



**Temple  
Emanuel**

# THE *Light* NEWSLETTER

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## From the **Rabbi's Study**

by *Geri Newburge*

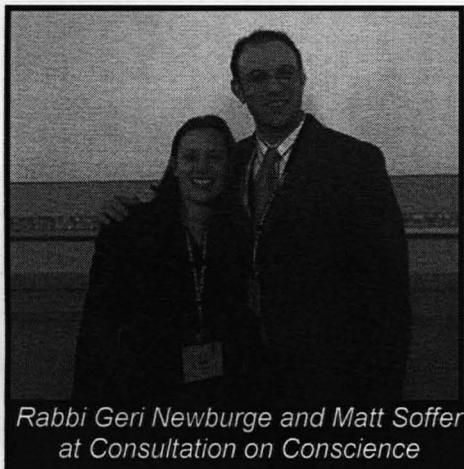


**M**aking connections is one of the most meaningful and amazing aspects of being a congregational rabbi. During our "Teen Mitzvah Corps: Alternative Break" in Baltimore, MD, this past November we created new and lasting relationships between many of our students (who either didn't know each other prior to the trip, or just knew each other in passing), other teens from a sister congregation outside of Baltimore, and of

course, the connections made with those individuals and organizations our students were volunteering with!

In fact, I believe it is this aspect of the Alternative Break that enabled Temple Emanuel to win the Irving J. Fain Social Action Award. This award is given to congregations across the country that create and implement unique, inspiring, and replicatable social action programs. I was there to receive the award at a conference called "Consultation on Conscience" in Washington, D.C. in April. Once again, the importance of relationships with others was highlighted in my mind. Not only did I see classmates from rabbinical school (who I haven't seen in four years!), but I shared a special moment with another member of Temple Emanuel. Matt Soffer, home grown at TE, is in rabbinical school in New York and he read Torah at the Convention; Matt read the first aliyah which was for first time participants at the Consultation on Conscience, which included me!

Both pictures you see here are symbolic of the significant connections Temple Emanuel, its teens, and its members in general build with others. Thank you for the opportunity to be a part of something so special.



*Rabbi Geri Newburge and Matt Soffer  
at Consultation on Conscience*



*Rabbi Geri Newburge accepts the Fain  
Award.*

We invite you to share  
in our simcha at

Shabbat Services,  
June 22, 2007  
8 pm

as Peggy David's Dad,  
Fred Strauss  
celebrates his 100th Birthday.

Peggy and Jerry David

Please join us  
to honor

**Jane Vortreflich**

As she retires  
after 26 years of  
Commitment &  
devotion to  
Temple Emanuel

Shabbat Service  
June 29, 2007  
8 pm

A special Oneg to  
follow.

# PRESIDENT'S Message

by Joyce C. Hoff



Several weeks ago at the Congregational meeting, I accepted the honor and the responsibility of serving as Temple Emanuel's President for another two years. Thank you for placing your trust in me and the other Temple leaders elected that night. Since I have served in some capacity of leadership for the past 14 years, I know that my fellow leaders, past and present, have only the best interests of Temple Emanuel in mind.

As we enter a new term of service, our goals for the coming year are being defined. I would like to invite anyone interested in becoming a leader of our community to contact me as we start our Leadership Development under the direction of Gerri Rudner and Debbi Baratz. Another goal is to grow our StarLight Foundation to a minimum of one million dollars. As we are half

way to the goal, plans are being made to move to an organized Endowment campaign. We hope to launch the new Temple Emanuel website this summer. We will let you know when it is up and running. We hope to continue to grow our incredible Caring Community program. So many have been helped, and so many have been enriched by helping others. This year, think about giving one or two hours of your time to the Caring Community.

Since it is June and summer is approaching quickly, I think it is important to thank some wonderful people: those who help making volunteering a joy and not a chore. Each day, weeks and months the Temple leadership is either planning meetings or attending meetings or planning events or attending events. We each volunteer our time to Temple Emanuel for our own reasons. We each find fulfillment in different ways. But it is the support of each of our families that enable us to accomplish the many tasks and goals of the Temple. So in no particular order I would like to thank the following spouses for their support of Temple Emanuel: Matt Hoff, Kevin Ross, Joe Miller, Linda Sachais, Rob Mintz, Maureen Huffman, Randi Bard, Linda Yelowitz, Jeff Grabov, Alex Manelis, and Judy Lubetkin. I also want to thank all of their children for sharing their moms and dads with us.

Please enjoy the summer, but remember Temple Emanuel does not take a vacation we will be here all summer for all of your needs. Just give us a call. I'll see you at summer services.

B'shalom,



## *Mazel Tov....*

Gert and Max Pastelnick on the marriage of their granddaughter, **Lisa Klein to Jonathan Lesser**

Karen and Gary Schwartz on the birth of their grandson, **Jonah Emanuel**

Lucy Schwarz and David Schwarz on the birth of their granddaughter, **Jadyn Rae**

Terry Goncharoff and Mark Garber on the marriage of their son **Ted to Jamie Kinberg**

Pam and Ken Barroway on the birth of their son **Ethan Jeffrey**

Donna Laverdiere and James Katz on the engagement of their daughter, **Julie to Stewart Simon**



**A**bout a year ago, a wonderful and caring group of volunteers helped establish the Caring Community at Temple Emanuel. Their goal was far-reaching, yet simple. They hoped to provide help and support to those members of our community struggling through a difficult time. The outpouring of love, the gifts of time and caring that have been shared this year are overwhelming and awe inspiring. I have watched strangers become friends and friends become family. Aren't the burdens of life easier when shared? The story below illustrates how helping others really helps ourselves.

*"There is an old Chinese tale about a woman whose only son died. In her grief, she went to the holy man and asked, "What prayers, what magical incantations do you have to bring my son back to life?"*

*Instead of sending her away or reasoning with her, he said to her, "Fetch me a mustard seed from a home that has never known sorrow. We will use it to drive the sorrow out of your life." The woman went off at once in search of that magical mustard seed.*

*She came first to a splendid mansion, knocked at the door, and said, "I am looking for a home that has never known sorrow. Is this such a place? It is very important to me."*

*They told her, "You've certainly come to the wrong place," and began to describe all the tragic things that recently had befallen them.*

*The woman said to herself, "Who is better able to help these poor, unfortunate people than I, who have had misfortune of my own?"*

*She stayed to comfort them, and then went on in search of a home that had never known sorrow. But wherever she turned, in hotels and in other places, she found one tale after another of sadness and misfortune.*

*The woman became so involved in helping others cope with their sorrows that she eventually let go of her own. She would later come to understand that it was the quest to find the magical mustard seed that drove away her suffering."*

Become involved in our Caring Community Committee, or if that committee is not for you, find a place at Temple Emanuel that provides you with the nourishment you seek. I look forward to seeing you often at Temple Emanuel.

*Mayda*

## Summer Services at Temple Emanuel

Our Friday Evening Shabbat Services will continue during the summer months. On Friday, July 6<sup>th</sup> and Friday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> we will hold a Kabbalat Shabbat (Welcome the Sabbath) at the earlier time of 6 pm.

Tot Shabbat will be held on Friday, July 20 and August 17 at 7 pm in the Chapel. We have some wonderful introspective services planned with members of our congregation participating, including a talk by Matt Shechtman about his enlightened visit to Whitwell, Tennessee where the movie "Paper Clips" was made and Adele Oberlander happily speaking about her 60 Year History at Temple Emanuel. Cantor Peter Halpern will hold a musical Shabbat including an ensemble. A full schedule of dates and times will be forthcoming.

