



MESSAGE FROM THE RABBI

FROM THE KOL NIDRE SERMON:

(I ENCOURAGE ONE OR TWO PARAGRAPH RESPONSES. SOME RESPONSES WILL BE PRINTED IN THE COMING BULLETIN. PLEASE SEND YOUR REACTIONS TO THE TEMPLE OFFICE.)

The calculated visit of Ariel Sharon to the Temple Mount on the day before Rosh Hashanah ignited a new wave of violence... How did we arrive at this situation, just 2 months after the high hopes of Camp David and less than a week after prime minister Barak and Chairman Arafat had a highly cordial meeting at Barak's home?... Even this organized and provocative visit does not explain the extent of the Palestinian response: Widespread riots all over the Palestinian Territories and Gaza, escalating battles and the angry response of Israeli Arabs in Haifa, Acco and other Israeli towns. Frustration has been mounting, with incitement to violence from the Palestinian side. There is some evidence to suggest that when the violence started, even the Palestinian police could not stop it. Hamas and other extreme groups, groups that will lose their purpose in a time of peace, used the opportunity of Sharon's visit to the Temple Mount as an excuse for indiscriminate violence. This "New Intifada" as the Palestinians now call it, has changed the focus of the debate...

What I would like to reflect on this Yom Kippur is the notion that religions have Holy places where God supposedly resides. Holy places that are too sacred and dear to ever give up, no matter the price...

In the Torah portion "Vayetzei, Jacob spends the night in the desert. When Jacob wakes up, he exclaims, "*Achen yesh Adonai baMakom HaZeh, V'Anochi lo yadati.*" God is in this place, and I, I did not know it." Jacob immediately dedicates the site with his stone pillow and oil, calling it Bet El, the house of God. A seemingly ordinary desert rock has now become a holy place of worship...

During the Israelites' 40 year journey in the wilderness, they carried with them a *miShkan*, a tabernacle. Within it, they believed, resided the Divine Presence. After the conquest and settlement of the promised land, the Israelites transferred God's residence to the center of the *Bet HaMikdash*, the Temple, a chamber called the Holy of Holies. The Temple, with the inner Holy of Holies, was located – can you guess? – on the Temple Mount...

The Dome of the Rock is in the center of the Temple Mount. Moslems revere a large rock in the center of the Dome of the Rock. From this rock, as Islamic legend tells it, Mohammed went up to heaven in a dream. What is the most holy of holy spots for Islam? Mecca, where the center of all pilgrimages is a -- you guessed it -- a large black rock.

We Jews revere our own set of holy rocks as well. We stuff messages and personal pleas to God in the crevices of the Kotel, the Western wall. As if God has a personal PO box! Elevating the kotel to be a holy site, according to Israeli philosopher Yishayahu Leibowitz, is a desecration to God and the Torah. In an article written immediately after the victory of the 6-Day war, which unified Jerusalem for the first time under full Israeli sovereignty, Leibowitz decried that the kotel had immediately become a symbol of national unity. He sarcastically named the large plaza in front of the wall the Dis-Kotel, the biggest disco in the country. For Leibowitz, and I agree with him on this point, the Western Wall became the height of idolatrous worship...

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENTS

Dear Friends,

It has been an exciting few months at Temple Emeth. The arrival of Rabbi Arturo Kalfus set off a whirlwind of very welcome activity. Indeed, just a few days after his arrival, the rabbi, with Marion's assistance, set the wheels in motion for the public forum on the Israeli-Palestinian peace process. Had we planned for as many weeks as the three days we had to put this together, we couldn't have come up with a better way to introduce Rabbi Kalfus to much of the Temple Emeth and larger community, both Jewish and non-Jewish.

Over the past few months many of you have begun to know our new rabbi. You have met him at the numerous cottage parties, at services on Shabbat, at Saturday morning Torah study or on the occasion of your own life-cycle events both happy and sad. More recently, most of you had a chance to get to know him better at High Holy Day services.

