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#### From the Rabbi's Study

by Jerome P. David, D.D.

approach, let me remind you of the three things that you should be sure to bring with you when you come to services on the Days of Awe.

Do you know what they are? Your Prayerbook, your Machzor? No,

we provide them.

Your Tallit? Actually, we now have some to give out. Your Ticket? If you forget your ticket...you can always come back next year (No, I was just joking, really I was!).

The three things that you have to bring with you when you come are three different kinds of faith. If you come without them, the service will mean very little to you.

The first kind of faith you need to bring with you is faith in God. I know how hard that can be to have; believe me, I know. But unless you have some conviction that there is an order and a structure to the universe, that the world is not hefker (total chaos), that morality is not just a matter of opinion, in short, that there is a God; the service will be an empty show, a boring performance.

The second kind of faith you need to bring with you when you come is faith in the people with whom you will pray. With all our shortcomings and all our limitations we are a good people. If you are going to pray with and be a part of the community, you need to bring your faith in others.

And one more kind of faith you need to bring with you, is faith in yourself and in your own ability to grow and change. If you don't believe that, if you think that the way you are now is the way you will always be, then the service will be a torture. We can change. We are capable of infinite change.

So these are the three things we need to bring with us when we come: faith in God, faith in each other and faith in ourselves. If we bring these three things with us, the service will be a joy and a blessing for us all.

I look forward to seeing you at the High Holy Days and I pray that this New Year 5765 is one of health, fulfillment, contentment, joy and peace for you and yours.

#### Schedule of High Holy Day Services – 2004-5765

#### Erev Rosh Hashanah Wednesday, Sept. 15

8:00 pm

#### Rosh Hashanah Day

Thursday, Sept. 16
Early Service 9:00 am
Late Service 12:15 pm
Family Service 3:30 pm

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Day Rosh Hashanah

Friday, Sept. 17 10:00 am

#### Erev Yom Kippur

Friday, Sept. 24
Kol Nidre Family Service 6:15 pm
Kol Nidre Service 8:30 pm

#### Yom Kippur Day

Saturday, Sept. 25
Early Service 9:00 am
Late Service 12:15 pm
Afternoon Service 3:15 pm
Yizkor Service 4:15 pm
Followed by Ne'ila Service

Family Havdalah Service 6:30 pm Concluding with light refreshments in the lobby

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Celebrating our past...Committing to our future



s we enter September, the beginning of our 2004-2005 Program year, and prepare for the Days of Awe, I would have liked to be able to provide you with an uplifting message, with positive thoughts for the future of Judaism and the State of Israel. Unfortunately, the everexpanding threat of anti-Semitism and the constant attempts to demonize Israel and de-legitimize the Jewish

state continue unabated. While we have become all too use to these efforts by extremist Muslim groups, and their supporters in the Arab world and Europe, we now face a new and even more pernicious threat. Antagonism and thinly veiled ant-Semitism from an established and seemingly "main stream" Christian organization right here in the United States.

This past summer, the Presbyterian Church (USA) General Assembly voted to disinvest and blacklist financial support for just one country in the world based upon their so-called concern with "human rights". Now you might ask, was this country China, a country which has a horrible record of violent suppression of any dissident voices? Perhaps Syria or any of the Arab countries, which brutalize their citizens, deny them any form of basic rights, and feed them a constant diet of lies and virulent anti-Semitic nonsense? No, well then maybe the Sudan, where the government is using torture, rape and genocide to rid their country of "undesirables". And of course there is always the country of Burundi where the slaughter of the minority Tutsi continues less than a decade after 500,000 were killed in Rwanda in a murderous rampage not seen since the Holocaust. Maybe Iran or North Korea, who both continue their mad race to develop nuclear weapons, creating the greatest threat to world peace since World War II.

Well guess again, since *none* of the countries listed above were the object of the Presbyterian Church's ire. No, only one country could have possibly acted in such an egregious manner in order to attract this sort of condemnation. Yes, you guessed it, ISRAEL! And how did Israel end up with this singular achievement? We all know the answer by now. It is by having the temerity to defend itself against the worst terrorism ever experienced by any country and those who are adamantly sworn to its total destruction. The Presbyterian Church's resolution (which was approved 431-62) asserts that it is Israel, which is responsible for Palestinian terrorism. This blatant

lie ignores the fact that groups such as Hamas, Hezbollah, and Islamic Jihad call for the destruction of Israel, not just the end of the occupation. The resolution also condemns Israel for taking military action to defend its citizens from terrorism and calls for the "right of Palestinians to return to their 'homeland'", which is another name for turning Israel into an Arab country. And if that resolution wasn't enough, the Presbyterian Church General Assembly also failed to pass a motion that would end the funding of messianic congregations which target Jews for conversion!

As members of the Temple Emanuel family, we need to be honest with each other. The only explanation for the actions of the Presbyterian Church and its incredible double standard is anti-Semitism. Even being kind to the Church, if their intention was not anti-Semitic, the result is the same. Their attempt to de-legitimize Israel and jump on the anti-Zionism bandwagon cannot be divorced from the long-term result of fostering hatred of the Jews. It is just the same old lie wrapped in a different package. One would think that after committing the sin of remaining virtually silent during the murder of our six million during the Holocaust, this Church would seek to right past wrongs, and speak out against the everworsening crises of anti-Zionism and anti-Semitism. But no, according to the Presbyterian Church, the problem is once again "the Jews".

My friends, as we prepare for our New Year and Yom Kippur, let us once again dedicate ourselves to speaking out against injustices against our people and show solidarity in the face of this nonsense. The survival of Israel, and the Jewish people, is our collective responsibility and we must vow not to remain silent when confronted with ignorance or hatred. After almost 6,000 years of survival, we owe it to our children and their children.

On behalf of my family and the Temple Emanuel Board of Trustees, I wish you a safe, happy, and peaceful New Year.

B'Shalom,

Kenneth Korach

#### SELICHOT SERVICE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 at 10 pm

The official observance of the High Holy Days begins with the service of preparation known as Selichot. The Hebrew word means "to pardon" or "ask for forgiveness". Thus, this night of worship, which begins in the late hours of the Saturday evening preceeding Rosh HaShanah, is filled with penitential prayers. Its late hour forces us to concentrate totally on personal reflection and apology during the quiet of the night. Due to the solemn and contemplative nature of Selichot, this service is not recommended for children. The evening concludes with an opportunity to socialize at a dessert reception.





ome people think that decisions are made every once in a while, when a major issue comes up. But really all of life -- every conscious moment -- is another decision. From the instant we wake up, we begin to decide: What will I eat for breakfast? What will I wear today? Even if we yawn, turn over and go back to sleep -- that's also a decision.

You are constantly writing your autobiography, even if it isn't written on paper. The choices you make are the material which shapes "the story of you". These choices are often reflected through the generations that follow. What will you write about yourself? How will you be remembered? What will your children and grandchildren carry

with them? Will your sense of Judaism be carried forward to future generations?

A rabbi, a priest and minister were comparing notes. The priest lamented over the problem of bats in the belfry which every effort had failed to eliminate. The minister sympathized that he had church mice which he couldn't get rid of. The rabbi, however, said, "I used to have a problem with pigeons in the synagogue, but I got rid of them." The priest and the minister begged for his secret. "Well", says the rabbi, "I don't know if it'll work for you, but one Saturday I got all of the pigeons together and Bar Mitzvahed them ... and they never came back!" Besides the education we give our children in Religious School, they must see that we enjoy being Jewish. One cannot transfer his feelings for Judaism through intellect. Only when children can participate in a home where there is joy in doing Mitzvot - lighting Shabbat candles, a Passover Seder, Chanukah, giving Tzedakah - can they absorb the joy of being Jewish and living Jewishly.

