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FROM RABBI WEBER

We know that people have memory, but I wonder: do *places* have memory, too?

What do you feel when you walk the fields of the Gettysburg National Park? Is it just another piece of land, something which would feel exactly the same as any other if the signs didn't tell you what happened there? Or is there something else — something unspoken, something beneath the surface, something... remembered? Can we hear the whispers of the common-man heroes, of the thousands who fell, of a President who surveyed the destruction and spoke of an idea conceived in liberty? Does Gettysburg remember all this?

What do you feel when you touch the stones of the *Kotel*, the Western Wall of the ancient Temple in Jerusalem? Are they just rocks which would feel exactly the same as any others if the history lessons didn't tell you what happened there? Or is there something else — something unspoken, something beneath the surface, something... remembered? Can we hear the whispered prayers of the thousands of men and women, the sounds of pilgrims traveling from all over to celebrate the holidays, and the blessings of the Priests who surveyed the assembled crowd and spoke blessings in the name of God? Does the Wall remember all this?

What do you feel when you sit at your seder table on Pesach? Is it just another meal, just another family get-together, which feels exactly the same as all the others? Or is there something else — something unspoken, something beneath the surface, something... remembered?

Does the seder table remember seders past, seders when our parents, grandparents and great-grandparents sat at the head of the table? Does it remember their voices, their jokes, their cooking? Does it remember the ones who loved to tell and retell the story, and the ones who *kvetched* about how long it took? Does it remember the light, fluffy matzah balls, and the ones that sank so hard the house shook when they hit the bottom of the pot? Does it remember the relatives who *knew* what slavery felt like; the ones who escaped from the oppression of Russia, or Germany, or the sweatshops of the Lower East Side? Does it remember the Hebrew, the Yiddish, the Ladino, the Aramaic, the Russian, the German, the Spanish?

SPECIAL EVENTS

PESACH BEGINS — April 7

YISKOR FOR PESACH — April 13

PESACH ENDS — April 14, at sundown

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING (BUDGET) — April 18

YOM HA-SHOAH (HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL) SERVICE & SPEAKER — April 19

TEMPLE ART AUCTION — April 21

TEACHER APPRECIATION SHABBAT — April 27

LITERACY CHALLENGE DISCUSSION — April 29

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The answer really matters, because *if* the seder table has memory — if the people who once sat there are not forgotten — then, in some way, *they are still at the seder table this year*. And that changes everything.

When we say, “Let all those who are hungry, come and eat; let all those who need, come and celebrate Pesach with us,” whom are we inviting? Could it be that we are not inviting people to come in off the street, but rather, we are inviting people who are standing, breathless and unseen, right beside our seder table, waiting for an invitation? Wouldn’t it be amazing to learn that those who used to sit at our seder table were really there *this year*, hoping that we would notice their gentle presence? What if, even in death, they want to share in our ancient ritual; to take their place once again among those they love; to be introduced to those who arrived after they departed?

There have been times in my life when I have felt my father’s and my grandparents’ presence beside me. Not an emotional presence, or a nostalgic one, but a physical *presence*: at that moment, they were standing with me. Am I the only one? Have you felt it, too? If so, then why do we have to wait for them to present themselves? Why can’t we *invite* them into our lives, and set a place for them at our seder table?

If they want to be there, and if we want them to be there, then let’s invite them in. Right at the beginning of the seder, before the whole story unfolds, is that invitation to “all who are hungry” and “all who need”; let’s use that opportunity to *mean* the words, and make them real. This year, I am going to ask everyone around the table to think of whom they would like to invite, and to say why they think they would enjoy our seder. They could be close relatives or ancient ancestors; people of great fame or the nameless (to us) farmers who are our links to our past; or even historical figures whom we heard about only in books and stories.

◀ Whom will I invite? My father and grandparents, a beloved teacher, a few dear friends and my grandmother’s parents, who owned a chicken farm in Perrineville. I’ve just learned that these great-grandparents of mine were very traditional, so they might have a few problems with our very *non*-traditional seder, but I would love to meet them, let them see how their family turned out, and show them that we have “returned” to New Jersey!

Once we have each “invited” our guests, we will try to listen very carefully as we read and sing. I’ve heard it said that these guests, so excited about being invited to the seder once again, often hold the last notes of the songs just a little longer than everyone else, because the memories are just too precious to let go. If we listen very, very closely, we may be able to hear them at the end of each verse.

Who will you invite to your seder table this year?

A Zisen Pesach,
Rabbi Don Weber

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We Warmly Welcome the Newest Members of Temple Rodeph Torah:

Tom and Hope Bellina and their child, Haylee

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

- Friday, 4/6 - Family Shabbat Service – 8:00 p.m.
SIDDUR PROJECT XI: “Avot ve-Imahot”
 Jennifer Kaye, Soloist
 ☆ Birthday Blessings for April; Candle Lighting 7:08 p.m.
- Saturday, 4/7 - Shabbat Morning Service – 10:00 a.m. Minyan Group Aleph.
- Sunday, 4/8 - Pesach Day I Service – 10:00 a.m.
- Friday, 4/13 - Shabbat & 7th Day Pesach Service (including Yiskor) – 8:30 p.m.
 Candle Lighting 7:15 p.m.
- Saturday, 4/14 - Shabbat Morning & 7th Day Pesach Service – 10:00 a.m. Minyan Group Bet
- Thursday, 4/19 - Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Memorial) Service & Speaker – 8:00 p.m.
- Friday, 4/20 - Shabbat Service – 8:30 p.m.
SIDDUR PROJECT XII: “Gevurot”
 Rabbi Shira Stern, Soloist; Candle Lighting 7:23 p.m.
- Saturday, 4/21 - Shabbat Morning Services – 10:00 a.m. Minyan Group Aleph.
 B’nai Mitzvah: Garrett Rasko-Martinis and Mara Sculler
- Friday, 4/27 - Shabbat Service – 8:30 p.m.
 7:30 p.m. – “Very Young People’s Shabbat” **NOTE DIFFERENT DATE!**
 (20 minutes, for pre-readers)
 8:30 p.m. – Shabbat Service: **Teacher Appreciation Shabbat**
 ☆ Anniversary Blessings for April
 Linda Cranin, Soloist; Candle Lighting 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, 4/28 - Shabbat Morning Services – 10:00 a.m. Minyan Group Bet.
 B’nai Mitzvah: Bryan Greenberg and Robert Kolodny

