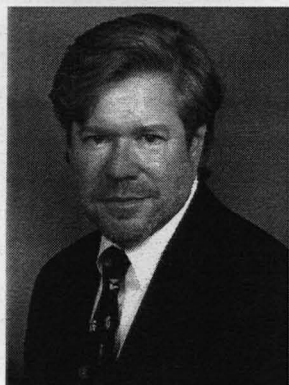


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From the **Rabbi's Study**

by Jerome P. David D.D.

A vacation to Israel is not really a vacation. Ask any one of the 23 teens and adults who traveled with us to Israel this winter. Touring Israel is not necessarily relaxing – it is intensive, emotional, inspirational, demanding and an all-embracing experience and so much fun. It involves early-risings, hours of sight seeing, and endless pleasures. Nothing can compare to floating in the salt waters of the Dead Sea, the lowest point on Earth, to ascending the heights of Masada and down to the panoramic Negev Desert – all in the same day – with the roller coaster of emotion that accompanies each location. It is a unique experience to walk along the streets of Jerusalem. It is almost like being in a dream, especially on Friday afternoon before Shabbat. Everyone says “Shabbat Shalom”, instead of “have a nice day”. Everybody is carrying bags of food and bouquets of flowers, rushing to get home on time.

And of course, there is only one way to fly – El Al, the national airline of Israel. Actually a trip to Israel truly begins with the El Al experience. The plane is crowded. The flight is noisy, there is animated discussion, half of the passengers are standing at any one time. There is davening and hustle and bustle – and the stewardesses, all army trained, I’m sure, could care less about your comfort or kvetching – their only concern is your safety and El Al is universally acclaimed for its security procedures. When one is in Israel, one feels safe and secure and that brings me to the positive message we return with – Israel is safe. The visitors have returned in record numbers and the best way to support Israel is to see it and live it – firsthand.

For me personally, this was my 13th trip to Israel, and I was able to relive it through the excitement, enthusiasm and energy of our wonderful group.

Next year in Jerusalem!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!!

Reach for the Stars 2006

April 21-23

To join one of our committees contact

Mayda Clarke at: mayda@templemanuel.org

PLEASE NOTE:

**DUE TO THE CARPETING
BEING REPLACED
IN THE SANCTUARY,
OUR SHABBAT SERVICE**

**ON
FRIDAY,
FEBRUARY 24TH
WILL BE HELD AT
THE KATZ JCC
AT 8 PM**

**WE ARE THRILLED TO
HAVE THE
CHERRY HILL
HIGH SCHOOL
EAST SINGERS
PARTICIPATING
IN OUR SERVICE.**

**WE WILL CONCLUDE
THE EVENING WITH A
LOVELY
ONEG SHABBAT**

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PRESIDENT'S Message

by Joyce C. Hoff



In a recent Light article, I wrote about the Confirmation trip to Israel that would take place in December. Much to my delight, I, along with five other Temple Emanuel women traveled with Rabbi Jerry and Peggy David and the teens of the Confirmation class on their 11-day journey – a trip of a lifetime! Several of us had been to Israel before, but if you ask me, you can never go to Israel too many times.

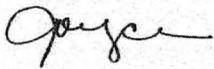
We arrived in Tel Aviv after a very long flight and the most excited and exhausted teens you would ever want to accompany on a long day of touring. It didn't take long for us to meet the Temple Emanuel tour guide for the trip. Izzy Rodrigue has been conducting tours for our temple groups for the past 16 years. He never seems to tire of taking groups on tours of "his" country. We knew we were in good hands immediately.

The highlights of the trip included taking jeep rides in the Golan Heights and standing on an old Syrian bunker and looking down through a mixture of fog and sun rays touching the lush fields of the kibbutzim below us. Hearing how the kibbutzim of the valley had to endure decades of bombardments from the Syrians and how a generation of children grew up in underground bunkers for protection was inspirational.

Another highlight was being able to stand on the Promenade high above Jerusalem with my youngest son at my side, marveling at all of the beautiful lights and the excitement of finally seeing the place we usually only read about in articles. Rabbi David led Kiddush and we sang a Sh'hekianu prayer. With four days in Jerusalem we all had an incredible time exploring the Old City, Ben Yehuda Street, the new Davidson Center and the haunting new building at Yad Vashem. Going to the Kotel for Erev Shabbat prayer is always meaningful and each of us took something different to the wall. We even explored the Western Wall Tunnels one evening, touching the stones closest to the Holy of Holies.

We also went south to the Negev. Floating on the Dead Sea was an experience only the brave and young could deal with in December. The group spent two nights on the Reform Kibbutz Yahel where our students met and hung out with the teens of the kibbutz. On the Jordanian border, this kibbutz is truly an oasis in the desert with its pomelos, dates and cattle that are grown and raised for export. Many of our teens have expressed a desire to go back in the summer to work on the kibbutz.

I could go on and on, but the message I want to convey to you is that Israel feels very safe. The streets are crowded with tourists again, and their economy is rebounding. I am grateful to have been privileged to discover Israel through the eyes of 16-year-old teens and watch them appreciate the heritage that we, as parents, are trying to pass on to them by affiliating with Temple Emanuel and providing them with the opportunity to travel to Israel. Each and every one of us would tell you that we would go back in a heartbeat.



Religious School – Dates to Remember

Please mark these important dates on your calendar for upcoming

February 3 – 2nd Grade Shabbat

February 5, 12, 26, March 5 – 7th Grade Ronald
McDonald House Visits

February 5 – 3rd Grade Family Education

February 11 – 6th Grade Learner's Shabbat

February 19 – No School, President's Weekend

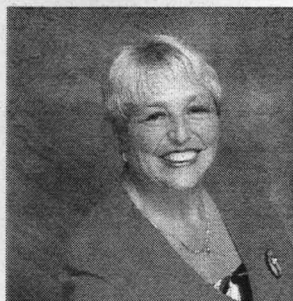
March 5 – Kindergarten Family Education

March 12 – Purim Carnival

March 19 – 7th Grade Polaroid Scavenger Hunt

March 26 – 1st Grade Family Education

Memo from MAYDA



As a synagogue community, we have limitless potential to network with one another. Whether we come together to pray, to learn, to help others, to find friends, to feel connected, to sing, to volunteer, to find support in fashioning a Jewish family or for any other reason, Temple Emanuel – our families and our staff—want to be here for you.

Sometimes we are not even sure what we seek, or where to find it. The one thing I know for sure is that, as a community, the greater our relationship with one another, the closer our sense of community and connection will feel. I found the story below very meaningful.

There once was a little boy who wanted to meet God. He knew it was a long trip to where God lived, so he packed a bag with cupcakes and several cans of root beer and started on his journey.

When he had gone about three blocks, he saw an elderly woman sitting on a park bench watching the pigeons. He sat down next to her and opened his bag. He was about to take a drink from his root beer when he noticed the lady looked hungry so he offered her a cupcake. She gratefully accepted and smiled at him. Her smile was so wonderful that he wanted to see it again, so he offered a root beer as well. Once again she smiled at him. The boy was delighted! They sat there all afternoon eating and smiling without saying a word.

As it began to grow dark, the boy realized how tired he was and wanted to go home. He got up to leave but before he had gone no more than a few steps, he turned around and ran back to the old woman, giving her a big hug. She gave him her biggest smile ever.

