

## **The Power of Words - Our Reality, Our Turn**

Last month I wrote of the power of words against the backdrop of the Million Man March in Washington, D.C. and the message of its leader, Minister Louis Farrakhan. I never would have dreamed that a few short weeks later we would be faced by a tragedy of the magnitude of the assassination of Prime Minister Yitzchak Rabin. While words alone are not responsible for Mr. Rabin's death, they most certainly prepared the way for Yigal Amir's evil act. One month ago I wrote, "Words have meaning, and words have power. Words can create realities, even if only in the ears, minds and hearts of those who hear them." Now we have painful evidence of this, and we face a painful reality. Hate rhetoric of rabbis, settlers and other members of the Jewish community paved the way for the murder which took place in Tel Aviv. And we must all grapple with a new reality in the Jewish world.

The pain we feel is sharp. A day rarely passes when we don't hear news of murder. Tragically, political assassinations have become a part of the fabric of life in our "modern" world. Yet we Jews have rarely, if ever, contemplated the possibility that one of our own could cold-heartedly murder another of our own. In the aftermath of Mr. Rabin's murder, we recoil in horror at the images of Jews rejoicing over the act of evil. It is a new day in Jewish life, a new reality. We had better awaken to that fact if we don't want to accept this as a part of the tapestry of our history.

Facing new realities is hardly new to us. With the rapid-fire pace of history in recent years we have been facing what we imagined unthinkable repeatedly: the fall of the Berlin Wall, the dissolution of the Soviet Union, peace between Israel and Jordan, and the beginnings of peace between Israel and the Palestinians, just to mention a few examples. Who would have imagined that at a state funeral for the Prime Minister of Israel, the fallen leader would be eulogized not only by family and friends. He is also remembered eloquently by the President of the United States - no surprise. We also hear the King of Jordan speak of coming to bury a brother and a friend, and the President of Egypt rises to decry the act as an affront to the efforts to peace. This too, is a new reality. And wait -- but a few days later, PLO Chief Yasir Arafat, who stayed away from the funeral for security reasons, comes to the home of the fallen Israeli Prime Minister to pay a *shivah* call. My friends -- we are living in a new day. We are living in a day when we can see the saplings that have grown from out of the seeds of peace planted in the past 15 years. We, who have dreamed of peace, who have prayed for peace, and who have worked for peace must not allow the enemies of peace to destroy our dreams, to trample our heartfelt prayers and to crush our efforts. And we must now accept the reality that the enemies of peace are not only elsewhere - they are also within. I do not deny the opponents of the peace process their right to speak against it. But when rhetoric (and actions) deny the right of others to live in support of the process, then those who deal in hate and violence have no place at the table or in the discussion. Indeed, they have no place in our community!

We cannot afford to remain silent. Rest assured that those responsible for the hateful rhetoric that led to this evil act will not remain silent. As Prime Minister Rabin's widow, Leah Rabin said at the conclusion of the *shivah* period, "The silent majority must be silent no more!" Let our voices ring loud and clear. Let us show our support and our grief for our fellow Jews at this time of deep sadness in our people's history. But let us arise from our grief prepared to fight the hatred and the evil. Let us raise our voices, and join the efforts for peace. Those who poison our heritage with hateful and murderous interpretations of our tradition in the name of God have no place in our midst.

Let us not only remember Prime Minister Rabin z"l as a man of peace. But let us join ourselves to his fight for peace - through words and through deeds. It is the best way for us to create a lasting tribute to him. May Yitzchak Rabin rest in peace. And may his wife, children and grandchildren be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem. Indeed, may we all find comfort -- and together, may we find the way back to the road to peace!

# TEMPLE EMETH BULLETIN

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## DO THE WRITE THING

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\* Deadline for copy is the second Thursday of the month preceding publication.

\* All copy is subject to editing.

\* The decision of the editor is final..but he's a most reasonable fellow!