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!

We wish you a sweet and kosher Pesach!



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This month I want to call to your attention the long list of phone numbers and email addresses on page 4 of every temple Newsletter. The purpose of this list is to let you know who is in charge of each committee and organization within the temple. Why do we print the same list every month? It is *for you*! Whenever you have a question, whenever you want to understand the thinking behind a policy, whenever you want to learn the reasons for a procedure, there is someone on the list to help you find the information you seek. These people have given us permission to publish their phone numbers and email addresses because they *want* you to approach them with your concerns and questions. Most of the time, they will be able to help you. If they cannot, please call the temple office and we will find the person who can. So give us a call, send us an email, ask us a question. Help us to help you keep informed about the workings of your temple.

I wish you all a wonderful *Pesach* and I assure you that the "people on page 4" are waiting to hear from you.

B'Shalom,
Ellen Finkelstein

EDUCATION

Dates to Remember:

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| Sunday, 4/01 | - 4 th Grade family <i>Pesach</i> Program, 9:00 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. |
| Sunday, 4/22 | - 4 th Grade trip to Yeshiva University, 8:15 a.m. |
| Sunday, 4/22 | - Confirmation Trash & Treasure Sale, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. |
| Thursday, 4/26 | - 7 th Grade trip to Heritage Museum, 3:30 p.m. |
| Friday, 4/27 | - Teacher's Recognition Service, 8:30 p.m. |
| Sunday, 4/29 | - 5 th Grade Cemetery visit, 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. |

HORAIYNU

On behalf of all the members of the *Horaiynu* Board, I would like to thank all of the volunteers who helped with various Hebrew School events over the past month. Our Hebrew School students have been very busy participating in a *Shtetl* Night, attending a *Shabbaton*, attending a naming ceremony, and eating *hamantaschen* for Purim.

I hope that everyone enjoys the wonderful Passover candy sold by Nursery and Hebrew school students. This fundraising campaign was delicious, as well as successful for the temple. The Purim Basket sale went very well, and I am sure that everyone enjoyed munching on all the goodies.

The Hebrew school students will be attending mock seders in April. *Horaiynu* needs your help to make this enjoyable program a success. Please call Lori Fishkin, or myself, and volunteer your time. Not only is it rewarding to watch your child participate in these events, but you are also performing *mitzvot* when you volunteer. What better example to set for your child could there be, than to help others yourself? Please give us a call to help out this Passover or with our Card/Games Night. Do not forget to send your check in for this fun-filled evening.

Marla Bucher

MEN'S CLUB

Men's Club Business Networking Group

Monday, April 9 (and the second Monday of every month), 8:30 p.m. at the temple. Men and women of the congregation will be getting together to explain their professional services, form networks, share marketing ideas and have guest speakers. Contact Gary Gleitman, at 536-4578, for details.

Men's Club Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, April 17 (and the third Tuesday of every month), 8:30 p.m. at the temple. Event planning.

Breakfast Event

Sunday, April 22, 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., at the Monmouth County Library, Symmes Drive, Manalapan. Discussion topic to be announced. Bagels, spreads and beverages will be served.

Men's Club Discussion Group

Tuesday, April 24 (and the fourth Tuesday of every month), 8:00 p.m. at the temple. Topic to be announced.

CPR Course

Sunday, April 29, 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Morganville First Aid Squad. Men's Club will sponsor a 6½-hour training course given by the Morganville First Aid Squad, which will enable you to perform CPR on adults and children. Cost is \$30.00 per person. Please call for early sign-up so we can schedule instructors. For information, call Jay Davis, at 972-1338, or e-mail him, at JSD93052@aol.com

Softball League

Every Sunday morning from April through September. League play includes fast pitch, non-windmill, no high-arc, no contact. For adults 25 years of age and over. For more information, call Henry Levenstein, at 536-7458.

If you have not contributed your \$36 annual dues please do so as soon as possible. You can mail a check to TRT Men's Club, PO Box 125, Marlboro, NJ 07746.

For more information on participation and activities, please contact: Jeff Ball, at 462-2336, jdball22@hotmail.com, or Larry Herman, at 536-8138, Lhman4@aol.com.

SISTERHOOD

Our Health Fair for Women was a very educational program. The panelists offered the women valuable information. Everyone received literature and sample items to take home with them. Jodi Weintraub enhanced the day's program by having solicited, from local merchants, goods that were raffled off. Our sincerest thanks to those donors.

We are collecting coupons on an ongoing basis. Your contributions are appreciated. Do not forget to donate your "free" groceries to the food baskets in the lobby.

