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PORCION OF THE WEEK

MARCH 3 - PARASHAT TERUMAH - Exodus 25:1 - 27:19

In this week's Torah portion, God says to Moses, "Tell the Israelite people to bring Me gifts; you shall accept gifts for Me from any person whose heart is so moved (Exodus 25:1)." Moses is to accept these gifts in order to construct a sanctuary, "Let them (the Israelites) make Me a sanctuary that I may dwell among them (Exodus 25:8)."

MARCH 10 - PARASHAT TETZAVEH - Exodus 27:20 - 30:10

This week's portion begins with the Hebrew words "ve'atah tetzaveh," which translate as "And you shall further instruct". God tells Moses to instruct the Israelites to bring olive oil for lighting the lamp of the "mishkan" (the sanctuary). Aaron and his sons are ordained as "kohanim" (priests). The parsha ends with instructions for building an altar at which incense is to be burned every morning when the lamps are tended.

MARCH 17 - PARASHAT KI TISSA - Exodus 30:11-34:35

In this week's Torah portion, Ki Tissa, God addresses Moses, who is on Mount Sinai. God instructs him regarding a census of the Israelites during which each adult male pays a half-shekel offering to God, with the money used to maintain the Tent of Meeting, which was part of the Tabernacle, the portable sanctuary. God also instructs Moses about observing the Sabbath as a sign of the covenant between God and the people. God then inscribes the Tablets, which Moses has hewn out of rock, with the Ten Commandments.

MARCH 24 - VAYAKHEL-PEKUDAY - Exodus 35:1-40:38

Each year according to the Jewish calendar, the Torah is read in its entirety. Since there are more Torah portions than Sabbaths, certain Torah portions are combined several times during the year in order to make sure that the entire Torah is completed. This Shabbat is one of those times that we read a double portion. This week's Torah portions are Vayakhel and Pekuday. Vayakhel begins "And Moses congregated (vayakhel) the entire community of Israel" (Exodus 35:1) to remind them to observe Shabbat and that on Shabbat they are not to do any work or light any fires. The second parsha Pekuday begins - "And these are the records (pekuday) of the mishkan" (Exodus 38:21) which give a very careful accounting of how much gold, silver and copper were used in the construction of mishkan and how the garments of the priests were made.

MARCH 31 - PARASHAT VAYIKRA - Leviticus 1:1-5:26

This Shabbat we begin reading the third book of the Torah, Leviticus. Leviticus contains many of the laws and precepts of Judaism. It also contains a description of the system of sacrifices which was, for the Israelite community of the time, the primary way of worshipping God. In Hebrew this book and its first portion are called Vayikra meaning, "And [God] called." The parasha opens with God calling to Moses and explaining the various sacrifices.

From the Rabbi's Study



by Rabbi Jerome P. David, D.D.

I am writing this message on February 6, and Ariel Sharon has just been elected as the new Prime Minister of Israel. Of course, this 72-year-old leader is not "new." He was born in Israel, has fought in every war of the State of Israel and is considered the mastermind of the controversial Israel invasion of Lebanon in 1983. However, it is not surprising that after four months of violent conflict with the Palestinians, this strong "law and order" candidate has re-emerged.

In November, I was able to hear Ariel Sharon speak of his agenda at the General Assembly Conference in Chicago. At that time, and as the opposition leader, he spoke of his multi-stage plan. His words become far more relevant today. I summarize some of his thinking here:

- * He desires to restart the peace negotiations with the Palestinians with mutually agreed upon expectations, but with no set timetable.

- * He feels that security is a mutual responsibility and there must be an all out effort to combat terrorism in the "territories" and abroad.

- * He yearns for economic cooperation and teaching peace in the schools (i.e. most Palestinian schools do not even have Israel on their maps).

- * He proposes no significant territory adjustment, and Jerusalem must remain undivided and under full Israeli sovereignty. * He would like to ease the life of the Palestinian people, and welcomes "family reunions" rather than the return of the "refugees" which he believes would be the first step in the destruction of the country.

- * He calls for full cessation of hostilities and a restoration of law and order. On a more personal note, Ariel Sharon states that he grew up living among the Arabs, and he desires co-existence as long as law and justice and peace prevail.

Finally, he feels that Jews of the world must unite and reaffirm the right of Jews to live and exist in a land of their own. In Sharon's own words, "The world must recognize not only Israel's might, but Israel's right (to exist)."

On his visit to Israel last year, the Pope commented - and I quote - "The land of Israel is holy for Jews, Christians and Moslems, but it was promised only to the Jews."

So, we wish Ariel Sharon well. And we pray for the land of Israel and our people.

Now that the election is over, a wonderful way to show your support for Israel is to visit the country and meet its people. A family trip to Israel with Rabbi David is now in the planning stages. If you are interested, please call Rabbi David at 489-0029 Ext. 17.

SAFETY: THAT'S THE TICKET

For the safety of our children, the Board of Trustees of Temple Emanuel has empowered the Cherry Hill Police Department to enforce traffic and parking regulations in our parking lot, and to issue tickets to drivers who do not comply with these regulations. Park your car in designated spaces when visiting the Temple and when picking up and dropping off your children at school. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated and will help us to insure that all of our children will be safe when coming to and leaving our building.

Please take note of this warning and follow all appropriate traffic and parking regulations to avoid a ticket.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Bess Soffer



In 1999, the Commission on Social Action sent all UAHC congregations a resolution on the Boy Scouts of America (BSA), recommending options for action in advance of a then-pending Supreme Court action on a New Jersey case that would have ended the Boy Scout's policy of discrimination against gay scouts and scoutmasters.

The Religious Action Center, in Washington, DC, filed an amicus curiae in the Supreme Court case, voicing their disagreement with the Boy Scout's discriminatory policy. However, on June 28, 2000, the U.S. Supreme Court, by a 5-4 vote, overturned the New Jersey decision and affirmed the right of the Boy Scouts to discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation. Since then, the BSA has given no indication that it will change its position.

Following the Supreme Court decision, a number of groups across the country have expressed disagreement with the BSA's policy and have cut funding and eliminated sponsorship of Boy Scout troops and Cub Scout packs. The UAHC and the Central Conference of American Rabbis have been strong voices in the fight to end all discrimination based on sexual orientation, and in advocating for full equality of gays and lesbians in all aspects of congregational life. In addition to last year's resolution, North American Federation of Temple Youth, North American Federation of Temple

Brotherhoods and the CCAR have all adopted resolutions condemning the BSA's exclusionary policy.

