# EBULLETIN ANSHE EMETH 3" MEMORIAL TEMPLE

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**APRIL 1-30** 

#### WORSHIP SERVICES

FRIDAY, APRIL 3

**TAZRIA - Lev. 12:1-13:59** 

8-00 P M

Rabbi Miller will speak:

"IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MAIMONIDES

Rabbi Miller will share a presentation about the Temple's trip to Spain and Morocco Candle Blessing: Shirley Sherwin and Lynn Sanberg Babysitting is available during services - see inside.

SATURDAY, APRIL 4

**B'NAI MITZVAH OF JONATHAN SHERWIN** AND SCOTT ZAVODNICK

11:00 A.M.

FRIDAY, APRIL 10

8:00 P.M.

METZORA - Lev. 14:1-15:33 **MUSIC SHABBAT** "ISRAEL IN SONG"

Cantor Coopersmith and the members of the Anshe Emeth Adult Choir will lead us into a special program of music

> **DEDICATION OF TORAH RECOGNITION SCROLL** Candle Blessing: Lauren Fraser

**SATURDAY, APRIL 11** 

11:00 A.M.

**BAT MITZVAH OF CARRIE FRASER** 

#### IN CELEBRATION OF PASSOVER

Celebrate the wondrous holiday of Passover at Sedarim in your home with loved ones or at the Temple. Join us for our festival morning services together with your family and share in the celebration of our freedom of Egyptian slavery.

FRIDAY, APRIL 17

Pesach Sedarim At Home

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

Passover Morning Service

11:08 A.M.

Second Night Seder at the Temple

6:00 P.M.

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

Final Pesach and Yizkor Service

If you would like to join a family for a Seder, please call the Temple office.

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

8:00 P.M.

**ACHAERE MOT-Lev. 16:1-17:16** Rabbi Paskoff will speak: "THREE TIMES A YEAR"

**SATURDAY, APRIL 25** 

SHABBAT WORSHIP AND TORAH STUDY 9:30 A.M.

#### BETWEEN US . . .

I do Bar Mitzvahs and Bat Mitzvahs every week. Almost all of them are wonderful. some are truly extraordinary. Sometimes I am disappointed by how families lose sight of the meaning of Bar Mitzvah. They secularize a social moment and turn it into theater (sometimes theater of the absurd!) Some families make this sacred moment an act of Kedushah - of true holiness, transmission of Torah from one generation to another.

I tell you all of this because below I share with you a piece by Danny Siegel. He has taught us before. Certainly I have learned much from him. And in this piece we all learn from him again. This time about the meaning of Bar Mitzvah.

Benet Mille

Special Bar Mitzvah Speech, Written with the help of his parents

I do not like most labels.

most of all this term: DD. I am not some developmentally delayed creature today. Today I am a full-grown Jew. Do not reach for your Kleenex; be no more moved to joy for my Bar Mitzvah moment than for anyone else's with a whole mind. This is nothing special. I came of age. I recited my blessings, and joined the congregation. It is all natural, though I would not have known this without my teachers' and my parents'

Expect no less of me than of yourselves, and no more. My genes specialize in open love and kindness. For thisdo not admire me from a distance. Do not wish another chromosome for vourself.

All is not beautiful, even to me. But it is more beautiful than you allow yourselves to see.

This face, distinct and smiling, feels pain, but I can manage.

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You, with your own, do the same.
Triumph.

My message: be like me if you can. Hug.
Smile at the dumbest things.
Give, and ask less questions.
Be good Jews. I need you; you need me.
If I am out, you are no-one;
in, we are The People
God chose, when He chose Abraham,
all Jews. No one is special.
Everyone is special.
Now let us finish up
and get to the Kiddush.
It's been a long morning,
and I am getting hungry.

#### **WORSHIP SERVICES - APRIL1992**

FRIDAY, APRIL 3— Rabbi Miller will share his experience of the recent Temple trip to Spain and Morocco. Through the sites he saw and the people he met, he will discuss with us the impact of these two Jewish communities, their meaning and challenge for us.

FRIDAY, APRIL 10 — Music Shabbat. The Adult Choir will present it's final Music Shabbat on April 10. The theme of this program will be "Israel in Song". The Choir and Cantor will present rousing songs from the Jewish State written and arranged by Israeli composers. In honor of Passover, which begins on the next Shabbat, the choir will also sing a medley of familira Seder melodies arranged by Samuel Adler. This will be a joyous evening of song.

FRIDAY. APRIL 24 — As this Shabbat begins, we have completed our observance of Passover for this year. In ancient days, Pesach was one of the pilgrimage holidays, a big with Shavuot and Sukkot. Rabbi Paskoff will discuss this cycle of holidays along with the importance of reinstituting a sense of pilgrimage to Israel and Jerusalem for those of us living in the diaspora today.

## ADULT EDUCATION MINIMESTER 5

Mondays - April 6 & 13 7:45 p.m. - *The Trouble with God* 

Jews have very definite views about God. They think about God in different ways. Rabbi Miller will explore some of the classic approaches to God, and why we struggle with this issue at all.

#### 9:00 p.m. - To Pray as a Jew

This course will offer an introduction into our prayerbook. For what do Jews pray? What are the central images and motifs of the prayerbook? How do these ancient words speak to us today? Can I pray my own words or am I bound by the prayerbook? Where does

music fit? Rabbi Jack Paskoff will lead a study of these questions which will help make prayer a more meaningful part of your life.

#### OFFICER'S MESSAGE...

#### April 1992

One evening during my daily "exodus" from New York City (this is a religious publication), I noticed a large sign situated near the roadway. It read "if you lived here you would be home already". A smile came to my face, although my back continued to hurt from sitting in traffic, and I thought of the lyrics of an old song, "What we do for love?..."

