**Description:** Need help organizing your library? Feeling overwhelmed? The Freshman Seminar can help! In the second session we will discuss ideas, suggestions, and recommendations for fundraising, outreach, and programming, as well as resources for purchasing library materials and supplies. School, synagogue, and community center librarians interested in building, developing, and growing your library are encouraged to attend. Participation in Part 1 of the Freshman Seminar is recommended but not required.

*Rachel Kamin, MSI, Director of the Temple Israel Libraries & Media Center, West Bloomfield, Michigan since 1997, currently serves as SSC Vice-President. Rachel is on the Sydney Taylor Book Award, Accreditation, and the Continuing Education and Professional Development Committees*

The second session of the Freshmen Seminar will discuss ideas, suggestions, and recommendations for fundraising, outreach, and programming, as well as resources for purchasing library materials and supplies. The handout that I created is a compilation of materials from the Temple Israel Libraries in West Bloomfield, Michigan. I hope you will find these ideas helpful and that they will inspire you to create your own programs. Note: Some of the material was not able to be recreating electronically. For a hard copy of the entire packet, contact:

Rachel Kamin, Director  
Temple Israel Libraries & Media Center  
5725 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield, MI 48323  
248/661-5700 (phone), 248/661-1302 (fax)  
rkamin@temple-israel.org
TEMPLE ISRAEL LIBRARIES FACTS & FIGURES

• From June 2003-May 2004, 7,530 items were checked out from the Weinberg Family Library and the Hodari Family Children’s Library & Media Center, a 6% increase from last year. Circulation has increased 185% since 1998.

• On average 628 items are checked out each month.

• In 2003-2004, 1,118 patrons checked out materials from the libraries:
  - 447 Sunday School students (pre-kindergarten through 3rd grade)
  - 309 Temple Members
  - 230 Nursery School students
  - 93 Staff Members (Teachers, Office, Professional, Clergy)
  - 39 Non-Members

• Total Library Holdings = 16,453 volumes
  - 10,514 books in the Weinberg Library
  - 5,277 books in the Hodari Family Children’s Library
  - 424 videos
  - 132 compact disks
  - 106 audiocassettes

• In 2003-2004, 683 new items were added to our library collections.

• The libraries are staffed 44 hours/week by Rachel Kamin, Director, and Francine Menken, Librarian.

• 54 adults participate in the Monday Morning or Thursday Evening Book Club in the Weinberg Family Library, meeting monthly September-May.

• 45 families participate in Temple Israel’s four parent-child book clubs for 4th-8th grade boys and girls. Each club meets 5 times during the school year.

• Each year, 5 Storytime programs are held for children ages 2-5. 83 children attended the Storytime in the Garden Program in July 2003, and 77 children attended the “Curious George” Storytime Program in December 2003.

• The Hodari Family Children’s Library is open on the first Friday of every month (September-June) before and after Family Shabbat Services, 7:00-8:30 PM. Approximately 35 children receive a book from the Schelberg Family Shabbat Birthday Fund each month.

• 75 1st Graders participated in the 1st Grade Reading Star program and 81 2nd Graders participated in the 2nd Grade Sifrya Society by reading at least six Jewish books during the school year. 96 3rd Graders participated in the 3rd Grade BINGO Bonanza by reading at least five Jewish books during the school year. Combined, the 2003-2004 1st, 2nd and 3rd Grade Sunday School students read a total of 3,040 Jewish books. Participation in the 2nd Grade program has increased 161% since its inception in 2000.

• 132 children participated in the 2003 Temple Israel Summer Reading Challenge by reading six Jewish books over the summer, a 36% increase from 2002 and a 326% increase since 2000.

• 2,387 items were sold at the 7th Annual Temple Israel Book Fair, December 7-11, 2003, totaling $23,257.75 (a 53% increase from 2002 and a 330% increase from 1997). Over $6,000 were raised for the libraries. 156 volunteers (including 27 members of the Book Fair Committee) staffed the Book Fair during a total of 52 hours over 5 days.

