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WHAT I DID ON MY SUMMER VACATION
BY DON W.

THIS SUMMER, WE WENT ON A REALLY GREAT TRIP TO ISRAEL. WE SAW LOTS OF GREAT STUFF, BUT THE BEST PART WAS A SHABBAT SERVICE AT A REALLY GREAT TEMPLE IN JERUSALEM. THIS TEMPLE, CALLED KOL HANESEHAMA, WAS A LITTLE PLACE - IT REMINDED ME OF RODEPH TORAH. THE PEOPLE WERE REALLY FRIENDLY, ALSO LIKE THEY ARE HERE.

THE VERY BEST PART WAS THE WAY EVERYBODY SANG. THEY SOUNDED LIKE ANGELS! I DON'T THINK EVERYBODY REALLY HAD A GREAT VOICE, BUT WHEN THEY ALL SANG TOGETHER, IT WAS AMAZING.

AND YOU KNOW WHAT? NO ONE WAS EMBARRASSED ABOUT SINGING! SOME PEOPLE SANG THE MELODY, SOME SANG HARMONY, AND I THINK SOME WERE MAKING IT UP AS THEY WENT ALONG, WHICH WAS COOL, TOO. BUT I'M TELLING YOU, WHEN THEY ALL SANG, IT SOUNDED LIKE ANGELS.

I CAN'T WAIT TO GO BACK THERE AGAIN, BUT I WONDER WHY WE CAN'T SING LIKE THAT RIGHT HERE?

THE END.

When the members of our Rodeph Torah Pilgrimage came out of services that night, we could not stop talking about what we had experienced. When I saw *Kol HaNeshama's* Rabbi, Levi Weiman-Kelman, I asked him about that magnificent sound which we all heard. I wondered how a group of basically ordinary Jews came to sing with such joy, such beauty, and most of all, with such abandon. He told me that it took a year to reach that point — but that year was now ten years ago.

How did it happen? He said the secret was getting people over their shyness and their fear of what others would think of them. So, whenever the congregation sang a song, if it didn't sound right, he had them do it again. And again. And sometimes again. The record, he said, was eight times through *Barechu*. Finally, people gave up being embarrassed and just sang, knowing that if they did not, they would never finish the service. Evidently, that pressure gave people "permission" to sing: after all, *everyone* wanted to go home, so the louder and more gloriously they sang, the sooner they would get out! For a long time, he said, that was the motivation. But then, slowly, the people began to listen to themselves, to hear how good they sounded when they sang. Freed from

SPECIAL EVENTS

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October 8

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SIMCHAT TORAH & CONSECRATION
SERVICES — October 11

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October 23

the fear of being laughed at, the people who loved to sing, but were always afraid of letting go, began to let go; and the people who had always been told they had bad voices learned that their voices sounded wonderful when they stopped worrying about someone hearing them. The result was — *is* — the sound of angels coming from ordinary people. Which makes me wonder if anyone is really ordinary, when they are able to find such beauty, such holiness, inside.

You know where this is leading, don't you?

Effective immediately — in fact, we have been doing it since August, when I first returned — we are going to learn to sing at Rodeph Torah. I am not talking about music lessons, or choir practice; I mean we are going to learn that we have the breath of God inside us, and when we are willing to let it out, we, too, will sound like angels. We are going to learn the difference between singing and **Singing** — between making a little sound with our mouth, and letting go with our soul.

How are we going to accomplish this? The same way they did in Jerusalem: by doing it over and over, until we either learn that we can do it, or just give up and sing loudly so we can go home. Of course, no one will be forced to sing, and I will not point out those who don't; there are some days when we just do not feel like singing, and we come to temple to think, not for a Pep Rally. No, the responsibility will not rest on any one individual, but on the community as a whole: sooner or later, we *will* make a glorious sound when we sing. Whether it is sooner, or later, is completely up to you.

That synagogue in Jerusalem, *Kol HaNeshama*, takes its name from a Psalm: *Kol haneshama te halel Yah* — "Everything that breathes will praise God." The Psalm does not limit itself to those with great voices, or those with formal training, or those who like to perform in public. It says, simply, that if we are breathing — if we are alive to enjoy the wonders and the challenges of God's world — then it is our responsibility to praise God for that gift, *with* that gift..

Melody, harmony, jazz riffs and free-form interpretation: we are open to it all. If you can breathe, you can sing, and I can't wait to hear you.

Shalom,
Rabbi Don Weber

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We Warmly Welcome the Newest Members of Temple Rodeph Torah:

Eric Bauer and Sandy Abramson and their child, Lauren
Brion and Ellen Feinberg and their children, Daniel and Jason
Irwin and Lisa Kizel
Herbert and Phyllis Solomon

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

- Friday, 10/2 - Family Shabbat Service – 8:00 p.m.
 Story: "The Sukkah Dare"
 ✧ Birthday Blessings for October; Candle Lighting 6:20 p.m.
- Saturday, 10/3 - Shabbat Morning Services – 10:00 a.m. Minyan Group Aleph.
 B'nai Mitzvah: Rochelle Berg and Haley Dercher
- Sunday, 10/4 Erev Sukkot Service – 8:00 p.m. Candle Lighting 6:17 p.m.
- Friday, 10/9 - Shabbat / Chol HaMoed Sukkot Service – 8:30 p.m.
 Sermon: "God, the Eternal"
 Richard Herzog, Cantorial Soloist; Candle Lighting 6:08 p.m.
- Saturday, 10/10 - Shabbat Morning Services – 10:00 a.m. Minyan Group Bet.
 B'nai Mitzvah: Gary Braun and Derek Jacobs
- Sunday, 10/11 Erev Simchat Torah Candle Lighting 6:03 p.m.
 7:00 p.m. - Consecration of New Religious School Students
 8:00 p.m. - *Simchat Torah* Celebration
- Friday, 10/16 - Shabbat Services:
 7:30 p.m. – "Very Young People's Shabbat" (20 minutes, for pre-readers)
 8:30 p.m. – Service
NEW MEMBERS' WELCOME
 Sermon: "Secret Beginnings, Secret Treasures"
 Candle Lighting 5:57 p.m.
- Saturday, 10/17 - Shabbat Morning Services – 10:00 a.m. Minyan Group Aleph.
 B'nai Mitzvah: Justin Schlossberg and Ian Tornberg
- Friday, 10/23 - Shabbat Services – 8:30 p.m.
CAMP HARLAM PRESENTATION
 Linda Cranin, Soloist; Candle Lighting 5:47 p.m.
- Saturday, 10/24 - Shabbat Morning Services – 10:00 a.m. Minyan Group Bet.
 B'nai Mitzvah: Matthew Dorfman and Brodee Ponzo
- Friday, 10/30 - Shabbat Services – 8:30 p.m.
 Sermon: "Save Me! Save Me!"
 ✧ **Anniversary Blessings for October;** Candle Lighting 4:38 p.m.
- Saturday, 10/31 - Shabbat Morning Services – 10:00 a.m. Minyan Group Aleph.
 B'nai Mitzvah: Adam Aptaker and Douglas Liebowitz

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Please call the temple office if you know of any temple member who is ill, or who has been admitted to the hospital. We want to visit and offer our help, but we cannot help unless we know about them!

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We have begun another busy and exciting year at TRT. From the High Holy Days to our summer vacation it promises to be filled with wonderful events that the whole TRT family can enjoy.

