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From the Rabbi's Study by Geri Newburge

the rabbis discuss and debate the d e t a i l s o f Hanukkah. Of course they argue over how to light

the candles and what prayers should be said. Ultimately for the rabbis the spiritual goal of the Hanukkah ritual is to publicize the miracle of the oil that occurred with the rededication of the Temple by the Hasmoneans (the Maccabees).

In fact, publicizing the miracle is so critical for the rabbis that they were willing to say that in certain situations kindling the Hanukkah lights takes precedence over the most significant of Jewish rituals—reciting Kiddush over wine on the Sabbath! So you can see that public observance is placed in high esteem by our tradition.

How do we, in this day and age, commemorate the festival of Hanukkah? The most obvious way is to set your Hanukkiah (the menorah specific to Hanukkah) outside your door or on a window sill to display. Of course, safety is most important so only do this if you know nothing will catch on fire! Perhaps you might want to invite different family, friends, or neighbors for each night to light the Hanukkiah with you and share the joy of the season with others in this special way.

While Hanukkah is actually a minor festival in Jewish tradition, the miracle of the oil and the heroism of the Maccabees has captured our hearts, and so we joyfully mark the holiday with the lighting of the candles, delicious food, spinning the dreidel and celebrating with loved ones. And, with such emphasis placed on the public celebration of this festival we hope that you will join your Temple Emanuel family for our many Hanukkah festivities as you see listed in this month's Light.

As it grows darker earlier at this time of year we look forward to sharing this Festival of Light with all of you, and pray that this season of miracles bestows many blessings on you.



Celebrate Hanukkah @ Temple Emanuel

December 14-Hanukkah Dinner & Celebration at 6:15 pm Chicken Dinner ♥Sing-a-long ♥Crafts ♥Storytelling \$5 per person (over 1 year)

Saturday, December 1 Tot Shabbat Breakfast & Service

Sunday, December 2 Jewish Genetic Testing Tzedakah Mall

Tuesday, December 4 & Wednesday, December 5 6th Grade Olive Oil Workshop

Thursday, December 6 Sisterhood Hanukkah Party

Friday, December 7 Tot Shabbat Alternative Shabbat Shabbat Family Service

Sunday, December 9 Sisterhood Hanukkah Happening

Friday, December 14 4th & 5th Grade Shabbaton Come As You Are Shabbat Shabbat Hanukkah Evening Service

Sunday, December 16 Men's Club Brunch

Wednesday, December 19 Senior Brown Bag Lunch

Friday, December 21 Tot Shabbat Pot Luck Dinner & Service Shabbat Evening Service-Critical Issues-The December Dilemma

Saturday, December 22 Mini-Minyan Breakfast & Service

> Friday, December 28 Shabbat Evening Service

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President's Message

Adrienne Hoffman Mintz



I cannot believe how quickly this year has flown by. Hanukkah is here already and before we blink it will be spring (yes, I conveniently skipped right over winter!).

So much is always happening at Temple Emanuel and so much of which to be proud! We

stand strong! Our building is filled with constant buzz and laughter from pre-school to our senior group.

With such a diverse congregation we are constantly looking for programs and services to meet our growing needs. Our Tot Shabbat program is filled with parents and children making lifelong friends and was the impetus to the formation of our new Up and Comers group. This social group gives young adults, with and without children, a chance to enjoy adult time and connect with each other.

We felt a gap in the special needs area and have stepped up to create the successful **Just for You Expo in Support of Special Needs** that took place in October. In addition, we are committed to providing **Just For You Worship Services** four times a year to support of families with special needs. On Saturday, December 15, from 1 pm to 2 pm a Hanukkah service and celebration for families with special needs will take place. Services are open to the community, inside and outside of Temple Emanuel. These services were created to provide a safe, open and easy place for special needs families to have their own personal experience with Rabbi David and Cantor Neil. Food is provided, activity is encouraged and a "no shush zone" policy is in effect at all times. Services for Purim will be held on February 23 and likewise for Passover on March 30.

These are just a few examples of what goes on behind the scenes each day to ensure that we maintain a vibrant temple community. We are always looking for new volunteers so whether you have the desire to become a future leader, or want to test the water by getting involved in an event, please let me know! I cannot overstate the importance of your involvement or speak to the impact you will have by getting involved.

Please feel free to reach out to me at president@templeemanuel.org.

Wishing you and your family and festive and happy Hanukkah.



Kudos for Kugels



Thanks to our "kugel bakers", our Thanksgiving All Faith Community Oneg was delicious. Their time, effort and generosity is greatly appreciated.

Alysa Bannett, Wendi Cohen, Fran Cramp, Carrie Escritor, Deb Faye, Gail Flanagan, Susan Forman, Myra & Barry Gross, Raechel Hammer, Rosie Hymerling, Barbara & Rudi Klobach, Dusti Kramer, Paula Levine, Abby McMackin, Pam Maitin, Nancy Oberlander, Lee Pinsky, Barbara Schwartz, Stacy Steinhoff, Eliane Strip, Joe & Kathleen Schwartz, Denise Weinberg and Eileen Winter.



כּל אחד הוּא אור קטן וכלנוּ אור איתן

Kol echad hu or katan, V'kulanu or eitan

Each one of us is a small light. But, together our light is strong.



Service for Families with Special Needs

HANUKKAH SERVICE & CELEBRATION at Temple Emanuel 1101 Springdale Road Cherry Hill, NJ Saturday, December 15, 2012 1 pm - 2 pm

Upcoming Dates: Purim 2/23 & Passover 3/30 Both services will take place at 1 pm-2 pm

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www.templeemanuel.org 1101 Springdale Road Cherry Hill, NJ 08003 P. 856.489.0029 F. 856.489.0032

Connection

Come join Temple Emanuel and the Katz JCC ACHad Department for a warm, inviting, musical and interactive worship experience! This Hanukkah service is designed to be accessible and sensitive to a variety of needs. There will be healthy snacks available (gelt too!) and the service will be interpreted into Sign Language.

The clergy and extended Temple Emanuel family look forward to sharing prayer, Torah, music and dreidels as we embrace the light of the festival together. This service is open to the entire community (members and non-members) and all ages are welcome.

RSVP appreciated. If you have questions or to RSVP, please contact: Roberta@templeemanuel.org or 856-489-0029. Please specify your name, email address and/or phone number, number of people, attending, the age of the individual with special needs and the nature of the special need.