Rabbi Caryn Broitman of the Martha's Vineyard Hebrew Center wrote: "I believe the primary responsibility of a synagogue is to encourage and support Jews in their search to learn about, experience and adopt such traditions and teachings that bring meaning to their Jewish lives. Each of us will make individual choices at different times in our lives as to what Jewish practices we embrace. As a community, however, we must recognize that it is difficult to practice Judaism (or any spiritual path) in our secular and consumerist society. All the more reason that a synagogue should be an oasis of support and encouragement for all of us seeking to learn about and enrich and expand our Jewish practice. When we do so, we are not abandoning our liberal beliefs. We are simply opening up spiritual opportunities. We must take our liberal Judaism seriously, and a serious spiritual path, by definition, includes challenges and new experiences. Life is a journey filled with surprises. What we don't yet know may yet teach us something important. May we help each other to enrich our lives as Jews by opening ourselves to all the gifts that our heritage offers. "

What will your autobiography say about you? How will it speak to future generations? Ask yourself: What am I going to do today? This week? This year? What am I doing with my life? What are the possibilities? What can a human being achieve? We hope you will find the substance for its contents here, at Temple Emanuel. I hope to see you often at Temple Emanuel.

B'Shalom,

Chrayda

#### KOL EMANUEL

by Beth Strum

ol Emanuel finished off the year with three concerts - a glorious performance at the community choir concert on May 18, at M'kor Shalom; on June 2, a concert (Zimriah) at Knesset Israel in Elkins Park, Pa., and the Shabbat in honor of Cantor Sherman on June 25.

Kol Emanuel has enjoyed an intimate relationship with Robin Sherman, both musical as well as personal. Our members will miss her deeply; we wish Robin the greatest joy in her new life. That said, we welcome Cantor Miriam, who has treated us to her beautiful voice in our High Holiday choir practice.

With the summer behind us, we are back to rehearsing the High Holiday oldies but goodies. Stay tuned to erev Rosh Hashana when Kol Emanuel will help usher in our New Year. We hope to see everyone there.

And now, the Kol Emanuel column continues with our focus on each member of the choir. We are not finished with the "bs" ... Hence we give you Yona Beller .

Yona Beller has been with Kol Emanuel for four years. She decided to join when she was invited to attend a Kol Emanuel rehearsal. In her words, "It was 'love at first note!"

Yona states, "My earliest musical experience began when we moved to Tel Aviv when I turned four and lived across the road from a huge, empty field. Two years later, the first outdoor, music amphitheater was completed. From our 5th floor apartment, we heard every concert...for free! I imagined that I was a great opera singer...I would practice on the porch when no one was around."

Her father, a soldier, would sing Israeli songs from his childhood to her on long walks. Her mother was a story-teller who would make up songs about her stories.

Yona's favorite kind of music includes Israeli songs from the 50's (her time), 70's Rock & Roll, and Broadway musicals; her favorite singers include Enrico Caruso, Mario Lanza, Frank Sinatra, and The Beatles.

When she is not singing, Yona studies Kabbalah and Feng Shui. She likens her singing to meditation: "It creates balance and harmony" in her life.

If you are interested in joining Kol Emanuel, please contact Debbie Fee at the synagogue, 489-0029, ext 11.

#### WELCOME CANTOR MIRIAM ESKENASY

JOIN US FOR THE INSTALLATION SERVICE OF CANTOR MIRIAM ESKENASY

#### ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH AT 8 pm

A CREATIVE SERVICE AND ELEGANT ONEG
SHABBAT WILL BE HELD IN
CANTOR ESKENASY'S HONOR.
PLEASE COME AND WELCOME MIRIAM
TO OUR CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY.



#### Make Your Own Shofar Workshop

Join a special guest Rabbi Kahan on Sept. 13 at 7 pm in learning the ancient craft of shofar making.

Parents will help their children make a shofar from a ram's horn. Each child will leave at the end of the evening with an individually-made shofar. Rabbi David will invite all participants onto the bimah (pulpit) during the high holidays to share their shofar creations. Please note: Children will need to be accompanied by an adult, as making a shofar involves cutting and sawing. The workshop is recommended for children in grades 2 and above.

The cost for the evening is \$10 for each child who is making a shofar. Please RSVP by September 8 by using the form in this newsletter.





by Gert Pastelnick

he summer has come and gone, and our senior group is ready to resume its programs and brown bag lunch meetings. Our first program will be held on Wednesday, September 8, at the usual 12 noon.

We are very excited to present one of our senior board members, Jan Address, as our guest speaker. She will talk about her many years of professional travel experiences, some funny, and some possibly not so funny. She is a delight to listen to.

On October 15, we are planning a senior Shabbat dinner, and a senior service. There will be additional information coming in the mail.

As we approach our High Holy Days, we think of life and loss. It is with a great deal of sadness the senior board mourns the loss of our board member, Lucille Orland. Prior to that, we mourned the loss of another board member, Stan Herron. They are missed and will be remembered fondly by us all.

In ending, on behalf of our senior board, I would like to wish all a L'shana Tova Tikatevu. May you be inscribed in the Book of Life for a good year.

Hope to see you and greet you at our first meeting on September 8.

#### Bar and Bat Mitzvahs September

September 4 Bar Mitzvah of

**EVAN HENRY LEVICOFF**Son of Cindy and Scott Levicoff

Havdalah Service Bat Mitzvah of

ALLISON GAYLE McCURDY
Daughter of Jill Feldman and

Thomas McCurdy

September 11 Bat Mitzvah of

**ALLISON JILL CAREN** 

Daughter of Sharlene and Gregg Caren

Bar Mitzvah of

BRANDON WILLIAM STRATT
Son of Janet and Bruce Stratt

Havdalah Service Bar Mitzvah of

DANE IAN BERKOWITZ

Son of Meredith and Eric Berkowitz

September 18 Bat Mitzvah of

**CASEY CUTLER** 

Daughter of Dr. Hank and Nancy Cutler

Havdalah Service Bar Mitzvah of

ZACHARY SOLOMON FRIEDMAN Son of Lynda and Allen Friedman

#### We Welcome Our New Members

Gary and Debra Bitman Charles

Hydi Bloom Evan, Brandon, Ryan

**Thomas and Carol Brightman** 

Alan and Cheryl Goldsmith

Alexis and Eric

Maurice and Phyllis Hartman

Erik Hersch Evan Hersch Michael and Maria Jaffe Raymon and Alan

Lance Knaub and Jodi Goldman-Knaub

**David Kramer** 

**Edward and Sonia McCarthy** 

**Jack and Alice Newman** 

Ronald and Amy Kratchman Jonathan and Stephen

Mary Anne Reid

Naomi Rose

Vincent Veneziani

by Rabbi Deborah Bodin Cohen Director of Lifelong Education



am very excited to welcome all of our students – children, teens and adults – to a year of learning at Temple Emanuel. Although we have had some adult classes over the summer, the halls in the education wing have seemed very quiet. I am looking forward to my second year as the Director of Lifelong Education and all of the wonderful learning opportunities that we have planned.

I would like to offer a special welcome to our new Religious School teachers joining us this year.