Dave Bicofsky

## NOVEMBER 9 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

The Holocaust Remembrance Committee recommended that we become Institutional Members of the Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies at Ramapo College. A moment of silence was observed to recall the 57th Anniversary of Kristalnacht.

The Board voted to install a drainage system to alleviate the flooding problems. This will also help prepare the playground being installed by the ECC parents.

David Bicofsky was appointed to fill a vacant seat on the Board.

We will be one of several Congregations to co-sponsor a motion at the UAHC Biennial concerning educational opportunities for Ethiopian Jews in Israel.

A moment of silence was also observed in memory of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

## Temple Emeth Environment Committee Report no. 24

### Home Energy Saving Tips (Part 2)

- Proper maintenance of your major appliances can have a significant impact on the environment.
- The pilot light in your stove should be burning with a blue cone-shaped flame. If it's yellow, burners and ports are clogged or need adjustment.
- Clean or replace Air Conditioner filters once a month during the cooling season. Otherwise the fan has to work harder and consumes more electricity. Clean the condenser coils on the back of your refrigerator at least once a year, also keep the door gaskets clean to make sure that the seal isn't being broken by dried-on food.

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## MESSAGE FROM THE CANTOR

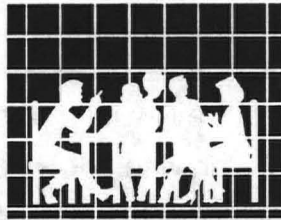
It was late in the afternoon when we received the call from my husband's family in Israel. "Quick, turn on CNN," they said (in Hebrew, of course). "Rabin has been shot! We couldn't believe it as we sat glued to the television set. We changed channels over and over again as if one of the broadcasts might tell us that this was just a bad joke, that the Prime Minister was fine, or that all the other stations had made a mistake. Unfortunately what we heard was quite the opposite. After some time, the newscaster told us that Yitzhak Rabin had died.

Now, I will be totally honest with you. One of the first things that crossed my mind was that it must have been a Palestinian from some extremist group that fired those shots. Yet, what I heard was the horrifying truth, that it was not an Arab, but a Jew who had killed the Prime Minister of Israel. Yes, one of our own people, one of the Children of Israel. It really didn't matter if he was Reform, Conservative, or Orthodox, politically to the right or the left or somewhere in between. A Jew had murdered another Jew. Of course it is very true that anyone murdering anyone has committed a heinous and unforgiveable act, but somehow this seemed terrible beyond belief.

Are our differences with one another so great that we must resort to such violence? Is the gap between us so wide that we cannot discuss things in a rational manner? We all worship the same God, read the same Torah, and celebrate the same holidays, how can it be that we are so different?

In a song by the modern Jewish music group "Safam", we hear these words; *We are one, like the waters and the sea. We are one, in the eyes of those that hate us, and to The One who did create us, we are one.* In the future, let us all remember that despite our differences, we are one people, Am Yisrael, and work at making peace with others as well as with one another. B'Shalom,

Cantor Ellen Zvulun



**Come share *Shabbat* with your  
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**H-O bring chicken for 5, salad for 10.....call Vivian Hesselson at 836-4969**

**P-Z bring chicken for 5, potatoes, pasta or rice for 10.....call Judy Eichinger at 833-8291**

**Please leave a message if you get an answering machine, indicating how many from your  
family will attend!**

**RSVP by December 8.**

**No dairy ingredients.**

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

### NOAH, THE FLOODS, TEMPLE EMETH AND ME

October was quite a month here at Temple! We had , as you may recall two weekends with two driving , windy rain storms. Our school wing, as has often happened due to our drainage problem, became flooded --and the roof leaked badly. Oy. With the fire alarms in that area unable to be connected and functioning our Early Childhood Center had to pack up all their equipment and re-locate to other areas of the Temple. An emergency volunteer crew , including our Cantor's husband, worked for hours in the driving rain when the next storm came, to do a stop-gap measure to prevent further flooding. As we pondered over the week's Torah portion all about Noah and the floods, I paid extra special attention!! You would have all been proud of our magnificent office, ECC , school , teaching and custodial staff(our head custodian Arthur, we discovered ,had stayed through the night)and our wonderful Executive Committee who all rallied together to get us through this crisis. Our gratitude to each and every one.

