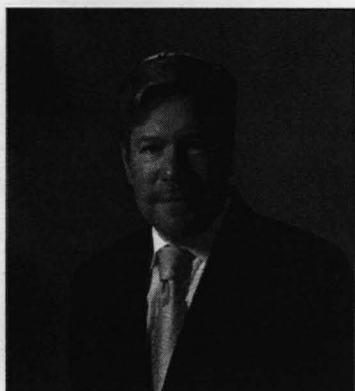




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From the **Rabbi's Study**

by Jerome P. David, D.D.

As Jews, this is the time of year when we have the opportunity to wish one another a Shana Tova – a good and happy New Year all over again, and make some resolutions.

Ask the average person, “Hey, what do you want out of life?”, and you’ll probably hear, “All I want is to be happy – to be content.” We strategize, we follow a plan, applying ourselves to the max, dreaming of the day when there will finally be enough – enough money, enough seniority, leisure, notoriety, respect, security. And we do all of this with the certainty that when we finally lasso the “prize,” contentment will be ours as well.

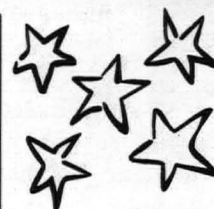
Contentment – that emotionally settled feeling of personal satisfaction – so often is just beyond our grasp. And sometimes we can’t even articulate just what, for us, contentment really is. Or to paraphrase Mark Twain on the subject of contentment: “You don’t know quite what it is you want, but it just fairly makes your heart ache you want it so.” A New Yorker cartoon portrays two dogs in serious conversation. One, sitting in front of his doghouse, confesses to the other: “I’ve got the bowl, the bone, the big yard. I know I should be happy.” Oscar Wilde once wrote: “In this world there are only two tragedies. One is not getting what one wants, and the other is getting it.”

Well, if we are ever to feel contentment, let us be very clear about one thing: Human contentment cannot be manufactured overnight. It is the end result, as our Judaism tells us, of a lifelong process of personal evolution and prioritization that requires both effort, conscious focus, and living fully in the moment.

Contentment is born in those who live in the “now” and not the “then” or the “someday.” As we begin 2007, let us resolve to live each minute as an unrepeatable miracle!. We have the power of – NOW.

Wishing you a happy and contented New Year.

This message was inspired by the writings of Rabbi Edward Paul Cohen



Reach For

The Stars

2007

**Watch your mail for
more information!**

Temple Emanuel Scholars' Forum

Reverend Vernon King
Friday, January 12th at 8 pm
Sponsored by Temple Emanuel
Social Action Committee

As a guest of the
*National Stop the
Violence Alliance*,
Reverend Vernon King
will honor the life, legacy and
words of his uncle,
Dr. Martin Luther King
at our Shabbat Service.
Plan to attend and bring
your friends to hear
this inspiring message.

PRESIDENT'S Message

by Joyce C. Hoff



I'm not much for New Year's resolutions. I used to make them; you know the usual... I'm going to lose those ten pounds, again, the same ten I've lost ten times in twenty years. Or this year I'm going to go workout at the gym three times a week. You know that resolution never makes it past the first week. Besides, I would have to rejoin the gym to make that resolution work. So as we enter the new secular year 2007 I resolve not to make resolutions I can't keep and will set goals for the coming year as they are more manageable and attainable.

A big part of my life is my volunteer time as President of Temple Emanuel. Along with the Executive Board, the Board of Trustees and the Temple Emanuel staff we strive to set goals for our community that will enhance our members' experiences. Programming is a big part of the year. You can look at our monthly calendars and see there is no shortage of programs that appeal to young and old.

In the month of January we are hosting a community concert featuring the music of Peter and Ellen Allard for our pre-school children. All of the area Jewish preschools have joined us in sponsoring this fabulous singing pair in a joint effort to bring quality programming to the community. I hope you can bring your children or grandchildren to this wonderful event on January 11 at 6:15 p.m.

The Reverend Vernon King, nephew of Dr. Martin Luther King, will be our guest speaker on January 12 at Shabbat services beginning at 8 p.m. This is the beginning of a weekend to honor the memory and vision of Dr. King. Our Social Action committee is also sponsoring a blood drive on Sunday January 14 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Mitzvah Day from 9 a.m. to noon. You can find more details in Stephanie Ross' article.

One goal I would like each one of you to consider this year is the chance to make a difference in your synagogue community. On the High Holy Days this year Rabbi David spoke of making a pledge of time. Find one aspect of our diverse community to give a little of your valuable time.

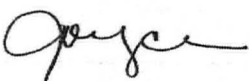
I would like to share this prayer I found while thinking about New Year's resolutions:

A New Year's Prayer

Dear God, please give me
A few friends who understand me and remain my friends;
A work to do which has real value,
without which the world would be the poorer;
A mind unafraid to travel, even though the trail be not blazed;
An understanding heart;
A sense of humor;
Time for quiet, silent meditation;
A feeling of the presence of God;
The patience to wait for the coming of these things,
With the wisdom to recognize them when they come.
Amen.

- Unknown writer

B'Shalom,



Memo from MAYDA



Recently I was reading one of the many e-mail messages delivered to my mailbox each day. This one was received from a Jewish on-line group. As I read it, it gave me pause. I share it with you in hopes that it will provide you, too, with thoughts to consider.

Imagine taking a boat trip that will last for the rest of your life. If you could take along whomever you wanted, whom would you take? Life is really just one long voyage, a journey for which you need to choose whom to take with you. Many people travel with light baggage. Sure, they can count a lot of friends, business associates, and even family, but they fail to truly "take them along" on the journey. Because all you really have with you in life is that which you appreciate. In this sense, do you have your spouse? Do you have your children? Your community? Your Judaism? Your friends? Are they with you on your journey - or did you leave them at home?

As we begin 2007 (can you believe it?), please think about your Temple Emanuel community. Join us for worship, for fun, for the sense of belonging, to help others, to help yourself. Consider how you can do something for somebody else. How you can give back to others? It may be by helping teach someone who is new to Judaism more about our traditions and heritage; it may be sharing your expertise and knowledge as a doctor/teacher/ librarian/electrician; you may be successful in business and able to be a mentor to others... no matter what your career path, there will always be the opportunity to give back and to help.

The chance will present itself – to give of your time, your money, but mostly, to give of yourself, of your own heart and soul. We should never forget that heartache cannot be cured but can be eased by someone willing to care and give genuine sympathy. Conversely, the true greatness of joy can only be known when it is shared with others.

Take us along on your life's journey. The Jewish memories you cherish from your childhood cannot, by osmosis, become your children's memories. We are here to help you build memories, gain understanding and build a joyful Jewish life. Our doors are always open – and we are waiting for you!

Wishing you a wonderful, healthy and happy journey through the New Year. I look forward to seeing you often at Temple Emanuel.

B'Shalom,

The URJ Pennsylvania Council and Congregations Gathered for A Regional Biennial in Philadelphia November 16-19.

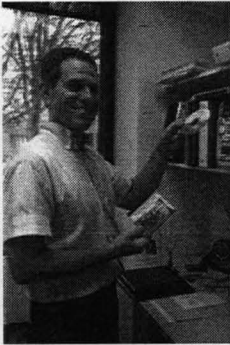
The URJ Pennsylvania Council gathered in Philadelphia to study, sing, pray, schmooze and to celebrate our vibrant community. It was also a time to honor those congregants whose service to their congregation and community was deserving of a special recognition. Robin Cogan was recognized for her commitment to Temple Emanuel. Her activities include serving as Sisterhood president at Temple Emanuel, and as a Camp Harlem nurse for eight wonderful summers. On the regional level, Robin acted as Temple Emanuel's liaison to the FRSGP for two years and currently serves on the Regional Youth Committee.

Rabbi Jerry David, Rabbi Geri Newburge, Joyce Hoff, Jim & Bess Soffer, Joanne Rosen, Adrienne Mintz and Robin Miller were also in attendance to represent Temple Emanuel.

CANTOR'S NOTES



by Peter Halpern



A Peek into the Cantor's 6th Grade Religious School classes

In addition to our work with trope, prayers and Israel, I like to reinforce positive values with our 6th graders on Wednesday evenings. We recently had a discussion about death, followed by an exercise about what we would like to accomplish in life. This led to the question of how each of them would like to be remembered. We decided to draw our own epitaph. Here are just a few of the many thoughtful creations!