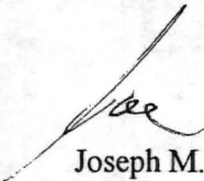
Getting to truly know our new rabbi will take time. Conversely, it will take him time to become well-acquainted with his new congregation. We have been pleased by the numerous comments made to either or both of us by many who have met Rabbi Kalfus in the various ways described above. Even more so have we been pleased by the observations the rabbi has made as he digs deeper and discovers the depth of commitment, learning and dedication of each and every congregant he has met so far.

In the "here we go again" department, we have also heard comments about change, both positive and negative. We recently read a statement in some UAHC publication that the only people who really like change are babies with wet diapers! Yes, change can be unsettling, and to remedy that we can only suggest two things:

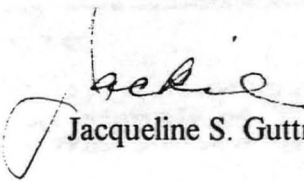
1. Try rolling with the changes rather than resisting them; you may find that you like most of them.
2. If you are really uncomfortable, call or e-mail Rabbi Kalfus for an appointment.

While our meetings with him include what you all tell us, sometimes it is better not to use a co-presidential filter. Let him know your thoughts -- but also keep the communicating two-way. Hear him out as well. You know, we Emeth-ites are smart, feisty and demanding. Let us reach out, and hear each other out, and continue to work together as we did last year to keep our synagogue the special place it is.

We're on the road again. *Kadima* — Forward!



Joseph M. Boonin



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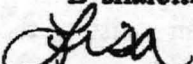
Temple Emeth Religious School

Each year our school tries to do one new program or special event. As well, we attempt to find new ways to bring the educational program from the classroom and carry it into the home. This year we are focusing on the Torah. So to kick off our theme a special program has been scheduled on Sunday, October 22nd in honor of Simchat Torah. We will be looking at all of the *parshiot* (Torah portions) and each student will have the opportunity to learn about one in a bit more depth.

To help bring our topic home throughout the year, we have begun an interactive section of our school bulletin board. We now have the "Question of the Week." Each week a question about the *parashah* (that week's portion) will be posted on the bulletin board. The students will have a week to find the answer and come to me for a little prize for finding the correct solution. I invite the rest of the Temple Emeth community to see if you can answer the question as well (although gifts will only be given to our students).

While our younger students learn about the stories in Genesis and Exodus, they do not always learn about the sections of Torah that are more difficult to understand. Our older students do get exposure to all parts of the Torah, yet this will help them sharpen and use their Torah study skills. I hope all of the congregation will enjoy the exercise throughout the year. Maybe we can all learn a little Torah together as well.

B'shalom,



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Why Noah Chose the Dove

For the third year, the children of the Early Childhood Center will experience the torah portion of Noah through a variety of activities. This child friendly parasha is an opportune time to integrate a Judaic theme with secular concepts. In preparation for and during the week of October 30 - November 3, the children explore science, math, literary, and art concepts surrounding the themes of water, animals, colors, shapes, and pairs. Water tables are filled with items to test sinking, floating, and dissolving; collages are made with pairs of items; different geometric shapes are used to form the bodies of different animals; pairs of objects and shapes are used for patterning; the children hunt for paired patterns in their clothes and picture books; puppet pairs are used to reenact the story; movement lessons use only body parts that come in pairs; and each class learns at least two songs about Noah.

As a culminating activity, each class focuses on one aspect of the story and contributes an artistic renditions on that theme. The result will be the beautiful mural hanging in the hall for your viewing pleasure. The two year olds will create the waters from the flooding with watercolors, fingerpaints, and scraps of blue; Eileen, Peggy and Melissa's class will hammer the boards to make the ark; Sue and Liz's class will use geometric shapes to create the pairs of animals; Viviana and Batia's class will make Noah and his family; Cindy and Lydia's class will make the clouds in the sky; and Evie and Pat's class will make the rdiant rainbow - the symbol of God's promise to never again destroy the world. At the end of the week, on November 3, the children meet with Rabbi Kalfus on the bimah to hear the story from the Torah.