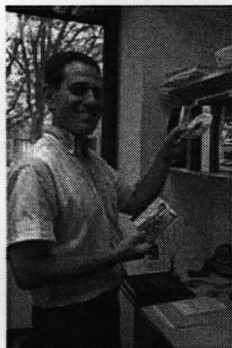




# CANTOR'S NOTES



by Peter Halpern



## "Shira Chadasha"

June is an important month in our Temple's musical life as we host for the first time the annual *Delaware Valley Jewish Choral Festival* on Wednesday evening, June 6. Fourteen Jewish choirs from around the region will converge in Cherry Hill to grace our Sanctuary with prayer and song.

Song, or shir, is mentioned many times in our sacred writings. An entire book of the bible is entitled Shir Hashirim, The Song of Songs. We refer to Yom Kippur as the Sabbath of Sabbaths as we are aware of holiness of Shabbat. This term designates Yom Kippur as the most important of "Sabbaths." In the same way, we can imagine our traditions attitude towards song if this biblical book is called the Song of Songs, the quintessential song. Perhaps the human voice is also the supreme instrument. The High Holy Day liturgy contains the expression "kol d'mama," the still small voice within. Even the sound of the shofar is referred to as "kol shofar, the voice of the shofar.

This event, sponsored by Temple Emanuel and our choir, Kol Emanuel, promises to be something special. I hope to see you on Wednesday, June 6 at 7 pm.

Wishing you a wonderful summer in advance,

# SENIOR SCENE

By Gert Pastelnick  
President, Henry Raich Senior Group

Please join the Henry Raich Senior Group for an exceptional final brown bag meeting of this season. Our guest speaker will be Rabbi Jerome David. This will take place on June 20, at 12 noon.

For your enjoyment, Elaine Kooperstein and Judy Gensib, are planning a luscious dessert table for us to enjoy.

In reflection, as we come to closing this season, I think of the outstanding programs we have had each month at our brown bag meeting. Jack Gensib, our program chairperson, together with his committee, consisting of Joe Strip, Eliane Strip, Esther Brown, Doris Greene, Judy Gensib and Nancy Wolfe, have worked hard to provide us with great and entertaining programs throughout the year. Thank you all for a job well done. We look forward to the future.

I hope to see you and greet you at our June 20th brown bag meeting.

## **ACT AS IF EVERYTHING DEPENDS ON YOU! MITZVAH DAY**

Please join us on Sunday, June 3rd, from 9-12 as we fulfill the mitzvah of Tikkun Olam by volunteering our time to make the world a better place. You can choose the way you want to be involved in the following ways:

- **CASSEROLE COOKING**
- **CRAM THE VAN (Acme – Eagle Plaza)**
- **BLOOD DRIVE**
- **SENIOR CITIZEN PROJECT (Lion's Gate)**
- **BOOK DRIVE & SALE**
- **CLOTHING DRIVE & FLEA MARKET**

Questions? Please contact Stephanie Ross  
[schleper247@comcast.net](mailto:schleper247@comcast.net)



# REACH FOR THE STARS

## 2007 Season of Events

### Our Generous Donors Helped Make our Auction Successful

Avian Jewelers  
Beautiful Balloons  
Best Buys  
Brad's Extra Innings  
Braddock's Tavern  
Brooklawn Florist  
Carollo's Restaurant  
Cheesecake Factory  
Cherry Hill Health & Racquet Club  
Classic Cakes  
Cooper Hospital  
Crest Auto  
Dr. Marc Weinberger  
Debra Berger/Cherish Designs  
Digital Sign Guys  
Eaise Landscaping  
Great Harvest Bread Company  
Jackie Abdul  
Judy Gold  
Kitchen Kapers

La Posata Restaurant  
Macy's  
Marlton Diner  
Max Geller  
Morton's Steak House  
Omni Video Creations  
Panera  
Philadelphia Eagles  
Philadelphia Soul  
Rosenthal Woolens  
Short Cuts  
Short Hills Deli  
Stephanie Weinberger/DOVE Chocolate at Home  
Target  
Temple Emanuel Sisterhood  
The Kibbutz Room  
Theme Factory of Philadelphia  
Traino's Liquor Store  
Viking Casual Furniture  
Wawa, Inc.

list incomplete

## DELAWARE VALLEY

### JEWISH CHORAL FESTIVAL



Wednesday, June 6, 2007

7 pm

Temple Emanuel

Springdale & Kresson Roads, Cherry Hill, NJ

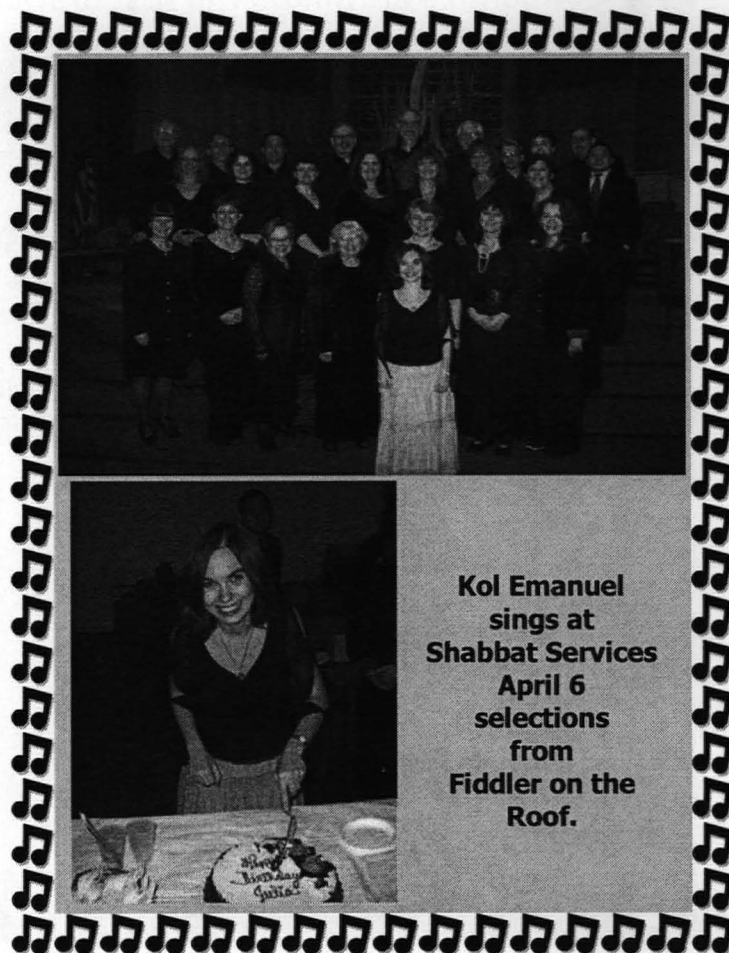
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for more information



\$8 Contribution

Hosted by Temple Emanuel  
& Kol Emanuel Adult Choir



Kol Emanuel  
sings at  
Shabbat Services  
April 6  
selections  
from  
Fiddler on the  
Roof.

## Take a Chance Raffle

**Win up to \$2500 a month** while supporting Temple Emanuel's newest fundraiser. There are 12 chances to win at 100:1 odds...don't miss out!