"Life's one great roller-coaster;
Just ride it."

Loving father, loving friend, loving son,
loving husband.
We mourn on this day for his life.

Great wife, mother and doctor.
She will be with us forever.

New Jersey Girl
Lived to be 106.
Lived a great life.
Husband loved her.

A man of little words
many talents
A man of wisdom
and loyalty.
A great husband
and grandfather.
He started a little warrior,
and ended a great soldier.

May we take the warmth, wisdom and love of our youngsters with us as we enter this New Year.
Wishing you all a blessed 2007.

WELCOME

We welcome our new members

Valerie and Ronald Sanders

Suzanne Cohen

Calling all flutists, clarinetists and violinists!

Cantor Peter and Murray Savar are looking for a few good musicians to join them in a special music service this winter. If you play regularly or are motivated to dust off your instrument and get back in shape, please call or e-mail Cantor Peter as soon as possible.

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cantorpeter@templemanuel.org

Caring Community Our Mission Statement

At Temple Emanuel, the Caring Community and Membership committees are intertwined to meet the needs of each and every member of our congregation.

Through every phase of your life, there is an opportunity for you to become a Mitzvah Maker and attain personal enrichment by "feeding" the spiritual, physical and emotional well-being of others.

How to Become a Mitzvah Maker?

- Come to a Committee meeting
- Email us at caringcommunity@templemanuel.org
- Or simply get involved by volunteering your time

Our committee offers you the ability to do one mitzvah or many that touch the lives of our congregational families.

Get to know us at Temple Emanuel so we can get to know you. Let us be there for you through the ever-changing cycles of your life. Our doors are always open.

Reach out to your Caring Community and allow us to be there for you. Everyone needs to be needed...and we need you!

Robin Miller
Adrienne Hoffman
Co-Chairs Caring Community



Sheldon and Ken Goodstadt on the engagement of their daughter Monica to Jon Sussman

Shira and Robert Sand on the marriage of their son, Ronald to Heather Steinrucken

Gwen and Ron Swers on the engagement of their son Jeffrey to Shana Greatman



**Members of the Confirmation Class of 1986
Stand near their class photo on November
22 at Confirmation Class Reunion Shabbat.**



Adult Education Offerings

To register for a course, call (856) 489-0029. No fee unless listed.

New Classes:

Key Turning Points in Jewish History with Rabbi Richard Levine, Tuesdays, 7 to 8 pm

A must for history or mystery book lovers. Seemingly minor incidents and figures had a major influence on Jewish history. Without these stories, the history of the Jews might be a study in ancient history. January 16, 23, 30, February 6, 13, 20

Trip to the University of Pennsylvania Archeology Museum with Rabbi Debbie Cohen

Sunday, January 14, 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM, \$10.00 (includes bus and admission)

Join Rabbi Cohen for a unique experience to explore the ancient worlds of Israel and Egypt

Gefilte Flicks Movie Series: *American Matchmaker* with Dr. Edwin Merwin, author of *In their Image:*

***New York Jews in Jazz Age Popular Culture*, Sunday, January 7, 7 pm**

A debonair sophisticated businessman who can never seem to close the marriage deal, reinvents himself as a matchmaker. Yiddish with English subtitles.

Jewish Cooking – Quick and Delicious – Old Jewish Classics for Today's Busy Schedule

Monday, January 8 at 7 pm, \$18/person, includes the demonstration and tasting. Lead by local chefs Stacey and Jason Clarke.

Love your grandmother's recipes but find they take too long to make? This demonstration is for you. We will revisit classic Jewish recipes with an eye on today's busy life style.

New Session:

Yoga & 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! Session 2 begins January 4 Fee: \$55/session.

Ongoing Classes – Newcomers Always Welcome

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

***Mishkan T'filah: The New Reform Siddur* with Rabbi David, Rabbi Newburge and Rabbi Cohen**

Approximately every other Tuesday throughout the year, 1-2 pm, January 2, 16, 30, February 13, 27

Post B'nai Mitzvah Study Group with Rabbi Jerome P. David, DD

Approximately every other Tuesday, noon– 1 pm, January 2, 16, 30, February 13, 27

Improve Your Prayerbook Skills with Rabbi Geri Newburge

Approximately every other Tuesday, 1-2 pm, February 9, 23, February 6, 20

Adult Confirmation with Rabbi David, Rabbi Newburge and Rabbi Cohen, Every Tuesday 8-9 pm

Adult Introduction to Hebrew with Rabbi Cohen, Every Tuesday, noon–1 pm

"The audience was totally engaged during the entire performance..." - Washington Hebrew Congregation

Sing!

Family Concert

Getting Ready For Shabbat

featuring

Peter & Ellen Allard

Thursday Jan. 11
6:15 PM

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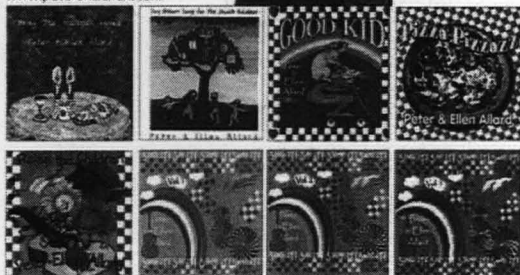
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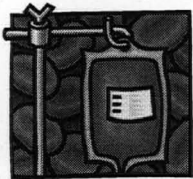
It is the beginning of a new year, a time when we review our lives. We measure the status quo against the yardstick of our hopes and dreams. We set goals for the coming year. It is a time for "refuah shleimah," the renewal of body, mind, and spirit.

As we each think about the adjustments that need to be made in our own lives, I would like us all to consider the life of a great American whose birthday we celebrate on January 16th. His name was Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. He is remembered for teaching us all a valuable lesson about turning adversity into the fuel for the action of social change. His famous, "I Have a Dream..." speech in August of 1963 awakened countless Americans from their sleep of indifference and inspired them to take a stand against the sins of segregation and racism. There is no doubt that many Americans thought that the laws of segregation were unjust and unfair for a long time prior to that speech. However, it wasn't until Dr. King's words inspired people to take action that change began resulting in the end of an era of terrible injustice in our country.

Not surprisingly, many Jews were in the forefront of the civil rights movement in America. In fact, some prominent Jews marched arm in arm with Dr. King in his peaceful demonstrations. Rabbi Joachim Prinz, the President of the American Jewish Congress at the time, reminded Jews in America that, "to be silent when other people are being wronged is the greatest wrong of all." Having suffered so many injustices throughout history it was natural for many Jews to have been compelled to fight for fair and equal treatment under the law for all Americans.

As we all set our goals for the coming secular year, please remember the spirit of Dr. King's message. We must all take responsibility for fighting injustice and helping to make the world a better place. Since 1986 when Martin Luther King's birthday became a national holiday, it has been a tradition to honor Dr. King's memory by spending his birthday volunteering ones time to ameliorate a social ill. It is the hope that this day of action will grow into a way of life for many people.

Please join the Social Action Committee as we remember Dr. King's many contributions to America the weekend of Jan. 12-14. We will start the weekend with a service in which Dr. Martin Luther King's nephew, Dr. Vernon King will speak. On Sunday, Jan. 14, we will be holding a Mitzvah Day with many opportunities for congregants to do community service. Please see the insert in this issue for specifics on how you can get involved. Thank you in advance for helping us to start the year off on the right foot, the foot that follows the path set by a great man, Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE DONATE BLOOD

Temple Emanuel will be holding a blood drive on Sunday, January 14, 2007 from 9:00 – 2:00. We are working with the American Red Cross to avert a serious blood shortage. You can help by scheduling an appointment to give blood on that date. You can literally save lives by merely taking an hour to donate blood. Please call the temple office @ 489-0029 to schedule an appointment.

So often we feel helpless to make a difference in the world. Donating blood is a very tangible way to fulfill the mitzvah of Pikuah Nefesh : Saving a Life. What a wonderful way to start the new year!

