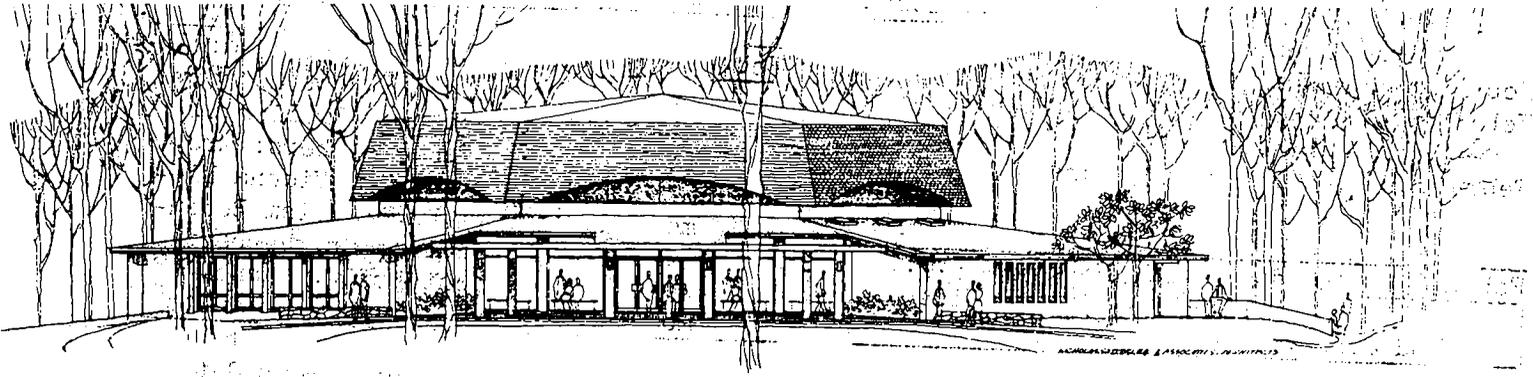


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From my point of view...

Working together brings solid success to the Temple.

During the last weekend in January our Senior Youth Group hosted the Winter Board Meeting of the Mid Atlantic Federation of Temple Youth. It is a big job and a great responsibility to host such an event. We can say without reservation that the weekend was a great success. There are good reasons for it. Our young people worked wholeheartedly, preparing everything down to the last detail...program and worship, housing and transportation.

We salute our Senior Youth Group for a beautiful job and we thank the Sisterhood and the Brotherhood for their solid support during the weekend. Hats off to you all!

Rabbi

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

February 2 - Israel Committee Mtg., 8 p.m.
Library
February 3 - Boy Scouts, 7:30 p.m., Lower
Triple Classroom
February 5 - Family Sabbath, 7:30 p.m.
February 6 - Bar Mitzvah, 10:30 a.m.,
Jerry Feldstein
February 7 - Sisterhood Board Mtg, 9:30
Library

February 7 - Adult Study Group, 8 p.m.,
Library. Rabbi Berkowits on Micah
and Jonah.

February 8 - Temple Board Mtg., 8 p.m.
February 10 - Boy Scouts, 7:30 p.m.

February 12 - Sabbath Service, 8:15 p.m.
Beth El Congregation of Winchester, Va.
to worship with us. Guest Speaker:
Dr. Isaac Frank of the J.C.C. Topic:
"Soviet Jewry - The Anguish & The Hope"

February 14 - Brotherhood Breakfast, 9:30
George Washington U's Debating Team.
Topic: That Israel Should Withdraw To
Her Pre-1967 Borders.

February 14 - Senior Youth Bake Sale
February 14 - Duplicate Bridge, 7 p.m.
February 17 - Ministerial Luncheon, noon
February 17 - Brotherhood Board Mtg. 8 p.m.
February 17 - Boy Scouts, 7:30 p.m.

CLIP AND ATTACH TO YOUR
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February 18 - Sisterhood Daytime Study
Group, 10 a.m., Library. Rabbi
Berkowits on "The Reform Movement"

February 19 - Sabbath Eve Service 8:15
First in a series on Contemporary
Life in our society, "Growing Up
In America." Panel Members: Mrs.
Rita Apter, principal, Vienna Ele-
mentary School; Dr. William Beken-
stein, pediatrician; Dr. Herbert
Weinshank, psychiatrist. Panel
Moderator: Rabbi Laszlo Berkowits

February 20 - Senior Youth Group Get
Together, 8-12, Upper Triple
Classroom.

February 20 - V.I.P. Forum

February 21 - 27 Brotherhood Week

February 21 - Adult Study Group, 8 p.m.

February 21 - Interfaith Concert, 3 p.m.
A program of religious music to be
presented by the combined choirs
of Temple Rodef Shalom and the
Prince George's County Christian
Church. The 40 voices will be
directed by Mrs. John Fitzgerald
of Rodef Shalom and Robert Ergen-
brought of the Christian Church.
A "first" for Temple Rodef Shalom
and also for the Northern Virginia
area.

February 27 - Bar Mitzvah, 10:30 a.m.,
George Liebson

February 27 - Senior Youth Get Together,
8 p.m., Upper Triple Classroom

February 28 - Art Auction, Sisterhood
sponsored, 6 p.m. viewing; 7:30
auction.