In light of the Supreme Court decision, many congregations, which sponsor troops, have asked the Commission on Social Action for guidance. While the Commission maintains hope that the BSA will abandon its discriminatory policies, its lack of response to the many expressions of disagreement and disappointment with the policies give little basis for optimism. The Commission therefore, with pain, recommends that congregations sponsoring/housing troops/packs withdraw sponsorship and or housing. It is recognized that each congregation and each set of parents must, in the final analysis, make its own decisions, and that there remains many who believe that it is important to work for change from within the Boy Scouts organization. For this reason, the Commission recommends the following range of options to congregations who sponsor local BSA troops and packs, or parents whose sons are involved in scouting in their own communities:

- * Publicly amend the local charter
- * Withdraw financial support of the Boy Scouts of America
- * Continue official protests to the BSA
- * Continue personal protests to the BSA
- * Renounce personal ties with the BSA
- * Publicly create programs, both for Boy Scout troops/Cub Scout packs and for congregations as a whole, to combat the message sent by the BSA.

- * Create and work within coalitions
- * Encourage participation in other groups instead of the Boy Scouts.

Although Temple Emanuel does not house or sponsor any Boy Scout or Cub Scout troops, it is the recommendation of the UAHC that parents with children in non-Reform affiliated troops withdraw their children from troops/packs, as it is impossible to reconcile the BSA's discriminatory policy with our Reform Jewish values regarding gay and lesbian equality.

This issue reminds me of the famous quote by Lutheran Pastor Martin Niemöller, who was arrested by the Gestapo in 1938 and interned in Dachau until 1945:

"In Germany, the Nazis first came for the communists, and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a communist. Then they came for the Jews, and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a Jew. Then they came for the trade unionist, and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a trade unionist. Then they came for the Catholics, and I didn't speak up because I was a Protestant. Then they came for me, and by that time there was not one left to speak for me."

Editor's note: While the administration of Temple Emanuel agrees with the anti-discriminatory position of the UAHC, an official position has not been drafted by its board of directors. Discussion on the matter is ongoing.

Bess

FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION

Family Life News

by Bonnie Slobodien, M.Ed
Director of Family Life Education

A series of 5 workshops has been designed to answer the needs expressed by young parents on a recent Jewish Family Education questionnaire.

Our first workshop was on December 14 and focused on the issues of interfaith dilemmas during the Chanukah/Christmas season. We also discussed ways to bring the meaning of Chanukah into the home against the barrage of commercialism just outside our doors. An assortment of menorahs, a Chanukah "how to" booklet, and recipes were shared. Parents and children enjoyed breakfast nosh and agreed to meet again!

As of this writing, Workshop II is planned to answer the needs of those families who would like to bring

Shabbat into their homes in a meaningful way. This is scheduled for February 15. Workshop III will be held on March 15 and will encourage new ways to look at the Passover Seder. We will provide ideas for a participatory seder. We will discuss how to engage the very youngest at your seder table and not lose the very oldest in the process. Workshop IV will tackle the toughest of questions... How to speak to children about death and dying and God? Rabbi David will be our guest speaker. Our final workshop will be held on May 17 and be primarily focused on Interfaith Issues which are not just a December dilemma.

These workshops are free and open to any member of the congregation and

pre-school. An RSVP is encouraged so that the appropriate amount of materials will be readily available. The programs take place in the conference room from 9:15 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Of course, bagels and coffee, orange juice and snacks are included! NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY regarding any of the topics!

Please call Bonnie Slobodien at 856-489-0035 X18 or e-mail: bonnie@templemanuel.org or you may call Jessica Chasen at 719-1755.

Do you have ideas for future workshops? Please share your ideas with us!

And, if you have some spare time, please consider volunteering in our library.

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TEMPLE EMANUEL YOUNG ADULTS

The Temple Emanuel Young Adults (TEYA) provides a friendly and warm community for young adults in their 20's and 30's to socialize, celebrate Judaism and give back to the greater community through social action. Both singles and couples are welcomed. TEYA is open to people with or without children, but all of our events are adult-oriented. We invite you to check out this exciting new group at Temple Emanuel!

Sit back and relax with a nice cup of coffee and get to know TEYA at a "Coffee and Game Night" on Sunday, March 4 at 7 p.m. at Temple Emanuel.

There will be a Dinner and Movie Night at the Blue Gill and the Ritz March 24 at 8 PM. We will meet at the Blue Gill California Grill in the Ritz Plaza in Voorhees at 8:00 p.m. for a social dinner. (If you have not tried the Blue Gill, the food is great and the atmosphere is fun!) At approximately 10:00 PM - We will go to the Ritz Theater to watch a late show. We can either go to the same movie or split up to watch different shows, depending on the interests of the group.

If you are planning on going to the Blue Gill, please RSVP to Gilda at the Temple Emanuel office by March 19, so we can give the restaurant a proper count.

Mark your calendar now for TEYA's April and May events! On Friday, April 27, at 6:30 p.m. TEYA will be hosting a Shabbat Dinner at the Temple before Shabbat services. Join us for this festive celebration of Shabbat and meet new people at Temple Emanuel. The congregation will be celebrating Yom Haatzmaut/Israeli Independence Day. It will be a particularly joyful service. The cost for the dinner is \$15 per person. Please RSVP to Gilda in the office by April 20, or look for a sign-up form in the coming weeks.

On Sunday, May 6, TEYA will take part in House Building with Shalom House/Habitat for Humanity. We will work from 8:15 AM to 1:00 PM. The location is to be announced.

Put on your overalls and take out your hammer, nails and paint-brush. TEYA is working on Shalom House. The Jewish community is joining together to build Shalom House through Habitat for Humanity. Instructions and guidance from Habitat for Humanity will be given to the non-carpenters among us. Please RSVP to Gilda in the office by May 1. Space is limited.

MEN'S CLUB

by Alan Schorr

Men's Club continues its series of breakfast speakers on March 11, when our annual sports breakfast will feature Daily News Sports Columnist, Sam Donnellon. At this special time of the sports year, we'll be talking spring training, Sixers, Flyers, March Madness, and more. Bring the kids, because there will enough sports talk and questions and answers to entertain sports fans of all ages. Admission is free to Men's Club members, \$5.00 for non-members, and \$2.00 for children. There is an admission charge for breakfast of \$5.00 for non-members and \$2.00 for children.

If you haven't already sent in your reservations for our big casino night, please do so. Casino Night will happen on Saturday night, March 17, at 7:30 p.m. This exciting social event will feature professional dealers and professional games of chance - blackjack, craps, and roulette. Of course, we won't be playing for real money, but you can exchange your chips for tickets to enter one of many exciting raffles for big prizes such as electronics, first class restaurants and hotel stays. The cost of the evening is \$36 per person. The cost of admission includes a catered buffet dinner by Barry Caterers, a drink ticket for beer or wine, a raffle ticket, and a starting stake of gaming chips. It's been a few years since we have had such an exciting social event. We hope to all of you there. If you have any questions, or would like to RSVP, please call Carl Grossberg at 751-6349.

SISTERHOOD

by Joanne Rosen

The secret of Rosh Chodesh is out! Connecting with God, gathering with other women and celebrating the new moon through the beauty of prayer and ritual.

What a wonderful way to find peace and tranquility after a long day of working, family caring, meal cooking, house cleaning or errand running.