When the boy arrived home his Mother was surprised by the look of joy on his face. She asked, "What has made you so happy today?" He replied, "I had lunch with God." Before his mother could respond he added, "You know what? She's got the most beautiful smile in the whole world!"

Meanwhile, the old woman, also radiant with joy, returned to her home. Her son was stunned by the look of peace on her face. He asked, "Mother, what has made you so happy today?" She replied, "I ate cupcakes in the park with God." And before her son could reply, she added, "You know, he is much younger than I expected."

Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring; all of which have the potential to turn a life around. People come into our lives for a reason, a season, or a lifetime. Take no one for granted and embrace all equally with joy!

I look forward to seeing you often at Temple Emanuel!

In Memorium

BARRY ABRAMS
Husband of Rhoda Abrams

MARILYN ADLER
Aunt of Tamara Brody

EDWARD CHANEN
Father of Betsy Lambert

EDNA GEALT
Mother of Eleanor Hess

KENNETH HOROWITZ
Husband of Dr. Carolyn Horowitz
Father of Tobi & Cori

SYLVIA SHOP
Aunt of Selma Solomon
Great-Aunt of Joyce Hoff



What a wonderful tradition to have a new year for the trees! This year, we will celebrate Tu B'Shevat on February 13. Tu B'Shevat means the 15th of the month of Shevat and, in ancient times, a tree's life would be marked by this date. In Israel, almond trees begin to bloom around Tu B'Shevat.

Tu B'Shevat reminds us of one of Judaism's most important lessons – to look beyond ourselves and see our lives as intricately connected to the rest of God's created world. There is a saying that if the Messiah is coming while you are planting a tree, finish planting first and then go and greet the Messiah.

There is an ancient tale about a mystical character named Honi the Circle Maker. One day, Honi was walking on the road and saw a man planting a carob tree. Honi asked the man, "How long will it take for this tree to bear fruit?"

The man replied, "Seventy years."

Honi then asked the man, "And do you think you will live another seventy years and eat the fruit of this tree?"

The man answered, "Perhaps not. However, when I was born into this world, I found many carob trees planted by my father and grandfather. Just as they planted trees for me, I am planting trees for my children and grandchildren so they will be able to eat the fruit of these trees."

This Tu B'Shevat, plant "trees" for your child's or grandchild's future. Here are a few ideas to do with your child:

- Make a donation to the Jewish National Fund or another environmental organization.
- Plant parsley seeds in a cup – the greens should be ready to eat at Passover.
- Purchase and eat fruits, nuts and other foods from Israel.
- Weather permitting, take a nature walk together.
- There is a tradition of holding Tu B'Shevat seders. Research this tradition and hold your own. (I have seder texts that I can provide you.)
- Read a tree-oriented or environmentally oriented story at bedtime, for example, *The Giving Tree* or *The Lorax*.
- Visit an arboretum – Longwood Gardens has a Tu B'Shevat activity day on February 19.
- Make a handprint tree.
- Check out a picture book about Israel from the synagogue library and explore it together.
- Hang a birdhouse.

News From

RABBI NEWBURGE

There is a series of commercials on television these days sponsored, I believe, by Johnson & Johnson. The catch phrase of the commercial is "A baby changes everything." That might be the understatement of the century!

As of this writing, Eric and I were blessed by the arrival of little Jay Bertram almost 5 weeks ago. Time is flying by, he has already grown and changed quite a bit. Except for sleepless nights, we are enjoying every minute with our son. We followed the traditional Ashkenazic practice of naming Jay after loved ones who passed away; Jay is for my maternal grandmother, Juliette, and Bertram was Eric's paternal grandfather. Both grandparents are beloved and we hope that Jay carries on their wonderful traits- loving, tenacious, and independent (to name a few).

One thing has not changed since Jay came onto the scene- that is Temple Emanuel. Just like when Eric and I arrived in South Jersey 2 1/2 years ago, the Temple Emanuel family has warmly welcomed Jay to the community. We cannot thank you enough for this welcome, and we appreciate your continued support as we journey through parenthood. We hope you all get to meet our bundle of joy soon!



Adult Education Offerings

February & March 2006 – To register for a course, call 489-0029.

***Beginning in February* – Introduction to Torah Cantillation with Cantor Miriam Eskenasy**
Selected Tuesdays, 8-9 pm

Unravel the secrets of chanting the Torah. Learn basic concepts of Torah cantillation. Basic Hebrew reading skills required., February 14, 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21, 28

Continuing Classes ~ Newcomers always welcomed
Yoga and Jewish Meditation with Laura Markowitz
Thursdays, 7:30-8:30 pm

Explore the roots of Jewish meditation and experience the spiritual mind-body connection. Wear comfortable clothes and prepare to have fun! Current Session: January 5, 12, 19, 26, February 2, 9, 16, 23 March 2, 9 Fee: \$45/Session

Improve Your Prayerbook Skills with Rabbi Debbie Cohen
Selected Tuesdays, 1-2 pm

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. Textbook fee. February 7, 21, March 7, 21

Great Stories of the Prophets with Rabbi David, Rabbi Cohen & Rabbi Newburge
Selected Tuesdays, 1-2 pm

Join in exploring the adventures, wisdom and spirit of the Prophets and discussing the life lessons contained in these stories. February 14, 28, March 14, 28

Big Al's Yiddish Club with Al Rubin
Thursdays, 7:30-9 pm

Why is there suddenly such a growing interest to learn a virtually dead language? And why, after all these years, does a slowly dying language of the ghetto become so chic? So where do you go to get a taste of the essence of this almost dead language that was spoken by many people not long ago? Temple Emanuel, of course. This class goes where no other Yiddish class has gone before. No boring drills. No memorization of words or conjugation of verbs. Every attendee is an integral partner in learning. The class learns conversational Yiddish quickly through Yiddish music recordings. Prior experience is not necessary. Big Al Rubin, the class leader, spoke Yiddish as his first language. Join us for this genuinely fun evening.

Post B'nai Mitzvah Study Group with Rabbi Jerome P. David, DD
Selected Tuesdays, noon– 1 pm

This class is open to our adult learners who have completed their Adult B'nai Mitzvah ceremony. It is a unique class which explores Jewish issues, values and liturgy. February 14, 28, March 14, 28.

CANTOR'S NOTES



by Miriam Eskenasy



Dear Friends,

This month I want to tell you about the three M's of Jewish synagogue music. The three M's of prayer are terms coined by my teacher and colleague, Cantor Benjie Ellen Schiller, Professor of Cantorial Arts at the Hebrew Union College in New York City.

Cantor Schiller talks about three distinct kinds of prayer which go beyond musical categories. By using these distinct modes and integrating them in a service, we can hope to create a "fluid, musically-sound and spiritually-meaningful service." They are: Majestic, Meditative and Meeting.

The **Majestic** mood evokes in us a sense of awe and grandeur. During the First and Second Temple periods, worship music was majestic with the Levites and full choirs and orchestras as described in the Torah. What is the modern-day equivalent of this majestic music? Much of our liturgy is majestic. From the *Kedusha* which we chant on Shabbat mornings, *Adon Olam*, *Shema* or *Hashkiveinu* to the music of the High Holidays, we offer our magnificent praise to God. The question is: can we create awe and grandeur, an integral part of our worship, when inclusivity has become the way to pray in our time?