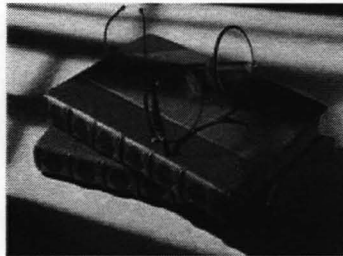
Questions? Please contact: Stephanie Ross
schleper247@comcast.net

It's Mitzvah Day! Please mark your calendars and join us for our mitzvah day on Sunday January 14, 2007. There are several opportunities to give your time, energy, and even your blood! As we mark Martin Luther King, Jr Day, we commemorate the vital work he did to achieve equality for all human beings. On Friday night we will share a highly moving Shabbat service with Dr. King's nephew, Reverend Vernon C. King, with members of our Social Action Committee participating in the service. On Sunday we honor Dr. King's memory with a day of volunteerism, trying to bring justice and equality to our community. Call the temple and sign up, whether to donate blood or to volunteer for one of the important activities.

If you have any questions please contact our Vice President of Social Action, Stephanie Ross at schleper247@comcast.net. We look forward to seeing you then!

Temple Emanuel Book Club

Join us monthly to discuss a popular book of Jewish interest. To accommodate congregants with individual schedules, the same discussion will be repeated on Sunday and Monday mornings at 9:15 to 10:30 am. Please choose the date that best fits your schedule.



January 21 & 22 – Rabbi Geri Newburge,

As a Driven Leaf by Milton Steinberg

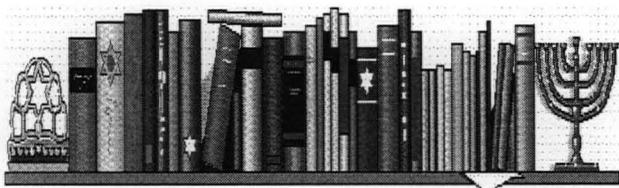
The magnificent work of modern fiction that brings the age of the Talmud to life. *As a Driven Leaf* is a historical novel set in Roman Palestine. The protagonist, Elisha ben Abuyah, a talmudic rabbi in the first half of the second century, was excommunicated for heresy. What we do know about Elisha comes mostly from his pupil and disciple R. Meir, a major character in the book who remained loyal to Elisha and became an honored sage.

February 25 & 26 – Peggy David, MSW, LCSW,

History of Love by Nicole Krauss

Nicole Krauss's *The History of Love* is a hauntingly beautiful novel about two characters whose lives are woven together in such complex ways that even after the last page is turned, the reader is left to wonder what really happened. In the hands of a less gifted writer, unraveling this tangled web could easily give way to complete chaos. However, under Krauss's watchful eye, these twists and turns only strengthen the impact of this enchanting book.

The History of Love spans a period of over 60 years and takes readers from Nazi-occupied Eastern Europe to present day Brighton Beach. At the center of each main character's psyche is the issue of loneliness, and the need to fill a void left empty by lost love.



Check Out The Library Corner
Anne Bressman

Here are some of the recent new books in the Temple Emanuel Library. Come in and visit us!

New Adult Fiction

The Garden of Eden and Other Criminal Delights by Faye Kellerman *Fiction Kellerman*
The Guy Not Taken: Stories by Jennifer Weiner *Fiction Weiner*
Murder in Jerusalem: A Michael Ohayon Mystery by Batya Gur *Fiction Gur*
The Messenger by Daniel Silva *Fiction Silva*
Golden Country: A Novel by Jennifer Gilmore *Fiction Gilmore*

New Adult Non-Fiction

Overcoming Life's Disappointments by Harold S. Kushner *250 Kushner*
Water from the Well: Sarah, Rebekah, Rachel and Leah by Anne Roiphe *220.92 Roiphe*
David and Solomon: In Search of the Bible's Sacred Kings and the Roots of the Western Tradition by Israel Finkelstein and Neil Silberman *223.13. Finkelstein*
Gonzo Judaism: A Bold Path for Renewing an Ancient Faith by Niles Elliot Goldstein *250 Goldstein*
The Wicked Son: Anti-Semitism, Self-Hatred, and the Jews by David Mamet *301 Mamet*
The New Jewish Baby Book: Names, Ceremonies and Customs: A Guide for Today's Families by Anita Diamant *246.1 Diamant*

New Youth Books

Lilith's Ark: Teenage Tales of Biblical Women by Deborah Bodin Cohen *Y 920.92 Cohen*
The Book Thief by Markus Zusak *Y Fiction Zusak*
You Are So Not Invited to My Bat Mitzvah by Fiona Rosenbloom *Y Fiction Rosenblom*
Small Steps by Louis Sachar *Y Fiction Sachar*
The Secret World of Kabbalah by Judith Z. Abrams *Y 283 Abrams*
Notes from the Midnight Driver by Jordan Sonnenblick *Y Fiction Sonnenblick*

In Memoriam

RUTH AMES
Mother of Elliot Ames

HELEN FREEMAN
Mother of Dan Freeman

DONALD RICHARD HUNT
Nephew of Janice Jablonski

STANLEY JOSEPH
Uncle of Phyllis Karpf

ROSALIE LEFLER
Mother of Donald Lefler

CHARLES NAVLEN
Grandfather of Dauna Kirschner

LEONARD LEVIN
Brother of Helene Ludwin

LOUIS LEVINE
Father of Karen Halevy

GARRY POMEROY
Brother of Wendy Billig

HARRY YOUNG
Father of Clifford Young

New Baby Shabbat

Friday, January 5

7:30 pm

New parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles are invited to bring your little one to services on January 5 for a special blessing. All babies, born in the past year, will be called with their families to the *bimah* (pulpit) to be blessed in front of the open Ark. Let's help to welcome the newest additions to our world and ask for a blessing of long life, good health and happiness.

Visitors to Temple Emanuel are invited to be part of this meaningful service. If a friend, neighbor or relative had a Jewish baby, let them know that they are invited to come and have the child blessed.



B'nai Mitzvot

January



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| January 6 | Havdalah Service
Bar Mitzvah of CODY JONATHAN ALLEN
Son of Robin and Jeff Allen |
| January 13 | Havdalah Service
Bar Mitzvah of JESSE DANE GOLD
Son of Karen J. Kratchman-Gold and Bret J. Gold |
| January 20 | Bar Mitzvah of REID SKYLER SIMKOVITZ
Son of Sheri and Raymond Magliano and Harris Simkovitz

Havdalah Service
Bar Mitzvah of AARON SAMUEL CALDER
Son of Susan and Lloyd Calder |
| January 27 | Bar Mitzvah of ARTHUR RUBIN
Son of Margarita and Aleksandr Rubin

Havdalah Service
Bar Mitzvah of ALEC JONATHAN GOLDSTEIN
Son of Donna and Darren Goldstein |

Our rabbis teach us that,
"To save one life is to save the world."

We greatly appreciate those who participated in our last blood drive. Unfortunately, our current blood supply remains in desperate need of replenishment. Your donation will be truly lifesaving.

You can fulfill this mitzvah by donating blood at Temple Emanuel on **SUNDAY JANUARY 14, 2007.**

Call the Temple Office at 856-489-0029 to make an appointment!

The patient that receives your donation will thank you with all of their heart.

SISTERHOOD

*by Felice Friedman
Sisterhood President*

Happy 2007, Sisterhood is gearing up for the winter months with some new programming. Please save the date of Sunday, January 21 at 1:30 pm, as Theatre Ariel will be performing the comedy "Oy." Following the show we will have tea and desserts. Invitations are on their way to your home. We look forward to seeing you!

I would like to thank Debra Berger, Vivian Newberger and committee for another wonderful Hanukkah Bazaar. It was great to see people shopping for their gifts and eating latkes at the Café. I also want to thank the hardworking group of volunteers, we couldn't have done it without your help.

Do you ever feel like you are not organized? Sisterhood has a way to solve that problem, join us on Sunday, February 11, and meet a "professional" organizer. More information will be mailed to you. This is a not to miss morning!

Remember, we sell scrip and gift cards all year round. This program doesn't just help Sisterhood, but the purchaser as well. If you haven't used this program yet and are not sure how it works Jessica Chasen will be glad to help you out. Give her a call at 856-719-1755

Keep warm!

Pre-School Parent Committee Corner

Happy New Year from our Pre-School! We are thrilled this month to welcome the January 2's class and their families. We would like to extend this invitation to you to please join our Parent Committee in supporting the Pre-School either through enjoying events such as those listed below or by helping us to plan and organize activities.