Take for example, our most recent Rosh Chodesh gathering, when we followed Rabbi Cohen on a beautiful trip through the seasons in observance of Tu B'Shevat, the new year of the trees. We began with a blessing over the white wine for winter. Gradually adding red wine, we imagined the newness of spring, the warmth of summer and finally the beauty of fall to complete the cycle of the year. We also learned about the meaningful significance of the fruits and nuts traditionally enjoyed on Tu B'Shevat.

Our Rosh Chodesh group meets again on Wednesday, March 28 at 7:30 p.m. This time, we will meet at Color Me Mine, in Voorhees, to create our very own Miriam's cup just in time for Pesach. This contemporary addition to the Seder honors the role of Moses' sister, Miriam, in our exodus from Egypt.

Other Sisterhood gatherings this month include:

* A Trip to Ellis Island and Lower East Side with Rabbi David, March 11.

* A Passover Cooking Demonstration at the home of Rosie Hymerling, March 13.

* Her Seder, March 19.

* Meet & Greet Series, March 25.

* Family Double Dare, March 25.

Please call me at 424-0425 for more information on any of these programs.

BAR AND BAT MITZVAHS

MARCH 3

Bar Mitzvah of
JUSTIN GOLDSTEIN
Son of Beth and Jeffrey Goldstein

Havdalah Service
Bar Mitzvah of
JORDAN DAVID MILLER
Son of Robin and Joseph Miller

MARCH 10

Bat Mitzvah of
RACHEL BLAIRE WEISS
Daughter of Linda and Douglas Weiss

Havdalah Service
Bat Mitzvah of
GLORIA GERBER
Daughter of Maria Carlucci and Samuel Gerber

MARCH 17

Bar Mitzvah of
JUSTIN BONITATIS
Son of Caryn and Ron Bonitatis

Bat Mitzvah of
KATIE VENETSKY
Daughter of Lucille Venetsky

MARCH 24

Bar Mitzvah of
ADAM HARRISON FABER
Son of Gerald and Sharon C. Faber

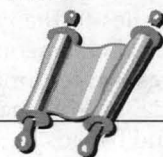
Bar Mitzvah of
KEVIN LEIB
Son of Robert and Sharon Leib

Havdalah Service
Bat Mitzvah of
STEPHANIE JULIA HUNT
and **JENNIFER HUNT**
Daughters of Janet B. and H. Thomas Hunt

MARCH 31

Bar Mitzvah of
BENJAMIN MAXWELL BRYMAN
Son of Sheryl and Paul Bryman

Havdalah Service
Bar Mitzvah of
DONALD TURCHIN
Son of Dr. Robert and Lynn Turchin



COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

By Pearl Braunstein and Karen Borish

Ongoing Projects

Casserole Cooking dates:

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- Tuesday, March 13 at 7 p.m. in the Temple kitchen
- Tuesday, April 3 at 7 p.m. in the Temple kitchen Bring a knife to cut veggies.

Food Drive

Bring non-perishable food items to the Temple.

In January I had the opportunity to attend the Board meeting in the new Food Bank facility. They are in the process of having things organized so that when the move actually takes place the process will go smoothly. The new Food Bank is larger and brighter than the old one. It will be much more efficient for food storage to meet the needs of clients (agencies that provide food for the needy). The office area is organized and more streamlined, too. To me it is a dream come true!

When the food bank is open we will be having a "family day" to celebrate. More information will follow.

A reminder to bring non-perishable food items when coming to the Temple. Before we know it, Passover foods will start to appear in the supermarket. Please purchase some Passover items to share with the Jewish needy families in our community. And please remember there is more to Passover foods than just matzoh! If you are unsure about what foods to donate, you could always donate scrip to the rabbis so clients can have the dignity of shopping for their families specific needs.

Karen Borish will be assembling food baskets for the Passover and Easter holidays. If you have an extra turkey to share, it would be greatly appreciated.

Although we all suffer through eating matzoh every year, we must remember that eating matzoh is better than going hungry. We have to count our blessings. When looking for a holiday (or anytime) gift, please consider our new Sisterhood cookbook. A donation to Mazon is made for each cookbook purchased. (See Kuisine Korner for a sample recipe from this wonderful collection of our favorite holiday and every day recipes.)

The Community Affairs Committee wishes to thank all of our Temple family for their ongoing support. We send our best wishes for a sweet and beautiful holiday as you spend time with your family and friends.

RITUAL EDUCATION

by BARBARA J. SILVERMAN

It's Adar: Don't worry, be happy!

When you receive this edition of the Light we will be several days into the Hebrew month of Adar. There is a Hebrew song that means, when the month of Adar enters, we increase our joy! Why? Because... Purim is not far away. Sooooo, bring your groggers - Wear your costumes - Come to Temple Emanuel on Thursday, March 8 when our annual Purim Shpiel will take place at 7:30 p.m.

Our joy and celebration continue at Shabbat Services on Friday night, March 9 at 8 p.m. when members of our congregation will read from the Purim Megillah (The Book of Esther).

During Shabbat services on Friday night, March 16, we will honor the memory of Rabbi Edwin N. Soslow. Musical artist and composer Doug Cotler will once again be joining us for this special Shabbat. Our youth choirs, Shirei HaYeladim and Sababah will join Doug Cotler.

Please join us for Shabbat services on Friday night, March 23 at 8 p.m., when our adult choir, Kol Emanuel, will enhance our service.

One of the most exciting things that I have done in my adult life was to read from the Torah for the very first time. The next closest thing to reading from the Torah myself is being able to give the gift of Torah reading to others. On Friday night, March 30 at 8 p.m., three of our "adult" congregants, Amy Blackstone, Shirley Chess and Mayda Clarke will become B'not Mitzvah. They add their names to the list of people achieving Adult B'nai Mitzvah at Temple Emanuel.



Rosh CHODESH

Rosh Chodesh, or the "head of the month," is a special time for Jewish women to get together to study, pray and share. It is our time to laugh, talk and support one another while exploring what it means to be Jewish and female. Our

Sisterhood Rosh Chodesh group has been meeting since November. We are still setting our direction and goals. Come be part of this relaxing, refreshing and enlightening group.

On March 28 from 7 PM join us to make a Miriam's Cup! We welcome one of the most festive months of the year - Nisan and the holiday of Passover. In all the hustle and bustle of holiday preparations, make time to go out with the women of Beth Shalom. There is a new Passover tradition of placing a Miriam's Cup on the Seder table. The Miriam's Cup invites the spirit of the prophetess Miriam to our celebration. This month, we will be making our own Miriam's Cups for our Passover Seders. We will meet at Color Me Mine in Ritz Theater Shopping Center in Voorhees. The cost will be approximately \$22 per person. Please RSVP to Gilda in the office by March 21.

And don't forget to save the date of April 25 for our Rosh Chodesh Iyar Celebration!