The **Meditative** mood is also very important in worship. It leads us inward, to reflect and contemplate both on our personal lives and greater issues of society and social justice. Some examples of meditative prayers are *Yhiu l'ratzon* (May the Words), *Mi Sheberach* or *Kol Nidre*.

Finally the mood of **Meeting** is important in worship because it makes us aware of the larger community, meeting others through prayer (I talked about this last month). When all voices join together, a new expression of prayer is born and even strangers can create a bond with one another. There are many moments of Meeting in worship both at home and in the synagogue: at the Seder table all assembled guests sing together; when the Torah is taken from the Ark, or at the end of the service.

The three M's are all important in enhancing our prayer and musical expression. They are interrelated and overlap and we need them all. They help us focus on what prayer does rather than the repertoire we choose to sing. For Cantor Schiller, "a successful service offers a healthy combination of all three moods of prayer to express an array of three paths toward knowing God."

I urge you all to read the entire article which can be found on the URJ website, and as always, I am interested in continuing our dialogue about meaningful worship, so please drop me a line at meskenasy@templemanuel.org or stop by my office anytime.

Educational and Discussion Group for Temple Emanuel Parents of Teenagers

Ever wonder if your teen is from another planet? Loren Firstenberg, Psy.D., might be able to help. Dr. Firstenberg will be the speaker at the next meeting of *Parenting Teens – It's a Growing Season* on February 28 at 7:30 pm at the conference room at Jewish Family and Children's Services.

Begun last April, *Parenting Teens – It's a Growing Season* is a forum for Temple Emanuel members, with teens, to meet learn together and share their experiences. For more information, please contact Rabbi

Debbie Cohen, 856-489-0035 or speak with Rhea Brekke, the chairperson for It's a Growing Season. Call 856-489-0029 to register.



FAMILY SHABBATON AT APPEL FARM

Experience a stress free Shabbat with your family

Join us as we celebrate Shabbat and enjoy a day of art, music and outdoor activities.

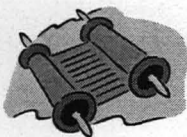
Families of all ages are invited to attend.

Children's activities
and babysitting will be available.

Friday, March 24 to Saturday, March 25

Adults - \$85, children (over 5) - \$75
Children (1-5) - \$60 - infants (under 1) - \$35

Registration forms are available in the temple office.



B'NAI MITZVOT- February

Saturday, Feb. 11

Havdalah Service
Bat Mitzvah of
AMANDA JOY SILPE
Daughter of Lydia and
Richard Jay Silpe

Saturday, Feb. 18

Havdalah Service
Bat Mitzvah of
**SHANLEY MICHELLE
HORVITZ**
Daughter of Lewis and
Liz Horvitz

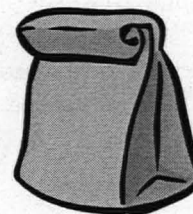
SENIOR SCENE

by Gert Pastelnick

Come join the Henry Raich Senior Group for an entertaining afternoon on February 15 at 12 noon. Our guest speaker will be Yossi Afek who will give a presentation on "Us Kings And Paupers, Growing Up in Israel In The Pre-state Period."

Looking ahead to March 15, Cantor Miriam Eskenasy will present a musical program with music centering on Purim and Passover.

We hope to see you at these interesting presentations. Bring your lunch and we will provide the coffee, tea and cookies.



New Members

We warmly welcome our new members into our Temple family...

Victoria and Benjamin Burger

A Year in Israel for High School Grads

Looking to spend your first post-high school year in Israel? Why not consider Carmel, -the year-long study in Israel program for high school graduates, endorsed by the Union for Reform Judaism. Carmel students study at both the University of Haifa and the Leo Baeck Education Center, and form a vibrant Jewish community that learns together, celebrates together, participates in tikkun olam projects, and travels extensively. Please encourage those high school seniors who you believe would be interested in studying in Israel to contact Anna Kislan-ski, 212.650.4280, akislanski@urj.org or to go to www.carmelisrael.org.

Summer College Internships

College students interested in social justice may want to apply for a six-week internship at the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism in DC. Students in Machon Kaplan receive six academic credits from HUC-JIR while they take classes and intern in socially progressive organizations. Please share the word with your college students; information and a downloadable flyer is available at <http://rac.org/confprog/machon/> or contact Rabbi Michael Namath at 202.387.2800, mnamath@rac.org.

..and for College Seniors

For college seniors looking to spend a year in Washington: please let them know about the Eisendrath Legislative Assistant Fellowship Program, an opportunity to spend a year Washington, DC. The RAC's LA gain invaluable experience in the social action, advocacy, monitoring legislative activity, creating programs and learn about the world of Capitol Hill. Please encourage those who might be interested to contact Barbara Weinstein at 202.387.2800, bweinstein@urj.org or to go to www.rac.org/la.

SISTERHOOD

*by Felice Friedman
Sisterhood President*

With all of us in the grips of the winter months we need to take time for ourselves to relax. We are mothers, wives, employee, employers, shoppers and housekeepers....When do we have time for *us*? On Sunday morning, February 26, we will learn how to relax and make time for ourselves. Jessica Chasen will be chairing this program and we look forward to just "chilling" with our friends! More information will be coming soon.

It's never too late to join a committee. We will be forming our Sisterhood Shabbat Committee in the next few weeks. Sisterhood Shabbat, scheduled for Friday, May 19, is an evening where Sisterhood members write the service and participate in the weekly Shabbat ritual. If you are interested in joining this committee please email me at felicef@comcast.net.

On Sunday, January 22, a few of our Sisterhood Board members attended the District 5 Coffee and Conversation at Reform Congregation Keneseth Israel in Elkins Park. Our afternoon was spent pleasantly chatting with other Sisterhood Board members about fundraising, Tikun Olam, memberships and programming. Brainstorming with friends is a nice way to spend a Sunday! And, we brought back some informative information.

I want to thank Sheila Stern and DJ Whitley for putting together a wonderful craft afternoon. We hope those who attended enjoyed making their scarves!

Don't forget to join us for our monthly Casserole Cooking evening. The more the merrier in the kitchen.

Save the date: March 23 is Her Seder. Look for your invitations in the mail soon!

Have a good February.

MEN'S CLUB

*by Steve Ehrlich
Men's Club President*

Welcome to February, the month we are all glad is the shortest month of the year. By now all of us are anxious for winter to end. But until that happens, I have a great suggestion on how to deal with the wintertime blues – sign up now for the Men's Club Golf Outing. On June 7th, the Men's Club will be holding our annual Golf Outing and everyone (and I mean everyone) is welcome to join in the fun. As an incentive, anyone who signs up before March 30 will receive an early signup discount. Please email (Steve@cyberEhrlich.com) or phone (856-424-6669) Stephen Ehrlich for more details.

Every year the Men's Club sponsors two Softball teams who compete in the Jewish Athletic Group (JAG). Our local JAG is made up of the local Jewish organizations including most of the other local synagogues. We have a place for anyone who wants to play. Our competitive team (the A league) has even won the championship the last few years. Our other team is more social (the B league) and is just out to have some fun at softball. The only requirement to participate is that you are a member of Men's Club and you want to play either competitively or socially. For more information contact Earl Goldstein by email (earle1461@yahoo.com) or by phone (856-231-8589).

