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Torah, Worship, Loving Deeds



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the Temple. If this were all there was to Shavuot, then it would be easy to see why Shavout loses the Festival popularity contest. Few of us are involved in the production of agricultural products, other than beautiful green-grass lawns! And there is no Temple to bring our offerings to anymore.

This is not a new problem. After Nebachanezzer and his happy Babylonians conquered Judea, destroyed the First Temple, and exiled the Jewish community to Babylonia, Jews found themselves in a situation that robbed Shavuot of its agricultural significance.

Judaism has stayed vital by reinterpreting its symbols when the old meanings lost their punch. Many of the world's religions have fallen by the wayside of history; to survive a religion must evolve to be relevant and compelling to the people of the current day. And so was the case with Shavuot: it was invested with additional meaning to make up for its stale agricultural significance. It became the anniversary of the day the Torah was revealed to the Jewish people at Sinai.

In the 16th century, the Kabbalists [Jewish Mystics] introduced a new innovative practice to at more kick in Shavuot: the Tikkun Leil Shavuot. Tikkun Leil Shavuot is an all-night group Torah session. According to legend, the Israelites at fell asleep, and Moses had to wake them up the precious Torah in the morning. To ach we love the Torah, we stay up all st. Many Reform congregations run a

From

The Desk of

Cantor

Janice M. Gordon

In the beginning... God created 7's. Oh sure, God created light and dark, the heavens and earth, too. But for reasons unknown to us, there seemed to have a special affinity for the number 7. The fact



that the Torah begins with a verse containing 7 words and 28 letters (divisible by 7) is hardly remarkable. But when placed within the context of the overwhelming number of associations in Judaism with '7', a fascinating tapestry begins to unfurl. Let's take a closer look at this phenomenon.

Every spring, Jews around the world celebrate the holiday of Shavuot --commemorating the most seminal event in the history of mankind, God's revelation at Mount Sinai. Shavuot means "weeks," underscoring the 7-week period between Passover and Shavuot in which we count each day (and week) in anticipation and preparation for re-living the Sinai revelation. But why call it Shavuot -- "weeks"? Why not call the holiday "Torah," or "Sinai," or "Commandments," or "Tablets." Of what significance is "Weeks"?

Time contains many different entities. Nearly all of them are related to natural phenomena. Days, nights, months, seasons and years are all directly determined, in some way, by the constellations. There is one exception -- the week. The formulation of a week seems to be totally arbitrary. Who needs it? Let one day just follow the previous one. And why 7 days? The concept of a week and its constitution of 7 days is one that is strictly God-invented and humanadopted. While we may quibble about creation -how, when, by whom, why -- the world has agreed to the concept of a week. Whenever a week is completed it is yet another reminder to mankind (or should be) that God created the world in 7 days. Kabbalah teaches that 7 represents wholeness and completion. After 7 days, the world was complete. There are 6 directions in our world: north, south, east, west, up and down. Add to that the place where you are, and you have a total of 7 points of reference.

Shavuot, marking the emergence of the Jewish people into a nation, by virtue of their receiving and accepting the Torah, also marks a completion. Perhaps that is why the holiday is called Shavuot, "Weeks." We want to identify this holiday as a completion of the process of Jewish nationhood. No one is certain why God chose the number "7" to signify completion. All we can do is speculate, observe and marvel. The following are some SIGNIFICANT SEVENS:

- Shabbat is the 7th day of the week.
- When a close relative dies, we sit Shiva for 7 days.

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Shabbaton in March we made a great beginning to crafting a Temple Shalom Mission Statement. We had to ask ourselves.....and we will ask you, our congregants, "What are our core values? Why do we exist?" And from that mission statement we can more accurately articulate our vision and identify and measure our goals, objectives, programs, obligations, etc. Please be present to share your views.

Of course, we will also be voting for our leaders, the Officers and Trustees of the synagogue, and for the annual budget. Next year's budget reflects many changes and we ask for your support. Please come to the budget hearing Wednesday evening May 12 if you have any questions.

What's left but the eating! Our recent tradition of making ice cream sundaes for the Sunday meeting will be enhanced with yummy desserts to recognize and honor our many fabulous volunteers. So, bring the kids for the desserts at 6:30p.m. The meeting will begin at 7 and babysitting will be available during the meeting.

I know it will be an evening of good food and fun, serious dialogue and important decision making, and you need to participate. HAVE you marked June 6th on your calendar? I hope the answer is YES!

Board of Trustees meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month throughout the year. Board meetings are open to the congregation. If you would like the Board to address an issue, please present it in writing to the President at least one week before the meeting."

### Learn About Shavuot

Adapted from The Jewish Parent Page on the URJ website

Shavuot celebrates both the revelation of the Torah at Mt. Sinai and commemorates the wheat and first fruits harvest of the summer season. Shavuot is linked to Passover with the counting of the Omer. This is a counting of the forty-nine day period between the start of the barley harvest at Passover to the start of the wheat harvest at Shavuot. This counting also parallels the biblical forty-nine day journey of the Israelites from Egyptian bondage to freedom and their experience at Mt. Sinai.

#### The Mitzvot of Shavuot are...

- Celebrating Shavuot by having a holiday meal and reciting the blessings
- Attending services and hearing the reading of both the Ten Commandments and the Book of Ruth

#### The Traditions of Shavuot include...

Decorating the home and synagogue with flowers and greenery

- Eating dairy foods
- Participating in a Tikkun leil Shavuot

#### Reading the Book of Ruth

The Book of Ruth is connected with the holiday of Shavuot for many reasons. Shavuot is a harvest holiday and many of the events in the Book of Ruth take place during the harvest. Shavuot also celebrates the Israelites' acceptance of Torah and the book of Ruth retells the story of Ruth, the Moabite, who chose Judaism and in doing so also accepted the Torah.

#### **Tikkun Leil Shavuot**

This was originally a Kabalistic -Jewish mystical tradition. It is observed by staying awake the whole

night of Shavuot and studying Torah. The UAHC Department of Adult Jewish Growth has produced study materials for Tikkun Leil Shavuot. These are available at http://uahc.org/holidays/tikkun.shtml.



### **Refuah Shelemah**



#### a full healing to all who are ill.

Prayers are offered for the physical and emotional health of members, family and friends at services every Friday night.

If someone you know is ill or might like a visit from the Rabbi and/or Cantor, as well as a member of our Bikkur Cholim group, please call 732-566-2621.

When you are hospitalized, please be aware that there are now stricter legal and ethical guidelines regarding the dissemination of patient information from hospitals to Clergy. In addition, today's shorter hospital stays make timely visits by Clergy difficult at best. Therefore, if you have occasion to be hospitalized, you or your family members should do two things:

First, notify the Temple or our Clergy of the hospitalization as soon as possible.

Second, upon admission to the hospital, you will be asked if you desire to have your religious affiliation as part of your medical record and for permission to make your name available to Clergy who in turn will sometimes notify our Clergy.

Help us help you during your time of need.

