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Happy Purim Enjoy Tu B'Shevat

The Rabbi Writes

Rabbi Laurence P. Malinger

"Happy New Year!" That greeting will be said and heard for at least the first couple of weeks as the secular new year gets under way. But the day celebrated as New Year's Day in modern America was



not always January 1. The celebration of the new year is the oldest of all holidays. It was first observed in ancient Babylon about 4000 years ago. In the years around 2000 BCE, the Babylonian New Year began with the first New Moon (actually the first visible crescent) after the Vernal Equinox (first day of spring); hence the beginning of the Jewish calendar is Nisan, the month of Passover. The beginning of spring is a logical time to start a new

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year. After all, it is the season of rebirth, of planting new crops, and of blossoming. January 1, on the other hand, has no astronomical nor agricultural significance. It is purely arbitrary. The Babylonian new year celebration lasted for eleven days. Each day had its own particular mode of celebration, but it is safe to say that modern New Year's Eve festivities pale in comparison.

The Romans continued to observe the new year in late March, but various emperors continually tampered with their calendar so that the calendar soon became out of synchronization with the sun. In order to set the calendar right, the Roman senate, in 153 BCE, declared January 1 to be the beginning of the new year. But tampering continued until Julius Caesar, in 46 BCE, established what has come to be known as the Julian Calendar. It again established January 1 as the new year. But in order to synchronize the calendar with the sun, Caesar had to let the previous year drag on for 445 days.

Every 12 months, as the secular New Year rolls around, we all boast about our New Year's Resolutions. We puff up our chest and announce with all the authority we can muster that we're going to lose weight, stop drinking and partying so much, concentrate on work, and focus on working out more. Basically–for the most part, anyway–we look no further than our own noses. To add insult to injury, we usually don't carry through with our "Me" resolutions. In a matter of months we've forgotten all about them and feel awful about ourselves. Perhaps we fail because we don't set out goals high enough.

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A Message From Our President

Phil Rubin

It's hard to believe that almost 6 months have passed since I became president of Temple Shalom. These 6 months have been filled with horrific eventsthe World Trade Center tragedy, the Anthrax scares, and the resulting war in Afghanistan changing our lives forever.

Nevertheless, as I write this one week after Thanksgiving Day, we, indeed, have much for which to be thankful. We are fortunate to live in the United States where we enjoy religious freedom, the opportunity to succeed, and other advantages unattainable and unimaginable in other areas of the world. These advantages bring responsibilities to each of us. I am proud to say that our Bikur Cholim group who will visit the sick in hospitals and at home has begun its good work. Our Social Action Committee has been reactivated so that we can be responsive to *continued on page 3*

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I was listening to

National Public Radio in the car the other day. A tranquil piano concerto was being played by an artist I later learned was a woman named Myra Hess. Myra Hess (1890-



1965) was among an elite group of pianists who approached their instrument as a means of conveying music as a spiritual experience. During the Second World War, the contents of London's National Gallery were emptied for safekeeping during the threat of German air attacks. To bolster the public's morale, Hess organized and performed in hundreds of lunchtime concerts at the Gallery. She was later ennobled for her efforts. As I listened to the radio commentator discuss Hess' history, I was fascinated by the wartime mission of this woman. She was determined to provide beauty, a particular kind of meticulously designed, theoretical and precisely orchestrated beauty, during a time of chaos and despair. Some may wonder to themselves-"Of what importance could music be during times of desperate sadness and fear? I can seem so trivial to those who are dealing with the sadness of recent tragedies."

If necessity were the mother of invention, then misery would seem to be the father of art. Some of the greatest artists in history--visual, musical and literary artists-created their best works during times of personal despair. Vincent Van Gogh, Ludwig von Beethoven, Sylvia Plath, to name a few. After all, the psalmists wrote, "Out of the depths I have called to you, Oh God...Hear my voice." How many times have you heard a song during a personally painful moment and imagined that it so easily could have been custom written for you-at this moment in your life-that the very words to this song spoke to you. They either uplifted you or enabled you to cry when you had been unable to.

It is difficult to imagine a world without music because it speaks to the very essence of our souls. It reaches in and touches us in places that most other vehicles cannot reach. One of the reasons I am a cantor is because I believe that music connects us so directly with God.

Music is a normal part of life for us. Like Myra Hess, I believe music can help to make a bad situation seem more bearable. I want to see music continue to be a healing factor in our lives during these troubled times. I want to encourage each and every one of you to listen to music, any kind of music that you enjoy, and let it be that "other" voice for you. Let it speak the words that seem to suit you so perfectly. Let it strike the chord that finally brings those tears

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community and national issues. Our community Thanksgiving Service held at Temple Shalom this year was an inspiring example of how different faiths can come together for community worship and thankfulness. The good will offering of that night will help to provide food for the Monmouth County Food Bank. In January, a joint service is planned with the Watchung Ave. Presbyterian Church. The clergy and choirs from both institutions will participate.

Yes, it is wonderfully inspiring to see how our country has been unified after the tragic events of September 11th, how our citizens have responded in concern and charity, and how our Temple Shalom professional staff, leadership, and congregants have responded in the true sense of caring and brotherhood. In this time of Chanukah, perhaps this is the miracle of our time. I truly hope that our temple can serve as a beacon of light for our community.

On another topic, I hope that you have noticed some of the improvements to our Temple facility. These include new ceiling tiles and paint in the lobby, new coving in the baseboards, and repaving work in the parking lot. There is still much to do, and, unfortunately, High Holiday Appeal contributions are down. Please look into your hearts and support your Temple in its time of need.

At this time, Sheila and I would like to wish you and your families a Happy and Prosperous New Year-a year of Peace, Hope, and Caring.

Spirituality Kallah

Saturday, January 12, 2002 Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, Short Hills 9:30 am to 5 pm

Torah Study, Workshops, Lunch, Songs, Havdalah

Please see Ritual Column for further details

Learn About Tu B'Shevat

Tu B'Shevat, the 15th day in the Hebrew month of Shevat, marked the time determined by the sages when the trees no longer drew nourishment from the rains of the previous year and were now being fed by the rains of the new year. The trees were essentially celebrating a birthday or a rosh hashanah -- a new year. From this grew the tradition that on Tu B'Shevat a heavenly court judges the trees and pronounces their fate: which will thrive, which will whither.

The age of a tree determined the tithe -- tax on fruit trees -- which would be paid to the Temple in Jerusalem. When the Temple was destroyed, Tu B'Shevat lost its purpose, since the laws of tithing and planting did not apply outside the land of Israel.

Centuries later, in the 1600's, the Kabbalists, the Jewish mystics of Safed, saw Tu B'Shevat as a holiday that celebrated both the revival of nature after the long winter and the revival of the Jewish nation. They created a seder, similar in structure to the Passover seder, which included:

4 cups of wine (representing each of the seasons)
 Eating three categories of fruit (entirely edible, fruits with a pit, and fruits with a shell or peel)

■ Readings about nature, the earth, trees, the ingathering of the Jewish exiles and the covenant of the people of Israel with God.

Today in Israel, Tu B'Shevat marks the beginning of a

Tu B'Shevat Seder

Monday, January 28, 2002, 7:30 p.m.

The Adult Jewish Growth Committee is sponsoring a special Tu B'Shevat Seder on Monday, January 28, 2002 in the Social Hall.

