

### WORSHIP SERVICES

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1 8:00 P.M.

VAYETZE - GEN. 28:10 - 32:3

Rabbi Dubowe will speak on:

**"ANGELS: WHO ARE THEY?"**

Candle Blessing: Hollis Drezner

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2 11:00 A.M.

BAR MITZVAH OF JUSTIN DREZNER

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8 8:00 P.M.

VAYISHLACH - GEN. 32:4 - 36:43

We welcome Rabbi Mark E. Washofsky, Associate Professor of Rabbinics at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion who will speak on:

**"TALMUD, HALAKHAH, AND REFORM JUDAISM:**

**STRANGE BEDFELLOWS?"**

Candle Blessing: Susan Chanin and Ruth Chamlin

Babysitting is available during services - see inside.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9 11:00 A.M.

B'NAI MITZVAH OF ROSS CHANIN AND MICHAEL WHITMAN

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12 7:00 P.M.

**HEALING SERVICE**

(held in the Conference Room)

See inside for more information.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15 8:00 P.M.

VAYESHEV - GEN. 37:1 - 40:23

The Adult Choir will present a

**MUSIC SHABBAT**

*Shabbat Shirah Ladonai*

Cantor Roskin-Coleman will join us in singing after services during our Oneg Shabbat. Bring your singing voices and join us.

Candle Blessing: Diane Marko

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16 11:00 A.M.

B'NOT MITZVAH OF JACQUELINE AND BONNIE MARKO

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22 8:00 P.M.

MIKETZ - GEN. 41:1 - 44:17

**FOLK CELEBRATION FOR SHABBAT & CHANUKKAH**

The Junior Choir will lead us in the music for services.

*Be sure to bring your family chanukiah with you*

*and join in a special lighting of the chanukkah candles.*

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23 10:00 A.M.

TORAH STUDY AND MORNING WORSHIP

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29 8:00 P.M.

VAYIGASH - GEN. 44:18 - 47:27

Rabbi Miller will speak on:

**"SORTING OUT RABIN'S ASSASSINATION"**

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30 10:00 A.M.

TORAH STUDY AND MORNING WORSHIP

### Between Us ...

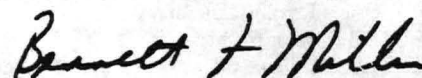
I consider myself a Jew - nothing more, nothing less. My identity is shaped as a Jew and nothing Jewish is foreign to me. But the words and actions of some Jews are not only foreign, they are reprehensible, and they are certainly not Jewish. I speak here of the words that suggest that a Jew killing another Jew can be justified.

To such Jews we must say - never! There can be no justification. Murder is murder, and the killing of Yitzkah Rabin was murder, plain and simple, and reprehensible.

Saying all of that I am now waiting to hear voices, strong loud voices. I am waiting to hear the voices of orthodox leaders (Rabbis, too) who demand that their followers change their thinking. I am waiting for such leaders to speak loudly and forcefully against any justification of murder. I am waiting for right wing politicians to step out, and stop looking for blame - demand that such killing stops.

It is terribly painful to be a part of governments that kill for defensive purposes. The pain, however, is intolerable when citizens kill through lawlessness sanctified by religious leaders.

Where are the voices?



## WORSHIP SERVICES

### Friday, Dec. 1 - Angels: Who Are They?

In parasha VaYetze, Jacob encounters two angels in his dream. In his dream, God tells him that his descendants will be many, that they will spread in all directions, that all people will be blessed by them, and that ultimately God will bring him back to his homeland. What did the angels say or do in Jacob's dream? Did they talk to him, or did they wake him up to encounter God? Rabbi Dubowe will share her thoughts on this powerful notion that people believe that angels do exist in their world even to this day.

### Friday, Dec. 8 - Talmud, Halakhah, and Reform Judaism: Strange Bedfellows?

We welcome Rabbi Mark Washofsky as our Scholar-in-Residence. Rabbi Washofsky's topic for the weekend is *Reform Judaism and Jewish Law*. We will explore the topic in general. How can a liberal Jewish movement, committed to principles of personal and religious autonomy and freedom of choice, learn anything of value from the literature of the *halakhah* (traditional Jewish law)?

### Friday, Dec. 15 - Music Shabbat

Please join us for this musical evening. The adult choir is presenting its first Music Shabbat of the year. Music by Isadore Freed, a contemporary composer whose music we sing at our regular Shabbat services, will be featured. Join us for *Shabbat Shirah Ladonai* during Oneg Shabbat. The words to the songs will be printed. Bring your voices and join us in the fun.

**Friday, Dec. 22** - Join with us as we gather together to celebrate Shabbat and Chanukah. We invite everyone to bring Chanukkiot to the Temple and join in a special lighting of the chanukkah candles. We will sing Chanukah songs and rejoice in our Festival of Lights together.

### Friday, Dec. 29 - Sorting Out Rabin's Assassination

The assassination of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin will go down in Jewish history as one of the pivotal moments. What is its meaning for us as contemporary Jews? How does it impact on our relationship to Israel, to orthodoxy, and to the peace process. Rabbi Miller will share his insights and thoughts about this painful period in our people's history.

## Healing Service

December 12 at 7 p.m.

The Healing Service is for anyone who is in need of healing - all in our community who seek spiritual healing or if you or a loved one is hospitalized or convalescing. You are invited, encouraged, and welcome to attend. The service is held in the Conference Room.

### BABYSITTING AVAILABLE!

During December, babysitting will be provided during Shabbat Services on December 8. Please call either Ann Thayer-Cohen at 819-0580 or Sara Levine at 297-3864 to let them know you will be bringing your children so that we can be sure to have enough sitters.

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## Officer's Column

Often on Shabbat evening we say a beautiful prayer which is translated, "You send help to the falling and healing to the sick; You bring freedom to the captive and keep faith with those who sleep in the dust." When I read these words I am reminded that I, too, must try to "keep faith with those who sleep in the dust." It is my good fortune that our congregation has a program that enables me to do something very concrete to help those who sleep, if not literally, in the dust, outside in harsh weather.

As we all know, New Brunswick has a population of homeless people. They are served by a number of social agencies, public and private. Yet each winter as the temperature drops, the agencies which shelter these homeless people become overwhelmed. It makes sense that as it gets colder, more of the homeless seek a place out of the weather. Unfortunately, when the spaces in the shelters are filled, people are turned away. Seven years ago Anshe Emeth joined several local churches in founding the New Brunswick Interfaith Emergency Shelter.

Each week throughout the winter a congregation in New Brunswick takes its turn at hosting the shelter. This winter Anshe Emeth will host the shelter twice. We need volunteers to spend the night supervising the shelter. The homeless men who stay in the synagogue have been screened by social service professionals to make sure they will be acceptable guests. Over the years we have had very few problems. The guests sleep on cots in Keller Hall. We use the office for the volunteers so each volunteer can sleep for at least part of the night. I provide videos and VCR for the volunteers. Some congregants use the evening as a time to catch up on reading or correspondence. Some come in groups and play cards or Trivial Pursuit. All come away with the knowledge that they have done something important for the men who slept in Keller Hall.

