creating scenery and special effects.

This tour is scheduled for Thursday, May 15th at 11 AM in the main lobby of the Theatre. The charge will be \$5.00 per person, the proceeds benefiting our Temple and reimbursing its expenses relating to the summer program. The entire program will take approximately an hour and a half.

For those, who would care to join us for lunch, a reservation has been made at Captain Brian's, located on the east side of Tamiami Trail, just north of the Theatre.

We must have your reservation in advance. Kindly email us at the Temple or call 383-3428 or 325-6022. It would be appreciated if you would either mail or drop off your check at the Temple office. Please let us know if you will join us for lunch.

It is suggested that you arrive at the Theatre at least 10 minutes before the start of the program at 11:00 a.m.

BRIDGE



Inasmuch as there have been many requests for Bridge lessons, we are fortunate in securing the services of Phyllis Prager, a member of the American Bridge Teachers Assn. Ms. Prager presently teaches at the Adult Education center.

The series of lectures will relate to:

- A review of your bridge hand (you like it, don't like it or maybe)
- Gut vs. knowledge (points, hand patterns & considerations)
- Communication (what to learn, when you should tell & how to ask)
- Basic bidding (opening bids, majors or minors, responding bids, staymen, doubles)

The charge for 5 sessions of these lectures will be \$50.00 per student and we will need at least two tables of students to implement this program.

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This year we will continue our summer bridge sessions on Monday, June 25th 2008 at the Temple auditorium. Our bridge sessions are, of course, open to all of the participants of the lesson sessions, our members and any guests.

We suggest that our bridge players create their own tables.

To register for either or both of these programs, Kindly E mail info@tbi-lbk.org or call the Temple at 383-3428 or Pearl Kushner at 383-6815, on or before Tuesday, May 20, 2008.

Pearl Kushner

Chair of the Summer Bridge Program

BETH ISRAEL WOMEN THE BOOKS AND BROWN BAG BUNCH



The five books to be reviewed for the 2008-2009 season by the Books and Brown Bag Bunch include the following:

- PEOPLE OF THE BOOK by Geraldine Brooks;
- THE WORLD TO COME by Dara Horn;
- THE PIGEON AND THE BOY by Meir Shalev;
- THOSE WHO SAVE US by Jenna Blum;
- THE MAN IN THE WHITE SHARKSKIN SUIT by Lucette Lagnado

These books can be ordered from Miriam Miller for \$60. To receive them, send a check made out to "The Temple Beth Israel Library Fund" to Miriam c/o Temple Beth Israel, 567 Bay Isles Rd., Longboat Key, FL 34228. The deadline for ordering the books is March 15, 2008.

Gloria Sabin, Coordinator

Books and Brown Bag Bunch

Please remember to call the Temple office to change your address if you are heading north for the summer.

LIBRARY



LIBRARY REQUESTS YOU LOOK AROUND FOR OUR BOOKS BEFORE YOU LEAVE...



Temple Library is asking you for a favor. Before heading North, will you please, please check your residence carefully and thoroughly make sure you are not, inadvertently, in possession of some of our library books. Unintentionally, you may have one or two that you meant to return but never got around to it. Before having a safe trip, please return our books. Thanks !

OUR LIBRARY WISHES TO THANK BOOK DONORS.....

Bookplates with the donors' names have been placed inside the front cover of the many books generously donated to the library during this past year. We extend our deep thanks to all who have graciously added to our collection.

DON'T OVERLOOK THESE MOST INCREDIBLE BOOKS.....

A FALSE MEMOIR.....we bought it

MISHA. ...a Memoir of the Holocaust Years is a riveting tale of a seven year old's walk (!) through Europe to escape capture by the Nazis. None of it is true but read it....It could have happened...miracles do.....

THE TORAH: A WOMEN'S COMMENTARY published by the Union for Reform Judaism Press. In honor of the birth of Rabbi Michael and Nancy Eisenstat's granddaughters, gift of Earle & Gabrielle Miller. The book, which is a complete critical analysis of the Torah, is the result of 14 years of discussion and planning that has been overseen by the Women on Reform Judaism, the women's affiliate of the Reform movement. It is structured around five layers of commentary: a line-by-line critical analysis of the text; a critical commentary on each chapter; an analysis of major rabbinical commentaries on the texts; a modern reflection on the texts; a modern reflection on the text by nonbiblical scholars, and a section of poetry and other contemporary writings on themes related to the text.