### JUDAISM, THE COMPUTER ,ME AND A WHOLE BUNCH OF FOLKS

What a marvelous time we live in! Who would have thought that we would be able to study Torah with our Rabbi and fellow congregants through the wonder of Email. Who would have thought that I would push a wrong icon and manage to Email a long letter to the Rabbi( where I was responding to a Torah lesson message, and decided to also pour my little heart out about a personal concern) and send it to everyone on Rabbi's Torah Email list! I am now getting advice from people I don't even know!! We've all had a good laugh over this, and I think I have learned my lesson (computer and Torah). Being a new President, On-line devotee, and part of an ever changing Reform Judaism are surely keeping me on my toes!





## MESSAGE FROM THE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Last month I began to introduce you to our faculty. It really has been a pleasure working with these teachers and I am happy to have the opportunity to introduce you to two more this month.

Penny Soussa has been working at Temple Emeth for five years now. She teaches about the holidays in both the first and second grades. She has a BA from Hunter College and an MA from Brooklyn College in Early Childhood. She has taught in the New York City public schools as well as Temple Beth Shalom in Park Ridge, NJ. Penny is originally from Brooklyn, NY. She and her husband are members of Temple Sinai. She enjoys reading bible stories among other things and likes to visit friends and go to the movies when she has some free time. As a religious school teacher Penny likes to share her love of Torah and Judaism with her classes. Penny hopes that her students will learn about the Jewish holidays and also about ethics, morality and prayers. She also hopes that her students take pride in being Jewish.

Wendy Roswadowsky has taught here at Temple Emeth for two and a half years. This year she is teaching about holidays and symbols to the Kindergarten. She has a BA in education from Rider University. She has taught at Temple Beth Shalom Nursery and is currently on the faculty at Gan Yaldenu. Wendy is originally from Emerson, NJ. She has fond memories of her days in religious school. Her teachers made a great difference in her life. Wendy hopes to make difference in the lives of her students. She hopes to enrich their understanding of Judaism and make them proud and excited to be Jewish. When Wendy finds a spare moment she likes to exercise and run as well as spend time with her husband Andru.

I wish for you and your family a wonderful Chanukah filled with light, joy and peace.

*B'shalom,*

*Lisa*

*Lisa Lieberman Barzilai, RJE*  
*School Office 833-8466*



Photo by  
Steve Traiman who  
also conducted  
the Zoo tours.

Bergen County Zoo Docent (and Temple member) Bonnie Traiman (rear left) welcomes some of the 75+ Brotherhood picnic attendees who had a great tour of the Zoo.

## MESSAGE FROM THE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

Pre-schoolers seem to have a natural affinity with the kitchen. In our ECC classrooms cooking is an integral part of the curriculum and is one of the ways children learn firsthand about our Jewish tradition. Dipping apples in honey for Rosh Hashanah, preparing potato latkes for Chanukah or making charoset for the Passover Seder are favorite pastimes at our center.

Now that the weather is getting colder, I recommend you try some cooking experiences at home with your child or grandchild. From a developmental point of view, cooking has much to offer. Working with a variety of ingredients which need to be smelled, tasted, poked, poured, and stirred, the child is furnished with countless opportunities to develop fine motor skills. In addition, cooking also fosters language development and concept formation. With adult guidance, children, as they cook, will discuss the names, appearance, smell, texture and taste of the ingredients, as well as the way in which ingredients change as one is added to the other. Concepts of measurement, sequencing, "big and little", "more than and less than:", and classification are learned as children measure and pour ingredients, follow the steps of a recipe, and cut and slice foods.