### MITZVAH DAY IS MAY 16th

MITZVAH DAY COLLECTIONS - in the Temple Lobby after May 2nd

- Coins: to be donated to Mazon: The Jewish Response to Hunger
- Soaps, shampoos, combs, health & grooming aids for the Manna House
- Pet supplies, towels and blankets for the Monmouth Co. SPCA

Proi	ect	List
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#	Ject List  Location	Description	Ages	Time
1.	Temple Shalom Social Hall	Dance-a-thon	all	10-2
2.	Walk-athon with the Presbyter	rian Church	all ages	PM
3.	SPCA of Mon. County	Planting flowers, cleaning, cats	*12 & up	AM
4.	Cliffwood Beach	Beach restoration and Cleanup	all ages	AM.
5.	The Manna House	Beautify grounds	all ages	AM
6.	Temple Shalom Kitchen	Make sandwiches for soup kitchen, lunch	8 and up	AM
7.	Madison Nursing Home	Visit and sing old time songs	all ages	AM
3.	Bayshore Nursing Home	Visit, bring gifts, play "bingo"		
9.	Temple Shalom Gardens	Planting annuals/sprucing up Garden	all ages	AM
10	Old Bridge and Homdel A&P	Grocery Collection for ECF	all ages	AM
11.	Ramanessen Brook	Repair nature trails	5 and up	AM
12.	Habitat for Humanity	Mitzvah House in Freehold	age 14 up	AM, PM
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Tales of
Talmud Torah
ElisaP.Bergenfeld,RJE
Director of Education

**H**ave you ever had a Jewish slumber party?

A few months ago, I walked into the sanctuary on a Friday night and saw two of my students sitting together. I went over to them and wished them



"Shabbat Shalom" and told them how nice it was to see them. They told me that they had been "im-ing" each other this week and during this process, they decided to come to services together. This would be followed by a sleep over at one of their houses. On a Sunday morning recently, I saw two of my students walk into their classroom and one of them was carrying a bag and a sleeping bag. They told me that they were exhausted because they had a sleep over the night before and so they came to school together. It is easy to see why these two experiences warmed my heart as a Jewish educator. First, it was wonderful to see that our school had provided an environment for Jewish children to create lasting friendships. Second, the parents of these children helped to teach them that being Jewish is something that should be shared and enjoyed. Unfortunately, there are so many times in which our children view their Judaism as more of a burden than a joy. They feel deprived and don't understand why they have to go to religious school or go to synagogue for Shabbat when all of their friends are playing sports and/or socializing with each other.

We are blessed to have teachers in our school who work very hard to teach our children to take pride in their Judaism. We also try to create a learning environment that is interesting, fun and interactive. But in order for our children to truly love being Jewish, the joy of Judaism needs to be reinforced at home as well. Hopefully, the children that I mentioned above will now view our synagogue as a place to gather with family and friends instead of a place where they are required to be. If we take the time to create Jewish rituals with our children, or with our families in general, that are exciting and fun, we will

create wonderful Jewish memories that will last a lifetime. It doesn't have to be something fancy or sophisticated as long as it is done with love and a smile. One of my students once told me that every Sunday morning before religious school, his father would take him to IHOP for breakfast. Later, the father told me how much he was going to miss this special time with his son when he would start to go to school during the week. But I was confident that they would come up with a new ritual to share together.

We are now approaching a wonderful Jewish holiday, Shavuot, which is often forgotten because it doesn't usually fall during the religious school year. On Shavuot, we celebrate and commemorate the giving and receiving of the Torah. It is ironic that our entire religion would not exist without the Torah and yet so many of us know so little about this holiday. So here are a few ways that we can observe Shavuot. It was an ancient custom that is still practiced today, for Jews to remain awake for the entire first night of Shavuot in order to study Torah. Legend tells us that the children of Israel slept so soundly the night before the Torah was given that they had to be awakened by thunder and lightening. But we, on the other hand, should be up all night so we don't have to be awakened to receive the words of Torah. It is also customary to eat dairy dishes on the first day of Shavuot. One reason given for this custom is that when the people came home from Sinai they could not eat meat because they had none that was prepared properly according to "kashrut". They had no choice therefore but to eat dairy dishes.

So, in my opinion, based on what I said above, the best way to celebrate Shavuot would be to have a great big slumber party every year with just your family, or invite some friends over to participate as well. Since everyone would be "required" to stay up all night long, arrangements would have to be

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#### 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.

### You are Cordially Invited to Rejoice with Us at the B'nai Mitzvah of...



Martin Bernstein Son of Lisa and Howard Bernstein May 1, 2004



Joshua Weiss Son of Susan and Jay Weiss May 8, 2004



Autumn Rose
Daughter of
Starling and Michael
Rauchwerk
May 8, 2004



Michele Macchio
Daughter of
Roberta and Nicholas
Macchio
May 29, 2004



Ben Brakman Son of Ellen and Miles Brakman May 29, 2004



Danielle Devinsky
Daughter of
Rose Anne and Philip
Devinsky
June 5, 2004



Julianne Waxman
Daughter of
Marlene and Harvey
Waxman
June 5, 2004



Elissa Meryl Silverman
Daughter of
Suzanne and Michael
Silverman
June 12, 2004



Erin Walker Daughter of Alide and Jeff Walker June 12, 2004



Paula Orens
Daughter of
Kathleen and Nathaniel
Orens
June19, 2004

....As They Lead the Congregation in Shabbat Morning Services

#### **Temple Board And Committee Reports**

### **BROTHERHOOD**Jay Weiss, President

This time of year is both exciting and hectic in our house, with Passover just behind us, and Josh's Bar Mitzvah in front of us. We have just finished entertaining for the Passover holidays, and we are now focusing all of our energy on

Josh's big day.

As we listen to our son practice his Torah and Haftorah portions, we know that he has worked hard, with the help of Rabbi Malinger and Cantor Gordon, to get where he is today. Even more important than being able to read the words, Josh really understands what his Torah portion means and is trying to teach us, which says a lot for the quality of our religious school and our clergy. It goes without saying that we are especially proud parents, and know that Josh will recite the words he has been practicing with pride and confidence.

When I think back on the last five years of Josh's involvement with Temple Shalom, it makes me realize that the religious school experience for our children consists of both academics as well as non-academic activities, some of which are sponsored by Brotherhood. As our children need to learn the Hebrew language, the history of our people and the customs of our religion, it is great that they can have fun while learn-

In support of our youth, Brotherhood offers our children a holiday party at Hanukah time, a scavenger hunt during Passover, and the Maccabee games that are held in May. This year's Maccabee games will be held Sunday, May 23th at 11:30. Join us as Brotherhood hosts a fun afternoon for our children with games,

food and prizes. It is a great way to close out the religious school year.

I feel honored to have served as the Brotherhood President for the past two years. I am proud of what Brotherhood does for our Temple adults, youth and our community. We are always trying to think of new ways to fund Temple improvements as well as new programs that are just for fun. Over the summer, we will be planning for the New Year, so feel free to share your ideas with us if you have a thought about something new and exciting. Come watch our Temple Shalom Brotherhood softball team as the warm weather approaches the schedule is posted on the Brotherhood bulletin board. Most of all have a fun and restful summer.