- Jan. 2: Welcome Back!
- Jan. 8: January 2's class begins
- Jan. 11: Pre-School Family concert 6:15 pm
- Jan. 12: Parent Committee Meeting- 9:30 am in the parent lounge. All are Welcome! Upcoming tentative meeting dates: Feb. 9, March 9, April 13, May 11
- Jan. 15: No School – Martin Luther King Day
- Jan. 16 Pre-School Registration for Fall 2007 begins
- Jan 18-30: Personalized Haggadah sales
- May 20: Pre-School Prom (a child friendly, family dance)

As always, please feel free to contact Lyn or Jeanie at the Preschool Office (856) 489-0034 or Loren Firstenberg at (856)-810-0454 with any questions, concerns or ideas you might have for our Pre-School. Thank You.





Parenting Teens – It's a Growing Season

Temple Emanuel is pleased to continue its series of programs for parents of Teens. The journey is packed with rough roads and we hope the programs planned will help you navigate them successfully. Programs take place at Temple Emanuel.

Overscheduled Child, Structure & Family Stress

What is the Right Balance in Your Home?

**January 10, 2007, 7 pm,
with Dr. Richard Selznick**

If you think you're burned out from driving to all those after-school activities, take a good look at who's in the backseat. Kids are growing up going from one structured activity to another and have come to expect that they will be entertained and occupied all the time. Parents often put them in these activities so they'll have fun and friends to play with along with a positive atmosphere that structure provides. Growing kids also need alone time, so they can work out things for themselves. Each family must answer the question of balance between constructive use of structure and neutralize the stress that an overabundance of organized activity can induce.

SENIOR SCENE

*By Gert Pastelnick
President, Henry Raich Senior Group*

The Henry Raich Senior Group's brown bag lunch meetings have been moving along very nicely this year. Our attendance has been good, and we strive to continue offering programs that attract and interest us all.

Our next program will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 17, at 12 noon. Rabbi Geri Newbuge will be our speaker. The rabbi, who took 20 of our confirmation students to Israel in December, will discuss her experiences in Israel.

We look forward to seeing you. Come enjoy your lunch while being in the company of interesting people and interesting conversation.

As we start the secular new year, on behalf of the Henry Raich senior board, we wish all a healthy
a n d h a p p y n e w y e a r .

MEN'S CLUB BREAKFAST SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH AT 10 AM SPECIAL GUEST: DR. YOSSI OLMERT

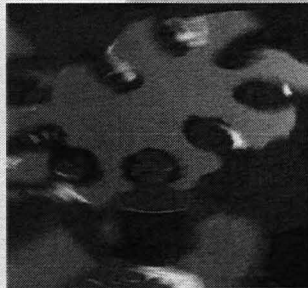
Temple Emanuel Men's Club and State of Israel Bonds is excited to present a program on Sunday, February 11th at 10 am

featuring guest speaker, Dr. Yossi Olmert.

Dr. Olmert is the brother of
Israeli Prime Minister
Yehud Olmert.

He holds a doctorate degree in Middle Eastern Studies and is an expert on Syria, Lebanon, terrorism and Israeli-Palstinian relations. He will speak to us about the critical strategic issues facing Israel today. Mark your calendars and watch for more information.

Temple Emanuel Junior Congregation



Shabbat services...

by you, for you!

Join us for our newly
revamped Junior
Congregation

Grades 5-12 on *Friday*

January 26, 2007 at 7pm

(followed by game night- bring your
favorite game)

Be a part of this awesome
experience, join us for a
planning session **Sunday**
January 21 at 4pm at

Temple Emanuel: contact

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The Pre-School ✱✱ at ✱✱ Temple Emanuel

PACT (Parent and Child Together) Classes Winter Session 2007 Registration

Ima (Mommy) and Me (Infants up to 9 months) 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.

WHEN: Tuesdays TIME: 9:30a.m. - 10:15a.m. \$75.00 for each 6 week session
Session 1: 1/9-2/13 OR Session 2: 2/20-3/27

Awaken Your Senses (9 months to 15 months)

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: Wednesdays - 1/10-3/28 TIME: 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. \$150.00 for 12 week session

Mommy/Baby Yoga (newborns up to 9 months)

Enjoy a wonderful new class with your little one. Learn how to do yoga with your baby to help you both relax and strengthen that very special mother/child bond.

WHEN: Thursdays - 1/11-3/29 TIME: 9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. \$150.00 for 12 week session

Save My Sanity (Yoga for Mommies)

Need a little time for Mom? We all do! Come and enjoy this wonderful new class designed just for you! Come, stretch, relax and re-energize with us.

Wear comfortable clothes, bring a mat or a beach towel. (Babysitting available.)

WHEN: Wednesdays, 1/10-3/28 TIME: 10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. \$150.00 for 12 week session

Toddler Territory (15-28 months)

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: Thursdays, 1/11-3/29 TIME: 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. \$150.00 for 12 week session

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 or you have any other questions, please call us at 856-489-0034.
We'll see what we can do!

The Pre-School at Temple Emanuel PACT Registration Form Winter Session 2007

Child's Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Class/Day: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Person attending with child if other than parent: _____

Relationship: _____

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*It's Time to Register
For the 2007 – 2008 School Year*

Registration for PACT (Parent And Child Together), Preschool,
Kindergarten Enrichment begins January 16th, 2007!

Please call the preschool office at 856-489-0034 for detailed info and to see how your little one can come share in the fun!!

2-year-olds

(Tuesday & Thursday 9:15- 11:30 with option of adding Friday Shabbat Tot class)

January 2's (Monday & Wednesday 9:15 - 11:30 beginning Jan '08

(for children that were born between October 1, 2005 and March 31, 2006)

3-year-olds

(Monday through Friday 9:00 – 11:45 or Mon., Wed., & Fri. 9:00 – 11:45)

4-year-olds

(Monday through Friday 9:00 – 11:45)

Lunch, Enrichment & Enrichment+ available for 3's and 4's

(options from 11:45 – 4:30)

Ima (Mommy) and Me (birth – 9 mos.)

Awaken Your Senses (9 mos. – 15 mos.)

Toddler Territory (15 mos. – 28 mos.)

Save My Sanity (Yoga for Mommies)

Mommy/Baby Yoga

Our preschool is such a great "playce" to be!

Rabbi E Newburge's C I P E S

good egg drop soup. It is the Chinese equivalent of Jewish chicken soup. He says a little cilantro gives soup a unique fresh flavor, and using only egg whites will create beautiful ribbons in the soup.

- 4 cups chicken stock
- 2 teaspoons sherry or rice wine
- 2 eggs lightly beaten or two egg whites, lightly beaten
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch mixed with two tablespoons cold water
- 1/2 cup fresh or frozen peas, optional
- 1 or 2 minced scallions
- 1 teaspoon minced cilantro, optional

Bring chicken stock to a simmer. Add sherry. Slowly pour in eggs in a stream, stirring soup in a circular fashion for a minute or so. Stir in cornstarch mixed with water and continue to stir until soup has thickened.

Just before serving, add peas if desired. Garnish with scallions and optional cilantro.

Egg Drop Soup

Adapted from From Lokshen to Lo Mein by Don Siegel.

Serves four to six.

I hope this soup warms you up!

Author Don Siegel writes "I like



PRE-SCHOOL

by Lyn Harley
Pre-School Director



It's the start of a new year and the beginning of exciting new adventures for our Pre-Schoolers. December passed in a flurry of activity, culminating in our fabulous "Hanukah Happening." The children ate latkes, tossed rings in the giant menorah, played the dreidel game and made crafts, including a Mitzvah project donated to the Saltzman House. A highlight of the morning was the Hanukkah story read by the founder of the Pre-school, Audrey Litto. Audrey truly made the story come alive for our children.

As we look back over the year, we remember the many wonderful activities, events and learning experiences that have helped our children to make such great progress. Our teachers have been learning as well. Morah Kim attended an exceptional workshop on developing fine motor and handwriting skills, entitled "Handwriting Without Tears." The four-year-olds are already using this program in their classroom with amazing results.

Learning new things infuses all of us with energy and excitement. I am looking forward to attending the Early Childhood Educators of Reform Judaism Conference in Philadelphia this month along with Morah Cindy and Morah Debbie. I know that we will be bringing back incredible new ideas to share with our colleagues and students.

We are also thrilled to announce a first-ever event community event. On January 11 at 6:15 pm, Peter and Ellen Allard will perform a concert entitled, "Getting Ready for Shabbat." Our children all know and love their music, and the Allards are experts in entertaining and engaging young children. We are proud to be the inspiration and the host for this concert, which is supported by all the preschools in the area.