Since becoming active at Anshe Emeth, first as chairman of an event, then as a board member and now as an officer, I have met many congregants who make that extra trip,...from office to home...from home to Anshe Emeth...and from Anshe Emeth to home again.... I believe they do it for many reasons: as a religious imperative, or as a way for them to continue their education. It may be their desire to help the less fortunate in our community, or as a voice to articulate a point of view for the future direction of our congregation. I am sure each of you can add to this list. As for me, the one thing that makes it all worthwhile is that Anshe Emeth is a living vibrant institution. alive with activities for all ages from morning to night. It is a special place that provides a unique service to our members and the community at large. As we look to the future, I hope that each one of you can make that extra trip, become active, and gain the satisfaction that comes with your personal involvement. We need the future leaders to continue the progress that has been started by the past generations.



Jerry Katz

## KEEPERS OF JEWISH EXCELLENCE Sunday Morning - April 12, 1992 - 10:30 a.m. EGON MAYER

"LOVE AND TRADITION:

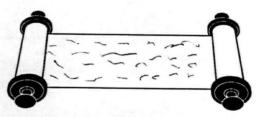
## THE CHALLENGES OF INTERMARRIAGE"

Egon Mayer is the Professor of Sociology at Brooklyn College and Senior Research Fellow at the Center for Jewish Studies of the Graduate School of the City University of New York. He is the former president of the Association for the Sociological Study of Jewry. His area of specialization is the study of religious and ethnic values in family life and community organization. Dr. Mayer is author of numerous articles and research reports, and serves as consultant to several national and local Jewish organizations. He has directed major studies on Jewish intermarriage on behalf of the American Jewish Committee including: Intermarriage and The Jewish Future, Children of Intermarriage, Conversion Among the Married. Born in Switzerland and raised in Budapest, Hungary, Dr. Mayer emigrated with his family in 1956. He received his BA from Brooklyn College, his MA from the New School for Social Research and his PhD from Rutgers University.

#### **USHERING SCHEDULE - APRIL 1992**

Friday, April 3	Sanctuary	- Sara & Stuart Levine	
	Lobby	- Nancy Lasher	
		&Mark Donaghy	
	Delavan St.	- Marcia & Gerald Shubitz	
Sartuday, April 4	Sanctuary	- Lauren & John Fraser	
Friday, April 10	Sanctuary	- Marcia & Alan Eisenberg	
	Lobby	- Marian & Joel Felberbaum	
	Delavan St.	- Debbie & Leon Stark	
Saturday, April 11	Sanctuary	- Linda & Dennis Lafer	
		Meryl & ArthurWiernik	
Friday, April 24	Sanctuary	- Debra & Robert Rathauser	
-	Lobby	- Joan & Larry Golden	
	Delavan St.	- Joan & Eric Krantz	

Please try to obtain a substitute if you are unable to usher when scheduled, and call Fred Greenstein at 249-6456. (When Fred is not available, call the Temple office at 545-6484.)



#### TORAH WRITING PROJECT

Friday Evening - April 10, 1992

Share in the dedication of the *Torah Recognition Scroll* which acknowledges contributors and their honorees and receive your certificate of participation. Certificates, designed for the project by Jo Gershman, have been calligraphied by Chris Monday. Anyone not in attendance that evening, please call the Temple office to make arrangements to pick up certificates at the Temple.

#### HOSPITAL VISITATION

The Rabbis and Cantor visit Robert Wood Johnson and St. Peter's Hospitals regularly. However, the hospitals don't always tell us when our congregants are there. If you or a member of your family is going to be in the hospital, please call the Temple office 545-6484 so that we can visit.



Join Rabbi Miller at his Shabbat Morning Torah Study Group each Saturday morning at 9:30 in the Conference Room. All are welcome! Come and learn with us!

#### WE WELCOME OUR NEW CANTOR

We are very pleased to announce that the Cantorial Search Committee has completed the interviewing process and that Cantor Gershon Silins has accepted the invitation to be our new Cantor. Cantor Silins is currently the Cantor and Music Director at Temple Avodah in Oceanside, New York. He will be joining us on August 1st and will immediately begin working with the choir to prepare for the High Holy Days.

Cantor Silins has been at Temple Avodah since graduating from the Hebrew Union College, Jewish Institute of Religion, School of Sacred Music in 1990. Prior to that time, he had worked at Synagogue of New York, Hebrew Congregation of St. Thomas, Congregation Israel in Glencoe, Illinois as well as numerous other congregations in Chicago, Kansas City, Missouri and Boston. Those of us who have had the opportunity to listen to him from the pulpit, as well as to speak with him, have been extremely impressed with both his musical skills and his ability to relate to others. He will be an excellent addition to our clergy and will continue the tradition of musical excellence which has been maintained by Cantor Coopersmith.

Cantor Coopersmith will be with us until the end of June. Members of the congregation will have an opportunity to share in a shabbat service honoring Cantor Coopersmith in early June. More details will be given in a later bulletin.

Special thanks to the members of the Cantorial Search Committee who worked so hard in helping us to find such an excellent candidate. The members of the committee were: Gerald Horn, Richard Stein, Joyce Nussbaum, Ronnie Merer, Steven Kozak, Ginny Belowsky, Alan Rubinfeld, Julie Green, Cary Cherniss, Roberta Brown, Sydney Brandwein and Paul Smilow and a thank you also to the Ex-Officio Members: Rabbi Bennett Miller, Rabbi Jack Paskoff and Jordon Brown.

#### THIRTEENTH ANNUAL CHOIR FESTIVAL

On Sunday, May 3 - at 2:30 p.m.

#### the Thirteenth Annual Choir Festival

will take place in our sanctuary.

Thirteen years ago the first choir festival took place here at Anshe Emeth and we are delighted to host the festival in its Bar/Bat Mitzvah year. This is a once a year event that brings temple choirs from all over the state to sing and to experience the joy of making beautiful Jewish Music together. Don't miss it!