On April 9th, we are organizing a group to go to the Philadelphia Souls Game. Arena Football is a fun and exciting game to watch; and this will be a great Family activity on a Sunday afternoon. For more information about the team, visit their website at www.philadelphiasoul.com and to sign up for the Men's Club trip, contact David Chasen by email (DChasen@aol.com). If you are interested in joining us, we need to have you sign up by the end of February so we can purchase a block of tickets.

The next Men's Club meeting is on February 12th when Cantor Miriam Eskenasy will entertain and teach us about Jewish music. This is a great chance to learn more about the rich history of Jewish music. As with all Men's Club Sunday Brunch's, everyone is welcome.



L'Zecher Olam

for an Everlasting Memorial

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

PAULINE KOPEIKA
Mother of Richard March

KYLE SATTIN
Son of Jack Sattin
Brother of Troy

PHILIP G. STEEL
Husband of Florence Steel



Having Fun is as Easy as Aleph Bet

Temple Emanuel invites you to join Aleph Bet, a group of families with infants, toddlers and young children, celebrating our Judaism and socializing together. The group is open to all – Temple Emanuel members, non-members and pre-school families.

Our next event is a Shabbat and Pot-Luck Dinner to Honor Tu B'Shevat, the New Year for the Trees on February 17 at 7 pm.

We will have a traditional Shabbat dinner before Tot Shabbat services. Please bring a dairy or parve main dish or salad to share (no poultry or red meat). In honor of Tu B'Shevat, we will have art projects and other activities related to trees for the children.

Register with Jeanie Blanton in the Pre-School, (856) 489-0034, or by calling the synagogue office at (856) 489-0029.

Save the date: March 24 – Family Shabbaton at Appel Farms. This event is being planned in conjunction with the Family Education Committee at Temple Emanuel.

The Religious School Education Committee Needs You!

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 – Religious School, Pre-School, Family Education or Adult Education. For more information about any of these committees, contact the committee chair or Rabbi Cohen, dbcohen@templemanuel.org, 856-489-0035.

The next meeting of the Religious School Committee will be March 6 at 7:30 pm. The chair is Elliot Roth. 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 six weeks. The upcoming agenda includes topics such as the accreditation process for the Religious School, Hebrew School hours, Religious School food policy and fees for late registrants.

SOCIAL ACTION

by Stephanie Ross

Jews are universally referred to as, "the people of the Book." Of course, the Book being referred to is the Torah. We learn from it as we read it week after week, year after year. The word itself means, "teach," because its role is to guide us by telling us how God wants us to behave.

Jews are commanded to study the contents of the Torah. Out of this mitzvah has grown a tradition that values learning and considers education an obligation. That is why Jewish names like Freud and Einstein are household names today. Rabbi Benjamin Blech author of, "The Idiots Guide to Jewish History and Culture," reports that 21% of all Nobel Prize winners have been Jewish. This is amazing in light of the fact that Jews comprise only one quarter of one percent of the world's population. Could this be because commitment to learning is a Jewish way of life?

There is an ancient Jewish custom that highlights the high regard placed by Jews on learning. When a child turned three years old, the Hebrew alphabet was written on a board in honey. The child would learn the alphabet as he/she licked the honey. In this way, Jewish children learned to associate the gaining of knowledge with sweetness.

Given the value placed by Jews on learning, it is fitting that we devote our efforts to an organization that fosters literacy. Did you know that there is an organization in our area that is committed to helping children learn to read? It is called BookMates and it is run by the South Jersey Jewish Coalition for Literacy. The Social Action Committee at Temple Emanuel has been holding a book drive to support the efforts of BookMates. We have been collecting new and gently used children's books. The new books will be donated directly to BookMates. The used books will be sold at the synagogue on Sunday, February 12th from 9 am to 12:30 pm. The proceeds will be donated to BookMates to be used for the purchase of books. We hope that you will join us on that date to purchase books for your children and grandchildren.

In addition, we will be accepting donations to the tzedakah collective to be used to purchase books. Who among us doesn't relish the opportunity to sit down and lose ourselves in a good book? Wouldn't the joy of reading be a wonderful gift to impart to a child in need?

HELP, HELP, HELP

JOIN THE CARING COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Sunday, February 12, 2006 at 10 am in the Library

Do you want to volunteer to reach out to congregants in need? Do you have ideas about how to make Temple Emanuel an even more caring place? Or, do you just want to find out more about the concept of "Caring Community"?

All are welcome to attend our next meeting where we are delighted that Rabbi Richard Address, founder and director of the URJ Department of Jewish Family Concerns will be joining us to further introduce the concept of Caring Community. Whether you attended our first meeting, or have just decided to get involved, please come and see what Caring Community is all about.

Please RSVP to the Receptionist (856) 489-0029 x 10, if you will be attending the meeting.

Need more information? Call Linda Levitsky (856) (354-9563).

Peggy David and Linda Levitsky, Co-Chairs

CARE, CARE, CARE

SUPPORT, SUPPORT, SUPPORT

REACH OUT, REACH OUT, REACH OUT

PRE-SCHOOL

by Lyn Harley
Pre-School Director



Its winter, but warmth and light generate from our Pre-School. The children's faces were truly lit with excitement at our fantastic concert held on January 26th featuring Janet Sclaroff. A "rocking" time was had by all! The children are eagerly looking forward to other special events this month, which include a visit to Bubbe's Kitchen, an interactive exhibition at the Jewish Community Center. In addition, each child will receive a cookbook filled with recipes from many of the Bubbles in the area. Yum!

This month will be dubbed "The Month of the Healthy Child." The children will participate in Jumpin' Gymanee, which is a fundraising project. Half of the money will go to The American Heart Association and half will go to Magen David Adom (The Israeli Red Cross). The children will participate in a variety of athletic events culminating in a timed "hop" which is sponsored by parents. In past years our children have earned an average of \$1000. We would welcome your support so that anyone wishing to contribute to this project may certainly do so by calling the Pre-School at (856) 489-0034.

Since Jumpin' Gymanee focuses on the healthy heart. The children will be engaged in additional "healthy" activities this month. They will be bringing in healthy snacks and lunches, will learn about the care of their teeth and bodies, and will participate in additional exercise activities such as yoga. Our parents are also invited to learn more about the physical and emotional well-being of our children. We are proud to announce that a "Healthy Child Forum" will be held on Wednesday, February 15th at 7 pm here at Temple Emanuel. Some of our featured speakers will be:

- Dr. David Chasen – pediatrician
- Dr. Robert Gelman – pediatric dentist
- Loren Firstenberg, Psy. D. – psychologist
- Lyn Harley, MA, CCC – SLP – Speech-Language Specialist

After the panel presentation, our parents will have the opportunity to ask questions of our experts. This free forum will be open to everyone in the community. Babysitting will be available at no charge with prior registration. Please call the Pre-School for additional information.

Bring some sunshine into your life and visit the Preschool.

REGISTRATION FOR PRE-SCHOOL. KINDERGARTEN ENRICHMENT & KAMP KAYEETZ IS NOW TAKING PLACE.

Contact the Pre-School Office for your application (856) 489-0034

JANUARY 2'S CLASS HAS JUST STARTED

Room is still available. Call the Pre-School office for details (856) 489-0034

Registration for PACT (Parent And Child Together) is on-going.