The concert is an exciting way to highlight Jewish Preschool Education and a wonderful way to kick-off our registration for the 2007-2008 year. Be among the first to register your child during the week of January 16-19 and he/she will receive the brand new Temple Emanuel preschool T-shirt as a gift.

If you know of others who are looking for a program for their children, please share the news about our fantastic, innovative Pre-School. Limited spaces are still available in our two and three year old classes for the school year (2006-2007). Please feel free to call me at 489-0034 or stop by the Pre-School for a visit. I very much look forward to meeting prospective new parents and their children.

So here's a New Year's resolution that's easy to keep – attend a fabulous concert, invite friends to come with you, and register for Pre-School and Kamp Kayeetz for the 2007-2008 school year during the week of Jan. 16-19.

Religious School – Dates to Remember *Please mark these important dates on your calendar.*

January 2 – Classes Resume	January 28, February 4, 11, 25 – 7 th Grade Ronald McDonald House Trips
January 5 – 1 st Grade Shabbat	February 2 – 2 nd Grade Shabbat
January 6 – 5 th Grade Trip to University of Pennsylvania Archeology Museum	February 4 – 3 rd Grade Family Education Day
January 7 – 4 th Grade Family Education	February 10 & 11 – 9 th Grade Trip to New York
January 14 – No School, MLK Weekend	February 18 – No School, President's Weekend
January 21 – 6 th Grade Trip to Museum of Jewish Heritage	February 25 – Kindergarten Family Education
January 27 – 7 th Grade Bowl-a-Thon for Israel	

YOUTH GROUP

by Sandy Umansky

Youth Group? Your group! Planning services, fund-raising every Tuesday, gift- wrapping, hanging out with classmates, just being yourself – this is what Youth Group really is all about.

Your career at Temple Emanuel can only be enhanced by your becoming more active; just ask any of the Temple leaders how they feel about all that they do. They will tell you that they get a lot more than they give; they will say that the friendships they have made, the good deeds that they have done, the miracles that they have created are far more precious than they ever imagined. This is the same for all youth group members.

January is a new beginning: a new year, a new you. Try Youth Group – there is so much to do, so much to give, so much to accomplish.

Temple Emanuel's first-ever Dance Marathon is Sunday, January 7. We will be raising funds for teen programs in Israel and scholarships for our teens. We will also be having an awesome afternoon dancing to a DJ, winning door prizes and raffles, eating and relaxing!

Regional Youth Group, NFTY/PAR, will offer their social action weekend this month. WINSTY, held at Beth Or Congregation, Pa., will be an incredible chance to do mitzvot for an entire weekend and to meet new friends who all want to share their Judaism. Applications are available at the Temple Religious School office.

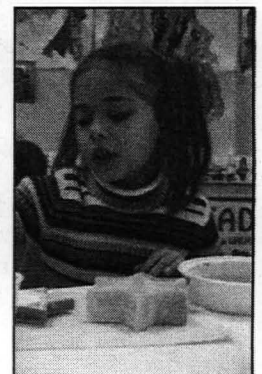
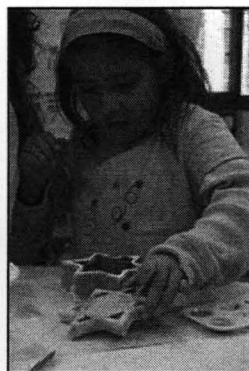
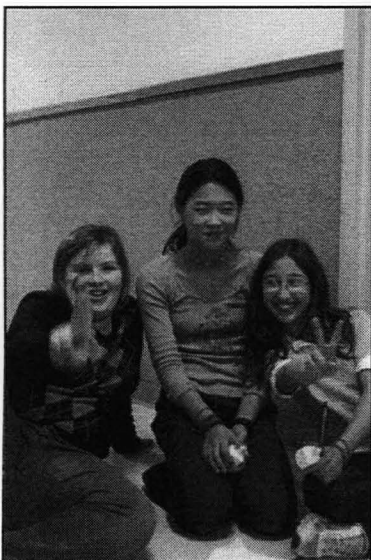
And then there is National Federation of Temple Youth Convention – the most exciting weekend that any Jewish teen can experience. Picture 2,000 teens praying together, socializing, studying, and singing. This is National Convention, and you can experience the excitement for yourself. Applications must be downloaded; please check the boxed information about NFTY Convention in this newsletter. This year's convention will take place in Philadelphia for the very first time, and we want Temple Emanuel's teens to share in the thrill of this event, so please consider applying now.

The Purim Carnival is fast-approaching. This is the time for each and every one of you to start planning your very own booth, your own contribution to this great event. Sunday, March 4, 2007, will be here before we blink an eye. Please contact Mrs. U. now with your ideas for making this the best-ever Carnival at Temple Emanuel!

I hope that this article will "light" the fire in each and every single one of you teens.

I hope that you will try youth group for yourself. It would make the year so much more special for all of us.

TEFTY JR. HELP WITH ARTS & CRAFTS AT THE HANUKKAH PARTY



**Temple Emanuel
Life-long
Education**

Bikur Cholim Visiting the Sick

**Supporting one
another in our
times of need**

The act of bikur cholim is a mitzvah, a moral and spiritual obligation incumbent upon all Jews to perform. The Bible tells us that human beings are created in the image of God and instructs us to aspire to be like God by emulating God's ways. God visits Abraham while he was recuperating after being circumcised (Genesis 17:26-18:1). The Talmud (Biblical Commentary) teaches us that "As He visited the sick, so shall you visit the sick."

Why is bikur cholim important?

- Because people need to feel connected to the community especially when they are ill or homebound.
- Because bringing the community to the bedside lifts the spirit of those who may feel forgotten.
- Because studies have shown that social contact and support positively influences those needing and receiving comfort.
- Because visiting and caring activities helps build community and character.
- Because we are acting in a Godly way when we visit.

(Adapted from the web-site of the Rabbi Isaac N. Trainin Bikur Cholim Coordinating Council)



I want to truly thank everybody in the congregation for your support as I have recovered from my severely broken foot. I have appreciated so very much the cards, donations, flowers, food and, especially, the phone calls and visits. It has been a difficult time period for my family and me — one moment, I am able to move a million miles a minute and, the next, I am confined to a bed and, then, a wheel chair. The support that we received from the congregation and other friends has made all the difference.

My fellow clergy and the staff at Temple Emanuel has been wonderful. It was such a comfort to know that the school and other educational programs were in able and caring hands when I could not make it to the synagogue. My most sincere thanks, especially, to Barry Pisetznar and Jean Klein who went above and beyond to make sure everything ran smoothly.

The good news — my foot is getting stronger all the time. The pain has subsided and I hope to start physical therapy soon. Now, every teacher knows that she is continually learning. I would to share a few of things that I learned while infirmed:

1. To be comfortable asking for help.
2. How much a phone call or card means to somebody who is ill.
3. That the act of "healing" itself is exhausting.
4. To have patience (I am still working on this one) and slow down.
5. That even a small goal, such as making it up the stairs, can be an important milestone.
6. How to accomplish everyday tasks in new, creative (and sometimes, admittedly, awkward) ways.
7. How sitting in a wheel chair puts you at the level of young children and makes it easier to talk to them. But, how you need to crane your neck to speak to other adults.
8. How even if a sidewalk or hall looks flat and straight, it inevitably has a small step someplace. And most light switches are slightly out of reach.
9. It can be demoralizing when a person "volunteers" to push your wheel chair without asking.
10. When stuck at home for weeks, you can find ways to make your time interesting & fulfilling.
11. Understand the difference between "need to do" and "want to do."
12. That it is really possible to purchase all your Hanukkah gifts on the Internet, and shop for a 5-year-old's birthday party without leaving home.
13. To be sensitive that, for some people, this is a permanent life situation. And to be truly thankful for my health.
14. That David, Arianna and I are blessed to have so many good friends and supportive congregants in South Jersey. Thank you.