#### CHAI TRIBUTE WEEKEND

honoring *Rabbi Bennett F. Miller* May 15, 16 & 17, 1992

Friday Evening - Special Shabbat Service and Oneg
Saturday Evening - "SEPHARAD 1992"
A Musical Presentation of the Sephardim
Cocktail Reception with Ethnic Foods
Gourmet Desserts
Sunday Morning - Tribute Brunch
Entertainment and Light Buffet Brunch

The committee looks forward to each congregant's participation in

Rabbi Miller's CHAI TRIBUTE WEEKEND.

Please help the committee in finalizing the plans for the celebration by responding as soon as possible after receiving the invitation.

SAVE THE DATE!
SIXTH ANNUAL ANSHE EMETH
MEMORIAL TEMPLE
GOLF OUTING

Wednesday, June 17, 1992 Cranbury Country Club GOLF & DINNER plus 50/50 Raffle Drawing For information call:

Ed Penn at 821-8314 Leo Masciulli at (609) 497-1133 or Steve Kozak at 297-4875

Raffles: Victor Deutch 821-5444

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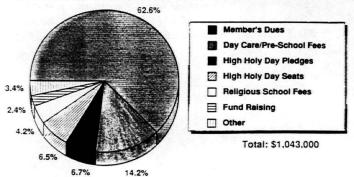
The first parking space on the corner of Delavan Street is now designated as a handicap space and should not be used for general parking. Thank you for your cooperation. We are pleased that we can now be sensitive to the needs of those who require special consideration.

From time to time members of the Temple ask how the Temple maintains the programs and activities that we have. Our Board of Trustees is responsible for an extensive budget, which allows us to do all that we have for our membership.

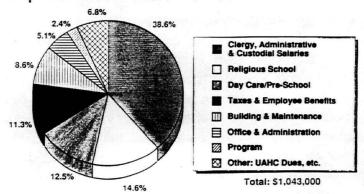
Below is a pie-chart showing the sources of revenues and details of our expenditures for the current fiscal year. We certainly do much at our Temple!

### 1991-1992 Temple Budget

Revenues: Where Do The Dollars Come From



#### **Expenditures: Where Do Your Dollars Go**





#### JUDAICA SHOP

Stop in to our Judaica Shop for your holiday needs. We have a beautiful selection of Passover items which include Hagadoth, seder plates, Elijah's cups, matzo plates and covers, and hostess items. The Judaica Shop is open Friday evenings after services, Saturday and Sunday mornings, and by appointment. Call Rose Dreier at 257-7868 or Judy Rothberg at 828-4845.

#### TZEDAKAH UP-DATE

# SPECIAL SPEAKER: ON VOLUNTEERING WITH CHILDREN WHO HAVE AIDS

At the Tzedakah Committee Meeting on Wednesday, April 1, at 7:30 p.m., Anshe Emeth member Sue Gran will speak about her volunteer work in the local Pediatric AIDS Program. Once a week, for several hours, Sue spends time with children of all ages, from three weeks old on. We hope you will join us to hear her talk about her experience; you are welcome to remain for our committee meeting. In April there are two chances to visit the Tzedakah Committee's meetings and get an idea of other projects underway —or suggest some new ones. Our second April meeting is on Wednesday, April 29 at 7:30 p.m. We look forward to seeing you.

#### "ADOPT" AN ETHIOPIAN FAMILY

The Tzedakah Committee has received an intriguing request from the American Rabbinic Network for Ethiopian Jewry: they are asking for five to ten individuals or families from Anshe Emeth who will together adopt an Ethiopian Israeli family seriously in need. This is done with a monthly contribution of \$10 to \$20 per donor. Many Ethiopian families are without adequate food, heating and other necessities. Further, most Ethiopian parents must send their teenagers away from home to the free boarding schools. Unfortunately, these schools do not offer college preparatory courses and their vocational training is not adjusted to the current job market. After the immediate needs of our adopted Ethiopian family are addressed, our funds may be used to enable the parents to place their teenagers in local, public schools (requiring school fees) which prepare the youth for productive vocational and professional futures in Israel. By attending the local schools and living at home, the teenagers, who often are more fluent in Hebrew than their parents, can assist them in adjusting to the demands of their new country. Please let us know if you would like to participate in this project —and we are not limited to sponsoring just one family! If there is enough interest, more families can be sponsored under this program. Call Deborah Cherniss at 985-9384 or Lee Livingston at 821-9757 if you would like to participate.

> To reserve babysitting during services please call Sue Jacobs at 247-7683 or Ann Thayer-Cohen at 819-0580

#### SPRING/SUMMER CLOTHING DRIVE

Due to the positive response and overwhelming need in the community, we will be running a SPRING/SUMMER Clothing Drive May 2-9. Based on what we've learned about recipient needs, we will be asking for clothing in three distinct categories:

#### PROFESSIONAL CLOTHING - FOR WOMEN ONLY:

Lightweight raincoats Lightweight sweaters

Suits Dresses
Blouses Shoes

#### **CASUAL CLOTHING - FOR MEN AND WOMEN:**

Windbreakers/light jackets
Jogging suits
Shirts
Sneakers/shoes

## CHILDREN'S CLOTHING: All kinds of clothes and shoes IMPORTANT NOTES:

We need larger sizes: for women, 16 and up, for men, 44 and up. And shoes and sneakers are very much needed. Only clothing brought in on hangers and in excellently maintained condition can be accepted. It also would be extremely helpful if you can indicate the clothing size on the garment.

DATES AND TIMES: Bring your donations to classrooms 101-102 on:

Saturday May 2, 9:30 - 10:30 am Sunday May 3, 9:30 - 12:30 pm

Monday May 4, 7:15 - 8pm (prior to the Keepers talk)

Tuesday May 5, 4:30 - 6 pm and 7:15-8 pm (prior to the Congregational Meeting)

Wednesday May 6, 4:30 - 6 pm Saturday May 9, 9:30 - 10:30 am

If you would like to volunteer to help during the drive, please contact Ren Reinish at 819-9108.