Contact the Pre-School Office for details (856) 489-0034

		Ima (Mommy) and Me (birth -9 mos.)
Tuesdays	9:30 – 10:30	Feb 21 st – April 4 th and April 11 th – May 30 th
		Awaken Your Senses (9 mos. -15 mos.)
Thursdays	9:45 – 10:45	Jan. 5 th – May 25 th
		Toddler Territory (15 mos. -28 mos.)
Fridays	9:45 – 10:45	Jan. 6 th – May 26 th

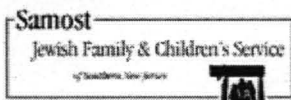
KOL EMANUEL

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by Beth Strum

Come one and all on February 11 to Temple Emanuel's Shabbat service and prayer dedicated to Tu B' Shvat, a celebration of the land of Israel and the mitzvah of planting trees. It's a nature holiday and the music Julia Zavadtzky has selected for this service will offer the feeling and spirituality of this beautiful holiday.

If you would like to join Kol Emanuel, please come to rehearsals on Tuesdays from 7-9 pm.

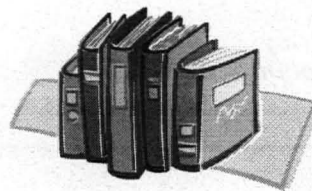


**Jewish Family &
Children's Service
Fundraising Event to
Raise Funds and Fun**

Rediscover your childhood at an informal fun filled evening at **JFCS Frenzy**, the annual fundraising event for Jewish Family and Children's Service of Southern New Jersey on Saturday, April 29, 2006 at 8:30 pm at the Funplex in Mt. Laurel, NJ. Join your family and friends for an evening of lavish hors d'oeuvres and desserts, unlimited arcade games and bumper cars, open bar, auctions and raffles, and fabulous prizes—including a week in Puerto Rico. Covert is \$75 per person, and proceeds benefit the worthwhile programs and services of JFCS. Program sponsorships are available. For more information about the event or sponsorships, contact Beth Wynne at 424-1333 x179 or email her at bwynne@jfedsnj.org

Grant A Wish for a Senior Citizen

Wouldn't it feel good to do something for someone else? Jewish Family & Children's Service of Southern New Jersey is seeking volunteers to help make wishes come true for seniors in the community on **"Make a Wish Day"** to be held throughout the month of June. Wishes might include going out for lunch, to a shopping mall, to a movie or to a supermarket; baking together; or visiting a loved one in the cemetery. These wishes may appear simple, but mean so much to an elderly person who is isolated and confined to their home. If you are interested in volunteering some time during the month of June, email Tracy Schwartz at tracyrschwartz@aol.com. If you have any questions please feel free to call Andi Loew at (856) 424-1333, ext. 180 or email her at aloew@jfedsnj.org.



Temple Emanuel Book Club

Join Rabbi Geri Newburge, Rabbi Debbie Cohen and Peggy David, MSW, LCSW, each month to discuss a popular book with Jewish interest. To fit your schedule, the book will be discussed twice, once on Sunday and once on Monday from 9:15 am to 10:30 am. You need only come to one of the discussions. Call 856-489-0029 to register; for a full year's calendar contact Rabbi Cohen.

Upcoming books are:

"A Literary Murder" by Batya Gur – February 26 and 27 with Rabbi Cohen

Israeli writer Batya Gur follows Michael Ohayon, Superintendent of Criminal Investigations in Jerusalem, on the trail of murder set within a small, tightly structured community. Here, two professors in the Hebrew Literature Department at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem are killed on one weekend. A complex mystery set in an unusual, well-developed milieu with a full cast of multi-dimensional characters, Literary Murder is literary pleasure.

"The Outside World" by Tova Mirvis – March 19 and 20 with Peggy David, MSW, LCSW

Tzippy Goldman, an ultra-Orthodox young woman, has sat through too many first dates in Brooklyn hotel lobbies. Hungry for life experience, she wants to go to Israel. At the same time, Bryan Miller is searching for more meaning than his modern Orthodox Jewish lifestyle and family provide. He changes his name to Baruch and decides to give up plans to attend Columbia University in order to study the Talmud at yeshiva in Jerusalem. The move leads him to become ultra-Orthodox, and to Tzippy. They find that though they love one another deeply, they must constantly seek a balance between tradition, faith, and the outside world.



The Jaffe Family Practicing
Their Spinning Technique.



David & Rebecca
Chasen Spinning
Together.

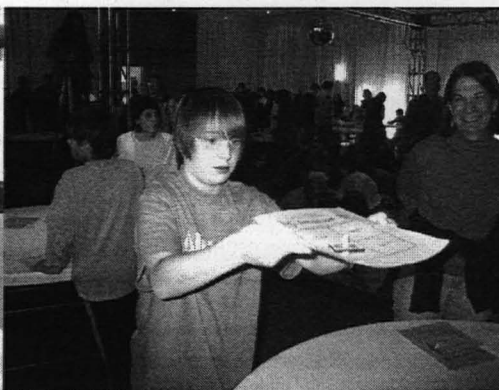


The Children's Choir
Adding Song to the
Day.

Mazel Tov to all of Temple Emanuel's Guinness Book of World Records Dreidel Spinners!



Harry Platt and Steven Burkett
Counting the Results.



Max Brekke's Interesting Spinning Style



The Schultz Family with Bonnie Sharps &
"Maydel the Draydel" (Evan Sharps)



Give a hand
To Lindsay Katz!

Rabbi Jerry David
Announces our Big Win!

YOUTH GROUP

by Sandy Umansky

Temple Emanuel's senior youth group, TEFTY, hosted a regional convention for our Reform movement over the Martin Luther King weekend. WINSTY, the winter social action kallah, brought together 130 teens from Pennsylvania and New Jersey to do mitzvot, socialize, and have an incredible experience. Thirty of these amazing teens were Temple Emanuel members; their dedication and zeal were evident in every aspect of the weekend.

A wonderful Shabbat dinner, hosted by Sisterhood, was followed by a beautiful, moving service put together by Abby Eron and Janna Lambson. Get-acquainted mixers are a great way for new and old members to get to know one another better. Tefty's first mixer, arranged by Becca Dittrich, Derek Bruno, Halley Brettler and Alli and Jill Cogan, featured a game of Life replica board.

Saturday and Sunday afternoons were dedicated to social action projects. It is no small undertaking to compile activities for 130 teens in the community that would be both meaningful and interesting; Allie Cogan, a Regional Officer, the Vice President of Social

Seeing 130 teenagers from all over Pennsylvania and South Jersey join together and commit themselves to social action this weekend brought me to tears - literally. I was horribly sad when the weekend was over, but I was overflowing with joy and pride that we were able to provide such a beautiful experience for the participants.

Allie Cogan

Action, rose to the challenge and exceeded all expectations! These projects included trips to Children's Hospital to do crafts and play with young children, to the Jewish Geriatric Home to lead services and mingle, to the Salzman House for crafts and conversation with the seniors, to New Visions Shelter in Camden and to The Bancroft School

Sunday was the final day of this terrific weekend. After a day of doing mitzvot, everyone enjoyed a wonderful dinner, sponsored by our Temple's Men's Club. Saying good-bye was difficult after such a time of bonding and sharing.