We are selling 100 **Take a Chance Raffle** tickets for a yearly commitment of \$600. Purchasers may choose to give \$600 at once, or pay \$50 per month for 12 months (a yearlong commitment is necessary for participation).

**A winner will be picked each month** at our Board meeting, or during the summer at the Executive Board meeting. The winner will receive up to \$2500 and the Temple will receive up to \$2500 each month. The winning ticket will then be put back into the box to await the next month's drawing!! The first drawing will take place on Monday, June 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Don't miss out on the fun** and the chance to win. Find partners for one ticket, or for many tickets. Remember just 100 tickets will be sold!!

For more information contact co-chairs  
Michele Hirsch (856) 424-4341 or e-mail at [fashionpolice210@aol.com](mailto:fashionpolice210@aol.com)  
Felice Friedman (856) 482-9146 or [felicef@comcast.net](mailto:felicef@comcast.net).

For more information about creating a payment plan for the year, contact Holly at (856) 489-0029 x18 or [hfriedman@templemanuel.org](mailto:hfriedman@templemanuel.org)



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CHERRY HILL, NJ 08003



## ***Take A Chance Raffle***

**Singles or Partners....**

**ONLY 100 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD!**  
**(\$50 per month or a total commitment of \$600.)**  
**Winners will be drawn monthly!**  
**Each ticket has 12 chances to win.**

*50% monthly winner  
Up to \$2500*

*50% Temple Emanuel  
Up to \$2500*



**1st Drawing  
June 25, 2007**

Questions? Call or  
E-mail

Michele Hirsch (856) 424-4341 [fashionpolice210@aol.com](mailto:fashionpolice210@aol.com)  
Felice Friedman (856) 482-9146 [felicef@comcast.net](mailto:felicef@comcast.net)

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I/We agree to purchase a raffle ticket in the amount of \$50 per month for 12 months or \$600 per year (due 1st of each month prior to drawing.)

Enclosed is a check for \$600 or contact Hollace Friedman at (856) 489-0029 for monthly payment plan options. Mail to: Temple Emanuel      Attn: Take a Chance Raffle

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Partner Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

No. of tickets



## MEN'S CLUB

by *Steve Ehrlich*  
*Men's Club President*

While our Sunday Brunches are over until next September, I still remember all the great Sundays we've had together. This has been a fantastic year, and I thank everyone who participated. I hope to see everyone again in September. And for those of you who missed out this year, please do join us in September.

Join us on June 15 for Men's Club Shabbat. At this time, David Chasen will become the new Men's Club president. After three years as the Men's Club president, I look forward to continuing my active support of the as the past president.

During the summer, the Men's Club exec board plans for next year. If you are interested in joining the exec board, please let David Chasen know; the Men's Club board is always looking for a few more men to help plan in implementing our Men's Club programming.

Also, if you have an idea for a future Men's Club Sunday Brunch topic, or if you can suggest a great speaker, please let us know. We are always looking for a diverse range of topics, and your ideas will help us find the best programs.

On June 6, the Men's Club will be holding its annual Golf Outing and everyone (and I mean everyone) is welcome to join in the fun. We had a fantastic time last June, and this year promises to be even better.

## SISTERHOOD

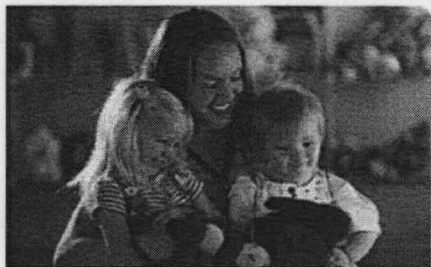
by *D.J. Whitley*  
*Sisterhood President*

It is with great anticipation and a little trepidation that I write the first of many Temple Emanuel Sisterhood columns for the Light as Sisterhood Board President. We have had a changing of the guard. On May 10, the Sisterhood Board got together to thank and celebrate past president, Felice Friedman. No organization could have asked for a more capable leader. Her shoes will be difficult to fill. Several of our board members have progressed to different responsibilities within Sisterhood; we wish them all the best. Others have moved on to greener pastures. I speak for the whole board when I say thank you very much for your effort, dedication, and time.

Now, we say "welcome" to new board members: Leslie Peligan; Linda Sachias; Alyssa Bannett, and Melissa Eisenberg. Alyssa and Melissa will be taking over as our religious school coordinators. Bless them.

May was a very busy month for us as there were many events on the calendar. Mary Ames has done a masterful job of putting together the casserole cooking meals while our own Sheila Spiegel is on the mend. Thanks to Mary and get well wishes to Sheila from all of us. It's always a joyful site seeing the children pick that special flower for Mom at the Mother's Day plant sale. Hats off to Cathy Krepow and her team. The selection was lovely as always. For Sisterhood Shabbat on May 18, Bev Volpe, Kelly Fineman and company planned a beautiful Shabbat service highlighting the strength of a woman's voice. It was truly inspirational.

If you wish to be involved in any of our activities, please do not hesitate to give one of the board members or me a call. Or leave us a note in the main office. We always need an extra pair of hands. Our arms are open wide. Come in. Welcome!



### Temple Emanuel Baby-Sitter List

Do you need a baby-sitter? Rabbi Cohen is a compiling a list of teenagers in our congregation who are looking for baby-sitting jobs. In addition to contact information, the list includes each teenager's grade level, experience, preferred hours, access to transportation and home neighborhood. If you would like a copy of the list, please e-mail Rabbi Cohen at [dbcohen@templemanuel.org](mailto:dbcohen@templemanuel.org) or call her at 856-489-0035.

Teenagers who would like to be included on the list should also contact Rabbi Cohen for a form to fill out.

## Golf Outing

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

**Wednesday  
June 6, 2007**

Registration: 7 AM  
Shotgun Start: 8 AM



### 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.

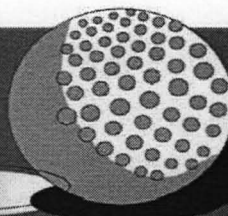
**Bronze Sponsor**---\$600 One foursome and listing as a bronze sponsor

*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



Everyone who plays Golf is Welcome  
Men, Women, Members and Non-Members are invited  
Only requirement is that you enjoy golf

Each foursome will compete as a team, as they play  
the best positioned ball from each stroke.  
Prizes will be awarded to the best teams

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



### TREE OF LIFE

Jerri Pinsky  
Chairperson

Proudly displayed by the Temple's social hall, the **Tree of Life** is a constant reminder of the happy events that touched your life and the lives of your family and friends.

Commemorate births, Bar and Bat Mitzvahs, weddings, anniversaries, graduations, achievements and other milestones by adding an inscribed leaf or rock to our **Tree of Life**. Season after season, year after year, the **Tree of Life** will keep the joy and memories of your simcha in the hearts and minds of those who shared in the celebration.

As you will notice, the **Tree** is almost totally inscribed. Only spots near the top and bottom branches remain available. Reserve your spot now. Stop by or call the office and ask Irene Strauss for an application.