Our commitment this winter is for the weeks of December 18-26 and January 15-21. For the shelter to run smoothly, I need close to 50 volunteers. Don't worry that you won't know what is expected of you. There will be an experienced shift supervisor every night. Why not get a couple of friends and volunteers together? Call me at 247-2578 or call Harvey Stone at 613-0830 to volunteer. You will be glad you did.

Julie Green



The Dr. Norman and Syril Reitman Fund and the Anshe Emeth Adult Continuing Education Committee present

## Reform Judaism and Jewish Law

A Shabbaton of Study and Learning with  
**RABBI MARK E. WASHOFSKY**

Friday, December 8 - Sunday, December 10, 1995

**Friday, December 8 at 8:00 p.m. - "Talmud, *Halakhah*, and Reform Judaism: Strange Bedfellows?"**

We will explore Reform Judaism and Jewish Law in general. How can a liberal Jewish movement, committed to principles of personal religious autonomy and freedom of choice, learn anything of value from the literature of the *halakhah* (traditional Jewish law)?

**Saturday, December 9 at 9:30 a.m. - "Chanukah: A Page of Talmud"**

We will get a taste of the Talmud, this essential work of rabbinic Judaism, by studying the passage which defines the nature and observance of the upcoming Festival of Lights.

Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning, we will study together collections of texts, both rabbinic and contemporary, which address some of the most pressing issues in the field of medical ethics. What does Jewish tradition teach concerning these questions of life and death? Our goal is to gain an appreciation of the process of rabbinic thought, an understanding of how Judaism searches its sacred texts for meaning, for solutions to current problems, and for answers -- however tentative -- to the age-old question: what is it that God wants us to do?

**Saturday, December 9 at 1:30 a.m. - "When Two People Are Drowning, Which One Do You Save? Jewish Law, Medical Ethics, and the Allocation of Lifesaving Resources"**

**Sunday, December 10 at 10:30 a.m. - "Medical Ethics in Reform Responsa"**

For more information or to reserve your place on Saturday, please call the Temple office at 545-6484.

## A TOWN MEETING WITH RABBI ERIC YOFFIE UAHC PRESIDENT-ELECT

- Meet the new leader of our Reform Movement
- Hear his vision for the future
- Share your comments and concerns with him in an informal setting

**Sunday, January 7, at 10:15 a.m.**

Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple  
New Brunswick, New Jersey



### Save Sunday & Monday evenings for Adult Continuing Education

#### Minimester 2

Monday evening December 4, 11, 18 at 8 p.m.

**Rabbi Bennett Miller**

**Life is a Celebration: An Exploration of the Sacred Moments of Passage**

Rabbi Miller will explore the meaning of the major life cycle moments that all of us experience and the meaning that they have in our lives. Together, we will look at Jewish rituals and texts that speak about the meaning of Birth, Marriage, and Death.

#### International Film Series

Sunday evening December 3 at 7 p.m.

**Europa, Europa**

The frightening and, at times funny experiences of a Jewish boy secretly enrolled in a Nazi youth school. Based on a true story. The film will be followed by a discussion led by Eric Krebs.

## News from the Gan . . .



Our Harvest Feast was lots of fun. It took many hours of preparation for such a sumptuous meal. We tried some new recipes, but, as always, the zucchini bread was the unanimous favorite.

No sooner was our Thanksgiving celebration complete when we began preparing for Chanukkah. The smell of latkes will permeate the halls of the Temple.

We are all very excited about the Chanukkah Show which will be held on December 20th at 5:00 p.m. in Keller Hall. The children will delight us with a medley of Chanukkah songs. In addition we can sit back and enjoy the Chanukkah Magic Show. Please join us if you are at the Temple on the 20th.

This month we will also talk about the importance of good hygiene. We will brighten up our days with a special Shabbat project.

If you would like to see the Center, please call Helene Chelton at 545-6555 for an appointment. There is space still available.

## U.A.H.C. Joseph & Betty Harlam Camp

For information or applications contact either Rabbi Miller or Rabbi Dubowe at 545-6484.

### USHERING SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER 1995

Fri., Dec. 1	Sanctuary	- Laure & Mark Fuerstein
	Lobby	- Sue & Alan Rubinfeld
	Delavan St.	- Judith & David Gronlund-Jacob
Sat., Dec. 2	Sanctuary	- Susan & Alec Chanin
		Maryann & Sidney Whitman
Fri., Dec. 8	Sanctuary	- Deborah & Cary Cherniss
	Lobby	- Cecile & Neil Savad
	Delavan St.	- Eileen O'Donnell & Bruce Kaplan
Sat., Dec. 9	Lobby	- Diane & Arthur Marko
Fri., Dec. 15	Sanctuary	- Sally & Nathan Hindes
	Lobby	- Minda & Robert Shein
	Delavan St.	- Monique & Douglas Krohn
Sat., Dec. 16	Sanctuary	- Deborah & Gary Gartenberg
Fri., Dec. 22	Sanctuary	- Laura & Seth Leibowitz
	Lobby	- Dana & Ricky Stein
	Delavan St.	- Debra & Mitchell Eichner
Fri., Dec. 29	Sanctuary	- Blossom & Jerry Lowen
	Lobby	- Felice Schrager
	Delavan St.	- Faye & Charles Gruber

Please try to obtain a substitute if you are unable to usher when scheduled, and call Fred Greenstein at 248-4408 or Harvey Stone at 613-0830. (When Fred or Harvey are not available, call the Temple office at 545-6484.)

## CELEBRATE THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS AND JOIN US FOR A UNIQUE CHANUKKAH EXPERIENCE

On Sunday afternoon, December 3, 1995  
there will a Chanukkah Party 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

**Learn ...** The significance of Chanukkah, the traditions of the Menorah, how to play Dreidel, the songs and dances of the holiday.

**Enjoy ...** The taste of latkes and sufganiyot, the laughter of the children.

**Discover ...** The old and the new traditions from Israel, Europe, and America.

Contact Arlene at the Temple at 545-6484 to reserve seating.

Sponsored by the Outreach Committee

## Fiddler on the Roof



Casting Call on Sunday, December 3 - 11 a.m.-4 p.m.  
and Monday, December 4 - 7:30-10:30 p.m.

Those interested in auditioning should be prepared to sing and dance. If you would like to bring music, an accompanist will be available.

If you are interested in getting involved, please call Jerry Wichinsky at 257-0426 or the Temple office at 545-6484.

### Caring Community

Every winter our Temple provides temporary shelter to homeless men during the coldest months of the year. This winter we are housing the shelter Christmas week, December 18 - 26 and January 15 - 21. Please look at your calendars now. If you are available, these are rewarding ways to spend a few hours. Call Julie Green at 247-2578 or Harvey Stone at 613-0830 to schedule your shift, or to get more information.