There are two very special topics I would like to address this month. The first is the trip we took with Rabbi Weber and his family to Israel this past July. The second is the Habitat for Humanity project coming up this spring.

The trip to Israel was absolutely wonderful! We saw some of the most beautiful places on earth. We went to Haifa, the Dead Sea, the West Bank, and Jericho. We took a jeep ride through the Golan Heights, stayed on a kibbutz in Upper Galilee, and spent almost a week in Jerusalem. We kayaked on the Jordan River, and some of us even took an unexpected swim! It was an experience that I know my family and I will not soon forget. God willing, the Rabbi is planning another trip in the summer of 2000, when Ari becomes a Bar Mitzvah. I strongly urge you to sign up for a once in a lifetime experience.

Habitat for Humanity is a Christian group that builds homes through the almost exclusive use of volunteer laborers. The homes they build are for families in desperate need of affordable housing. The homes are built on Saturdays, so as not to interfere with the Christian Sabbath. This spring, in Freehold Borough, Habitat for Humanity will build a "Jewish" house. That is, Jewish volunteers will build the house on consecutive *Sundays*, so that we need not compromise our Shabbat. We will work alongside other Jewish groups in the area. This extremely worthwhile project deserves our full support. Please be alert to future mailings about this project, and give generously of your time.

A happy New Year from my family to yours. I look forward to seeing you all at services, both in the Sanctuary and at *Minyan Aleph*, and throughout the year as we enjoy our temple's programs.

L'Shana Tovah ,
Randy Cranin

P.S. Check out pictures of our trip to Israel on our web-site: <http://www.trt.org>

GETTING TO KNOW YOU...

Who are the people making decisions for us at TRT? Are they any different than you or me? Find yourself in their stories. This month we meet Neil Cooper and Maxine Perlman.

Neil Cooper resides in Manalapan with his wife, Helene, their three children, and two cats. The Coopers have lived in Manalapan for nine years and have been members of TRT for four years. Prior to moving to Manalapan they lived in Tulsa, Oklahoma and Houston, Texas. Neil works as a Computer Security Consultant for Price-Waterhouse Coopers. His work entails a lot of travel, both near (within the U.S.) and far (overseas). Whenever possible, Neil's family accompanies him on his trips. Helene works as a substitute teacher at TRT, is a member of the Manalapan School Board, and is a freelance writer.

Neil is the Financial Secretary for the temple. He also belongs to the Education Committee, is co-chair of the Special Circumstances Committee, and acts as an advisor to the Finance Committee. The Coopers are always on the run. Even with their crazy schedules, Neil and Helene make participation in the temple a family affair. Their daughter, Shanna, a freshman at Penn State, blows the shofar at the temple on the High Holidays. Their son, Bradley, is in 10th grade and will be a Confirmand this Spring. Their daughter, Jessica, who is a freshman in high school, is also a member of TRT's Hebrew High School program. When they are not busy with school, work, or the temple, the Coopers enjoy eating out, traveling, and reading.

When asked why he joined the Board, Neil's answer was simple. "I was invited to join the Board and I saw no reason not to try it." The hardest part of this volunteer position for Neil is having to answer everyone's questions about the bills. "It's also hard coming home from vacation and having 29 messages on the answering machine, all from temple members with questions." Despite some drawbacks, Neil is not sorry he volunteered. "It makes me feel good to be helping out. The whole family really likes the temple and we are very happy with the temple. I just wish more people, and different people, would participate. The temple really needs more people to get involved."

Maxine Perlman lives in Morganville with her husband Neal, and her son Evan. They have been living in New Jersey for the past 14 years and originally hail from Brooklyn and Staten Island. They moved to Morganville when Evan was just a year old. The Perlmans have been members of TRT for the past eight years. Maxine works as a Resource Room teacher in a high school on Staten Island. Neal is a Teacher Trainer for the New York City school system. Evan is in 10th grade and will be a Confirmand this spring.

Maxine and Neal both commute, so their free time is limited. However, when they can, they enjoy spending family time at the gym. Neal and Evan are into "spinning." Neal has recently become a spin instructor. Maxine also enjoys reading and likes to take advantage of the adult education classes offered at the temple and teacher enrichment courses. Despite their hectic life, the Perlmans find time for the temple. Maxine, besides being a Board member, is on the Education Committee. Evan is a Board member of the Senior Youth Group, is a member of NFTY, and even put his talent as a drummer to work for TRT at last year's Purim services.

Maxine declined the first time she was asked to join the Board because of her many other commitments. This year when she was asked she decided to give it a try, even though she does not consider herself a joiner.

"I don't join, generally. Most of my connections with committees has been with me pulled in kicking and screaming. I have always preferred to take care of things myself." Maxine is also hesitant about her ability to deal with money and salary issues because of her antipathy to figures. "I hesitate to make quick decisions regarding financial issues, especially when it has to do with the temple's money." On the positive side, Maxine is looking forward to being able to support temple programs. "We joined TRT because of the community and family feeling. I want to help keep that community feeling here for other people." Maxine found out that she has the ability to work within a committee and actually accomplish something. "It has given me a new perspective on myself—to find that I can work within a committee with other people. You are never too old or too young to learn new things about yourself."

EDUCATION

HORAIYNU

A new year is upon us and we would like to extend our best wishes for a happy and healthy new year to all our congregants. Our Religious School students have enjoyed apples and honey in celebration of the New Year. We are grateful to all the volunteers who assisted us in distributing these treats.

Be on the lookout for information on the new "Gold C" entertainment books. They will be available this month. Mark your calendars! Our hugely successful "Dad's Night Out" will take place on Saturday, November 14th, at Grand Slam in Marlboro. Don't miss this fun-filled evening. We are also planning another Photo Shoot on October 18, 19 and 20. Additional information will be forthcoming on both of these events.

Horaiynu is always looking for volunteers. We need your ideas and help to ensure that our programs, activities and fundraising events meet your needs and desires. Joining *Horaiynu* is a wonderful way to meet new people while helping your children, their teachers, and our temple. Please join us today!

Marla Bucher, 972-7307

MEN'S CLUB

Happy New Year! The Men's Club has had another injury-free softball season this past summer, which means that we are either playing better and smarter, or we are just too tired to go all-out first thing every Sunday morning in the summer. We did have lots of fun and hope to see some new faces next year! As a matter of fact, we could use some new faces on our Board right now to help us plan new activities. Here are some of the activities we are starting to get involved in for the upcoming year:

Tenth Annual Sukkah Build and Destroy
Basketball game during Sunday School
Wine Tasting evening
Dance with Sisterhood
Driving Range golf outing

Second Annual Tennis Mixer
Stag Poker night
Question/Answer Breakfast with the Rabbi
Purim Carnival
Atlantic City night

We will meet in the temple on the first Sunday of every month, at 10:45 a.m., to discuss what other things we can do. Coffee, bagels, and juice will be provided. Please come out and give us your support.

Ted Block

SOCIAL JUSTICE

On Sunday, December 6th, the Social Justice committee will sponsor a day trip to the Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C. This will be the first time the committee has ever sponsored a trip. Come join us. Seating is limited, so call today to reserve your seat for this trip. If you have said someday you would go, then December 6th is that some day!

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I want to thank you for sending back your *MITZVAH PLEDGE*. We will contact you as soon as we can so you can participate in the projects you chose. If you checked that you wanted to join a committee, your name will be forwarded to the committee chair. If you haven't sent back your *MITZVAH PLEDGE*, please do so now.