Community

Social Responsibility

HIGHLIGHTS OF TEMPLE EMANUEL UPCOMING EVENTS FOR WINTER AND SPRING

- 12/1 Tot Shabbat Breakfast and Service
- 12/2 Jewish Genetic Testing
- 12/6 Career Transition Partnership every other Thursday Sisterhood Hanukkah Party
- 12/14 Shabbat Hanukkah Dinner and Celebration
- 12/15 Just for You Hanukkah Service and Celebration Hanukkah Family Puppet Show and Celebration
- 12/16 Men's Club Brunch
- 12/19 Senior Group Brown Bag Lunch and Speaker
- 12/21 Tot Shabbat Pot Luck Dinner and Service
- 12/22 Mini-Minyan Breakfast and Service
- 1/9 Introduction to Judaism classes begin
- 1/11 Wine and Cheese Reception
- 1/13 Men's Club Brunch
- 1/18 Tot Shabbat Pot Luck Dinner and Service
- 1/25 Mini-Minyan Pot Luck Dinner and Service
- 1/26 Tot Shabbat Breakfast and Service Up and Comers Adult Only Wiffle Ball and Golf
- 2/9 Up and Comers Pot Luck Dinner and Program
- 2/22 Shabbat Wine and Cheese Reception
- 2/23 &24 Purim Celebration
- 2/24 Men's Club Poker Tournament
- 3/1 Sisterhood Retreat begins
- 3/13 Men's Seder
- 3/17 Patron Cocktail Party
- "Simply Diamond" a Neil Diamond Tribute Band Concert
- 3/25 Passover begins
- 3/26 Passover Community 2nd Seder

4/5 Men's Retreat begins

- 4/12 Adult Confirmation
- 4/19 Shabbat Around the World
- 4/26 ELITE graduation
- 5/3-5/5 20th Anniversary Celebration Weekend
- 5/15 Shavuot Confirmation
- 5/17 Adult B'nai Mitzvah
- 5/19 Pre-School Prom
- 5/20 Annual Congregational Meeting

For the most up to date info visit our website at www.templeemanuel.org

Mayda Clarke, Executive Director

Memo from Mayda

On Saturday December 8, we will light the first candle of our menorah and begin our celebration of Hanukkah – the festival of Lights. The Hanukkah story tells of a small group of brave Jewish soldiers defeating a larger enemy. This miraculous feat, more than any other event, serves as a symbol of Jewish history, and the secret of our success as a people. When faced with adversaries, we unite.

So, what were the Maccabees fighting against? Assimilation. During the time of the Hanukkah story, Greece was the cultural center of the world. Many Jews became interested in Greek culture. Prior to the Greeks, our adversaries had attempted to eliminate the Jews through war. The Greeks employed a new strategy. They invited the Jews to mingle in every facet of life. In time, the Greeks convinced them that Jews were in fact no different from any other people. And that was exactly the danger in the Greek threat. The Jews began to forget that they are different than everyone else. The Greeks sought to remove the distinction, not by fighting the Jews in war, but by accepting them as their own.

The miracle of Hanukkah is the triumph of the Maccabees and their victory in preserving the Jewish faith. This is why we light the candles – to remind us that we are different and unique, something the Greeks and many nations since have attempted to make us forget. We must remember that the same battles that the Maccabees fought, we must also fight every day.

At Temple Emanuel, we want to provide you and your family with all of the educational opportunities and

memories to strengthen the bonds of our heritage and help you secure these bonds from generation to generation. Thomas Carlyle is quoted as saying:

When the oak is felled the forest echoes with its fall, but a hundred acoms are sown silently by an unnoticed breeze.



EMANUE

It is our job to be the breeze that keeps the seeds of our faith spreading throughout the world. Plan to light the Hanukkah menorah and rededicate yourself to the memory of the Temple in Jerusalem of old, and to the vibrancy of our temple, Temple Emanuel. If you need a copy of the blessings, in Hebrew or transliteration, visit our website at www.templeemanuel.org. You will find them under Worship/Celebrating the Holiday at TE, along with Hanukkah recipes, songs and more. I hope this information will help you celebrate Hanukkah in such a way as to build family memories, for we never know when the seeds we sow will blossom and grow. What I know for sure is that if we do not put effort into making this an important part of our family rituals, our children and theirs will not know the joy of our Jewish heritage and traditions.

Wishing you and your family a Happy Hanukkah.



Now available to our members and clergy to share with friends and loved ones experiencing a difficult time in their lives. The Sacred Prayer Bracelet[™] is a visual, tangible and meaningful connection with our Jewish faith and the concept that we are never alone. The Sacred Prayer Bracelet[™] with a Star of David charm is an expressive means for those who care about someone experiencing a difficult time. They can share their concern and support for that person through prayer and connection.

Each packet contains two prayer booklets with two Sacred Prayer Bracelets™ and is available for a donation of \$36.

Ritual Committee

I hope you and your families are safe following the storm. The fury of Sandy transformed our state. New York City and the east coast from tranquil bustling towns and communities to images of vast devastation and horrific despair. The fear and anxiety felt by so many is unprecedented, though examples of heroism (such as exhibited by the NYU Hospital nurses) demonstrate the goodness of humanity and collective power of the human spirit.

In times of fear and uncertainty, many people turn to God, to others within their community or seek strength within themselves. Finding strength within yourself can be tough, reaching out to others can be tougher, and turning to God is often hardest when questioning the motive of the event.

People are multifaceted - with a desire to be a unique individual and a part of a community. According to Rabbi Daniel Schonbuch, Judaism considers an individual as if he/ she is a little world. When a person dies, it as if this little world comes to an end. Our rabbis expressed this beautifully in the following sentiment:

'Whoever saves one life, it is as if he/she has saved the entire world."

In the timeless words of Barbra Streisand, "people who need people, are the luckiest people". Rabbi Schonbuch theorizes that when a person participates in the community he/she gains a spiritual wholeness, an awareness that without him/ her, the world is somehow incomplete.

Temple Emanuel's core values enable each person to celebrate their individual diversity, while providing opportunities to establish a connection that links the individual and makes them part of our community. It is these connections that define our own humanity and celebrate the collective spirit of our Synagogue.



Marcey Propp, VP Ritual

It is up to each and every one of us to

make our own connections. To give someone strength who might not have the wherewithal to find it within themselves to turn to others or to God. Please join Temple Emanuel in making a donation to help the victims of Hurricane Sandy.

I invite you to join us at our next Ritual Committee meeting on Monday, December 10 at 7:30 pm.

Ritual Committee Mission:

To create a Jewish environment that enhances the experience of our members and quests, and enables us to establish/strengthen our connection to others, God, Torah, Israel, and Temple Emanuel.





Neil Schnitzer

Cantor's Notes





Dear Congregant,

I'm pleased to announce that Hanukkah arrives right on time again this year!