• Total sales at the 3rd Annual Nursery School Scholastic Book Fair, May 12, 2004, were $5,285.66. Temple Israel earned $438.92 in free merchandise for the classrooms and the library, and received $1,097.15 in cash. 40 volunteers staffed the one-day fair.
TEMPLE ISRAEL BOOK CLUBS
2003/2004 CALENDAR

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| September 22, 2003    | *Family History* by Dani Shapiro  
Facilitated by Edie Broida | September 18, 2003 |
| October 20, 2003      | *The Seventh Telling* by Mitchell Chefitz  
Facilitated by Edie Broida | October 16, 2003 |
| December 8, 2003      | *A Letter to Harvey Milk* by Lesléa Newman  
Facilitated by Lesléa Newman | Tues. December 9, 2003  
Dinner at 6:15 PM |
| January 26, 2004      | *In the Image* by Dara Horn  
Facilitated by Jan Landsberg | January 22, 2004 |
| February 23, 2004     | *Three Daughters* by Letty Pogrebin  
Facilitated by Rita Soltan | February 26, 2004 |
| March 22, 2004        | *Welcome to Heavenly Heights* by Risa Miller  
Facilitated by Dalia Shaham | March 25, 2004 |
| April 19, 2004        | *The Autograph Man* by Zadie Smith  
Facilitated by Ilana Blumberg | April 22, 2004 |
| May 17, 2004          | *Lost in America* by Sherwin Nuland  
Facilitated by Edie Broida | May 20, 2004 |

TAKE NOTE OF THESE EXCITING EVENTS:

- **Thursday, October 23rd, 7:00 PM** - Mitchell Chefitz, author of *The Seventh Telling* (our October selection) and *The Thirty-Third Hour*, will speak at Temple Israel. $5 at the door; no advanced reservation necessary. Contact the Religious School Office at 661-5725 for more information.

- **Monday, November 10th, 7:00 PM** – Dani Shapiro, author of *Family History* (our September selection) will speak at the JCC Annual Book Fair. Contact the JCC at 248/432-5466 for more information.

- **Sunday, December 7th – Thursday, December 11th** – Seventh Annual Temple Israel Book Fair. Hundreds of new Jewish books for readers of all ages will be for sale in the Temple Israel Atrium. Please plan to purchase copies of the January-May book club selections at our Book Fair.

- **Tuesday, December 9th, 7:30 PM** – Lesléa Newman, author of *A Letter to Harvey Milk* (our December selection) and several other books for adults and children, will speak at Temple Israel. Members of the Thursday Evening Book Club are invited for dinner and a discussion with the author at 6:15 PM prior to her presentation.

OVER ➔
ABOUT OUR FACILITATORS

Edith Broida taught English, grades 7-12, in the Madison and Oak Park School districts, ending a 35-year career ten years ago, and beginning a new career as free-lance writer and book club facilitator. She was the "founding facilitator" at Temple Israel and has worked with several local book clubs. She now winters in Florida where she continues to lead discussions for Brandies. Edie will facilitate our discussions of Family History in September ($23.00 hardcover), The Seventh Telling in October ($14.95 paperback), and Lost in America in May ($12.00 paperback available in March).

Lesléa Newman is the author of over 40 books including A Letter To Harvey Milk, In Every Laugh a Tear, Still Life with Buddy and Out of the Closet and Nothing to Wear, as well as Runaway Dreidle, Matzo Ball Moon, Remember That, Heather Has Two Mommies, and Fat Chance for children. She has received many literary awards including Poetry Fellowships from the Massachusetts Artists Fellowship Foundation and the National Endowment for the Arts, the Highlights for Children Fiction Writing Award, the James Baldwin Award for Cultural Achievement, and two Pushcart Prize Nominations. Six of her books have been Lambda Literary Award finalists. Lesléa is a popular guest lecturer, and has spoken on college campuses across the country as well as at synagogues and Jewish Community Centers. She will facilitate our discussions of A Letter To Harvey Milk on December 8th and 9th ($10.00 paperback, available from Rachel Kamin in the Temple Israel Libraries).

Jan Landsberg was a school media specialist for over 33 years and a public librarian for 11 years. She has also served as a synagogue librarian. She currently works as a substitute reference librarian at the West Bloomfield Public Library. Jan will facilitate our discussions of In the Image in January ($13.95 paperback available in September).

Rita Soltan is an experienced librarian having worked in public libraries in both New York and Michigan for close to 30 years. Rita holds a B.A. degree in Education/Spanish Literature and an M.L.S. from Queens College of the City University of New York. She has organized and led many different book discussions for groups and has been involved in planning and implementing numerous staff development programs and literature conferences. Rita is active in the American Library Association as Chair of the Education Committee for the Association for Library Service to Children, and is Past Chair of the Children’s Services Division of the Michigan Library Association. Rita currently works in the Educational Resources Laboratory at Oakland University in Rochester, Michigan. She will facilitate our discussions of Three Daughters in February ($14.00 paperback available in October).