This year, we will add the wonderful story "Why Noah Chose the Dove." In this tale, the different animals vied with one another for a place on the ark and boasted loudly of their merits - often belittling those of the others. The dove, who was perched alone on a branch, did not try to speak or compete with the others. When asked by Noah about its silence, the dove replied that it wasn't better than any other animal - that each one has something special given to it by God who created us all. Noah was so touched by the dove's answer and modesty that he chose the dove to be his messenger when the rains stopped. From that day forth, the dove has been a symbol of peace. From this story, we learn that the dove's sense of peace came from being able to appreciate the special qualities in others as well as in oneself. This message is fundamental to true peace and to our Early Childhood Program where we value and appreciate each and every child and family we are fortunate to meet and grow with together.



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The High Holidays, wonderful as they are, always bring with them much extra work as the synagogue is readied to receive 1000 or more people. Many volunteers assisted with this enormous job, both before and during the holidays. Extra-special thanks go to: Michael Robinson and his merry band of ushers, who handled a difficult job with grace and good cheer; Eric Loeb, for annually replacing the batteries in the hearing devices; David Cohen, who, among other things, rescued us from the "golem" in the sound system; Richard Buchbinder and Dan Firshein, who handled "on the spot" ticket issues; Peter Adler, who both designed our new sign and made sure it would be finished on time; Suzanne Keusch, indefatigable office volunteer; Norman and Audrey Muehsam, for also helping in the office.

Not to be forgotten are Susan Soifer, Karen Kaplan and the many parents and Senior League members who were responsible for our smooth parallel services and activities. They perform a special *mitzvah* by missing much of the service to provide a service for us.

We must also gratefully mention our entire professional staff - clergy, educational, and administrative - and our custodians, some of who are brand new and whose orientation period coincided with the busiest time of the year!

Finally, this year we recognize the holiday choir members, who are usually thanked as a group: Mary Hauptman, Nancy Plotkin, Susan Rappaport, Beulah Warshaw, Andrea Winters, Nancy Boonin, Pauline Hecht, Wendy Kosakoff, Renita Steinberg, Richard Barnett, Jules Feiman, Adele Hirschman, Aaron Kaplan, Eric Loeb, Myron White, Marc Chelemer, Seymour Fleishman, Howard Guttman, and -- in spirit -- Howard Kaplan. (Keep getting better, Howard!)

Many and heartfelt thanks to you all.

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Friday, November 3rd

Shabbat Noah

Candle-lighting - 4:31 p.m.

The Oneg Shabbat will be sponsored by Careen & Marc Lazarus in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of their son Ian

Family Shabbat Services at 7:30 p.m.

K-2 Shabbat Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 4th Shabbat Worship at 10:30 a.m.

Bar Mitzvah of Ian Lazarus

Torah Portion: Genesis 6:9-11:32

Haftarah Portion: Isaiah 54:1-55:5

Sat. Nov 4	9:15 am 10:30 pm	Torah Study Shabbat Services
Sun. Nov 5	9:00 am 1:00 pm	Religious School Senior League Pizza Party
Tue. Nov 7	4:00 pm 7:30 pm	Religious School Mini University begins

Wed. Nov 8	4:00 pm 6:15 pm 8:00 pm	Religious School Etz Chayim Adult Choir
Thurs. Nov 9	12:00 pm 8:00 pm	Lunch & Learn Bd. Of Trustees Mtg. ECC Closed

Friday, November 10th

Shabbat Lekh-Lekha

Candle-lighting - 4:24 p.m.

The Oneg Shabbat will be sponsored by Janice & Larry Lipsitz in honor of the Auf Ruf of their daughter Julie Lipsitz & Aaron Levinthal

Israel/Arza Program

Services at 8:30 pm



Saturday, November 11th

Shabbat Worship at 10:30 a.m.

Torah Portion Genesis 12:1-17:27

Haftarah Isaiah 40:27-41:16

Sat. Nov 11	9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30 am 3:00 pm	Torah Study Tot Shabbat Shabbat Services Shabbaton at the home of Rabbi Kalfus
Sun. Nov 12	10:00 am 11:00 am	B'yachad Breakfast Outreach Comm. Mtg.
Tues. Nov 14	4:00 pm 7:30 pm 8:00 pm	Religious School Mini University House Comm.