*We are proud and honored to invite you to share in our
simcha as we are called to the Torah on the occasion
of our B'not Mitzvah Friday, the thirtieth of
March, Two thousand and one at eight o'clock in the evening at
Temple Emanuel 1101 Springdale Road Cherry Hill, N.J.*

*Please join us for an Oneg Shabbat
immediately following the service*

*Amy Blackstone
Shirley Chess
Mayda Clarke*

SHABBAT STUDY FOR ADULTS



Every Shabbat morning from 9:15 to 10:15, adults in the Temple Emanuel community gather for study and prayer in the library. Most weeks, we study the weekly Parsha, Torah portion. Once a month, we have a study service, where we delve into the meaning of our prayers. Our meetings are relaxed and the conversation is lively and interesting. Both novices at Torah study and more advanced students of Torah and the prayer service participate. Come be part of our study community. Coffee is served - what could be better?

Save these dates and join us:

- March 3- Torah Study led by Rabbi Cohen
- March 10 - Study Service, led by Rabbi Cohen and Cantor Sherman
- March 17 - Torah Study led by Rabbi David
- March 24 - Torah Study lead by Deb Faye

MAZEL TOV מזל טוב

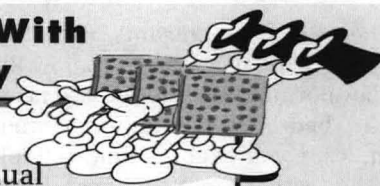
Thomas M. Johnson and Stephanie C. Sanger on the birth of their daughters, Grace Sanger-Johnson and Isabelle Sanger-Johnson

Welcome to the Family

We warmly welcome the following new members into our congregational family:

- Greg and Sheri Gerson
- Stuart and Patricia Rosen
Alex and Jesse
- Andrew and Michelle Stern
Samuel and Charlotte
- Frederick and Andrea Stuart

Celebrate Passover With Your (Temple) Family



Temple Emanuel will celebrate its annual Congregational Seder on Sunday, April 8, 2001 at 6 p.m. in the Social Hall.

The festival will include a complete Passover meal by "Norm the Caterer." We will read from the Haggadah, sing holiday songs, and enjoy watching our children search for the afikomen.

Reservations must be received by April 2, 2001.

LEHIYOT

By Richard Selznick

Liheyot continues to explore the synagogue's ability to meet the needs of disabled congregants. As a part of the process we are seeking to become a Liheyot certified congregation. This involves a number of different steps, some of which the committee has already accomplished. As noted by UAHC, an important step toward receiving the certification is to "conduct a self-study of the Temple's current programming for Jews with special needs and/or disabilities and of the accessibility of the Temple's physical plant." Based on the self-study an action plan is to be developed to improve programming and physical accessibility.

In our last meeting we discussed the physical plant and ways that the synagogue can become more accessible to those with physical disabilities. Some of the suggestions were relatively small ones that can be accomplished with little time and money, others were much more involved requiring greater analysis.

We need to hear from you. Your input is essential. Please contact the Liheyot Committee with your suggestions, ideas, and comments. Maybe you have a child with a significant visual impairment, dyslexia, or another type of learning disability. Possibly, you are an elderly congregant who is having trouble getting around the synagogue. Let us know what else we can do to try and make the synagogue a more welcoming environment for those with disabilities.

There are two ways of offering your suggestions. The first would be to email Richard Selznick, at Peakprod1@aol.com. If email is not something that you do, please call Mayda Clarke at the synagogue and she will pass your suggestions and comments along to the committee.

Please understand that this is an ongoing process. Even though we are in the throes of a self-study at the present time, Liheyot will take your suggestions at any time. We are looking to accomplish one accommodation at a time.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

by Helene Cohen

One of our congregants, Beth Strum, wanted to share some insights with you. Enjoy! Ruach 101

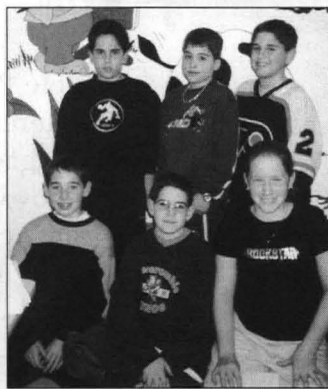
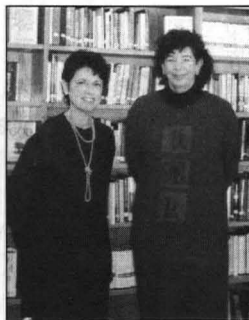
Sunday morning, my son Carl arises wearily at 8:15 AM after an 11:00 bedtime with Saturday night's babysitter and I exclaim, "Carl, you've got Sunday school at 8:45!" A light goes on and he switches into first gear. He throws on his clothes, wolfs down his cereal and runs into the carpool by 8:40. Unlike the fortunately few complaints I do get about public school, here there are none. Carl comes home excited about holidays, shows me clever school work and art, slips out Hebrew words, reports on how Morah Mindy never yells.

He told me a riddle the other day, out of the blue. "I know a Hebrew number called shvat!" I said what? He said "Tu b'shevat"; Which he said was the number 15 even if that's the tu part of the month called "Shevat". He knew it was about trees and how Judaism celebrates the environment. Carl also comes home singing, "Hevenu shalom alechem, alechem hevenu shalom...Shu wop du wop du wop," perhaps a beginning career as a Jewish song and dance man.

Last week, Carl came home intrigued by his tzedakah box and ran to his green crayon piggy bank to fill it with coins. To what else can I attribute this wonderful feedback which parents pray for when they send their child to their first formal Jewish educational experience. I call it "Ruach" which means, spirit. It's a joyful feeling Carl expresses as he enters and exits the synagogue. It involves a lovely comfort level with Judaism; perhaps an early feeling of affiliation. Gentle and dedicated teachers like Morah Mindy do a wonderful job at spreading "Ruach" to our children at young ages to the religious school and Judaism.

No wonder why our 11 year old daughter seemed hooked by age five. Carl has now begun his adventure with the bustling halls in Temple Emanuel colored by enthusiastic children, parents and teachers where he will next year add a day. I thank the "morot" and the "morim" (male and female teachers) who spiritually clothe my children. For here, they can put on their Jewish identities, and be covered with "ruach" from head to toe! Beth Strum

When I read Beth's comments, I once again felt very proud of our teachers and the fine school we are privileged to offer to you, our congregants. If you are interested in submitting your thoughts, please send them to me at hcohen@templemanuel.org.



Students, teachers and guests enjoy a variety of classes and on-going programs at Temple Emanuel

It's About Time: Moments of Sanctity in JUDAISM

The Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR) will host the Second Annual Eastern Region Associates Shabbaton on Saturday, April 21 at the institution's Brookdale Center, 1 West 4th Street, N.Y., N.Y.

"It's About Time" is a unique opportunity for Reform lay and religious leaders from the Eastern Region to experience a day of study and worship with HUC-JIR's faculty and students at the academic, spiritual and professional leadership center of Reform Judaism.