The newest additions of leaves to the **Tree** are:

#### DONOR

Oken Siblings

Wexler, Scott & Perel Family

David & Jessica Chasen

Temple Emanuel

Lisa & Jon Orenstein

Wendy & Todd Silverberg

#### IN HONOR OF

Adele Oberlander's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Adele Oberlander's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Reserved one leaf

Hilton Phillips 40th Anniversary at Temple Emanuel

Zachary Orenstein

Jamie Silverberg's Bat Mitzvah

## WHAT'S COOKING AT TEMPLE EMANUEL?

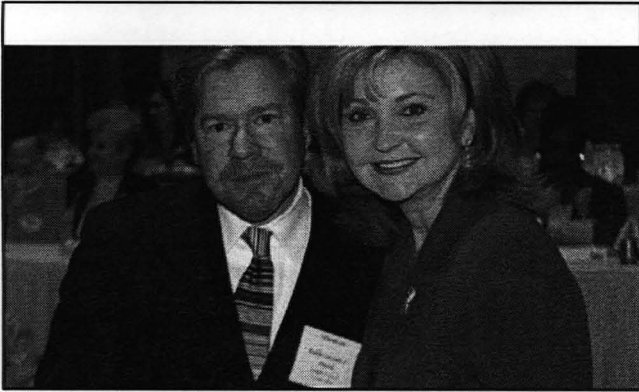
The Social Action Committee is currently working on a cookbook to benefit the Tzedakah Collective. This fund was established in 2001 to help congregants fulfill the mitzvah of tzedakah. Since then, almost \$20,000 has been distributed to local, national and international charitable organizations.

**The cookbooks will go on sale a Autumn. This is your chance to showcase your favorite family recipes! Simply complete the recipe form and return it to the temple office by June 13<sup>th</sup>. Please do not miss this opportunity to provide comfort to someone in need by sharing your recipes for "comfort food."**

**QUESTIONS? Contact Stephanie Ross  
schleper247@comcast.net**

# Race for a Cure

Rabbi Jerry David and Pat Chiarocchi at Race for the Cure Survivors Breakfast where over 1,000 women attended.



Rabbi David at the Race for the Cure breakfast where he gave the D'var Torah



### *A Call to Mothers & Sisters*

This year, approximately 6,080 New Jersey women will be diagnosed with breast cancer. Given this diagnosis, a relatively low number of women are enrolled in the Sister Study from our state. The Sister Study will be conducted by the National Institute of Environmental Health and Sciences and is seeking 50,000 women whose sisters had breast cancer, in order to find environmental and genetic causes. Astonishingly, only 750 New Jersey women are enrolled in this study, and researchers need more women (approximately 18,000 more) to come forward and volunteer for the non-invasive study to help find the causes of breast cancer and to help discern if factors such as elements found in the home, workplace, personal products and community are contributing to breast cancer. If you'd like to help this worthwhile project, please call 1-877-4SISTER or visit [www.sisterstudy.org](http://www.sisterstudy.org) to volunteer. Recruitment ends by the end of 2007, so time is of the essence!



For office use only	Recipe No.
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Category \_\_\_\_\_

Recipe Title \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted By \_\_\_\_\_

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## INSTRUCTIONS

- TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY IN INK, NOT PENCIL, AND PLACE ONLY ONE RECIPE PER FORM.
- If more room is needed, use another sheet of the same size and staple together.
- List all ingredients in order of use in ingredients list and directions.
- Include container sizes, e.g., 16-oz. pkg., 24-oz. can.
- Keep directions in paragraph form – not in steps.
- Use names of ingredients in the directions, e.g., "Combine flour and sugar."  
DO NOT use statements like, "Combine first three ingredients."
- Include temperatures and cooking, chilling, baking, and/or freezing times.
- Anything not part of the recipe (ingredients, directions, contributor name, serving size or recipe title) will not be included unless you select Recipe Notes for an extra charge.
- Be consistent with the spelling of your name for each recipe you contribute.
- Your recipes should fit into the following categories:

**Appetizers & Beverages**  
**Soups & Salads**  
**Vegetables & Side Dishes**  
**Main Dishes**

**Breads & Rolls**  
**Desserts**  
**Cookies & Candy**  
**This & That**

Dear Friend,

Our organization is preparing a taste-tempting cookbook featuring favorite recipes from members of our community. Our cookbook will be beautifully illustrated and bound and is sure to be treasured for years.

We would like you to submit 3 or 4 of your favorite recipes so you can be represented in our memorable collection. Follow the instructions above. Your name will be printed with each of your recipes.

Each cookbook will contain helpful cooking hints, recipe category dividers, a table of contents, an index, and special pages of interest to our community. The cookbook will be typeset in an easy-to-read format and professionally printed and bound.

Proceeds from our cookbook sales will help fund future projects sponsored by our organization. Your help in contributing recipes will ensure that our cookbook will be a success.

We anticipate a great demand for our cookbooks, and we want to be certain we order enough. You can reserve one or more copies for yourself and your family at this time to be assured of receiving them.

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ cookbook(s) for me.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

P.S. Please submit your recipes to the committee within 5 days so they can be turned over to the publisher. Thank you!

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(856) 489-0029

Adrienne, Robert  
Steven & Michael  
Hoffman-Mintz

The Clarkes  
Mayda, Alan  
Jason & Pamela

The Huffmans

### L'dor V'dor Pathway to Knowledge Walkway

**Buy a Brick and Leave your mark** on Temple Emanuel forever. We are replacing the concrete walkway at our Religious School entrance with new professionally engraved bricks bearing the names of our Members and Supporters.

The cost for each brick is \$118 per engraved brick (up to 3 lines per brick). Please make checks payable to Temple Emanuel. All orders are due by June 30, 2007.

#### BRICK ORDER FORM:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Bricks \_\_\_\_\_ x \$118 \_\_\_\_\_

Text: Line #1 \_\_\_\_\_ (max. 16 characters and spaces)

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Please remit checks to Bricks/Temple Emanuel, 1101 Springdale Rd. Cherry Hill, NJ 08003.  
For additional information contact Hollace Friedman at (856) 489-0029, x 18 or  
hffriedman@templemanuel.org.

This project supports educational programming at TE.

# YOUTH GROUP

*by Sandy Umansky*

**I**t is always bittersweet when the year's end approaches. Many incredible teens who have dedicated themselves to their Temple and to youth group are graduating and leaving the program; many more potential leaders are stepping up to the plate. It has been both my joy and my melancholy to see this rite of passage repeat itself over the years. It has always been a great source of pride to me, and to our synagogue, to acknowledge that each teen who goes off into the wide world goes off a bit more assured, more knowledgeable, more prepared to deal with that wide world. Ah, the power of Youth Group!

It is essential to add Allison Cogan's name to my list of graduating seniors who have impacted Temple Emanuel and Youth Group. Her name was inadvertently omitted in last month's column; her commitment and effect could never be overlooked! Allie has been a motivator and an inspiration to all teens who have met her. She has given of her time and her talents to enhance all of TEFTY's programs, since her pre-school days! Thank you, Allie!

And now it is time to look forward to the upcoming year. TEFTY's elections reflected a unanimously approved slate of officers. These teens possess the dedication and the desire to make a difference, to learn about their Judaism, and to live to inspire their peers.