STRINGING THE PEARLS. James S. Diamond.

How to read the weekly Torah portions. This book is unique in that it is a "how-to" guide presenting readers with different lenses, both traditional and contemporary, so that they can make their own connections to the text empowering each novice and more advanced reader on how to understand and analyze each weekly portion.



Or perhaps one of the following books will pique your interest:

CELEBRATING THE JEWISH YEAR. Paul Steinberg. Learn the origins of Hanukkah, Tu B'shevat, Purim. Gain deeper insight and discover new ways to celebrate.

CELEBRATING THE JEWISH YEAR. Paul Steinberg. Learn the origins of Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkat. Gain deeper insight and discover new ways to celebrate.

HOUSE OF STUDY. Ilana M. Blumberg. What happens when the traditional Jewish ideal of learning asserts itself in a body that is female—a body directed by that same tradition toward a life of modesty, early marriage, and motherhood?

INVENTING JEWISH RITUAL. Vanessa L. Ochs. A wealth of innovation and creativity in contemporary Jewish life. Where do these rituals come from? Whose authority created them? Are they really Jewish?

In memory of Selma Flanzbaum, gift of Jane Moran.

NAZI GERMANY AND THE JEWS. Saul Friedlander. The years of persecution, 1933-1939, are presented with dignity and restraint, pointing out the truth that there is something unknowable at the core of the Nazi genocide.

The following books are gifts of Ronda Manasse in memory of Arnold Manasse.

FOLKTALES OF THE JEWS, Vol 2. Dan Ben-Amos, ed. Tales from Eastern Europe.

I WILL WAKE THE DAWN. Debra Band. Illuminated psalms and commentaries with foreward by Harold S. Kushner.

MASTERWORKS OF THE JEWISH MUSEUM. Maurice Berger. An extraordinary selection of works from New York's Jewish Museum exploring the culture, history, and beliefs of the Jewish people from antiquity to the present day.



THE SCULPTURE OF LOUISE NEVELSON. Brooke Kamin Rapaport, ed. A comprehensive look at a pioneering style and carefully cultivated persona that elevated Nevelson to the top of the art world from the 1940s to complex pieces completed in the late 1980s. Innovative sculptures made of found objects and celebrated public artworks. Best wishes for speedy recovery of Fred Taich, Lois Rosenthal, Eileen Berger, gift of Joyce & Sheldon Paley.

THE JPS COMMENTARY ON THE HAGGADAH. Joseph Tabory. Historical interpretation and commentary on the Haggadah. In honor of Earle Miller's special birthday, gift of Gabrielle Miller.

THE DEADLIEST LIES. Abraham H. Foxman. The Israel lobby and the myth of Jewish control. Gift of Gabrielle & Earle Miller for the speedy recovery of Fred Taich.

101 BEST JEWISH JOKES. Hershel Shanks, compiler. Gift off Marie Barr.

LIBRARY (con'd)

BY MYSELF. Lauren Bacall. 2 cassettes narrated by Lauren Bacall. Gift of Richard and Sheila Olin.

CHURCHILL AND THE JEWS. Martin Gilbert. A lifelong friendship and the most scholarly study of the extraordinary achievement and authoritative history of Churchill's lifelong commitment to the Jews and Zionism. Very best wishes on 90th birthday of Helen Brody, gift of Helen Saipe.

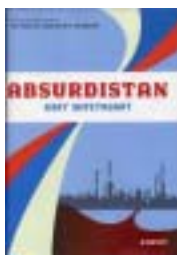
MAIMONIDES. Sherwin B. Nuland. The greatest of rabbis, most intriguing of Jewish philosophies and most honored of doctors—a portrait of a man who reconciles scientific knowledge with faith in God—800 years after his death still stirs debate, inspires and fascinates. Yahrzeit of Hyman Miller, gift of Miriam Miller.