- David Kramer is a public school teacher in Philadelphia. He has lived in Israel, recently joined Temple Emanuel and, now, sings with the Temple Emanuel Choir. He will be teaching Conversational Hebrew to our 7th Graders.
- Nimrod Lasman grew up in Israel and served in the Israeli army. He taught professional development courses in Israel and has special interest in Israeli politics and history. He now runs an Israeli import business in Cherry Hill. He will be teaching about Israel to our 6th Grade Class.
- Rachel Smilowitz is a 6<sup>th</sup> grade language arts and math teacher in Lumberton. She has taught
  at several other religious schools. She will be teaching Hebrew III and Fifth Grade.

I am confident that David, Nimrod and Rachel will be wonderful additions to our teaching staff.

I encourage each member of the Temple Emanuel family to take part in at least one learning opportunity at the synagogue this year. We have so many different possibilities from Hebrew classes to family education events to Shabbat Morning Torah Study to our Gefilte Flicks film series to Introduction to Judaism with Rabbi David to Jewish Meditation and Yoga. There is really something for everybody.

Please know that my office door is always open. If you have any questions, comments or suggestions, I would be more than happy to talk with you. I look forward to learning with you this year.

#### Religious School – Dates to Remember Opening Dates in September:

- Saturday September 11
- Sunday September 12
- Tuesday September 21
- Wednesday September 22

#### Please remember to return your Religious School Registration Forms.

If you have not yet registered your child for Religious School, we request that you return your registration forms as soon as possible. Our class assignments, staffing needs and textbook and supplies orders are based on the registrations that we receive.

Also, please mark your calendars for the *Tzedakah Collective Family Walk-A-Thon on October 17*. We will not be holding Religious School at the Temple Emanuel building on that day. Instead, we encourage all families to join with their children's teachers and class-mates in the Tzedakah Collective Walk-A-Thon at Cooper River Park. As a Religious School, we will be learning the mitzvah of Tzedakah through our own actions.

#### Make 5765 Your Year to Learn Register Now for Fall Classes

#### Judaica Courses Day Course

Jewish Wisdom with Rabbi Jerome P. David, Rabbi Debbie Cohen & Rabbi Geri Newburge

In preparation for Rabbi Joseph Telushkin's visit to our congregation, we read and discuss selections from his book <u>Jewish Wisdom</u>. <u>Jewish Wisdom</u> delves into topics ranging from the spiritual to the interpersonal to the political. No advance reading will be required. Participants are encouraged to purchase <u>Jewish Wisdom</u>, but it is not required. This course will meet approximately every other Tuesday throughout the year, beginning September 21 from 1 -2 pm. September & October Topics

- September 21 Mensch Nine Challenges a Good Person Must Meet
- October 5 Honesty, Dishonesty, and the "Gray Areas" in Between
- October 19 "Sticks and Stones" and Words: the Ethics of Speech

#### Night Courses Kabbalah with Robin Cogan

What does Kabbalah mean? What are its principles? How did Kabbalah begin? Why is it so popular today? We will answer these questions and more.

Time and Dates, Tuesday Evenings, 8 – 9 pm, September 21, 28, October 5, 12, 19

The Jewish Life Cycle -- Sacred Moments, New Responses with Rabbi Jerome P. David, DD

Study the events that mark the Jewish life-cycle. Focus on how these traditions have been interpreted to meet the needs of our contemporary world.

Time and Dates: Tuesday Evenings, 8-9 pm, October 26, November 9, 16, 23, 30

Yoga and Jewish Meditation with Laura Markowitz

We will explore the roots of Jewish meditation and experience the mind-body connection in a spiritual practice. New-comers are always welcomed. Wear comfortable clothes and prepare to have fun!

Thursdays beginning October 14

Time and Dates: 7:30 -8:30 pm, Session 1: October 14, 21, 28, November 4, 11, 18, December 2, 9, 16 \$45/Session

#### Hebrew Courses Day Courses

Introduction to Hebrew with Rabbi Geri Newburge

This is an introductory course for students with no previous Hebrew knowledge. Learn to decipher Hebrew characters and start building prayerbook reading skills. Wouldn't it be great to be able to read along during services or to help your child with their Hebrew homework? The course will prepare you to enter our adult B'nai Mitzvah program. Meets Approximately Every Other Tuesday throughout the year, Beginning September 28 Time and Dates: Noon-1 pm, October 12, 26

Improve Your Prayerbook Skills with Rabbi Debbie Cohen

Have you taken Introduction to Hebrew and want to continue learning? Is your childhood Hebrew just a little "rusty"? This is the course for you. A course for students with some ability to read Hebrew and, now, want to improve their reading fluency and increase their knowledge of prayer vocabulary. We focus on the meanings of the prayers as well as how to read them. Meets Approximately Every Other Tuesday throughout the year, Beginning September 28 Time and Dates: 1 – 2 pm, September 28, October 12, 26

#### **Evening Course**

Conversational Hebrew with Major Joseph Sillman

Learn to speak Hebrew! Useful vocabulary, grammar and phrases will be emphasized. Modern Hebrew knowledge is unnecessary. Students should be able to read Hebrew characters.

Meets Every Tuesday
Time and Dates: 6:30 – 8 pm, begins September 21

Big Al's Yiddish Club with Al Rubin

How's your MamaLashon, your Yiddish? Join us for this informal, easy to learn conversational course. Novices and more experienced speakers welcome. Car-pools can be arranged. Meets every Thursday.

Time and Dates: 7:30-9 pm, begins October 14

To register for a course, call (856) 489-0029. There may be a textbook charge for some courses.

#### First Family Education Days of the Year

Come learn with your child! These programs are planned for parents and children to learn together. Mark your calendars.

October  $3 - 3^{rd}$  Grade October  $24 - 2^{nd}$  Grade October  $31 - 1^{st}$  Grade

#### Reach Out To A College Student



The Kesher College Outreach program at Temple Emanuel sends mailings and gifts to our college students several times a year. If you have not given us your college address, please

e-mail it to <u>kesher@templeemanuel.org</u> or complete the form at the back of this issue of The Light. We would like to stay in touch with you!

#### Noah Ark's Blessing of the Pets

On Oct 16 - the week that we read about Noah's Ark - Temple Emanuel will be creating our own Noah's Ark - right in our parking lot. Bring your dog, cat, rabbit, goldfish, iguana, ferret. . . at 1 pm for a special Blessing of the Pets. (Yes, your rabbis love pets, too.)

If your pet would not have done well on Noah's Ark (that is, he or she is aggressive or unfriendly to strangers), we ask that you do not bring him or her to the Blessing of the Pets.

If you plan on participating, please RSVP to (856) 489-0029.

We will be collecting animal food and toys to donate to the local shelter.

#### Shabbat Morning Torah Study



Our Shabbat Morning Torah Study group meets throughout the year. Newcomers to Torah Study are encouraged to come. We read selections from the weekly Torah portion together and have a lively and engaging discussion. Starting in September, we return to our school-year calendar and start at 9:15 AM. Come be part of our study community. Coffee is served – what could better?

Date	Parsha	Leader
September 4	Ki Tavo	David Cohen
September 11	Nitzavim/Yayelech	Rabbi Newburge
September 18	Ha'azinu	Rabbi David
September 25	Yom Kippur	No meeting
October 2	Chol HaMoed Sukkot	Dennis Karpf
October 9	Bereshit	Rabbi Newburge
October 16	Noach	Rabbi Cohen
October 23	Lech Lecha	Rabbi David
October 30	Vayera	Deb Faye

#### Help make our Religious School the Best it Can Be!

Consider being a Class Parent for the 2004-2005/5765 School Year.