Wed. Nov 15	4:00 pm 6:15 pm 8:00 pm	Religious School Etz Chayim Adult Choir
Thurs. Nov 16	12:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm 8:00 pm	Lunch & Learn Membership Comm. Rabbi meets with B'nai Mitzvah from January to June 2001 Caring Comm. Mtg.

November 2000

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Israel/Arza Program

Friday, November 11th

A new video "Shavua Tov" produced by the Israel Movement for Progressive Judaism will be presented. Visit our sister congregation & kibbutzim, see the faces of the children, hear the voices of their rabbis, including Uri Regev, Maya Leibovich, Meir Azari.

Following the video there will be a "Q & A" session, let by Ted Greenwood.

Thank you

I would like to personally thank each and every usher that participated during the High Holy Day services. With out your invaluable assistance the services would not have been as wonderful as they were.

David Bicofsky

Jim Sandler

Carl Monheit

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Rebecca Lerman

Sabrina Lerman

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Jim Warren

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Audrey Seares

Laura Kirsch

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Michael Reiner

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Barry Massarsky

Suzanne Keusch

To anybody that I might have missed, let me extend my apologies and of course my deepest thanks.

Mike Robinson

Chairperson/Ushering

Good & Welfare

Welcome To...

Sara Reiss

Julie, Gil and Eva Isaacs

Mazel Tov To...

Larry Lipsitz on being named to the 2001 edition of the Marquis "Who's Who in America."

Naomi & Tom Blumenfeld on the birth of their granddaughter, Quetzal, daughter of Julie Blumenfeld & David Baum

Millie & Murray Beer on the birth of their grandson Julian A. Beer son of Martha & Jonathan

Condolences To...

Bob Wolf on the loss of his beloved father Ben Wolf

Temple Emeth Book Club

The second meeting of the Book Club is scheduled to meet on November 16, 2000 at Linda Klempner's house located at 843 Grange Road, Teaneck. We will be discussing the book Amy and Isabelle by Elizabeth Strout.

Support Group

Dru Greenwood, National Outreach Director for the UAHC and member of Temple Emeth will lead a six session support group at the synagogue. Rabbi Arturo Kalfus will also participate in this group. This series begins on Thursday, November 2, 2000. Subsequent meetings will be on 12/7/00, 1/4/01, 2/1/01, 3/1/01, and 3/29/01. The group is intended for those who have converted, are in the process of doing so, or are considering conversion. Individuals and couples are welcome. Anyone with questions or interested in registering should contact the event chair, Jim Veach at veachidz@juno.com or call him at 212-804-4233.

JEWS by CHOICE SUPPORT GROUP

Dru Greenwood, National Outreach Director for the UAHC, and Emeth member, will lead a six-session support group for Jews by Choice. The group focuses on the process of converting to Judaism and what this means to one who chooses Judaism, and his or her spouse or partner, family, and friends. Rabbi Kalful will also participate.

The group will address issues such as knowing when one is ready, when and how to tell family and friends, celebrating the holidays, the "adult bar mitzvah," and what the process of choosing Judaism involves. In short, the group will consider the consequences of answering "yes" to the question - "Do you want to be a Jew?"

The group will meet at Emeth from 7:30- 9:30 pm Thursday, November 2nd continuing for five more sessions December 7th, January 4th, February 1st, March 1 and March 29th. While we would appreciate knowing who will attend, no formal registration is required, walk-ins are welcome.

Anyone with questions or to register may contact Jim Veach jdveach@juno.com (201) 837-1854

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Temple e-mail addresses

You may want to make note of the following e-mail addresses. All these accounts are now active.

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December 2 and 3: Bazaar Weekend.

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December 10th - 10 am

Breakfast with Rabbi Kalfus: - Human Rights, Part II. Repression, kidnapping and murder. The last military regime in Argentina, the Jewish community and the American Government. Two different responses. * * * *

I would like to thank each and everyone of you for all of your support, encouragement, and participation in putting together a great program for 2000-2001. Without you this would not have been possible. Happy and healthy new year to all of you. L'shana tova.

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Is there a religious obligation to make specific places into holy grounds? Sites that are more closely linked to God so that we dare not treat them lightly? Or give them up? Are certain rocks, walls, tombs so holy that people must die to defend them?..