So many incredible individuals joined forces to make things run smoothly and help make WINSTY a reality. The Youth Committee and its members worked hard to ensure that Temple Emanuel shone. A sincere thanks to:

- Greg and Lynne Bruno, who handled housing details (and learned that everything can change a dozen times before the finished list is created!).
- Phyllis Dittrich, who helped with housing and details of the mixer and phone calling.
- Felice Friedman, who coordinated Friday night Shabbat dinner for us
- Polly Katz, who handled Temple meals to make 150 people happy!
- Fred Schulz, who was truly fantastic in presenting and procuring the food for these meals. Fred's energy & commitment are true inspirations for our teens. He even baked a WINSTY sheet cake for everyone!
- Robin Cogan, who is indeed the heart of the volunteers, willing and able to help with every single detail, from working on programs with Allie to gathering supplies to talking to organizations.
- Ed Cogan, who helped with support and encouragement for all of our kids!
- And finally, all the families that hosted attending teens, helping to make them feel at home and welcomed and encouraged.

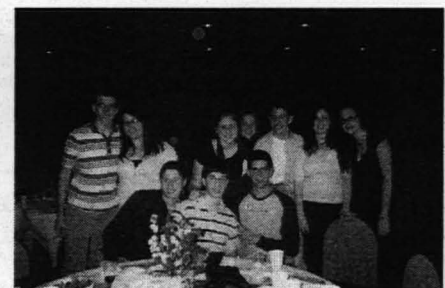
I personally want to thank everyone who joined forces to make WINSTY so wonderful – the families who care and who are willing to get out and make a difference and the teens who are wise and witty, creative and caring, competent and conscientious. The future of Judaism can only expect greatness with teens like ours approaching adulthood!



This is TEFTY 2006 at WINSTY



Greg Bruno is surrounded by WINSTY teens including Michelle, Laura Flanagan, Aaron Thomson & Friends



Shabbat Dinner thanks to Sisterhood

TREE OF LIFE



Jerri Pinsky
Chairperson

The beautiful **Tree of Life** across from the Social Hall spreads its branches across the Temple wall. Each golden leaf on the **Tree** tells a short story about a loved one; a birth, a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, a wedding, an anniversary or a special achievement.

If you would like to add an accomplishment or mitzvah to a leaf for all to see, contact Irene Strauss in the Temple office.

LEAVES

DONORS

DJ Whitley & Timmie Pinsky

IN HONOR OF

Reserved 1 leaf

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

Listed below you will find the names of the dedicated and amazing volunteers who worked tirelessly and selflessly to make this convention a reality:

the youth committee:

the brunos
the cogans
the dittrichs
polly katz

and all the volunteers from our
Temple Emanuel family:
pam austin
dan baratz
debbie and brian baratz
matt berns

rhea brekke
the brymans
the brettlers
deb faye
madeline flanagan
eileen gaglia
ceil keim
the krells
the rivkins
the robbins'
joanne rosen
cathy rosenberg

stephanie ross
the sachais'
lynn sandler
the silverbergs
sheila stern
beth strum
phil umansky
jessica wachstein
stephanie weinberger
amanda winn
the winters
debra winter

and a most special thank you and unlimited gratitude to fred schultz!!

Tefty also thanks Sisterhood and Men's Club for graciously providing Shabbat dinner and Sunday dinner. This experience has unified so many in our Temple and we are very grateful.



Playing the Game of Life from left to right: Caroline Strum, Ari Karpf, Hallie Brettler & friend & Becca Dittrich.
THANK YOU!

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What an incredible team behind the scenes.
Pictured from right to left: Ed Cogan, Phyllis & Rich Dittrich, Robin Cogan, Greg Bruno, Phil & Sandy Umansky, Lynne Bruno & Polly Katz THANK YOU!

Mazel Tov...

Betsy and Michael Lambert on the marriage of their daughter, Rachel to Noah Stein

Andy Todes and Theresa McKeown on the birth of their son, Graham Elliot Todes

Judy and Richard Franken on the engagement of their granddaughter, Patrice Reiter to Avi Robbins

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INTERFAITH COUPLES GET-TOGETHER

Sunday, February 26, 2006 at 7 pm
at the home of Peter and Nancy Law
Join Rabbi Jerry and Peggy David in a discussion on
"RAISING CHILDREN IN AN INTERFAITH HOME"

Share your thoughts and enjoy good company
Desserts and refreshments will be served
call (856) 489-0029, ext. 10 to rsvp
& for directions.

Caring Community

*is a program at Temple Emanuel,
focused on meeting
the needs of our whole Temple family*

The support group for individuals with
relationships in transition is resuming.

The first meeting of our 6 week session will begin February 9th at 7pm at Temple Emanuel.

If you or anyone you know can benefit from this program, please contact Rabbi Geri Newburge at
856-489-0029 ext. 16

As part of our "Healthy Child Month" we are proud to announce that a free program not to be missed!

"Healthy Child Forum"

will be held on

Wednesday, February 15th at 7 pm at Temple Emanuel.

Some of our featured speakers will be:

Dr. David Chasen - pediatrician

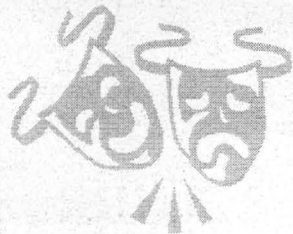
Dr. Robert Gelman - pediatric dentist

Loren Firstenberg, Psy. D. - psychologist

Lyn Harley, MA, CCC - SLP - Speech-Language Specialist



After the panel presentation, parents will have the opportunity to ask questions of our experts. This free forum is open to everyone in the community. Babysitting will be available at no charge with prior registration. Please call the Pre-School office at (856) 489-0034 for additional information or to register for babysitting. We look forward to seeing you.



Purim

Megillah Reading & Shpiel (Purim Play)

March 14 at 7 pm

Pre-Festivities & Casual Dinner begin at 6 pm

A Family Event for Everybody! Come in costume!

Young & Young-at-Heart are invited!