The Art of Visiting the Sick: A Practical Guide

(adapted from Rabbi Bradley Artson)

1. Upon discovering that someone is sick, send a brief card or a note. Rather than allowing a silence to isolate the sick if you cannot visit quickly, send a note, even a brief one, to provide a sense of contact.
2. Alert the synagogue if somebody is ill. Although a visit or call from a rabbi is often appreciated, many people forget to notify the synagogue when someone is ill. Before doing so, be sure to consider whether the patient will be upset by having his or her illness made public.
3. Plan to visit the sick. The physical presence of caring people can banish loneliness and provide tangible evidence of a concerned community. A close friend or family member should visit immediately. If the hospitalization will be protracted, others should wait a day or two before visiting.
4. Don't plan on a long visit. Hospital patients have a busy schedule, and sick people often tire easily. It is better to visit briefly but repeatedly than to visit once for a long time.



5. Schedule your visit appropriately. The Talmud counsels not to visit the sick early in the morning or late at night. Most hospitals have visiting hours in order to enable doctors.
6. Before visiting the patient, phone ahead to let him or her know you are coming. Calling in advance puts the patient in charge. Being sick often results in a forced passivity. When you phone and ask if it is all right to visit, the patient is able to exercise some control.
7. Don't wear perfume or after-shave lotion. Illness often makes people more sensitive to smell, and artificial odors can be disturbing to the person who is sick.
8. Before entering the patient's room, be sure to knock and ask for permission to enter. This is another way to allow the patient to feel in control.
9. If there are already many visitors, wait outside until a few people leave. Trying to juggle a room full of friends can be exhausting.
10. When visiting, help with concrete tasks. After getting the sick person's consent, help by making the bed, preparing food, watering plants, or any other chore that helps the sick person or makes the surroundings look well attended.
11. Try to be with the patient during a meal. Eating is a social act, and the presence of company during a meal can communicate additional closeness and caring because it suggests forethought.
12. Don't criticize the hospital, the doctors, the food, or the medical procedures. Criticizing a patient's care may diminish his or her confidence in it. If the patient is frustrated, then listen sympathetically without committing yourself to agreeing. Being sick is a legitimate cause for anger, and expressing that anger is the quickest way to be able to move beyond it. We can best help by listening sympathetically and by saying, "It must be very difficult to go through what you are going through. It really isn't fair. I'd be angry too if I were you."
13. Don't be afraid to sit in silence. The primary statement we can make is not through any words we speak but through our presence.
14. Listen. Besides demonstrating our involvement by offering our physical presence, we can do so by allowing the sick to speak of their concerns. In fact, this is the main service we can offer.
15. Offer your hand. Don't hesitate to touch the person. The calm, love, and stability that touch provides is without equal.
16. Offer to pray with the patient. Prayer can be informal. A simple wish of *refu'ah sh'leimah* ("complete healing") or "God be with you" can bring a level of comfort that ordinary conversation cannot. Jewish tradition offers a brief prayer linking the experience of the individual to the broader community: "May God show compassion to you, together with all the other sick of the people Israel."
17. Attend a synagogue worship service and have a *mi she-berakh* recited, a prayer for the sick. By asking for a *mi she-berakh* to be recited, you ensure that the community is informed of the illness, that more people will pray for that individual, and that the sick person has the comfort of knowing that a congregation of Jews cares.
18. Make a contribution in honor of the sick person. In Jewish tradition, *tzedakah* (a charitable contribution) is a highly cherished form of demonstrating respect and concern.

"Our generation, as those before and after us, will be judged by how we listen to those who are sick and vulnerable and to those who care for them. In the end, there is no them. There is only us."

—Rabbi Simkha Weintraub in Sh'ma, March 2003

Helping Your Child "Visit the Sick"

Talking about an illness is never a pleasant experience, but it can be even harder when you must talk to your children. Whether it is a friend, relative, parent or themselves who have been diagnosed, children have a right to know about the illness but are in the unique position that they may not be old enough to understand, or mature enough to deal with, the details. If you must talk with your children about illness, the following guidelines may make it easier.

Name the Disease

As with everything, illness is somehow less scary when it has a name. Share this information with your children, as well as a small description. For example, telling your child "Nana has cancer" may not even register as an illness. Instead, tell your child "Nana has cancer, which means that there are bad little things called tumors growing inside of her. We must help her to stay strong and take the medicine to fight the tumors."

Tell Them What They Need to Know Now

Children are creatures of the moment. They will want to know what is happening right now and may not understand the big picture anyway. Be ready for a slew of questions, including:

- Why do there have to be needles?
- Will (the patient) feel better tomorrow?
- Will it help if I bring (the patient) my favorite toy?
- How did (the patient) become ill?
- Can I catch what (the patient) has?

If your child asks a question that you can't answer, don't be afraid to tell them that you don't know. Honesty, even if it means no answers, is always preferable to dishonesty.

Understand Their Emotions

Most children, when faced with illness themselves or in someone they love, will feel that it is their fault. Obviously adults may not see this logic, but help your child understand that they have done nothing wrong by:

- Reassuring them that they have nothing to do with the illness.
- Asking a professional such as your GP to reaffirm that the illness is not the result of anything they did, thought or said.
- Explaining how the illness began.
- Watching their behavior. Misbehaving may be their way of showing their emotions.
- Acknowledging your emotions. Commiserate with your child about your frustration so that they know they are not alone.

Give Them Tangible Ways to Help

- Make cards together.
- Have them call or e-mail if they can not visit the person.
- Prepare a meal together to bring to the family.
- If a friend is ill, have the child get homework for the friend and share what they missed in class.

Compiled from various sources.

A Prayer for Healing



The Mi Shebeirach is the traditional prayer for healing in Judaism. We recite it every Friday night at Temple Emanuel. But, you need not wait for Shabbat. This prayer can be recited privately anytime that it seems appropriate.

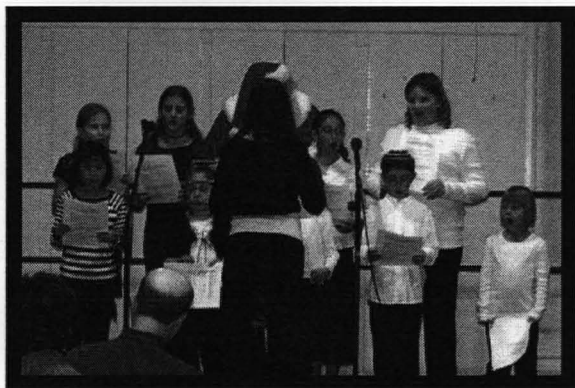
Mi Shebeirach avoteinu v'imoteinu, Avraham v'Sarah, Yitzhak v'Rivkah, Ya'akov, Rachel v'Leah hu y'varekh et (insert names here) v'yavi aleihem refuat hanefesh u'refuat haguf yachad im kol cholei amo Yisrael. Baruch atah Adonai rofeh ha'cholim.

May the One who was a source of blessing for our ancestors, bring blessings of healing upon (insert names here), a healing of body and a healing of spirit. May those in whose care they are entrusted be gifted with wisdom and skill, and those who surround them be gifted with love and trust, openness and support in their care. And may they be healed along with all those who are in need. Blessed are You, Source of healing.

Temple Emanuel Wants to Help

The rabbis and cantor want to reach out to congregants suffering from illness or injury. Our Caring Community is a group of congregants devoted to helping members of the congregation with meals, rides and other needs while ill.

- To be placed on the Mi Shebeirach list (the prayer for healing on Shabbat) or to inform the clergy of an illness, please contact Jane Vorteflich, 489-0029, ext. 15, jvort@templemanuel.org.
- To talk with a member of the Caring Community, please contact Rabbi Geri Newburge, 856-489-0029, ext. 16, gnewburge@templemanuel.org, Robin Miller, 856-427-9076, or Adrienne Mintz, 856-429-4855.
- If a Religious School student is ill, please contact Rabbi Debbie Cohen, 856-489-0035, ext. 20, dbcohen@templemanuel.org. She will let the child's teacher know.



**SHIREI HA YELADIM,
UNDER THE DIRECTION OF
JULIA ZAVADSKY
PERFORMS AT THE LIGHTING CEREMONY IN
CHERRY HILL TOWNSHIP ON
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2007**



Friends and Family
Adult CPR & AED/Choking Training
Brought to you by

Kennedy Health Systems Roseanne Myers, Life
Support

10 am

Wednesday, January 24th, 2007

1 1/2 Hour Training Session

\$15/person

Call 856-489-0029 to speak to Cindy for details or
to register

Babysitting provided upon request.