Last year we set up a *Mitzvah Crib* in the atrium for one of our projects. It was so well received that this year we are going to leave it up. Each month, we will ask you to help by donating different items to help people in our community. Please save the flyer in this newsletter which will serve as a reminder of the items we are looking for each month. Thanks for your support.

Also new this year will be a column entitled, "**Roll Call.**" Have you ever wondered how your elected officials voted on issues that you thought important? We will let you know. This column is just to inform you. We will not take sides on any issue; that is for you to decide. If the timing is right, we will let you know of upcoming legislation, but because this newsletter is written a month in advance, most of the time that will be impossible. However, we are planning to use e-mail and the temple web site to let you know of important votes that are pending. We will also give you the phone numbers and e-mail addresses of the people who represent you. We hope you will find this new column informative. This column will start after the new Congress is seated in January.

In July we went back to help restore the house in Marlboro, to help complete the work that we started in June. I want to thank the people who joined me. The family said that they were lucky to have people like us who care.

We are always looking for new projects. If you have any ideas, please come to a meeting and let us see if we can help you with your idea. See you at our next meeting.

Ed Russin

SOCIAL JUSTICE IN ACTION

It's a beautiful Sunday afternoon, and I have just come in from a day of painting walls and windows. Under normal circumstances I see this work as drudgery to be put off as long as possible (the trim around our windows and doors hasn't been completed in the five years we've been in our house), but this time it was different. I've spent the day with other temple members working on a house that is being renovated by a family currently living in a motel in the area. In response to a request by the Monmouth County Department of Social Services, 17 TRT members spent the day scraping, painting, tarring, hauling, measuring, cutting, and so on.

The house is an old one, and has been vacant for about 10 years, except for the local teens who had apparently made it a party site. This family of four has now acquired permission to use the house in exchange for making it livable again. This means much more than a paint job, however. They are, mostly on their own and with extremely limited resources, gutting and rebuilding the entire house. Walls and ceilings have had to be taken out and replaced. Windows and doors are missing. There are large holes along the base of the house into the basement. There are limited plumbing fixtures and connections, and ancient, dangerous wiring, with no water or electricity to the house at this time. They have cleared the overgrown lot around the house, so that it is accessible, and are slowly working their way to a home. What a tremendous task! I thought it was tough maintaining our small townhouse, but now am hit hard with just how easy we have it. We have a house. It was already built when we moved in. With the exception of upkeep and the occasional necessary repair, it is not something we need to actively think about and worry about on a daily basis. When it rains, we don't have to worry about our furniture getting wet because the roof is leaking. When it is 95° outside we have the leisure of postponing the yard work or repairs on the outside of the house until it is cooler, and spending the day in comfortable air conditioning instead. This family, like so many others, does not have those options. They are working every day to build a safe, dry place to live. It will not be big, or elegant, or full of fancy gadgets. They will be glad to have a refrigerator, a stove, a place to plug in a TV. They will be glad to have a place to sleep. Their young daughter told me, as we painted walls together, that the first thing her daddy will do when they finally move

into the house will be to tell her and her brother to "go to your rooms!" And she, clearly, will be glad to have a room to go to.

What a gift this opportunity was for us to be able to participate in *tikkun olam*, repair of the world. With all that we have, all of the resources available to us, the security of a home and regular meals, it felt right to take one day to make a difference for someone else. I missed a family gathering this afternoon, but applied the "twenty-year rule" which Rabbi Weber once told me about: In 20 years will it matter if I went to this particular family lunch? No, not really. In 20 years will it matter if this family had a place to live? Absolutely. As I worked upstairs I heard Shira's beautiful voice coming from downstairs, singing, "*Lo alecha ham'lacha ligmor, v'lo ata ben chorin l'hibatel mimenah*" — "It is not incumbent upon you to complete the work, but neither may you desist from starting it." We cannot fix the entire world, but today we helped to make a start.

Many, many thanks to Annette Rudnick, Bob Kay, Neil Finkelstein, Ellen Finkelstein, Jill Finkelstein, Steve Konigsberg, Michelle Konigsberg, Sheryl Cooper, Bruce Cooper, Jonathan Cooper, Rabbi Don Weber, Rabbi Shira Stern, Ari Stern Weber, Eytan Stern Weber, Mary Singer, and Paige Singer.

JoAnn Silkes, Social Justice Committee

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

*Hey there. Are you not in high school, hate to have a good time and meet new and interesting friends whom you will remember for the rest of your life?
Then the Rodeph Torah Senior Youth Group is definitely not for you.*

But for everyone else out there who is in high school, loves having fun, and wants to meet **exciting** people, then not only should you join the Rodeph Torah Senior Youth (RTSY), but you **HAVE to join**. We do many cool things and go on cool trips such as MoMA & IMAX in the city, and Rafting & Camping, all while having a sense of Judaism.

Now here are some frequently asked questions that you're probably asking right now.

1. Why would I want to join RTSY? It sounds like it's another school activity.

It is NOTHING like school; we do different things that are a lot of fun.

2. My parents like this whole Judaism thing but I'm bored with it, so why should I learn more Judaism in my free time?

Because RTSY makes you want to learn and do Jewish things rather than considering them a chore.

3. I don't know. I mean, I would feel kind of weird just walking in there not knowing anyone. Could I bring a friend?

Absolutely. As long as they are Jewish and fit the characteristics mentioned, they can come on in. If they are a member of the temple, they can join with you.

4. Wow, this sounds really good! But some things still seem a little unclear, where can I get more information?

Well, you're in luck. If you'd like to get more information, you can call us at 609-936-0116 (Ross). Or if you're the e-mailing type, then you can e-mail us at TRTyouth@aol.com. **WE REALLY hope to see you there.**

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YOUTH GROUP NEWS, continued...

Attention all TRT Seventh and Eighth Graders!!!

It's coming...The new TRTJYG for this year's seventh and eighth graders. New trips, cooler events. Watch your mail this week for important information that you will want to read. The first trip is to New York, to IMAX and a mystery dinner in the city, on October 25. Deadline for the trip is October 15. Details will be in your youth mailings.

Also: This year, TRTJYG is creating a planning board to help pick what events you want to take part in. The first bi-monthly (every-other-month) meeting is set for November. Please e-mail me at trtyouth@aol.com if you are interested.

For information on either of our youth programs, please check us out of the web at www.trt.org/youthprograms. The site should be running by October 1.

See you at IMAX!

Ross Bear, Youth Director

WORSHIP

I remember when I was a kid, the phone would ring at 6:03 p.m., and we would all know who it was before even answering it. This would be confirmed by hearing my dad say, "Sure, how many do you need?" My sister and I would head for our coats, and we would all be out the door. The call was from the *shul* where my father had gone to say *Kaddish* when his parents died. They knew that if they didn't have a *minyan* for their weekday evening service, they could call us and, if we were around, we could be there in eight minutes. I remember my dad making a point of walking into the room before me, so that I could have the honor of being the tenth who actually made the *minyan*.

What an impact this made on me! Not only was my father willing to postpone dinner to go help out, but it wasn't even for our *shul*. Because our Reform synagogue didn't have a daily *minyan*, he had gone to another in the area. They had been there when he needed to say *Kaddish*, and now it was his turn to help others fulfill their obligation to daily prayer. Yes, it was inconvenient at times, but he never grumbled about it, and always offered whoever was in the house in case they needed extra. It was not a burden — it was an obligation taken on willingly, as part of the Jewish community. I, therefore, came to see it in the same light.