For the first time last year at the Religious School we had Class Parents, who were very helpful in making the year a success. We strive to have class parents in Kindergarten through 7th grade, both for Judaica and Hebrew. Being a class parent will be a relatively modest time commitment. You help the teacher by:

- Making phone calls to other parents when there is a special announcement, event or project.
- Organizing parent volunteers for projects, parties and special events.
- Logistics for other projects depending on the class.

It is a great way to help link home and religious school!

If you are interested in becoming a class parent, please contact Rabbi Debbie Cohen at 489-0035. She will put you in touch with the Class Parent coordinators – Carolyn Schultz and Kim Konesfky.

#### Celebrate Sukkot

Yes, it's almost time to construct those temporary structures! Join the congregation in the annual Sukkah Decorating Project on September 29 at 6 pm. It will be a creative time for everybody young and old. No need to pre-register, and there is no fee.

A Sukkot Hayride at Springdale Farms will take place on October 2 at 5:30 pm. Look for the reservation form in this issue of The Light. The hayride will feature pumpkin-picking, a campfire complete with hot dogs and toasted marshmallows and a celebration of Havdalah.

Pre-registration is necessary.



Temple Emanuel's
Sukkah Project 2005 is sponsored by the Family Education Department at Temple Emanuel,
Families B'Yachad.

#### We Need Your Advice & Suggestions Join an Education Committee

The education offerings at Temple Emanuel are vast. We need your advice and suggestions to make them as meaningful and interesting as possible. Get involved and join an education committee. For more information about any of these committees, contact the committee chair or Rabbi Cohen, <a href="mailto:dbcohen@templeemanuel.org">dbcohen@templeemanuel.org</a>, 489-0035.

Religious School Committee Chair: Elliott Roth

Upcoming Meeting: September 20 at 7:30 pm

This committee reviews the curriculum and policies of the religious school, making suggestions and recommendations to improve the educational experience of our young people. The committee meets approximately every 6 weeks.

Family Education Committee Chairs: Jessica Manelis Upcoming Meeting: October 4 at 7 pm

This committee plans and implements programming to involve families learning about Judaism together. The committee meets 4 times a year.

Adult Education Committee Chairs: Irene Kauffman & Robin Miller Upcoming Meetings: October 4 at 8 pm

This committee sets and evaluates the adult education offerings at the congregation. The committee meets 4 times a year.

### CANTOR'S





Hello Everyone!

"The music we hear during the High Holidays is an integral part of our emotional and spiritual iourney into the New Year. Our prayers and texts come alive when they are sung to the ancient melodies of our people. The precious

tunes from our tradition connect us to our past and to one another. For many, hearing these melodies is the peak experience of the holidays. They touch us in ways that we may not always understand."

Cantor Jessica Levitt

Many of the melodies of the holidays are very old (1060-1500 CE) and they mostly come from the Rhineland region of Europe. During the Middle Ages, these melodies were popular melodies of the day as sung by minstrels, in churches, and by regular folk as folk songs. For instance, one of our most revered melodies sung on Yom Kippur, the Kol Nidre, comes from that time. If one listens carefully, one can hear several different distinct melodies pasted together; from it's slow and somber beginning to the very rhythmically marked sections.

The melody is so ancient that it has now become sacred. We refer to it as a melody "mi sinai" (from Sinai), as if, along with the Torah, it was handed down to us by Moses himself on Mount Sinai. For the power this melody has connecting us to our past, to one another and to our future, the core of our Jewish identity, we listen to it standing up! My advice: wear comfortable shoes, open your heart and your senses.... Let the sacred melodies of the holidays penetrate our being and envelop us with their power ...

Just as Judaism has prayers for every season and event, it also has special melodies, very much like the sacred melodies of the High Holidays, for every festival and time. So, one week following Yom Kippur, in the month of Tishri, is the first of the three ancient Temple pilgrimage festivals, Sukkot (meaning Booths or Tablernacles). While much of the liturgical music (cantillation, chant motifs, mi sinai tunes, special hymns) is similar for Sukkot and the other two festivals, Pesach and Shavuot, each of the festivals also has its own distinct melody. This Sukkot, I will introduce some of these special festival melodies (which sound sad even though the festivals are happy), as well as the special Sukkot melody to the tune of Mi Chamocha.

An old Jewish man once told me that as a child, he only knew which holiday it was when he went to the synagogue and heard the special melodies associated with each holiday. My aim is to give us and, especially our children, that connection to our tradition and to help fan the living sparks of Judaism in our songs.

Chag Sameach! (Happy Holidays!)

#### In Memoriam

WILLIAM ADLER Father of Matthew Adler

JUNE FLECK Sisier-in-Law of Nan Stein

**BELLA GOLKIN** Mother of Kenneth Golkin

DONALD KATZ Husband of Susan Katz

LUCILLE ORLAND Wife of Dr. Frank Orland

L'Zecher Olam
for an Everlasting Memorial

We record with love and dignity those whose lives are forever remembered in our Temple.
The following name of a loved one has been added by a devoted family to be enshrined in our Memorial Chapel.

MADELYN P. HYMERLING
Mother of Lee Hymerling

#### by Jill Sava



School is just beginning, and already the Jewish holidays are upon us. There is no better way to embark on a new school year than with the observance of Rosh Hashanah. Celebrating the Jewish New Year gives us an excellent Jewish framework in which to study beginnings, to examine our growth, to reflect upon our pasts and to look forward to the bright future ahead of us at The Pre-School at Temple Emanuel.

Rosh Hashanah gives families a chance to gather together and see how far they have come in the past year. It is also an opportunity for everyone to apologize to each other for anything they may have done that hurt each other's feelings in the past year. Now is a great time to sit down with your family and:

- ⇒ Set goals for the coming year, including "things I'd like to do better" and "things I'd like to change"

When I sat down to review my year, the event that topped my list was becoming part of the family at Temple Emanuel! I am thrilled to be able to start my journey here at The Pre-School with smiling children to play with and a dynamic staff to work with.

While there are many serious and thoughtful aspects to this High Holiday season, let us also remember some of the sweeter pieces associated with this time. Dip apple slices in honey (to symbolize a sweet year), take a nature walk together and observe how the world is changing, look at baby pictures and let your child tell you how much he/she has changed!

L'shanah tovah tikatayvu - May you be inscribed for a good year in the book of life.

#### Mazel tov...

Dr. Mel and Jane Kaye on the birth of their grandson, Joshua Hunter Weiss

Dr. Richard and Linda Tennenbaum on the engagement of their son Jonathan to Rachel Dworkin

Virginia and Dan Mitzelman on the birth of their son, *Aaron Joseph Mitzelman* 

Michael Firstenberg and Dr. Loren Firstenberg on the birth of their son, Samuel Franklyn Firstenberg

Dave and Hope Hoffman on the birth of their granddaughter, *Julia Ashley Hoffman* 

Nan and Art Stein on the engagement of their granddaughter, *Eryn to Ryan Kilstein* 

Dr. Kurt and Nadline Bomze on the marriage of their son, *Josh to Rachel Katz* 

#### Gefilte Flicks

7:00 PM on Sundays Led by Gail Selznick, Film Enthusiast Special Guest Facilitator -- Carrie Rickey, film critic at the Philadelphia Inquirer

#### October 24

Watch and discuss *The Solid Gold Cadillac*. We will consider how Judy Holliday portrays her Jewish ethnicity in the 1956 movie. Carrie Rickey will lead us in discussing Hollywood and Jewish characterizations.