BROTHERHOOD TAKES A BOW

February's Breakfast Meeting should raise hackles, blood pressure, and your gorge... and also soothe you! There will be the usual coffee, lox and bagels. Then will come come debating time, and you are sure to disagree with some of the presentations and agree with others.

How's THAT for

Topic to be debated is "Resolved: That Israel Should Withdraw to her Pre-1967 Borders."

controversial! The issue will be debated by members of the George Washington University Debating Team. For the affirmative will appear Michael Newcity and Cory Garber. For the negative stand James Swartz and Robert Gura. The moderator, fortunately with plenty of experience behind him, is Dr. William Reynolds, associate professor of speech at GWU.

Time, as usual, 9:30 a. m. The date is Valentine's Day, February 14, and we believe it is safe to predict that you may well have bouquets for the debaters, but you will not find the debate a love-feast!

B'NAI B'RITH FORMS NEW LODGE HERE

A new lodge of the B'Nai B'Rith formed this January to cover the area from Crystal City to Falls Church. The lodge has taken the name "Felix Frankfurter Lodge." While it is currently 75 men strong, the lodge is looking forward to growth and welcomes all Northern Virginia men who wish to participate actively in or support Jewish programs in Northern Virginia.

Grandpas can read it, too

For Grandmas,
A Little Leavening

For the many grandmothers among us, we are reprinting here a letter, written by a third grader in California and quoted in Erma Rombeck's column, "At Wit's End."

"A grandmother is a lady who has no children of her own, so she likes other people's little girls. A grandfather is a man grandmother. Grandmothers don't have to do anything except to be there. They are old, so they shouldn't play hard or run. It is enough if they drive us to the market where the "pretend horse" is and have lots of dinner ready for us. Or if they should slow down past things like pretty leaves and caterpillars. They should never say, "Hurry up."

"Usually, they are fat, but not too fat to tie kids' shoes. They wear glasses and funny underwear. They can take their teeth and gums off.

"It is better if they don't typewrite or play cards except with us. They don't have to be smart only answer questions like why dogs hate cats or why God isn't married.

"Everybody should try to have a grandmother, especially if they don't have television because grandmas are the only grown ups who have got time."

Committees include Anti-Defamation League, Youth, Job Opportunity, Social, and Israel. For membership information please call Sid Konetz, 671-2847.

Come one, come all
The next meeting will be Monday, February 8, at 8:15, in the North Party Room at Crystal Towers (1600 S. Eads St., Arlington, Va.). For topic, there will be a discussion of the Nazi plans for the "Jewish solution" in the U. S., by a man who has access to records of the 3rd Reich which are currently in the National Archives.

FROM THE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL...

A WELCOME: To Ruth Checknoff, now teaching eighth grade.

THANK YOU: To Dr. David Lanter, for a record player for the kindergarten... To Mr. & Mrs. Joel Gerstle, for rugs for the primary grades and beautiful drapes for the seventh grade... To Mrs. Herman Fink, for rugs for the primary grades... To Mr. & Mrs. Leo Rosenbaum, for a pencil sharpener and clock for the school office and a record for the school collection... Mr. & Mrs. R. Bloch for a tape recorder for the use of the Rel. School, especially the Folk Dance Group.

ON SOCIAL ACTION

"Thoughts on Participating in a Demonstration for Soviet Jews"

by

Emmi Rudin

Amid the excitement and festivities of the holiday season, amid the hustle and bustle and confusion of the times, the ugly issue of the "Leningrad Eleven" cast its evil glow. Editorials, commentaries and films firmly denounced the Kremlin's sentencing two Jews to death and nine others (including seven Jews) to hard labor for a hijack plot.

Public sentiment here and abroad was sharply aroused. One of the media it found in which to express itself was a candlelight march from Farragut Square to the White House and back. Around three thousand protestors were there, first praying and singing together, then marching together to Lafayette Park, then returning together to the Square. It was together, every prayer, song, and step; three thousand candles represented a spirit of unity, of kinship in voicing a common humanitarian concern. There was a quiet intensity, a vibrant atmosphere of purpose. In effect, the candlelight march was a significant mode in which the human conscience, the collective human conscience of three thousand, who really represented millions more, could express concern over the fate of its brothers behind the Iron Wall.

MORE FROM OUR YOUTH

The following prayer came to light in the move to the new Temple and seemed a fitting thing to share with all of you. It was written by Janice Rosen.

PRAYER FOR ISRAEL

Like an invincible rock towering above all others,
So powerful that neither man nor weather can destroy it;
Gigantic boulders have crumbled before their time,
But this mighty rock is Israel.

Many strong kingdoms have sought to destroy her,
And alone she has conquered them one by one.

Oh, Israel, how immense is your glory!

You have kept alive when other nations fell;

Your land was taken,

But your people lived on.

Two thousand years ago they were dispersed,

And they returned...from all corners of the world.

Many wars you've been through and survived;

A symbol of peace, you bravely fought off invaders.

A symbol of democracy, giving happiness and freedom

to all who cross your borders.

I pray for your safety,

My heart is filled with joy over your victories.

I love you as I do my native country,

I shall never forget you or your people.

As it says in the Holy Scriptures:

"If I forget thee, O Jerusalem

Let my right hand forget its cunning;

Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth,

If I put thee not above my chiefest joy."