Here are a few suggestions which I have found helpful in cooking with young children:

Cooking need not involve the use of a stove. Preparing fruit for eating or, for example, mixing mashed bananas with yogurt is as much a cooking project as is making pancakes or muffins.

- Use simple, nutritious recipes, involving a few steps.
- Try to engage children in the clean up process as well as in the actual cooking activity. Washing pots and pans and scrubbing tables with sponges and soapy water can be almost as much fun as cooking itself.
- Encourage children to stay in the kitchen as food is cooking, so they can smell and examine food at its various stages.

*Laura Schneider*

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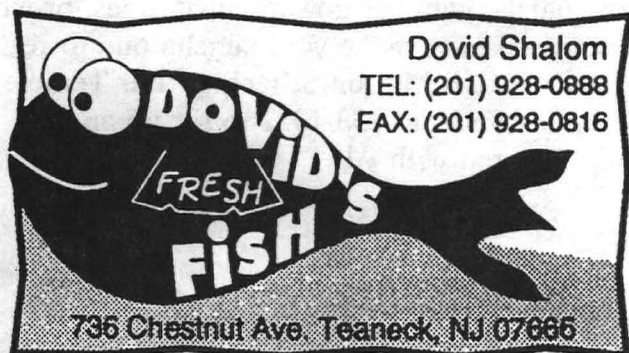
Our Fall Shabbaton will be held on Saturday, December 9 at the home of Gloria and Marvin Barsky, 9 Skyline Drive, Englewood Cliffs. The featured speaker will be Paul Kaufman and the topic will be "The Earth is the Lord's --Heeding God's House Rules". Paul will lead a discussion on areas of conflict between environmental protection and economic or political forces. The emphasis will be on Judaism's historical and religious approach to similar conflicts. This stimulating discussion will begin at 3 and conclude with Havdalah at 5 PM. Please confirm your attendance by calling the Barsky's at 567-2929.

## ALFRED P. AND HELEN LEVIN MEMORIAL YOUTH FUND

We regret to inform you of the passing of our honorary member, Helen Levin. She was the wife and partner of Alfred P. Levin who passed away this past April. Both were founding members of Temple Emeth. In their honor, their children, along with Temple Emeth have established the Alfred P. and Helen Levin Memorial Youth Fund to sponsor a young person's attendance at a Jewish camp. We invite you to make contributions to this worthwhile fund.

## CALLING ALL FILMMAKERS

Do you know how to work a video camera? Do you feel unappreciated when you film those important life events? We need you to volunteer on our Video Crew, filming B'nai Mitzvah and other special events in Temple. We provide the equipment and training - you provide the time and interest. For more information, please call Kerry Butler at 476-0147 or Cyndy Friedland at 836-2317.



## "GETTING TO KNOW....."

by Sandi Klein

"It's not my nature to sit back and let other people do." And thank goodness for her nature! **Judy Yablonka** is one tireless woman.....and we at Temple Emeth have been the recipients of her boundless enthusiasm, energy and optimism.

As president of Emeth...Judy has her work cut out...but she's had plenty of prep time.

Judy and her husband Gidon have been Temple members for 20 years and 2-thirds of her time have been spent volunteering at 1666 Windsor Road. She started off as a member of the "kitchen Casserole", a pre-cursor to the caring committee. Membership on one committee, led to the joining of several others...then onto chairing several committees before she made it to the executive board.

Judy says once she took the plunge to volunteer a little, it became so satisfying, she wanted to do more and discovered she could make a difference, not only for Temple, but for herself and for her spiritual growth.

She started off slowly at Emeth, balancing her home life with her professional one. Judy's been a dental hygienist for 30 years. She and Gidon are the proud parents of twin daughters- Marnie and Naomi-now college freshmen. Judy believed it was important for her children to see there's more to life than work and home, teaching them that it's vital to give of yourself, to do something useful, to make a contribution. And contribute she has!