It is with great pride and anticipation that I list the new Executive Board of Officers for TEFTY 2007-2008:

- President: Arielle Karpf
- V.P. Religious & Cultural Affairs: Melanie Rivkin; assistant: Marissa Kuperschmidt
- V.P. Social Action: Laura Flanagan; assistant: Lucas Yelowitz
- V.P. Activities: Jillian Winkoff; assistant: Jordan Friedman
- Co-V.P. Membership: Michelle Bruno and Aaron Thomson
- Secretary: Arielle Wolinsky
- Co-Treasurers: Tiffany Kuperschmidt & Rachel Powell
- Historian/ Website Co-Ordinator: Allie Caren; assistants: Taylor Brody & Jake Tuff
- TEFTY Representative: Madison Alterman
- Director of Mentoring: Daniel Hohwald
- NFTY/PAR Representative: Becca Dittrich, President of NFTY/PAR

There is so much to look forward to, working with teens as outstanding and awesome as these! Please make sure to mark your calendars for Youth Group Shabbat, Friday, June 8. A family potluck dinner at 6:30 pm. will precede the most moving and thought-provoking services of the year, beginning at 8 pm.

Another aspect of teen activity through Youth Group is participation in our regional programming. NFTY/PAR, the Reform movement's regional teen group, just held its "introductory" week-end, Hagigah Maccabiah, an arts-sports-new members Kallah (convention) at Camp Harlam. Twelve Temple Emanuel teens mingled and interacted, learned and lived Jewishly. Temple Emanuel (and I) were extremely proud of Becca Dittrich, the newly elected NFTY/PAR President. This was her first Kallah as president, and she did an amazing job of leading and inspiring everyone. If your teen went to this wonderful bonding event, please spread the word about its impact. If you were unable to attend, please mark your calendars now for upcoming Kallot: Gesher Kallah, August 21-24; Fall Kallah, October 26-28; Winsty, January 18-20.

Please keep an eye out for our TEFTY JUNIOR (6,7, & 8 graders) and TEFTY Senior (9-12 graders) calendars; then mark your own calendars and encourage each and every pre-teen and teen that you know and love to share in the fun of youth group. Senior high schoolers are encouraged to attend Tefty board meetings, held on the first Tuesday of every month, before Religious School classes.

I wish each and every one of you a wonderful summer, and I look forward to seeing you all in the Fall!



## Religious School Attendance Awards

(for missing no classes or only 1 class during the school year —  
Kindergarten to 6th grade only)

### SUNDAY

Melissa Abrams  
Scott Abrams  
Maxwell Berry  
Shari Bodofsky  
Bryn Caren  
Josh Cohen  
Harrison Fauseit  
Gilliana Gaines  
Evan Gelman  
Samantha Gelman  
Siena Gesmondi  
Hannah Goldberg  
Adam Goodman  
Madison Hacker  
Sarah Haber  
Jennifer Hoffman  
Andrew Jaffe  
Jason Kanan  
Julia Klukoff  
Katarina Konefsky  
Gwen Kramer  
Hallie Levine  
Benjamin Riesenbach  
Rachel Rosenfield  
Mitchell Rothstein  
Arielle Rudin  
Aaron Schiff  
Emily Schurr  
Lily Schwartz-Sussman  
Ilana Schwartzberg  
Brynn Soler

Rachel Waite  
Andrew Warkala  
John Warkala  
Allison Wasdick  
Alex Wittbrodt  
Matthew Young

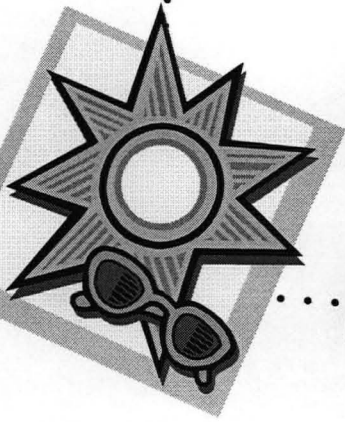
### TUESDAY

Marcia Baker  
Haley Bogdanoff  
Abby Budman  
Gabrielle Calder  
Danielle Deal  
Ethan Fayer  
Michelle Freilick  
Marc Ginsberg  
Hannah Gruber  
Melissa Hoffman  
Victoria Kalbacher  
Lauren Kerner  
Conrad Kramer  
Ari Liloia  
Arianna Manelis  
Jake Manelis  
Michael McCauley  
Bobby Milner  
Shayna Peterzell  
Steven Wallach  
John Warkala  
Allison Wasdick

### WEDNESDAY

Scott Abrams

Julia Benbassat  
Alana Cohen  
Jessica Cohen  
Jonathan Cohen  
Joshua Cohen  
Morgan Cohen  
Jonah Cohn  
Brett Dashevsky  
Harrison Fauseit  
Austin Forcinito  
Rachel Friedman  
Arianna Gesmondi  
Sarah Goldberg  
Samantha Goldstein  
Erica Goodman  
Rachel Goodman  
Madison Hacker  
Katarina Konefsky  
Bailee Lazar  
Megan McCance  
Ezra Nugiel  
Sarah Oberman  
Matthew Propp  
Alexis Rebock  
Dillon Rebock  
Bailey Renz  
Ben Riesenbach  
Shelby Robbins  
Lily Schwartz-Sussman  
Jaimie Susson  
Maxine Turchin  
Daniel Zeiberg



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### Temple Emanuel Education Insert

A look back at a year  
of learning!

FROM RABBI DEBORAH COHEN, RABBI FOR LIFELONG EDUCATION

## What really matters. . .



As a year-end project, some of our 6th graders were asked to design a poster about what makes them proud to be Jewish. Their responses will make you proud, and so, let me share a few with you.

"I was born Jewish and I am proud. Judaism is a great religion that teaches many things and shows us how to live. It also allows us to make choices and live freely."

Andrew Adler

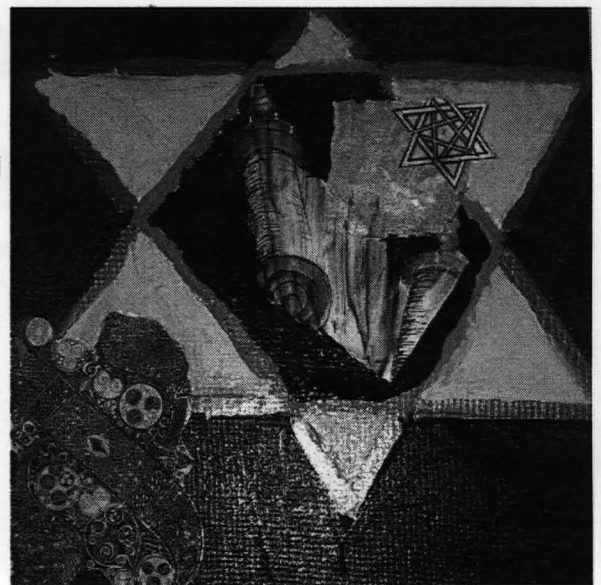
"Being Jewish to me means when family gets together and celebrates on holidays, keeping traditions. It also means learning about your past and appreciating it." Anonymous

When I think about being Jewish, I think of Passover and Hanukkah and hanging out with friends at Temple and the JCC. I think about all we learn about the Holocaust and history of the Jewish religion. I think about all the songs and prayers I know and I think about Friday night services and, last of all, I think of all the good food I get to eat on the holidays." Marisa Ditzkoff

"I'm proud to be Jewish because not a lot of people are. It makes me feel very unique. I love going to synagogue and sing and learn new songs. I also love being Jewish because I love reading Hebrew and learning prayers. I'm proud and happy I'm Jewish." Anonymous

"Being Jewish mean a lot to me. It should mean a lot to you." Olivia Atkin

"Being Jewish to me means love. A group of people singing Hava-Nagila at a Bar Mitzvah, the sound of matza ball soup being slurped on Passover, the smell of chicken drifting the kitchen on Friday night. This is what being Jewish means to me." Anonymous

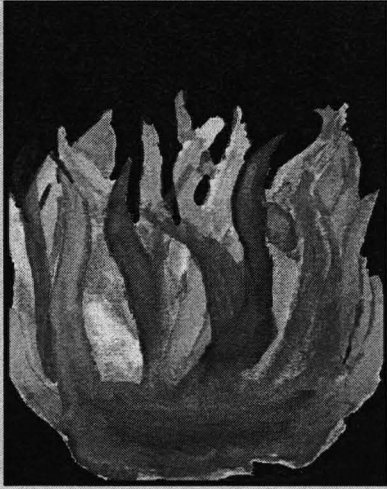


Artwork by 6th Grader Nathan Ellis.