Yes, on the 25 day of the Hebrew month of Kislev, Hanukkah will begin, as it does every year. Of course, it comes a little earlier in the Gregorian calendar than we expect.

The night of December 8 is the night we will light the first candle on the menorah.

If you are interested in learning some of the hows, whys and wherefores of Hanukkah and it's celebration, you may want to attend my Tuesday afternoon Adult Education class on December 4, at 12 noon, when I will be reviewing some of the history and observances of the Festival of Lights. You DO NOT need to be a regular member of the class or any other "pre-requisites" to come to the class. Please join us! :-) On December 14 & 15, I will be leading a 4th and 5th grade mini-Shabbaton. This is an overnight event which will begin at 5 pm and include a latke dinner, joining the congregation for our Hanukkah Friday evening service. The children will also be assisting at the *Just For You* Hanukkah service, in support of special needs on Shabbat morning as well as participating in a variety of activities to experience a truly fun and meaningful Shabbat, Hanukkah and building of our student community. The event will conclude with a Hanukkah puppet show,

Havdalah and dinner. We hope ALL of our 4th and 5th graders will join us for this great event.

Hanukkah same'ach, everyone!

B'shalom uv'racha.



\blacklozenge Hanukkah Blessings \blacklozenge

Two blessings are recited each night of Hanukkah. On the first night one additional bracha, or blessing is recited.

First Blessing: Baruch ata Adonai elohanu melech ha olam asher kiddishanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu l'hadlik ner shel Hanukkah.

Blessed are you, Adonai our God, Ruler of the world, who makes us holy through your mitzvot, and commands us to kindle the Hanukkah lights.

Second Blessing: Baruch ata Adonai elohanu melech ha olam, she asa nisim l'avoteinu, bayamim ha-hem, bazman ha zeh.

Blessed are you Adonai our God, Ruler of the world, who worked miracles for our ancestors in days long ago at this season.

On the first night of Hanukkah, we recite the third blessing, the Sheheheyanu.

Baruch ata Adonai, elohanu melech ha olam, sheheheyanu, v'kiyimanu, v'higiyanu, lazman ha zeh. Blessed are you Adonai, Ruler of the world, who has kept us alive and well, and has brought us to this season.

Remember: Safety First! Keep burning candles out of children's reach. And, remove any fire hazards before lighting the Menorah!

Hanukkah recipes to try

Sufganiot: Here's what you will need: 2 eggs; ½ cup sugar; 1 tbsp vegetable oil; 2 ¾ cup flour; 1 ½ tspns baking powder; ½ tsp salt; 1 cup milk; ¼ tsp vanilla; jam; powdered sugar.

Beat the eggs. Add the sugar and the oil and beat again. Combine the flour, baking powder, and salt in separate bowl. Add half the eggs mixture and beat again. Add the milk and vanilla and remaining flour mixture. Refrigerate for 1 hour.

Roll the dough to about ¼ inch thickness. Use the bottom of a glass to cut out circles. Place a teaspoon of jam on half the circles. Use remaining circles to cover, and pinch edges together.

Deep fry the doughnuts in hot oil at 350 degrees Fahrenheit. When doughnuts are golden, remove and drain. Sprinkle with powdered sugar.

Latkes: Here's what you will need: 5 medium potatoes; 1 onion; ¼ cup flour; 1 egg, beaten; ¼ tsp baking powder; oil, applesauce or sour cream.

Grate potatoes and place in bowl. Grate the onion and add to potatoes. Add flour, beaten egg and baking powder. Heat oil in large fry pan. Drop ¼ cup of potato mixture on pan to form a mound. Turn over when brown. Remove and drain. Serve with applesauce or sour cream.



Men's Club

Richard Budman, President



If you were to ask a congregant what the members of Temple Emanuel's Men's Club do you will get four answers, they have a monthly brunch, they have two annual BBQ's, they have two annual poker tournaments and one annual golf outing. Did you also know we help our community, our members and each other? Did you know we are

a diverse group of men from all different backgrounds and age groups?

From past to present Men's Club is a tradition of almost every synagogue but locally nobody does it like we do! We have started trends that the others are following like the Men's Club Retreat where for one weekend a year a group of men share their thoughts, ups, downs and life together. The weekend is led by Rabbi David and it is a religious and spiritual event that I highly recommend. I assure you it is well worth attending.

Sheila Stern and Robin Rubin, Co-chairs

Written by Robin Rubin

As you already know, our Temple Emanuel family has an amazing Caring Community that is totally here for you any time you need us. We are asking you to be a part of this caring community in any way that fits into your life. People often don't like to ask for help, so we are asking you to let us know if you know of anyone in the congregational family that seems to need a hug or a bubby bag. This could be for illness or if you know of a congregant just going through a rough time. It feels good to help others by delivering the bubby bags and it also feels good to know that you are not alone, when someone brings you some chicken soup, kugel and cookies.

Please attend the next caring Community meeting on: Wednesday, December 5, 7 pm - 8:30 pm Get involved and help us as we:

Drive people to doctor appointments, food shopping, or the bank

- Deliver Bubby bags
- Provide rides to Shabbat services
- * Cook for a Temple Emanuel family in need
- * Visit at Shabbat for those who are homebound

Of course Men's Club is also about men and the friendships that develop. Did you know that when you become a Men's Club member you get lox and bagels one Sunday a month included? We are always looking for men to join, so why not come and see for yourself, you'll be glad you did!

I would like to congratulate Mark Gendelman for becoming the new poker champion and taking down the reigning champ! Our next event will be January 13 and we will have Jessica Chasen discuss the health effects of massage so please join us. Remember the fee is \$10 and women are always welcome!



Caring Community

* Help set up Shiva when needed

You can also volunteer to be behind the scene.

The **Newly Single group** is open to anyone who is a part of our Temple Emanuel family and is single. Our next event is **Movies on December 15.** Please contact Robin for more info and details on that group at <u>Robinrubinmiller@gmail.com</u> or 609-685-1819.

Please remember, if you are sick, injured, or just in need of some homemade chicken soup or a hug, reach out to us and we will be there in a jiffy. Feel free to call with any questions or requests.

Robin Rubin 609-685-1819 <u>robinrubinmiller@gmail.com</u> Sheila Stern 856-829-1656 <u>sjanetstern@comcast.net</u> or <u>cinnastern@aol.com</u> Rabbi Geri Newburge 856-489-0029 <u>gnewburge@templeemanuel.org</u>

Beverly Volpe, President

Sisterhood

Enjoying a delicious Thanksgiving meal with my wonderful family got me thinking about the thousands of people in South Jersey who are struggling to put food on their table, including members of our very own Temple family. The truth of the matter is that we can help fight hunger every time we go grocery shopping--or do any shopping for that matter.