Ellen Levine

YOUTH

RTSY

On February 3, TRT's RTSY hosted a *Shul-In* event. From what I personally observed and subsequently heard, it was a complete success. I would like to congratulate our co-presidents, Michelle Cooper and Beth Kanofsky for an excellent program and would like to recognize our Youth Group Advisors, Melissa Kaplan and Greg Benisch, for their assistance and tireless efforts.

Joel Borshof

The Thirty-Four Club

The Thirty-Four Club had a lot of fun participating in the Purim Carnival. They played games, won prizes, dressed up in great costumes, and had some refreshments. The next event will be a gymnastics party on April 1. Hope to see you there!

The Fifty-Sixers and Jr. RTSY

The Fifty-Sixers had a lot of fun being in charge of running the booths at the Purim Carnival. They were really helpful to the younger kids. They taught them the games and were very enthusiastic! They had a great attitude throughout the day. Some upcoming events are Great Adventure on April 29, and a Yankee Game sometime in May. Hope to see you there!

Greg Benisch
Youth Group Advisor

FUNDRAISING

Since our lives are all so harried and rushed I thought I would take a moment to remind you of some things that might slip through the cracks.

TRT's Second Annual Art Auction is being held at the temple on Saturday, April 21, at 8:00 p.m. If you have not sent in your check there is still time. The cost is \$7.50 in advance or \$10.00 at the door. We will be serving up wine, cheese, coffee and nosh, laughs, good company, and a full array of artwork at some really terrific prices! The response so far has been great so do not be left out.

If you shop online, or always wanted to try, please remember to use the SCHOOLCASH.COM website. There are so many "shops" to choose from. Barnes and Noble, Eddie Bauer, Sports Authority, Gateway, etc. It costs you nothing but the temple can earn commissions if you enter "Temple Rodeph Torah" as the organization you are supporting.

We are always looking for new ideas. Please feel free to call me if there is something you would like to try or have heard about.

Alyse Gleitman

SHABBAT MINYAN

Please help us make a *minyan*. Come pray, study Torah, sing and *nosh* with us on Saturday morning. We meet for an informal *Shabbat* morning service, in a classroom, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Dress is casual and *Shabbat* service script is given to students. Coming just once a month would help make a *minyan* each week. If you are interested in leading a Saturday morning *minyan* group, or for any further information, call Ruth Kaufman, at 972-8958.

(Please see this month's "Viewpoint" for another commentary on our Shabbat morning minyan.)

ARZA / WORLD UNION

As the ARZA Chairperson for the temple, I thought I would take the time to remind everyone of exactly who and what ARZA is and highlight some of the things that ARZA is involved with throughout the world. There is always so much going on with ARZA that it is impossible to **not** find something of interest for you to participate in, or to learn about.

The mission of ARZA/WORLD UNION, North America is to further the development of Progressive Judaism in Israel and throughout the world. ARZA/WORLD UNION, North America strives to strengthen Jewish communities by encouraging Jewish solidarity, promoting religious pluralism, and furthering Zionism. ARZA/WORLD UNION, North America is working to strengthen the relationship of North American Reform Jews with Progressive Jewish communities in Israel and throughout the world and to educate and inform our constituency on relevant matters of Jewish importance. ARZA/WORLD UNION, North America is the representative of the World Union for Progressive Judaism and an affiliate of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Members of the Reform Jewish community from throughout North America are invited to participate in ARZA/WORLD UNION, North America's Leadership Mission to Moscow, Kiev and St. Petersburg, scheduled for August 23-September 2, 2001. The mission is an excellent opportunity to explore the revitalization of Jewish life in the former Soviet Union and meet with members of the Progressive Jewish community. The cost is \$2,995.00 per person, including round-trip airfare, accommodation at first-class hotels, breakfasts, selected dinners, entrance fees at museums and a professional English-speaking tour guide. For more information, please contact Maddy Cohen or Ilanit Gerblich at ARZA/WORLD UNION, North America, (212) 650-4280.

Please visit the ARZA website at <http://www.rj.org/arzawuna/info.html>.

Gloria Russin

CARING COMMUNITY

The Caring Community is always looking for new members to join us. We serve our temple members by being there in times of need. Regardless of how small or large the task, we will try to help. If you know a temple member who may need our assistance, please contact Rabbi Weber and he will let us know.

We were very pleased to once again bring our Traveling Talent Show to Liberty Manor Assisted Living on Sunday, February 25. After being postponed due to snow in January, so many kids (and their parents) came through on short notice to accommodate the February date. Some of our "old timers" and lots of new faces joined together again and brought an afternoon of music, song, and laughter to the senior citizens we visited.

Joyce Belitsky joined us and sang in her lovely voice. Brooke and Allie Cohen got the crowd going with their dancing. The beautiful singing voice of Laura Davis was enjoyed by all! Danielle Feinstein, once again performed and this time she sang and played the flute beautifully, too. Josh Gleich was terrific on guitar and with his singing and entertaining. Jennifer Kaye, again thrilled us with her beautiful voice and we all really enjoyed hearing Marissa Wajngold sing. Josh's dad, Stu Gleich, livened things up with comedy! Haley Dercher emceed, along with Rich Plavin, who also sang for us! All of our performers truly performed from their hearts and it showed.

Thanks to the help of many of our Confirmation class students, we had more support and fun than ever. Megan Caruso once again was there to help and support us, as were Pam Weiner, Shane Derris, and Dan Sprechman.

I know that the residents of Liberty Manor truly enjoyed every moment of our kids (and parents). Equally as satisfying for me was seeing how happy and proud the kids were to be doing this. These visits remind us that there really is not much that can bring you more joy than giving someone else some happiness. Some of these wonderful kids are already asking when we can perform again. Well, spread the word. New talent is always welcome. Come along and share a story, your artwork, or a couple of jokes. Everyone is welcome to join us next time. It will make you feel great.