The day will include Shabbat morning services; a plenary panel discussion with scholars focusing on Reform Judaism, small study groups, and discussions led by rabbinical and cantorial students. There will be discussions with experts in the Kabbalah, Midrash and Talmud as well as Jewish history and music.

For more information, contact Ruth Mantell at (212) 824-2293 or rmantell@huc.edu.

BRING A GUEST TO "Shabbat Across America"

On March 23 you are encouraged to invite an unaffiliated family, or friends, to worship with us at Temple Emanuel for a special "Shabbat Across America" celebration.

Synagogues across the nation will be welcoming newcomers during this event. And Temple Emanuel will also be welcoming guest speaker Rabbi Andrea L. Weiss from the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in New York.

Rabbi Weiss teaches Bible at the college, focusing on the languages and literature of the ancient Near East.

THE PRE-SCHOOL AT TEMPLE EMANUEL

By Julie Kratchman

I wanted to share with you a wonderful event that I had the opportunity to participate in. I attended the inaugural conference for Jewish early childhood educators at the UAHC (Union of American Hebrew Congregations) headquarters in New York City. For those of you not familiar with the UAHC, it is the congregational arm of the Reform movement in North America that helps create and sustain vibrant Reform Jewish congregations wherever Reform Jews live. The Union provides leadership and vision to Reform Jews on spiritual, ethical, and political issues.

In attendance at the conference were over one hundred directors from early childhood centers throughout the United States and Canada. In addition to attending workshops, I had the opportunity to share information and network with other directors. A highlight of the conference was when Rabbi Eric Yoffie, President of the UAHC addressed our group. He acknowledged the impact that our programs have on young families and declared early childhood education to be one of the UAHC's highest priorities.

The keynote speaker at the conference was Maxine Segal Handelman, author of *Jewish Everyday: The Complete Handbook for Early Childhood Teachers*. She challenged each of us to encourage our teachers to make their classrooms Jewish on a daily basis by integrating Jewish values and a Jewish frame of mind within the curriculum. She further emphasized that we, as Jewish early childhood educators must reach out to families and help them to create a loving, Jewish atmosphere at home.

Upon my return from the conference, as I visited our classrooms, I saw many ways that my teachers were indeed providing daily experiences to enhance the Jewish identities of the children in their classes. Daily Hebrew blessings and songs are recited and sung. Pictures depicting Jewish life adorn the walls and toys and books with Jewish themes are a part of every room. Although the celebration of our many wonderful holidays is enjoyed by all the children, our teaching is guided by Jewish values and principles too. These values are evident as our children sing a welcome song of shalom, bring coins and canned goods for tzedakah, and practice tikkun olam (repairing the world) by caring for our plants and animals. Even our youngest are reminded of gemilut chasadim, (acts of loving kindness) when they share a toy or help a friend.

In addition to Jewish values and principle, we educators of young children, along with parents, can play a significant role in laying the foundation for a child's relationship to God and his/her spiritual self. I am reminded of two incidences that highlight this relationship. Recently, a parent said to her son, "You know, Moms know everything." Her son responded that he didn't agree. One of the children in our 4-year-old class overheard this exchange and spoke up saying, "Maybe Moms don't know everything, but I know someone who does, God." Clearly, this represents a child's spiritual self. A second scenario is a personal one that I remember from when my own son was very young. One spring morning as we ventured outside, he stopped to look at the azalea bush in our yard that had burst into full bloom overnight. Upon seeing the beautiful blossoms, he asked the following, "Mom, who did that?" His sense of wonder about the world became the perfect opportunity to relate to God's hand in nature.

Just as our children look up to us to teach and offer them guidance, we must understand that we may learn by looking down to them. Our children have many things to teach us, as long as we remember to listen. Parenting, in Judaism, is viewed as the quintessential teaching relationship.

And these words, which I command you today, shall be upon your heart. And you shall teach them faithfully to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your home...

Deuteronomy 6:6,7

Jewish children are not simply to be raised, but to be educated. The Hebrew word for parent, horah, is related to the word morah or teacher and to the word Torah or "instruction." The Jewish view of parenthood is that of a continuous devotion to the education of the whole child, in the context of a personal and loving relationship. We at the Pre-School at Temple Emanuel, together with parents, strive to enable children to become curious and creative learners, with strong Jewish identities and a sense of belonging to the Jewish community. Rabbi David, Rabbi Cohen, Bonnie Slobodien our Family Educator, my staff and I welcome the opportunity to assist and support you, our families, as you strive to create and enrich your own Jewish traditions and customs within your homes.

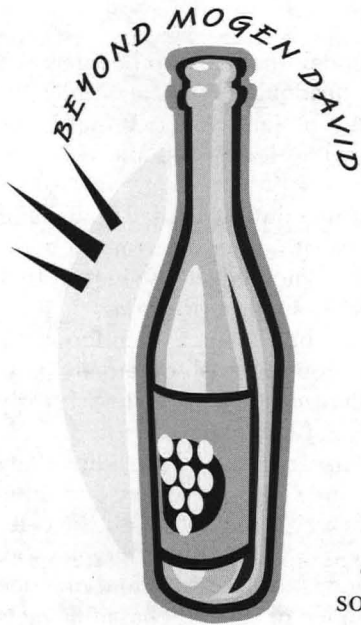
Last month, we celebrated the holiday of Tu B'Shevat, the birthday of the trees. Thinking of a tree as a symbol for a human being, we see the foliage as our external values and physical appearance and the roots, the foundation

and unseen force of strength in a person's life - faith, values and strength of character. As parents and teachers, we can't protect our children from every storm, but the constant nurturing of their roots is one of our crucial tasks. Together our partnership enables us to strengthen our children's Jewish values and traditions, thereby planting the seed of our people's continuity in the ways of Torah that is called "a tree of life to them that hold fast to it."

Our Friday Evening Shabbat babysitting will be held in Pre-School room 3.

For your child's safety, when your child attends babysitting, you will be required to fill out and sign an information form. We will also need to know who will be picking up your child, as well as proper identification.

An adult babysitter will be watching your children during the service, and challah and juice will be a part of the Shabbat experience for any child in babysitting.



Do you want to move beyond Mogen David and Manischewitz at this year's seder? Have you heard about great new Kosher varieties but you are not sure what to purchase? Have you wondered what makes a wine "Kosher"? Are you a wine enthusiast, but do not know much about Kosher wines? Then do we have an evening is for you!

A Passover Kosher Wine Tasting, sponsored by the Temple Emanuel Adult Education Committee, will be held on Wednesday, April 4, 7:00 to 9:30 PM at the temple.

Dr. Stephen Burnstein, a member of Temple Emanuel community and a wine expert, will lead us through an enjoyable, social and educational evening. We will taste a number of different Kosher wines and talk about choosing a wine for seder meals and other occasions. We will also learn about what makes a wine kosher.