#### SISTERHOOD

Adrienne Friedman, President

All year I have been soliciting your help for Sisterhood. It's to the point where some of you turn and run screaming into the night when you see me approach, because you know I'm usually looking for volunteers for the oddest tasks. Who wants to stand over a cauldron of boiling water and cook hot dogs for four hours? Who wants to deliver Shalach Manot baskets to strangers and get lost in unfamiliar neighborhoods as a mitzvah for Purim? Who wants to help 3 year olds put ten Hershey kisses on a lump of dough and be excited to tell them they made their first hammentaschen? Who wants to stay up until midnight wrapping and decorating auction baskets for the fashion show? Who has the imagination to decorate toilet plungers with flowers as centerpieces to motivate people to donate money for a bathroom renovation?

The women of Sisterhood indeed do some strange tasks under the heading of volunteerism. And now that we are on the downside of our programming calendar for the year, I can tell you that all these odd tasks created some amazing results. I have also been saying this year that "many hands make light work". I'm not sure if that's totally true, but I do know that many hands make the heavy work more fun. Stuffing 600 envelopes with raffle tickets and baking 3,000 hammentaschen obviously goes faster and more enjoyably when you're surrounded by friends.

I have surely had the honor and blessing of being surrounded by friends and family this year. We reached our fundraising goals thanks to you! Stay tuned for a beautiful new ladies bathroom in the nursery school wing. Won't you join us as we plan for next year's goals? There's always room for you at any event, and any board meeting. We challenge ourselves by setting high goals for the benefit of all our children, our synagogue, and our community.

I know the women of Sisterhood would be honored if you would join us at our Sisterhood Dinner on May 21 at 6:30 pm in the social hall, following by a Shabbat Evening Service in our honor. We'd love to see you there supporting us, because

WITHOUT YOU – WE'RE ONE WOMAN SHORT!

#### **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Elliot Olschwang, Chairperson

As you are reading this article, we are ending the first school year of my first term as Board of Ed chair. I must say this has been an exciting year. In addition to our regular curriculum, we have had many successful programs. One in particular I will mention is our tallit workshop which one parent told me was "the best thing they have ever done at Temple Shalom". What a compliment!!!

We also tried something new this year and had the 4th grade leading a Saturday morning service. Depending on the success of this program, the board is considering changing the current 5th, 6th and 7th grade services from Friday night services to Saturday morning services as well because it is the Saturday morning service that the students need to be prepared to lead as they become a B'nai Mitzvah.

We've had an extremely successful year with the religious school but as with all things, this year was not without its challenges. As we created next year's budget, the Board of Directors needed to address one major challenge. As you may or may not be aware, given our current membership and religious school enrollment, we are facing a budget crisis, which needed to be dealt with as we were preparing for 2004/2005. There were many actions taken by the Board to close this gap but most critically affecting the religious school were the following. For 2004/2005, our religious school director position will be changed from a full time to a part time position with associated savings. In addition, our religious school secretary will be reduced from a full time position to a half time position.

This will be a challenge, as, in my memory, the religious school has not had a part time religious school director. The details of how to do this will be contractually negotiated, however, it won't be until next year's implementation that we will understand how well this will work, especially given the reduced secretarial support. We will look at this and evaluate where we are next year. In addition, given the reduced secretarial support, we could really use some volunteer assistance in the religious school office. If you are able to help out, please let me know.

I want to thank my committee and especially Elisa, Arlene, all of our wonderful religious school teachers and our many volunteers for a wonderful school year.

### Morris and Rose Goldfeder Scholar-in-Residence Rabbi Matthew Aaron Kraus

MAY 14-15, 2004

Rabbi Matthew Kraus received his Ph.D. in Classics from the University of Michigan in 1996 and was ordained from Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in 1991. His main interests include the history of biblical interpretation and Judaism in the Greek and Roman world. He has written on Jerome's translation of the Bible from the Hebrew into Latin and on Philo, and he has given papers at scholarly conferences on the Old Latin version of the Bible and on the legend of the Septuagint (the Greek version of the Bible). He has given a paper on Jerome at the World Congress of Jewish Studies in Jerusalem. An article entitled "Christian, Jews, and Pagans in Dialogue: Saint Jerome on Ecclesiastes 12:1-7" has appeared in the 2001 issue of Hebrew Union College Annual and he has also published articles in Tikkun and Vetus Testamentum. Prof. Kraus spent 1999-2000 in Jerusalem on a Yad Hanadiy/Beracha foundation fellowship and lectured at Hebrew University on "Jerome as an ethnographer of the Jews." He currently is an Associate Professor of Classics at Williams College where he teaches courses on Bible in its Near Eastern Context, History of Interpretation of the Bible in the Greco-Roman Period, Introduction to Judaism, Myth and Biography in Late Antiquity (an upperlevel Latin course on Apuleius' version of Cupid and Psyche and The Confessions of Augustine), and first and second year Latin and Greek. Prof. Kraus lives in Williamstown with his wonderful wife, Rabbi Sissy Coran and 3 wonderful children, Jacob, Shirah, and Michah.

#### FRIDAY, MAY 14, 2004

### $8{:}15\ \mathrm{PM}$ "The Blessings and Curses of Assimilation: Being Jewish in a non-Jewish World"

God tells Abraham, "Lecha L'cha", to go from Mesopotamis—from his land, from his birthplace, from his father's house—and so begins the journey of the Jewish people. Judaism starts with a departure. The Book of Leviticus makes a strong case against assimilation, against copying the practices of the other nations. What should Reform Jews do with this book since we value the healthy interaction with our surrounding culture? Is there a place for distinctiveness in Reform Judaism? Does Leviticus provide guidance for how we should interact with the non-Jewish world?

#### SATURDAY, MAY 15, 2004

Torah Study and Light 9:30-10:45 am Continental Nosh Shabbat Services, "Relationship 10:45 am - 12 n Between Jews and non-Jews" 12 n - 1 pm"Big Fat Greek Torah" 1pm-2:15 pm Catered Buffet Lunch 2:30-3:30 pm "Christians Love Hate Relationship" 3:30-4:30 pm Panel Discussion 5 pm Sudat Shilshit & Havdallah

REGISTRATION

Name(s)\_\_\_\_

Address Phone

# of Attendees\_\_\_\_\_x \$20/congregant or \$22 Others = \$\_\_\_\_Amount Enclosed

Return to Temple Shalom, 5 Ayrmont Lane, Aberdeen, NJ 07747

#### **Committee Reports**

#### ADULT JEWISH GROWTH Barbara Kluger, Chairperson

Here we are approaching the summer season already. The year sure is passing by fast. Now is a good time for us to take a deep breath and reconnoiter as to where we are and where we are going. Do we hunker-down for what is likely to be hard times ahead, preserving our own resources and pulling away from involvement with the world and our own community? Or, do we move away from a fixation on matters of self-interest and look outwards? I think that in these uncertain times in the world it is perhaps more important than ever for us to reach out and re-commit ourselves as Jews to tikkun olam, the repair of the world.