Among sisterhood's ongoing Tikkun Olam projects is scrip. Quite simply, scrip is a gift card you order online, pick up at the Temple and use when shopping (or, give as a gift.) It's incredibly easy and there's scrip for virtually every grocery store, hardware store, department store, drugstore, gas station, restaurant, convenience store-well, you get the picture. A percentage of the card's face value is donated to sisterhood and we in turn. donate it to the Rabbi's Good Works Fund to feed the hungry right here at the Temple.

I admit that I never quite 'got it' until I became sisterhood president. But don't follow my lead. Go to www.shopwithscrip.com and get started. Now, I buy scrip for Giant and send it to Joanna at college for her groceries, order scrip for CVS to cover prescriptions and next time I have a yen to faux paint a room, you know I'm ordering Home Depot scrip.

Shopping for Hanukkah? Order scrip and use the gift cards to shop. Or simply give gift cards to those on your list who are in the 'I'm not guite sure what they'll like'

category, Any guestions? Email our scrip maven Paula Levine at palevine56@hotmail.com

Speaking of Hanukkah, many thanks to all the Sisterhood volunteers who made our Hanukkah Bazaar a success. including event chair Sheila Stern. Sallie Brown, Liz Levine who operated the Spinning Dreidel Café, Linda Harvey who ran the



sisterhood table and Amy Salcedo who coordinated our dozens of volunteers.

If you're a sisterhood member, please join us on Saturday, December 8th for our annual Hanukkah Party. There will be plenty of delicious food during our pot luck dinner and a fun gift exchange. And don't forget to bring an unwrapped toy for donation - another

sisterhood Tikkun Olam project.



Sisterhood Hanukkah Happenings!

Sisterhood Members

Join us at our Annual Hanukkah Party **December 8** 6 - 9 pm Pot Luck Dinner



Gift Swap: Please bring a \$10-\$15 wrapped gift for swapping.



Toy Donation: Please bring an unwrapped child's toy or donation for children in need.



RSVP to Susan Witte (917) 301-7910 or susanhs007@aol.com

Senior Scene

Eliane Strip, President



Written by: Judy Gensib

My thanks first to **Doris Greene** for quickly volunteering to fill in for me in writing the column for the November issue. I was so appreciative that she, who has so many talents, took our senior column in her hands and wrote so excellently.

She was among the many Temple Emanuel members and friends who checked up on me while I was ill. Our Senior Group, Rabbi David and Rabbi Newburge, and all the wonderful people in the front office, phoned numerous times. You are all compassionate, kindly, sensitive people – truly a caring community -- the epitome of what Temple Emanuel stands for! My deepest gratitude to all of you!

I hope that the singing and music brought to us by Julia Zavadsky uplifted your spirits at our November meeting. We are so thankful we have Julia as Temple Emanuel's choir director and that she, with her very busy schedule, arranged to bring this exceptional program to us!

Now that the game of politics has finally ended, we can look forward to the post election discussion that will be led by Rutgers University Political Science Professor Richard Harris, Ph.D. at our December meeting. This should be one not to be missed! Wednesday, December 19, pack your brown bag lunch and join us at noon. Looking ahead into the New Year 2013, we have many fascinating topics and speakers who will share their enthusiasms and information with us. We'll begin on Wednesday, January 16 when David Snyder, Director of the Jewish Community Relations Council, will give us an update on interfaith issues in the community – always a timely and important topic.



Photo: Eliane Strip

In the meantime, we hope you will enjoy lively and happy Hanukkah celebrations. May the lights of the candles glow before our eyes and into our hearts.

TE lends a helping at the Atlantic City Rescue Mission



Gail Forman, VP Social Action

Social Action





Thank you for all of your donations and our wonderful volunteers for our Jewish community Sandy relief efforts. It was an absolutely devastating storm with so many people impacted across the region. Your time and generosity has helped!

The Thanksgiving Food Drive was a big success thanks to all of your

Cathedral Kitchen - volunteers needed! Fourth Wednesday of each month. Next dates! Wednesdays, December 26 and January 23,

Meet at temple at 3 pm to drive together. Volunteers need to be 16 years or older to serve meals and clean up.



Thank you

to Elkins Chevrolet

for the generous donation

of lending a van for use in the

Thanksgiving Food Drive



Adopt a family or child. Purchase gifts for the holidays for those who are in need.

Please contact Ruth Manin for more information <u>ruru123@aol.com</u>



food donations and our incredible volunteers helping to organize and sort. We were able to provide a holiday meal to more than 2500 people! Meals were provided to Temple Emanuel families, CamCare, Volunteers of America, Dubin House, Jewish Family & Children's Service, Cherry Hill Food Pantry and Henry Bonsall Elementary School in Camden.

Special thank you to Rob Mintz for organizing another great year.

Tzedakah Mall - How We Show We Care. A very big thank you to our religious school children and families for their generous donations to Cathedral Kitchen, Animal Welfare Association, and Just 2 Moms for sharing their stories with us. We raised awareness for these wonderful programs in our area and much needed funding for them!





CONGRATULATIONS to Leslie Hornstein; a very happy winner of an iPAD won at the Just for You Expo in Support of Special Needs!

> You Answered the Call!



Thank you to all Temple Emanuel members who generously donated money, food, clothing, items and time for those impacted by Hurricane Sandy. We can always count on you!



Youth Groups

Sara Levine, Advisor

Our Youth Group in Action





We look forward to sharing the fun with you at these upcoming events:

Tuesday Night Program (TNP) (7-12th grades) 6-7pm December 18 & January 15, 29

Junior Youth Kallah at Camp Harlam (6-8th grades) January 25-27

SAVE THE DATE: JEWISH GENETIC SCREENING AT TEMPLE EMANUEL

On **Sunday, December 2,** we are hosting, in partnership with the Victor Center in Philadelphia, a day for Jewish genetic screening. This event is open to the community and we encourage you to share this information with friends and family so they can take advantage of this wonderful opportunity. The Victor Centers provide full service genetic counseling and screening for all individuals and couples interested in getting screened for Jewish genetic diseases. Genetic screening is a process in which, through a simple blood test, a person's genes are examined for changes, called mutations, in specific genes. A person who is found to carry a mutation in one or more Ashkenazi Jewish genetic disease genes is a healthy individual and is not at risk to develop the disease. Genetic screening is used to determine whether an individual or couple is at increased risk to have a baby with a hereditary disorder by passing on a gene mutation to their offspring. **It is strongly recommended that genetic screening be performed prior to pregnancy to afford the couple the most reproductive options.**

Sign up here: https://www.victorcenters.org/screenings/default.aspx?eid=75



Written by: Myra & Barry Gross

The Prime Timers have scheduled a holiday party December 16 at the Mandarin Buffet on Kings Highway in Cherry Hill. Participants will dine in a private tea room at the BYOB restaurant. The charge of \$15 per person and includes tax and tip. Members Barbara and Rudi Schwartz are arranging this event. For more details, e-mail Terry Blau, the group's facilitator, at <u>templeemanueladults@vahoo.com</u>.