In this movie, Judy Holliday plays Laura Partridge, a very enthusiastic small stockholder of 10 shares in International Projects. She attends her first stockholder meeting ready to question the board of directors from their salaries to their operations. These are not the questions which the board expected to be asked of them, especially since they are almost all are crooked.

#### Future Gefilte Flicks Dates & Titles

November 21 -- Trembling Before God February 13- The Great Dictator January 23 -- Broken Wings March 20 -- Night at the Opera



#### <u>THE RUTH B.</u> <u>WOLF</u> ARCHIVE CENTER

The committee is in the process of refining and completing this repository for the preservation of Temple Emanuel's history. When finished,

this Center will contain a collection of photos, documents, letters and other material relevant to the activities of our past, present – and future. It will provide a unique research and historical facility to preserve, chronicle and maintain Temple Emanuel's development for posterity.

If you have any Temple Emanuel records that you believe would be of interest, and would like to contribute them to our collection, please contact Rabbi Geri Newburge at the Temple, or Ed Wolf at (856) 235-5935.

#### THE JEWISH FEDERATION OF GREATER WASHINGTON ESTABLISHES FUND TO AID THOSE DEVASTATED BY HURRICANE CHARLEY

The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington has established a Hurricane Charley Disaster Relief Fund to help repair the lives of those shattered by this natural disaster. The storm cut a wide swath along the Western coast of Florida, killing an estimated 16 people, leaving thousands homeless and causing between \$5 and \$11 billion in damage.

Those wishing to make a donation to this humanitarian effort can send their gift to: The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington, Hurricane Charley Disaster Relief Fund, 6101 Montrose Road, Rockville, MD 20852. Please make your checks payable to "The Jewish Federation" and include the code "SDG05HC" on your check. Please send financial assistance only, not packaged goods.

#### Camp Harlam Reunion Friday September 3, 2004

Join your camp friends for a wonderful Shabbat experience! Share music and memories of your summer.

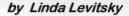
Contact Rabbi Geri Newburge at (856)489-0029 x16 if you would like to participate in services.

### Temple Emanuel gratefully acknowledges the contributions to The Lucille Orland Memorial Fund

Selma Solomon Ramona Shainheit Diane Hatfield Vi Stuffo Sharon Kevs Gail Gross Suzane Musetto Milton Seiger The Ballek Family Helen & Harry Pinsky Troy Thompson II MD Sherman, Silverstein, Kohl, Rose & Podolsky Dorothy Abramowitz Eugene S. Gold Dr. & Mrs. Charles Driben Katherine & Nathan Berman **Punia Family** PA Staff NJ Staff

Students in Suzi Greenberg's Hebrew II class, prepare casseroles for the needy. Funds for the project were collected by the students.







Summer is the perfect time for new experiences, and I had the pleasure of going on a trip to Italy with my family which was fantastic! I also attended lots of Babe Ruth baseball games and enjoyed my share of water ice and the shore. I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer as well.

Although it may be hard to see the carefree days of summer end, there is much to look forward to in the coming year. Sisterhood has been busy planning lots of events and programs to make this year interesting and fun. Please join us on Sunday morning, September 19th, 9:30 am to Noon, for a Sisterhood Open House in the Temple Library to learn all about our plans. Meet our Board and Committee Chairs, buy an Entertainment Book, Gift Certificate or Scrip and preview our inventory for the Hanukah Bazaar, among other things. It would also be the perfect time to give Sisterhood your feedback and suggestions. We'll have bagels and other treats, and even a special prize for a lucky participant! Whether you are already a Sisterhood member, or want to find out more, we encourage you to attend.

Our popular Paid-Up Brunch is earlier than last year, October 3, 2004, so please join up and be part of the fun. We are working on some surprises for the brunch so you don't want to miss it! But being a Sisterhood member means so much more than coming to the Paid-Up Brunch (although that could be worth the membership alone!) You will be helping Sisterhood carry on its many projects throughout the Temple, including its ongoing support of the Religious School. We look forward to seeing you!

Save the Date: The Hanukah Bazaar is on November 14, 2004!

### MEN'S CLUB

by Kenneth J. Huffman

hey say when you are having fun time goes by very quickly. If that is the case, I have had a wonderful year, for it is September 2004, the summer is over and a new school year is beginning.

Also beginning is a new year for the Men's Club. Your officers have been working this summer on an exciting range of programs for the coming year. While the national election is claiming most of the political limelight, we have local elections that are very important. In September and October our programs will focus on these elections. We have invited Democratic and Republican candidates to tell us their positions on local and state issues. In November we will focus on men's health issues. The topic of our December program will be an interfaith discussion.

In the coming year we will also sponsor a parent/child event, a wine tasting in March before Passover and a Charitable Golf Tournament. Our first program is on Sunday, Sept 12, the first day of religious school. So walk your son or daughter to school and join us for breakfast.

The dates for the Men's Club meeting for 2004/2005 are:

September 12

October 10

November 21

December 19

January 9

February 13

March 13

April 3

May 15

The breakfast meetings begin at 10 am with the program at 10:15 pm and are held in the social hall. We look forward to seeing you on September 12.



by Sandy Umansky

TEFTY JUNIOR	6-8th graders
TEFTY9-12th	

Dear Temple Emanuel Teens and Pre-teens,

This letter is for YOU, the backbone of our synagogue, the future of our own Temple and of Judaism. Each of you has a tremendous responsibility to help both Temple Emanuel and Judaism; the new year is a perfect time for you to examine this responsibility, to make a commitment to your own Temple Emanuel, to your religion, and to your world. Each of you has the opportunity to give your all to social action projects, to social activities, to religious projects and opportunities. And the best part of this responsibility is that you can accomplish all that you desire through youth group!

Here is a calendar for each of you: mark it and remember the dates..and plan to share your own energies and enthusiasm, your own dedication and abilities.

This calendar is the beginning: your attending is the goal. We all hope that this will be the best year ever, for Youth Groups and for YOU!!

L'Shanah Tovah.

Sept.	9/12	SUNDAY amCar Wash/Bake
	9/18	SATURDAY pm Laser Tag
	9/18-9/25	Yom Kippur Food Drive for Both Groups
	9/19	Surprise
Oct.	10/2	Eastern Leadership
Oct.	10/17	SUNDAYTzedakah Walk-a-
thon	10/17	with Temple Emanuel
uioii	10/17	p.m J/IDOL at JCC
	10/17	SATURDAY Penitentiary Tour/
	10/25	Dinner
	10/24	Jillian's
Nov.	11/2	TUESDAYElection Day
11011	11/4	Youth Group Service rehearsal
	11/5	FRIDAYYouth Group Service
	11/14	Hanukah Bazaar
	1011	VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
	11/14	12:30-6:30Cantorial Workshop
		for high schoolers interested
	11/14	Sunday Sundae Party, craft day
		gifts for Children's Hospital
	11/18-21	Biennal
	11/24	Plymouth Rock Hop @JCC
Dec.	12/3-12/5	Fall Kallah make bag-a-lunch for homeless
	12/18	MidniteSkating
	12/19	SUNDAYBagels & Bowling



#### Tours through Jewish History

Join us for adventures in American Jewish history with our guide, Rabbi Geri Newburge. We will begin with a trip to Keneseth Israel in Elkins Park. We will see their historic stained glass windows and enjoy a guided tour through the museum. The second field trip will be to South Philadelphia, once a thriving Jewish neighborhood. In South Philly we will roam the streets,

standing where our forefathers once stood, and learn how this community lived. Finally, we will visit Mikve Israel, one of the oldest congregations in the United States, and the oldest in Philadelphia! Here we will enjoy a Kosher Chinese lunch, tour the synagogue and its museum, where we will participate in the opening day of a new exhibit. Transportation will be provided. The dates of the trips are as follows:

September 26, 2004 Keneseth Israel Tour Depart 11:15 am \$5.00
 October 31, 2004 Jewish South Philly Depart 10:30 am \$5.00

November 21, 2004 Mikve Israel Depart 11:00 am (includes lunch) \$10.00

Look in this issue of the light for a sign-up sheet.