One way to participate in repairing the world is to take actions to help others. Temple Shalom offers a wonderful opportunity every year for each of us to participate in organized activities to help others -- Mitzvah Day. It is coming up on Sunday, May 16, 2004. Don't miss out. If you have not yet signed up for one of the Mitzvah Day activities, please do so now. I assure you that you will get a lot out of the experience and I hope that it will lead you to engage in other activities throughout the rest of the year to help repair the world.

Also coming up is an important adult learning experience that we present year after year - - the Scholar-in-Residence Program. It will take place this year on Friday, May 14 and Saturday, May 15th. Rabbi Matthew Aaron Kraus, an Associate Professor of Classics at Williams College, is our scholar. He will address various issues arising out of being Jewish in a non-Jewish world. I hope that you will join in on this wonderful Jewish learning opportunity.

DO YOU KNOW ANY
UNAFFILIATED JEWS?
Tell them about Temple Shalom and its
myriad of activities.
And bring them to services with you.
Who knows they might decide to join our
congregation.
New members are welcome.

#### SAY Y.E.S. TO OUR KIDS....

Send your best wishes and a heart felt Mazel Tov to the members of this year's Confirmation and Hebrew High Graduating Class. Sisterhood will send a YES Fund (Youth, Education, and Special Projects) Card with your congratulations to each person checked below.

Class Confirmation	Hebrew High Graduation
_ Lindsay Acker	Lindsey Almerini
Benjamin Asch	Michael Barugel
Ian Brakman	Ryan Gregg
_ Bradley Calder	Melissa Kahn
Amanda Chirlin	_ Allyson Kanofsky
_ David Colombini	Steven Latman
_ Victoria Golann	Benjamin Liss
Zach Goldstein	Benjamin May
_ Elisha Gordon	Ilyse Rosenblatt
_ Bree Kupfer	Jessica Titus
_ Michael Lewin	Jocelyn Titus
_ Jonathan Silverman	Laura Weitsen
Mallory Wagman	

Let our students know how proud you are of them. Check all the names you want to receive your good wishes and return this page to the Paula Morgan, 4 Morris Dr., Old Bridge, NJ 08857 with a check made out to Sisterhood of Temple Shalom. The cost is \$1 for each name checked.

Your name/address/phone/email

Sara Wolfson

Please submit all Shalom articles directly to the editor, via email: Cindy4Shalom@optonline.net

#### Support Temple Shalom's religious school.

www.templeshalomnj.org Click on schoolpop. 1 % of what you purchase is sent to our Temple school. 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.

When it's time for gift giving, shop at Sisterhood's Judaica Shop.

#### Nursery School News Laney Shapiro, Director

In our nursery school, we feel that 'there is always room for another chair.' And so, I always encourage parents to bring visiting relatives to our mommy and me classes because we see how wonderful it is for both parties to share these experiences. When we have Shabbat each Friday, families are invited to bring whomever they wish to help celebrate. At Hanukkah and Passover, and whenever parents are invited to attend our special events, we hope that they extend the invitation to other family members. Again, there is always room for another chair!

We love to see families together. The children are so proud to show their relatives their classroom, friends and teachers. To see a little hand being held by a big one makes me appreciate and value every generation. There is so much to share. When your child spends time with a relative, it can be the perfect time to keep family history alive. Ask your relative to tell your child stories about you when you were young. Encourage them to take out the family albums. Ask them to explain your family's traditions and build new ones with your child. This would be an opportune time to describe how holidays such as Passover were spent. Children look to aunts, uncles, and grandparents to protect and care for them. By taking personal interest in them, a bond develops that will never be broken.

We all know that times have changed. Before many of us made our sojourn to suburban New Jersey, we lived in neighborhoods that were intergenerational. Family members lived closer to each other, sometimes in the same building. We were surrounded by all aged people who influenced, cared for us and made an impression on us. Problems were shared in these buildings of 40 or 50 families, children could go to a neighbor for a visit without making a special 'play date.' and we had built-in extended families. For those without a near- by family, there were adults who readily filled the roles of grandparents, aunts and uncles without even thinking about it because people just took care of each other. They looked out for each other, young and old alike.

However, because of the physical layout of our homes now, people can feel separated from each other. In addition, many of our families do live far away now and our children do not always have relatives near by. So why not 'acquire some'? We all know how important it is for children to be surrounded by as many supportive people as possible. There are many kind people who would love to be

'surrogate' relatives to our children.

Our children need to be surrounded by as much security as possible. Family units offer that security and relatives or 'acquired' relatives, can only enhance our child's life. And, of course, you know that they are always welcome in Temple Shalom Nursery School because there is always room for another chair.

### Annual Congregational Meeting - Sunday, June 6

6:30pm Ice Cream Sundaes 7:00pm Volunteer Recognition

**Annual Meeting:** Mission Statement Comments **Election of Officers** Approval of Budget

# News From the Union for Reform Judaism **URJ**

#### **Shavuot Activities**

What will you do in your home this year to celebrate Shavuot, which begins at sundown Tuesday, May 25? In addition to remembering the giving of the Torah to Moses at Mt. Sinai, the holiday celebrates the spring harvest. The Jewish Parent Page, located at www.urj.org/educate/parent, contains a history of Shavuot, as well as a listing of family projects for the holiday, relevant blessings in Hebrew and English, a recipe for fruit and yogurt pie, and much, much more. The Jewish Holiday Page for Shavuot, found at www.urj.org/holidays/ shavuot.shtml, is also a trove of relevant information, with a brief overview of the traditions of tikkun leil Shavuot and the counting of the omer, and links to congregational Web sites that offer fun and educational Shavuot materials. Log on and learn!

#### Music, Music, Music!

For the past fifteen years, hundreds of Iewish musicians and music lovers have descended on New York's Catskill Mountains to hone their craft, network with their peers, and enjoy some of the most brilliant and inspirational Jewish music anywhere! The North American Jewish Choral Festival, scheduled for July 11-15 at the Hudson Valley Resort and Spa in Kerhonkson, NY, gives participants the unique opportunity to work with top conductors, participate in workshops on a wide variety of topics; enjoy daily concert performances by the country's leading Jewish choirs, and join in large community singing events. If you're interested in participating, please contact the Union of Reform Judaism's Department of Worship, Music, and Religious Living at 212.650.4226, worship@urj.org, or visit the Web site at www.urj.org/ music.

#### **Summer Reading**

Wondering what book to take on vacation this summer? The URJ Press has greatly expanded its offerings for adult study, including Rabbi Elyse Goldstein's Seek Her Out: A Textual Approach to the Study of Women and Judaism, a new Hebrew learning series, and books about ethics, traditions, and the sacred texts. The full catalog can be found at www.urjpress.com. If you are more interested in fiction, browse through the Significant Jewish Books listing at www.urj.org/books. Fateless, a first novel by Hungarian Nobel Prize winner Imre Kertesz, is a current selection.