Next year's first event for the Prime Timers will be a musical evening with Murray Savar at the synagogue on January 27. Wine, hors d'oeuvres, coffee and dessert will be served. Stay tuned for more information.

More than 35 Prime Timers, Empty Nesters and friends took a two-hour trolley tour last month of some of Central Philadelphia's renowned murals. The tour was Eileen Gaglia's idea, and she worked with Terry Blau on the arrangements. The guide, former Philadelphia high school principal Jerry Silverman, delivered a running commentary filled with information not only about the murals but also about noteworthy buildings along the route. Many participants said they might take other specialized tours offered by the Philadelphia Mural Arts Program. After the trolley returned to the synagogue, 18 people capped the day with lunch at Short Hills Deli.

The Prime Timers are Temple Emanuel members who fall between the Empty Nesters and Seniors. Individual Prime Timers suggest diverse events and take charge of arranging

them. They also can send Happy Hanukkah

Terry Blau an e-mail that she will disseminate asking any interested members to join them on short notice for a restaurant meal, movie, community theater



UNOrthodox

Baby Boomer/Empty Nesters Upcoming Events

Baby Boomers will have a planning meeting on

Tuesday, December 11

at the Temple, at 7 pm

Please bring your ideas and join us for some planning of events!

> RSVP to Paula palevine56@hotmail.com



The next Baby Boomer Book Group evening will be Saturday, December 15 at 6:30 pm

The book is *"Unorthodox"* by Deborah Feldman

Join us as we light the Hanukkiah and enjoy each other's company with a Pot Luck dinner and discussion of the book.

This is one of the loveliest events we have.

Don't miss it!! RSVP to Lynn Branfman <u>tenb@aol.com</u>



The Pre-School

Pre-School Happenings...

Our January Twos Class – also known as our "Bees" is scheduled to begin on Thursday, January 3. There are still a few spaces available for little ones that turned two after October 1 or that will be 2 before March 31. This is such a great class and a wonderful introduction into our Pre-School World! Morah Debbie and Morah Gail can hardly wait!





Registration for the 2013-2014 school year as well as our Kamp Kayeetz Summer Program is just around the corner! If you are interested in having your child join in the fun, now is the time for you to schedule a visit to see us in action! We invite you to tour our school, meet with our Director and find out some of the many reasons we have been voted "One of the Best of South Jersey" for the last six years!

Are you a Pre-School Alumnae? Were you one of our "Marvelous Morot" in days gone by? Then now is the time to reconnect! We have started a "Pre-School Alumnae Club" that is open to ALL former pre-schoolers, their families and former staff members. This is a great way to support our award-winning program, share in some of our ongoing activities and to again leave your "mark" in our world! We are placing the names of those that join our Alumnae Club during the first year on hands that will line our Pre-School hallways. Future generations will be able to see that you were a part of something very special. Our little ones ask all the time about the original "hands in the grass" on our mural wall! (Pssst - they belong to Rabbi David, Morah Audrey and the <u>very first</u> students and Morot that attended our school!) Forms are available in The Pre-School office or email Jeanie@templeemanuel.org.

New Sessions of our Mommy/Baby classes will beginning in January ...

Monday class at 9:15 am for newborns - 12 months ; Wednesday class at 9:15 am for 12 - 24 months . All classes meet in our parent lounge. Call The Pre-School Office at (856) 489-0034 for more information or to register and join in the fun. **Remember**, our classes ALWAYS welcome Daddies, Bubbies, Zaydas and caregivers, tool





Lyn Harley, Director

The Pre-School





I know that our pre-school is special, but sometimes even I am surprised at just how special. I know that our children are amazingly smart, kind and caring; our teachers are exceptionally creative, competent and

loving; our school building is beautiful, bright and well-cared for; but our parents - our parents are truly awesome! They are always available to go on a trip, come to a special Shabbat, or read a book to the class. They bring in dollars, healthy snacks, cartons and "you name it". They buy cakes, entertainment books, raffle tickets and t-shirts. They plan proms, Hanukkah Happenings and family dinners. And not only do they help give the pre-school so many extras such as cameras, playground equipment and fabulous programs like Jump Bunch and Family Stages, they set the example for all of us in their kindness and generosity to others. They "adopt" families during the holidays and buy gifts for children they don't know. They contribute to each and every Tzedakah project imaginable. They are always willing to lend us a hand, and they volunteer to help each other. My eyes filled with tears as I saw the parents carting in sewing machines, ironing boards, and boxes of material to create rag dolls for the "Doll Project", based on the "instructions" that came from the children. I saw moms, bubbies, and yes, even a dad working side by side to create these incredible dolls, which were sold at the Hanukkah bazaar. The money was donated to the Food Pantry as well as the pre-school. Congratulations to everyone who worked on this fabulous project and everyone who bought these one-of-a-kind treasures. Is it any wonder that we are one of the very best pre-schools in all of South Jersey?

In this season of Miracles let us always treasure the lights of our lives! Have a joyous Festival of Lights!







Dr. Rena Alpert, Director

Lifelong Education

One of my favorite activities is going to Barnes and Noble and spending time in the children's department. I was thrilled to come across the following holiday books that would be a treasure in any child's library. Reading is a great way to connect with your child, both academically and spiritually. I was especially excited to see the book, "Nathan Blows Out the Hanukkah Candles." The message in this story conveys the core values we have at Temple Emanuel. The book epitomizes what it means to be a good Jew, a mensch. Temple Emanuel has taken an active role in this community, identifying and providing special classes and activities for special needs students... We are also continuing our journey with the Anti-Defamation League to become a "No Place for Hate" school. I would highly recommend "Nathan Blows Out the Hanukkah Candles" as a lesson in tolerance and kindness. Having Jewish books in your home is a great way to take our Religious School values and lessons and impart them to your children at home.