Judy says she's a very blessed person: she lives in a town she loves, has a wonderful family, a job that makes her happy and a fulfilling Temple life. As Judy and Emeth approach their 50th Birthdays, she says this is just where she wants to be. And we're glad she's here!

This "Getting to Know" is a brand new Bulletin column, featuring Temple Emeth members, written by Sandi Klein and David Bicofsky.





## WORKS BY BORNE GIFTED TO TEMPLE EMETH

Twelve drypoint prints by noted artist and inventor, Mortimer Borne, were recently gifted by the Ray Borne Trust to Temple Emeth in a presentation ceremony October 17.

Mortimer Borne was born in Rypin, Poland in 1902. After immigrating with his family to the United States in 1916, Borne continued art studies. His subjects include cityscapes, landscapes, portraits and religious themes.

The works gifted to Temple Emeth were inspired by Borne's journey to Jerusalem in 1935 and present a visual journal of his experiences. The works depict scenes from his travels including Tower of David, Marketplace Jerusalem and Haifa Harbor among others. Temple Emeth is currently planning an exhibition and reception to thank the trustees of the Ray Borne Trust for their generous gift.

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Temple Emeth's newly formed Renaissance Group will host a "Birth" Day party on Saturday, December 16th, at 7 p.m., at the Temple. All "Forty-somethingplus" Temple members are invited to attend this get-acquainted pot-luck supper.

Bev Lazar, 836-1086, and Carlene Fleischman, 836-0226, are coordinating the dairy menu. Please call them by December 8th to reserve your place and let them know what kind of dish you can bring. Each person attending should also bring a gender-neutral wrapped gift (\$5 limit per person).

Save Saturday afternoon, January 27th, for a Renaissance Group day at the YM-YWHA in Washington Twp. Beginning at 1:30 p.m., Temple members can use all the Y's facilities absolutely free. These include swimming pool, steam room, sauna, whirlpool, racquetball, squash court, basketball, exercise room and indoor jogging track. The afternoon will conclude with a beautiful Havdalah Service at 5 p.m.

The Renaissance Group was formed to provide social, educational and cultural activities for an important segment of the congregation. Call Barbara Kaufman, 385-8433 for information about membership. Annual dues are \$10 per person. Mail your checks payable to the Temple Emeth Renaissance Group to Temple.

## PARTIES WITH A SPECIAL TOUCH

Temple Emeth now offers party planning for weddings, Bar/Bat Mitzvahs, anniversaries, birthdays, sweet sixteens, showers and special occasion events. Al Ridella will customize your party within your budget. He can provide caterers, bands, lighting, flowers, invitations, or whatever it takes to make your simcha one to remember. Call Marion Schechter, our Temple Administrator, at 833-1322 to set up an appointment with Al.

## TROUBLE WITH GRANDFATHERS

By Bob Spiewak

### CHAI PINS

Our latest bowler is named Arlene  
The wildest bowler you've ever seen  
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One really never knows

Which way the ball is gonna go

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And then, of course, we have Estelle

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Her ball went down so very slow

You'd walk behind to watch it go

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Bob is very famous

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We think that must be caused

By bees up in his attic

He barely breaks 100

And then the next game's great

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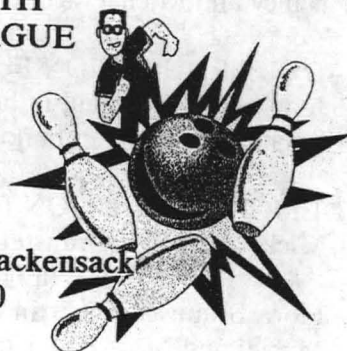
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The Greater Teaneck Section offers tuition aid grants to college students who are pursuing studies towards certification in Jewish Education. Applicants must be senior or graduate level, residents or work in Bergen County, and be available for a personal interview after May 1, 1996. Awards are based on financial need, scholarship and commitment.

Applications and further information may be obtained from:

Jewish Education Scholarship Committee  
NCJW, 210 The Plaza, Teaneck  
or call 833-4221.