## Religious School News

### Mitzvah Madness Month Continues

Please help us to make this the "maddest" Mitzvah month through your contributions — money and donations according to what your child(ren's) class' project is. Thank you in advance for your support.

### Chanukkah Celebration for Third Graders and Grandparents

We will have our annual Chanukkah Celebration for our third graders and their grandparents on Saturday morning, December 16 at 9:30 in Keller Hall. We hope that all of our students have grandparents who will be able to attend and to help us celebrate, but if there are children whose grandparents *cannot* be here, we will share! We will be making dreidels and rolling pennies for Miryam's Dream along with singing and eating!!

Class Chanukkah parties will be also be held December 16.

### HIGH SCHOOL PARENT SPECIAL SUNDAY DEC. 17, 10:00 am

"Do you know what I mean?... Communicating with your teenager" will be the first High School Parent special led by Dr. Len Brown, Director, Institute for Group Work Education. Attendance is mandatory for all 8-11th grade students. The program is sponsored by the Joseph Lefkowitz Memorial Fund.

### Thank You! Todah Rabah!

- to Sherry Schwartz and her committee for taking care of all of the details to ensure our school continues its excellence in programming!
- to Ruth Bordo & Ann Thayer Cohen for their work on the Personal Jewish Library program
- to Lisa Keenan, Adrian Levine & Sari Workman for a successful bake sale and special thanks to Lisa and Adrian for their artistic & computer contributions in making flyers
- to Barbara Sigman for continuing to do such a great job with the bulletin boards in the religious school hallway — make sure you stop to admire them!

## Youth Group News

### AETY

It is never too late to do a mitzvah! Please join AETY as we make and cook meatloaf at the Temple for the homeless on December 3 after Religious School. Please let Mike Sherman know at 545-3890, so he can be sure that all transportation is arranged for those who want to join us.

Winter break is coming but it can not begin unless we have our annual Chanukkah party first! We want to challenge you to spinning the dreidel and eating lots of latkes. It will be held at Rebecca Deckman's home on December 17 in the early evening. More details to follow.

Save the date! AETY & JAETY annual ski trip to Camelback on Sunday, January 15, 1996 - ski all day and night! Parents are welcome to join us as chaperones! Please let David Lettvin know at 545-6484.

### JAETY

Join AETY as we continue to do many mitzvot especially helping the homeless. We will be making meatloaf on December 3, right after Religious School. Gotta have a party before we welcome the New Year! Join us for an afternoon of food, fun, and games as we celebrate Chanukkah on December 17 at Anshe Emeth in the afternoon. Need to work out during the cold winter! Show off your rackets and join us as we play indoor tennis on January 7, 1996. Look for a flyer in the mail.

A VERY IMPORTANT & SPECIAL RETREAT just for JAETY and youth groups from other congregations at Camp Harlam - January 19-21! The 7th Annual JAETY Retreat is here! This is a great getaway to the Poconos where we can have lots of fun, make new friends, and create a great JAETY spirit! Applications have already been sent home, please send them in. The deadline is December 20! If you have questions or need an application, please contact Rabbi Dubowe.

### MAETY

We gotta get together! Rabbi Dubowe missed you last time but let's try it again for a great and fun Chanukkah party held at the Temple. More information to follow. Are you a great spinner? Come and challenge your friends to a fun game of playing dreidel. Parents are always welcome to help out - please call Rabbi Dubowe if you can assist at these events.

## Tributes - December 1995

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Speedy recovery of Richard Singer

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grandson Tyler Hill Hart

by Marilyn Stamborg

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by Marilyn Stamborg

Complete recovery of Beatrice Frankel

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by Betty & Jay Reba

Dr. Marvin Ladov receiving Committee

Man of the Year Award from the Am. Assoc.  
of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery

by the Ladov Family

Joy & Lou Goldstein on the dedication of  
the Deborah Goldstein Memorial Window

by Lois & Steve Cartmell

Harriet & Leonard Durmaskin  
Helaine & Max Miller

**In Memory of:**

Adolphine "Toots" Breitkopf  
by Rhoda & Gerry Wagman  
Rhoda Gelade  
by Joanne & Elliot Cohen  
Deborah Goldstein  
by Marian & Morris Auyash  
Phyllis & Alan Romm  
Nathan Kozak  
by Andrea & Fred Horowitz & Family  
Alan Newman  
by Lorraine Levine  
Blossom & Jerry Lowen  
Lorna & Stanley Michelson  
Bobby & Bob Stone  
Sylvia S. Steinberg  
by Joanne & Elliot Cohen

**LOUIS SCHRAGER MEMORIAL  
LECTURE FUND**

**In Honor of:**

Speedy recovery of Cyril Reitman  
by Rona & Myron Solberg



The Temple has received the following  
contributions for MAZON:

In honor of the birthdays of  
Florence Freedman, Arthur Miller,  
Sara Helen Seltzer & Johanna Weber  
by Gloria Cohn & Sam Schmidt

In honor of our son Aaron's Brit  
Milah by Anne & Matt Jacobson

In memory of William Swid by  
Harriet & Milt Stoll

**OUR TEMPLE'S TRIBUTE  
FUNDS...**

are used for special purposes:

- Camp and Youth Scholarships
- Needy Families
- Special Music Programs
- Altar Flowers
- Prayerbooks
- Library Books

It is a wonderful way to honor or  
remember someone. When you  
make a gift to any of the Temple's  
tribute funds, a lovely acknow-  
ledgement is sent to the families of  
those you honor or remember.

**MAZEL TOV ...**

JUDYE & BRUCE NEWMAN on the en-  
gagement of their daughter, Tara  
SUE & HILLY BERLIN on the birth of  
their grandson, Andrew  
SUE & HILLY BERLIN on the marriage  
of their daughter, Joannie  
JOAN & BOB AXELROD on the mar-  
riage of their son, Teddy  
JOAN & LARRY GOLDEN on the birth  
of their grandson  
ROBERTA & JAY PANTER on the birth  
of their granddaughter, Julia Lillian  
JOAN & BOB AXELROD on the birth of  
their granddaughter, Emma

**HOSPITAL VISITATION**

The Rabbis and Cantor visit Robert  
Wood Johnson and St. Peter's Hos-  
pitals regularly. However, the hospi-  
tals 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 at 545-6484, so that we can  
visit.

**Multi-Generational Family Album**

*Celebrate the joys of mitzvot-  
births, B'nai Mitzvah, weddings*

Stop by the Lobby Triple Display  
Case to share with the Dreier  
Family. We would like to thank  
Rose Dreier for allowing us to  
borrow their family treasures for  
display. If your family has been  
involved in Anshe Emeth over  
several generations, please contact  
Cindy Sauber at 422-0663 or the  
Temple office at 545-6484 so that  
we may honor your family through  
a family exhibit in our Display  
Case.

**For your information:**

Is there Religious School?  
When it is necessary to close our  
school due to inclement weather or  
other emergency, an announcement  
will be made on WCTC-AM 1450.

There are still Entertainment  
Books in the office. A great way to  
save money and help the Temple  
fund raise.