There were other things in my upbringing which reinforced these feelings. For example, going to Shabbat services was not a chore to be completed to get the right amount of credit for Bat Mitzvah or Confirmation. While yes, we did need a certain number of services, Friday nights and Saturday mornings at *shul* were special, close times my dad and I got to spend together. I would make fun of his old-world Hebrew dialect, learned in his youth, and he would put his arm around me during the benediction at the end of the service. Occasionally we would even walk, instead of drive, the two miles, which was part of the experience of spending Shabbat time together. We didn't go every week, and on Friday nights when I was older we might later part ways and do other things, but it was clear to me that going to *shul* was not a task to be disposed of as quickly as possible. It was something which can be enjoyed as family time, at a leisurely pace.

I thank my father for giving me a love of things Jewish, and for showing me through what he does that it is our obligation to be part of the Jewish community, even when we don't have an immediate need for it. We are the

Jewish community; without us, as individuals, it does not exist. Actions speak so much louder than words. If our children see that we recognize, and act on, the importance of involvement, of making a *minyan*, of being a part of things Jewish, then this is one of the greatest gifts that we can give them: to build a sense of belonging, continuity, and respect for the tradition which is ours.

Please bring your children and enjoy a Shabbat morning *minyan* together. A little *davening*, a little Torah study, a little *schmooze*... well worth the investment.

JoAnn Silkes

Viewpoint

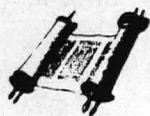
As a child growing up, my mother had to run off and hide if she wanted to read a book. My grandmother thought that reading was a waste of time. Granted, my grandmother was busy raising eight children and did not have the luxury of free time to sit down and read a book. As I was growing up, I was encouraged by my mother to read to my heart's content. And read I did. When my daughter was born I read to her from the time she was three months old. Thanks to my mother's positive role model we now have three generations of avid readers in the family.

My mother, however, did have one flaw that she passed on to me. As an adult, she was never a joiner. She did not particularly care for the PTO, the bowling league, or any of the other community groups in our town. Granted, my mother was busy working and raising six children and did not have the luxury of free time to be on committees. As I was growing up, I was not encouraged to join groups or clubs or committees. For most of my life I have not been a joiner. Joining groups has never been a really comfortable thing for me to do.

After my children were born, something in me changed. I started joining. I joined play groups and story time. I joined the PTO and became a class mother. I joined the temple and *Horaiynu*. Looking back on the past 13 years I would say that each year I have joined some committee through the PTO or through the temple. I still have a hesitancy toward being part of a group, but it is definitely getting easier. My daughter, on the other hand, has probably joined as many things in 13 years as I have in my entire life. I hope that someday she will have a daughter of her own. I hope that someday she will be glad that I was a positive role model for her and that there will be three generations of avid joiners in the family.

Una Tedoff

(Share your views. Guest columnists welcome. All appropriate material will be given consideration. Comments, suggestions, feedback? Drop me a line or e-mail me at kdtedoff@worldnet.att.net)



Torah Today

A Brief Summary of Each Week's Torah Portion

Shabbat 10/2-3

Ha'azinu, Deuteronomy 32:1-52

Summary by Sandy Craig

God has dictated a poem to Moses, who reads it to the Israelites. The poem enjoins the people to honor God and reminds them of God's miracles and punishments in the past. Then God tells Moses to climb the mountain on which Moses will die. From this point Moses will be able to view the promised land.

Shabbat 10/16-17 Parashat Beresheit, Genesis 1:1-6:8

Summary by Henry Levenstein

God creates the world in six days, rests the seventh day, making it Shabbat. God gives life to Adam and Eve, who eat from the Tree of Knowledge, and are expelled from Eden. Their first son Cain kills his brother Abel. God sees later generations as wicked, except for Noah, and considers destroying this creation.

Shabbat 10/23-24 Parashat Noah, Genesis 6:9-11:32

Summary by Janet Klemons

God was mad at the people and prepared to destroy all life, but spared Noah and his family, because he walked with God. He instructed Noah on how to make an ark and whom he should take with him. The flood lasted 40 days and 40 nights, and God made a covenant with Noah never to destroy humanity and the earth again. Noah had three sons, Shem, Ham and Japeth. The whole world branched out from these people. Shem's lineage leads to Nahor, father of Terah, who was the father of Abraham.

Shabbat 10/30-31 Parashat Lech Lecha, Genesis 12:1-17:27

Summary by Sharon Aptaker

God tells Abram to leave his homeland and travel to the land of Canaan. He promises to make of Abram a great nation. Abram obeys and settles in Hebron. His nephew Lot settles further east near Sodom. During a rebellion in the region, Lot is taken captive by King Chedorlaomer. Abram and a few hundred men defeat Chedorlaomer and rescue Lot, earning respect for the power of Abram's God.

Abram wonders how he will continue to possess the land since he is childless. God promises Abram that his seed will be as numerous as the stars in heaven and Abram believes him. God also foretells a period of enslavement before Abram's seed returns to possess the land of Canaan. A flaming torch appears out of the darkness to seal the covenant between God and Abram.

Abram's wife, Sarai, doubting she will ever bear children, offers her maid Hagar to Abram. Hagar conceives and bears a son, Ishmael. God reaffirms his promises to Abram, who he renames Abraham, meaning, "father of a multitude"; within the year Sarah will bear him a son, to be named Isaac. Isaac's descendants will possess the land of Canaan as an everlasting possession. They will be God's chosen people and they will follow God. God instructs Abraham to circumcise every male in his household as a token of this covenant.

NEWS AND NOTES

ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

1. Ron Tornberg's nomination as a Board member was voted upon and accepted by the Board.
2. The parsonage allowance for Rabbi Weber was approved for the calendar year 1998. (Parsonage, or housing allowance, is part of the Rabbi's salary per the UAHC guidelines.)
3. Due to the difficulty we are having in hiring a secretary for the religious school at the current salary offered, a resolution was made to increase the salary to make it more competitive and thus attract an acceptable candidate.
4. The prayer book, "Doorposts of the House," will be presented to all incoming 4th graders, and to this year's 5th graders.
5. Proper dress is required for those who know in advance that they will be on or called to the *bimah*. Men are to wear jackets; women are to have their shoulders covered.
6. Due to the serious problem we have with child control during Bar and Bat Mitzvah services, all children attending services as guests of the Bar or Bat Mitzvah family will be required to sit in the front rows of the sanctuary. Such seating shall be designated as those rows directly behind the Bar or Bat Mitzvah family on the door-side of the sanctuary.

COME EAT IN OUR SUKKAH

The Torah commands us to "dwell" in the sukkah during the week of Sukkot. If you do not build a sukkah of your own (why not? It is not very difficult!) then please accept our invitation to have a meal in the Temple's. The Temple sukkah is open all week (how would we close it?) and it is lit every night. A table and chairs are provided, and decorations are courtesy of our Religious School students.

We do not accept reservations, so you may find others there when you arrive. Say hello, introduce yourselves, and share a meal with another branch of your temple family!

WHY MUST WE PARK TO PICK UP RELIGIOUS SCHOOL STUDENTS?