#### **National Cover the Uninsured Week**

Did you know that May 10-16 is National Cover the Uninsured Week? Created to raise awareness about the 44 million Americans living without health coverage and to promote political action on this issue, the week will feature press conferences, interfaith events, campus events, and health fairs in locations across the country. The Commission on Social Action and Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism have endorsed this program; you can find out more about it online at www.covertheuninsuredweek.org.

#### Share your Passion in a Jewish Journey Group

Our Temple is the place where we come for worship, connection, support, celebration, guidance and learning - wherever we may be on our own Jewish journey. Here at Temple Shalom, we recognize the need for congregants to feel a sense of community within our larger congregation. Often, one's sense of belonging requires connection with a small group of people who share a common interest.

Jewish Journey Groups are small groups of 8-10 people with shared interests and passions. They meet for a limited number of sessions. When you join a JJG, you will meet other people to explore a topic of shared interest. JJGs can be organized around any topic relevant to the lives of Jews. There is a specific structure for each meeting. The group begins with an opening ritual allowing the participants to gather and focus on the group and the activity. After check-in, a time that allows everyone to greet each other, an exploration of the group's theme through text-study follows with an experiential activity, discussion or presentation. At the end of the meeting, there is a checkout allowing for closure of the day's session. A trained facilitator leads each group. Examples of group themes are; cooking, creating ethical wills, parents of newborns, B'nai Mitzvah families, parents of children with learning challenges, children of aging parents, new members, meditation, spirituality, pets, life after divorce, foreign language, leisure activities(e.g., golf, bowling, knitting, film, yoga, travel, art, music etc.) The topics are endless.

Please complete the following survey and return it to the Temple office. If you prefer you may summarize the information in an email to sfrubin@att.net. Each member of the household should complete his/her own survey reflecting individual interests. List below any group(s) you would strongly consider joining.

If you have any questions, Call: Sheila Rubin 732/671-2004 or Sharon Steinhorn 732/946-2226



### Temple Shalom Nursery School

INDOOR AND OUTDOOR PLAY CENTERS

Visitors Welcome • Open to the Community

Family Participation Days

Adult & Children's Free Lending Library

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14 months — 30 months BABY SITTING AVAILABLE FOR SIBLINGS

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#### TOT SHABBAT

A SERVICE FOR 3-5 YEAR OLDS & THEIR **FAMILIES** 

Welcome Shabbat with age appropriate prayers, songs, stories & dances.

Friday Evenings at 7pm **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** 

May 21

June 11

If you are interested in sponsoring a Tot Shabbat Oneg, or if you would like more information on Tot Shabbat, please contact:

Lorraine Katz Mimi Medlin

732-888-9202 732-946-7972

#### CRADLE ROLL

This parent/child program is offered by Temple Shalom Sisterhood for children ages 2 \_ to 5 (prekindergarten). Children learn about Jewish holidays & rituals through interactive activities such as crafts, storytelling, songs & more.

Cradle Roll will resume in September. The program will be offered five Sundays during the school year at 9:30 am. To receive a reminder postcard with upcoming Cradle Roll dates and topics, please submit your child's name and address to the Temple office marked "Sisterhood Cradle Roll."

We happily accept donations of art supplies. For further information, please contact: Stephanie Phillips 732-335-1269 Cheryl Hare 732-345-9109 Cindy Terebush 732-721-3222

#### Special Art & Music Programs

#### Computer Program

#### Field Trips & Guest Speakers

#### Moms and Dads

Recycle your used ink jet, laser cartridges, cell phones and batteries.

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Drop off items in classroom #4

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#### A Women's Health & Fitness Forum One evening that will change your life forever

Thursday, June 3, 2004 7:00 PM Solomon Schechter Day School 22 School Road East, Marlboro

Couvert: \$18 per person in advance \$24 per person at the door

Light Refreshments & Goody Bags

Come hear about preventative health measures that can help you learn how to strengthen your body and mind for optimum longevity and vitality. Local doctors will present vital information for a healthy life and address your questions.

Please respond by May 28th

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Please make checks payable to: Jewish Federation (JFGMC) Mail to: The Jewish Federation of Greater Monmouth County100 Route 9 North, Galleria Mall, Manalapan, NJ 07726

Phone: 732.866.4300 / Fax: 732.866.4307

#### **ToSTY**

Save These Dates

May 22 - 23 Shul in June 5th

Senior Event and Installations

June 2 - 7:00pm Elections

Questions Call -Lauren Griffin at -

732 - 370 - 7978

#### Kallah 2004

HeChalutz: The Pioneer
Where and When Jews Reinvented Judaism

URJ is sponsoring two Kallah sessions this summer:

- University of California Santa Cruz Wednesday, July 7-Sunday, July 11
- Franklin Pierce College, Rindge, NH Wednesday, July 21 – Sunday, July 25

Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity to study with an outstanding faculty of Jewish scholars and musicians while you become part of a very special Jewish community. You will learn a lot and meet very interesting people with similar interests to yours, in an inspirational setting.

For registration and more information visit: www.urj.org/educate/kallah or call (212) 650-4087.

#### An Invitation to All Seniors

#### **WELCOME!**

As you read this ad today, please realize how much we would appreciate you coming to our Shalom Seniors Club meeting.

In turn, please remember the special gift you share of being a senior. Bring your friends and neighbors. Join us at Temple Shalom on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month from 11 am to 3 pm.

Temple Shalom has formed this non-sectarian Senior Social Group at which we enjoy bagels and cream cheese, coffee, tea and dessert. We have card games, board games, Mah Jong, and socializing with our peers.

Join us at our next meeting and see what it's all about. Try it, you'll like it. Transportation is also available. Yearly dues are \$5 and refreshments are \$1. For further information, call Manny Strauss 732-566-6620.

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#### The Jewish Book Club

On Thursday, May 27, 2004 at 8:00 pm, the Adult Jewish Growth Committee will present a discussion of "Abraham" by Bruce Feiler. "As we struggle to find a path to peace among these three religions [Judaism, Islam and Christianity] all warring in Jerusalem, near the stone where Abraham brought his son for sacrifice, this captivating biography speaks to Abraham as the metaphor he is: the historically elusive man who embodies three religions, a character who has shape-shifted over the millennia to serve the clashing goals and dogma of each religion." Amazon.com

Please join our facilitator, Michael Hoffman, and fellow congregants for what should be a fascinating conversation spurred by the profound ideas raised in this book.

### A TEMPLE MYSTERY: DO WE HAVE A FORTUNE UNDER OUR NOSES?

Does anyone out there have expertise in art appraising? We need your help. Temple Shalom is in possession of 8 museum-framed collage pieces signed by world famous artist, Louise Nevelson. The eight 21" x 26" pieces create a grouping of Holocaust art, entitled "Homage to Six Million". Each piece has a "Jewish Museum" label on the back with a catalogue number. These pieces have been stored in the building for many years and it is time we knew if they could provide the means to our financial security or if they are merely taking up valuable storage space. If you can help solve this mystery, contact Stephanie in the Temple office.