**Did you remember  
Anshe Emeth in your will?  
ANSHE EMETH ENDOW-  
MENT FUND  
for the future**

All too often a will of our  
member fails to contain a bequest to  
the Temple. Generous gifts are left  
to hospitals, universities, and chari-  
table organizations, each of which  
performs work of significance; and  
these institutions do deserve recog-  
nition and support.

The Temple's role begins at the  
time of our birth and continues with-  
out interruption throughout the en-  
tire course of our lives. By remem-  
bering Anshe Emeth in our will, we  
can do our part to assure future gen-  
erations that their religious home will  
be there to serve them.

Dues and fund raising events  
sustain the various programs of our  
congregation for the present. If we  
are concerned about the future of  
Judaism, we must project its influ-  
ence - and our influence - beyond the  
grave. Few memorials are more  
worthy than that provided by an  
endowment to Anshe Emeth through  
a gift or bequest.

The Endowment Fund was cre-  
ated to enable members of the Temple  
to provide for our long-term future,  
to ensure our continuity as a dynamic  
synagogue in our community. Call  
Dr. Norman Reitman at 572-1414 or  
Rabbi Miller at 545-6484 if you  
would like more information.

**TO PARENTS OF CHILDREN  
WHO WILL CELEBRATE  
BAR/BAT MITZVAH IN  
1997-98**

There is a meeting for you and your  
child on Tuesday, December 12 at  
8:00 p.m. if your child was born  
between July 1, 1984 and June 30,  
1985.



## DECEMBER 1995 YAHRZEITS IN REMEMBRANCE:

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.

### SHABBAT

**December 1, 1995**

SELIG ROSEN  
FLORENCE OPPERMAN  
ROSE B. LEVY  
CHARLES ZAGOREN  
LUBA TRACHTENBERG  
MAX LEVY  
SAMUEL ZWIEBEL  
ROSE RIFKIN  
MICHAEL ROSENTHAL  
ISIDOR FRANK  
IRMA JECK  
LEO ROSENBERG  
FRANCES LIVINGSTON SANGER  
ISHMAEL SKLAREW  
DR. NATHAN KARSHMER  
ISRAEL GENDELMAN  
EDWARD E. DEUTSCH  
MOSES WALLACH  
LOUIS ROSENFELD  
THEODORE COHN  
JEROME H. ODENHEIMER  
EDWARD BREUER  
DORA TAMAROFF  
NATHANIEL LEON FRANKEL  
JOSEPH F. ESPOSITO

### SHABBAT

**December 8, 1995**

ISADORE SENOFF  
PHILIP M. BRENNER  
NATHAN SCHWARTZ  
YETTA KIRSCHNER  
BURTON EISENMAN  
ARTHUR H. ZECKENDORF  
DR. ABRAHAM LADOV  
LILLIAN LEFKOWITS MOSKOVITZ  
ROGER GREEN  
OTTO POLLINS  
GERTRUDE T. GOODMAN  
LEON NEWMAN  
EDITH GREIFF

GERTRUDE LEVINE  
FRIEDA HAMELSKY  
EVELYN R. HAAS  
BARRETT COHN  
SAM SPILLER  
SOLOMON J. TRACHTENBERG  
FREDA NORTH  
ALFRED JAMES  
ESTHER PATT  
CHARLES PATT  
JACOB GROSS  
DAVIS MILLER  
RUTH L. LALIN

### SHABBAT

**December 15, 1995**

JACK WOLFE  
HANNAH WEIL COHN  
ETHEL KUSHAKOW  
DR. B. BERNARD CHILTON  
NORMAN WILLNER  
DR. LAWRENCE HOWARD LIEF  
SAMUEL BREINDEL  
ESTHER LOWEN  
ROSE BRINSTEIN  
JULES J. WEISS  
MAURICE DOAN  
SUSIE LEHN  
ELAINE R. NAAR  
RACHEL GOLDSMITH  
LENA FREEDMAN  
LOUIS MERSON  
ABRAHAM PANSY  
LOUIS WALKER  
SARAH KRONE DREIER  
PHILIP L. SCHWARTZ  
ALEX KATCHEN  
ROSE DUBIN SAUL

### SHABBAT

**December 22, 1995**

EUGENE ARKY  
NATHAN KASTELANSKY

DOROTHY GETZ  
SOLOMON KIRSCHNER  
ISIDOR REHAUT  
HARRY HAAS  
FANNIE BRUSKIN  
WILLIAM H. SCHLESINGER  
JEAN FEINSTEIN  
MARY JECK BECKER  
WARREN GLASER  
THEODOR WERTHEIMER  
DR. LYDIA ADLER DORSEN  
SADIE K. STRAUSS  
ESTHER RINGEL  
BELLE MIDLER  
SOPHIE R. MILLER  
DAVID H. LEVIN  
SOPHIE HIRSH  
BERTHA GOTTLIEB  
ANNE TOPPER  
IRVING HAHN

### SHABBAT

**December 29, 1995**

JAMES WILLIAM HARVIE  
SARAH POLLINS  
ARLEEN DAVIS  
ADELE BRODY  
HERMAN LEON HANAUER  
ROSE HIRSH MULHAUSER  
IRVING C. SPICE  
JEAN ULIN  
DAVID S. SHRIBER  
MORTON WASSERMAN  
SOL ROSENFELD  
MAX COHEN  
DR. JULIUS KAHN  
DAVE RICH  
PHILLIP BATES  
SOL R. LALIN  
LEAH SHAPIRO  
SOLOMON BERZ  
RABBI NATHANIEL M. KELLER  
MAX MARDER  
DORA O. ZECKENDORF

### IN MEMORIAM

As our *Bulletin* is going to press we have just been informed of the death of *SIDNEE McLANE*, who was not only a member of our congregation but also on our faculty in the Religious School.

Sidnee was a very gifted and devoted teacher to the students in our primary classes and special education classes. She taught more than a generation of our students and hundreds of our children were among those who were privileged to learn from her. Her passing leaves a deep void for all of us.

The entire congregation extends its deepest sympathies and condolences to her children, Erin and Todd. May her memory continue to be for blessing as was her life while she lived it and shared it with us.