We will also have an opportunity to share our favorite Passover recipes during the evening. If you have a Passover recipe that you especially enjoy, please make that dish for the evening and bring 5 copies of the recipe to share. We will enjoy each other's favorite Passover baked goods, kugels, and other foods and, hopefully, go home with a few more recipes for the holiday.

Cost for the evening:

\$10.00/person if you bring a Passover dish

\$12.00/person if you do not bring a Passover dish

Please use the form enclosed in this newsletter to register.

YOUTH GROUP

by Sandy Umansky

Mark your calendar for Purim and join in the celebration by coming to dinner and staying for games galore!!

Dinner will be sold by Youth Group (for the purpose of fund-raising, of course) before an array of games for the little ones...complete with prizes and unlimited fun!! The dinner menu includes: salads, tuna, pizza, hot dogs, desserts, and drinks, all modestly priced at \$1-\$3 per item. Games include: musical chairs, hamen-arama (what's that? come see for yourselves), and much, much more!

The Purim Carnival 5761 - hiphiphoorayhiphiphooray-hiphiphooray! On Sunday, March 4, 2001 from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., every member of your family, every friend and neighbor ...all are invited to share in the excitement of this year's spectacular Purim Carnival. Mark your calendars and bring your enthusiasm for this awesome happening! You'll find foods galore for lunch and snacks, you'll find magicians and jugglers and fortune tellers and artists and clowns ... and lots and lots of fun!!

Religious ACTION

ATTEND THE RELIGIOUS ACTION CENTER'S CONSULTATION ON CONSCIENCE

Every two years, shortly after the new Congress takes office, the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism hosts two and a half days of intensive high-level briefings on current issues and critical legislation. Much of the Consultation takes place on Capitol Hill. Top-level speakers, including senators, representatives, ambassadors and journalists, talk at the conference on a wide-range of issues. There is also an opportunity to meet with our representatives to Congress from Southern New Jersey.

This year, the conference will be held March 11-13 in Washington, D.C.

Who attends the Consultation on Conscience? People like you! Congregants, social action committee chairs and members, rabbis and rabbinical students, cantors and cantorial students, youth groups, brotherhood and sisterhood leaders, college students and activists from beyond the Reform movement.

According to Lynn Reichgott, of Larchmont, N.Y., the Consultation gave her a better understanding of national and international issues, providing facts about key legislation, and energizing her to become more involved.

Rabbi Cohen and her husband David will be attending this year's Consultation on Conscience. For more information, speak with Rabbi Cohen

Calendar

MARCH 2001

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				1 6:30 p.m. Sisterhood Board Meeting	2 7:00 p.m. Tot Shabbat 7:30 p.m. Shabbat Evening Family Service <i>Welcome Shabbat</i>	3 9:15 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah of JUSTIN GOLDSTEIN 6:15 p.m. Havdalah Service Bar Mitzvah of JORDAN DAVID MILLER
4 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. PURIM CARNIVAL 7:00 P.M. T.E.Y.A. GAME NIGHT AT TEMPLE EMANUEL	5 7:00 p.m. Candlelighting Kiddush Class 7:30 p.m. Ritual Committee Meeting	6 12 Noon Post Bnai Mitzvah Adult Beg. Hebrew 1:00 p.m. Bible Study 7:15 p.m. Choir Practice	7 7:00 p.m. Introduction to Judaism	8 6:00 p.m. Youth Group sponsored "Purim Games", snacks and fun 7:30 p.m. Family Celebration Committee Purim "Shpiel"	9 8:00 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service Reading of the Megillah <i>Welcome Shabbat</i>	10 9:15 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Bat Mitzvah of RACHEL BLAIRE WEISS 6:15 p.m. Havdalah Service Bat Mitzvah of GLORIA GERBER
11 10:00 a.m. Men's Club Meeting Sisterhood Trip to New York	12 7:00 p.m. Candlelighting Kiddush Class 7:30 p.m. Executive Board Meeting	13 7:00 p.m. Casserole Cooking Sisterhood Passover Cooking at Rosie Hymerlings 7:15 p.m. Choir Practice	14 12 Noon Senior Group Brown Bag Lunch and Discussion	15 6:45 p.m. Temple Tales	16 8:00 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service Rabbi Edwin N. Soslow Musical Shabbat featuring DOUG COTLER <i>Welcome Shabbat</i>	17 9:15 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah of JUSTIN BONITATIS and Bat Mitzvah of KATIE VENETSKY MEN'S CLUB CASINO NIGHT
18 9:30 a.m. Bnai Mitzvah Family Education 11:00 a.m. Education Council Meeting 7:00 p.m. YOUTH GROUP PROGRAM	19 6:00 p.m. Sisterhood "HER SEDER"	20 7:15 p.m. Choir Practice	21 7:00 p.m. Introduction to Judaism	22 7:30 p.m. Canteen for Special Needs Children and Adults	23 8:00 p.m. Shabbat Evening Services In celebration of HUC- JIR 125TH Anniversary - Guest Speaker: Dr. Andrea Weiss <i>Welcome Shabbat</i>	24 9:15 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah of ADAM HARRISON FABER and KEVIN LEIB 6:15 p.m. Havdalah Service Bat Mitzvah of STEPHANIE JULIA HUNT AND JENNIFER HUNT
25 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Sisterhood presents "Family Double Dare"	26 7:30 p.m. TE Board of Trustees Meeting	27 12 Noon Post Bnai Mitzvah Class Adult Beg. Hebrew 1:00 p.m. Bible Study 7:15 p.m. Choir Practice	28 7:00 p.m. Intro. to Judaism 7:30 p.m. Sisterhood Rosh Chodesh	29	30 8:00 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service Adult Bat Mitzvah <i>Welcome Shabbat</i>	31 9:15 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah of BENJAMIN MAXWELL BRYMAN 6:15 p.m. Havdalah Service Bar Mitzvah of DONALD TURCHIN

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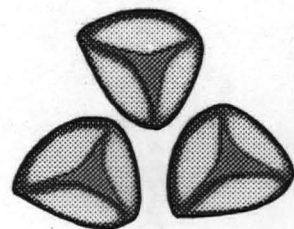
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8 10:30 a.m. Passover Service 6:00 p.m. Congregational Seder NO SCHOOL	9 7:30 p.m. Exec. Board Meeting NO SCHOOL	10 7:15 p.m. Choir Practice NO SCHOOL	11 7:00 p.m. Introduction to Judaism NO SCHOOL	12 6:30 p.m. Sisterhood Board Meeting	13 8:00 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service "Renewal of Wedding Vows" Shabbat Simcha Welcome Shabbat	14 9:15 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Torah Service 7:30 p.m. Yizkor Service NO SCHOOL
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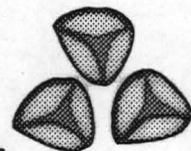


It's Purim! Let's Celebrate!