#### Clear your calendar for the Katz JCC's 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival of Arts, Books & Culture November 6 - 14.

Spend the week with Grammy award-winning Jewish singer songwriter Melissa Manchester, comedienne Judy Gold, former Soviet Dissident and current Israeli politician Natan Sharansky, Judea Pearl the father of Daniel Pearl, Ambassador Dennis Ross, Chairman and CEO of Parade Magazine Walter Anderson, Michael Birenbaum, Naomi Regan, Jennifer Weiner and a host of inspirational authors, artists and thinkers of the new millennium. And be certain to join our local Rabbis who will be reviewing the "hottest" new books!



by Richard Selznick

#### FAMILY WALK-A-THON OCTOBER 17

Please join us on Sunday October 17 at 8:30 am for our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Fall Family Walk-A-Thon. The walk is the major fund-raiser for the Tzedakkah Collective.

This fund has given away nearly \$6,000 to numerous charities and causes. The registration is between 8:30 and 9 am at the Holocaust Memorial (1/4 mile in from Cuthbert Road). The entry fee is only \$18 per family. We are also accepting Family sponsorships (\$54) and Business Sponsors (\$108). Sponsors will be noted on our program and in the Light. Please note that the Religious School will not be holding class at the Temple on October 17.We encourage you to accompany your child.

#### **VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION**



One of the most important rights that we have as Americans is the right to vote. It is a right that we must not take for granted, a right that is doubly precious because it has been ours so rarely in Jewish history.

For the past eighty years, American Jews have voted in overwhelming numbers. Historically, around 90% of all eligible Jews actually voted. This magnified our role in the American political life. We were able to assert our values, protect our interests, and defend the rights of all Americans.

Unfortunately, this is no longer the case. There may be close to one million eligible Jews who do not vote. While all elections are important, many people feel that the upcoming Presidential election is one of the most important elections in which we may ever vote. So much is at stake. Recent electoral history has shown that a few hundred votes can change the face of American politics. Because of this and Temple Emanuel's ongoing concern and participation in affairs of the State of Israel, Temple Emanuel has joined a nationwide effort to reverse the trend of non-participation in the Jewish community.

As part of this national campaign, we are initiating a voter registration drive. Our main goal is to provide you with information on how to register to vote. In this edition of the Light, you will find a nationally recognized form which you can use for mail-in voter registration. The particular identification requirements for the State of New Jersey are also provided.

At various times in the month of September, a voter registration booth will be set up in the Temple's foyer. We hope to provide you with the forms and the instructions you may need to register to vote. Please call the Temple office for the dates and times that the booth will be open

Voter registration is also available through the mail. Information can be obtained at <a href="www.fec.gov/votregis/vr.htm">www.fec.gov/votregis/vr.htm</a>, on-line at <a href="www.iwanttovote.com">www.iwanttovote.com</a> and through the League of Women Voters.

Individual letters will also be sent to our college age voters encouraging their participation in this election. We doubt that you need to be reminded that this country is at war and there are bills in both Houses of Congress to reactivate the draft. If your children are in this group, please provide the Temple office with their college addresses.

Thank you for participating in this process. We look forward to seeing you at the polls! If you would like to help with this effort, contact Gail Selznick at gselznick@kaiserman.com or 856-795-9857, but e-mail is best.



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#### With

#### Rabbi Geri Newburge

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#### Please sign me up!

Name: Phone Number:

Keneseth Israel Tour# Attending:Amount Enclosed:Jewish South Philly# Attending:Amount Enclosed:Mikve Israel#Attending:Amount Enclosed:

Total Enclosed:

Please make your checks out to Temple Emanuel and return to the synagogue at 1101 Springdale Road, Cherry Hill, NJ, 08003.

#### Temple Emanuel September 2004

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			7 pm Introduction to Judaism  3-9 pm Photos for Rabbi David's 30th Anniversary Celebration Book	2 7 pm Choir Practice 3-9 pm Photos for Rabbi David's 30th Anniversary Celebration Book	7 pm Tot Shabbat 7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Family Service Camp Harlam Reunion Guest: Jack Feldman, Director, Camp Harlam	4 9:15 am Torah Stuey 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah of EVAN HENRY LEVICOFF 6:15 pm Havdalah Service Bat Mitzvah of ALLISON GAIL McCURDY
5	6 Labor Day	7 5:30 pm Tefty Exec. Bd.	8 12 Noon Senior Group Brown Bag Lunch 7 pm Introduction to Judaism	7 pm Choir Practice 7:30 pm Sisterhood Bd. Mtg. Membership Comm. Mtg.	8 pm Shabbat Evening Service Welcome to Cantor Miriam Eskenasy	9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service Bat Mitzvah of ALLISON JILL CAREN and Bar Mitzvah of BRANDON WILLIAM STRATT 6:15 pm Havdalah Service Bar Mitzvah of DANE IAN BERKOWITZ 10 pm Selichot Service
12 Ist Rel. School Classes 10:00 am Men's Club Meeting 7th Grade Apple Picking TEFTY Car Wash & Bake Sale	7 pm Shofar Making Class 7:30 pm Exec. Bd. Mtg.	14	15 EREV ROSH HASHANAH 8 pm Service	ROSH HASHANAH 9 am Early Service 12:15 pm Late Service 3:30 pm Family Service	17 10 am -2nd Day ROSH HASHANAH Service 7 pm Tot Shabbat 7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Service—5th Grade Honoring—Shabbat Shuvah	18 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service Bat Mitzvah of CASEY CUTLER 5:45 pm Havdalah Service Bar Mitzvah of ZACHARY SOLOMON FRIEDMAN
9 am Meet and Greet Sisterhood Welcome Event	20 7:30 pm RS Sub Committee	21 1st Hebrew/Conf.Academy  1 pm Jewish Wisdom 6:30 pm Modern Hebrew 7 pm Casserole Cooking 8 pm Adult Academy	22 1st Hebrew/Conf. Academy/ Elite Classes 7 pm Introduction to Judaism	23 7 pm Choir Practice	EREV YOM KIPPUR 6:15 pm Kol Nidre Family Service 8:30 pm Kol Nidre	YOM KIPPUR 9 am Early Service 12:15 pm Late Service 3:15 pm Aftern. Service 4:15 Yizkor Service Followed by Ne'ila Service 6:30 pm Family Havdalah Service
26 11:15 am Adult Ed Tour to K.I. Synagogue	6:30 pm TE Board of Trustees Dinner and Retreat	12 Noon Adult Beg. Hebrew 1 pm Prayerbook Skills 6:30 pm Modern Hebrew 8 pm Adult Academy	EREV SUKKOT 6 pm Sukkah Decorating	30 SUKKOT 10:30 am Sukkot Service		