When the 2nd Temple was destroyed in 70 CE, Judaism as a religion needed to be redefined. It is this redefined, new interpretation of our sources, that we now know as Judaism. This is the Judaism in which I feel comfortable. God no longer resides in a specific place. God is accessible every day and everywhere. In the synagogue or the woods. On a work day and on Yom Kippur...

I am tired of the attitude that one should die or kill for a misconceived emotional or religious attachment to particular places, specific rocks, tiny specks of land, whether it be the Temple Mount, or Jerusalem itself. The value of peace and the affirmation of life must override the holding on to a territory that leads to death. As the Torah instructs us, "*u'vcharta vahayim* -- Choose Life"...

But most importantly for what I am trying to say tonight, my Judaism does not support the idolatrous worship of any place...

Two years ago, I went to Israel with Arza, our religious Zionist organization. I read Torah in the plaza of the Kotel surrounded by dozens of ultra-Orthodox Jews yelling at us. My picture even made the Israeli newspapers. But let me be very clear on this matter as well. I prayed with other Reform Rabbis at the Kotel plaza in order to make a point about religious intolerance and a lack of pluralism not necessarily at the Kotel but in all of Israel. I personally disagree with our movement's insistence of struggling to achieve freedom of religious expression at the Kotel. It is as if we want to buy into the idolatrous behavior of others on an equal footing! I certainly support our movement's actions when they are directed at changing the status quo regarding how religion functions in Israel. But not at the Kotel in particular. That is idolatrous worship for me ...

Yesh Hanashim im lev shel even. "There are people with hearts of stone. Yesh abanim im lev adam. There are stones with hearts of human beings." So goes a popular Israeli song. I do not have anything against having respect for the Western Wall, or for that matter the Temple mount. I understand how individuals are drawn to particular places. We can have an emotional attachment to them. But there is a long way from that, to ascribe them the status of Holy, sacred place...

The prophets railed against the growing emphasis on Temple rituals in favor of a world based on love and caring for others. Our prophets were very clear in their condemnation of the way that Jews were desecrating the holy place by turning it into an idol. They taught: "My house (which was at their time the Temple Mount) shall be a house of prayer for all peoples". Our prophets taught us that a society has to be based on justice and caring for the oppressed. There is not absolute claim for any land.

The opposite is true. If insensitivity as to how one behaves with "the other" is the rule, the land, we are told, will "vomit you out".

The challenge of Jerusalem, is providing a model for 2 peoples to share a space, so that the prophetic vision will come true: Jerusalem, we pray, will be a light unto the nations. On this Yom Kippur, let us atone for lack of mutual recognition and mistrust and let us envision what genuine reconciliation could look like.

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**Israel's Status at U.N. Nearing Acceptance
by Western European and Others Group**

The only member of the U.N. not accepted in a regional group, Israel is nearing acceptance by the WEOG as a full, but temporary, member. Years of lobbying and negotiations have brought Israel to this point. Membership in one of the U.N.'s five regional groupings is more than symbolic. It will mean a stronger voice in U.N. affairs. With its withdrawal from Lebanon, complying with the 1978 U.N. resolution, Israel's position is now considered more favorable. "Temporary" membership means that Israel will not be permitted to have leadership posts and rights other members enjoy, but we hope that these limitations will truly be temporary.

The European Union will recommend to the WEOG Israel's membership. Israel naturally belongs in the Asian group, but Iran and Iraq will not accept the Jewish State. Although the Europeans are concerned about encouraging Baltic and Central European nations who are seeking WEOG membership, their outlook has changed with PM Barak's peace initiatives. The work has been aided by Ambassador Richard Holbrook's efforts, he has been cited by American Jewish leaders as providing important leadership in this arena.

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LIBRARY NOTES



Jewish Book Month

In honor of Jewish Book Month (November 21st-December 21st) we have a special exhibit entitled "Basic Books on Judaism" on display in the Joshua Trachtenberg Memorial Library. These books answer questions about specific doctrines and customs. Some concentrate on our history. Several are short and easily digested in their entirety; all are good references.