Clothing recipients ranged in age from 4 to 70. People who have benefitted from the drive include: people interviewing for jobs, recently arrived immigrants, both Jewish and non-Jewish; Ethiopian Jews resettled in Northern Israel; elderly Jewish, poor living on the Lower East Side of Manhattan; adults returning to school for High School Equivalency Diplomas and vocational and technical training programs. Many thanks to those who participated.



#### PROVIDE-A-MEAL

If you like cooking and good company, please help PROVIDE-A-MEAL! Two non-denominational shelters are run in the New Brunswick area by Catholic Charities. One is for homeless men; one for families. Both have non-existent or woefully inadequate cooking spaces and equipment. Like other churches and synagogues in this area, we have been asked to take one day a month and cook and serve a meal for one of these shelters. This is a vital service for some of the poorest of the poor. We hope you'll join with us to make possible Anshe Emeth's participation.

We'd like to start by putting together a planning committee to work out the logistics. If you have experience with —or enthusiasm for—this kind of project, please call! Deborah Cherniss at 985-9384 or Lee Livingston at 821-9757.

## **Religious School News**



We will have a special Passover Celebration for our students in kindergarten, first and second grades on Saturday, April 4 at 9:30 in Keller Hall. We will have fun while learning all about Passover: we will chop charoset and eat it on crispy matzah; we will decorate afikomen bags for our at-home seders; we will make Passover greeting cards for our friends in the Jewish nursing home; and we will sing special Passover songs and blessings.

### **Haggadah Decorating Contest**

All of our students in grades 3 - 7 will receive a copy of the Anshe Emeth Religious School Haggadah and will spend the next few weeks learning the important blessings, prayers, songs and readings for Passover. Please encourage your child to take part in our annual Haggadah Decorating Contest! All entries must be submitted to the religious school office by Sunday, April 12. Three prizes will be awarded at each grade level and winners will be announced at our Model Seders.

### Jewish Heroes Program

The religious school continues its Jewish Heroes
Program with visits from King David (as a grown up
and as a child) and from Abraham and young Isaac.
This exciting program brings "living" Jewish heroes to
our children and makes Jewish history come alive.
Many thanks to our parents and students who portray
important Jewish heroes, to Cary Cherniss who finds
willing participants and to Deborah Cohn for her very
fine Jewish Hero Cards. If any congregants are interested in being a part of this wonderful program, please
call Susan Kushner at the Temple.

#### Sixth Grade Model Wedding

Sixth grade students and their parents are invited to our traditional Model Wedding on Saturday morning, April 11, at 9:30 in Keller Hall. The ceremony will be performed by Rabbi Paskoff and will culminate the unit on marriage which the children have just completed. We look forward to celebrating with you! RSVP to Arlene in the religious school office.

#### **Model Seders**

Our Model Seders for students in grades 3 - 7 will be held on Tuesday, April 14 and Wednesday, April 15. Parents, please watch for the notice concerning the specific foods we need for our model seders and send the food in to school (marked "model seder") on Saturday April 11 or Sunday, April 12. Thank you for helping!

#### Yom HaShoah Service

We will have a very special Yom HaShoah Service for students in grades 4-7 on Tuesday, April 28 and Wednesday, April 29 at 4:30.

#### Todah Rabah (Thank you very much!)

- to Avigdor and Asaf Orr for being our Biblical Jewish Hero, David (both young *and* old) and to Michal Finmesser Orr for making their beautiful costumes
- to Ginny Belowsky for chairing the Purim Carnival again this year and to all of you who helped with setting up, gathering prizes, preparing food, running booths, selling tickets, doing the puppet show, etc! It was a wonderful day and an excellent carnival!
- to Carl and Bea Reiss for counting our tzedakah money and for rolling *all* of the coins throughout the school year.
- to our second grade students for their help in making beautiful Passover cards for the Passover Food Baskets which were distributed.

#### FROM THE GANG IN THE GAN

April promises to be an exciting month for all of us. Spring will be here and that means planting our garden. We hope to have lots of flowers and vegetables. April also means Passover. We'll be learning all about Moses, religious freedom, and all the traditions and especially the foods related to Passover.

If you know of anyone who has an infant, toddler, or preschooler in need of quality child care, have them phone us at 545-6555. We're also accepting registration for our **new and exciting summer program** and for September, 1992.

#### Office Closed

The office will close at noon on Friday, April 17, 1992 and will be closed on Friday, April 24 for the Passover Holiday.

## ANSHE EMETH TEMPLE SEDER



## BRING YOUR FAMILY! BRING YOUR FRIENDS! SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 1992 - 6:00 P.M.

Anshe Emeth's Seder will be held on the second night of Passover. There will be a traditional Passover meal and Seder led by Cantor Lee Coopersmith.

The price will be \$25.00 per adult for Temple members, family and friends of members; \$12.00 per child under ten years; and no charge for children three years and under. The cost for non-affiliated guests is \$30.00 per adult and \$15.00 per child.

Our Seder will be catered by Fred and Murray Kosher Deli.

There is limited space, so make your reservation early!

#### PLEASE REMIT TO ANSHE EMETH MEMORIAL TEMPLE BY APRIL 6TH.

222 Livingston Avenue, New Brunswick, NJ 08901

NAME	
ADDRESS	
PHONE	
NO. OF ADULTS (MEMBERS) @ \$25	CHILDREN UNDER 10 @ \$12
NON-AFFILIATED ADULTS @ \$30	CHILDREN UNDER 10@ \$15
NO. OF CHILDREN UNDER 3 (FREE)	TOTAL ENCLOSED \$

Tables will be set for 10 people. If you wish to make up a table with another family, please specify. Call the Temple office for more information: 545-6484. All prices include 3% for Mazon.