## CENTER FOR HELP "CHILDREN OF AIDS"

On November 27th at 10:30 AM at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Fort Lee, an organization to support the families of AIDS victims will hold an educational meeting.

For information, call:

Sauna Haggat at 742-6742.

## CHANUKAH

Did you know? The festival of Chanukah, the triumph of religious freedom, the major theme of the holidays, was particularly important for American Jews, especially for the generation who came to America in search of the idea for which the Maccabees valiantly fought.

In 1790, newly elected President George Washington received a letter from Congregation Beth Elohim in Charleston, pledging loyalty to this new nation and assuring Washington that "we and our posterity will not cease to commemorate you..with Judah Maccabee who was raised up by God for the deliverance of his people from oppression."

Chanukah is the Jewish response to the gloom of winter, lighting one candle and yet another against the gathering darkness. It is our way of expressing our profound belief that God will not permit utter darkness to prevail.

When the darkness seems overwhelming--and it can be the spiritual darkness of winter night--we need to know that it is powerless against the smallest bit of illumination.

As our world grows colder and darker during the winter months, light a candle in someone's life and see how it makes the darkness flee.

Excerpted from

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The Legal Services Corp. is the primary provider of civil legal services to poor Americans, insuring that low income families have access to the justice system.

On September 13, the House Judiciary Committee passed HR 2277, the Legal Aid Act of 1995, which provides substantially decreased funds in the form of block grants and restricts the activities of legal services attorneys from engaging in grassroots lobbying, abortion cases, class action suits, voter registration and representation of illegal aliens. A similar, less stringent bill has been introduced in the Senate.

The Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism has issued an Action Alert requesting that calls be made and letters sent to senators and representatives urging them to support Legal Services without any restrictions:

As Jews we reaffirm our deep respect for law as an equitable means of bringing justice to the world. The Torah commands us, *Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment; thou shalt not respect the person of the poor, nor favor the person of the mighty; but in righteousness shalt thou judge thy neighbor (Leviticus 19:15)*...By providing the poor--whether white, minority, women or elderly--with access to the courts, and by defending the rights of those who cannot afford legal counsel, the Legal Services Corporation fosters the value of equality before the law. Chai Impact October 20.

Senator Lautenberg is on the Conference Committee of the Senate Judiciary Committee. Letters can be sent to him as follows:  
Senator Frank Lautenberg, Hart Building #506,  
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### DOWN MEMORY LANE *From 6/87 Bulletin*

#### TEMPLE EMETH SEDER

Our Temple family joined together for a warm, happy, song-filled recounting of the Haggadah on the evening of the second seder.

Cantor Annie and Rabbi Sigel circulated among the tables, stopping to visit with the 125 congregants and their families and friends.

Leila Fallet and her helpers put in many hours to guarantee a smooth-running success.

#### JAFFA ORANGES FOR PESACH

Our oranges were delayed at our request until Passover, after we returned from 3 weeks in the Orient.

Bright orange globes bursting with sweet juices thanks to Gloria Barsky whose single-handed determination made Temple Emeth a success in this delightful fund-raiser.

**Estelle Spiewak**

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## DECEMBER 1 - 14, 1995

**Friday, December 1, 1995 8:30 p.m. Shabbat Vayetze**

**The Service will be conducted by Rabbi Louls J. Sigel**

**Rabbi Sigel Will Speak**

**Saturday, December 2, 1995 - Shabbat Worship at 10:30 a.m.**

*Torah Portion - Vayetze Genesis 28:10 - 32:3*

*Haftarah Portion - Hosea 12:13 - 14:10*

**Bazaar opens at 7:30 p.m.**

Sat, Dec. 2	9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 7:30 p.m.	Torah Study Shabbat Worship Bazaar	Wed, Dec. 6	12:15 p.m.  6:15 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Lunch and Learn/Rabbi Etz Chayim Renaissance Adult Choir ECC Conferences
Sun, Dec. 3	9:00/11:00 10:00 a.m.	Religious School Bazaar			
Tue, Dec. 5	12:15 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 8:45 p.m.	Beginners Hebrew Adult Ed Classes Adult Ed Classes	Thu, Dec. 7	2:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Intermediate Hebrew Ritual Comm. Mtg. Adoptive Parents ECC Conferences