"Nathan Blows Out the Hanukkah Candles"



This is a touching story about a family with a child with autism child named Nathan, his brother, Jacob, and Jacob's new playmate. Jacob becomes embarrassed by

Mike Firstenberg, Chair

Religious School Education Council

Do you love the education your children are receiving? Do you see opportunities to enhance our school? Somewhere in between? Come join the Religious School Education Council in our mission to provide direction, feedback, and guidance for the curriculum, operation, and volunteerism of our religious school and its students. Guided by the principles of the Reform movement, we, as parents and teachers within Temple Emanuel, in the spirit of cooperation and community will work with the Temple Emanuel religious school administration, the board of trustees, and the temple clergy to provide a fun and safe environment intended to shape the future identity of our children, our synagogue, and our community as

educated, informed, and active Jewish people. Our spirited group is joining the Ritual Committee as we work together to enhance the integration of our school into the Temple Emanuel community through the services created for our children. These opportunities are a fantastic way to help to shape our future, and we welcome your participation. For more information, please contact Mike Firstenberg at <u>firstenberg@verizon.net</u> or 856.810.0454.

his brother's behavior, such as blowing out the candles and staring nonstop at the spinning dreidels. Jacob's new playmate calls Nathan "weird" and the families come up with a creative solution to allow Nathan to be himself and everyone



to enjoy Hanukkah. The author uses the story to reinforce two important messages of Judaism: "acceptance of every person as a reflection of God's images" and "the importance of both compassion and inclusion in the community." What a great read!

There are many other great Hanukkah books both on the shelves at Barnes and Noble and our Temple Emanuel library. Check out the titles listed below and have a great Hanukkah!

- "Hershel and the Hanukkah Goblins" "Sammy Spider's First Hanukkah"
- "Chanukkah Lights"
- "The Golem's Latkes"
- "The Hanukkah Hop"
- "The Magic Dreidels: A Hanukkah Story"

Wishing you joy, happiness, and a love of learning.





Lifelong Education

Hebrew at TE

Introductory Hebrew

This is an introductory class where you will learn to read letters, vowels and build basic prayer skills. You will feel more comfortable at services, be a great role model for your children and form a connection to Jews worldwide!

TWO CLASS OPTIONS

Tuesdays at Noon with Michele Susson **Thursdays** at 7 pm with Hedva Levin

Textbook Fee · Registration Required

Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah with Hedva Levin

Tuesdays - 1 pm to 3 pm

This is the next step after completing Introductory Hebrew. You will take this year to prepare for your group Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah. This class combines the next level of Hebrew

learning with improving your use, fluency and knowledge of

prayer vocabulary in *Mishkan T'filah*, our prayer book. Learn through games, hands-on practice, and come prepared to have fun!

You must have basic Hebrew reading skills.

extbook Fee · Registration Required

NEW!!!

Conversational Hebrew with Hedva Levin

Wednesdays - 12 pm to 1 pm



Learn how to have a conversation in Hebrew!!

Registration Reguired

Men's Study Group with Rabbi Jerry David December 5 & 12 Wednesday - 7 pm

A meaningful way to mark your commitment to study.

Study at TE

Adult Confirmation Class

Taught by our Clergy

Sundays - 9 am to 10 am

December 2

Post B'nai Mitzvah Study Group with Rabbi Jerry David <u>Alternating Tuesdays - Noon to 1 pm</u>

Explore Jewish issues, values and liturgy! Open to our learners who have completed a B'nai Mitzvah.

Book Club & Women's Biblical Commentary with Rabbi Geri Newburge

Read, Learn, Discuss!

Subjects Alternate Tuesdays - 1 pm



No need to pre-register!

Jewish Potluck

with Cantor Neil

Alternating Tuesdays with Rabbi David Next classes: December 4 at 12 pm December 18 at 12 pm

Shabbat Morning Torah Study

Saturdays - 9:15 am

Led by our Clergy

Join our friendly group discussion of the week's Torah portion. We will be taking a slightly different approach to Torah this year -each week we will examine the Torah portion using a Midrash to gain insight into the text. Novices and more advanced Torah learners are encouraged to participate. Look forward to lively debate and meaningful discussion! **No need to pre-register!**

To RSVP, or for more information, contact the Religious School Office at (856) 489-0035



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HANUKKAH ONLINE GIFT STORE SALE!

In March, Temple Emanuel partnered with Judaica Beautiful, a division of Virtually Beautiful, Inc., to bring our online Judaica web store to you.

This site offers the highest quality Judaica and an outstanding online shopping experience. Y ou will find an unparalleled selection of often hard-to find items from a wide range of fine artists, designers, and suppliers. More than 100+ established and upand-coming artists are represented - all in one convenient, easy to navigate website.

Any time of the day or night you can browse through the web pages, which have an amazing selection of dreidels, menorot, other ritual items, wedding gifts, books, jewelry, home decor, B'nai Mitzvah gifts, baby gifts, kitchenware, Ketubot and more all appropriate for life cycle events and holidays. Products include American, globally crafted and Israeli handmade items, and personalized and custom-created gift ideas.

Gift certificates are available if you are stumped regarding that perfect gift and you can choose to have them emailed to your recipient within an hour of your order or you can request a paper certificate to be mailed. An online registry is available for B'nai students, brides, new moms, etc., to register their hearts' desires and who can resist sending FREE ecards to send wishes for birthdays, anniversaries and more! Payment is made through PayPal or with any credit card. They've thought of everything! If you have any questions about a product or other store policies, or on the off chance you need to return your purchase, please click on the 'contact' or 'returns' link at the bottom right of the online store's home page.

When you need that perfect gift, visit our gift shop website using the store link <u>www.TempleEmanuelOrg.JudaicaBeautiful.com</u> or you can access the gift shop by clicking the online gift shop link (upper right of the temple's home page) www.TempleEmanuel.org. You can also share the online store link with your family and friends. And remember, when you, your family and your friends make a purchase, Temple Emanuel will receive a percentage of each sale that will support vital temple and community-wide programs! What a mitzvah!