If you would like to join the Caring Community or the Traveling Talent Show, call Fran Cohen, at 446-2886, or Lynne Schwitz, at 446-6908.

LIBRARY LINES

What a predicament! We have so many books going onto the shelves of the TRT library, that I do not have room each month to talk about them all. I will continue to describe the books in this column, but I will post new book descriptions on the Library Bulletin Board in order of the month they are put on the shelves. When you are looking to turn a few good pages, turn the pages on the Bulletin Board and explore our new books.

Maxine Perlman

NEW BOOKS AND REVIEWS:

A Good Enough Daughter by Alix Kates Shulman (This book is the story of the author's difficult journey from dependency through alienation to reconciliation, as she returns home to care for her aging parents.)

The Gifts of the Jews: How a Tribe of Desert Nomads Changed the Way Everyone Thinks and Feels by Thomas Cahill (Time was like a wheel, spinning irrevocably, until ancient Jews began to see time differently. From this insight came a new concept of men and women as individuals with unique destinies.)

It's A Mitzvah: Step by Step to Jewish Living by Bradley Shavit Artson (A starting point for all of us who want to increase our level of Jewish commitment, covering ritual, ethical, and social justice *mitzvot* and how to incorporate them into our lives.)

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NEW BOOKS AND REVIEWS, continued...

The Extraordinary Nature of Ordinary Things by Steven Z. Leder (Many Jews relate to God only on holidays and only in the synagogue. This book makes us aware that true religiosity means finding God everywhere, everyday.)

The Art of Public Prayer: Not for Clergy Only by Lawrence A. Hoffman (reviewed by Randy Cranin). This book helps answer the question "How can we make worship accessible and inspiring to everyone?" I chose this book because I am interested in making my worship experience better. This book led the way from how to describe the worship experience to ways to improve it via songs sung, words spoken, and space redesign. The writing style was a little "dry" but I would recommend this book to anyone looking to enhance his or her personal worship experience.

Viewpoint

I love to go to Friday night services but it seems that, too often, other things get in the way so I end up not going more than I end up going. If I do not go to services, then you can be pretty sure that no one else in my family will show up either. For some reason, this is one time that everyone wants to have my company. If we miss Friday night services, then Saturday morning is out of the question because we are not going to sit through a two-hour Bar Mitzvah service just for the fun of it.

One recent Saturday in March, I took advantage of the special alternative available to all of us. I attended the *minyan* service held Saturday morning in a classroom at the back of the temple. It was not my first time to attend the *minyan* service but I had not attended one in a very long time. It was a short service (less than one hour). Yet, within this short passage of time it offered me several things. The obvious one was a way for my kids to earn service scrip so they can fulfill the Religious School requirements for the year. More importantly, it gave me, personally, the time to reconnect spiritually with Judaism on Shabbat.

The classroom was packed with about 30 people. Some of us were actually sitting just outside the doorway because such a large crowd was not expected. Those of us sitting in the room were literally squashed in shoulder to shoulder. As we prayed, we got to the line "...and we, clay touched by God, will reach out for holiness and exclaim in wonder: how filled with awe is this place, and we did not know it...." At that moment, I recognized how special it was that in this cramped little classroom there was so much richness to be found if only we were willing to allow ourselves to find it. The people who attend *minyan* services regularly have found it. Here I could also feel inspired and renewed. I was inspired by 30 people making time for Shabbat. I was inspired by the *minyan* leader's interpretation of the Torah reading. I was inspired by the good feeling that surrounded us after the service was over. I was renewed in finding a reason to keep having faith by the way one powerful little sentence spoke to me. I was reminded that it is still my obligation to teach my children, by my example, that we must take the time for Shabbat.

The *minyan* services have been going on for a long time. I know that if there is not more sustained commitment from our membership that there is a chance that the *minyan* services might fade away. I know if that happens part of the responsibility will fall on my shoulders for not participating and appreciating more just what wonders the *minyan* services have to offer. I would like to thank those people who lead *minyan* services every

week and who have sustained it all these years through their dedication and commitment. It is so easy to let someone else be responsible and to tell myself that "I'm too busy to commit myself like that." And I am, way too busy. I am thankful that on this one day I was not too busy for Shabbat and not too busy to find awe in a cramped little classroom in the back.

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 Rivkat1@aol.com)



Torah Today

A Brief Summary of Each Week's Torah Portion

Shabbat 4/6-7

Parashat Tzav, Leviticus 6:1 – 8:36

Summary by Steven Konigsberg

Details of the different types of ritual offerings that the priests are required to do are specified. The fire on the altar should be continually fed and should not go out. The offering is burnt on the altar and the priests and their sons are given a portion to eat. Moses consecrates Aaron and his sons as priests. The Israelites are prohibited from consuming some fats and any blood from meat.

Shabbat 4/20-21

Parashat Shemini, Leviticus 9:1-11:47

Summary by Aron Dercher

Moses conveys to Aaron God's requirements for preparing offerings to atone for the sins of Aaron and the Jews. When the offering was made, a mystical fire consumed the burnt offering which amazed the people. Two of Aaron's sons are destroyed because they did not follow God's instructions. The rules of what living things are kosher are described.