Our primary concern is for our-children's safety and well-being. Over the years, we have tried many methods for guaranteeing their safety as they arrive and depart our religious school. Our current system is the best we have found; it is only minimally inconvenient, and it is **safe**.

When you drop off your kids, please drive around to the back of the temple (by the orange cones). Children can exit safely from both sides of the car, as we restrict traffic to a single file. When you pick up, please park, come in to get your children from their classrooms, and walk with them to your car.

Thank you for helping us to help your children!

LIBRARY

The temple library is open daily during office and religious school hours. Please come in to browse or borrow. Kids are welcome, too! We have just acquired copies of the books recommended by the Reform Movement's **Adult Literacy Challenge**. Please take the challenge and read Jewishly!

Bonnie Sugarman

COPIES OF HIGH HOLIDAY SERMONS AVAILABLE

Rabbi Weber is pleased to make available copies of all his High Holiday sermons. To obtain a copy, please call the temple office.

A ROSE BY ANY OTHER NAME

We have worked very hard to create a membership list which acknowledges the existence of women as well as men, and which addresses all our members by their correct name and title. However, we cannot know the name or title you prefer unless you tell us!

It is our practice to address all men as "Mr." or "Dr." and all women as "Ms." or "Dr." If you would prefer "Mrs." or if we do not have your correct title, please call the temple office. We will be happy to make the correction.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO READ TORAH FOR A SHABBAT SERVICE?

Torah is the possession of the whole Jewish people—not just rabbis! If you are already Bar/Bat Mitzvah (regardless of how long ago that was) and would like to prepare a Torah reading for a Shabbat Evening Service, we invite you to do so! Just call Rabbi Weber; we will give you as much time to practice as you wish, and all the assistance you need. The only requirements are the ability to read Hebrew and a desire to participate.

ATTENTION: PARENTS OF COLLEGE STUDENTS (AND OTHERS)

If you have a child away at college, or living somewhere other than your home, please give us their address! We try to keep in touch with our whole temple family by sending them this Newsletter and other items throughout the year. Please call the temple office with their address and phone number.

NEWS AND NOTES, continued...

E-MAIL AND THE RABBI

Rabbi Weber welcomes all e-mail communications, particularly from our college students and adult children who are away from home. So, whether it is just to say "hello," or to get ideas for that philosophy paper you are working on, reach out and touch your keyboard! (RebWeb@compuserve.com)

IF YOU ARE PLANNING AN UNVEILING

The ritual of "unveiling" a gravestone or memorial plaque is relatively new to Judaism. As such, it offers many options about when to do it, who should be involved, and what rituals to perform. In fact, many Jews choose to do the unveiling themselves, with the rabbi's guidance. This allows for a uniquely intimate and personal experience, and emphasizes the personal nature of remembering our loved ones who have died.

If you would like information about unveilings—either scheduling for Rabbi Weber to officiate, or learning what is involved in doing it yourself, please call the temple office. We will be happy to help.

CONGRATULATIONS AND MAZAL TOV

to Dale Skran, Josephine Paltin and Samuel Paltin Skran, on the birth of Sarah Rebecca Skran
to Amy Handwerker, daughter of Ray and Shelley, on her marriage to Mr. Richard Benjamin
to Adam Calman, son of Richard and Rosemary, on the celebration of his Bar Mitzvah in Israel
to Ruth and Abraham Haim (Ruth is our Bar/Bat Mitzvah Tutor), on the engagement of their daughter, Iris Lily Haim, to Mr. Jay Steinberg
to Brian Weintraub, son of Steven and Jodi, on winning First Place in the Lona Kaufman Holocaust Writing and Art Contest, held at Brookdale Community College in May
to Shanna Cooper, daughter of Neil and Helene Cooper, on her acceptance into the Penn State Chamber orchestra. She will be performing in Vienna, Salzburg and Prague, during most of May, 1999

Do you have a simcha in your family — an engagement, promotion or academic award? Please call the temple office and tell us, so we can tell the world for you!

OUR CONDOLENCES

to Amy, Les, Josh, Alyssa and Mara Willner, on the death of Amy's mother, Geri Charkatz
to Joel, Nadine, Lauren, Stephanie and Ryan Sherman, on the death of Joel's father, Louis Sherman
to Paula, Jay, Beth and Scott Kanofsky, on the death of Paula's aunt, Florence Sonnenberg
to Jeff, Barbara, Michelle and Brett Friedman, on the death of Jeff's grandfather, Leo Kornreich
to Phyllis, Mark, Andrew and Stephanie Freedman, on the death of Phyllis' father, Morris Weissman
to Linda, Stew, Chase and Lauren Prince, on the death of Linda's mother, Sadie Rosen

"Zichronam Livracha" – May their memory be a blessing to all who knew them.

You are Cordially Invited

Please share in our pride and happiness as our daughter, Haley Rachel Cyrulnik-Dercher, becomes the first woman in our family to read from the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on October 3, 1998, at 10:00 a.m. Please join us for the *oneg* following the service.

Pia Cyrulnik and Aron Dercher

It is with great pride and happiness that we ask you to share in our special day as our son, Gary Craig, is called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, October 10, 1998, at 10:00 a.m. Please join us for the *oneg* following services.

Wendy and Lenny Braun

Please join our family when Derek Scott is called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on October 10, 1998, at 10:00 a.m. Please share in the *oneg* following services.

Ilene, Russ, Garrett and Carly Jacobs

It is with great pride and joy that we invite you to join us when our son, Justin Scott, is called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on October 17, 1998, at 10:00 a.m. Please join us for the *oneg* following services.

Marlene and Fred Schlossberg

Special moments in our lives become unforgettable memories when shared with friends. With great joy we invite you to celebrate with us as our son, Ian Matthew, is called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on October 17, 1998, at 10:00 a.m.. Please join us for the *oneg* following services.

Kathy and Ron Tornberg

We would be delighted if you would join us in our joy as Matt is called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on October 24, 1998, at 10:00 a.m. Please join us for the *oneg* following services.

Robin, David, and Steven Dorfman

Please join us on this very special day in our lives when our daughter, Brodee Ilysa, is called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on October 24, 1998, at 10:00 a.m. We would be honored to have you celebrate with us at the *oneg* following services.

Donna and Gary Ponzo

It is our very great pleasure to invite you to share a special and joyful day with us as our son, Adam Nathaniel, is called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on October 31, 1998, at 10:00 a.m. Please join us for the *oneg* following services.

Sharon and Jeff Aptaker

It would be a pleasure to have you share this special moment in our lives when my son, Douglas Michael, is called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on October 31, 1998, at 10:00 a.m. Please join us for the *oneg* following services.

Robbin Leibowitz

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Melody, Bob and Daniel Midoneck, in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Kenneth Charles Midoneck
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 Sue, Stu, Brad, Dan and Jonathan Pack, in honor of Alice and Eduard Harris on their 50th anniversary

AND OUR SPECIAL THANKS...

to Nina Grossman, who designed the temple's Rosh HaShanah card. It was beautiful, and a great success!