### IN MEMORIAM

*LILLIAN POLLOCK*  
*mother of Roberta Panter*

*ALAN NEWMAN*  
*brother of Debra Lotz*

*MORRIS H. RAPAPORT*  
*brother of Mildred Mair*

*May their memory abide for blessing*

**December 1995**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					Shabbat evening services 8 pm	Torah Study/Beginning Hebrew 9:30 a.m. Celebration of Jewish Life/Minyan 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Worship 11 a.m. Religious School Tefillah Service 11:15 a.m
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Provide-a-Meal  Chanukkah Party 4:30-6:30 pm  Fiddler Tryouts 11 am - 4 pm	Minimester 2 - 8 pm Life is a Celebration: An Exploration of the Sacred Moments of Passage  Fiddler Tryouts 7:30 - 10:30 pm	Baby & Me 10 am  Dance Class 6:30 pm 6th Grade Retreat Orientation 6 pm  Board of Trustees 8 pm			Scholar in Residence - Rabbi Mark Washofsky 8 p.m.  Babysitting during Services	Torah Study/Beg. Heb. 9:30 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Worship 11 a.m. Rel. School Tefillah Ser. 11:15 a.m Scholar-in-Residence Afternoon program 1:30
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Scholar-in-Residence 10:30 am	Minimester 2 - 8 pm Life is a Celebration: An Exploration of the Sacred Moments of Passage	Baby & Me 10 am Dance Class 6:30 pm Healing Services 7 pm Bar/Bat Mitzvah Date Mtg 8 Hebrew Faculty 6 pm Religious School Com. Membership Com. 8 pm Cultural Arts 8 pm	Women's Group noon		Music Shabbat 8 pm Shabbat Shirah Ladonai during Oneg Shabbat	Torah Study/Beginning Hebrew 9:30 a.m. Celebration of Jewish Life/Minyan 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Worship 11 a.m. Religious School Tefillah Service 11:15 a.m
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High School Parent Special - "Do you know what I mean? ... Communicating with your teenager" 10 am Israel Summer Program Mtg. Chanukkah Park 12:30 pm JAETY Chanukkah Party	Minimester 2 - 8 pm Life is a Celebration: An Exploration of the Sacred Moments of Passage  Shelter	Baby & Me 10am Dance Class 6:30 pm Officers 7 pm PTO 8 pm Youth Committee  Shelter	Shelter	Shelter	Folk Services for Shabbat & Chanukkah 8 pm  Shelter	Torah Study and Morning Worship 10 am  Religious School Closed  Shelter
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Religious School Closed  Shelter	Temple office closed  Shelter	Religious School Closed  Daycare 8 pm	Religious School closed		Shabbat evening services 8 pm	Torah Study and Morning Worship 10 am  Religious School closed
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Religious School closed	<p align="center"><b>Save the Dates:</b>  <b>Town Meeting with Rabbi Eric Yoffie - January 7</b>  <b>Fiddler on the Roof - March 23-24 and March 30-31</b></p>					
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# The Anshe Emeth Guide to

## CHANUKKAH

Chanukkah begins on the 25th day of the Hebrew month of Kislev – some time between late November and late December – and lasts for eight days and nights of songs, stories, games, and special food. Chanukkah is the time to light the *menorah* – a nine-branched candelabrum, to play with *dreidels* – four-sided tops, and to eat *latkes* – potato pancakes.

Chanukkah commemorates the victory of Judah Maccabee and his followers over the forces of the Syrian-Greek tyrant Antiochus Ephiphanes and the rededication of the Temple in Jerusalem which the Syrians had profaned. We celebrate more than the end of the unsuccessful attempt by an outside power to destroy Judaism. The threat to Judaism was both internal and external. The assimilation to Greek culture was so great that many Jews sought to become fully assimilated, to be accepted as Greek citizens and to participate in Greek culture at the expense of their own unique culture. The resistance of the Maccabees and their allies to the advantages of assimilation preserved Judaism. The story of Chanukkah is the age-old struggle of the Jewish people to remain Jewish in a non-Jewish world.



### The History of Chanukkah

In the year 168 B.C.E. (before the Common Era), the Syrian king Antiochus Epiphanes decreed that all people under his rule adopt Greek culture in all land under his rule, which included the land which is now the State of Israel. Altars and idols were set up throughout the land for the purpose of worshiping the Greek gods. Antiochus declared that Judaism was to be abolished and outlawed observance of Shabbat, all festivals, and many Jewish rituals. Jews were told to convert or be put to death. Some Jews were attracted to Greek life, its gods, and its emphasis on beauty and a powerful body, and wanted to become assimilated, but others were horrified.

On the twenty-fifth of Kislev the Temple in Jerusalem was renamed for the Greek god Zeus. Pigs were sacrificed in the Temple and the Torah was desecrated. Thousands of Jews chose to die rather than commit idolatry.

One day Syrian soldiers came to the town of Modi'in in Judea and ordered the Jews to sacrifice a pig to Zeus to show obedience to Greek rule. Mattathias, an old Jewish priest, killed a Jew who was about to obey. Mattathias' five sons then turned on the Syrian troops and killed them. His son Judah, called Maccabee ("Hammer") because of his great strength, became the chief military leader of the Jewish forces in the guerilla war against the Syrians.

Antiochus set out to destroy the people of Judea. Though greatly outnumbered, Judah Maccabee and his fighters (collectively called Maccabees) miraculously defeated the enemy. Following several hard fought victories, the Maccabees stormed the Temple hill, drove out the Syrians, and tore down the idols. On the twenty-fifth of Kislev in 165, the Temple in Jerusalem was reconsecrated – three years to the day after its original defilement.

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We hope this Guide will help you to enjoy your Chanukkah celebration.

The first candle should be lit on Sunday, December 17, 1995.

*Join us for our Folk Celebration of Chanukkah on December 22 at 8 p.m.  
and remember to bring your family chanukiot with you!*

## Eight Days of Celebration

To celebrate their victory and to rededicate the Temple, the Maccabees proclaimed an eight-day festival to be observed every year. According to the Talmudic legend, when the Maccabees recaptured and cleansed the Temple, they were able to find only a single cruse of oil with the seal of the High Priest, enough for one day's lighting of the Menorah. It would take a messenger eight days to bring back more sanctified oil. But, as the story goes, the single cruse of oil continued to burn for eight days.

Some scholars say that originally, the eight-day Feast of Lights was intended to parallel the eight days of Sukkot. The books of the Maccabees, the source of the story of Chanukkah, made no mention of the legend concerning the jar of oil. Several centuries later (500 C.E.) the story of the oil appeared in the Talmud.

## About the Menorah

The central symbol for Chanukkah is light. Menorah [מְנוּרָה] is a Hebrew word meaning "candelabrum." In relation to Chanukkah, it refers to the nine-branched ceremonial lamp in which the Chanukkah candles are placed and then blessed. But the menorah is not unique to Chanukkah. It originated as a religious symbol in biblical times. The Torah records how the great artist Bezalel fashioned a seven-branched menorah for the desert tabernacle in fulfillment of a Divine commandment (Exodus 25:31-40; 37:17-24). Such a seven-branched menorah adorned the Temple in Jerusalem.



The nine-branched Chanukkah menorah or "Chanukiah" was a modification of the biblical model and seems to have originated in the first century C.E. It had eight branches, one for each day of the holiday, and a ninth branch for the *shamas* or "servant" light.

In ancient times, oil was used in the menorah. Over time, candles were substituted for oil. Some scholars believe that the use of small candles for the menorah was a deliberate choice, designed to distinguish Chanukkah lights from Christian votive candles.

The menorah can be made from almost any nonflammable material – glazed ceramics, copper, silver, brass, stone, glass, pewter – and can vary in size and shape. It is generally agreed that electric Chanukkah lights should not be used. The actual lighting of the Chanukiah is a beautiful ceremony, and kindling the Chanukkah lights is a Mitzvah.