***Shabbat 4/27-28**

Parashat Tazria, Leviticus 12:1-13:59

Summary by Lynn Sternberg

New mothers are considered ritually unclean and must undergo certain sacrifices of purification. If a male is born, the mother is unclean for seven days; for a female child, 14 days. After purification — 33 days for a male, 66 days for a female — a sacrifice is made and the woman is clean once again. Priests have the responsibility to diagnose various skin ailments including leprosy, burns and baldness, to determine if a person is ritually clean or unclean. They can also examine a person's clothing to see if the person is "clean." If a person or piece of clothing is unclean they are isolated for seven days and then reexamined by the priest.

***Shabbat 4/27-28**

Parashat Metzora, Leviticus 14:1-15:33

Summary by Fran Robby

Rituals of cleansing, to be performed on lepers and on houses afflicted by a plague, are described in great detail. For lepers, these rituals involve bathing, shaving of hair, and slaughtering and sacrificing of animals. For afflicted homes these rituals involve the closing of the home, scraping and replastering of its walls, and finally, if necessary, the dismantling of the house. Also described are the ritual cleansing for a man with an unclean discharge from his male organ, and for a woman when she is menstruating, or having some other discharge.

* These portions are both read on the Shabbat indicated.

NEWS AND NOTES

"TRASH AND TREASURE" SALE BY CONFIRMATION CLASS

The 10th grade Confirmation class is hosting a "Trash and Treasure" sale at the temple on Sunday, April 22, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., in the sanctuary. To donate "gently used" items please contact Barbara Sprechman, at 577-1457. Items needed include: household, toys, small (working!) appliances, knickknacks, recent best sellers and/or children's books (no text books, please). All proceeds will be donated to the temple. Come support the 10th graders and buy a few *chatchkas*!

DO YOU HAVE A SEDER TO ATTEND? CAN YOU INVITE A FAMILY TO YOURS?

"Let all who are hungry come and eat..." are more than words in the "script" of the Haggadah. We hope that every Jew will have a place to go for a seder, and that those who have seders will open their doors not only to Elijah, but to people who have no seder to attend.

Sometimes, families have no seder because relatives moved away; sometimes, it is just because no one knows how to make a seder. In either case, after sharing a seder with temple members, most people come to see how easy it is to do it on their own. Then they can invite others to their seder!

If you are having a seder, either first or second night of Pesach, and can invite one or more people to join you, please let us know the number you can accommodate. If you do not have a seder to attend, let us know that, too! Call Rabbi Weber as soon as possible, and let Temple Rodeph Torah do a little Pesach matchmaking.

"LET ALL WHO ARE HUNGRY COME AND EAT"—PART II

MAZON, the Jewish Response to Hunger, requests that every family fortunate enough to have food on their seder table remember these words from the Haggadah. Many across the country and around the world will have neither a seder nor a meal of any kind on Passover evening, and we are called to respond to their plight. MAZON respectfully suggests that we send a check for *chai* or double-*chai*—\$18 or \$36 per family—as we eat "the poor bread our ancestors ate," and remember the taste of slavery and poverty.

Please make your check out to MAZON, and send it to Rabbi Weber at the temple. All checks will be forwarded immediately, and will be used to purchase food even before the matzah's effects have worn off!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS AND ELECTIONS – NOTE THE DATES!

On Wednesday, April 18th, and Wednesday, May 16th, Temple Rodeph Torah will hold Congregational Meetings. The main task of the April meeting is to discuss and approve the temple budget for next year; the May meeting is to elect our congregation's new Officers and Directors. Every temple family is entitled to a voice and a vote, and we hope you will take advantage of these opportunities to make your feelings known and your voice heard.

We have always said that there is no "they" at T.R.T.—the congregation is run by every member who cares enough to work, to help, and to vote. Come learn about our plans for the coming year, meet and talk with the Board members who will make the day-to-day decisions which affect us all, and be part of the "we" that run the temple!

A Board of Directors meeting will follow each of the Congregational meetings. As always, they, too, are open to every member of the temple. We invite you to remain, to learn more about our congregation, and to express your opinion on topics of interest and concern to you. Each meeting begins at 8:30 p.m.

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PLEASE TELL US YOUR BLOOD TYPE

Temple Rodeph Torah keeps a voluntary listing of the blood types of our members. This project was begun specifically because we needed donors for a congregant preparing for surgery, but it has a larger purpose. If (God forbid) anyone in our congregation needs blood, it is good to know who in the temple family is a compatible donor. Especially in this day and age, it helps to know from whence comes the blood.

If you have not told us your blood type, please call Rabbi Weber and let him know! We are keeping records for adults only at this time, and of course, all information is confidential.

Remember, this works two ways. If at any time a member needs donors on very short notice, we will have their blood type on file to locate suitable donors. Please help us help!

"HONORABLE MENSCHEN"

We thank everyone who helped to make our Purim celebration wonderful: "The Not Ready for the *Bimah* Players," Judy Spiegel, Neal Finkelstein, Elise Kaye, Robbin Friedell, Karen Goldstein, Cathy Karmiller, Lana Chernick, Debbie Maslansky, Michelle Spiegel, Courtney Karmiller, Michele Maslansky, Jaime Michaelson, Karen Joseph, Jay Goldstein, Alyse Gleitman, Mindi Michaelson and our Producer, Sheryl Cooper.

And our Megillah readers: Amy Tedoff, Shane Derris, Pam Weiner, Noah Stern Weber, Lisa Kizel, Maxine Perlman, Irwin Kizel, Barry Kaye, Rachel Chernick, Rabbi Shira Stern and Haley Dercher.