SISTERHOOD OF TEMPLE SHALOM CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO OUR

#### SISTERHOOD SHABBAT and presentation of our Judaic Studies Scholarship

SHABBAT DINNER May 21, 2004 AT 6:30 PM

COST: SISTERHOOD MEMBERS \$15.00 PER PERSON NON-SISTERHOOD MEMBERS \$18.00 PER PERSON CHILDREN UNDER 12 \$8.00 PER PERSON

I/we will be attending Shabbat	Dinner, May 21, 2004
Sisterhood member	100
Number of adults	Total due \$
Non-Sisterhood member	
Number of adults	Total due \$
Number Children under 12	Total due \$
Total enclosed \$	
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Sisterhood would like to gratefully acknowledge all the hard work done by so many men, women and children involved in "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" and the most recent Spring Fashion Show. The enormous success of these two fundraisers has pushed us closer to our goal of being able to renovate the ladies bathroom in the nursery school wing. At this time, we have raised \$16,000. We are looking for additional donations to reach a minimum of \$20,000 before construction starts. Remember - many hands make light work!

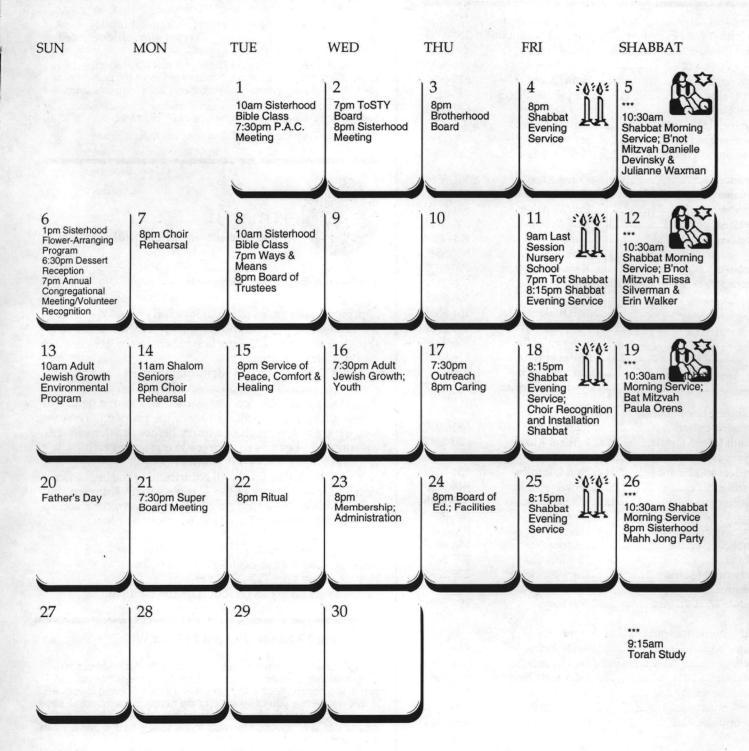
#### **Calendar Of Congregational Activities**

### May 2004/10 Iyar - 11 Sivan 5764

SUN MON TUE WED **SHABBAT** THU FRI 20:03 10:30am Shabbat Morning Service; Bar Mitzvah Martin Bernstein 10am Sisterhood 8pm Shabbat 7pm ToSTY 9am Renaisance 7pmConfirmation 8pm Brotherhood **Bible Class** 10:30am Group Trip to Rehearsal Board Board 7:30pm P.A.C. Shabbat 8pm Sisterhood 8pm Choir Jewish Harlem Evening Service; B'nai Meeting 1:30pm Nursery Rehearsal Meeting Service; Mitzvah Autumn School "Special Teacher Rauchwerk & Appreciation Shabbat Gals" Day Joshua Weiss 20:03 13 14 15 10 11 Mother's Day 11am Shalom 10am Sisterhood 8pm Budget 4pm Last Day 8:15pm Shabbat Seniors Bible Class Hearing Religious School 10:30am 7pm Ways & Means 7pmConfirmation Shabbat Evening Rehearsal Service Morning Service 8pm Choir 8pm Board of 14-15 Scholar-Rehearsal Trustees in-Residence Shabbat . V : V : 19 21 17 18 20 16 10am Sisterhood 7:30pm 9am Mitzvah Day 6pm 7pm 7:30pm Adult Shabbat 10:30am Confirmation Bible Class Outreach Jewish Growth; 8pm Caring; 8pm Service of Dinner Shabbat Rehearsal Youth Morning Service; Peace, Comfort & 7pm Tot Shabbat Nursery 8pm Choir Healing 8:15pm Shabbat Bat Mitzvah Rehearsal Service Honoring Michelle Macchio Sisterhood 7pm ToSTYShul-In . 0:03 25 7:30pm 29 28 26 8pm Jewish Book Club; Board of 8:15pm Shabbat 11am Shalom 9:30am Last Day Shavuot 10:30am Confirmation Sunday School Seniors - Temple Shabbat Office Closed Ed.; Facilities Evening Renaissance Service Service: 10am Yizkor Service Service Group Trip to Bar Mitzvah Jewish 6:30pm ToSTYProgram Benjamin Brakman Philadelphia 8pm Administration; **Membership** 30 9:30am Memorial Day -Temple Office Brotherhood Closed 9:15 am Breakfast Torah Study

#### **Calendar Of Congregational Activities**

### June 2004/12 Sivan - 11 Tammuz 5764



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#### Contributions

**Stained Glass Window:** A special gift to honor a Simcha or remember loved ones. Donation \$5,000.00

**Tree of Life:** Honor special family occasions with an engraved leaf of the tree bearing the name of the person honored. Donation \$175.

**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 \$60.

Memorial (yahrzeit) Plaque: The traditional way to memorialize those who have passed away. Names read from the pulpit on their yahrzeit each year. \$225. (members); \$325 (non-members)

Tree for Israel Certificates: A gift with special significance, help restoration of Israel's forests. \$13.00 per tree.

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



By Robert Lear, Funds Chairperson

Spring is a period of renewal for many of us. We can put the immediate past behind us and look forward to many things. It is a time to appreciate nature, color, longer days, and dazzling sunshine.

The Alfred Sackerman Memorial Garden Fund was created to maintain and augment the garden at the Temple's main entrance. The garden serves as a beautiful transition area as we enter or leave the property. Too often, we are in too much of a hurry before or after services, meetings, and events to appreciate our surroundings. It requires and deserves our attention.

Your gifts to the fund will contribute to the beautification and maintenance of the Temple's main entrance. Better yet, you'll see the enhancements every time you approach the entrance. Take time to smell the roses.

For help and information regarding contributing to an existing fund or establishing a new fund, contact Robert Lear 732-290-0698.

A tear off form can be found on the next page.

#### 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.

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.

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.

**Lee GuraMusic and Choir Fund** for support needed by Cantor and Choir.

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

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

Michael Henry Memorial Children's Fund assists financially needy children in pursuit of Jewish experiences, including formal and informal Jewish education as well as marking life-cycle moments.