**Friday December 8, 1995 Family Shabbat Service at 7:30 p.m.**

**Shabbat Vayishlach**

**Rabbi Eric S. Gurvis will tell a story**

*The Oneg Shabbat will be sponsored by Sandra and Norman Ivers in honor of the  
Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Samantha Ivers*

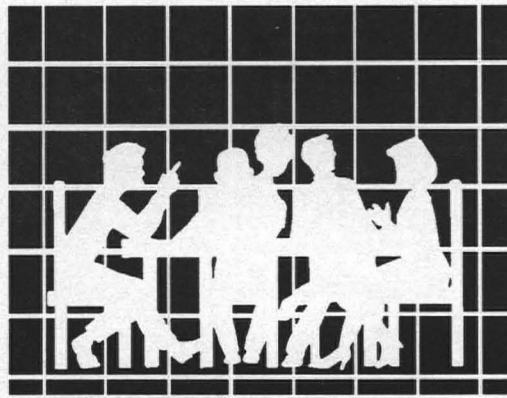
**Saturday, December 9, 1995 Shabbat Worship at 10:30 a.m.**

**Bat Mitzvah of Samantha Ivers, daughter of Sandra and Norman Ivers**

*Torah Portion - Vayishlach - Genesis 32:4-36:43*

*Haftarah Portion - Obadiah 1:1-21*

Sat, Dec. 9	9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m.  3:00 p.m.	Torah Study Bat Mitzvah of Samantha Ivers Shabbaton At The Home of Gloria and Marvin Barsky	Tue, Dec. 12	12:15 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 8:45 p.m.	Beginner Hebrew Adult Ed Classes Adult Ed Classes
Sun, Dec. 10	9:00/11:00 10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m.  7:30 p.m.	Religious School Brotherhood Breakfast Outreach/December Dilemma Healing Service	Wed, Dec. 13	12:15 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Lunch and Learn/Rabbi Etz Chayim Adult Choir Rel. School Committee Fundraising Meeting
Mon, Dec. 11	8:00 p.m.	Finance Comm. Mtg.	Thu, Dec. 14	2:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Bulletin Deadline Intermediate Hebrew Bulletin Meeting Board of Trustees Mtg.



# **Come share *Shabbat* with your Temple Emeth family!**

**Join us for a Pot Luck *Shabbat* Dinner  
Friday evening, December 15th  
6:30 PM.**

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and *Shabbat* worship  
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**Members with last names beginning:**

**A-G** bring chicken for 5, vegetable for 10.....call Micki Grunstein at 836-9221

**H-O** bring chicken for 5, salad for 10.....call Vivian Hesselson at 836-4969

**P-Z** bring chicken for 5, potatoes, pasta or rice for 10.....call Judy Eichinger at  
833-8291

**Please leave a message if you get an answering machine, indicating how many  
from your family will attend!**

**RSVP by December 8.**

**No dairy ingredients.**





# Temple Emeth

December 1995



SUNDAY

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WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