Horaiynu would like to thank all of the Grade Leaders for giving out *hammentaschen*. Jodi Feld, Barri Zukoff, and Meryl Hoch did a wonderful job with the *Shabbaton*. Shari Canell, Geri Kaplan, and Barbara Klein made the *Shtetl* Night a huge success. In addition, a special thanks to all of the volunteers who helped with the Purim Baskets: Cindi Kaplin, Jodi Zukoff, Jill Goldfarb, Geri Kaplan, and Cathy Karmiller. Thank you to the Botnick Family and Stuart Rauchman for the generous donations for these baskets.

CONGRATULATIONS AND MAZAL TOV

to Michelle and Floyd Bookbinder, on the birth and *brit milah* of their son, Matthew Aaron Bookbinder
to Danielle and Michael Shanes, on the birth and *brit milah* of their son, Dylan Mitchell Shanes
to Edna Coleman, on the birth of her grandson, Matthew Martin
to Lisa Feldman, on her engagement to Mr. Joe Geary
to Scott Weiner, son of Judy Goldberg, on his engagement to Ms. Limor Shachak
to Evan Perlman, son of Maxine and Neal Perlman, on reaching the Finalist Level of the 2001 National Merit Scholarship Program

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 Louis, Sindy, Pamela, Aimee and Meredith Weiner, on the death of Louis' aunt, Blanche Levy
to Ilene, Bill, Jonathan and Michael Fireman, on the death of Ilene's father, Alexander Berlin
to Lee, Carol, Chase, Chelsea and Chandler Adasko, on the death of Lee's mother, Beula Adasko

"Zichronam Livrach" — May their memory be a blessing to all who knew them.

You are Cordially Invited

With much love and pride, we invite you to join our family as Garrett Ross is called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, April 21, 2001, at 10:00 a.m. Please join us for the *oneg* following services.

The Rasko-Martinis Family

It would give us great pleasure if you would share in our joy as our daughter, Mara Beth, is called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, April 21, 2001, at 10:00 a.m. Please celebrate with us afterwards at the *oneg* following services.

Nina and Steven Sculler

We invite you to share our happiness as our son is called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on April 28, 2001, at 10:00 a.m. Please join us for the *oneg* following services.

The Parents of Bryan Greenberg

With pride, joy, and much love, we invite you to share our happiness when our son, Robert, is called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, April 28, 2001, at 10:00 a.m. Please join us for the *oneg* following services.

Terri and Larry Kolodny

CONTRIBUTIONS

Bolender Holocaust Educational Endowment

Gail, Jay, Matt, Shane and Alli Davis, in memory of Max Wilder
Robin, Joel, Harrison and Jordan Kugler, in memory of Bobbie Gelfand

Building Fund

The Schwitz Family, for the *yahrzeit* of Jack Bayer
for the *yahrzeit* of Tillie Bayer
Craig Rubel, for the *yahrzeit* of Nathan Rubel
Gail, Bill and Ruth Ludlum, for the *yahrzeit* of Max Modeck

General Fund

Ellen Greenberger, in memory of Lee Abrams
Peter Sugarman, for the *yahrzeit* of Tillie Sugarman
Randi, David, Lindsay and Jared Sorin, for the *yahrzeit* of Claire Kaden
Melody, Bob, Kenneth and Daniel Midoneck, for the *yahrzeit* of Michael Santaly
Ken Kapilow, for the *yahrzeit* of Lee Kapilow
Barbara, Mark, Matthew and Gregory Hirsch, for the *yahrzeit* of Meyer Sherman
Ilse Grunwald, for the *yahrzeit* of Erna Kalberman
Iris Misshula, for the *yahrzeit* of Seymour Smilowitz
Susan Ringel, for the *yahrzeit* of Julius Shapiro

Helena Project Fund

Barbara Kurnit and Family, for the *yahrzeit* of William Phillips
The Heitt Family, for the *yahrzeit* of Helena Heitt
The Meyerberg Family, in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Jenna Meyerberg

CONTRIBUTIONS, continued...

Hirsch/Rosen Memorial Youth Fund

Karen Goldstein, for the *yahrzeit* of Ruth Horn
for the *yahrzeit* of Jack Salkin

Temple Shaari Emeth Sunshine Pre-School and Kindergarten Staff, in memory of Pat Porter

Myrna Kluger, in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Scott Kanofsky
in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of David Brumel

High Holiday Prayerbook Fund

Ellen and Robert Levine, in memory of Marvin Strom

Israel Scholarship Fund

Paula, Jay, Beth and Scott Kanofsky, for the *yahrzeit* of Benjamin Kanofsky

Kathy and Ron Tornberg, in memory of Neil Goldman

Barbara Sher, for the *yahrzeit* of Sidney Albin

Ellen, Neal, Rachel and Jill Finkelstein, in honor of the birth of Matthew Martin Coleman, grandson of Edna Coleman

Library Fund

Teri and Lou Friedman

Maxine and Neal Perlman, in honor of our son, Evan, advancing to finalist standing in the 2001 National Merit Scholarship Program

Mens' Club Fund

Stuart Gleich, for the *yahrzeit* of Hugo Gleich

Mortgage Fund

Teri and Lou Friedman

Nursery School Fund

Ellen, Charlie, Jessica, Adam and Daniel Pearlman, in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Andrew Nowakowski

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Joan and Richie Ruffine, in honor of the naming of their newest grandchild, Jonathan Patrick Elliot, and in appreciation of Rabbi Weber

Niki Weber, in honor of Rabbi Stern's and Rabbi Weber's 18th wedding anniversary

Gloria and Ed Russin

Geri, Mike, Jared and Dana Kaplan, with love and best wishes for the continued recovery of "Uncle Richie" Blecker