Yahrzeits

DATE	DECEASED	REMEMBERED BY
Shabbat Observance 10/2-10/3		
10/1	Moshe Janover	Gail Davis
10/1	Henze Viesel	Gail Davis
10/1	Allen Engleman	Susan Ross
10/1	Melvin White	Eileen Kornbluh
10/1	Louis Weber*	Rabbi Don Weber
10/1	Ruth Maslansky	Edward Maslansky
10/1	Irving Kaden*	Randi Sorin
10/2	Norman Schwartz	Fern Calascibetta
10/2	Harry Gilbert*	Janice Feldman
10/2	Bernard Sheppard	Joan Greenberg
10/3	Robert Cohen	Amy Farer
Shabbat Observance 10/9-10/10		
10/5	Murray Klein	Melanie Belitsky
10/5	Harold Fuchsman	Lori Spett
10/5	Cornel Paltin	Josephine Paltin
10/6	Milton Ashendorf	Jane Katz
10/7	Jules Cooper*	Bruce Cooper
10/7	Sidney Nemetz	Esther Nemetz and Temple Rodeph Torah
10/8	Harold Katcher	Marcia Krakauer
10/9	Sam Perl	Ellen Levine
10/9	Gary Shukovsky*	Rona, Alan, Jason, and Cara Shukovsky, and Temple Rodeph Torah
10/9	Bernard Shimmerman	Fran Davis
10/9	Judy Pius*	Larry, Craig and Jaimee Pius, and Temple Rodeph Torah
10/10	Laura Amarosa*	Loretta Shapiro
10/10	Dorothy Hoffman	Donna Rosenblum

Yahrzeits, continued...

Shabbat Observance 10/16-10/17

10/11	Barry Speiser	Robbin Leibowitz
10/11	Sydney Freedman*	Mark Freedman
10/12	Clarence Brandt	Joel Brandt
10/13	Adam Benjamin Bauer	Sandra Abramson and Eric Bauer
10/13	Steven Richard Salti*	Fern Calascibetta, Brooke and Jeri Salti, Temple Rodeph Torah
10/14	Max Stummer	Irving Stummer
10/14	Ruth Silver	Howard Silver
10/15	Halle Abrams	Andrea K. Kazin
10/15	Ida Kazin	Alan Kazin
10/16	Larry Posner	Ellen, Neal, Rachel, and Jill Finkelstein
10/17	Leona Guttman	Ro Reibel

Shabbat Observance 10/23-10/24

10/18	Sam Litwak*	Renee Shapiro, David Shapiro
10/18	Beatrice Taffer	Jay Taffer
10/18	Toby Goldberg	Stacey Goldberg and Temple Rodeph Torah
10/19	Jean Berrol	Steve Berrol
10/19	Miriam Reisenfeld	Marlene Shapiro
10/20	Jack Chamoff*	Harvey Chamoff
10/20	Robert A. Schuman	Elaine Safchik
10/21	Ruth Finkelstein*	Neal Finkelstein
10/22	Max Kirschenbaum*	Jack Kirschenbaum
10/22	Seymour Cooper*	Lee and Neil Cooper
10/23	Minnie Goldberg	Sheldon Goldberg
10/23	Charles J. Cole*	Evan Cole
10/23	Pauline Schwartz	Gary Shukovsky ז"ל
10/24	Salomon Furer*	Alicia Quint
10/24	Bernard Schaefer	Toni Cooper
10/24	Hyman Rabinowitz	Cynthia Hess

Shabbat Observance 10/30-10/31

10/25	Dora Weber*	Rabbi Don Weber
10/26	Max Klein	Ingrid Difazio
10/27	Sylvia Berlin	Ilene Fireman
10/28	Gerry Goldberg*	Judy Goldberg and Temple Rodeph Torah
10/28	Morris Blacker	Bonnie Sugarman
10/28	Marion Rudolph	Erica Stufsky
10/28	Richard C. Loebel*	Janet Fine
10/31	Dave Diamond	Stella Guarna
10/31	Mary Eterno*	Loretta Shapiro
10/31	Joyce Levy	Barbara Rosenthal

* Indicates the dedication of a plaque on our Memorial Wall.



Jewish tradition suggests that we give *tzedakah* to honor the memory of our loved ones who have died.

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- ☐ **BUILDING FUND** (For the construction and maintenance of our home)
- ☐ **CRAIG FISCHER MEMORIAL FUND** (To honor Craig's memory with a communal dedication)
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- ☐ **ISRAEL SCHOLARSHIP FUND** (Provides financial assistance for youth trips to Israel)
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- ☐ **LIBRARY FUND** (For the purchase of books for our new Library)
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- ☐ **SISTERHOOD TRIBUTE FUND** (To further the work of Sisterhood)
- ☐ **SOCIAL JUSTICE FUND** (To support the Committee's work of "repairing the world")
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- ☐ **WILLNER/WEINSTEIN EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT FUND** (Provides interest income for the Religious School's future)

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* Make checks payable to *TRT-Rabbi's Discretionary Fund*; all other funds payable to Temple Rodeph Torah.

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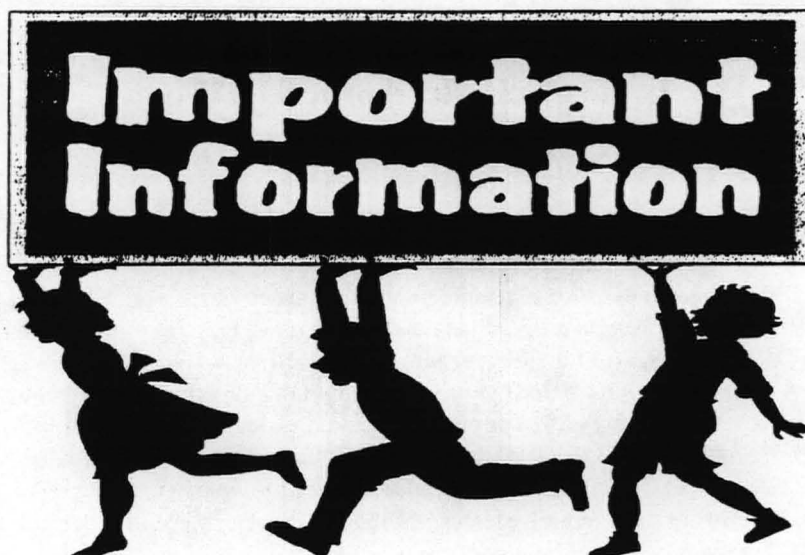
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Acknowledgement to be sent to the following:

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Contributions of any amount are welcomed, but there is a \$10 minimum for each acknowledgement you wish sent.
Please refer all questions to our temple office, 308-0055.



Attention Internet Users!!!

**TRT is putting together our first directory
of e-mail addresses.**

**We will be using them to get timely
information to congregants and for FYIs.**

**If you would like to be added to the list,
please e-mail Danielle Shanes at
DaniRae104@aol.com.**

**As with our regular temple directory, we will
not be giving these addresses to anyone who
does not belong to the temple.**



Temple Rodeph Torah

October 1998



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Build a Sukkah, Eat in Our Sukkah - One Way Or Another, Enjoy Sukkot!




Temple Rodeph Torah

November 1998



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1 10:45 AM Men's Club Meeting	2	3 8:30 AM Adult Ed. - Beginning Hebrew 8:30 PM Adult Ed. - Jewish Cooking	4 8:30 PM Worship Committee Meeting	5 8:10 PM Adult Ed. - Jewish Living	6  8:00 PM Family Shabbat Service	7 10:00 AM Services: B'nai Mitzvah of Jason Caretsky & Erica Wilpon; Minyan Bet 8:00 PM Men's Club Tennis Night
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Advance-Planning Calendar; See November's Newsletter for Details.