#### Temple Emanuel October 2004

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					7 pm Tot Shabbat 7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Family Service Youth Group Shabbat	9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah of SEAN DALE COHEN and Bat Mitzvah of AMBER WALLACE 5:30 PM Sukkot Hayride at Springdale Farms 5:45 pm Havdalah Service Bat Mitzvah of ALLISON MOSS
3 <sub>9</sub> am 3rd Grade Sukkah Hop 10:30 pm Sisterhood Paid-up Membership Brunch 2:30 pm Sukkah Build	7 pm Family Ed. Mtg. 7:30 pm Men's Post B'nai Mitzvah Class 8 pm Adult Ed Mtg.	5 I pm Jewish Wisdom 5:30 pm Tefty Exec. Bd. Mtg. 6:30 pm Modern Hebrew 8 pm Adult Academy	6 Erev Simchat Torah	7 Simchat Torah	6 pm Pre School Family Dinner 7 pm Kindergarten Consecration 8 pm Shabbat Evening Service—Simchat Torah	9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah of LAWRENCE CHOPP and Bat Mitzvah of MONICA PAIGE BONITATIS 6:15 pm Havdalah Service Bat Mitzvah of MARISSA JADE JOSEPHS
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9 am Social Action Walk-A-Thon at Cooper River Park 7 pm Cooking Demo for Shabbat	7:30 pm Men's Post B'nai Mitzvah Class	19 1 pm Jewish Wisdom 6:30 pm Modern Hebrew 8 pm Adult Academy	20 7 pm Introduction to Judaism	21 7 pm Choir Practice 7:30 pm Yiddish Class Yoga and Meditation Ritual Comm. Mtg.	9:15 am Book Club 6:30 pm New Member Shabbat Dinner 8 pm Shabbat Evening Service New Member Shabbat	9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah of RYAN EVAN TANNENBAUM 6:15 pm Havdalah Service Bar Mitzvah of ROBERT JOSEPH GOLDBERG
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## Introducing Temple Emanuel's new High Holiday Junior Congregation

For Young Congregants in Grades 4 and above

Temple Emanuel is proud to announce a new prayer option on the High Holidays — a Junior Congregation. This service will be geared to young congregants in grades 4 and above and will take place during both the early and late services on the mornings of Yom Kippur and Rosh Hashana (first day only!). The themes and liturgy of the High Holiday will be presented in an age-appropriate manner.

Young congregants, who want to participate in this service, should attend the main service with their parents. Approximately half way through the main service, an announcement will be made from the pulpit and a brief interlude will be given for our young congregants to quietly leave the main sanctuary. Congregants in grades 4 and above are not required to participate in Junior congregation. It is an optional program; congregants in these grades may remain in the main sanctuary to pray with their parents. Junior Congregation will take place in the Chapel and will be led by Rabbi Debbie Cohen.

#### Order a Sukkah and a Lulav & Etrog A Great Family Project – Give it aTry!

#### Sukkah Orders: Due September 13

Two types of Sukkot are available-Wood and No-Tools Aluminum

- The Wood Sukkot are easy to assembly (and we have skilled Sukkah builders to help you), but you need to buy the lumber yourself. All you need is a screw-driver. You are ordering the joints, connectors, directions and tarp walls.
- The No-Tools Aluminum Sukkot come with all the supplies and require no tools for assembly.
- Log on to www.sukkot.com for pictures and more information.
- Roofs and decorations available. If you are interested in other items, talk with Rabbi Cohen.

#### Lulav and Etrog Orders:

Buy Lulav and Etrog Sets through the Congregation and bring yours to synagogue and Religious School on sukkot to "wave" while marching.

If Sukkot is New for You — Let us help you learn about it.

#### Sukkah and Lulav & Etrog Order Form — Questions? Speak with Rabbi Cohen

What is a Sukkah?
A Sukkah is a temporary dwelling that
we build to remind ourselves of the
wanderings in the desert. They are fun to
build and even more fun to decorate.
We are told to invite friends into our
sukkah. It is a great family project!

What is a Lulav and Etrog?
A Lulav and Etrog are produce from the Land of Israel that we use on Sukkot.
They are beautiful, smell great and have many symbolic meanings in Judaism. We parade with our Lulav and Etrog on Sukkot.

Name			

#### Phone

Deadline: September 13

Return Your form to the Religious School Office, 1101 Springdale Road, 489-0029. Cherry Hill, NJ 08003 Make your check out to Temple Emanuel.  Wooden Sukkot
 8X8 \$105 (Estimated Lumber Cost: \$27)
 8X12 \$135 (Estimated Lumber Cost:\$42)

Aluminum No-Tools Sukkot
 8X8 Size \$255
 8X12 Size \$290

3. Lulav & Etrog \$35

Total:

#### **Shofar Making Sign-Up Sheet**

Family Name:

Phone #:

# of Children Making a Shofar:

Amount Enclosed:

Cost per Child Making a Shofar: \$10

Deadline to RSVP: September 8

Return this form to Jean Klein in the Temple Emanuel Religious School Office, 1101 Springdale Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003. Checks should be made out to Temple Emanuel.

### Make Your Own Shofar Workshop

A Family Event Evening September 13, 7 pm



Join a special guest Rabbi Kahan in learning the ancient craft of shofar making. Parents will help their children make a shofar from a ram's horn. Each child will leave at the end of the evening with a individually-made shofar. Rabbi David will invite all participants onto the bimah (pulpit) during the high holidays to share their shofar creations. Please note: Making a shofar involves cutting and sawing. Children need to be accompanied by an adult. The workshop is recommended for children in grades 2 and above.

# Congregational Sukkah Decorating October 8, 6 pm No need to Pre-Register



We will decorate the congregation's Sukkah together. A creative time for everybody - young and old.

Please Register us for the Sukkot Hayride:

Family Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

# of Adults:

# of Children:

Amount included:

Return your form to 1101 Springdale Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003. Make your check out to Temple Emanuel

### Sukkot Hayride at Springdale Farms

October 2, 5:30 pm \$13.00/Adult \$11.00/Child Children Under 2 — Free

Join us on our annual Sukkot Hayride. We will pick pumpkins, have a camp-fire complete with hot dogs and toasted marshmallows and celebrate Havdalah together. Please register by September 27, using the above form.



### Noah Ark's Blessing of the Pets

### October 16 1 pm Temple Emanuel Parking Lot

On the week that we read about Noah's Ark let's create our own Noah's Ark – right here at Temple Emanuel. Bring your dog, cat, rabbit, goldfish, ijuana, ferret. . . for a special Blessing of the Pets.

We will give out awards for the most unusual pet, the pet that looks the most like his or her owner and the best pet trick. We will also have a parade of stuffed animals.

If your pet would not have done well on Noah's Ark (if he or she is aggressive or unfriendly to strangers), do not bring him or her to the Blessing of the Pets.

If you plan on participating, please RSVP to 489-0029.

We will be collecting animal food and toys to donate to a local shelter.



Amy Itta Aliza bas Tova

Be Amy's hero.

Be tested!

- Eligible donors must be between the ages of 18-60 and in general good health.
- Blood type doesn't matter.
- Registration involves a simple swab of cells from inside the mouth. (No blood required at this stage.)
- Pregnant women CAN be tested.
- Gift of Life's mission is to increase the representation of the Jewish people in the registry.
- Those previously tested do not need to be retested.