All Temple members and their families are welcome to join in this joyous celebration of the New Year of the Trees held on the fifteenth day of Shevat. The environmental themes for this Jewish Earth Day will be integrated into our seder. Wine (and grape juice) and snacks of delicious fruits and nuts that are grown on trees will be served. Join in with your friends for a fun evening. new cycle of blossoming and fruit bearing for the trees. In modern times we think of Tu B'Shevat as a festival about the life of the planet. It is an opportunity to relate Jewish values to world values, and for each family to begin to think about Planet Earth. Recycling, reducing and reusing are Jewish values. Care and respect for the environment are central Jewish values. This holiday provides us with an opportunity to think about some of these values with our children. Some activities to do in honor of Tu B'Shevat are:

Plant some flowers in your home

Save money and donate it to plant a Tree in Israel

Begin recycling paper

Create an art project out of recycled household items.

Design a musical instrument out of recycled household items.

Make a collage using magazine pictures of plants and trees.

Take a walk around your neighborhood and clean up trash.

■ Point out the beauty in Nature when you're driving in the car.

Visit a park and appreciate the quiet and peace.

Enjoy the holiday and appreciate the gift of our beautiful world with your family and friends.

Rosh Chodesh Women's Group

Study women and their issues from biblical to modern viewpoints.

Stimulating discussions - Refreshments (of course!) Wednesday, January 16th at 8 pm Wednesday, February 13th at 8 pm

Join us for our small and intimate Service of Peace, Comfort and Healing

Jan 15 and Feb 19, 8pm

MEN'S HEALTH ISSUES Men...Do you know what you are losing?

The Brotherhood of Temple Shalom invites you to a Sunday Breakfast to learn what you can do for the maintenance of good health.

Our guest speaker is uniquely qualified to help you understand the essential role vitamins and supplements can play in your daily life.

Bob Schenk, RPh is a graduate of Rutgers College of Pharmacy, where he serves as guest lecturer. Mr. Schenk is certified as a Life-Span Health & Wellness Counselor and lectures often on topics related to vitamins and nutrition.

Place: Temple Shalom Date: Sunday, January 20, 2002 Time: 9:30 am

There is no charge for Brotherhood members.

If you're not already a dues-paying member, now is a perfect time to join and become an important part of Temple Shalom. You can pay in advance or at the door. Make your check payable to Brotherhood for \$32.00. Senior Citizen dues are only \$18.00.

Calling all Bakers!

Join Sisterhood in baking **Hamantashen for Purim** Sunday, January 20, 9am until we're done.... Check the Judaica case for more info or call Debbie Worthington, (732) 957-0754

Our Rennaissance Group is seeking new members who are interested in taking part in stimulating activities that are designed to meet the changing social needs and lifestyles of members whose children are out of school or on their own.

Drop in on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 8pm or call Benita Satty-Wiedmann at 264-4496 for further information.

Temple Shalom's e-store

Before you shop online, go to templeshalomnj.org. and click the button for e-store.

If a merchant you use is there, and you purchase from the temple site, Temple Shalom will receive a percentage of the sale. It will not increase your costs in any way.

> Please submit all Shalom articles directly to the editor, via email: Joan4Shalom@aol.com or fax: 732-583-2051.

It's Time to Order your Mah Jongg 2002 Cards

Standard Cards \$5, Large Print Cards \$7 Send cash or check payable to Sisterhood of Temple Shalom by Feb. 4th.

Be sure to include your name and complete address by Feb 4

Havdahlah

The celebration of Havdalah is as important to concluding Shabbat as the lighting of the candles and kiddish is to the beginning of the day of rest. "Havdalah" means "separation", a ceremony which allows us to make a distinction between the sacredness of Shabbat and the rest of the week.

Many congregants have expressed an interest in learning more about this celebration and how to bring it into your homes.

We invite you to join with the Membership Committee and our Clergy on Saturday afternoon, January 26, 2002 at 4:00 pm as we create our own materials for the Havdalah service and then join together for a creative, interactive worship experience. We are sure you will enjoy this great family experience.

Everything You Wanted to Know about College but Didn't Know Where to Ask

Join Sisterhood's College Seminar featuring Carol Freedman, College Placement Counselor

Sunday, January 27, 1 PM

Find out how to select a college, know what they're looking for, the financial facts, and where the Jewish kids go

This program is free to all, but please RSVP to Paula Goldstein (732) 772-1557 so adequate seating can be planned

Singles Focus Group Forming

In order to learn how we can better serve our single members, the Membership Committee would like to form a small focus group to help us formulate programs that would meet their needs.

If you can help us, please e-mail Diane Allen at: MarlenisG@aol.com or leave your name and phone number with the Temple office staff and we will contact you.

Tales From The Torah Elisa P.Bergenfeld, RJE

Director of Education

T e are fortunate as Jews to have the opportunity to wish each other Happy New Year at least twice a year. This simple phrase gives us hope for a new beginning and helps us look forward to positive changes in our future. As we know, the Iewish New Year is a time of vulnerability, self-reflection, spiritual renewal, and forgiveness. Hopefully, we have used this time to confess our misdeeds and to reevaluate our relationships with friends, family and with God. The secular New Year is a time of parties, horns, dancing and confetti. It is a time of year when many of us choose to forget about our current challenges instead of confronting them. But even though I can appreciate a good party like anyone else, and feel that it's important to celebrate, I am always looking for ways to make the secular New Year a meaningful time

as well. As you read this article, about 5 months have passed since we observed the High Holy Days. Therefore, this is a good time to "check-in". Have you kept that promise to yourself to make a greater effort to spend quality time with your family? Have you said I love you to those who mean so much to you? Have you taken the time to take care of yourself physically and emotionally? If not, the secular New Year gives you another chance to start.

During this time, Jews also celebrate Rosh Hashanah l'ilanot, the new year of the trees. Agriculturally, Tu b'shvat marked the date from which to count the age of a tree. Since the fruit could not be eaten until the fourth year, it became an indication of the maturation of the fruit of the tree. Now there are many customs associated with Tu b'shvat such as planting a tree in Israel and eating certain fruits that are grown in Israel. Although we may still be outside shoveling the snow off of our driveways, in Israel the almond trees are blossoming with beautiful white flowers. Tu b'shvat is another opportunity for reflection as well as action. It is a time to think about trees, and our environment in general, and give thanks to God for all of the wonders of nature. But it is also a time to practice the mitzvah of Bal Tashchit, not wasting. It is a wonderful opportunity to become more conscious of what you as an individual, or a family, is doing to take care of our precious earth and her valuable natural resources.

Keeping all of this in mind, I will end by wishing all of you "Happy New Years!" May each new year bring you peace and fulfillment.

Would you like to be a Religious School Teacher?

LIMUD (Learning Institute of Monmouth's United Denominations) is a 14 week Jewish teacher training institute that is open to all Jews who may have an interest in becoming a teacher in our religious school program. Classes will begin on Tuesday, January 15th from 6:45 - 9:00 pm at Monmouth Reform Temple in Tinton Falls.

Local Rabbis and Jewish educators will teach both Jewish content and methods of teaching. Tuition is free and the book fee of \$36.00 will be paid by Temple Shalom's Board of Education for any member who wants to enroll.

This Learning Institute is funded by Monmouth County Federation. For further information call Elisa Bergenfeld, 566-2961

Todah Rabah to Jerry Schwartz of Jerry's Valet Dry Cleaning & Tailoring, 1226 S. Highway 34, Aberdeen (566-0676) for donating his services in dry cleaning our tallitot prior to the High Holy Days.