## CALENDAR OF TEMPLE EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES APRIL - 1992

Wednesday		1	Beginning Hebrew	12:30 p.m.
			Tzedakah Committee	7:30 p.m.
			Choir Rehearsal	8:00 p.m.
Friday		3	Babysitting During Services	7
Saturday		4	Torah Study	9:30 a.m.
			Back To Basics	10:30 p.m.
Sunday		5	Choir Rehearsal	10:30 a.m.
Monday		6	Minimester V -The Trouble With God	7:45 p.m.
			Beginning Hebrew	8:00 p.m.
			To Pray As A Jew	9:00 p.m.
Tuesday		7	Intermediate Hebrew	12:30 p.m.
•			Conversational Hebrew	1:30 p.m.
			Board of Trustees Study Session	7:00 p.m.
			BOARD OF TRUSTEES	8:00 p.m.
Wednesday		8	Beginning Hebrew	12:30 p.m.
			Choir Rehearsal	8:00 p.m.
Saturday		11	Torah Study	9:30 a.m.
Sunday		12	Keepers of Jewish Excellence - EGON MAYER	10:30 a.m.
Monday		13	Minimester V - The Trouble With God	7:45 p.m.
			Beginning Hebrew	8:00 p.m.
			To Pray As A Jew	9:00 p.m.
Tuesday		14	Anshe Emeth Seniors	12:30 p.m.
			Intermediate Hebrew	12:30 p.m.
			Conversational Hebrew	1:30 p.m.
Wednesday		15	Beginning Hebrew	12:30 p.m.
			Conversational Hebrew	1:30 p.m.
			Choir Rehearsal	8:00 p.m.
Friday		17	Office Closes at Noon	-
			PASSOVER HOME SEDARIM	
Saturday		18	SECOND SEDER	6:00 p.m.
	18 -	26	Religious School Closed	
Monday		20	Library Committee	7:30 p.m.
Tuesday		21	Day Care Committee	8:00 p.m.
			OFFICERS' MEETING	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday		22	Choir Rehearsal	8:00 p.m.
Friday		24	Office Closed	
			FINAL PASSOVER & YIZKOR SERVICE	11:00 a.m.
Tuesday		28	Intermediate Hebrew	12:30 p.m.
			Conversational Hebrew	1:30 p.m.
Wednesday		29	Beginning Hebrew	12:30 p.m.
			Tzedakah Committee	7:30 p.m.
			Choir Rehearsal	8:00 p.m.

## SAVE THE DATES:

Monday, May 4	Keepers Of Jewish Excellence - DAVID S. WYMAN
Wednesday, June 17	Sixth Annual Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple GOLF OUTING
May 15, 16 & 17	Chair Tribute Weekend honoring Rabbi Bennett Miller
Friday, May 22	Graduation Shabbat
Friday, May 29	Education Shabbat

	BULLETIN DEADLINES	
COPY DEADLINE	COVERS	MAILING DATE
April 10	May 1-31	Week of April 16
April 24	May 15-31	Week of April 20

#### Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple Announces the **GRADUATING CLASS OF 1992!** Members of the congregation who wish to make a contribution to honor individual graduates or the entire graduating class are asked to do so as soon as possible. A card will be sent to the individual graduates selected. Please check the name(s) and also the fund. Graduates: [] Brian Alster Glenn Grossman [] [] Scott Horowitz **Gregory Aymes** 11 Adam Bromwich 11 Rachel Kahn Ross Brown Jaimie Lazarus [] 11 [] Robin Busch Avi Primost [] Allison Rothberg [] Jenny Cantor 11 [] **Brian Freundlich** Matthew Siegelheim [] Wendy Galex **David Stringer** [] [] Andrea Gilman [] **Todd Sweberg** [] Ian Gordon Aaron Wasserman [] 11 Funds: [] Altar Flower Fund [] Max Marder Youth Fellowship Fund [] Rae Schlesinger Memorial Fund Library Fund [] Ner Tamid Fund [] [] Special Publications Fund [] Cantor's Music Fund Keller Memorial Lecture Fund [] [] Youth Activities Fund [] P.T.O. Fund [] Rina B. Pakenham Memorial Fund [] Caring Community Fund Tzedakah Fund [] [] Prayerbook Fund \$5 per individual name or "1992 Graduates" Please make your check out to: **Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple** and send to: 222 Livingston Avenue

## **AETY** by Brian Freundlich

Spring is now here and great seasonal events with it. For instance, we had the Purim carnival on March 22. Here, kids of all ages came out to the Temple to play games, eat food and win prizes. We had a chance to help run some of the booths and to see to it that the children had a good time. On March 8th we had a program about self-esteem. Much thanks to Sue Levine, a social worker and Temple member who came in to help us determine if we have self esteem. Much more to come in April and May, including elections, another fun fundraiser and lots of good times together. See you there!

New Brunswick, NJ 08901

Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$\_\_\_

Card(s) to be signed:

#### JAETY NEWS

March was a great month for us! Our trip to N.Y.C. was educational and fun. And, of course, working and playing at the Purim Carnival is always a high point of the year. April brings even more fun. April 5th will be our first annual JAETY Miniature Golf Tournament, and then on the 28th -"Everything You Always Wanted To Know About Sex But Were Afraid To Ask" - A program on relationships and friendships. Dinner will be served first. Our year is almost over, but it's not too late to join us. Don't miss these events!!

Are you **JEWISH**? Are you **SINGLE**?

Are you between 21 & 30 years old?

Do you want the opportunity to SOCIALIZE

with other Jewish singles?