## Lighting the Menorah

The major ritual for Chanukkah is the lighting of the menorah, which takes place soon after nightfall, or as soon as the household is together. [On Friday night, the Chanukkah candles are lit first, followed by the Shabbat candles, as traditionally fire is not created on the Sabbath itself.] The lights should not be used for any practical purpose. They should last for at least half an hour, during which time no work should be done.

The menorah is placed on a windowsill or table facing the street to publicize the two miracles of Chanukkah: the miracle of the vat of oil and the miracle of Jewish survival.

The candles are placed in the menorah from right to left, starting with one on the first night, then two on the second, and so on, until on the eighth night there are eight. The *shamas*, which on most menorahs is set apart from the other candles, is always lit first, and it is then used to light the other candles. The candles are lit each night starting from the left side, so that we always light the current night's light first.



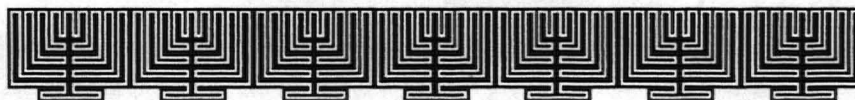
# CHANUKKAH FOODS

The single constant in Chanukkah cuisine around the world is fried food. It is traditional to eat foods fried in oil in remembrance of the miracle in which one day's supply of oil lasted for eight days. Further evidence of the appropriateness of using oil derives from the fact that the Hebrew words for Hasmoneans (*Hashmonaim*) and for eight (*shemoneh*), the number of days of the festival, contain the Hebrew letters for oil (*shemen*)!

Among Ashkenazic Jews, *latkes* (potato pancakes) are the traditional Chanukkah food. [The word *latke* means pancake in Yiddish.] According to at least one source, the symbolism behind pancakes is threefold. Made initially of flour and water, they remind us of the food hurriedly prepared for the Maccabees as they went to battle. The oil in which they are fried symbolizes the cleansing and rededication of the Temple after it was defiled by the Assyrians. The third meaning, added in medieval times, was that *latkes* symbolize the cheesecakes the widow Judith served the Assyrian general Holofernes before she cut off his head, thus delivering the Jews from the Assyrians – in another assault against the Jewish people during the Hasmonean era.

The use of potatoes in the pancakes is relatively recent, since potatoes were first brought to Europe from South America in the sixteenth century and eventually became a staple in the diet of Eastern European Jews.

Among Sephardic Jews, fried sweets are more common. In Israel, *sufganiyot* (jelly doughnuts), are traditional on Chanukkah. They are similar to doughnuts made throughout Germany and Austria, but they are also reminiscent of a sweet, spongy cookie popular throughout the Mediterranean area since the time of the Maccabees. The Hebrew word *sufganiyot* comes from the Greek *sufgan*, meaning "puffed and fried."



## Latkes

10 medium potatoes  
2 medium onions  
1/4 c. matzah meal  
3 eggs, beaten  
salt and pepper to taste  
oil for frying

Care should be taken to have all the ingredients ready for immediate use before grating the potatoes. (Grated potatoes that are left standing turn brown.)

Grate the potatoes and onions using either a hand grater or a food processor, and squeeze out as much water as possible. Mix the grated potatoes, matzah meal, eggs, salt, and pepper. Heat the oil; when it is hot, drop the potato mixture by tablespoonfuls into the oil. Fry on both sides until brown. Remove from the oil and drain on paper toweling.

The pancakes can be fried in advance and reheated or frozen. Before serving, lay the pancakes in one layer on a foil-lined cookie sheet and reheat in a 375 degree oven until heated through.

Serve with sour cream or applesauce.

## Sufganiyot

2 packages dried yeast  
4 tbsp. sugar plus sugar for rolling  
3/4 c. warm milk (105-115 degrees)  
2 1/2 c. flour, sifted  
2 egg yolks  
1 tsp. cinnamon  
pinch salt  
1 1/2 Tbsp. softened butter  
apricot, strawberry, or raspberry preserves  
oil for frying

Dissolve the yeast and 2 tablespoons sugar in milk and let sit 10 minutes. Sift flour. Place it on a board and make a well in the center. Add yeast mixture, egg yolks, salt, cinnamon, and the remaining sugar. Knead well. Work in butter and knead until dough is elastic. Cover and let rise overnight in the refrigerator.

Roll out dough on a floured board to 1/8" thickness. Cut out with glass into rounds 2" in diameter. Cover and let rise 15 minutes or more.

With your hand form a ball. Insert a teaspoon of jam and enclose completely.

Fry in hot oil (375°), 4-5 at a time, turning when brown. Drain on paper towels. Roll in sugar and serve immediately.

# A Chanukkah Who's Who

**ANTIOCHUS IV EPIPHANES:** The Syrian king (175-163 B.C.E.) who plundered the Temple, forbade the Jews to observe their religious practices, and forcefully tried to hellenize Judea, leading to the Maccabean uprising.

**HANNAH:** The mother who, with her seven sons, was slain for refusing to bow before an idol; they are considered the earliest martyrs for religious freedom.

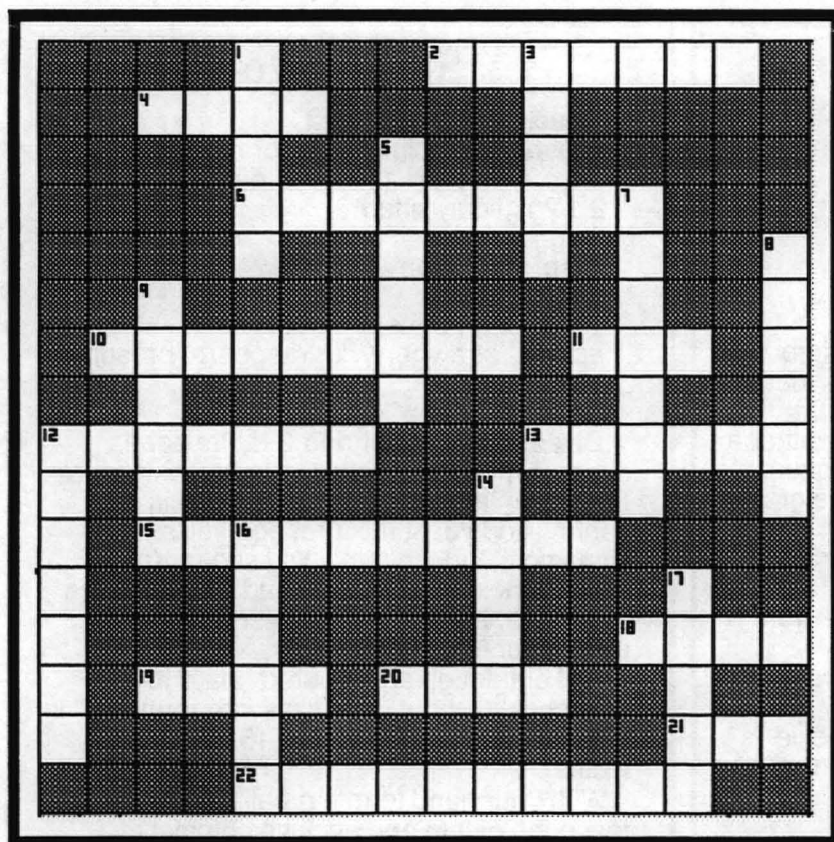
**HASMONEAN:** The family name of the dynasty founded by Mattathias. According to Josephus, Mattathias's great-grandfather was named Hashmon, meaning rich, prince, or noble.