Save the Date

This year's **Lee Gura Concert of Remembrance** will be held on Saturday evening April 13th at 8pm.

Entertainment to boost your spirits - Enjoy, have fun!





A very special musical evening filled with great song, dancing, and delicious refreshments.

Saturday, January 26, 2002 8:00 PM

For all of you who had such a great time at their first performance at Temple Shalom, and for all of those who missed them and heard all about it, we have asked The Moody Jews to return.

Come & join the likes of "Mojo", "Doc", "Pinetop", "Wildman", "B.B.", "Mr. Bassman" & "Big Mama" as they share their varied musical repertoire that ranges from The Blues to 50's to Rock to Motown.

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\$18.00 pp in advance - \$20.00 pp at the door

Temple Board And Committee Reports

BROTHERHOOD Scott Goldstein, President

On behalf of Brotherhood we wish you a Very Healthy and Happy New Year.

What a special day it was for the children and families attending this year's Chanukah party. It was an ambitious schedule that packed in as much fun and activities as we possibly could. Starting with Chanukah Boardwalk where we staged a carnival atmosphere of Chanukah games including Giant Dreidal Spin, Chanukah Big Wheel and Menorah Ring Toss. It was difficult to say which the kids liked best but suffice to say it was a big success and everyone was a winner. Checkout the Brotherhood's bulletin board to see the pictures of the Latke eating contest and featured entertainer Jimbo the Clown. Our thanks goes to Harvey Waxman and Bruce Rubinstein for chairing this event and Brotherhood's Board never ending commitment to the children and families. With the support of both the Youth group and Sisterhood thank you ... we had a flawless event that I know the children will remember forever.

If you have over done it, the eating, the drinking and/or neglected your health a bit, Brotherhood is ready to help with a certified Life Span Health and Wellness counselor Bob Scheak. Bob will be speaking on health topics related to Vitamins and Nutrition on Sunday 1/ 20/02 at 9:30am in the social hall.

So you need to lose a few pounds... Brotherhood has scheduled a Tennis night on 2/9/02 at 8pm to midnight at the Colts neck tennis club to help you with the exercise. To attend you must call Ted Block (536-4647) to reserve your court.

You're on track now, eating right, taking vitamins, started playing some Tennis. You're ready for your big shot and want to join The Brotherhood Softball team. You're in luck, we still have a one or two spots open. Call Scott Goldstein (772-1557) to get on the team.

Watch for our flyers on our next Men's health issue "High blood pressure and Stroke" We will have a medical specialist recommended by the American Heart Association speak on this important subject. This is open to all so bring a friend.

You have a great idea for an event, Join the fun and come to our meetings. There're held on the 1st Thursday of every month at 8pm in the Social Hall.

Remember your membership helps us grow but only your participation builds Brotherhood.

SISTERHOOD Deborah A. Worthington, President

As we enter into the cold and wet season, I am looking for New Year's resolutions. I make New Year's resolutions twice a year: at Rosh Hashanah and on January 1. As a result, I have an opportunity to modify or declare complete resolutions that I made earlier.

Over the last several years, many of these resolutions were to more completely celebrate our faith. Because we have three small children, these celebrations had to fit into our already hectic life. One of the most exciting things that our family has discovered is that there were very easy, very meaningful rituals and traditions that we could perform with seemingly little effort.

For example, because we are in the habit of eating dinner together more often than not, we made a point of eating as a family on Friday nights. Making sure that we had a loaf of bread, some wine and juice, and candles with our dinner was more an issue of adding it to the grocery list than of hard work. Another Friday night ritual is that no one can make negative comments at Shabbat dinner. By including these two traditions, we can celebrate our Judaism and carve out Shabbat peace. So what if that dinner is more often spaghetti and garlic bread than roast chicken and challah? The point of our tradition is to carve out that time and that space.

We bought Jewish music CDs and tapes to play for Hanukkah, Pesach and Shabbat. It helps our kids learn Jewish songs and it brings a more spiritual aspect to our lives. There is nothing better than your toddler singing to you. I would far rather hear Bim Bam, Bim Bim Bim Bam than Oops I did it again.

Laney Shapiro, Nursery School Director, put together a wonderful program, sponsored by Sisterhood, called Turning Bedtime into Jewish Time. This program started me thinking about how often we could take secular time and turn it into spiritual time. As a result, my new New Year' s resolution is to take the opportunities presented to me to pray and to study more. At night when I put my kids to bed, I'll say the Shema with them. I will read Torah commentary during my commute to Manhattan. Instead of reading lurid novels before bed, I will read from the Tanakh.

None of these changes will make me a more dedicated or observant Jew but they will make me a happier and more contented Jew. Shalom.

RITUAL Karen Winograd, Chairperson

We have the opportunity at Temple Shalom to come together as a community and to worship during the many times and seasons the Jewish calendar offers. Over the next two months there are some wonderful events I would like to share with you.

On Saturday, January 12, 2002, our UAHC Regional Spirituality Kallah will take place. This year's Kallah will take place at Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, Short Hills, NJ, and will run from 9:30 am to 5:00 pm. The Torah portion for that Shabbat is Va'era. The day will consist of worship, Torah study, lunch/song session, workshops, S'udah Sh'lishit and Havdalah. The keynote speaker will be Dr. Olga Litvak, Assistant Professor of History and Jewish Studies at Princeton University. Her topic will be "The Barbarism of Civilization: Urban Violence and the Making of Modern Jewry." The cost for the day is \$36, and the deadline for registration is Friday, January 4, 2002. The Kallah is open to everyone--please contact the office for a registration form.

On Friday, January 25, and Sunday, January 27, Temple Shalom will again join with the Watchung Avenue Presbyterian Church of North Plainfield in joint services. During Shabbat evening services at Temple Shalom, Reverend Brooks Smith will deliver the sermon, and on Sunday morning, at 10:00 am, Rabbi Malinger will speak at the Church. A joint choir from both houses of worship will sing at both services. I urge you to attend to welcome our guests from North Plainfield and to be inspired by the words of Rev. Smith.

By mid-February, we begin the Hebrew month of Adar, and, as the Talmud says, "When Adar arrives, our joy increases." The festival of Purim will be observed on Monday, February 25, at 7:30 pm. Please come to services that evening, IN COSTUME IF YOU DARE, as we hear the story of Jewish deliverance from cruel tyranny.

The Ritual Committee meets the fourth Tuesday each month, you are welcome to attend and see what it is all about.

Learn with us... Torah Study with Rabbi Malinger

Saturday mornings at 9:15 am Bible Study, Tuesdayt mornings at 10am

The Jewish Cultural Series Comes to Temple Shalom

Sunday, February 10, 2002 at 3:00 p.m.

Leon Wieseltier, the distinguished literary editor of The New Republic will speak on "Jewish Languages: What Languages Does a Jew Have to Know."

Mr. Wieseltier is the author of "Kaddish", an account of his spiritual journey to find comfort in the rituals of Judaism following his father's death. Along the way he wrestled with many problems, including the loss of faith and the meaning of tradition.

Please join us, and the congregants of the other local Temples that are participating in the Jewish Cultural Series, for what promises to be a thoughtprovoking presentation by Mr. Wieseltier. Refreshments will be served. Tickets at \$5 per person will be available at the door.

This program is part of this year's Jewish Cultural Series and is made possible by a grant from the Strategic Plan Initiative Fund of the Jewish Federation of Greater Monmouth County.