Then plan to be at the Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple

Sunday evening, April 12 at 7:30

To discuss starting a new group for YOUNG JEWISH SINGLES

RSVP to the Temple office (908)545-6484 by April 8

#### "YOUNG COUPLES" CLUB

Our family Shabbat dinner was an intimate evening that was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone who attended. Many thanks to Risa Paskoff for organizing this special event. Saturday night April 4th will be a road rally/ scavenger hunt. Call Laura Leibowitz at 846-7528 if you are interested in participating in this challenging but fun night out. May 3rd is our next family event - spend Sunday afternoon at Longstreet Farm in Holmdel Park. This is a working, turn-of-the-century farm with a duck pond and nature trails. We will have a picnic lunch and then go through the farm. Bring your lunch and a dessert to share, we will provide the beverages. RSVP to Luann Reed-Siegel at 494-1757 for exact time and directions. Just around the corner is our annual family picnic. Plan on joining us Sunday, June 14th at the park on Possum Town Road in Piscataway for a fun-filled afternoon. Our next open board meeting will be Tuesday, April 21st at 8 pm. Please try to join us - we will be discussing the future direction of the Young Couples Club and the possibility of changing the nature of our group.

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of their son Henry Paul

#### IN REMEMBRANCE: YAHRZEITS FOR MARCH

The names listed below are taken from the Book of Life and Memorial Plaques in our Sanctuary. These names, which are posted monthly, are read at the Sabbath service immediately following the date of passing. Anyone wishing to have the name of a loved one read on the Sabbath should call the Temple office at 545-6484.

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#### IN MEMORIAM

We record with profound sorrow
those who have passed away:
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Lillie Brown, mother of Barry Brown
Leon Cohen, father of Amy Corwin
Dr. Larry Corwin, husband of Amy Corwin &
father of Nathan Corwin
Vivian Freedman, mother of Jacob Freedman
Minnie Greenbaum, mother of Elaine Katz
May Rosenbaum, mother of Lewis Rosenbaum
Leah Rosenfeld, mother of Roberta Stone
Laura Sigman, grandmother of Bruce Sigman
Joe George Wasserman, father of
Alan Wasserman



## ANNUAL PASSOVER FOOD DRIVE

The Annual Passover Food Drive will be held Sunday, April 12th. This year our Temple will provide Passover food and supplies to more than thirty households. The list of needed items for the food baskets was included in the March Interim Bulletin. Please remember to bring these items when you come to the Temple. There is great need in the Jewish community this year. As always, volunteers are needed for a variety of tasks that day and the week before. If you have an hour or two to spare, we can use your help. Please call Julie Green at 247-2578 to volunteer.

#### THINKING OF THE TEMPLE?

The Temple has established a permanent endowment fund to insure the long-term future of Anshe Emeth. Participation in the Endowment Fund is a wonderful way to help Anshe Emeth well into the future, and it is a fitting way to remember loved ones or to be remembered.

Temple members may want to consider bequests to the Temple or gifts that would be appropriate for the Endowment Fund. We encourage you to speak with your tax advisor. If you would like more information, you may wish to speak with Dr. Norman Reitman (572-1415), chairman of the Endowment Fund Committee, or Rabbi Miller. They will be happy to assist you.

## **PASSOVER SUPPLEMENT - 5752**

#### What is Passover?

Passover is a major Jewish Spring festival, which commemorates the Exodus from Egypt over 3,000 years ago. During this period, Jews all over the world abstain from eating foods that contain leavening; instead we eat matzah. Passover actually has five names, each one explaining another significance of the holiday.

#### Chag Ha-Matzot

The Festival of Unleavened Bread

In the book of Exodus, we hear that the Jews did not wait for their bread to rise because they had to leave in haste; therefore, we are commanded to eat matzah to commemorate this event. However, before the events tied to the Exodus from Egypt, Jews and other peoples of the region made and ate matzah to thank God for the spring crops. Therefore, eating matzah is also part of a spring thanksgiving tradition.

### Chag Ha-Pesach

The Festival of the Paschal Offering
Before the 10th plague, the Jews took
the blood of a sacrificed lamb and
smeared it upon their doorposts to safeguard their homes from the angel of
death. The sacrifice of one lamb from a
flock was a spring-time tradition in agricultural societies. Thus another agricultural tradition is associated with this
festival.



#### BACK TO THE BASICS

Three consecutive sessions of this Saturday morning (10:30-11:15) class starting March 28, will be devoted to the study of Passover rituals, old and new. No prior registration or knowledge is required in order to attend.



## Dates for the Observance of Passover-5752

Friday Evening, April 17

The First Seder is held

(As a result, there will be no regular Shabbat Evening worship at Anshe Emeth)

Saturday Morning, April 18

Shabbat and Festival Worship at 11:00 a.m.

Friday Morning, April 24

Services for the last day of



the Holiday and Yizkor

at 11:00 a.m.

#### ANSHE EMETH SEDER

Anshe Emeth's Seder will be held on the second night of Passover, Sat., April 18th. There will be a traditional Passover meal and Seder led by Cantor Lee Coopersmith. For information or if you wish to help, please call Roberta Brown at 536-9437, Debbie Stark at 821-8582 or the Temple Office at 545-6484

## Zeman Cherutenu The Season of Our Liberation

During the Seder we are reminded that we were once slaves in Egypt. We eat reclining to emphasize the fact that we are now free. Modern seders refer to those who were victims of the Holocaust, and more recently, Soviet Jews who wanted to immigrate to Israel. This year will be the first modern Passover that the Soviet threat is gone; however, we all realize and pray for those Jews around the world who are subjected to anti-Semitism and persecution.

#### Pesach - Passover

Pesach, the common name for this festival, is derived from Moses' promise to the Israelites that God would "pass over" their homes during the night of the killing of the first born. This name unifies the concepts symbolized in the other four names.

In Israel, Passover is celebrated for seven days, as commanded by the Torah. Reform Jews all over the world also celebrate Passover for seven days. Outside of Israel, Orthodox and Conservative Jews celebrate Passover for eight days. This tradition originated in 700-600 B.C.E., when people were notified of the holiday's beginning by means of a network of bonfires. To ensure that the holiday was observed on the correct days, and extra day was added. By the time a reliable standard calendar was adopted the fourth century C.E., the added day was so ingrained in tradition that it became law.