# You may be her miracle match!

Amy has leukemia and is in need of a bone marrow transplant. Since tissue type is inherited, her best chance of finding a genetically matched bone marrow donor lies with those of **Eastern-European Jewish ethnic ancestry**. Donors will be entered into the Gift of Life Bone Marrow Registry for the benefit of patients worldwide in desperate need of life-saving matches.

### Sunday September 19<sup>th</sup>

10:00 a.m. till 5:00 p.m.

### The Katz JCC

1301 Springdale Road
Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08003
MICHELE LEVINE
856-795-2207



Contact Gift of Life at:

### 1-800-9MARROW www.giftoflife.org

To make a tax-deductible contribution: Gift of Life Bone Marrow Foundation 7700 Congress Avenue, Suite 2201 Boca Raton, Florida 33487

He who saves one life, it is as if he had saved the entire world.—Talmud



#### **Torah Portions of the Month**

#### September 4 Ki Tavo

Deuteronomy 26:1 - 29:8

In Ki tavo, "when you come" into the Promised Land, Moses tells the people, they are to bring a basket containing the first fruits of their harvest to the place that God designates. There, each person is to place the basket on the altar and recite a prayer of thanksgiving, which recalls the history of the people from the time that they were slaves in Egypt. The parasha ends with Moses reminding the people of the miracles that God has done for them during their wanderings in the desert - their clothes and sandals did not wear out, and all that they ate was provided for them by God.

#### September 11 Nitzavim/Vayelech

Deuteronomy 29:9 - 31:30

In Parashat Nitzavim, Moses continues his farewell speech to the people. He tells the Israelites that "you are standing" (in Hebrew "nitzavim") this day before God to conclude the covenant. This covenant binds the Israelites to God and God to the Israelites and was made not only with those present that day but also with all Israel, past, present and future. In Parashat Vayelech, Moses informs the Israelites that he is 120 years old and therefore too old to continue as an active leader. Moses reminds the people that God has already told him that he would not live to enter the Promised Land. Moses publicly announces that Joshua will be the next leader of the people.

#### September 18 Ha'azinu

Deuteronomy 32:1 - 52

Parashat Ha'azinu is the shortest parasha in the Torah. It consists of only one chapter of just fifty-two lines. The first 47 lines are a song that Moses sings at the threshold of the Promised Land, within hearing distance of all the people of Israel.  $Ha'azinu\ hashamayim$ , he begins. "Give ear, O heavens, let me speak; let the earth hear the words I utter!" In the concluding five lines, God speaks to Moses, telling him to climb Mount Nebo and view the Promised Land from there, for he will die on that mountain



#### September 25 (Yom Kippur)

Deuteronomy 29:9-14, 30:11-20 (morning) Leviticus 19:14; 19:9-18, 19:32-37 (afternoon)

Parashat Nitzavim is read one week prior to Rosh Hashanah. We in the Reform movement also read it in our temples on Yom Kippur day, because Parashat Nitzavim presents us with a profound choice at a profound moment. This is a very difficult time for Moses as he approaches the end of his life. In the opening lines of the portion, he says, "You stand this day, all of you, before the Eternal your God...." (Deut. 29:9) As Moses is making his final remarks to the Children of Israel, he relinquishes his role as their gobetween. The message is: We stand, all of us, before God. Moses demonstrates his faith in his people-past, present, and future. He implores us to

fulfill God's commandment to be a righteous nation. He tells us that each of us is able to fulfill these laws-past, present, and future-for in essence these laws have already become a part of us. They are within our reach.

In Parashat K'doshim, read during the afternoon service, God issues a variety of commandments, instructing the Israelites on how to be a holy people, both personally and collectively. "You shall be holy, for I, *Adonai* your God, am holy" (Leviticus 19:2). This section was spoken in public assembly. No one can attain holiness except by merging his own self with the whole of Israel. Thus Scripture says: "The whole community, all of them, are holy" This means that when they are all one, they are holy. Rashi points out that we can be worthy of attaining such holiness only if we merge our own personalities into the larger community and identify completely with the people of Israel. Only "in full assembly" can we be holy. (the S'fat Emet.)

### The Pre-School at Temple Emanuel PACT (Parents and Children Together Programs Fall Session– 2004

Ima(Mommy) and Me (Infants up to 9 months) Facilitator: Laura Hoffman

- · Do you have a baby between birth and 9 months?
- Are you looking for fun and informative mornings out with your baby?
- Do you want to meet other moms and babies?

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, then Temple Emanuel's (*Ima (Mommy) & Me* class is for you. It is a class for moms and their babies between birth and 9 months of age to get together and have a great time. The whole spectrum of fun is covered from songs to finger plays, to music, and information. Each week a speaker will present information and materials relevant to this age level. Topics may include safety, dental health, and developmentally appropriate toys to name a few.

WHEN:

Thursdays, September 23<sup>rd</sup> - December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2004 (No class 9/30, 10/7, 11/4, 11/25)

TIME:

9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. \$125.00 for the 10 week session (Temple Emanuel Membership is not required.)

#### Awaken Your Senses (9 months to 15 months) Facilitator: Jodi Feldman

The program will focus on gross and fine motor activities that will stimulate your child's senses, peak curiosity, and encourage exploration. In addition to providing a playful, active and comfortable environment that promotes positive socialization for the children, it is our hope that this class will provide a relaxed setting that promotes a sense of community for parents and caregivers of same-age children.

WHEN:

Tuesdays, September 28th - December 21st (No class 12/14)

TIME:

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\$165.00 for the 12 week session (Temple Emanuel Membership is not required.)

#### Toddler Territory (15 – 28 months) Facilitator: Laura Hoffman

Each week an exciting theme will be explored at every sensory level of development. Enjoy songs, activities, and fun as you and your child meet new friends. Toddler Territory is a wonderful introduction to our Pre-School program. This is a delightful age, so come explore this territory and savor the experience.

WHEN:

Fridays, October 1st - December 17th. (No classes 11/5 & 11/26)

TIME:

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. \$125.00 for the 12 week session (Temple Emanuel Membership is not required.)

Register a friend (*must be someone new to The Pre-School at Temple Emanuel*) and you and your friend each receive \$10.00 off this session of classes. To register please complete the form, enclose payment (*checks should be made payable to Temple Emanuel*) and return ASAP to: The Pre-School at Temple Emanuel 1101 Springdale Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003

We hope you will use our PACT classes as a meeting place from which play groups, play dates and new family friendships will evolve. If these days/times/age levels do not meet with your schedule, please call us at 856-489-0034. We'll see what we can do! Enrollment is always open and ongoing, space permitting.

The Pre-School at Temple Emanuel Registration Form for Fall Session 2004

Child's Name:	Date of Birth:
Parent's Name:	Phone:
Address:	Class/Day:
Person attending with child if other than parent:  I am eligible for the \$10.00 discount. My friend is	Relationship:
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1 cup honey

1 egg, separated

1 tablespoon freshly grated lemon rind

1 teaspoon lemon juice

4 cups flour

1 teaspoon baking powder

3/4 cup chopped almonds

1. In a mixing bowl, cream butter or margarine. Add honey in a fine stream.

- Beat in egg yolk, lemon rind, and lemon juice.
- 2. In a small bowl, combine flour and baking powder. Gradually stir in to egg volk mixture. Stir in almonds. Cover and chill dough for one hour.
- 3. Shape dough into small balls and arranged on oiled or sprayed cookie sheet about two inches apart. Brush lightly with beaten egg white.
- 4. Bake at 350 degrees for 10 to 15 minutes. Cool on a wire rack. Store in an airtight container.

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