Our Nursery School Fund provides resources to assist the nurturing atmosphere for which the Temple Shalom Nursery School is known.

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.

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

Larry Sadja Memorial Fund, to provide funds for the beautification of the Sanctuary and the building.

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

Golden Book Fund, (min. donation is \$5.) maintained by Sisterhood for community projects, nursing home visits, gifts, etc. Contact Michelle Himmelfarb: 679-6393

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 Michelle Himmelfarb: 679-6393

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**ELAINE & STEPHEN LEVINE** In memory of Regina & Sidney Mandell

**RONNIE & ARTHUR CHAPMAN** Mrs. Phil Foxman, in memory of your

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In appreciation for a wonderful trip LEAH & ALLEN FALK

In appreciation for making our trip to Israel so meaningful

Yahrzeit for Bessie Jaffe, beloved grandmother JOAN & JOHN MAROTTA

Rabbi Malinger, thank you for being there Samantha Malinger, in memory of

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Mr. & Mrs. Clifton Bittle, in honor of

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Thank you to all the Israel Trip participants for visiting Darcie & Jeff in Israel

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Ruth Schuman, in memory of Shirley Goldman SUSAN SOLOW & LARRY BERKOWITZ

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RALPH LEVY

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Dorothy Winston, in memory of Louise

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In honor of the birth of granddaughter, Tristin Van Note

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JANINE & BRIAN STRAUSS In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of our beloved

daughter, Joanna WARREN S. WOLKENBERG

With appreciation to Susan Solow

SHERRY & MIKE DANZIG

Arlene Lazar, In memory of your mother

**RUTH QUEEN** 

Yahrzeit for my grandfather Samson Kossin LINDA CANNON

Arlene Lazar & Barbara Jayson, In memory of vour mother

Eric Winston, In memory of your wife Louise CAROLE & PAUL SILVERGOLD

Yahrzeit of Nathan Silvergold **BOBBIE & BURT JACOWITZ** 

Barbara Cohen, In memory of Paul Goldstein Renee Kaplow, In memory of Evelyn Paul Samantha Malinger, In memory of

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ARLENE & HARVEY LAZAR & FAMILY Todah Rabbah to Rabbi

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Ken Heim, In memory of the passing of your son David

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My deepest sympathy on the passing of my dear friend Joseph Pessot ZELDA & DAN DINER

Yahrzeit for Mildred Lipset

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In loving memory of Morton Chepin

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Patti Jacobson, our thoughts & prayers are with you

JOYCE & GERRY HOCH

Yahrzeit for Harry Hoch

NAOMI & ALLEN MISCHEL

Joan & John Marotta, congrats on the birth of your grandson

SHARON & DAN STEINHORN

Bobbie & Burt Jacowitz, in honor of

Superbowl Sunday

Janine & Brian Strauss, in honor of

Ariel's Bat Mitzvah

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Al Prelutsky, thank you to the greatest

baby-sitter in the world

Howie Bernstein, thank you for being the 2nd best baby-sitter

Sharon & Dan Steinhorn, thank you for being

CAROL & BERNARD MILLER Ruth Gitlen & family, in memory of Chester Gitlin

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In memory of David Cohen

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SUSAN SOLOW & LARRY BERKOWITZ

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Sandy Frankel, wishing you a speedy recovery DOROTHY WINSTON

In memory of Isaac Winston

In memory of Samuel Winston

In memory of Louise Winston

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of your father PATTI & CYE JACOBSON

Bonnie Goldman, wishing you a speedy recovery

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Ariel's Bat Mitzvah

your grandmother

grandmother

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Our guidelines, which have been recommended by the Ritual Committee and approved by the Board of Trustees, stipulate that only Kosher or Kosher style food is allowed on our premises. That prohibits pork, shellfish, or any dish combining milk and meat products. Individual meat and dairy food items may be served at a Temple function but should be segregated at different ends of the table or at different tables. Also, if a dinner takes place at Temple at which meat is served, non-dairy creamer should be available for hot beverages.

#### Rabbi's's Message Continued from page 2

Tikkun; often they do not last all night, however.

In 1847, the Reform movement added its own enhancement to Shavuot, the Confirmation ceremony. This ceremony celebrates the completion of a typically two or three year program in Jewish education by youth typically 15 or 16 years old. The Confirmation ceremony is held either during the Shavuot evening service, or after or before it, and certainly before the Tikkun, if there is one. The idea of "Confirmation" was borrowed from the Protestants. Today Confirmation serves as an important inducement to Jewish youth to stay involved in Jewish education after their Bar or Bat Mitzvah at age 13. We are fortunate that here at Temple Shalom, we have an incredible program for our High School students in our community program, MORESHha.

At age 13, children are just developing the emotional and intellectual maturity that makes serious study of Judaism possible, and it is a shame when students discontinue their Jewish studies after their B'nai Mitzvah. Needless to say, it's a shame when adults don't study Judaism, and only carry with them a simplistic, rudimentary view of Judaism attained in Hebrew school as a child.

Why have Confirmation on Shavuot? Just as the Jews at Sinai voluntarily took the Torah God offered saying "We will do and we will hear," so too the confirmands show they are voluntarily taking the Torah to their own hearts. Shavuot is therefore a very appropriate time from a religious standpoint to hold the Confirmation ceremony. The Confirmation ceremony also helps boost interest in Shavuot among Reform Jews.

There are some home observances for Shavuot. First of all, there is the

festive evening meal with a candle lighting and a Kiddush [a sanctification prayer], as there is for all the major festivals and holy days. It is the custom that dairy, meatless meals be served on Shavuot. There are various explanations for this custom; one is that the golden calf (the idol the Israelites made to worship while Moses was up on the mountain) is symbolized by meat. Some people also decorate their homes with flowers and greenery, which harkens back to the original agricultural meaning of the Holiday. I am suggesting that you do not forget Shavuot. Eat some blintzes and cheesecake, and attend our Shavuot/Confirmation service on Tuesday, May 25, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. and for Yizkor on Wednesday, May 26, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. Then we all can celebrate receiving the greatest gift of all; the gift of transmitting our sacred tradition to another generation.

#### Cantor's Message Continued from page 3

- On Sukkot we shake 7 species 1 Lulav, 1 Esrog, 2 willows, and 3 myrtles.
- At every Jewish wedding, 7 blessings are recited.
- Each plague in Egypt lasted 7 days.
- In Pharaoh's dreams there were 7 cows and 7 stalks of grain. (Genesis 41)
- The world has 7 continents.
- There are 7 notes on the musical scale.
- We dance 7 circles (hakafot) on the holiday of Simchat Torah.
- The world has 7 seas.
- Jacob worked for Laban for 7 years (twice) in order to marry his daughters. (Genesis 29:27)
- We conclude our Yom Kippur prayers by proclaiming 7 times, "The Lord is God!"

Now, that's something to make you go "HMMMMMM....."