IF YOU ARE FAR AWAY FROM

FAMILY and in need of a place to go to share in the Seder, or if you will have an extra seat at your table, please notify Rabbi Miller or Rabbi Paskoff so we can make a match.

#### A FEW SEDER SUGGESTION

prepared by Rabbi Bennett Miller

° As you prepare your home for Passover, involve the children in the pre-festival house cleaning and general preparations. The memory of the sights, sounds and smells of the food and home around holiday time remains with us as Jews throughout our adult lives. Children should have the opportunity to share in the anticipation.

Make your Seder table as elegant as possible. Spare nothing in order to make the service superb, the setting breathtaking and the floral arrangements thrilling.

° Be sure to have an adequate number of Haggadot. Each person capable of reading should have a Haggadah.

Be sure that they are all the same.

Whoever is to lead the service should prepare in advance to be familiar with the order and the material. The tone that the leader sets will establish the tone of the service. The leader should assign portions of the service in advance. Enable the participants to become proficient in what they will read. The leader should personally study "The Four Questions" with the youngest child who will recite them at the Seder.

O Hiding the Afikomen can be a delightful game and activity. In some families, the children "steal" the Afikomen and hold it for ransom. However, in most families today, the leader hides the Afikomen, and the children must find it. To enhance the fun, prepare symbolic warning signs using Jewish content. Instead of using the words "hot" and "cold," use names from the Haggadah. Although many families reward the finders with gelt (money), Jewish books or ceremonial objects (a Mezzuzah) are even more appropriate.

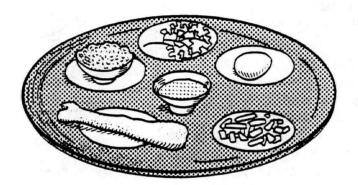
° "Who Knows One" and "Chad Gad Yah" are two songs that easily can be turned in to skits. These would be fun to prepare for the younger children who do not read so that they can feel that they are contributing to the Seder.

- On not end the evening with the meal. Be sure to complete the Haggadah after the meal. The most entertaining and joyous part of the Seder is near the conclusion.
- ° Singing is a great activity for the Seder. Especially appropriate are songs about freedom and about Israel.

REMEMBER: The Seder table is a stage on which is reenacted, in symbolic fashion, many of the events that we associate with the deliverance from Egyptian slavery. Understanding the symbolism is important if we are to celebrate Passover properly, namely, by reliving the experience of the Exodus.

#### MAZON

Our congregation is a partner with Mazon, a Jewish organization that helps to feed the hungry. The Haggadah says: "Let all who are hungry come and eat." Unfortunately, in this day and age, few of us are prepared to open our door for anyone to walk in. Instead, Mazon suggests that we donate to them the cost of feeding an additional person at your seder. Donations can be sent to the Temple office with checks made out to Mazon.



### ORDER OF THE SEDER

In Jewish homes all over the world, the Passover Seder is conducted in the same order; in fact, the word "seder" means "order". The following are the sections of the Seder in the order in which they occur:

**Kadesh** - Sanctifying the holiday with the prayer over the wine.

**Urchatz** - Washing the hands with no prayer. This section is optional.

**Karpas** - Dipping the green vegetable in the salt water.

Yahatz -Breaking the middle matzah.

This section contains the Four Questions and four renditions of the story.

Rohtzah - Washing the hands with a blessing.

Motzi Matzah - Blessing the matzah and eating it.

Maror - Blessing and eating the bitter herbs.

**Korekh** - Making the Hillel Sandwich, which is bitter herb and charoset placed between two small pieces of matzah.

Shulhan Orekh - Eating the Passover feast.

Tzafun - Finding the Afikomen

Barekh - Saying the blessing after the meal.

**Hallel** - Singing songs of praise and opening the door for Elijah.

Nirtzah - Concluding the Seder.

## PREPARING FOR PASSOVER

All foods that are not permitted for Passover must be removed from the home.

These foods include: leavened bread, cakes, biscuits, crackers, cereals, coffee substances derived from cereal, wheat, barley, oats, rice, dry peas, dry beans and all liquids which contain ingredients or flavors made from grain alcohol. (There are some variations on these prohibitions among Sephardic Jews). Not only must they be removed from the home, but, traditionally, a Jew may not own these food products during Passover. Thus, some people "sell" the food to a Gentile friend only to "buy" it back after the holiday; others give the food away.

After the house is scoured, the search begins for hidden chametz. This occurs the night before the first Seder. One parent should place at least one piece of chametz in each room on a window sill or in a corner; make sure you keep count of the number of pieces you have hidden. Then the children, led by an adult, go from room to room by candlelight to find the chametz. When a piece of chametz is found, it is placed in a wooden spoon and dropped into a cloth; then a feather is used to brush up all the crumbs. After all the chametz is found, the feather and wooden spoon are wrapped in the cloth with the chametz, and the whole bundle is burned. The blessings that are said at the beginning of the search and before the bundle is burned are found in the Haggadah. All chametz must be out of the house by 10 a.m. of the day of the first Seder.

## HAGGADOT

There are many beautiful Haggadot that are available. Look through a Haggadah to make sure that the language is appropriate for the age groups that will be assembled at your Seder. Also, make sure you have copies for each person at the Seder; make sure that you have one edition of the Haggadah so that the page numbers will be consistent for each copy. Our Judaica shop has several Haggadot from which to choose; you may also obtain them at Jewish book stores or through Jewish catalogues. Here is a list of some of the Haggadot that are currently in print:

A Family Haggadah by Shoshana Silberman. This volume has activities and questions for children. A cassette that is cued to the Haggadah is also available.