Pre-School closing # 1255

TEMPLE EMANUEL

February 2006

*RS Closing # 2638 Tues/Wed evening
#638 Afternoon and Sunday School*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 7 pm Introduction to Judaism 7:30 pm Yoga and Meditation Yiddish Class	3 7 pm Tot Shabbat 7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Family Service with Children's Choir 2nd Grade Honoring Alternative Service	4 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service
5 9 am 3rd Grade Family Ed Program 10 am Men's Post B'nai Mitzvah Class 10:30 am Budget Mtg 12:30 pm Chaverim	6 7 pm Youth Committee	7 1 pm Prayerbook Skills 7 pm Choir Practice 7 pm Adult Hebrew 8 pm Adult Academy "Today's Diverse Jewish World"	8	9 7 pm Introduction to Judaism Caring Community 7:30 pm Yoga and Meditation Yiddish Class Sisterhood Board Meeting	10 8 pm Shabbat Evening Torah Service Shabbat Shira with Kol Emanuel	11 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service 6th Grade Family Shabbat 6:15 pm Havdalah Service Bat Mitzvah of AMANDA JOY SILPE
12 9 am Book Sale 9:30 Budget Mtg 10 am Men's Club Meeting Caring Community 11 am Taste of Sunday School 12:30 am Club Noar	13 7:30 pm Exec. Board Meeting	14 12 Noon Adult B'nai Mitzvah Post B'nai Mitzvah Class 1 pm Stories of the Prophets 7 pm Casserole Cooking Choir Practice Adult Hebrew Adult Academy "Torah Cantillation"	15 12 Noon Senior Group Brown Bag Lunch and Discussion 7:30 Ritual Comm	16 7 pm Introduction to Judaism Caring Community 7:30 pm Yoga and Meditation Yiddish Class	17 6 pm Aleph Bet Pot-Luck Dinner 7 pm Tot Shabbat Junior Congregation 8 pm Shabbat Evening Service	18 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service 6:15 pm Havdalah Service—Bat Mitzvah of SHANLEY MICHELLE HORVITZ
19 No School	20 President's Weekend	21 1 pm Prayerbook Skills 7 pm Choir Practice Adult Hebrew 8 pm Adult Academy "Torah Cantillation"	22 7 pm Men's Study Group	23 7 pm Introduction to Judaism Caring Community 7:30 pm Yoga and Meditation Yiddish Class Membership Comm.	24 8 pm Shabbat Evening Service Cherry Hill HS East Singers	25 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service Jewish Culture Shuk at JCC
26 9 am 1st Grade Family Ed Prog 9:15 am TE Book Club 9:30 Budget Mtg 10 am Men's Post B'nai Mitzvah Class Sisterhood Relaxation Program 11 am StarLight Foundation Mtg 7 pm Interfaith Couples Evening at the Law's	27 9:15 am TE Book Club 7:30 pm TE Board of Trustees	28 12 noon Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class Post B'nai Mitzvah Class 1 pm Stories of the Prophets 7 pm Choir Practice Adult Hebrew 7:30 pm Parenting Teens at JCC 8 pm Adult Academy "Torah Cantillation"				

TEMPLE EMANUEL

March 2006

Pre-School closing # 1255

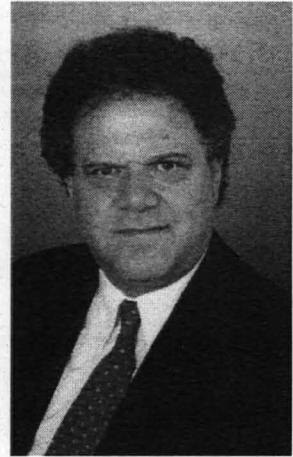
RS Closing # 2638 Tues/Wed evening
#638 Afternoon and Sunday School

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 6 pm Sisterhood "Hamantashen" baking 7 pm Men's Study Group	2 7 pm Introduction to Judaism Caring Community 7:30 pm Yoga and Meditation Yiddish Club	3 7 pm Tot Shabbat 7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Family Service 3rd Grade Shabbat Alternative Service Shabbat Across America Children's Choir	4 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service
5 9 am Kindergarten Family Ed Program 9:30 am Budget Mtg.	6 7 pm Youth Comm. 7:30 pm Men's Post B'nai Mitzvah Class RS Sub Committee	7 1 pm Prayerbook Skills 7 pm Choir Practice 7 pm Adult Hebrew Adult Academy "Torah Cantillation"	8	9 7 pm Caring Comm. 7:30 pm Sisterhood Board Mtg. Introduction to Judaism Yoga and Meditation Yiddish Class	10 8 pm Shabbat Evening Service	11 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Evening Service 6:15 Havdalah Service Bar Mitzvah of BENJAMIN MICAH LEFLER
12 9:30 Budget Mtg. 11 am Taste of Sunday School 12 - 3 pm PURIM CARNIVAL 12:30 pm Chaverim	13	14 12 Noon Adult B'nai Mitzvah Post B'nai Mitzvah Class 1 pm Stories of the Prophets 7 pm Casserole Cooking Choir Practice Adult Hebrew 8 pm Adult Academy "Torah Cantillation" PURIM SHPIEL AND MEGILLAH READING PURIM	15 12 Noon Senior Group Brown Bag Lunch and Discussion 7 pm Men's Study Group	16 7 pm Introduction to Judaism Caring Community 7:30 pm Yoga and Meditation Yiddish Class Ritual Comm.	17 6 pm Youth Group Shabbat Dinner 7 pm Tot Shabbat 8 pm Shabbat Evening Service Youth Group Shabbat 8th Grade Retreat	18 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service Bat Mitzvah of SARAH ELIZABETH SACHAIS 6:15 pm Havdalah Service Bat Mitzvah of AUSTIN SALINE 8th Grade Retreat
19 9:15 am TE Book Club 9 am Social Action Mtg. 9:30 Budget Mtg. 10 am Men's Club Breakfast Meeting 12:30 pm Club Noar 8th Grade Retreat	20 9:15 am TE Book Club 7:30 pm Exec. Board Mtg.	21 1 pm Prayerbook Skills 7 pm Choir Practice Adult Hebrew 8 pm Adult Academy "Torah Cantillation"	22 6:45 pm 6th Grade Wrap with the Rabbis	23 5:45 pm "Her Seder" 7 pm Introduction to Judaism Caring Community 7:30 pm Yoga and Meditation Yiddish Class	24 7:15 pm Singles Shabbat 8 pm Shabbat Evening Service Kol Emanuel Family Shabbaton at Appel Farm	25 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service 6:15 pm Havdalah Service Bar Mitzvah of ALEX ROMASH Family Shabbaton at Appel Farm 9th Grade Trip
26 9 am 2nd Grade Family Ed Program 9th Grade Trip	27 7 pm Cooking Class 7:30 pm TE Board of Trustees	28 12 Noon Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class Post B'nai Mitzvah Class 1 pm Stories of the Prophets 7 pm Choir Practice Adult Hebrew Adult Academy "Torah Cantillation"	29	30 7 pm Introduction to Judaism 7:30 pm Yoga and Meditation Yiddish Class Membership Comm.	31 8pm Shabbat Evening Service Scholar-in-Residence Rabbi Sam Joseph	



Rabbi Sam Joseph

Temple Emanuel's
Scholar-in-Residence
Weekend



March 31-April 2

Join us in welcoming Rabbi Sam Joseph to Temple Emanuel for a weekend of learning together. Rabbi Joseph is an engaging speaker who likes to get to the heart of the matter. He cares passionately about religious education and is an approachable leader in our Reform Jewish community.

Rabbi Joseph is Professor of Jewish Education and Leadership Development at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. His specialties are synagogue leadership development, curriculum development and adult education. He also founded the Reform congregation in Hong Kong.

Rabbi Joseph will be speaking at Friday night services 8 pm and participating in additional activities throughout the weekend. For more information contact Rabbi Geri Newburge at (856) 489-0029, ext. 16.

TEMPLE EMANUEL

Family Shabbaton At Appel Farm

*Overnight
March 24-25*

*6 pm
Friday
to
4:30 pm
Saturday*

*For more information or to
volunteer to help plan the
retreat, please speak with
Rabbi Debbie Cohen, 856-
489-0035, or Jessica Manelis.*



Leave the hustle and bustle of home behind for a relaxing and fun Shabbaton with your family. Jewish learning, informal prayer services, art, music and outdoor activities will make this overnight special and meaningful. We will stay at the Appel Farms Art & Music Center in Elmer, NJ — about 45 minutes from Cherry Hill. Experience a stress-free Shabbat with your family. Each family will have a large, heated, dormitory space. Families of all ages are invited to participate. Kids' activities and baby-sitting will be available.