TEMPLE EMANUEL ADULT EDUCATION

Jewish Cooking – Quick and Delicious

Old Jewish Classics for Today's Busy Schedule

Monday, January 8 at 7 pm



\$18/person, includes the demonstration and tasting
Lead by local chefs Stacy and Jason Clarke

Love your grandmother's recipes but find they take too long to make? Does preparing traditional Jewish foods not fit into your busy schedule? This demonstration is for you. We will revisit classic Jewish recipes with an eye on today's busy life style.

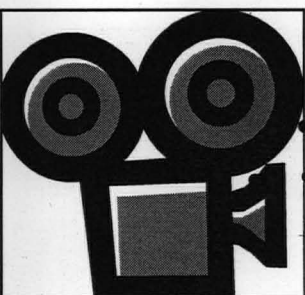
Register by returning the below form:

Old Jewish Classics – Modernized and Quick

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Number of Participants: _____ Amount included: _____

Please return to Temple Emanuel, 1101 Springdale Road, Cherry Hill, NJ by January 2.
 Att: Jewish Cooking



Gefilte Flicks — Now Showing:
American Matchmaker
Sunday, January 7 at 7 pm

A debonair sophisticated businessman who can never seem to close the marriage deal, reinvents himself as a matchmaker. His style and free services set him up for confrontation with more traditional matchmakers. The film is a successful combination of the humor and schmaltz of Yiddish theater traditions, but with an urbane, neurotic hero, that looks ahead to the films of Woody Allen. Yiddish with English subtitles.

Discussion Facilitated by Dr. Edward Merwin, author of *In their Image: New York Jewish in Jazz Age Popular Culture*.

Next Movie: Sunday, March 18, *Yossi & Jagger*



**Temple Emanuel Adult Education Trip
to the University of Pennsylvania
Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology**

Sunday, January 14

1 PM to 4 PM

Cost: \$10 (includes bus and admission)

Join Rabbi Cohen for a unique experience to explore
the ancient worlds of Israel and Egypt

Adult Education Archeology Museum Trip
Please sign me up

Name:

Phone Number:

of people:

Amount Enclosed:

HELP KEEP DR. KING'S DREAM ALIVE!

MITZVAH DAY

Please join us on Sunday, January 14th from 9-12 as we honor Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King by volunteering our time to make the world a better place. You can choose the way you want to be involved by completing the form below and returning it to the office.

_____ CASSEROLE COOKING

_____ CRAM THE VAN @ SHOP RITE (Marlton)

_____ BLOOD DRIVE

_____ NURSING HOME VISIT

_____ CARING COMMUNITY PROJECT

_____ ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT

Name: _____

Telephone & Email: _____

**Questions? Please contact Stephanie Ross
schleper247@comcast.net**

Adult Education at Temple Emanuel
Key Turning Points in
Jewish History

With Rabbi Richard Levine

Tuesdays, 7 to 8 pm

January 16, 23, 30, February 6, 13, 20

Call 856-489-0029 to register, no fee



A must for history or mystery book lovers
Seemingly minor incidents and figures had a major
influence on Jewish history. Without these stories,
the history of the Jews might be a study
in ancient history

Phone Numbers: Office 856-489-0029
 Rel. School 856-489-0035
 Pre-School 856-489-0034

TEMPLE EMANUEL

JANUARY 2007



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 ♦New Year's Day♦	2 12 Noon Introduction to Hebrew 12 Noon Post B'nai Mitzvah Class 1 pm Mishkan T'filah 7 pm Choir Practice 8 pm Adult Confirmation	3 7:30 pm Reach for the Stars Mtg.	4 6:30 pm Sisterhood Bingo Night 7:30 pm Yoga and Meditation 7:30 pm Yiddish Class	5 7 pm Tot Shabbat 7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Family Service 1st Grade Shabbat New Baby Shabbat 7:30 pm Alternative Service	6 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service 5:45 pm Havdalah Service Bar Mitzvah of CODY JONATHAN ALLEN ♦5th Grade Trip to University of Pennsylvania♦
7 9 am 4th Grade Family Ed 9:15 am Men's Study Group 11 am Finance Committee 12:30 pm TEFTY Dance-a-Thon 7 pm Gefilte Flicks	8 6:30 pm Family Ed Retreat Meeting 7 pm Youth Committee 7 pm Jewish Cooking 7:30 pm Exec. Board Mtg.	9 12 Noon Introduction to Hebrew 1 pm Prayerbook Skills 7 pm Casserole Cooking 7 pm Choir Practice 7 pm Website Comm Mtg. 8 pm Adult Confirmation	10 7 pm Parenting Teens 7 pm Introduction to Judaism	11 6 pm Pre School Concert ♦"Getting Ready for Shabbat" with Peter and Ellen Allard♦ 7:30 pm Yoga and Meditation 7:30 pm Yiddish Class	12 8 pm Shabbat Evening Torah Service Guest Speaker: Rev. Vernon King ♦Social Action Shabbat♦ WINSTY Convention	13 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service - Learner's Shabbat 6:15 pm Havdalah Service Bar Mitzvah of JESSE DANE GOLD
14 9 am-1 pm Mitzvah Day 8:30 am to 4 pm Red Cross Blood Drive 1 pm University of Penna. Trip to Archaeology Museum	15 ♦Martin Luther King B'day♦	16 12 Noon Post B'nai Mitzvah Class 12 Noon Introduction to Judaism 1 pm Mishkan T'filah 7 pm Choir Practice 7 pm Jewish History 8 pm Adult Confirmation	17 12 Noon Senior Group Brown Bag Lunch and Discussion 7 pm Introduction to Judaism	18 7:30 pm Yoga and Meditation 7:30 pm Yiddish Class 7:30 pm Ritual Committee 7:30 pm Reach for the Stars Mtg.	19 7 pm Tot Shabbat 8 pm Shabbat Evening Service ♦Israel Trip Reunion♦	20 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah of REID SKYLER SIMKOVITZ 6:15 pm Havdalah Service Bar Mitzvah of AARON SAMUEL CALDER
21 9 am-6th Grade Trip to Jewish Museum 9:15 am TE Book Club 10 am Men's Club Breakfast Meeting 12:30 pm Chaverim 1:30 am Sisterhood Event ♦TEFTY-TEFTY JR SKI ♦	22 9:15 am TE Book Club 7:30 pm RS Sub Committee 7:30 pm Men's Study Group 7:30 pm Membership/Caring Comm. Mtg.	23 12 Noon Introduction to Hebrew 1 pm Prayerbook Skills 7 pm Choir Practice 7 pm Jewish History 8 pm Adult Confirmation	24 7 pm Introduction to Judaism	25 7:30 pm Yoga and Meditation 7:30 pm Yiddish Class	26 7 pm Junior Congregation 8 pm Shabbat Evening Service—Youth Service ♦Kol Emanuel♦	27 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service—Bar Mitzvah of ARTHUR RUBIN 6:15 pm Havdalah Service Bar Mitzvah of ALEC JONATHAN GOLDSTEIN
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4 9 am 3rd Grade Family Ed 9:15 am Men's Study Group 9:30 am Budget Committee 9:30 am 7th Grade Ronald McDonald House ◆Super Bowl Sunday◆	5 7 pm Family Ed Committee 8 pm Adult Ed Committee	6 12 Noon—Introduction to Hebrew 1 pm Prayerbook Skills 7 pm Choir Practice 7 pm Jewish History 8 pm Adult Confirmation	7 7pm Introduction to Judaism	8 7:30 pm Sisterhood Board Meeting 7:30 pm Yoga and Meditation 7:30 pm Yiddish Class	9 8 pm Shabbat Evening Service	10 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service—Bar Mitzvah of STEVEN NATHANIEL VOLPE 6 pm ◆Tu B'Shevat Seder◆ 9th Grade Trip
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January 5
Vayechi

Genesis 47:28 – 50:26

Vayechi means "and he lived" and refers to Jacob having lived in Egypt for 17 years. Old and ill, Jacob senses that he is about to die and makes Joseph swear to bury him in Canaan, the place of his birth. The brothers send Joseph a message informing him that their father's final instructions were for Joseph to forgive his brothers. Joseph assures his siblings that they have nothing to fear. This portion and the book of Genesis end with Joseph's death at the age of 110.

January 12

Shemot Exodus 1:1 – 6:1

We begin reading the book of Exodus. A new Pharaoh comes to power who forces the Israelites to build cities for him and to work in his fields. Despite these hardships, the Israelite community continues to grow. The Pharaoh then orders all male babies born to Israelite women be drowned in the Nile River. A baby boy is put in a basket and found by Pharaoh's daughter who names him Moses.