<b>3</b> UAHC Biennial - Atlanta 10:00am BAZAAR	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 7:30pm Adult Ed Classes 8:45pm Adult Ed Classes	<b>6</b> 12:15pm Lunch & Learn 6:15pm Etz Chayim 8:00pm Adult Choir 8:00pm Renaissance Group 8:00pm ECC Open School Nt	<b>7</b> 8:00pm Ritual Comm 8:00pm Adoptive Parents 8:00pm ECC Comm	<b>1</b> UAHC Biennial - Atlanta 8:30pm Shabbat Services	<b>2</b> Vayetze 9:15am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Services 7:30pm BAZAAR
<b>10</b> 10:00am B'hood Bkfst 1:00pm Outreach: Dec. Dilemma II 7:30pm HEALING SERVICE	<b>11</b> 8:00pm Finance Comm	<b>12</b> 7:30pm Adult Ed Classes 8:45pm Adult Ed Classes	<b>13</b> 12:15pm Lunch & Learn 6:15pm Etz Chayim 8:00pm Adult Choir 8:00pm RS Comm 8:00pm Fundraising Comm	<b>14</b> Bulletin Deadline 8:00pm Temple Board Mtg	<b>15</b> 6:45pm Cong. Shabbat Dinner 8:30pm Shabbat Services	<b>16</b> Vayeshev 9:15am Torah Study 9:15am Tot Shabbat 10:30am Shabbat Services 12:30pm Shabbat Table 8:00pm Renaissance Party
<b>17</b> 9:00am 7th Gr Family Ed 11:00am Jr League/56 Club Party 1:00pm Kids' Club Party	<b>18</b> <i>Hanukkah</i> 8:00pm House Comm	<b>19</b> 6:30pm ECC Chanukah Party 8:00pm Fundraising Comm 8:00pm Adult Ed Comm	<b>20</b> 12:15pm Lunch & Learn 6:15pm Etz Chayim 8:00pm Adult Choir	<b>21</b> 11:00am Prime Timers' Chanukah Party 8:00pm Book Club	<b>22</b> Adult Choir Sings <i>Winter begins</i> 8:30pm Shabbat Services	<b>23</b> Mikketz 9:15am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Services
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> ECC Closed (until 1/2)	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 6:15pm Etz Chayim 8:00pm Adult Choir	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 8:30pm Shabbat Services	<b>30</b> Vayiggash 10:30am Shabbat Services
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### Prime Timers

On Thursday, December 21st at 11:00 a.m. Prime Timers meet for a Chanukah Party (Lunch). For more information and reservation call Lotte Wolf at 385-8945 or Cliff Lampe at 440-4661.

### Brotherhood Breakfast

Our next Brotherhood Breakfast will be held on Sunday, December 10th at 10:00 a.m. Our guest will be Inge Auerbacher, who is a Holocaust Survivor and the author of the renowned book *I Am a Star*. All are welcome!

### Bergen County Jewish Learning Project to begin January 21, 1996

This year's 3rd Annual Bergen County Jewish Learning Project will explore "Jewish Views of the Afterlife." The opening program will be held on Sunday, January 21, 1996 from 1:30 - 4:30 p.m. at the YM-YWHA of Bergen County, 605 Pascack Road, Washington Township, N.J.

This year's guest scholars will be Dr. Leonard Kravitz, Professor of Philosophy Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and Dr. Harlan Wechsler, Professor of Philosophy at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

As in past years, the opening program will be followed by three weeks of study conducted at various locations around Bergen County. These sessions will be taught by teams of Reform and Conservative rabbis from our area.

For further information contact Stu W. Lehrer at (201)666-6610, Ext. 208.

### We Want to Help!

Do you know someone who is house-bound? Ill? In the hospital? In need of a visit or some assistance?

Our Rabbi and Cantor, as well as the members of our Temple Emeth Caring Community Committee can only reach out to help if we know who is ill or in need of help. Please help us help other members of our congregation. Call the Temple office, or our clergy at 833-1322.

### A Mitzvah in Need of Response

Our past president, Albert Meyer, who suffered a stroke this past summer is in a rehabilitation center in Germany. His spirits would be greatly lifted if he were to receive cards and notes from members of the Emeth family. They can be sent to his wife, Ruth at:

Albert and Ruth Meyer

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*Our next  
Service of Healing  
will be held on  
Sunday evening,  
December 10th  
at 7:30 p.m.*

**All are welcome!**

# Countdown to Bazaar '95!

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December 2, 6 - 10 p.m.  
December 3, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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