Costs: Adults — \$85, Children over 5 — \$75,

Children 1-5 \$60, Infants under 1 \$35.

Please sign our family up for the Family Shabbaton:

Name:

Phone Number:

E-mail:

of Adults:

of Children over 5:

of Children 1-5:

of infants:

Please attach a check made out to Temple Emanuel.
Return to the Religious School.

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Torah Portions of the Month

February 4

Bo Exodus 10:1 – 13:16

In Parashat Bo, God inflicts the last three plagues upon the Egyptians and gives the instructions for the observance of the festival of Passover. Locusts, the eighth plague, devour all the grass and trees so that nothing green is left in all of Egypt. Then darkness covers the land for three days. Before the tenth and final plague, God tells Moses and Aaron to instruct each Israelite family to slaughter a lamb, put some of its blood on the doorposts of their homes so that God will pass over their houses when God kills every first born child in the land of Egypt. Finally, acknowledging God's power over him, Pharaoh tells Moses and Aaron to leave with the people so that they may worship God. They leave hurriedly, before their dough can rise.

February 11

Beshalach Exodus 13:17 – 17:16

In Beshalach, we read about several miracles as the people of Israel safely cross the Sea of Reeds, have their hunger and thirst in the desert satisfied and emerge victorious from their first battle as a free people. The Israelites continue on their journey and run short of water and food. God explains that bread will come for them from the sky.

February 18

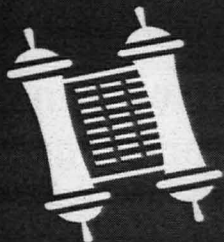
Yitro Exodus 18:1 – 20:23

The namesake of this week's Torah portion is Jethro (in Hebrew "Yitro"), the father-in-law of Moses. The portion opens with Jethro bringing his daughter (Moses' wife) and her two sons to join Moses in the desert after the Israelites exodus from Egypt. Jethro observes Moses spending his days settling disputes among the Israelites. Jethro suggests that Moses share this burden and delegate chiefs to judge all but the most difficult cases.

Feb 25

Mishpatim Exodus 21:1 – 24:18; 30:11-16

God tells Moses, "These are the rules (mishpatim) that you shall set before them". These rules deal with a wide variety of issues - how one should treat slaves, strangers, widows and orphans; punishments for killing or physically hurting other people; personal liability for injuries caused to animals; how to treat people fairly; rules about loaning money; and specific directions on how to perform certain rituals. Rules about Shabbat, the three pilgrimage festivals and kashrut are also mentioned. God tells the people that if they serve God, they will be blessed and they respond, "All that God has spoken we will do". The parasha concludes with Moses going up Mount Sinai and remaining there for forty days and forty nights.



Shabbat Morning Torah Study

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

February 4 Bo with Rabbi Cohen
February 11 B'shallach with Cantor Eskenasy
February 18 Yitro with Stephen Ehrlich
February 25 Mishpatim with Rabbi David

March 4
March 11
March 18
March 25

Terumah with Deb Faye
Tetzavah with Rabbi Cohen
Ki Tisa, Leader TBA
Vayakhel/Pekude, Cantor Eskenasy

EXTRA, EXTRA, READ ALL ABOUT IT!

- WHAT?** Temple Emanuel's Social Action Com. presents our first annual book sale
- WHY?** Why not start the New Year by cleaning off your book shelves? We are collecting new and gently used children's books and books for the entire family.
- WHO?** New books and the proceeds of the sale will be donated to BookMates a local literacy program for kids.
- WHERE?** Please place book donations in the bins in the religious school's foyer.
- WHEN?** Come to our book sale on Sun. Feb. 12th from 9 – 12:30 to restore your shelves.

Please contact Stephanie Ross with any questions:
schleper247@comcast.net



Temple Emanuel
MEN'S CLUB

Golf Outing



Sign Up for A great day of Golf at Ramblewood Country Club

Play Golf and/or be a Sponsor

Gold Sponsor---\$1000 One foursome, listing as a Gold Sponsor, one month ad in the Temple Emanuel Light and a Plaque recognizing your sponsorship.

Silver Sponsor---\$800 One foursome, listing as a Silver Sponsor and a Plaque recognizing your sponsorship.

Bronze Sponsor---\$600 One foursome and listing as a Bronze Sponsor

All Foursomes include Greens Fees and Lunch for four Golfers

Single Player -- \$150 Greens Fees and Lunch for one Golfer

Lunch Sponsor---\$500 Listing as a Lunch Sponsor and a Plaque recognizing your sponsorship.

Hole Sponsor---\$150 Listing as a Hole Sponsor and a Sign at Your sponsored Hole.

Wednesday
June 7, 2006

Registration: 7 AM
Shotgun Start 8 AM

Everyone who plays Golf is welcome

Men, Women, Members and Non-Members are invited
Only requirement is that you enjoy golf

For more information contact
Steve@cyberEhrlich.com
856-424-6669

Each foursome will complete as a team, as they play the best positioned ball from each stroke.

**Prizes will be awarded to
the best teams.**



Cut on above line and mail this form with your check to
Temple Emanuel Men's Club, 1101 Springdale Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003

I want to Play Golf: Single \$150 ____ Foursome \$600 ____ (list players on back)

Early Bird Special
Sign up by March 31, 2005
and pay only \$130 per golfer

I want to Play and help Sponsor this Golf Outing: GOLD - \$1000 ____ SILVER ____ \$800 BRONZE \$600 ____

I just want to help Sponsor this Golf Outing: Lunch Sponsor \$500 ____ Hole Sponsor \$150 ____

Name ____ Address: ____

Phone ____ Email ____

a portion of the proceeds support the Temple Emanuel Social Action Committee

WE GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

Our Temple Funds provide a beautiful way to remember someone special and at the same time, help to maintain several worthwhile synagogue projects. Deadline for insertion in The Light is the first day of the previous month. Minimum contribution is \$10.

Rabbi Jerome P. David Education Fund

To enhance religious school education.

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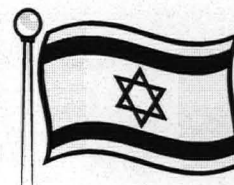
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Recently a group from Temple Emanuel traveled to Israel. As often happens when discussing our homeland, I began reminiscing about our first year of rabbinical school in Jerusalem. Memories come flooding back and I can't help but remember the delicious food we ate during that year. Of course one of the ubiquitous foods in Israel is hummus... so here's a recipe for it.

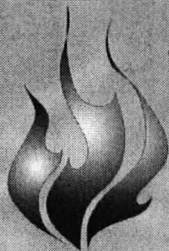
Hummus (from The Book of Jewish Food by Claudia Roden)

- 1 1/4 cups chickpeas
- salt
- Juice of 2-3 lemons
- 2-3 garlic cloves, minced or crushed
- 6 Tbs tahini
- 4 Tbs extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 tsp paprika
- 2 Tbs finely chopped flat-leafed parsley



Blend or process the chickpeas with a little of their water, enough to make a smooth paste. Add teh lemon juice, garlic, tahini, 2 tablespoons of oil and salt to taste, and blend or process adding more water to obtain a soft creamy texture. To serve, spread the paste on a plate and sprinkle with the remaining oil, the paprika, and the parsley.

Serves 6-8 as an appetizer



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