Join Brotherhood for Tennis

Tennis Mixer #1 February 9, 2002, 8:00pm Till midnight Colts Neck Tennis Club

> Good Food Good Drinks Good Friends

Call Ted Block 536-4647 to reserve your court \$80. Per couple

Babysitting at Friday Evening Services

Babysitting will be available on Friday evenings (except for the first Friday night of the month) in the Youth Lounge. Sitters will be there at 8:00 pm; however, if no children are brought to babysitting by 8:45 pm, the sitters will inform an usher and will leave at that time.

Jewish Book Club

Please plan to meet with us for stimulating discussions at 7:30 pm. Our meetings and selections for this year will be as follows:

■ Wednesday, February 27, 2002 at 7:30 p.m.– Margo Wolfson will facilitate a discussion of "God and the Big Gang: Discovering Harmony Between Science and Spirituality" by Daniel Matt. For all of us who have wondered how contemporary scientific concepts can coexist within a spiritual framework please read this book and join us for what promises to be an intellectually stimulating evening discussing the issues presented in the book. Remember that even Einstein believed in God.

■ April 30, 2002 - "The Genesis of Justice - Ten Stories of Biblical Injustice that Led to the 10 Commandments and Modern Law" by Alan Dershowitz

■ June 26, 2002 - "The Innocents Within" by Robert Daley (fiction, about WWII underground movements in France)

All Temple members are welcome. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

"INTRODUCTION TO JUDAISM" 2002

A 16-session course designed to give participants a basic understanding of Jewish belief and practice will be offered in the locations listed below. The classes are open to all individuals who are considering conversion to Judaism; interfaith couples; Jews by birth and non-Jews who wish to obtain a basic adult-level knowledge of Judaism.

The course will approach Jewish tradition - faith, people, and way of life - through a study of the holiday and life cycles of Judaism. A basic reading knowledge of Hebrew will also be included.

Classes will meet twice a week for eight weeks from 7:45PM to 9:45PM, unless noted. A single registration fee of \$275, or \$225 for UAHC congregation members, includes tuition and one set of books and materials for an individual or a couple.

Introduction to Judaism is sponsored by the Outreach Program of the New Jersey-West Hudson Valley Council of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its 56 member congregations. For further information on this and other programs for intermarried families, please contact your Rabbi or the UAHC office at 201-722-9090.

Pearl River, NY Jan. 7 – May 6Monday Morristown, NJ Jan. 24 – May 23Thursday Springfield, NJ Feb. 23 – June 15Sat, 2-4 pm Tinton Falls, NJ Jan. 9 – May 22Wed Teaneck, NJ May 2 – June 27Tues & Thurs

For more information about the class please feel free to call: Vicky Farhi, Regional Outreach Director: 201-722-9090 Ext. 210 Fax: 201-722-0444 E-mail: vfarhi@uahc.org.

Temple Board And Committee Reports

BOARD OF EDUCATION Sheila Rubin, Chairperson

Why Jewish Education?

Jewish education is a responsibility that parents must provide for their children and the community must provide for its members. It is written, And you yourselves shall teach words of Torah to your children. Therefore, all forms of learning outside the home are secondary. The traditional Jewish family serves as the primary educator and bearer of religious values. So many of our religious ceremonies, especially at mealtime take place on a daily basis. The blessings before and after meals, the Sabbath welcoming rituals, the lighting of the Chanukah candles, and of course the Passover Seder all take place in our homes. A nightly ritual should include saying the Sh'ma together at bedtime. The child, along with his loving family share these Jewish experiences thus helping him to know who he is in our non Jewish society.

For the last two thousand years, Jewish schools have supplemented Jewish homes by providing instruction in Torah and religious practice for children. Early on, many children were not receiving an education; therefore the Sages of old set up a school system. Yehoshua ben Gamia enacted that local authorities should install teachers of children in every town and that these teachers teach children of ages six and seven. This ordinance ensured that Israel would not forget the Torah.

During the last century, Jewish schools have assumed more and more of the education of our children. And perhaps due to shortcomings in our own Jewish education as children, we parents and grandparents have begun to learn with and even from our children in family education settings. In an effort to promote lifelong Jewish learning, adult education has become important to us. However, a Jewish school cannot and should not replace the Jewish home. Families must live what schools teach; if families practice what schools model, then we will be true partners.

We are dependent upon parents and grandparents to help complete the circle of Jewish education. Jewish education starts with the family, is supplemented by the school and is practiced at home.

As we are all learners, together we can succeed in guiding our children to become moral, ethical, and caring adults who in their turn will teach words of Torah to their children.

CARING COMMITTEE Sam Shapanka, Chairperson

The annual Caring Weekend that took place on November 16-18 exemplified how congregants need to watch out for each other as well to care for themselves.

During our Friday evening Caring Service, our featured speaker, Jackie Herzlinger, encouraged healthcare professionals, especially nurses, to participate in the pastoral care of Jewish patients. This is particularly timely with the establishment our Bikkur Cholim group, comprised of ordinary members of the congregation, who will assist our clergy in making visits to fellow members in hospitals, nursing facilities, or who are just unable to leave their homes. To avoid making this too burdensome, a member of Bikkur Cholim would be obligated to visit only once every one to two weeks. Presently, 15 congregants have volunteered to participate in Bikkur Cholim. Please contact Rabbi or me if you would like to take part in this important program.

In addition to our visitation group, the Caring Committee is also supporting the Caring Community, fellow congregants who wish to share their life experiences or professional services with members who are facing challenging health, emotional, or financial crises. We are looking for congregants who have faced serious illness or family issues that would like to assist fellow members who are currently experiencing those problems. We would also like to hear from those members who are in finance/accounting, career planning, social work, healthcare, or any other profession who wish to volunteer their services.

If you are interested in joining the Bikkur Cholim group or the Caring Community, or wish to learn more the programs please contact the Temple office.

Also during the Caring Shabbat, the Natalie Rubin Caring Scholarship of \$500 was awarded to Anya Holowitz. Anya is a junior at Ithaca College majoring in Psychology. She was awarded the scholarship based upon her studies; her extracurricular work in the field, including summer employment; and her continued interest in Jewish life.

To wind up the Caring Weekend the Caring Committee sponsored a very well attended and well-received program on stress management. Due to the tremendous response we won't wait another four years to bring this program back.

Finally, mark your calendar for Sunday evening, February 24, at 6pm. We will be hosting a dinner program featuring Rabbi Malinger as our keynote speaker.

ADULT JEWISH GROWTH Barbara Kluger, Chairperson

I hope that all of you had a wonderful secular New Year's celebration. Happy New Year.

Many of you enjoyed the Winter Day celebration we co-sponsored with Brotherhood and Sisterhood in December eating together and watching the film, "Joseph and His Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat".

The Rosh Chodesh group will meet on Wednesday, January 16 and February 13, 2002 at 8pm. All women are welcome to join in for song, study, meditation, sharing innovative ritual and teachings blessing ourselves and the new moon.

On Monday, January 28, 2002 at 7:30 pm we will be celebrating Tu B'Shevat, the New Year of Trees, with a special seder to celebrate this environmentally themed holiday. As Jews, we are conscious of the wonder of creation and celebrate it. Here is yet another opportunity to formalize our thanks for creation and people's role in completing the world by keeping the Earth environmentally healthy. Refreshments will be served. There will be fruits and nuts (grown on trees) and wine (and grape juice). All congregants and their families are welcome to attend this festive celebration of the natural wonders that surround us all.