THE JEWISH AMERICANS. Beth Wenger. Based on the current PBS six hour TV series, this book details the history and achievements of Jewish Americans from 1654 to the present. Speedy recovery of Lois Rosenthal, gift of Roberta Steiner and Bernard Isaacs.

The following books are gifts of Marjorie Sandy.

ABSURDISTAN. Gary Shteyngart. A truly effective satire of the 21st century named one of the best books of the year by leading newspapers.

AN EPITAPH FOR GERMAN JUDAISM. Emil L. Fackenheim. A memoir by one of the seminal Jewish thinkers of the 20th century who grapples with the question: How can the Jewish faith and the Christian faith exist after the Holocaust?



ARCHITECT OF JUSTICE. Dalia Tsuk Mitchell. The life of Felix S. Cohen and the founding of American legal pluralism (so important in New Deal policymaking)

BRITISH CHIEF RABBIS 1664-2006. Derek Taylor. The 22 men who served as Chief Rabbis in the Orthodox Movement in Great Britain

FIORELLO'S SISTER. Gemma La Guardia Gluck. A memoir of her years in Budapest and her childhood in America.

HOLY UNEXPECTED. Robin Chotzinoff. A memoir - funny, wise and tender, when at the age of forty she turns toward God and away from family expectations.

LAST DAYS IN BABYLON. Marina Benjamin. The story of her family's life among the Jews of Iraq in the first half of the 20th century.

JAKUB'S WORLD. Alicia Nitecki. A boy's story of loss and survival in the Holocaust.

NIGHTMARE'S FAIRY TALE. Gerd Korman. A refugee's home fronts 1938-1948 -fleeing the Nazis in the months before World War II, dispersed in different directions and finally reunited in New York City's Jewish neighborhoods.

THE BOOK OF TELLING. Sharona Muir. Tracing the secrets of her father's life—the man who invented Israel's first rocket.

THIS HAS HAPPENED. Piero Sonnino. A rare testimonial of an Italian Jewess who, of all her family, survived Auschwitz.

Miriam Miller, Librarian



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!



Month of May		Month of June		Month of July		Month of August	
1	Les & Lois Fishman	10	Bob & Joan Biller	20	Ira & Linda Abrahamson	3	Jake & Sophie Pollack
1	Harry & Evelyn Lieberman	11	Marshall & Lois Miles	23	Bernard & Marion Levine	7	Paul & Cec Grodner
2	Lucien & Elvire Levy	12	Ken Marsh & Tanice Knopp	25	Albert & Jean Green	10	David & Teena Kantor
3	Ira & Carole Singer	13	Jay & Phyllis Clement	25	Sanford & Marcie Mackman	14	Joel & Ellen Fedder
7	Joe & Shirley Klein	13	Irv & Irma Eison	25	Irwin & Rae Seife	15	Carl & Martha Friedman
9	Stan & Fran Adelman	13	Herb & Esther Rose	28	Arnold & Sandra Leshman	16	Melvin & Priscilla Furst
11	Alvin & Phyllis Lemack	14	Ira & Beverly Peterman	29	Ralph & Mardy Cohen	16	Eugene & Saralyn Oberdorfer
11	Julian & Harriet Levinson	14	David & Louise Solomon	29	Joe & Connie Ellison	18	Marvin & Marsha Frank
15	Don & Judy Markstein	15	Bill & Marge Sandy	1	Bernie & Doris White	19	Jerry & Lois Rosenthal
15	Norm & Sylvia Samet	16	Earl & Elana Gordon	3	Richard & Sheila Olin	20	Stuart & Ellen Rothbaum
20	Sidney & Jeanne Betty Weiner	16	Irwin & Sylvia Pastor	3	Alan & Goldjean Turov	22	Marvin & Hadassah Bacaner
30	Irving & Marilyn Naiditch	17	Ken & Arlene Bornstein	4	Herbert & Rita Gold	23	Richard & Nessa Levine
31	Al & Bib Grossman	17	Jerry & Joelle Hamovit	4	Robert & Bonny Israeloff	26	Stanley & Nancy Skadron
	Month of June	18	Joe & Shirley Gottfried	4	Eric & Ruth Orne	27	Jerry & Lee Ann Salle
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