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In the Mishpachah



Mazel Tov

Peggy & Rabbi David on the birth of their grandson Jack Leopold, son of Jaime & Jon David, brother of Milo, great-grandson of Ann Strauss

Liz & Cliff Levine on the birth of their grandson, Turner Harrison Funk

Holly & Howard Friedman on the birth of their grandson, Spencer Chase

Bernie & Arlene Shuster on the birth of their grandson, Myles

Lyn & Steve Harley on the birth of their grandson, Ethan Stan Plotkin

Best wishes to **Dr. Jerry Rosenberg** on his successful kidney transplant

Mitzi & Michael Sacks on the birth of their son Nathan Ryan, grandson of Pam & Daniel Sacks



In Memoriam

Norman Amiel Grandfather of Rachel Baratz Great-grandfather of Ethan

Judy Berger Cousin of Millie Fisher & Kari Goldberg

Judy Berger Grandmother of Alyson Sherby

Irene Frankel Grandmother of Jaret Lyons Great-grandmother of Brandon

Ida Koupf Mother of Linda Harvey Grandmother of Abby & Betsy

Jean Strauss Grandmother of Jordan Goldberg Great-grandmother of Sarah, Hannah & Jack



Lisa Lanter

Tree of Life



Tree of Life Lisa Lanter, Chairperson

This December I would like to wish all our Temple Families a very Happy Hanukkah. During the season of Lights we need to be mindful of all those families that have been hurt by Hurricane Sandy. Please keep those in need in your hearts and wherever possible make a donation to those who need it most.

For anyone that has a gift in mind for someone this Hanukkah season, please remember that Temple Emanuel's **Tree of Life** is a commemorative symbol celebrating exceptional life events. This Hanukkah please consider giving someone you love a gift of a leaf with a commemorative message. This will be a meaningful gift that will last a lifetime. For further information, please contact Holly Friedman at the Temple office at (856) 489-0029 x 18. The newest additions to our Tree of Life include:

In Honor Of

Brett Spencer Eisenberg-Bar Mitzvah

Donor Ellen & Howard Eisenberg

B'nai Mitzvah, Torah Portions & Torah Study

December 1 – Vayishlach Genesis 32:4 – 36:43

In Vayishlach, we read about the reunion between Jacob and his twin brother Esau. Twenty years earlier, Jacob fled their home in Canaan after cheating Esau, the first-born of the twins, out of his blessing and inheritance. Jacob left because he believed Esau wanted to kill him for what he had done.

December 8 – Vayeshev Genesis 37:1 – 40:23

Vayeshev (meaning he settled) tells the story of Joseph's growth from adolescence to adulthood. Jacob is living in Canaan with his twelve sons and one daughter. Born when Jacob is elderly, Joseph is a favored child. Jacob demonstrates his preference by making Joseph a beautiful coat of many colors. The other brothers are jealous of Joseph and what his new coat seems to represent. Joseph is taken to Egypt and sold to traveling merchants.

December 15 - Miketz Genesis 41:1 - 44:17

The story of Joseph in Egypt continues in this week's portion, *Miketz*, meaning "at the end of." One night, Pharaoh has two dreams, the first about seven healthy cows being devoured by seven sickly cows and the second about seven healthy ears of corn being devoured by seven sickly ears of corn. No one in Pharaoh's court can interpret the dreams. Pharaoh sends for Joseph and asks him to interpret the dreams. Joseph first explains that interpretations come from God and then tells Pharaoh that the two dreams are actually one because they carry the same message - there will be seven years of plenty followed by seven years of famine.

December 22 - Vayigash Genesis 44:18 – 47:27

Vayigash tells of Joseph's reconciliation with himself, his brothers, and his father. It raises timeless questions about the human potential to change. The famine continues. When the Egyptians ran out of money with which to purchase bread, Joseph agrees to trade food for livestock. When the livestock was depleted, Joseph traded bread for land. In this way all the money, flocks, and land in Egypt came to be owned by Pharaoh. Joseph provided the Egyptian people with seeds to plant and decreed that one fifth of all that grows would belong to Pharaoh, while four-fifths remained the property of the one who cultivated the land.

December 29 - 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.



December B'nai Mitzvah List

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 Jacob Kramer Son of Dusti & Ben Kramer

 Julia Brier Daughter of Susan & Scott Brier

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 8
 Danielle & Jordyn Deal Daughters of Jane Deal

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Interview



Sandy Gordon, Sheila Stern Robin Rubin

Suppose you had your very own mitzvah corps, an enthusiastic group of people dedicated to being present in times of sorrow and need and wishing *you* mazel and more in times of utter joy?

This month, as we celebrate the festival of Hanukkah, kindling our menorahs' bright lights, we also honor the bright lights in our Temple Emanuel Caring Community, approachable and empathetic volunteers, easy to talk to and whom, at a moment's notice, respond like Abraham did, answering "*Hineini*!" -- "I am here!"

They are here to help. If you're celebrating a simcha, our Caring Community wants to know. If you're sick and unable to provide for yourself, Temple Emanuel Caring Community members can deliver cheery "Bubbe Bags," replete with chicken soup. They'll shop at the supermarket. cook nutritious meals. pick un prescriptions, and provide rides to doctors' appointments and to Friday night Shabbat Services, particularly in inclement weather. When life's storms threaten to overwhelm, they help calm it, caring for a child or pet for a few hours or making necessary phone calls. During a loss, they'll assemble a shiva minyan and offer grief support. Working together under that umbrella of Hineini, our Caring Community group gives with their hearts, gaining deep inspiration and satisfaction from our temple's core values of Connection. Social Responsibility and Community so that no one need ever feel alone, where every one of us is blessed with caring souls to whom we can turn.

"Think of us as your 'Temple concierges," says Robin Rubin, warmly reaching out along with Peggy David, Rabbi Jerry David, Rabbi Geri Newburge, Sandy Gordon and Sheila Stern since the group's inception when it became a movement within a movement for them and others whose gratifying aim is to offer tangible and transformative assistance.

Caring Community: Heeding the Call

"In doing so, and in sharing the mitzvah of giving with as many congregants as we can, we strive always to create a more loving, resourceful and empowered congregation," contemplates Rabbi Newburge, "fostering long-lasting connections between members of all ages and needs in a natural helping network not limited to the walls of our building."

"When you're happy, sad or feeling challenged, when you're in conflict from hardships, like economic upheavals," Sheila adds, "difficult divorces, in need of a Singles Again group, or just that feeling of all-around helplessness, feeling stuck, the Caring Community is here to serve in many ways as extended family."

"And of course to celebrate those jubilant life-cycle events, so let us know how we can help," smiles Robin. "We want to know what's going on in your life, good or bad. What we offer may not be a permanent solution, but we try our best to hold your hand."

"The main thing," Sandy says, "is to keep us in mind so that whatever arises, you just instinctively pick up the phone."

"Conversely, sometimes it may be harder to receive than to give," says Rabbi Geri Newburge. "Sometimes, we don't take advantage, whether out of embarrassment or unfamiliarity, and truth is there are times in life when we don't know what we need. Maybe it's an ear to listen, a shoulder to lean on, but in any case, by performing acts of loving kindness, connecting with one another, celebrating each other's joys or easing life's burdens, we also let ourselves be known and gain strength from one another."