Temple Emanuel has many wonderful and exciting activities planned for Purim. There is something for everyone. Pick up your grogger, put on your costume and plan on having a festive holiday!

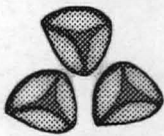
Sunday, March 4 - Purim Carnival 12:30 - 3:30 PM

Come one, come all! Temple Emanuel junior and senior youth groups, Shomrim and TEFTY, are planning a fun-filled carnival as a kick-off to our Purim celebrations. There will be games, prizes, crafts, face painting, and of course, lots of hamantaschen and other foods. We encourage you to come in costume. Cost: \$5.00/child for admission. Food will be available for purchase.



Thursday, March 8 - Purim Games and Family Dinner 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Join us for a light dinner and games before the Purim Shpiel. TEFTY and Shomrim will be sponsoring lots of fun activities for our children. Wear your costume to this special evening. There is no charge for the game night. Food will be available for purchase.



Thursday, March 8 - Purim Shpiel, "The Motown Megillah" -7:30 PM

Temple Emanuel's Family Celebration Committee is preparing a humorous and song-filled Purim Shpiel. Join the Temple Emanuel Players and travel back to the late '50's and early '60's as the Family Celebration Committee presents the best of Motown in "The Motown Megillah". The Purim Shpiel is an annual Temple Emanuel tradition that should not be missed! Be ready to laugh and have a wonderful time. Get into the Purim spirit by wearing a costume to the Shpiel.



Friday, March 9 - Purim Megillah Reading 8:00 PM

Our Shabbat evening services will feature a reading of the Megillah - the Scroll of Esther - by members of our congregation. The Megillah contains the story of Purim. We will consider the holiday of Purim through the lens of this text. This Shabbat service promises to be festive and thought provoking.



Sundays With Sisterhood
Presents....

Yoga

Come and experience the art of mind and body
Sunday, March 25, 2001
10:00 am

*Don't forget to come dressed to participate and please
bring a towel*

Light refreshments served

Call Jessica Manelis at 489-0134 for more information

The Pleasures of Passover Preparation!

Rosie Hymerling welcomes us back to her home
to share her culinary talents,
her love of Jewish Holidays and
the art of fine hospitality - Hymerling style!

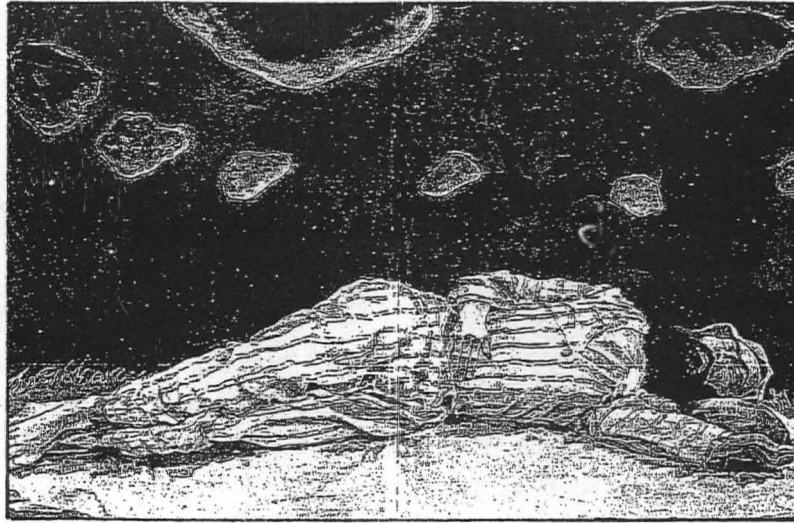
Come and Enjoy!
Tuesday, March 13, 7:30 p.m.

Partake of the pleasures of
Rosie's very own Pesach recipes! Yum!
R.S.V.P. today, space is limited!
Please call Amy Bodofsky at 424-1883

TEMPLE EMANUEL
SISTERHOOD

Illustrated Tales

FINE ART REPRODUCTIONS BY JEFFREY ALLON



Internationally known artist Jeffrey Allon is pleased to offer a selection of fine art prints reproduced from his highly acclaimed paintings from the Jewish Story Teller Series (published by Pitspopany Press). All of Allon's art has been received with praise. Inspired by classic tales from Biblical, Talmudic, and traditional folk sources, Allon creates a tapestry of "bright, jewel-like colors and forceful, vivid composition." (The Jerusalem Post) This collection of tales is lovingly brought to life through the artist's vision and skill. His "lavish full page watercolors use dramatic close-ups and innovative perspectives to lend movement and action to the stories." (School Library Journal)

Jeffrey Allon's fine art prints are signed by the artist and embossed with his studio seal. They are beautifully framed, using archival quality acid free museum board. Choose from a natural oak finish, or from an elegant mahogany burl or black burl frame. These prints are also available in "shrink wrap", in the archival museum board with a foam core backing.



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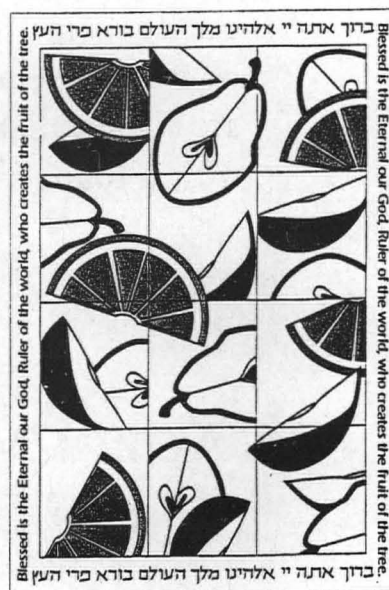
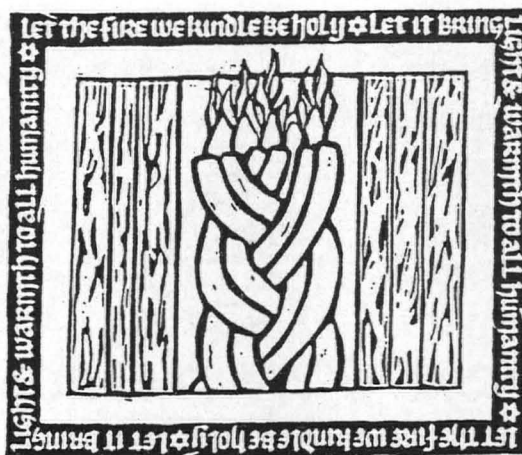
NOW ON DISPLAY AT TEMPLE EMANUEL

With the belief that the Hebrew alphabet is one of the most glorious of all letter forms, Amy Tecker Landsman creates special collectible art works with Judaic and Hebrew themes, fulfilling a long-held desire to educate and enhance appreciation and understanding of both the content and execution of Judaic art forms. Blending contemporary media and techniques with traditional concepts and themes, the final artwork beautifully bridges the past and present. Each of her pieces is accompanied by a statement explaining the Judaic themes in the piece.