# A Prayer of Art

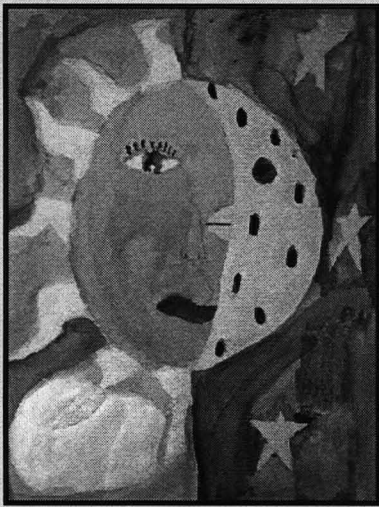
Art teacher Barbara Gail worked with 8th and 9th graders this year to create artwork for the upcoming Temple Emanuel family siddur. Here are some the beautiful creations. The originals are in color.



Eternal Light by Jaime Susson.



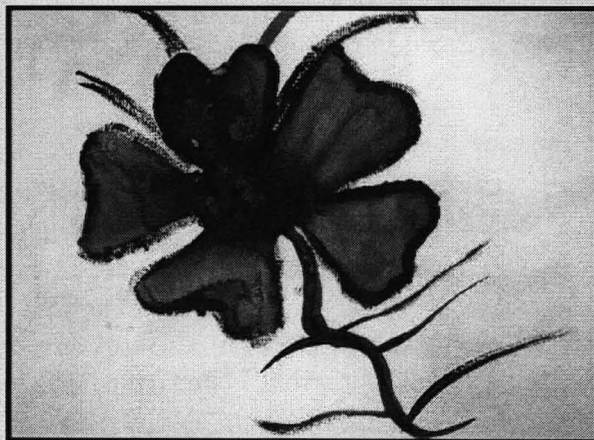
Silent prayer by Kara Lambson.



Divine Power by Maddie Gross.



Star of David by Spencer Markoe.



Beauty of Nature by Eve Seidman.



# Living History

This year, our 6th grade class created their own Museum of Living History. After learning about how museum exhibits are created at the Museum of Jewish heritage in New York, they brought in family artifacts and wrote about their significance. The Living Museum was on display in the front rotunda of the synagogue. Here are a few of the descriptions.

"This is the only coin (out of about 200 coins) that my dad got out of a fire. It is silver and about 2 inches by 2 inches. There is an eagle on the back. The coin is bent. It is very dirty. This coin was in a fire caused by the neighbor's toaster. It was my dad's coin. This coin was the only thing that came out of the fire. My dad didn't clean it since the fire." Siena Gesmondi



"These (miniature Torah scrolls) were from my mom and my Consecration in Kindergarten. They both are about 9 1/2 inches long, and very colorful. Their covers are made of plastic. My Mom's one (the older one) has a golden rubber band holding the scroll together. The other one has dark brown trees, while my Mom's has very light trees. They both are in English and Hebrew." Andrew Jaffe

My family uses this menorah as our head menorah that we use all 8 nights along with all our other menorah's that we collect. My family has been collecting menorahs for over thirty years but this is our first. This menorah originally belonged to my grandmother. She then gave it to us. This is how my menorah is so old. My menorah is gold and rusted. It even has old wax still stuck on it from all the years we have used it. It is gold and has tons of different patterns on it such as flowers, leaves, curls, and Jewish stars. When you touch it, it is really bumpy because it was hand carved to make the patterns. All of the wonderful patterns makes it bumpy but also makes it look really beautiful and awesome." Eliana Roth



"This watch belonged to my great grandfather. Every time we go to synagogue we wear his watch in memory of him. We have two of his watches; my brother and I each wear one. It is gold. Its face is black. It is bigger than my wrist. It looks brand new. It's glorious. It has a metal band." Stephen Gotleib

"My kiddish cup belonged to my great-grandmother, Faegela Kessler Mintz, who came to America from Poland in 1926 with my great-grandfather Eli Mintz. They left Poland to escape growing anti-Semitism and to find opportunity in America. She gave birth to my grandfather one month after arriving at Ellis Island and they settled in New York City. There is a plaque at Ellis Island in their honor. My great-grandparents used this kiddish cup as part of their Shabbat services and I also use it for special days."

Eric Mintz



## Be A Parent With "Class"

Consider being a Class Parent for the 2007-2008/5768 School Year

Class Parents help in making the year a success. We strive to have class parents in Kindergarten through 7th grade, both for Judaica and Hebrew. Being a class parent will be a relatively modest time commitment. You help the teacher by:

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

It is a great way to help link home and religious school! If you are interested in becoming a class parent, please contact Rabbi Debbie Cohen at 856-489-0035, [dbcohen@templemanuel.org](mailto:dbcohen@templemanuel.org)

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## New Members

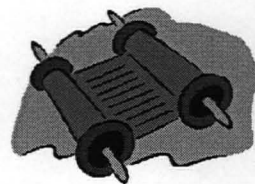
We welcome our new members into our Temple Emanuel family

Andrea Gordon

Jeanne and Lawrence Gessman

### *Our B'nai Mitzvah in June*

- June 2      Bar Mitzvah of JOSEF I. PLAKSEN  
Son of Miriam and Mitchell Plaksen
- Havdalah Service  
Bar Mitzvah of THEODORE CONSTANTINE ANDREW  
Son of Dean and Susan Andrew
- June 9      Bar Mitzvah of NOAH AARON SCHORR  
Son of Mindy and Michael Schorr
- Havdalah Service  
Bat Mitzvah of SYDNEY ELYSE FORMAN  
Daughter of Lisa and David Forman
- June 16      Bat Mitzvah of TALIA ZIPORA HALEVY  
Daughter of Karen Joy Halevy and Jonathan Halevy
- Bar Mitzvah of STEVEN OBERLANDER  
Son of Nancy and David Oberlander
- June 23      Bar Mitzvah of MICHAEL ALEXANDER SLUTSKY  
Son of Rachel and Allan Slutsky



### *In Memoriam*

MAURICE ATKINS  
Uncle of Eileen Winter

SAMUEL KATZ  
Husband of Lucille Katz

SANDY LEBOST  
Neice of Marsha Klein

VICTOR PACHTER  
Father of Barbara Pachter, Marsha Morrow and  
Linda Slipyan-Steingard

MARGARITE LOUISE TISCHLER  
Mother of Suzanne Cohen

HAROLD WALLERSTEIN  
Brother of Ruth Samuel

### *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.

**IDA AND THEODORE WILEN**  
Mother of Sheldon and Barbara Wilen  
Grandmother of Todd Wilen,  
Dawn Lederman and Amber Kodish





## Wanted: Summer Host families



Host an Israeli Shaliach (Emissary)  
coming to volunteer in our community  
at the JCC Camps at Medford



For more information, contact  
Renalt Boyd [rboyd@jfedsnj.org](mailto:rboyd@jfedsnj.org)  
856-751-9500 x 188

or

Shonnie Lebovitz [slebovitz@jfedsnj.org](mailto:slebovitz@jfedsnj.org)  
856-424-4444 x 281

## We Hope to Hear from YOU!!

In April we sent you a letter reminding us of the proverb that **IT TAKES A VILLAGE TO RAISE A CHLD.** We appealed to you to consider the newly instituted two-tier Religious School tuition program designed to keep fees equitable for all. We are very pleased with how many of you have answered our call and generously volunteered to pay full tuition.