**MACCABEE:** The surname given to Judah and later to his kinsmen and followers. The name is thought to be derived from the Hebrew word meaning "hammer." The name was given to Judah because of his great strength, following the Greek practice of naming men according to physical characteristics.

**MATTATHIAS:** Father of the five Hasmonean brothers who initiated and led the revolt against the Syrians. He was succeeded by his third son, Judah.

## Chanukkah Crossword

*Hint: All the answers to the clues can be found somewhere in this document!*



### ACROSS:

2. Chanukkah toy
4. Greek god many Jews were forced to worship
6. Syrian-Greek tyrant who tried to destroy the Jews
10. Heroes of the Chanukkah story
11. Major ingredient in Chanukkah foods
12. Ceremonial lamp
13. Necessary item for Chanukkah celebration
15. Family of Mattathias; rulers of Judea after 165 B.C.E.
18. Total number of candles on Chanukiah
19. "The Mitzvah is the — and the Law is the light"
20. "Rock of —", Chanukkah hymn
21. Hebrew letter, means "take half" in Chanukkah game
22. Israeli Chanukkah food

### DOWN:

1. Chanukkah hero
3. Number of days of Chanukkah
5. Chanukkah begins on its 25th day
7. Enemy of the Jews in 167 B.C.E.
8. Nickname of Chanukkah hero
9. Famous martyr who died with her seven sons rather than worship idols
12. Amazing occurrence, as when a few Jews conquered enemy army
14. Potato pancake
16. "Servant" candle used to light others
17. Main symbol of Chanukkah



## The Dreidel

The most popular of all Chanukkah activities has always been the dreidel. As the name from the German "drehen," to spin, implies, this is a spinning top (in Hebrew, "sevivon"). This top was popular in medieval Germany; its letters in Latin characters stood for the directions of the game: N-nisht (nothing); G-ganz (all); H-halb (half) and S-shtet (put), referring to coins or tokens put into the kitty or taken out.

These letters were then translated into the Hebrew letters nun (נ), gimmel(ג), heh(ה), and shin (ש), and interpreted as an acronym for the phrase "Nes gadol hayah sham," "A great miracle happened there." In Israel the shin is usually changed to a peh; the peh, stands for *po* (here): "A great miracle happened *here*."

To justify the gambling, many interpreted the game as a disguised form of studying. When the Jews were not allowed to engage in the study of the Law, they would assemble to play the game and at the same time discuss the Law orally.

It has been observed that the four letters (358 in numerical value) are equivalent to "nahash," the serpent or evil spirit. The dreidel is spun to topple evil and to bring forth the messianic era establishing God's kingdom.

Symbolically, the top recalls the "turnover" of events when Judah Maccabee's meager forces vanquished the much larger Syrian army. The natural sequence of events was overturned: the strong were spun into the hands of the weak, as enunciated in the "Al Ha-nissim" prayer of Chanukkah. Through Jewish history it has been stressed that the world is like a dreidel. Everything is set forth in cycles: things change and spin but all emanate from one Root. The dreidel reflects the game of chance in life as an on-going event.



## Chanukkah versus Christmas

Chanukkah and Christmas are celebrated around the same time. Other than the fact that they both add light to the winter darkness, there are no similarities. At Chanukkah we Jews bring out our menorahs, our dreidels, our frying pans for latkes. There is no such symbol as a Chanukkah bush or stocking, although certain commercial elements would encourage us to take on these Christian customs. Perhaps Chanukkah has been given a popularity boost because of its proximity to Christmas. Chanukkah, Yom Kippur, and Pesach are the most widely observed Jewish holidays in the United States, but Chanukkah remains the minor holiday of the three within the Jewish holiday cycle.



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## A Family Candle Lighting Ceremony

The candle lighting ceremony begins with the reading for the Shamus and the special paragraph for the day (see below). This is followed by the blessings, after which the candles are lighted and everyone joins in the singing of Chanukkah songs.



בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,  
אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל חֲנֻכָּה.

Ba-ruch a-ta, A-do-nai E-lo-hei-nu, me-lech ha-o-lam, a-she-ki-de-sha-nu be-mits-vo-tav ve-tsi-va-nu le-had-lik ner shel Cha-nu-kah.

*Blessed is the Lord our God, Ruler of the Universe, Who hallows us with mitzvot, and Who commands us to kindle the lights of Chanukkah.*



בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, שֶׁעָשָׂה נִסִּים לְאַבוֹתֵינוּ בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם, בְּזִמְנֵן הַזֶּה.

Ba-ruch a-ta, A-do-nai E-lo-hei-nu, me-lech ha-o-lam, she-a-sa ni-sim la-a-vo-tei-nu ba-ya-mim ha-hem ba-ze-man ha-zeh.

*Blessed is the Lord our God, Ruler of the Universe, Who performed miracles for our ancestors in days of old, at this season.*



**On the first night only:**

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, שֶׁהֵחֵינֵנוּ וְקִיַּמְנוּ וְהִגִּיעָנוּ לְזִמְנֵן הַזֶּה.

Ba-ruch a-ta, A-do-nai E-lo-hei-nu, me-lech ha-o-lam, she-he-che-ya-nu ve-ki-ye-ma-nu ve-hi-gi-a-nu la-ze-man ha-zeh.

*Blessed is the Lord our God, Ruler of the Universe, for giving us life, for sustaining us, and for enabling us to reach this season.*



**THE SHAMUS** (each day): As one candle may kindle many others, yet lose none of its own light, so Judaism has kindled the light of truth from many religions in many lands and still shines brightly through the ages.

**DAY 1:** The first light tells of God, whose first command was "Let there be light." The darkness of idol worship was scattered when Israel brought radiant knowledge of one God. "I am the first, and I am the last," says the Lord.

**DAY 2:** The second light is the light of the Torah. Israel's book of law has brought learning and truth to all of the western world. "The Mitzvah is a lamp and the Law is the light."

**DAY 3:** The third light is the light of justice. No nation can endure which is unjust to the weak. "Justice, always justice shalt thou pursue" was the grandest commandment of Moses, our teacher.

**DAY 4:** The fourth light is the light of mercy. Cruelty hardens the heart and destroys friendships. "Do justice and love mercy" was the teaching of Micah, the Prophet.

**DAY 5:** The fifth light is the light of holiness. Purity of thought, ability of action, make all life sacred. From the Prophet Isaiah, these words have been taken into Israel's prayerbook: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Hosts."