Landsman has been a professional, free-hand graphic and typographic designer since 1975, providing custom calligraphy, graphic and typographic design from her studio at Voorhees, New Jersey, for a variety of private clients as well as many of business' and industry's leading corporations and institutions. In addition to designing for limited editions, Amy undertakes special works for presentation, collections and memorable occasions.

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Temple Emanuel
CHERRY HILL, NEW JERSEY
Passover Congregational Seder
SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 2001

Please join us for our annual Congregational Seder which will be held on Sunday, April 8, 2001 at 6:00 p.m. in our Social Hall. Our festival will include a complete Passover meal by "Norm the Caterer". We will read from the Haggadah, sing together holiday songs and our children will search for the afikomen.

Reservations must be received by April 2, 2001. Please complete the form below and mail back to the Temple Office.

Sincerely,
Rabbi Jerome P. David
Rabbi Debbie Cohen

Temple Emanuel Congregational Seder
SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 2001

Please reserve the following:

Name: _____ Phone #: _____
Adults _____ @ \$36.00 per person
Children _____ @ \$20.00 per person (12 and under)
Toddlers _____ @ no charge (4 and under only, please)
Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____
Seating Preference: _____

Please return this reservation form by April 2, 2001 to:
Temple Emanuel Seder
1101 Springdale Road
Cherry Hill, NJ 08003

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SUNDAY, MARCH 25, 2001

2PM - 4PM

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FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY



\$6 PER PERSON IN ADVANCE

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PATRON:

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CHERRY HILL, NJ 08003 _____

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ # OF PEOPLE _____ TOTAL AMOUNT _____

Temple Emanuel Adult Education

COME LEARN ABOUT PASSOVER WINE



WHAT : PASSOVER KOSHER WINE TASTING

With Dr. Stephen Burnstein

WHEN : WEDNESDAY APRIL 4, 2001

TIME : 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM

**COST : \$10.00 IF YOU BRING A PASSOVER DISH TO
SHARE....ALONG WITH 5 COPIES OF
YOUR RECIPE.....**

\$12.00 WITHOUT A PASSOVER DISH

WHERE : TEMPLE EMANUEL

Questions?....Call Robin Miller 856-427-9076 Or Irene Kauffman 856-428-0057

PASSOVER KOSHER WINE TASTING
Please R.S.V.P. With The Appropriate Payment
To The Temple Office By MARCH 24,2001

Thank You!!!!!!

NAME: _____

NUMBER ATTENDING: _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____

IF BRINGING A DISH, PLEASE LET US KNOW WHAT IT IS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

PLEASE MAIL TO: TEMPLE EMANUEL 1101 SPRINGDALE RD. CHERRY HILL N.J. 08003

MEMO FROM MAYDA

Ourselves, our children, our future. Our children, our Judaism, our future, our responsibility. Our future, our responsibility, Judaism. Life is full of many choices. We, at Temple Emanuel, want to help you make the choice to enrich your lives with Jewish memories and Jewish content. Whether you were born of Jewish heritage, or have chosen it for yourself, we want to be an important part of creating Jewish memories and moments for you and your family. I found the following poem, which appeared in an Outreach publication from the UAHC, very moving and I wanted to share it with you.



The Stranger
By Lisa Bock

I was the stranger.
A strange young girl from an
uncertain background.
I met your son.
We fell in love.

You were patient,
You held your breath, waiting.
Waiting for puppy love to go away.
But the love grew stronger,
And the stranger became less
strange.
I grew to love you, too.
Your ways were never strange to
me.
I saw the bonds within the family,
I was awed by your commitment
to the House of Israel,
I was inspired by your love of
Torah, and of God.
Perhaps you saw this; perhaps you
just hoped-
You invited me to Chanukah,
To Passover. To Passover again.
To Shabbat dinner. I loved the
holidays.
I watched while you lit the candles.
I imagined that I could do the
same.
I fell in love with your son,
With you,
And with your people.
I was no longer a stranger.
You welcomed me.
In the Book of Ruth,
Ruth says to Naomi,

"Do not urge me to leave you,
to turn back and not follow you.
For wherever you go, I will go;
wherever you lodge, I will lodge;
your people shall be my people,
and your God my God."

You became Naomi to my Ruth,
I became your daughter.

You gave us, the newlyweds, gifts-
Shabbat candles, a Chanukiah, a
mezzuzah for our new home, all the
food and planning for your grand-
son's bris; a new baby dress for your
granddaughter's baby-naming; a
beautifully tattered, well-used
Jewish cookbook, (with the stains
on the pages so I could tell which
recipes were the family favorites),
boxes of matzah bought on sale for
Passover, you gave us your love and
advice.

But your love of Judaism was the
biggest gift of all.

Thank you, mom.

B'Shalom,

Mayda Clarke

Kuisine Korner

By Cindy Lefler

Since Passover comes so early next month, I thought I might give all you Seder-makers a head start on gathering recipe ideas. This one comes from the Sisterhood's wonderful new cookbook, "Hag Sameach!" on sale now. When you buy a copy, not only do you get great recipes, but you help support the anti-hunger movement, Mazon, as Sisterhood donates the profits to the organization.

This recipe offers up something a little different from the old, tired Tzimmes-for-the-holiday-dinner routine. And it can be made a day in advance!

CARROT SOUFFLE

2 lb. fresh carrots, peeled and boiled until soft
6 eggs
2/3 cup sugar
6 tablespoons matzoh meal
2 tsp. vanilla
1 cup margarine, melted
Dash of nutmeg

Topping:

6 tablespoons brown sugar
4 tablespoons margarine, melted
1 cup chopped walnuts

Place carrots and eggs in food processor and puree. Add next five ingredients and process until smooth. Bake in greased 9x13 inch pan at 350 degrees for 40 minutes. Mix topping ingredients together and sprinkle on top. Bake for 5 to 10 minutes more.

Our Temple Funds provide a beautiful way in which you may remember someone special and, at the same time, help to maintain several worthwhile synagogue projects. Acknowledgement of your contribution is made in our monthly bulletin. The family of the deceased or the individual being honored is notified by the Temple of your generosity.

So many of our families find that in times of joy, as in times of sorrow, this is an appropriate means of sharing with others.

Deadline for insertion in *The Light* is the first day of the previous month. Minimum contribution is \$5. \$10.00 for Gates of Prayer for Shabbat Dedication, \$36.00 for Gates of Repentance Dedication (2 Dedications for \$50.00).

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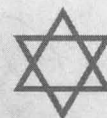
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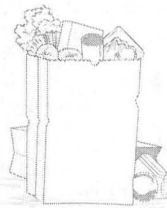
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The music he will play that evening will reflect on his Jewish heritage and "what it means to be a Jew in America." Cotler fuses traditional Jewish melodies with the power and rhythm of modern popular music. The son of a Cantor, and a Cantor himself, Cotler has recorded six original Jewish music albums, including "It's So Amazing," "Whispers in the Wind," and "A Rose in December."

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