On Sunday, February 10, 2002 at 3 pm it is Temple Shalom's turn to sponsor a program in this year's Jewish Cultural Series. We will be hosting an appearance by Leon Wieseltier, the distinguished literary editor of The New Republic, who will speak to us on the topic of "Jewish Languages: What Languages Does a Jew Have to Know." If you have not already purchased tickets for the entire series, tickets for this program will be available at the door for only \$5 per person. Please come and help us give a warm welcome to Mr. Wieseltier.

For all of you who want to know whether contemporary scientific thought and religion can co-exist I urge you to read "God and The Big Bang: Discovering Harmony Between Science and Spirituality" by Daniel Matt and join us for the next Jewish Book Club discussion of the book which will be held on Thursday, February 27, 2002 at 7:30 pm. The discussion will be facilitated by Margo Wolfson, one of our scientifically knowledgeable congregants who is also a gifted teacher. She will help those attending to get comfortable with concepts that may, at first, seem irreconcilable to us. Come on and join us for what promises to be a stimulating discussion.

Nursery School News Laney Shapiro, Director

Dressed in pajamas, toting stuffed animals and blankets, children from Temple Shalom nursery school and cradle roll entered our synagogue on a Sunday afternoon in November. The children and their parents came to participate in a special program, "Transforming Bedtime into Jewish Time" which was sponsored by Sisterhood.

While the children made Jewish star cookies, their parents and I discussed the importance of traditions. We recognized the great impact rituals have on our lives. They hold us together as a family, give us a feeling of connection with those before us, create memories, and give stability to our lives. Jewish rituals also give us a sense of belonging and when we introduce them to our children at an early age, we enrich their lives as we keep our traditions alive.

Bedtime is a perfect opportunity to create Jewish rituals. The parents and I discussed many ways in which to transform bedtime activities into Jewish time. It is equally important that we encourage the children to create rituals that would be unique to their own family.

Children love to sing before they go to bed; Cantor Gordon introduced the Sh'ma as well as Twinkle, Twinkle in Hebrew. Next came the big art project: the children, with the help of their parents, decorated neon pillows with the word "Sh'ma," stars, moon or anything else they wished. Now, whenever they use their pillows, the children will be reminded of the prayer one is supposed to say before going to sleep at night and when waking in the morning.

After the pillow masterpieces were complete, the children enjoyed the cookies they made. Lights were turned low as they rested on a mat in the social hall. I read a beautiful book to the children, we quietly sang the songs we learned earlier, and the children pretended to sleep. It was so precious to see them lying on their mats with their special blankets and clutching their stuffed animals as soft music played in the background. The children were so content that I thought they would like to spend the night in the social hall! I truly enjoyed this "bed time" with the nursery school and cradle roll families, and I hope they will enjoy their pillows and the tapes I made for them as they continue to integrate Judaism into bedtime with their families.

There are many wonderful ways to create family traditions through Jewish rituals, old and new. If you are interested in infusing Judaism into your everyday family routines, please feel free to come to me as a resource.

On behalf of our Nursery School faculty and committee, I wish all the children and their families a Happy Hanukkah and a peaceful New Year.

Making bedtime Jewish for your little one.

Pillow Craft Kit consisting of: Pillow 2 Fabric Markers Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ) brochure with sugges-

tions and tips

Total cost \$10.95 Can be purchased through Judaica Shop





Learn About Purim

The story of Purim is recounted in The Megillah, the Scroll on which the Book of Esther is written. It tells the story of Queen Esther, King Ahasuerus, Esther's uncle (or cousin) Mordechai, and the king's chief advisor Haman

Though Synagogues are mostly solemn places, the atmosphere changes as children dress up as their favorite Purim characters and rattle groggers (noisemakers) at every mention of Haman's name. The Megillah is read twice on the holiday - once at night and once during the day

In the third year of his reign, the King of Persia, Ahashverosh (also known as Ahasuerus and Ahashuerus) decided to have a feast. It was on the seventh day of these festivities that the King summoned his queen, Vashti, to appear before him and demonstrate her beauty for the King's officials. Vashti refused to appear. (According to the Talmud, G-d afflicted her with leprosy to cause her downfall and Esther's rise.) Incensed, the King asked his officers for a suitable punishment. One advisor, Memuchan (some think he was actually Haman), argued that Vashti should be killed for her disobedience. The King took his advice and Vashti was killed. As time passed the King desired a new queen. To find a suitable wife, a contest was initiated among all the eligible girls in the kingdom. One of those was Esther, a Jewish girl. Esther had been raised by her relative Mordechai after her parents' death. Mordechai instructed Esther not to divulge her Jewishness when she went to meet the king. Each day Mordechai walked by the court

When it's time for gift giving, shop at Sisterhood's Judaica Shop. and inquired as to her well being.

Esther impressed all who met her, including the King, and she was elevated to queen.

Years later the King elevated Haman a descendant of Amelak, the traditional enemy of the Jews, to the position of chief advisor. Haman was a wicked and vain man who expected everyone to bow down to him. Mordechai refused to bow because Jews are to bow only before G-D. Not content to just punish Mordechai, Haman wanted to destroy the entire Jewish people in Persia. He cast lots or PURIM to determine the day of annihilation. Haman went to the King, slandered the Jews, and convinced the King to go along with his plans. Upon learning of the plot, Mordechai tore his clothes, wore sackcloth and ashes, and walked through the city crying loudly. When Esther heard of Mordechai's display she dispatched a messenger to discover what was troubling her relative. Mordechai recounted the details of the evil decree and instructed Esther to intercede on the Jews behalf. Esther agreed to appear before the King and instructed Mordechai to organize a three-day fast for all the Jews on her behalf After completing the three-day fast, Esther entered the king's inner court dressed in her most royal garb. The King inquired as to Esther's desires. Esther replied that she wished to invite the King and Haman to a banquet. After the feast Esther asked the King and Haman to return for another banquet the next night. Haman left the banquet consumed with self importance and pride, but these feelings were turned to anger when he saw Mordechai. Haman went home, and his wife, Zeresh, advised him to construct a gallows. Haman joyously acted upon the suggestion

That night, the King discovered that Mordechai had never been re-

warded for saving him from the assassination plot of two servants. When Haman appeared in the court, the King decided that his trusted servant should determine Mordechai's compensation. Haman, intending to obtain the King's permission to hang Mordechai, unwittingly answered the King's questions. The King asked Haman, "What should be done for the man the King wishes to reward?" Haman, believing that Ahashverosh intended to reward him, replied that the honoree should be dressed in royal clothing, ride upon a royal horse. And be led through the city streets by an official proclaiming "This is what is done to the man the King wishes to honor". Ahashverosh agreed and instructed Haman to carry it out for Mordechai, Crestfallen, Haman followed the King's orders. Haman's daughter, mistakenly believing that her father was being led by Mordechai, dumped garbage on her father, the horses' leader.

At Esther's second banquet Haman's downfall continued. Esther revealed Haman's villainous plot and the fact that she was Jewish. She asked the King to "grant me my soul and my people." Ahashverosh consumed with anger ordered that Haman be hanged on the gallows intended for Mordechai. The King elevated Mordechai to a position of great influence and allowed him to issue edicts permitting the Jews to fight their enemies. On the thirteenth and fourteenth of Adar the lews won tremendous victories and were saved from the threat of total annihilation.

Ever since, Jews have observed Purim. The day before Purim is a day of fasting, in memory of Esther's fast. The fast is then followed by two days of dancing, merrymaking, feasting and gladness.