Jared Sorin and Family:

with thanks to all his Religious School teachers

with thanks to Mrs. Cohen for all her hard work

with thanks to Mrs. Haim for all your hard work

with thanks to Rabbi Weber, for all he has taught me over the years

the Sorin Family, in honor of Brandon Gold's Bar Mitzvah

Jody and Joel Feigenbaum and Family, in memory of Nathan Franco

Lisa and Irwin Kizel, in memory of Lou Shapiro

Karen, Larry and Jay Goldstein, in memory of Beula Adasko

Arlene and Ken Kapilow, Evan, Mary Ann, Karlye and Jake Denner, and Cheryl, Jonathan, and Madison Paige Hersch:

for the *yahrzeit* of Philip Seegman

for the *yahrzeit* of Mildred Seegman

Helene, Ira, Brett and Chad Kaplan, for the *yahrzeit* of Bessie Rothman

for the *yahrzeit* of Richard Klein

Ingrid, Tony and Michael DiFazio, for the *yahrzeit* of Fred Morgan

Fran Cohen, for the *yahrzeit* of Philip Chosak

Barbara Ostfeld-Hegy, for the *yahrzeit* of Daniel Eric Ostfeld

for the *yahrzeit* of Samuel Molen

Jerry and Lynn Sternberg, for the *yahrzeit* of Paul Sternberg

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CONTRIBUTIONS, continued...

Religious School Equipment Fund

Sheryl, Bruce, Jon and Michelle Cooper, for the speedy recovery of Arielle Bucher
in honor of the birth of Matthew Martin Coleman

Laurie and Steve Kaufman, in honor of the birth of Matthew Martin Coleman

David Dorfman, for the *yahrzeit* of Sidney Dorfman

Geri, Mike, Jared and Dana Kaplan, in honor of the birth of Matthew Martin Coleman

Fran and Marc Cohen and Family, in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Jenna Meyerberg

Sanctuary Improvement and Beautification Fund

Lynn Sternberg, in honor of Rabbi Shira Stern, Edna Coleman, Karen Joseph, Janet Klemons, Sheryl Cooper and Gail Davis – Thanks for an inspiring weekend!

Robin, Joel, Harrison and Jordan Kugler, for the *yahrzeit* of Samuel Kugler

The Rasko-Martinis Family, in memory of Pat Porter

Paula, Jay, Beth and Scott Kanofsky, in memory of Blanche Levy

Temple Beautification Fund

Ann and Sandy Goldstein, for the *yahrzeit* of Sarah Waldman
for the *yahrzeit* of Jack Waldman

Willner/Weinstein Educational Endowment Fund

David, Randi and Erica Brown, for the *yahrzeit* of Michelle S. Friedman

Tree of Life Plaques

Andrea, Mitchell and Joshua Gold, in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Brandon Scott Gold

Linda Golden, for Eric Samuel Golden

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TEMPLE CONTRIBUTIONS FORM

- ☐ **BOLENDER HOLOCAUST EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT** (For Holocaust education in our temple)
- ☐ **BUILDING FUND** (For the construction and maintenance of our home)
- ☐ **CRAIG FISCHER MEMORIAL FUND** (To honor Craig's memory with a communal dedication)
- ☐ **GENERAL FUND** (For the maintenance of temple programs and activities)
- ☐ **HELENA PROJECT FUND** (To provide Shabbat meals for families in times of upset and difficulty)
- ☐ **HERZOG CANTORIAL FUND** (For the future cantorial needs of the congregation)
- ☐ **HIGH HOLIDAY PRAYERBOOK FUND** (For the purchase of prayerbooks) Any amount may be donated to this Fund, but a contribution of \$20 or more is required to dedicate a prayerbook.
- ☐ **HIRSCH/ROSEN MEMORIAL YOUTH FUND** (Provides funding for youth programs)
- ☐ **ISRAEL SCHOLARSHIP FUND** (Provides financial assistance for youth trips to Israel)
- ☐ **LANDSCAPING FUND** (For the purchase of trees, shrubs and flowers to beautify our property)
- ☐ **LIBRARY FUND** (For the purchase of books for our new Library)
- ☐ **MORTGAGE FUND** (Dedicated completely to paying down the principal on our mortgage)
- ☐ **NURSERY SCHOOL** (For the development and support of our Nursery School program)
- ☐ **RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND** (Administered by the Rabbi for the benefit of the congregation)*
- ☐ **RELIGIOUS SCHOOL EQUIPMENT FUND** (Provides durable equipment for the Religious School)
- ☐ **SANCTUARY IMPROVEMENT and BEAUTIFICATION FUND** (To refurbish the Sanctuary)
- ☐ **SISTERHOOD TRIBUTE FUND** (To further the work of Sisterhood)
- ☐ **SOCIAL JUSTICE FUND** (To support the Committee's work of "repairing the world")
- ☐ **TEMPLE BEAUTIFICATION FUND** (For the purchase of art and aesthetically pleasing items for our building)
- ☐ **WILLNER/WEINSTEIN EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT FUND** (Provides interest income for the Religious School's future)

*** **TREE OF LIFE/MEMORIAL PLAQUES:** To celebrate a special occasion by purchasing a leaf for the Tree of Life, or to honor the memory of a loved one who has died, please call the Temple office. A Dedication Form will be sent to you.