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TRT Invites You to Join Our 2nd Annual Sukkah Promenade

October 11th

We'll meet at the TRT Sukkah at 12:30
and caravan to visit our host families in
their sukkot. Join the fun as we fulfill
the mitzvah of eating in a sukkah.

Have your family join our Family.

If you plan to attend, or need more
information, please call
Andrea Block 536-4647

or

Cathy Karmiller 972-3522

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YES, I ACCEPT THE JEWISH LITERACY CHALLENGE!

This year's challenge: *As A Driven Leaf*, by Milton Steinberg.

I will read the book between now and Sunday, January 31st,
and I will come to the discussion group on that date.

Print Name(s)

Phone

Please order _____ book(s) for me/us. (Cost: \$14.95, payable upon delivery)

Signature

Return this form to:

TEMPLE RODEPH TORAH of Western Monmouth
PO Box 125
Marlboro, NJ 07746

ROSH HASHANA 5759 "MITZVAH PLEDGE"

Temple Rodeph Torah invites you and your family to join temple committees and other important Temple activities. This *Mitzvah* Pledge is an opportunity for you to help the temple.

"If I am not for myself, who will be for me?" — Hillel

Yes, please sign me up as a *Mitzvah* Volunteer for the following committees:

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Caring Community | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> College Outreach | <input type="checkbox"/> Men's Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Sisterhood |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Empty Nest Group | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Justice |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance | <input type="checkbox"/> Worship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Horaiynu</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth |

I want to strengthen the Temple Rodeph Torah community by:

- ☐ Attending Shabbat evening services at least twice a month
- ☐ Attending Shabbat morning *minyans*, every other Saturday
- ☐ Attending *Shiva minyans*, as needed
- ☐ Enrolling in an Adult Education class

Please fill in your name, address, phone number, and e-mail address on the reverse side.
Thank you for completing this form. Someone will contact you shortly.
Please return this Pledge to:

**Social Justice Committee
Temple Rodeph Torah of Western Monmouth
PO Box 125
Marlboro, NJ 07746**

ROSH HASHANA 5759 "MITZVAH PLEDGE"

Temple Rodeph Torah's Social Justice Committee invites you and your family to join us in participating in a variety of projects during the year. This *Mitzvah* Project is an opportunity for you to give of your time and energy to fulfill the Talmudic dictum of *tikkun olam*, repairing a damaged world.

Help us as we start to rebuild the world. You can make a difference!

"And If I am for myself alone, what am I?" — Hillel

Yes, please sign me up as a *Mitzvah* Volunteer for the following:

- ☐ Blood drive at Temple Rodeph Torah. Volunteers needed to help set up and/or donate blood
- ☐ Food drive at local supermarkets Sunday, November 22, 1998, and Spring, 1999
- ☐ Coat drive 1998; date to be announced
- ☐ Prepare and serve meals at a local soup kitchen on a Sunday
- ☐ Visit shut-ins in their homes; times are flexible
- ☐ Help distribute food through senior meals and kosher meals-on-wheels on weekdays
- ☐ Join in services at a local nursing home on a Friday afternoon
- ☐ Reassuring call service. Call seniors at home once a week
- ☐ Help physically challenged people with chores. Times are flexible
- ☐ Work with Habitat for Humanity, when they build a home in our area in April, 1999
- ☐ Help set up a crafts project at a nursing home, spring 1999
- ☐ Visit a nursing home during Hanukkah, to sing songs and light candles
- ☐ Work at Centrastate Hospital, serving food on Christmas Day
- ☐ Help clean a park; date to be announced
- ☐ Help clean the shore; date to be announced

Name(s): _____

Phone: _____

E-mail address: _____

Thank you for completing this form. Someone from our committee will contact you shortly.

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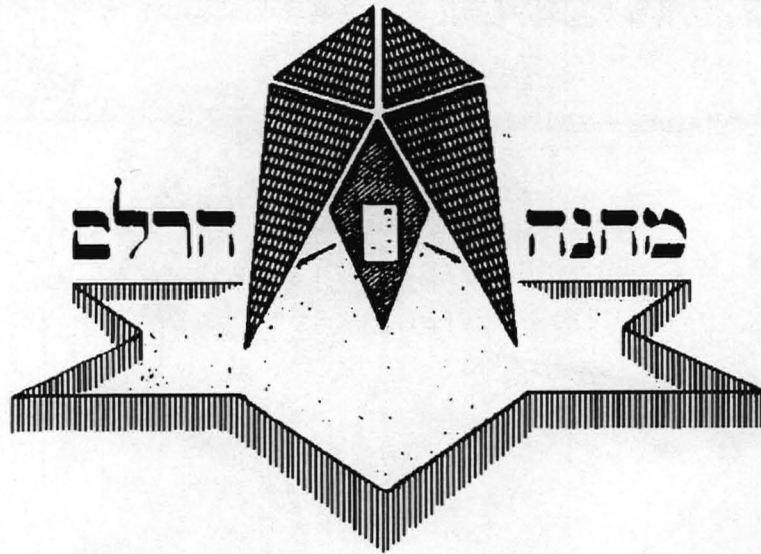
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I would like to order _____ Entertainment books at \$30 each.

I have enclosed a check for _____ to cover the cost.

Please make **checks payable to TRT Sisterhood** and send to
Bonnie Sugarman 14 Montreal Square, Marlboro, New Jersey 07746
or call Bonnie at (732) 972-8990.

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OCTOBER 9-11

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DECEMBER 4-6

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From Friday evening to Sunday morning, your children will experience a mix of education, entertainment and recreation; creating a weekend of learning and fun. Under the watchful eye of experienced Camp Harlam staff, your children will get a first hand camp experience and a taste of what it is like to spend a summer in Camp Harlam. Education, athletics, arts and crafts - all those elements that make for a fun and varied summer - contribute to making these weekends a positive experience.

Come join us for the weekend and help us to begin celebrating our 40th year.

**FOR APPLICATIONS AND MORE INFORMATION
CALL THE CAMP HARLAM OFFICE AT 215-563-8184.**

Men's Club Tennis Mixer

**2ND SEMI-ANNUAL TOURNEMENT
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 7TH
8PM TILL 12 AM**

\$60 Per Couple



Join us for our 2nd semi-annual Men's Club Mixed Doubles Tennis Night! All skill levels welcomed, Round Robin style. Dinner and Beverages (BYOB) are provided along with prizes. For information contact either Ted Block 536-4647 or Jon Hirsch 577-1270. Space is limited, so reserve early. If you don't play and would like to come for dinner and cheer on your friends the cost is \$30 per couple.

COLTS NECK RACQUET CLUB ROUTE 34

Registration Form

Names _____

Phone _____

Names _____

Phone _____

Make check out to TRT Men's Club and mail to : Henry Levenstein
15 Rockwell Circle
Marlboro, NJ 07746

**Union of American Hebrew Congregations
New Jersey/West Hudson Valley Council**

**"Introduction to Judaism" Schedule
1998/1999**

We are pleased to announce that our **"Introduction to Judaism"** course will be offered in four locations for **FALL 1998** and four locations for **WINTER/SPRING 1999**.