Jan/Feb 2002

Temple Shalom Nursery School

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Tot Shabbat

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January 18th	April 19th
February 15th	May 17th
March 15th	June 14th

We happily accept donations of art supplies. If you are interested in sponsoring a Tot Shabbat Oneg, or if you would like more information on either program, please contact Monica Olschwang at 224-0686.

Don't Forget to Purchase Supermarket Scrip

Cradle Roll

Cradle Roll is a program offered by Temple Shalom Sisterhood for children aged 21/2to 5 (pre-kindergarten) to learn more about Jewish Holidays and rituals. The program is offered five Sundays a year at Temple Shalom. These programs start at 9:30 and end at 11:30.

January 6th

Tu B'shvat

February 10th March 17th

Purim Pesach

Judaica Hours

Sunday, January 13th, 9:30am-12:00 noon General Shopping, Sunday, March 10th, 9:30am-12:00 noon Passover Shopping, Tuesday, March 12th, 4:00pm-6:30pm Sunday, March 17th, 9:30am-12:00 noon Tuesday, March 19th, 4:00pm-6:30pm





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What if we looked outward instead of inward when making our declarations? Would we then be able to finish the year feeling good about ourselves? Let's think of a few resolutions that might last a year, or, dare we say it, a lifetime. Resolutions that make you feel good about yourself might include thinking of others instead of thinking in terms of what will better your own world.

Better someone else's world by adopting a needy family and remembering their birthdays as well as the holidays for one year. Be a lifetime secret admirer. They need never know your name. Knowing the sacrifice you make is done selflessly should make you feel real good about yourself. What about volunteering your time at a soup kitchen. Put your name on the volunteer list and be at their beck and call. When you get a call the night before saying they need your help, and you were thinking of going out with friends the next day, it may force you to rethink your plans, and do some soulsearching. Won't you feel good about yourself when you forget your previous plans and show up at the soup kitchen instead? Maybe your friends could be persuaded to join you!

The Humane Society is another place where volunteers are welcomed. In some shelters the need is so great, a lifetime volunteer probably could pick their own days and hours. Think of all the furry friends you'd make. Retirement homes and homes for the physically impaired never turn away help. You may have to go through a screening process, to ensure you are who you say, but after that they'll welcome you into their volunteer community with open arms. Adopt an elderly person who has no other family and friends, or whose family lives too far away to visit. Bring little gifts. Bring in a young child or a kitten or puppy and watch the smile on their faces.

Be a Big Brother or Big Sister. Be a Boy or Girl Scout Leader. Become involved in your community. Join a committee, coach a team, volunteer at the local schools. Join the volunteers here at Temple Shalom to help assist our warm, caring congregation. Adopt a stretch of highway and make it your job to keep it clean. Adopt a lighthouse. Plant and weed an elderly neighbor's vegetable garden. Walk through downtown and offer to wash the store windows. Shovel your neighbor's sidewalk (if you are healthy enough to do so!), and continue on down the street until you run out of steam. Ultimately, perform random acts of kindness and feel yourself grow from the inside out! Make this new year a year of mitzvoth.

Brotherhood of Temple Shalom Art Auction Saturday, March 23, 2002 in The Temple Social Hall Featuring Brinkley's Fine Art Preview @ 7 PM Auction @ 8 PM Refreshments will be served

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An Invitation to All Seniors

WELCOME! As you read this Ad today think how much we would appreciate you coming to our Senior Club meeting. In turn, please remember your special gift of being a senior, bring along with your friends and neighbors, and join us on the 2nd and 4th Monday afternoons from 11 am to 3 pm.

Temple Shalom has formed this nonsectarian SENIOR SOCIAL GROUP where we enjoy bagels and cream cheese, coffee, tea, and cake. We also have card games, board games, Mah Jong, and a lot of sociability with our peers.

Join us at our next meeting and see what it's all about. Try it, you'll like it. Transportation is available

Yearly dues are \$5 and refreshments are \$1. For further information, call Manny Strauss 732-566-6620

Chai Members

Our computer gremlin was at work again. We apologize that the complete list of Chai (18) year members who were honored on October 12th was not printed in the last issue. We are reprinting the list in its entirety (we hope).

Anise and Louis Alkin Karen and Irving Becker Gail and Norman Berger Susan Solow and Larry Berkowitz Ellen Berman Gloria and Roy Bernstein Phyllis and Gerald Bloom Patricia and Robert Brakman Gava and Michael Brodnitz Joanne and Richard Brody Terry and Joel Brown Ronnie and Arthur Chapman Sherry and Michael Danzig Anne and Steven Deutsch Susan and Irwin Dunsky Barbara and Mark Engel Elizabeth and Joel Feldschneider Adrian and Jerome Fischer Gail and Larry Frieman Judith and Sanford Gold Monica and David Gorin Hy Grappel

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to your eyes. Let its beauty remind us that there is a God and that we are being cared for and watched over by the Source of Infinite Love.

May we lie down this night and every night in peace, and rise up to life renewed. May night spread over us a shelter of peace, of quiet and calm, the blessing of rest. There will come a time when morning will bring no word of war or famine or anguish; there will come a day of happiness, of contentment and peace. Praised be the source of joy within us, for the night and its rest, for the promise of peace. Amen.

Invite your friends and neighbors to join you at Services and programs which are open to the community. Let them see our warm and caring congregation first-hand. Help us to grow.

What are the Benefits of Membership?

"What do I get for my dues?" Our Membership committee is occasionally confronted with this blunt question. Well, for your dues, you get membership at Temple Shalom, and an opportunity to work and to contribute.

Now, what do members do here? They attend Services or maybe they don't attend-maybe they lead Services. They get mailings (or maybe sometimes they don't get mailings!) or maybe they get mailings but don't read the mailings. They come to social events for fundraising purposes or maybe they come to fundraising events for social purposes; maybe they plan to come but they can't come or maybe they really don't want to come at all. They organize things or maybe they help those who organize things; maybe they help those who are not so organized or maybe they have no idea what's going on. They send their children to our school or maybe they don't have children or maybe they sent their children years ago but they continue to support the school so that the congregation's next

generation of children can go to school. They come to study or maybe they come to teach; they come to gain insight or maybe they come to share. They come to learn about doing good deeds or they come to perform good deeds. They come to remember, to laugh and to join others in joy or maybe they come to forget, to cry or to forget their crying. They come to complain, to cooperate, discuss, decide; they come to connect to others or to connect to their own past or to their children; they come to exchange pleasantries, exchange histories; they come to fill a need or divulge a need, to be part of a community or to be apart from the secular community, to partake of delicious pastries or maybe to take no part at all. They give and maybe they help others to give; maybe they discover what they can give (time, money, knowledge, inspiration, music, clothes, food, kind words).

They come to be in a special place or maybe to be with special people. They come as individual Jews or as a family; they don't always know why they come; and maybe they don't come at all but they're members just the same.

Maybe they are members simply because they are Jews-simply because they know that whatever they need or want from their heritage, at whatever moment in their lives, or whatever hope there is for our future as Jews, it will be met with the strength of congregations if they will ensure that strength through their membership.

So, for your dues, Temple Shalom simply supplies membership. All the rest is up to us, the members.

The above is an article written by Ann Targownik in June, 1997 when she was president of Temple Israel Reform Congregation of Staten Island. It is reprinted here with her permission and modified with Temple Shalom's name.

It's easy enough to make a list of tangible membership benefits; these are probably the least important and ultimately the least powerful things we discuss when we recruit prospective members or orient new members. The real truth is that membership is something "else". I am interested in your reaction to this article.