Your June 2007 statement contains a follow-up reminder letter. Please use the form at the bottom of the letter to indicate if you choose to pay the "full tuition" option. Should you select this option, your July statement will reflect the change.

Thank you very much for helping us maintain excellence in our Religious School.

**Membership News**  
**Robin Miller, VP /Membership**

The Membership Committee and the Caring Community Committee have been working together this year, with Adrienne Mintz and I chairing the Caring Community component. It has been an honor to watch the idea of the Caring Community blossom and grow into a viable program.

We have had the pleasure of watching those who have never met become the best of friends. Our Temple family is really reaching out to each other for this wonderful mitzvah. People who wouldn't normally ask for help have had the opportunity to be moved and inspired by others. They have had the opportunity to meet new people who really care. Others, who have volunteered in the name of doing a mitzvah, have come away with so much more of a good feeling than they ever imagined. People helping people. That's who we are and what we do.

We are now ready to turn the chairmanship of the Caring Community Committee over to someone who has worked closely with us this year and whose expertise and passion will lead us to new heights. The new chair person is Sheila Stern. We know that "our baby" is in good hands and look forward to watching it grow. Sheila is looking for a co-chair, so if you are able to take on this challenging and exhilarating position, please let me know.

As The Light does not publish again until August, there are few things you need to know now about some of our summer plans. The membership committee will host prospective member Open Houses on **Wednesday June 27 at 7 pm, Tuesday July 17 at 7 pm and Friday August 3 at 6 pm**. These are great opportunities for you to bring your unaffiliated friends and share with them all the wonderful things we do at Temple Emanuel.

On **Sunday September 9** we are having our Annual Back to School Sunday event and Kugel tasting contest. This is the 1st day back to Sunday school, so when you bring your students, please come to say HI to all of the Temple committees. It is always fun to meet new and old friends, have something to eat and just hang out.

**SAVE THE DATE:** A Baby Boomers and Beyond Expo will be held on **October 7**. This will be a huge event. There will be many speakers and lots of valuable information available for you or someone you love. We are hoping to have Dr Ruth Westheimer as our key note speaker. We need lots of volunteers that day. Come for fun. Come to volunteer. Just don't miss it!!!!

The next Membership / Caring Community meeting will be held on **June 19**. This meeting is open to everyone in the Congregation. We do many things and we invite YOU to join us. Come hear about mitzvah opportunities, eat and socialize. Our meetings are like small parties. It's a great way to get involved in a small or large way and make new friends at the same time.

The Membership Committee would like to thank Men's Club for the wonderful BBQ event following the Rick Recht concert. It was an amazing feeling to just hang out in the court yard, eating burgers, hot dogs and just getting to know each other. Events like this bring people closer.

We thank you again for the opportunity to co-chair the Caring Community. We know that "our baby" is in good hands with Sheila Stern nurturing its growth. We still plan to be very involved and available. We want to thank all of our amazing volunteers for always being willing and available. Please email [caringcommunity@templemanuel.org](mailto:caringcommunity@templemanuel.org) to volunteer or to let us know if you have a need.

Robin Miller & Adrienne Mintz  
Co-chairs Caring Community Committee

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## The Preschool at Temple Emanuel

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### *Pre-School Parent Committee Corner*

Well, we have thoroughly enjoyed another successful school year in the Pre-School! We would like to thank our wonderful staff and all of the parents who contributed to making this a very special year.

It is incredible to see the dramatic changes that occur in young children over the course of only ten months time. It has been an honor and a pleasure to share this time with you. Thank you especially to Lyn Harley, our Pre-School Director who has ensured smooth sailing and helped us to become one of the Courier Post's "Best Pre-Schools" in southern NJ.

We also offer congratulations to all of the All-Stars and Travelers students who will be attending kindergarten next year. We wish you well and hope you will return to visit.

Have a safe and sensational summer! We hope to see you again both in camp and next fall!

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.



### The Pre-School at Temple Emanuel Playgroup Project



The Pre-School is offering its beautiful, baby friendly parent lounge for play groups.

- ✧ Do you have an existing play group and wish to reserve a day and time?
- ✧ Would you like to form a new play group?
- ✧ How about joining our Friday morning playgroup?

No fees involved, just come join in the fun!

Call 856-489-0034 for details

Ongoing enrollment for all programs!

Mommy & Me thru TK/Kindergarten Enrichment available





by Lyn Harley  
Pre-School Director



**T**he Pre-School is buzzing with excitement! We've been given news that has brought a smile to everyone's face. We are building a new playground! Thanks to the generosity of the Sisterhood and the Mogell family, a beautiful new playground will be built in the courtyard of the Temple. This location will enable our pre-schoolers to enjoy a secluded, shaded, state-of-the-art play area. All congregants will be able to enjoy a family centered gathering place. It will truly be the heart of our Temple and we thank the Sisterhood and Robert and Lynne Mogell from the bottom of **our** hearts! Construction is slated for the fall, so come watch our playground grow!

Our other exciting news is that we are **WINNERS** (not that we ever doubted it)! The Pre-School has been voted "One of the Best Nursery Schools in South Jersey" in the Courier Post's "Best of 2007" contest. Our dedicated staff, innovative programs, individual attention and beautiful well-equipped classrooms have put us in the foreground of excellent Jewish Early Childhood Education. We couldn't have done it without the support of our parents, the clergy, the building staff (including our fabulous maintenance staff) and the congregation as a whole. Thank you for your votes of support, your generosity and your trust. You have all helped make us the **BEST!!**

On behalf of my staff and myself, I wish everyone a safe and relaxing summer. Congratulations to all our Pre-Schoolers moving on to Kindergarten. We will certainly miss them and wish them much success as they embark on their educational journey. We are confident that we have provided them with the tools for success and that they have received the foundation for a love of learning that will last throughout their lifetime. Although the school year is coming to an end, I look forward to seeing many of you at our camp or one of our parenting programs this summer.

## Registration is ongoing

### Registration for PACT (Parent And Child Together), Preschool, Kindergarten Enrichment continues

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 am - 11:30 with option of adding Friday Shabbat Tot class)
- January 2 s (Monday & Wednesday 9:15 am - 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 am - 11:45 or Mon., Wed., & Fri. 9 am - 11:45)
- 4-year-olds  
(Monday through Friday 9 am - 11:45)
- Lunch, Enrichment & Enrichment+ available for 3 s and 4 s  
(options from 11:45am - 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

### **Tell Us What You Think**

The education offerings at Temple Emanuel are vast. We need your input and suggestions to make them as meaningful and interesting as possible. Get involved and join an education committee. For more information about any of these committees, contact the committee chair or Rabbi Cohen, [dbcohen@templemanuel.org](mailto:dbcohen@templemanuel.org), 856-489-0035.