Dalia Shaham was born and raised in Israel. She is a Hebrew and Judaica Teacher and a Bar/Bat Mitzvah Instructor at Temple Israel. She has a vast knowledge of Judaism, Torah, Tanach, mysticism, and Israeli history and culture. She will facilitate our discussions of Welcome to Heavenly Heights in March ($12.95 paperback available in January).

Ilana Blumberg earned her PhD in English Literature from the University of Pennsylvania and teaches English, Judaic Studies, and Women’s Studies at the University of Michigan. Ilana will facilitate our discussions of The Autograph Man in April ($14.00 paperback).
THE TEMPLE ISRAEL KIDS BOOK CLUBS
BASIC FACTS

- Temple Israel hosts four Kids Book Clubs: 4th & 5th Grade Girls and 6th-8th Grade Girls (with a female adult—moms, step-mothers, grandmothers, and other female caregivers) and 4th & 5th Grade Boys and 6th-8th Grade Boys (with any adult—parents, step-parents, grandparents, and other book loving adults). We call our book clubs “The Girls Book Club” or “The Boys Book Club” rather than the Mother-Daughter or Father-Son book club in order to include grandparents, step-parents, and other caregivers, and everyone feels welcome.

- An organizational meeting is held for each Book Club in the fall. Pizza is served and participants have the opportunity to get to know each other, as well as pick the dates and books for the year.

- Each Book Club meets approximately every 6-8 weeks between October and April. Meetings are held in the Library at 6:15 PM after Hebrew School on Tuesdays or Thursdays.

- A list of recommended books is compiled by the Librarian. For the most part, book selections are limited to books that are in-print and available in paperback. With few exceptions, selected books always include Jewish content or are written by Jewish authors.

- The Book Club calendars, with meeting dates, times, and selected books, are posted in the school and on the synagogue’s website, and are advertised in the synagogue bulletin.

- A list of selected books for all of the Book Clubs is mailed to local public libraries and local bookstores. Selected books are also available for purchase at the JCC’s Annual Book Fair and at the synagogue’s annual Book Fair. Participants are responsible for making their own arrangements to purchase or borrow the books.

- Meetings include a snack, a discussion of the book, and a related activity or craft project. The Clubs are structured slightly differently. In the Girls Book Clubs, families volunteer to “host” the meetings: 1 or 2 families bring the food (preferably related to the book), 1 or 2 families lead the discussion, and 1 or 2 families plan the related activity or project. The Boys Book Club usually orders pizza and 1 or 2 families lead the discussion. The boys usually skip the activity.

- The number of participants at each meeting varies from month to month. From our experience, meetings are most successful if there were at least 5 families (10 people), but no more than 15 families (30 people), in attendance.

- The Book Clubs are intended for members of Temple Israel, however non-members are welcome. There is no charge for the program.
TALK IT UP!

UNIVERSAL BOOK DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

From the website of the Multnomah County Library, Portland, Oregon
www.multcolib.org/talkitup/universalquestions.html

- What did you enjoy about this book?
- What have you read that is similar to this book?
- What are some of the major themes of this book?
- What do you think the author was trying to accomplish with this novel?
- Who was your favorite character? What did you appreciate about him/her?
- Consider the main character: What does he or she believe in? What is he or she willing to fight for?
- At the end of the book, do you feel hope for the characters?
- What is stronger in the book: the plot or the character development? Why? Do you think this was intentional on the part of the author?
- Have you ever experienced anything similar to the action of this novel?
- Did you find this book a quick read? Why or why not?
- What are your concerns about this book?
- How did you feel about the main character?
- What are the most important relationships in the book?
- What makes a minor character memorable?
- What are the most revealing scenes?
- Are any of the events in the book relevant to your own life?
- What did you think of the style of the writer?
- Was the story credible? Were the characters credible?
- Did you find any flaws in the book?
✓ Compare the hardcover and paperback covers. Which one do you like better? Why?
TEMPLE ISRAEL KIDS BOOK CLUBS
2003-2004 Calendar

**4th & 5th Grade Girls:**

10/30/03  Gotcha! Rosie in New York City by Carol Matas  
           (ISBN: 0689857144)  
           See also Play Ball! Rosie in Chicago (ISBN: 0689857152)


2/3/04  Out of Many Waters by Jacqueline Dembar Greene  
           (ISBN: 0802774016)  
           See also One Foot Ashore (ISBN: 0802776019)