The New Union Haggadah prepared by the Central Conference of American Rabbis. This contemporary Haggadah based on tradition has easy-to-follow large print. A leader's copy is available. It contains beautiful drawings by Leonard Baskin. It also contains a full section of Passover songs, words and music.

A Family Seder in 20 Easy Steps by Maida Hoffman. This contemporary Haggadah based on tradition has easy-to-follow large print. A leader's copy is available.

On Wings of Freedom by Rabbi Richard N. Levy. This Haggadah, distributed by the B'nai Brith Hillel Foundation, includes many readings that help make the experience of the Exodus more current.

We Tell It To Our Children by Mary Ann Barrows Wark. This Haggadah is set up as a play that children can participate in. It includes outlines for puppets that can be made in advance to help provide greater meaning for children.

## THE SEDER TABLE

The Seder Plate is a beautiful symbol of Passover. The items that are placed on the Seder Plate are listed below:

Z'roah (Roasted Lamb Bone) - This symbolizes the animal sacrifice that the Israelites made to God on the night they left Egypt.

Betzah (Roasted Egg) - The egg symbolizes the sacrifices made in the Temple; it is also a symbol of life, the coming of spring, and also the loss we feel at the destruction of the Temple.

Maror (Bitter Herbs) - This is usually horseradish. It reminds us of the bitterness of slavery.

Charoset - This is a mixture of apples, nuts, wine, and cinnamon. It symbolizes the mortar that the Israelites used when slaves in Egypt. Karpas (Green Vegetables) - Usually we use celery or parsley to symbolize spring. We dip the vegetable in salt water to remind us of the tears shed by the Israelites.

Hazeret (Bitter Vegetable) - This vegetable, usually romaine lettuce or another bitter green, is used for the same symbolic purpose as the Maror. Some Seder Plates do not include Hazeret.

Elijah's Cup - Elijah the Prophet is symbolically welcomed at every Seder as a sign of hope for the coming of our ultimate redemption in the Messianic Era.

3 Matzot - The symbolism of Matzot has already been mentioned. Aside from what may be eaten by individuals at the Seder, 3 are used symbolically, and will often be placed in an ornate Matzah cover.

## **GAMES FOR PASSOVER**

The custom of distributing nuts to children on the eve of Passover to arouse their curiosity may well account for the origin of playing games with nuts during the festival. Another reason for this traditional and favorite pastime is that the numerical value of the Hebrew for nut is the same as that of the word for good. Some of the games given below have been played by Jewish children for many generations while others are modern adaptations of popular pastimes.

#### **LEFT OR RIGHT?**

One player puts both hands behind his back and places a nut in one hand. He then brings forth both hands and the other player must guess if the nut is in his left or right hand. If he guesses correctly, he takes the nut.

#### ODDS OR EVEN?

One player holds a number of small nuts in a closed fist. He asks the second player to guess if the nuts in his hand are an even or odd number. If the second player guesses correctly, he takes all the nuts in the hand of the first player. Failing to guess, he forfeits the corresponding number of nuts that the first player held.

#### NUT-PITCHING

An open box or other receptacle is placed on the floor. Each player is given five nuts and, standing at a fixed line, tries to pitch the nuts into the box. He collects those that did not fall into the box and awaits his next turn. The first player to pitch all his nuts into the box is the winner and he receives all the nuts in the box.

#### **NUT-BOWLING**

Place a two-foot board with one end on the floor and the other end leaning on one or more objects so as to form a triangle. Set ten nuts about two feet from the bottom of the board. Each player is given three walnuts which he rolls, one at a time, down the board, aiming to "bowl over" the ten nuts on the floor. He wins all the nuts that his nut hits directly or indirectly. If he fails to hit any nuts, his nut remains on the floor.

## **MUSICAL QUIZ**

A few bars of a Passover song are played on the piano. The first player who calls out the name of the tune is given a point. The player who has the most points is the winner.

Thank you to Hillary Freundlich for her efforts in the preparation of this supplement.

## RECIPES

#### **KNEIDLACH (MATZAH-BALLS)**

4 eggs 6 tbsp chicken fat 1 tsp salt 1/2 tsp cinnamon

1/2 tsp white pepper (optional)

1/2 cup soup stock or water 1 cup *matzah* meal Beat the eggs with the salt, cinnamon, pepper and chicken fat. Add the *matzah* meal and the soup or water. Mix thoroughly. Cover and allow the mixture to stand in the refrigerator for one hour or more. Bring four quarts of water to a boil. Shape the mixture into *matzah*-balls and drop in boiling water. Cook covered for half an hour. Balls are then ready to be added to soup. Twelve large

#### CHAROSET

2 apples 1/4 cup shelled almonds

1/4 cup shelled walnuts 1/2 cup raisins

1 teaspoon ginger 1 teaspoon cinnamon

matzah-balls can be made with these ingredients.

1/4 cup sweet wine

Quarter and core the apples. Grind the apples, raisins and nuts, and then add the ginger and cinnamon. Blend in the wine. The above quantities allow enough for twelve portions. The finished haroset will keep in the refrigerator for a couple of weeks.

#### MATZAH BREI

4 matzot 11/2 tsp. salt

4 eggs butter or shortening

Soak the *matzot* just enough to soften them. Break the eggs in a bowl and beat with the salt. Add the soaked *matzot*. Heat the butter or shortening in a frying pan over a moderate flame. Pour the mixture and fry until golden on underside, turn over with spatula and fry on the other side. Serve with sugar and cinnamon. Four servings.

#### ALMOND MACAROONS

4 egg yolks 2 cups ground almonds

1 cup sugar

Beat the egg yolks well; add the sugar and beat until lemon-colored. Add the ground almonds and mix thoroughly. Chill for easy handling. Take small pieces of the mixture and shape into small balls. Place the macaroons on a greased baking sheet. Top with half an almond, if desired. Bake 350 oven for ten minutes. 50 macarrons.

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