This 16 session course meets for two hours each session from 7:45 - 9:45pm. **The fee for this course is \$275 and includes all books and tuition for both the student and his/her partner (if applicable).**

FALL 1998:

Pearl River, NY	October 19 - February 22	(Monday)
Somerville, NJ	October 20 - February 16	(Tuesday)
Tinton Falls, NJ	October 28 - March 3	(Wednesday)
Leonia, NJ	October 29 - March 11	(Thursday)

WINTER/SPRING 1999:

E. Brunswick, NJ	January 14 - May 13	(Thursday)
Succasunna, NJ	January 20 - May 19	(Wednesday)
Cedar Grove, NJ	January 21 - May 27	(Thursday)
Princeton Jct., NJ	January 26 - May 18	(Tuesday)
Livingston Manor, NY	April 14 - July 28	(Wednesday)

If you are interested in enrolling or need more information about the class please feel free to call our OUTREACH Department at: **201-722-9090 x204 or fax us at 201-722-0444.**

SOCIAL JUSTICE INVITES YOU
TO ATTEND:
Candidates' Night

Sunday, Oct. 25 - 7:30 PM

at

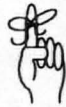
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Come and meet the candidates running for the offices of Representative in Congress, County Sheriff, and County Freeholder. The moderator will be provided by the League of Women Voters.

Refreshments will be served.



The TRT Social Justice Committee
presents:
Our Year-Round *Mitzvah* Crib Project



Please save this flyer.

October

Baby Items

Food, Pampers, wipes, etc.

November

Toys

New unwrapped toys.

December

Coats

Clean & in good condition.

January

Cold Weather Items

Hats, gloves, mittens, scarves, etc.

February

Toiletries

Toothbrushes, toothpaste, shavers, etc.

March

Passover Food

Matzah, soup mix, horseradish, etc.

April

Socks

New socks for men, women, & children.

May

Non-Perishable Food

Canned goods, pasta, rice, etc.



(All items should be dropped off in our *mitzvah* crib,
which is located in the atrium.)

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At Temple Rodeph Torah

Is pleased to announce that we have scheduled a
"DAD'S NIGHT OUT"

AT
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712 Ginesi Drive
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(732) 536-4900

Date: Saturday, November 14th, 1998
Time: From 7:00pm until 10:00pm

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For Assistance Please Contact;
Phil Fischer, Horaiynu VP, (732) 591-5797
(Please call between 7pm and 9pm)

Dimensions of the Interfaith Family: A Dialogue with the Jewish Community

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Sunday, November 8, 1998
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Registration Form

KEYNOTE ADDRESS, Lena Romanoff

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- ☐ II. Testing the Waters What if I want to become a Jew?
- ☐ III. When Your Children Intermarry: A discussion group for parents and grandparents

AFTERNOON

- ☐ IV. So You're Raising Jewish Children; Now What?
- ☐ V. Who Am I? The Importance of One Faith
- ☐ VI. Clues About Jews for People Who Aren't

Fee: \$10 per person (includes a kosher box lunch

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Ed Russin: 536-5498 or Marcia Borshof: 972-1906

on or before October 30.

OUR VISION FOR THE FUTURE

A broad Vision of the type of Jewish community that is desired here in Monmouth County was formulated by the Strategic Planning Committee. We know from the Vision Statement the community we want to become and we know from the community study, the community we currently have. Now we must identify what is missing and draw up plans to fill the gap. We need to determine what the community thinks is needed to make this vision a reality.

Please complete the survey below and send it to the Jewish Federation.

100 Grant Ave. Deal, NJ 07723, or fax to 531-9518

If our Jewish community was a caring and compassionate community, what programs and services would be provided for groups such as the elderly, the ill and the disabled, children and teens, and others you may want to suggest?

If our Jewish community was a warm and welcoming community, what efforts would be directed to families, singles, intermarrieds, newcomers, the unaffiliated, and others you may want to suggest?

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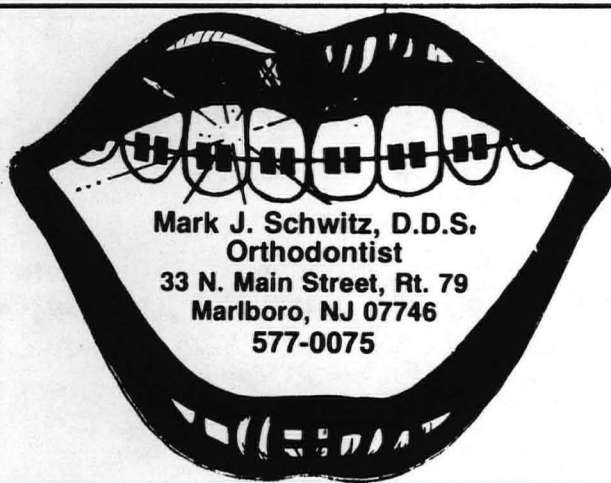
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It, the Union, does many things for us that no individual or small group of congregations could do for themselves.

It links us with other Reform congregations in our area and in North America. Together we find new and effective ways to improve our Temple.

It provides valuable tools and materials about everything from social action programs to synagogue management, from attracting new members to youth programming, from outreach to dues structure.

It provides mechanisms through which we may access our Movement's rabbis, educators, and administrators when we need to hire new staff or get information.

It is responsible for many of the books and curricula we use in our religious school, as well as for a wealth of books, tapes, and videos about Judaism in the synagogue and Judaism in our homes.

It created and now funds the Religious Action Center in Washington, D.C. through which the collective voice of Reform Jews is heard on issues of conscience.

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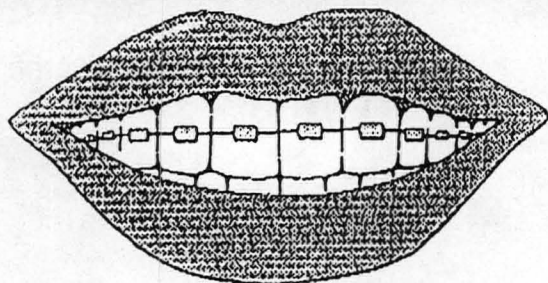
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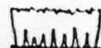
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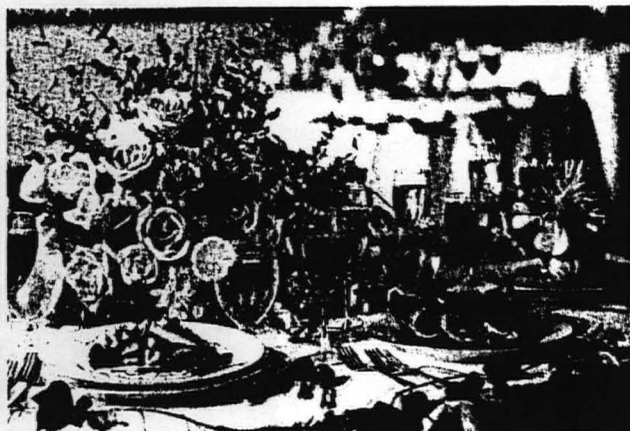
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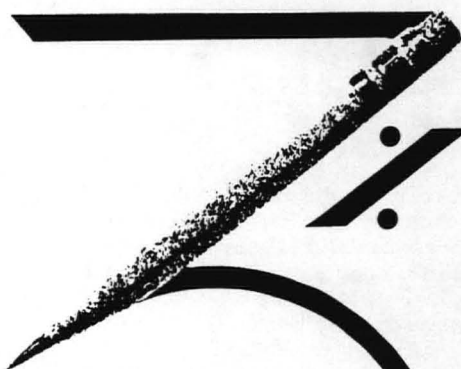
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