#### **Religious School Sub-Committee**

Chair: Elliott 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.

#### **Family Education Committee**

Chairs: Jessica Manelis

Next Meeting: June 5 at 7 pm

Family retreat, Chocolate Seder, Blessing of the Pets, Sukkot Hayride, Shabbat Around the World, PJ Havdalah Party, and so much more - all brought to you by the Family Education Committee at Temple Emanuel. Join us and make the fun and learning happen again next year. Come with your ideas and suggestions for making Jewish learning family friendly. We will be planning out next year's programming at this meeting.

#### **Adult Education Committee**

Chairs: Kelly Fineman

Next Meeting: June 5 at 8 pm

Help organize our Adult Education Program for next year. Come with your ideas, suggestions and feedback. If you have an idea for a course, we can make it happen.

### **Religious School Registration for 2007-2008/5768**

Registrations for Religious School are Due! Please return them in a timely fashion.

- Current Religious School students should have received Registration Forms by mail. If you need a registration form, please call the Religious School office, 489-0035. We would be happy to send it to you.
- Receiving registrations in a timely fashion helps us to better plan for next year. We understand that some sports and other activities schedules are not announced until August. Even if you are not sure of your session choice, please return your registration with your "best guess" of your choice. You can always call and make a change later. Having your registration, even if your session choice changes, helps us to plan for the year.
- Registration will take place on an ongoing basis. We will make every effort to accommodate your request for a specific session or day of the week. Returning your forms early will better ensure that you get your first choice of date and times.
- Students in Grades K&1 and 8-11<sup>th</sup> attend class once a week. Students in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade choose between attending HeadStart Hebrew and Judaica or just Judaica. Students in Grades 3-6 attend twice a week, midweek for Hebrew and on Sundays for Judaica. Students in Grade 7 attend on Wednesday nights and have a monthly trip.

We look forward to learning with your child next year!

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

# TEMPLE EMANUEL

JUNE 2007



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 7 pm Tot Shabbat 7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Family Service 7:30 pm Alternative Service	2 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah of JOSEF I. PLAKSEN 6:15 pm Havdalah Service— Bar Mitzvah of THEODORE CONSTANTINE ANDREW
3 MITZVAH DAY 9 am-2 pm RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE  TEFTY-TEFTY Jr— Dorney Park	4	5 7 pm Choir Practice 7 pm Family Ed Mtg. 7:30 pm Men's Study Group 8 pm Adult Ed Mtg.	6 Men's Club Golf Outing—Ramblewood CC  ◆7 pm Community Choir Concert ◆	7 7:30 pm Yoga and Meditation	8 6:30 pm Youth Group Pot Luck Dinner 8 pm Shabbat Evening Service—Youth Group Shabbat	9 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah of NOAH AARON SCHORR 6:15 pm Havdalah Service Bat Mitzvah of SYDNEY ELYSE FORMAN
10 9:30 am Starlight Foundation Mtg. 11 am Finance Comm. Mtg.	11 7 pm Youth Comm. Mtg. 7:30 pm Exec. Board Mtg.	12 7 pm Choir Practice 7 pm Casserole Cooking	13	14 7:30 pm Yoga and Meditation 7:30 pm Sisterhood Board Mtg. 7:30 pm Sub-Committee on Music	15 7 pm Tot Shabbat 8 pm Shabbat Evening Service—Men's Club Shabbat Kol Emanuel will participate in the service	16 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service Bat Mitzvah of TALIA ZIPORA HALEVY 6:15 pm Havdalah Service Bar Mitzvah of STEVEN OBERLANDER
17  ◆Father's Day◆	18 7:30 pm Ritual Commit- tee Mtg.	19 7 pm Choir Practice 7:30 pm Membership— Caring Community Mtg.	20 12 Noon Senior Group Brown Bag Lunch	21 7:30 pm Yoga and Meditation	22 8 pm Shabbat Evening Torah Service Honoring Fred Strauss on his 100th Birthday	23 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah of MICHAEL ALEXANDER SLUTSKY
24	25 7:30 pm TE Board of Trustee Mtg.	26 7 pm Choir Practice	27 7 pm Prospective Member Open House	28	29 8 pm Shabbat Evening Service honoring Jane Vortreflich upon her retirement	30 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service

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# TEMPLE EMANUEL

*JULY 2007*



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6 6 pm Kabbalat Shabbat with guest, Janet Sclaroff	7 10 am Torah Study
8	9 7:30 pm Exec. Bd. Mtg.	10	11	12 7:30 pm Sisterhood Board Meeting	13 8 pm Shabbat Evening Service	14 10 am Torah Study
15	16	17 7 pm Prospective Member Open House	18	19	20 7 pm Tot Shabbat 8 pm Shabbat Evening Service	21 10 am Torah Study
22	23	24	25	26	27 8 pm Shabbat Evening Service	28 10 am Torah Study
29	30	31				

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**June 2 Beha'alotecha**

**Numbers 8:1 – 12:16**

God tells Moses to instruct Aaron about how to kindle the lights (*Beha'alotecha et ha neiroi*) of the Menorah. The Israelites are reminded to celebrate Passover. God commands Moses to have two silver trumpets made and then blown by Aaron's sons for a variety of reasons. God instructs Moses to appoint 70 elders to share the burden of ruling the people.

**June 9 Sh'lach L'cha**

**Numbers 13:1 – 15:41**

God tells Moses to send—*Sh'lach L'cha*— twelve men, a leader from each tribe, to scout the land of Canaan. Moses instructs the scouts (or in Hebrew "spies") to go first to the Negev and then proceed up into the hill country. The scouts are to determine the quality of the land and the strength of the people inhabiting the land.

**June 16 Korach**

**Numbers 16:1 – 18:32**

Korach is named after one of the men who lead a serious rebellion against Moses and Aaron. It begins with Korach gathering 250 leaders of the Israelite community and challenging the authority of Moses and Aaron. Korach asserts that all members of the community are holy and asks Moses and Aaron why they raise themselves above the rest of the people. Moses responds by telling Korach and his followers to come to the Tent of Meeting the next day. They refuse, implying that he is a corrupt leader.

**June 23 Chukat**

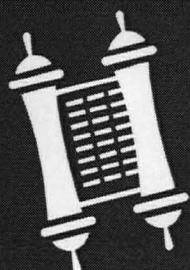
**Numbers 19:1 – 22:1**

The law of the red heifer is introduced. This law is called a "*chukat haTorah*," a ritual law, and from this phrase comes the name of this week's parasha, Chukat. Ashes of the red heifer were to be used to purify those who came into contact with a corpse. The Israelites continue on their journey toward the Promised Land, successfully engaging in three battles, over Arad, the Amorites and over Bashan. The Israelites march on to Moab, across the Jordan from Jericho.

**June 30 Balak**

**Numbers 22:2 – 25:9**

Balak is named after the King of Moab. The Israelites were camped on the border of Moab, on their way to the Promised Land. Balak saw that the Israelites had prospered and grown in number and was afraid that the Israelites would try to take over his country. Balak sends messengers to Balaam, a pagan prophet, asking Balaam to put a curse on the Israelites so that they can be defeated and driven out of Moab.



## Shabbat Morning Torah Study

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