Phil Rubin

Calendar Of Congregational Activities

January 2002 / 17 Shevet - 18 Shevat 5762



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Pews: Recognize a Simcha or Memorial with a plate affixed to a pew. \$300 for a double seat; \$450 for a triple seat.

Friday Night Oneg Sponsorship: Celebrate a birthday, anniversary, engagement, marriage, Bar/Bat Mitzvah. Suggested minimum donation \$50.

Memorial Plaque: The traditional way to memorialize those who have passed away. Names read from the pulpit on their yahrzeit each year.

Tree for Israel Certificates: A gift with special significance, help restoration of Israel's forests. \$12.00 per tree.

Contact the Temple office to make a donation to these funds.

The Caring Community Needs You

The Caring Community is being revitalized as part of our "Bikkur Cholim" movement. Our goal is to have a group of members who will be there for other members who are going through a major life experience.

We will be establishing a list of volunteers who have first hand life experience in the following areas: Bereavement, Separation/Divorce, Critical Illness, Job Loss, Aging Parents and Drugs/Alcohol.

When Rabbi Malinger meets with a family or person who is going through a struggle, he will ask them if they would like to hear from someone who has gone through the same or similar experience. If they would like to, Rabbi will contact Sam Shapanka, who will then contact an appropriate volunteer who will call. All contacts and information will be done with absolute respect for everyone's personal privacy. Only Rabbi, Sam and the specific volunteer will know of the pairing.

If you would like to help in this most worthwhile endeavor, please call Sam Shapanka 946-9180 or drop a note into the Caring Committee folder.

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Your Temple, like most religious institutions, depends on your generosity to keep it financially healthy. Because even though your Temple is managed on a fiscally conservative basis, dues and fees don't fully cover our expenses.

The Temple has many vehicles through which you can express your generosity - in times of joy, in times of sorrow, and just because you care.

These funds are for a variety of worthwhile purposes. They require a \$5.00 minimum donation. Contact the Temple office except as noted.

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund for use at Rabbi's discretion.

Cantor's Discretionary Fund for use at the Cantor's discretion.

Israeli Scholarship Fund helps Confirmation Class members pay for UAHC-sponsored trip for a summer of study in Israel.

Library Fund for new books and support for the Temple Library.

Mitzvah Fund, to support various areas of need in Temple.

Music and Choir Fund for support needed by Cantor and Choir.

Prayer Book Fund maintains prayer books. Book plates are inserted in books in recognition of donations. \$20 per book donation.

Religious School Enhancement Fund for special programs to enhance religious school education. Youth Fund supports the Temple Youth programs.

Myrna P. Back Fund to assist the ten neediest Temple families every three months

Brakman/Petrera Memorial Mitzvah Corps Fund to assist the children of members of Temple Shalom in participating in the NFTY Urban Mitzvah Corps.

Esthelle Gordon Kallah Fund will give scholarships to members of Temple Shalom who wish to attend a UAHC Kallah for the first time.

Harvey Grappel Memorial Nursery School Fund to help support the Temple Shalom Nursery School.

Lee Gura Fund established to support an annual music or performing arts program for the Temple.

Hoffman/Weinstein Family Fund to provide Shabbat meals and/or other appropriate items to bereaved families and to those who are coping with serious illness.

Jennifer Pinhas Children's Caring Fund to assist financially needy children in pursuit of Jewish experiences such as going to Israel or helping to further their Jewish education.

Natalie Rubin Family Caring Fund helps fund activities and support groups needed by Temple families through the Caring Community.

Alfred Sackerman Memorial Garden Fund supports maintenance and beautification of the garden at the Temple's main entrance.

Saul Sahner Library/Education

Endowment to provide financial support for the library, including computer hardware and software, on-line services, books and support materials; To encourage & support research and scholarship in all areas for Temple youth, members and clergy.

Felicia Sawyer Youth Scholarship Fund to assist a child up to the age of thirteen, who is enrolled in the Temple Shalom Religious School, attend a UAHC camp.

Scholar-in-Residence Fund to assist in securing appropriate scholars to participate in the annual Scholar-in-Residence program at Temple Shalom.

Arlene Schumer Bereavement Group Fund to establish a bereavement group at Temple Shalom.

Wallace H. Steinberg Family Education Endowment Fund to provide funds for Family Education Programs

Donald Wallman Memorial Fund to provide loving care family assistance to caregivers of seriously ill family members so that they may hire help to assist and/ or relieve them.

Golden Book Fund, (min. donation is \$5.) maintained by Sisterhood for community projects, nursing home visits, gifts, etc. Contact Paula Morgan: 679-7038

The Growing Fund, (min. donation is \$5.) established by Sisterhood to celebrate and honor occasions and accomplishments of children and support Tot Shabbat and Cradle Roll Programs. Contact Paula Morgan: 679-7038

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Torah, Worship, Loving Deeds

Remember Temple Shalom In Your Will

Temple Shalom is committed to preserving the future of our congregation for generations to come. One of the ways that you can join in this commitment is to remember Temple Shalom in your will.

We encourage you to be a link to the future. Bequests of all sizes can help to assure the financial integrality of the Temple and are a lasting tribute of your commitment to the survival of the Jewish faith and our people.

The bequest can be established easily by asking your attorney to write a simple codicil to your will.

Sisterhood Fashion Show

Sisterhood will be presenting a fashion show in April, and we hope everyone will encourage their friends and family to attend. The date, time and location (it will be held outside of the Temple) will be announced shortly.

As with any fund- raiser, we need your help to ensure that Sisterhood has the necessary funds to continue our many projects that benefit Temple life. One way would be to purchase an ad in the program, which will be given to each attendee. Helping to sell ads that would be a good vehicle for local businesses is another way to help. Ad prices are: \$25 for a business card, \$50 for a half page, \$100 for a full page or \$200 for the back or inside cover.

We are also looking for donations of items, services or money towards the creation of the multitude of baskets, which will be auctioned at the fashion show.

We would like to create the following baskets and are open for other suggestions.

Craft basket for children

- Craft basket for adults
- Lottery basket
- Italian basket
- Toy basket

Book basket

Health and beauty basket

If you would like to join our fashion show committee in any capacity, please give me a call. Any suggestions should be forwarded to: Annette McGillicuddy 161 Yarmouth Court Holmdel, NJ 07733 732-706-3993

Donations of items can be left at the Temple office. Please leave a note with the item indicating that it is for the Fashion Show.

Learner's Shabbat

Do you stay away from services because you do not really understand what is going on and are afraid to ask? Do you feel uncomfortable when you do attend? Do we have a mini-program for you!

Who:	You, your family, your friends, Rabbi Malinger, Cantor Gordon,
What:	A slow, guided tour of Shabbat prayers, featuring Hebrew transla-
	tion and transliteration
When:	Saturday morning, February 23 at 10:30 am,
	followed by a light bagel lunch
Where:	Temple Shalom
Why:	So everyone can feel comfortable.

This program will be informal and casual and is open to the entire community.

Kids and Torah Study

Kids were asked questions about the Torah (none are students at Temple Shalom). They have not been retouched or corrected (i.e., incorrect spelling has been left in)

▲ In the first book of the bible, Guinessis, God got tired of creating the world, so he took the Sabbath off

▲ Adam and Eve were created from an apple tree. Noah's wife was called Joan of Ark. Noah built an ark, which the animals come on to in pears.

▲ Lot's wife was a pillar of salt by day, but a ball of fire by night.