**DAY 6:** The sixth light is the light of love. When the love which our parents gives us makes all our life beautiful, we learn to understand the Biblical words, "Thou shalt love the Lord, thy God, with all thy heart and soul and might."

**DAY 7:** The seventh light is the calm light of patience. Nothing can be achieved in haste. The spreading tree and the soul of man grows slowly to perfection, thus says King David, "Trust in the Lord, wait patiently for Him."

**DAY 8:** The eighth light is the light of courage. Let truth and justice be your armor and fear not. Live by the words Moses spoke to Joshua, "Be strong and of good courage."



# Wonderful

# Opportunities

# Within ... Anshe Emeth

W.O.W. will inform and educate you about the many activities at Anshe Emeth, and how you can get involved. You'll find out who's who ... putting the faces with the names ... you'll find out who does what ... and what specifically YOU can do to join in.

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## Getting To Know You ...



Paula Masciulli is Anshe Emeth's First Vice-President, which means that in less than two years she will become our President. Paula is New Jersey born and bred. She lives in Princeton with her husband, Leo, and two children, Scott (a junior at Syracuse) and Karen (a high school senior).

Paula's connection to Anshe Emeth began with music: 17 years ago, although not yet a member of the congregation, she joined the Temple choir. The first time Paula sang with them was a very uplifting experience for her. Then her husband became ill with a life-threatening disease, and Paula's family found Anshe Emeth provided a sense of healing and peace for them, and so they became part of the congregation.

Paula became more involved in Anshe Emeth when she was asked to chair a family retreat. It was a wonderful experience, and since then, Paula has participated in almost all Temple committees. She has co-chaired many large events, her favorite being last year's *Jubilation*. She also has been involved in beginning many Temple projects. She co-founded the Caring Community, and was involved in the founding of Gan Yeladeem, David H. Meyer's Children Center, Anshe Emeth's daycare and nursery school program.

Paula feels it is important to instill a sense of pride in Judaism for her children: "They should take pride in who they are Jewishly and learn to have a strong love for Judaism. I hope they will not be afraid to take on responsibility and someday take an important role in their own temples."

Paula also is involved in organizations outside the Temple. She is active in Greater Middlesex and Princeton Federations, and is on the Auxiliary Board of RWJ Medical Center. Her most recent venture is going to school part-time to become a paralegal. Paula loves travelling, golfing, gourmet cooking, reading and music.

When Paula becomes Anshe Emeth's next President, she hopes to increase the role of family and children. "I want to help make the synagogue a place where children come to be with their parents and parents come to be with their children. I'd like to get senior citizens involved again as a part of temple life ... and to combine intergenerational activities in a sacred way."

"The people I've met over the years at Anshe Emeth truly care and have become some of my closest friends. Anshe Emeth is my second home, and I know I always have a place here; a place to go for comfort and a sense of Jewishness. It holds a very special place in my heart ... I can't imagine life without it."

## HELP WANTED

Judaica Shop needs volunteers to staff the shop on Friday evening after services, and Sat. and Sun. morning. Leave a message for Judy Rothberg at 545-6484.

Parents needed to help with Religious School Chanukkah Party on 12/16. Call Arlene (Religious School secretary) at 545-6484 or Sherry Schwartz at 251-7706.

Anshe Emeth is hosting Chanukkah Park on 12/17 from 12:30-3:30 pm. Adults to help instruct and supervise craft activities. Can volunteer 1 - 3 hours. Call Barb Peabody at 329-0629.

Library Committee needs volunteers to staff the Temple's library during Religious School hours and Mon. & Tues. evening. If you can donate some time, call the Temple office at 545-6484 and leave a message for Roberta Brown.

If your committee or Temple project needs help, call Shari Rothstein at 422-4489 to place an ad.

## Spotlight On . . .

### Caring Community Committee

Anshe Emeth's "Caring Community" offers a cushion of comfort as well as direct help to Temple families. Over the years Caring Community activities have provided help to our families during illness and death. For example, volunteers make hospital visits, or go to a home to set up for Shiva. Phone calls are made to check in with elderly or disabled congregants, and an effort is made to provide them with transportation, especially to Shabbat services. Caring Community funds have made it possible for recently-arrived Russian children to attend summer camp, or have warm winter coats. Financial assistance also is available (very privately handled) to Temple families in financial crises.

The Caring Community, however, does not limit itself to the Temple. For our extended Jewish community in Middlesex County, this committee provides funds and food during Jewish holidays; funds and time also are given to new American families (Russian Jews) who have settled in our area. To help our non-Jewish neighbors celebrate *their* special family times, each Christmas the Caring Community provides volunteers to take the place of support workers at area hospitals and at the Central New Jersey Jewish Home for the Aged.

A very special project is the Interfaith Emergency Men's Shelter. Each winter there are more homeless men seeking shelter than can be accommodated in county services. In response to this need, six New Brunswick Christian congregations and Anshe Emeth take weekly turns providing a place for men to spend the night.

These are just a sampling of Caring Community projects. If you would like to be even a small part of these very rewarding activities, please let us know. For more information call Julie Green at 247-2578.

### The Judaica Shop

The Judaica Shop at Anshe Emeth is a gift shop open to members and the surrounding community. The proceeds from the Judaica Shop go to the Max Marder Fellowship Fund for Study in Israel and enables Anshe Emeth to award scholarships to high school students studying in Israel. The Judaica Shop is open on Friday evenings after services and on Saturday and Sunday mornings when religious school is in session.

The Judaica Shop carries Jewish items from Hanukkiyot to mezuzot to Seder Plates. You can select and order personalized kippot and find stunning tallit. There is a lovely selection of Jewish books to choose from and Jewish cards for all occasions. The shop also has numerous catalogues available and will special order for you. Purchasing for the shop is done primarily through the Lower East Side, from the Gift Show at the Javits Center in New York City, and through catalogues.

The Judaica Shop is staffed by volunteers who work once every 4 - 6 weeks and assist at the Judaica Shop table at the Book Fair in October. Working the Judaica Shop is a great way to be involved when you do not have much time to give. The commitment is small in time but vital in importance. If you think you might be interested in lending a hand, please call Judy Rothberg at 828-4845 or Rose Dreier at 257-7868. They will be looking forward to hearing from you.

#### Dates at a Glance

Dec. 8-10	Scholar-in-Residence Rabbi Mark Washofsky	
Dec. 16	Religious School Chanukah Party	During Rel. School
Dec. 17	Chanukkah Park	12:30-3:30 p.m.
Dec. 18-26	Men's Overflow Shelter	
Jan. 7	Town Meeting with Rabbi Eric Yoffie	10:15 a.m.

Volunteers needed to replace support workers at the area hospitals & Central New Jersey Home for the Aged on 12/25 for 1 - 3 hours. Call Ruth Bordo if you can help at 572-6462.

Volunteers needed to staff the Men's Overflow Shelter. One night of the week of December 18-26. Call Julie Green at 247-2578.