**6th-8th Grade Girls:**

11/6/03  With All My Heart, With All My Mind edited  
           by Sandy Asher (ISBN: 0689820127)

2/5/04  The Enemy Has A Face by Gloria Miklowitz  
           (ISBN: 0802852432)

3/30/04  A Special Fate: Chiune Sugihara, Hero of the Holocaust  
           by Alison Gold (ISBN: 0590395416)

**4th & 5th Grade Boys:**

11/13/03  Understanding Buddy by Marc Kornblatt  
           (ISBN: 068983215X)

1/13/04  Dave at Night by Gail Carson Levine (ISBN: 0064407470)

3/11/04  Moe Berg: The Spy Behind Homeplate by Vivian Grey  
           ISBN: 0827606206)

**6th-8th Grade Boys:**


1/20/04  Gideon’s People by Carolyn Meyer (ISBN: 0152003045)


Rachel Kamin, Director  
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Dear Parents,

Today your child’s class visited Temple Israel’s Hodari Family Children’s Library. With guidance from the teachers, each child chose a book to check out from the Library. The children also learned about the Library and how to take care of library books. Throughout the year your child will frequently visit the Library to hear a special story and to check out a book. Books are checked out for two weeks. Refer to the yellow slip in the back of the book for the due date. Please return the book to school in your child’s book bag, or in the plastic library bag. Books can also be returned directly to the Library.

I would like to invite you to visit the Library with your child. Feel free to stop by before or after school. The Hodari Family Children’s Library & Media Center has over 5,000 Jewish books, audiotapes, videotapes, and compact discs for children, pre-school through 8th grade. The Library is also open before and after the Family Shabbat Services on the first Friday evening of each month. Children who celebrate their birthday at the Family Shabbat Service will receive a special birthday gift from the Schelberg Family Shabbat Birthday Fund.

If you have any questions about the Religious School Library Program or would like to learn more about our Library, please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to meeting you, and I would be happy to suggest books for you to read with your child.

Sincerely,

Rachel Kamin, Director
Libraries & Media Center

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TEMPLE ISRAEL READING STARS
FOR 1ST GRADE FAMILIES

All 1st Grade families are encouraged to be a READING STAR by reading 6 Jewish books during the school year and completing 6 READING STAR forms. Here’s what you need to do to be a STAR and win a prize:

1. Read a Jewish book from your home library or from the Hodari Family Children’s Library. Your child can check out books from the Library with his/her class, or with a parent before or after Religious School. Children should read the book with an adult (parent, grandparent, or other book lover).

2. Complete the READING STAR form and return it to your Religious School teacher. The teachers also have more forms if you need them.


4. Read 6 Jewish books and complete 6 READING STAR forms by MAY 2, 2004 and receive a special prize at the all-school assembly on the last day of Religious School on May 16, 2004.

5. The 1st Grade Class that reads the most books will receive a special class prize. So, encourage all your classmates to read Jewish books too!

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CONTACT YOUR TEACHER, OR RACHEL KAMIN, DIRECTOR, TEMPLE ISRAEL LIBRARIES, AT 248/661-5700 OR TILIBRARY@AOL.COM.
Memo

To: 1st Grade Teachers
From: Rachel Erlich Kamin
CC: Wendy Sadler
Date: 9/7/2003
Re: 1st Grade Reading Stars

- Please write each child’s name on your 1st Grade Reading Stars chart and hang it in a prominent place in your classroom.

- Put your star stickers in a safe place (make sure your madrich/a knows where you keep them). Let me know if you need more.

- Your students will receive information about the 1st Grade Reading Stars program when they visit the Library.

- As you receive Reading Star forms, hang them up inside your room and in the hallways around your room. When you run out of room, take the old ones down to make room for the new ones. I suggest keeping all of the completed forms in a folder or notebook in your room.

- REMEMBER: You are responsible for keeping track of each student’s progress.

SUGGESTIONS FOR HAVING FUN WITH THE READING STAR PROGRAM:

1. When a student brings in a completed Reading Star form, have them share their report with the rest of the class.
2. Let each student hang up his/her Reading Star form in the classroom or out in the hall.
3. Let each student put his/her star sticker on the chart.
4. Keep track of your class total. Remind your students that the 1st Grade class that reads the most books will receive a special class prize at the end of the year.
5. In your note home, remind parents about the 1st Grade Reading Stars program, update parents on your class total, and congratulate students who have finished their 6 books.

PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT ME IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR HELP AND COOPERATION!
TEMPLE ISRAEL READING STARS FOR 1ST GRADE FAMILIES

First Name: _____________________________________________

Last Name: ______________________________________________

Teacher: _________________________________________________

I read ____________________________________________________

(Title of Book)

by ________________________________________________________

(Author)

with _____________________________________________________

(Person who you read the book with)

on ______________________________________________________

(Date)

I give this book _________________________________ stars.

= This is one of the WORST books I’ve ever read!

= This book is okay.

= This book is good.

= This book is great!

= This is one of the BEST books I’ve ever read!

All 1st Graders who read 6 Jewish books and complete 6 “Reading Stars” by May 2, 2004 will receive a prize.

Questions? Contact your teacher or Rachel Kamin in the Hodari Family Children’s Library.
WELCOME TO THE 2nd GRADE vHøhErpŒx SIFRIYA SOCIETY!

The 2nd Grade vHøhErpŒx Sifriya (Library) Society is a reading club to encourage students to read Jewish books throughout the school year. Here’s what you need to do to win a prize:

6. Read a Jewish book from your home library or from the Hodari Family Children’s Library. You can check out books from the Library with your class, or with your parents before or after Religious School. Read the book by yourself or have an adult read it to you.

7. Complete a r⁶pŒx Sefer (Book) Report and return it to your Religious School teacher. Your teacher also has more forms if you need them.

8. Make sure your teacher records your book on the classroom chart. Also, students who write exceptional reports will be featured in the Temple Israel Messenger!

9. Read 6 Jewish books and complete 6 r⁶pŒx Sefer (Book) Report by May 2, 2004 and receive a special prize at the all-school assembly on the last day of Religious School.

10. The 2nd Grade Class that reads the most books will receive a special class prize. So, encourage all your classmates to read Jewish books too!

Last year, the 2nd Graders read over 800 books, with 93 students reading 6 or more. We hope that this year, 2nd Graders will read even more! If you have any questions, contact your teacher, or Rachel Kamin, Director, Temple Israel Libraries, at 248/661-5700 or TILibrary@aol.com.
Memo

To: 2nd Grade Teachers
From: Rachel Erlich Kamin
CC: Wendy Sadler
Date: 9/7/2003
Re: 2nd Grade Sifriya Society

- Please write each child’s name on your 2nd Grade Sifriya Society chart and hang it in a prominent place in your classroom.
- Put your star stickers in a safe place (make sure your madrich/a knows where you keep them). Let me know if you need more.
- Your students will receive information about the 2nd Grade Sifriya Society program when they visit the Library. Parents will also receive information at the Torah Talk Program on September 21st.
- **NOTE: THIS YEAR, I WILL NOT LAMINATE REPORTS AND HANG THEM UP AROUND THE MEDIA CENTER.** As you receive Sefer Reports, hang them up inside your room and in the hallways around your room. When you run out of room, take the old ones down to make room for the new ones. I suggest keeping all of the completed reports in a folder or notebook in your room.
- If a child submits an exceptional Sefer Report, please give it to me to publish in the Temple Israel Messenger (artwork can not be reproduced, only text)
- **REMEMBER:** You are responsible for keeping track of each student’s progress.

**SUGGESTIONS FOR HAVING FUN WITH THE SIFRIYA SOCIETY:**
6. When a student brings in a completed Sefer Report, have them share their report with the rest of the class.
7. Let each student hang up his/her Sefer Report in the classroom or out in the hall.
8. Let each student put his/her star sticker on the chart.
9. Keep track of your class total. Remind your students that the 2nd Grade class that reads the most books will receive a special class prize at the end of the year.
10. In your note home, remind parents about the Sifriya Society, update parents on your class total, and congratulate students who have finished their 6 books.

**PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT ME IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR HELP AND COOPERATION!**
TEMPLE ISRAEL 2\textsuperscript{nd} GRADE

\textit{Sefer} (Book) REPORT

First Name: ___________________ Last Name: _____________________

Teacher: ________________________________ Room # __________

Book Title: ___________________________________________________

Author:

______________________________________________________________

DRAW OR WRITE ABOUT YOUR FAVORITE PART OF THE BOOK:

Please return this form to your 2\textsuperscript{nd} Grade Sunday School teacher. All 2\textsuperscript{nd} Graders who read 6 Jewish books and complete 6 reports by \textbf{May 2, 2004} will receive a prize at the school assembly on May 16\textsuperscript{th}. If you have any questions, please see your teacher or Rachel Kamin in the Hodari Family Children’s Library. Happy Reading!
PLAY THE 3RD GRADE BINGO BONANZA

All 3rd Grade students are encouraged to play the 3RD GRADE BINGO BONANZA by reading at least 5 Jewish books during the school year and completing a BINGO card. Your teacher will keep your BINGO card at school, however, you can also keep track of your progress at home. Here’s how to play:

1. Read a Jewish book from your home library or from the Hodari Family Children’s Library that fits into one of the 25 BINGO squares.

2. Bring the book to school and ask your teacher for a BINGO sticker. Place the sticker in the appropriate BINGO square. Write the title & author of the book and the date read on your book list.

3. To win, collect 5 BINGO stickers in a row—horizontal, vertical, or diagonal. Make sure your book list is complete. Make sure your teacher has your completed BINGO card.

4. All 3rd Graders who read at least 5 books for BINGO by May 2, 2004 will receive a prize at the awards ceremony on the last day of Religious School.

5. The 3rd Grade Class that reads the most books will receive a special class prize. So, encourage all your classmates to read Jewish books too!

Last year, the 3rd Graders read over 650 books with 63 students reading at least 5 books for BINGO. FIVE 3rd Graders read 25 books and filled up the entire BINGO card! We hope that this year, 3rd Graders will read even more! If you have any questions, contact your teacher, or Rachel Kamin, Director, Temple Israel Libraries, at 248/661-5700 or TILibrary@aol.com.
Memo

To: 3rd Grade Teachers
From: Rachel Erlich Kamin
CC: Wendy Sadler
Date: 9/07/2003
Re: 3rd Grade BINGO Bonanza

Attached are BINGO cards for your class. PLEASE HAVE EACH STUDENT PUT THEIR NAME ON THE TOP OF THEIR BINGO CARD BEFORE THEY COME TO THE LIBRARY TODAY. Have them bring their BINGO cards with them. I will explain the program.

After visiting the library, put your BINGO cards and star stickers in a safe place in your classroom. Make sure your madrich/a (and any substitutes) knows where they are kept. Do NOT send BINGO cards home.

When a student finishes a book for BINGO, give them a sticker for their BINGO card. Make sure they write the title & author of the book on their book list.

Bring your BINGO cards with you every time your class visits the Library.

REMEMBER: You are responsible for keeping track of each student’s progress. This is also a great job for your madrich/a.

Students may also keep track of their progress on a 2nd BINGO card at home. Make sure that their classroom BINGO card is kept up-to-date.

SUGGESTIONS FOR HAVING FUN WITH THE BINGO BONANZA:
11. When a student reads a book for BINGO, have them tell the rest of the class about it. Did they like it? Why or why not? Do they recommend it to their classmates?
12. Keep track of your class total. Remind your students that the 3rd Grade class that reads the most books will receive a special class prize at the end of the year.
13. In your note home, remind parents about the BINGO Bonanza, update parents on your class total, and congratulate students who have finished their 5 books.

PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT ME IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR HELP AND COOPERATION!
Memo

To: ALL TEMPLE ISRAEL TEACHERS
From: Rachel Kamin
Date: 9/7/2003
Re: The 2003 Bookmark Contest

Last year our Bookmark Contest was a huge success! Please encourage your students to submit entries this year by designing bookmarks as an in-class project.

• Bookmark designs should be on white paper, 2” x 5”. If you need more pre-cut white cardstock, see Rachel in the Media Center.

• Since we would like to be able to reproduce the winning entries, please have the students use crayons, markers, and/or colored pencils (no glitter, stickers, or three-dimensional objects).

• Please use the enclosed labels to mark each bookmark. If a label is missing, print the child’s first name, last name, and grade clearly on the back of the bookmark.

• The winning entry in each age group (pre-school – 6th grade) will receive a $10 gift certificate to the Temple Israel Book Fair. The GRAND PRIZE WINNER will receive a $25 gift certificate to the Temple Israel Book Fair. All entries will be on display in the Atrium during the Book Fair. HINT: In the past the judges have favored bookmarks with a Jewish or reading theme!

• Please return completed entries, in this envelope, to Rachel Kamin in the Media Center by SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9th.

THANK YOU!

SAVE THE DATE: The 7th Annual Temple Israel Book Fair is Sunday, December 7th – Thursday, December 11th!