January 19

Va'era

Exodus 6:2 – 9:35

The story of the struggle to leave Egypt continues. God reviews the covenant made with Abraham, Isaac, and

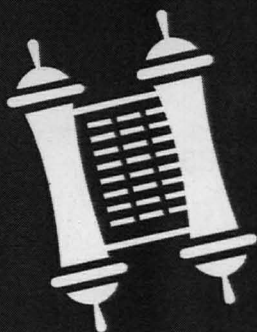
Jacob and then tells Moses, I have heard the cries of the Israelites and I will now fulfill my promise to them, to redeem them from slavery and bring them to the land that I promised their ancestors. God tells Moses that Moses will rule over Pharaoh, and Aaron will be Moses' prophet serving as his spokesperson. The first plagues descend on the Egyptians. The Nile is turned into blood and frogs invade the land, lice and swarms of insects invade Egypt. Pharaoh does not yield. The plagues of cattle disease, boils, and hail quickly follow.

January 26

Bo

Exodus 10:1 – 13:16

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.



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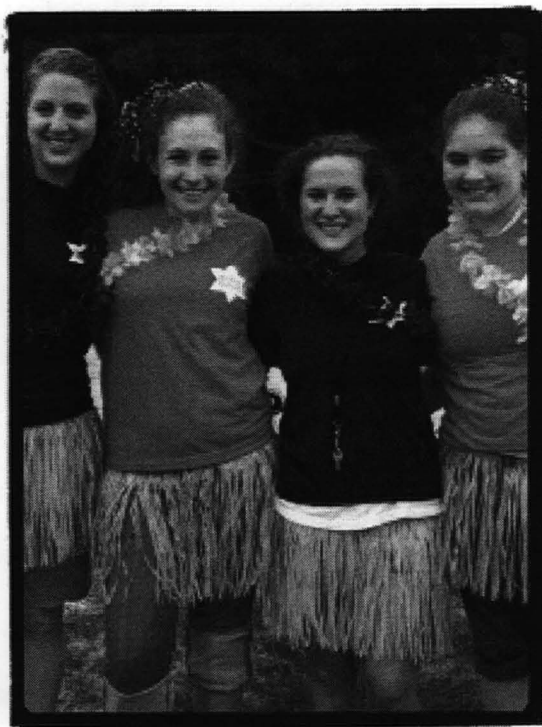
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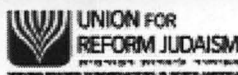


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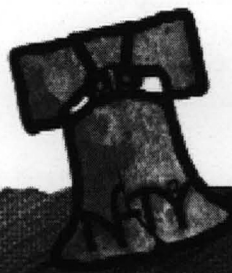
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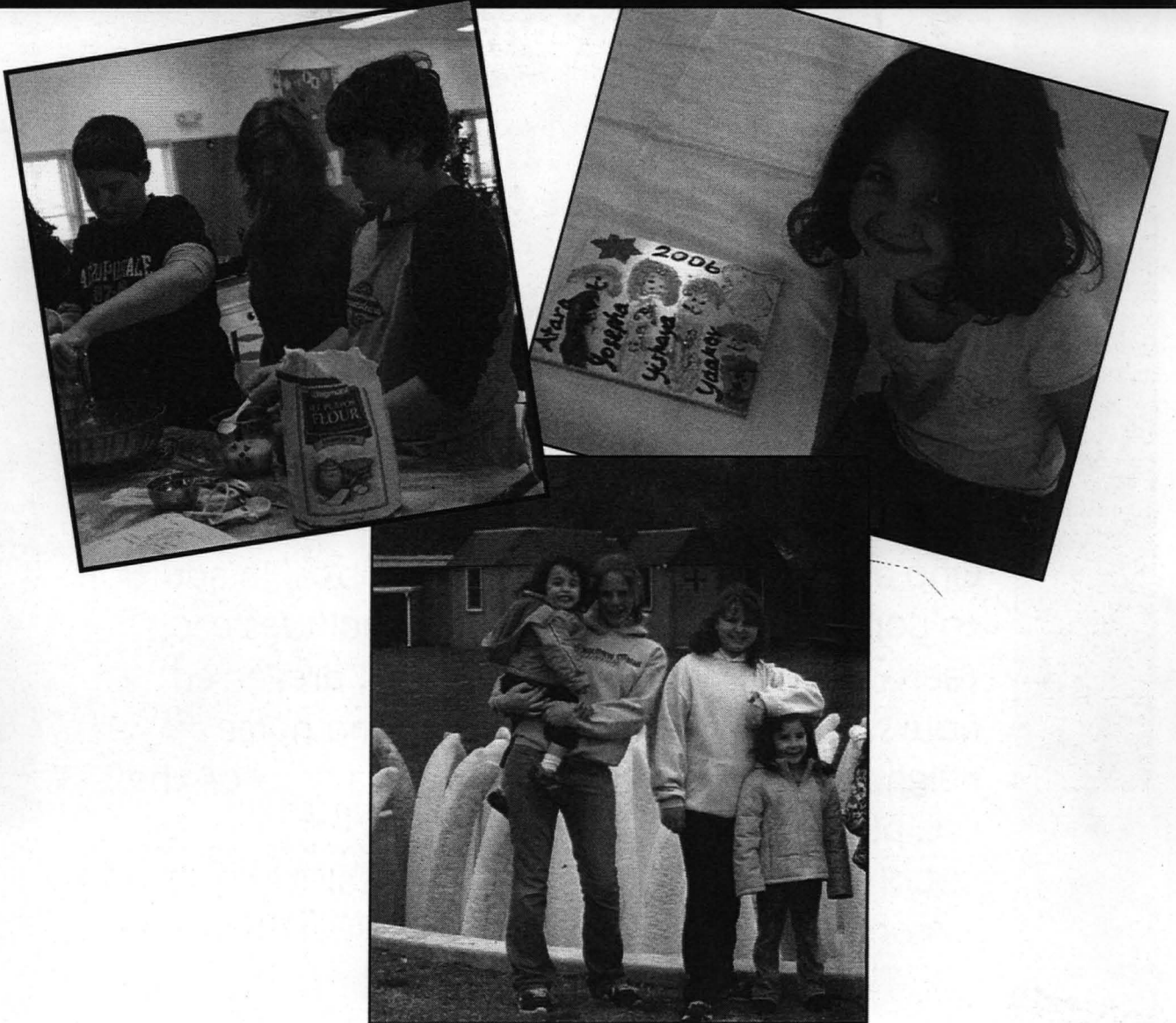
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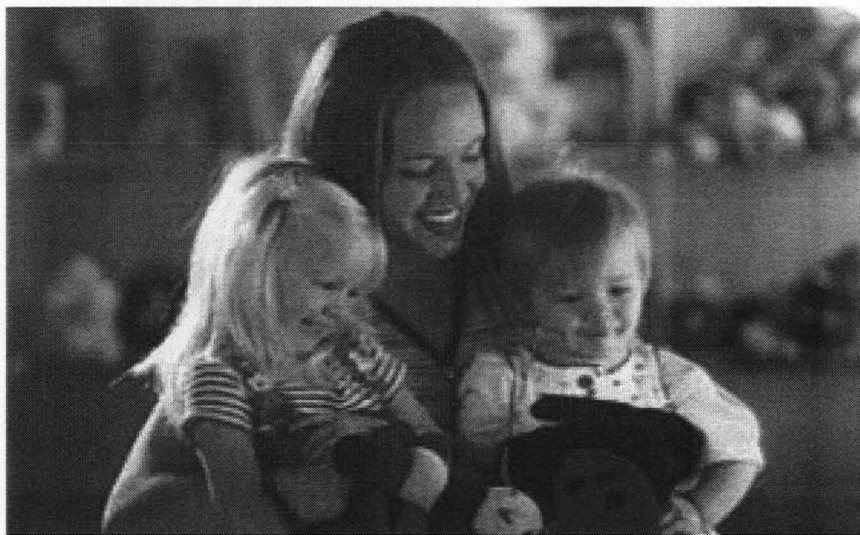


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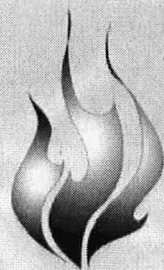
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