### Educator's Message Continued from page 6

made in advance for taking off from work and school. (After all, it is a Jewish holiday) The evening would begin with everyone going to the temple to celebrate with our confirmation students. Pick up some ice cream and toppings on your way home and make it an evening of "create your own sundaes". Then it is time for some Torah Trivia or Pictionary. As a family, you can create interactive games to learn and review your knowledge of Torah. I would be happy to help you with this process. Finally, the party would wind down with everyone in their sleeping bags on the living room floor, watching "The 10 Commandments" with Charleston Heston. In the morning, everyone could pick their favorite filling for breakfast blintzes.

May we all find the time to create magical and joyous Jewish moments, to share with family and friends that become memories for a lifetime.

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### Sisterhood Announces Winner of Judaic Studies Scholarship

We are pleased to announce the winner of the Sisterhood of Temple Shalom Judaic Studies Scholarship. She is Laurie Eichenbaum who is presently a rabbinic student at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in California. Laurie and her family are long time Temple members and she has been very active in Temple, ToSTY and NFTY. The scholarship will be presented at our Sisterhood Shabbat, Friday, May 21, 2004. We hope everyone will join us.

#### Ecstasy does a body harm

Join us at Temple Rodeph Torah for an informational meeting Wednesday, may 5 8:00 p.m.
Cake and coffee will be served

This presentation will take a look at the current party drug scene, focusing on the designer drug known as ecstasy, as well as other party drugs, currently being used by adolescents in monmouth and surrounding counties. Drug paraphenalia will be shown, and there will be discussions about the signs and symptoms of abuse. The growing use of party drugs, heroin, date rape ddrugs, and other forms of substance abuse will be discussed, and information on referral to treatment centers will be disseminated.

Guest speaker Barbara t. Sprechman Coordinator of Community Services Prevention First 1405 hwy 35, ocean, nj

Shalom.

For more information about this program, contact: Marcia Barshof, Sisterhood President At Rodeph Torah (732) 972-1906 or Adrienne Friedman, Sisterhood president at Temple

### Wendy Marks Honored with "Woman of Distinction Award"

We are proud to congratulate Wendy Marks, one of our Temple Shalom mishpocha, on being honored this month with the "Woman of Distinction Award" by the Women's Division of the Jewish Federation of Greater Monmouth County. Wendy has participated in leadership in every aspect of the Federation. She is a role model in the community and we wish her good health, sustained energy, and God's blessing to continue the work she does in serving our Jewish community in so many ways.

#### **The Reading Corner**

Review by Sheila Rubin

The Jew Store by Stella Suberman

This memoir relates the lives of the only Jewish family in Concordia, Tennessee. Arriving there by way of Russia, New York City, and Savannah Aaron Bronson, born salesman, uses his native talents to establish himself as the proprietor of the Jew Store. This low-priced store sold dry goods and catered to the poor both white and Negro. Concordia had one main street, one bank, one drugstore, a picture show, a feed and seed, a hardware store, a beauty parlor, barber shop, and blacksmith. It also had many Christian churches, a Ku Klux Klan, and people ignorant of Jews. Aaron in explaining God said, "God is only a rumor agreed on by everyone." Mama on the other hand knew God was listening and judging. Judging by ones participation in the rites and ceremonies of Judaism. - Tradition. The story is told in the first person by youngest child Stella Ruth. With her telling, we worry with Momma about non-kosher food, non-Jewish lady friends, and no family for holidays. Missing is a Rabbi for Bar Mitzvah training for Joey and Jewish boy friends for Miriam. And who would be the mohel if the new baby were a boy? Read how the family makes adjustments and survives. The story begins in 1920 and takes the reader through the depression. This is an easy and enjoyable read that allows us to glimpse Jewish survival in a rural southern town.

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#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

O Joyce & Arthur Kulback on the birth of their granddaughter Alexandria Regina, daughter of Karen & Terry

- O Bob Leff on the birth of his granddaughter Abigail Jenna, daughter of Eric & Ella
- O Mickie and Sy Rubin on the birth of their grandson Nathan

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#### **CONDOLENCES**

- Ilana Feitlowitz on the passing of her grandmother Pearl Marcus
- Hilary Pavlovsky on the passing of her grandfather Herman Bigman
- Harry Weisz on the passing of his aunt Sidi Leibowitz
- Mary Jurgensen on the passing of her husband Carl
- Dorothy Winston on the passing of her daughter-in-law Louise
- Arlene Lazar on the passing of her mother Rose Langdon
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(And don't forget to tell us here at the Temple about it, too!)

### Shabbat Blessings

**Candle Lighting** 

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.

Wine/Grape Juice

Ba-ruch a-ta Adonai, Eh-lo-hei-nu meh-lech ha-o-lam, bo-rei p'ree ha-ga-fen.

#### Challah

Ba-ruch a-ta Adonai, Eh-lo-hei-nu meh-lech ha-o-lam, ha-mo-tzi leh-chem min ha-a-retz.



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#### Parasha HaShavuah -Torah Portions of the Week: 5-8 04

**5/7-17Iyar**: Emor; Lev. 21:1-24:23; Haftarah-Ezekiel 44:15-31

**5/14-24 Iyar:** Behar/Bechukotai; Lev. 25:1-27:34; Haftarah-Jeremiah 16:19-17:14

**5/21-2 Sivan:** Bemidbar; Num. 1:1-4:20; Haftarah-Hosea 2:1-22

**5/28-9 Sivan:** Naso; Num. 4:21-7:89; Haftarah-Judges 13:2-25

**6/4-16 Sivan:** Beha'alotecha; Num. 8:1-12:16; Haftarah-Zechariah 2:14-4:7

**6/11-23 Sivan:** Shelach-Lecha; Num. 13:1-15:41; Haftarah-Joshua 2:1-24

**6/18-30 Sivan:** Korach; Num. 16:1-18:32; Haftarah-I Samuel 11:14-12:22 or I Samuel 20:18-42

**6/25-7 Tamuz:** Chukat; Num. 19:1-22:1; Haftarah – Judges 11:1-33

**7/2-14 Tamuz:** Balak; Num. 22:2-25:9; Haftarah – Micah 5:6-6:8

**7/9-21 Tamuz**: Pinchas; Num. 25:10-30:1; Haftarah-Jeremiah 1:1-2:3

**7/16-28 Tamuz:** Matot/Mas'ey; Num. 30:2-36:13; Haftarah-Jeremiah 2:3-28; 3:4-4:1-2

**7/23-6 Av**: Devarim; Deut. 1:1-3:22; Haftarah-Isaiah 1:1-27

**7/30-13 Av:** Va'etchanan; Deut. 3:23-7:11; Haftarah-Isaiah 40:1-26

**8/6-20 Av:** Ekev; Deut. 7:12-11:25; Haftarah-Isaiah 49:14-51:3

**8/13-27 Av:** Re'eh; Deut. 11:26-16:17; Haftarah-Isaiah 54:11-55:5

**8/20-4 Elul:** Shofetim; Deut. 16:18-21:9; Haftarah-Isaiah 51:12-52:12

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