Be assured, whatever you need, when your call comes, Caring Community volunteers are ready to respond, *"Hineini! We're here, we care."*

So whether you are in need of help or a hug, or you'd like to offer help or hugs to others, please contact Caring Community co-chairs Sheila Stern at (856) 829.1656 or sjanetstern@comcast.net and Robin Rubin at (609) 685.1819 or robinrubinmiller@gmail.com. You can also reach Rabbi Geri Newburge at (856) 489.0029 x 16 or gnewburge@templeemanuel.org

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- "Join up" with paramilitary forces at the Palmach Museum
 - Walk the cobbled streets of Old Jaffa

THE NORTH

- View the ancient Roman ruins at Caesarea
 Explore Akko
- See the fascinating grottoes at Rosh Hanikra
- Enjoy a jeep tour up the Golan Heights
 - Hike in the Tel Dan Nature Reserve
- Visit the mystical city of Safed
- Enjoy a kayaking adventure down the Jordan River

JERUSALEM

- Tour Yad Vashem
- Explore the Mt. Herzl Museum and cemetery
 - Enjoy a walking tour of the Old City
 - Visit the Ayalon Institute
 - See the Knesset
 - Tour the newly renovated Israel Museum
 - View the magnificent Chagall windows at at Hadassah Hospital
 - Tour the Western Wall Tunnels

THE SOLTH

- Hike to the waterfalls at Ein Gedi
 - Ascend Masada
 - Float in the Dead Sea

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 - with English speaking guides
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 - 2 kibbutz dinners
 - Shabbat dinner in Jerusalem
 - Farewell dinner
 - Jeep ride in the Golan Heights
 - Kayaking on the Jordan River
 - Group transfers and airport assistance
 upon arrival and departure
 - Entrance fees as per itinerary
 - Porterage





December 2012

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 9 am Jewish Genetic Testing 9 am Adult Confirmation Class 9:15 am Tzedakah Mall	3 7 pm Social Action Committee Meeting 7:30 pm Executive Board Meeting	4 12 prin Adult Ed. Class w/ Cantor Neil 13 prin Intro io Habre w w/Mcholia 1 prin Women's Biblical Commentary w/ Rabbi Nesto urge 1 prin B 'nei McCrah Class w/ Hedva 6 prin R Struw Maga 6:36 prin Financia Committee Meeting 7 prin Kol Emanual Rehearcal 7 prin Setterhood Casserciel Cooking	5 9 em PS Music Class 9:30 em PS Jump Bunch 12 pm Conversational Hebrew w/ Hedva 7 pm Carling Community Meeting 7 pm Men's Study w/ Rabbi David	6 1:15 pm PS Kiddie Soccer 6 pm CTP Meeting 7 pm Knitting at Night 7 pm Sisterhood Hanukkah Party 7 pm Intro to Hebrew w/ Hedva 7:30 pm Big Al's Yiddish Club	7 7 pm Tot Shabbat 7:30 pm Alternative Shabbat Service 7:30 pm Shabbat Family Service w/ Shirei HaYeladim & Birthday Bless- ing	8 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service BAT MITZVAH — Danielle/Jordyn Deal
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23 Israel Confirmation Trip NO RS	24 Israel Confirmation Trip WINTER BREAK — NO PS Building Closed	25 Israel Confirmation Trip WINTER BREAK — NO PS, NO RS Building Closed	26 Israel Confirmation Trip WINTER BREAK — NO PS, NO RS	27 Israel Confirmation Trip WINTER BREAK — NO PS 7 pm Knitting at Night 7 pm Intro to Hebrew w/ Hedva 7:30 pm Big A's Yiddish Club	28 Israel Confirmation Trip WINTER BREAK — NO PS 8 pm Shabbat Evening Service 8 pm Shabbat Hit'bon'nut — Contemplative Shabbat Service	29 Israel Confirmation Trip 9:15 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service
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27 9 am Wrap with the Rabbi & Cantor 9 am Budget Committee Meeting 10 am "Planning Today for Your Family's Tomorrow" program with Phil Godorov	28 9:30 am Tu B'Shevat PS Seder 3s & 4s 6 pm Men's Study Group w/ Rabbi David 7:30 pm Board Meeting	29 12 pm Adult Ed. Class w/Cantor Neil 12 pm Intro to Hebrew w/Mcheille 1 pm Women's Biblical Commentary w/ Rabbi Newburge 1 pm B'nai Mitzvah Class w/Hedva 7 pm Kol Emanuel Choir Rehearsal	30 9 am PS Music Class 9:30 am PS Jump Bunch 12 pm Conversational Hebrew w/ Hedva 7 pm Noshing for a Cause <i>Rain date</i> (out of building) 7 pm Intro to Judaism	31 1:15 pm PS Kiddie Soccer 7 pm Knitting at Night 7 pm Intro to Hebrew w/ Hedva 7:30 pm Big Al's Yiddish Club		

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Our 30 minute service filled with joyful music and dance for children up to 5 years old and their family!

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Fridays

12/7, 1/4, 2/1, 3/1, 4/5, 5/3, 6/7 7 pm - Tot Shabbat Service*

Fridays

12/21, 1/18, 2/15, 3/15, 4/19, 5/17, 6/21 6 pm - Pot Luck Dinner 7 pm - Tot Shabbat Service*

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- 27 6th Grade Wrap with the Rabbis and Cantor



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for a few minutes, until evenly browned. 5. Place the leeks, onions, garlic, shallots, pine nuts, cilantro, eggs, and cheese in a mixing bowl and blend well, adding salt and pepper to taste. Add about 1/2 cup bread crumbs, or enough to bind the ingredients together.

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- 6. Take about 1/2 cup of the leek mixture and form a patty 2 inches in diameter. Coat each patty with bread crumbs and repeat until all the batter is used up.
- 7. Coat a nonstick frying pan evenly with some of the remaining olive oil and fry the patties a few at a time, for 2-3 minutes on each side. Drain on paper towels.

From: The Foods of Israel Today, Joan Nathan

- 2 Tbs extra virgin olive oil, plus 1/4 cup for frying 1 large onion, diced
- 6 cloves garlic, diced
- 4 shallots, diced
- 1/3 c pine nuts
- 1/2 bunch fresh cilantro, chopped (about 1c)
- 2 large eggs, lightly beaten
- 1/3 c grated Kashkeval or Parmesan cheese

1/2 c bread crumbs or matzoh meal plus 1/3 c for coating Fresh ground pepper

- 1. Slice the leeks lengthwise and wash well to remove the grit. Bring a large pot of water to a boil. Add the salt and leeks and simmer for 5 minutes. Remove and cool.
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