▲ The Jews were a proud people and throughout history they had trouble with the unsympathetic Genitals.

▲ Samson was a strongman who let himself be led astray by a Jezebel like Delilah.

▲ Moses led the hebrews to the Red Sea, where they made unleavened bread which is bread without any ingredients. ▲ The Egyptians were all drowned in the dessert.Afterwards, Moses went up on Mount Cyanide to get the ten ammendments.

▲ The first commandment was when Eve told adam to eat the apple.

▲ The seventh commandment is thou shalt not admit adultery.

▲ Moses died before he ever reached Canada. Then Joshua led the hebrews in the battle of Geritol.

▲ The greatest miracle in the Bible is when Joshua told his son to stand still and he obeyed him.

▲ David was a hebrew king skilled at playing the liar. he fought with the Finklesteins, a race of people who lived in Biblical times.

▲ Solomon, one of David's sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines.

▲ Later people had only one spouse. This is called monotony.

JAR (Jews, Addiction and Recovery)

JAR is a Jewish Family and Children's Service (JF&CS) task force dedicated to educating Jews to the problem of addiction and to supporting Jews and their loved ones who are in recovery or in need of recovery. JAR hopes to achieve a community which is aware that being Jewish provides no immunity from addiction and where any Jew in Monmouth County, who suffers from addiction, and their family members, will recognize that help and support is available within a caring and compassionate Jewish community.

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Dance till you Drop!!!

Red Cross Double Cross

by Lawrence S. Eagleburger, Washington Post, 10/30/01

Dr. Bernadine Healy's resignation as president of the American Red Cross is a tragedy. This remarkable woman has, in less than two years, forced major reforms on a reluctant governing body and shown superb crisis management skills in the aftermath of the terrible events of September 11.

But this is not all she should be remembered for. Healy, shortly after she took office, discovered that the American Red Cross had acquiesced for decades in the policy of the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent to oppose accepting Magen David Adom as legitimate emblem of the Israeli equivalent of the Red Cross. She rightly saw this as, at best, turning a blind eye on a moral wrong; in an act of great moral courage, she set about to put things right. She spoke against the federation's anti-Israeli stance in Geneva, the home of the federation, and stirred up a hornet's nest of denials of wrongdoing, complaints against her lack of diplomatic finesse and charges that her methods just "weren't done" in Geneva.

When it became obvious that the federation (and most of its member states) were not going to change their ways, Healy settled in for a long and sometimes nasty battle. She made it clear to the federation and her own board that the American Red Cross was no longer prepared to accept in silence a policy that was inimical to our deepest held values and that put the lie to the federation's claims of universality.

As a part of Healy's preparations for a strategic approach to the fight to force the federation to foreswear its discriminatory policy against Israel, she asked me to accept appointment as ambassador-at-large (a high sounding but unpaid and powerless position), and to advise her when she felt the need for advice. I accepted, went several times to Geneva on her behalf and saw firsthand the conspiracy of silence and obfuscation deployed against the American Red Cross's effort to at least get the issue thoroughly aired before members of the federation and the public.

I suggested to Healy that withholding dues to the federation was a useful way to force the federation to take the American Red Cross's demands seriously; Healy agreed, and the funds were withheld with the approval of the board. At the time, I warned Healy that support for this aggressive policy would begin to diminish over time as the weak of heart, and those who really did not care much if the discrimination against Israel continued, listened to the blandishments of the federation's bureaucrats and politicians, who would argue that a hard-line American approach would never accomplish its objective, while compromise and goodwill could eventually accomplish much. I recently sent Healy a memorandum that laid out the issues as I saw them:

"The refusal of the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent to reverse its long-standing opposition to accepting Magen David Adom as a legitimate emblem of the Israeli Red Cross equivalent is, and has been from the inception of this exclusionary policy, immoral. As such, it has no place in an organization which purports to be philanthropic in its purposes, and caring for the least of us in its practices.

"That the exclusion of Magen David Adom has continued for decades without strong objection from the American Red Cross has raised legitimate questions about our commitment to the fundamentals of the Red Cross movement, and to the principles that guide American foreign policy. It is for those reasons that I recommended that the American Red Cross withhold its dues from the Federation. We have no business supporting an immoral policy that looks and smells too much like the infamous policies of the 1930's and 1940's....

"As certain as night follows day we, can expect that bureaucrats from the Federation will do all they can to persuade leading Americans to force President Healy to return to the discredited policies.

"They must not succeed! At a time when the United States and the civilized world are at war with extremism, it would be an inexcusable mistake for a leading humanitarian organization like the American Red Cross to succumb to political pressure and drop its principled opposition to policies of exclusion and intolerance."

But "they" have succeeded. Last week, Healy was forced out of office by a behind-closed-doors vote of the American Red Cross's Board of Governors - not because of anything relating to the September 11 tragedy, but because she dared to try to right a wrong - the wrong of denying a sovereign nation equality because of its ethnicity. The weak and easily persuaded had indeed succumbed to the blandishments of the sophisticated federation apologists who are so adept at making a wolf look like a sheep. Before long, the American Red Cross, under its new and surely more "moderate" leadership will return to paying its dues and "cooling it" on the issue of granting Magen David Adom the equality justice demands. Those of us who, like Healy, believe that the American Red Cross must represent the best of our nation have lost not just a battle, but a war.

The writer is a former Secretary of State.

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 Sari & Alan Hochberg on the marriage of their daughter Alana to Brian Hollingshead
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David Lewis on the passing of his

Shelli Altman on the passing of her

Fran Goldstein on the passing of their

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father, Mack Lewis

father Hy Grappel

uncle Leon Greenberg.

parents Ruth and Sam Stein

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Neil Ferrick on the passing of his brother Jordan Ferrick

- Helene Langman on the passing of her mother Bernice Kriegsman
- Elliot Olschwang on the passing of his grandmother, Ida Olschwang

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May each one of us bless one another as members of the Temple Shalom Family

 Shlomo and Annette Tzalmon, Amanda & Michael, of Matawan
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Mazel Tov to Harry Weisz on his installation as a member of the National Board of the North American Federation of Temple Brotherhoods at the recent Biennial in Boston.

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Ba-ruch a-ta Adonai, Eh-lo-hei-nu meh-lech ha-o-lam, a-sher ki-d'sha-nu b'mitz-vo-tav v'tziva-nu l'had-lik ner shel Shabbat.

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Parasha HaShavuah -Torah Portions of the Week: 1-2.02

1/4-Tevat 21: Shemot: Exod. 1:1-6:1: Haftarah-Isaiah 27:6-28:13: 29:22-23 1/11-Tevet 28: Va'era: Exod. 6:2-9:35; Haftarah-Ezekiel 28:25-29:21 1/18-Shevat 6: Bo: Exod. 10:1-13:16; Haftarah-Jeremiah 46:13-28 1/25-Shevat13: Beshalach: Exod. 13:17-17:16: Haftarah-Judges 4:4-5:31 2/1-Shevat 20: Yitro: Exod. 18:1-20:23; Haftarah-Isaiah 6:1-7; 9:5-6 2/8-Shevat 27: Mishpatim: Exod. 21:1-24:18; Haftarah-II Kings 12:5-16 2/15-Adar 4: Terumah: Exod. 25:1-27:19; Haftarah-I Kings 5:26-6:13 2/22-Adar 11: Tetzaveh: Exod. 27:20-30:10: Haftarah-Esther 7:1-10; 8:15-17



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