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

This donation is being made:

In MEMORY of: _____

In HONOR of: _____

Donation made by:

Name: _____

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Acknowledgment to be sent to the following:

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

Yahrzeits

These names will be included in the list of *yahrzeits* on the Shabbat indicated. In addition, at our Friday evening service and Shabbat morning *minyan*, we will invite all those who wish to rise and say the name of the one(s) for whom they are saying *Kaddish*.

DATE	DECEASED	REMEMBERED BY
Shabbat Observance 4/6-4/7		
4/1	Esther Samuelson *	Mother of Susan Berman
4/1	Sadie Reich	Mother of Gary Reich
4/3	Rebecca Behar *	Grandmother of Barbara Chamoff
4/4	Sebastian John DiFazio	Father of Anthony DiFazio
4/4	Gussie Fischer *	Mother of Craig Daniel Fischer ז"ל
4/4	Dorothy M. Markowitz *	Wife of Milton Markowitz
4/4	Susie S. Morin *	Grandmother of Bonnie Siegel
4/4	Sol Weber *	Father of Rabbi Don Weber
4/4	Samuel Brachfeld	Father of Goldie Wein
4/5	Camille Gleich	Mother of Stuart Gleich
4/5	Sydney Schwitz *	Father of Mark Schwitz
4/5	Norman Levison	Brother of Lewis Levison
4/5	Jesse Zemel	Father of Bonnie Zemel Carey
4/6	Minnie Weiss	Grandmother of Michael Kaplan
Shabbat Observance 4/13-4/14		
4/8	Debra Iandoli	Sister of Melvin Olshan
4/10	Morty Bohrer	Father of Patricia Klein
4/10	Minnie Shenkman	Grandmother of Lois Korman
4/11	Barbara Greenblatt *	Sister of Ed Russin
4/12	Minnie Welkin *	Grandmother of Sheryl Cooper and Ellen Finkelstein
4/12	Charlotte Goldberg *	Mother of Gerry Goldberg ז"ל
4/12	Charlotte Deutsch	Mother of Beth Kamenitz
4/12	David Olshan	Brother of Melvin Olshan
4/12	Sidney Sobel	Father of Charles Sobel
4/12	Ruth Grover	Grandmother of Barbara Friedman
4/13	Blanche Kirnum *	Mother of Jodi Feigenbaum
4/13	Ceil Sigman	Aunt of Lois Korman
4/14	Harvey Friedgood	Father of Alan Friedgood
4/14	Bernard Elmowitz	Father of Julie Williamsky
Shabbat Observance 4/20-4/21		
4/15	Annette Levine	Aunt of Michele Miller
4/15	Sara Rotches	Mother of Linda Wegweiser
4/16	Benjamin Forleiter	Father of Steven Forleiter
4/16	Lorraine A. Rosenberg *	Wife of Michael Rosenberg and Mother of Barbara, Jay and Marc Sher
4/16	Stuart Gothelf	Uncle of Rabbi Don Weber
4/17	Esther Asch	Mother of David Asch

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YAHREZEITS, continued...

Shabbat Observance 4/20-4/21, continued...

4/17	Basha Falk	Sister-in-law of Ruth Kaufman
4/18	Sophie Lester	Grandmother of Jay Davis
4/18	Charles Zaslow	Father of Robyn Henderson
4/18	Sara Stein *	Mother of Lisa Perlman
4/19	Nancy Lytle	Cousin of Linda Cranin
4/19	Sarah Cohen	Mother of Iris Schubert
4/20	Manuel Rajlin	Father of Marta Berkowicz
4/20	Eva Garfield	Grandmother of Saul Curtis
4/20	Rachel Perlmutter	Grandmother of Rachel Pachter
4/20	Yitzrach Perlmutter	Grandfather of Rachel Pachter
4/20	Doba Wilder	Grandmother of Rachel Pachter
4/20	Wolf Hersh Wilder	Grandfather of Rachel Pachter
4/21	Sete Cohen	Mother of Rachel Reichman

Shabbat Observance 4/27-4/28

4/22	Roslyn Orlofsky *	Mother of Ellen Berrol
4/22	Irving Margulis	Grandfather of Alan Kazin
4/22	Jeanne G. Kupchik *	Mother of Francine Myers
4/22	Morris Weiss	Grandfather of Michael Kaplan
4/23	Leah Aaron Beizer	Grandmother of Suzanne Hershtman
4/23	Louis Ewen	Grandfather of Jessica Kahan
4/23	Bella Margulis	Grandmother of Alan Kazin
4/24	Janette Kaufman Shindel *	Mother of Steven Kaufman
4/25	Charles E. Shaw *	Father of Kathy Fischer
4/25	Stephen Friedland	Brother of Lawrence Friedland
4/26	Nathan Fine *	Father of Morton Fine
4/27	Norman Weinberg *	Brother of Stuart Weinberg
4/27	Allan Waldman	Brother of Ann Goldstein
4/28	Hyman Trencher	Grandfather of Sheryl Cooper and Ellen Finkelstein
4/28	David "Mickey" Marcus	Uncle of Barbara Klein
4/28	June Siegel *	Mother of Elaine Newman

Shabbat Observance 5/4-5/5

4/29	Molly Levy	Grandmother of Ginny Kotler
4/29	Rubin Gale *	Father of Fran Robby
4/30	C. Norbert Smalling	Uncle of Linda Cranin
4/30	Paul Dvorkin	Father of Meryl Stoffer

* 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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


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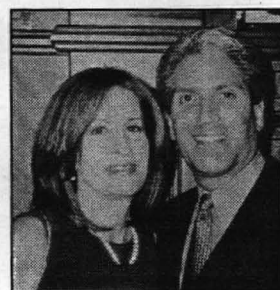
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