Jewish Book Month is a creation of the Jewish Book Council. This organization, in existence since 1925, promotes the reading, writing, and publishing of quality English language books of Jewish content in North America. During the month before Hanukah, the Jewish Book Council provides posters, bookmarks, and bibliographies, as well as information about exhibits, fairs, book clubs, and author speaking tours. The Jewish book contributes significantly to Jewish group survival.

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Introduction to Judaism

Basic Judaism by Milton Steinberg

Conversations with Rabbi Small by Harry Kellerman

The First Jewish Catalog edited by Richard Siegel

Jewish Literacy by Joseph Telushkin

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Thank you to the senior league 9th - 12th graders who signed up and came to work with our children for the whole morning. Melanie Seigel and Ben Wolf did a great job coordinating and assigning responsibilities to the following students, Jon Balkin, Amanda Bicofsky, Laura Breznick, Lindsay Darwish, Marissa Dessanti, Jenna Firshein, Jacob Fox, Matthew Fox, Laura Geisenheimer, Phillip Herman, Gabe Katz, Seth Klein, Rosie Moss, Aric Phillips, Ashley Plotkin, Leah Reiner, Daniel Schoenberg, Brian Seigel, Billy Stern, Joseph Stern, Gabrielle Thal-Pruzan, Lane Tobias, and Sara Warren. We could not have run the program without your hard work and involvement.

Thank you to Lisa Barzilai and Barbara Sabella for their support from the Religious School office.

A special thank you to Pam Ritzer, who created the extensive lesson plans and activities and taught all morning, to Karen Kaplan and Joanne Meistrich, who also, taught all morning. Thank you to Jessica Firshein for leading the services, singing with your guitar, blowing the shofar and sharing your talents with us. We are grateful for the time you spent with over 85 enthusiastic kindergarten to 6th graders!

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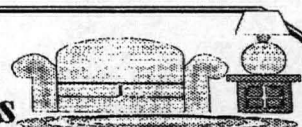
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Are thoughts we often hear
But yesterday and last week are gone
As also is last year
As time goes on some things we've done
We can no longer do
And as the years go rolling on
They may be quite a few?
So what! Just look ahead
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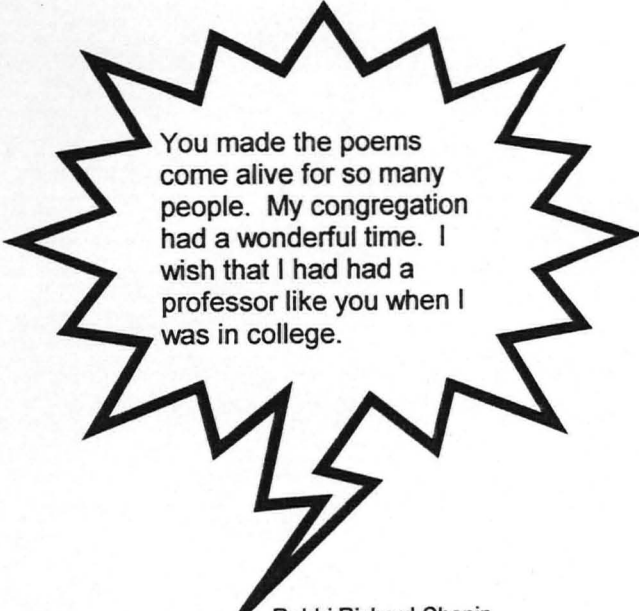
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I am in the 7th grade at Lake Drive School in Mountain Lakes where my favorite subjects are biology and U.S. History.

I play soccer, baseball, basketball and I play on Dreamcast. I am on the soccer and basketball traveling teams for Lake Drive School. I was ranked one of the top 3 out of 15.

My Torah portion is about a righteous man who lived in a world of hatred and bigotry. His name is Noah.

Shalom. My name is Dana Graizel and I live in Teaneck with my Mom, Lynne, Dad Bill and older sister Amanda.

I'm in the 7th grade at Thomas Jefferson Middle School where my favorite subjects are science, Spanish and drama (I hope to be a marine biologist when I grow up).

My Torah Parashah is Toledot (Genesis 25:19-28:9). The Parashah is about sibling rivalry between Jacob and Esau. Please join our family on December 2nd and celebrate my Bat Mitzvah with us.