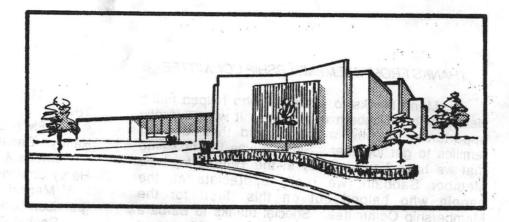
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There will be no Brotherhood meeting in December.



XXV No. 4 KISLEV - TEVET 5753 DECEMBER 1992 WORSHIP SERVICES FRIDAY EVENINGS SATURDAY SERVICES Dec. 4 -Jewish Book Month Sabbath - 8:15 PM Dec. 12 - Sabbath Morning - 10:30 AM Sermon: JACOB'S DREAM AND OUR Sermon: THE GREATEST GIFT SEARCH FOR SPIRITUALITY The Bar/Bat Mitzvah Family Program will Tot Shabbat - 6:30 PM take place after this service. Gen. 28:10-32:3 Blubs to nerbitsenty of the books from which to chose. 11 - Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM Sermon: LET DINAH BE HEARD ANNUAL SHABBAT DINNER Torah portion: Gen. 32:4-36:4 The annual Shabbat dinner will be on 18 - Family Service - 8:15 PM Conducted by Senior Youth Group January 8 at 6:30 PM. We will be serving a delicious meal consisting of roasted chicken, roasted Torah portion: Gen: 37:1:40:23 polatoes, green beans almondine, applesauce and coleslaw. The cost is \$8.50 per adult and \$5.25 per 25 - Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM child (10 and under). Sermon: A LIGHT IN THE MIDST We hope that everyone will join us in this OF DARKNESS wonderful opportunity for Temple members to Torah portion: Gen.41:1-44:17 share our traditional weekly meal welcoming the Sabbath. Please contact Dana Brown 671-8573. - Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM Sermon: BETTER FORGIVENESS Elaine Espey 870-0610, Barbara Rosenzweig THAN HATRED 671-6636 or the Temple office 747-9365 with Torah portion: Gen. 44:18 - 47:27 your reservations. ----Barbara Rosenzweig BROTHERHOOD - SISTERHOOD JOINT PROGRAM BAR/BAT MITZVAH FAMILIES for December has been changed to January 10, 1993 If you have any questions, please call Gene because of a scheduling conflict with our speaker, Gilbert 530-9499 or the Temple Office 747-Len Teitelbaum. 9365. We'll try to help.

THANKS FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Many thanks to everyone who helped make New Member Sabbath a success. It was a terrific opportunity for new members and their Contact families to get together. Since it was the first time that we have had a dinner at the Temple for New Member Sabbath, we really appreciate all the people who helped out on this "first" for the Membership Committee. Special thanks to Barbara Goldstein, Joanna Charnick, Baldwin Davidson and Bob Koslow for sharing their thoughts and feelings with the congregation on the meaning of MRT membership.

----Rosalind Reisner

JEWISH BOOK FAIR AT MRT

Once again we will hold a Book Fair in celebration of Jewish Book Month. Books will be provided by Carol Salomon and Cynthia Auerbach of Fair Haven Books. A Jewish book makes a great Hanukkah gift for children or adults and we have plenty of fine books from which to chose. This year we will have a "wish list" of books that we would like people to buy to donate to the MRT Library. The Book Fair will be open at the dates and times listed below:

Wednesday, Dec. 2 - 4-6 PM (during religious school)

Friday, Dec. 4 - before and after services Sunday, Dec. 6 - 9:30 - 12:00 (during religious school)

On Sunday, Dec. 6, at 10:30, in addition to the Book Fair, we will be presenting the actress Judith Goldsmith in a one-woman show, called Sephardic Tapestry. Come early to browse at the Book Fair and enjoy cake and coffee with fellow Temple members.

> ----Rosalind Reisner ----Joanna Charnick

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SISTERHOOD'S WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

JUNE, 1993

SHARING SIMCHAS

The Temple Family extends a hearty Mazel Tov to:

° Baldwin Davidson on the birth of granddaughter Kathryn Danielle Davidson

 Sheila & Jim Leavitt on the birth of grandson Henry Sheldon Leavitt

 Marjorie & Bernard Levy on the birth of grandson Sean Daniel Esterkin

° Rachel & Christopher Placitella on the birth of daughter Jenna Rose

° Julius & Mildred Snedcof on their 55th wedding anniversary and on Mildred's 80th birthday

Irving Cohen on receiving the Tinton Falls
Business Association's Citizen of the Year Award

° Phil Auerbach on receiving an award from the Trial Attorneys Association

This new feature will appear in each Temple Bulletin to note weddings, births of children and grandchildren, special anniversaries, awards and honors. Please let us know of any simchas we may have missed.

For future columns, please call Elaine Weisbrot (219-9630), by the 10th of the month, to share your news.

Shalom,

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----Sheila Leavitt

OFFICE NOTES

Office Hours: Administrative Assistant 9 AM -12 Noon and 1 PM - 4 PM Please schedule your time to meet these hours.

Announcements for Friday evening services are due in by Thursday afternoon.

Mailings go out on the 15th and 30th of the month. Flyers are due in the office by the 8th and 23rd.

Bulletin is mailed out to arrive before the first Friday of the next month. Articles are due in the office by the 10th of the month.

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Need that special gift for that certain someone? Give a Monmouth Arts Festival Gif Certificate. Contact: Joanna Charnick 542-1562.



FROM RABBI PRIESAND

As I write these words, I have just returned from Mahwah, New Jersey, where together with fifteen members of our Temple family, I attended the Regional Biennial Convention of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. Nearly six hundred delegates from New Jersey and New York gathered together for a weekend of study, worship and social interaction. Workshops were many and varied, ranging from family education programs to fund raising and social action to matters of spirituality. Guest speakers included Rabbi Daniel Syme, Senior Vice President of the UAHC, who shared with us his vision of Reform Judaism in the 21st century; Rabbi Lawrence Hoffman, Professor of Liturgy, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, who reminded us that Jewish spirituality is reflected in our family relationships, in the love we have for the State of Israel, in our study of Torah, and most especially, in the blessings we recite on a daily basis; Melvin Merians, Chairman of the UAHC Board of Trustees, who challenged us to strengthen the covenantal relationship that should exist between a congregation and its members; and Barry Shrage, President of the Combined Jewish Philanthropies of Boston, who suggested that the primary task of a synagogue in today's world is to insure the continuity of Jewish life and who charged us to ask our local federations to become partners with us in accomplishing that task.

Our Temple was well-represented not only in number. Claire Metzger, together with other students from the School of Sacred Music, participated in both the Service on Shabbat evening and a special cantorial concert. On Saturday afternoon, Max Singer served as panelist in a workshop on social action, and on Sunday morning, I spoke about membership retention. also was privileged to offer words of blessing as Myra Ostroff was installed for a second term as President of our Region, the New Jersey-West Hudson Valley Council of the UAHC. Both Myra and Leonard Teitelbaum, who serves as Vice Chair of the UAHC National Board, continue to give extraordinary leadership to the Reform Movement. Through their activities, they bring honor to our Temple family, and we express to

them our gratitude and good wishes for much success in the tasks they undertake.

A weekend such as this always provides an opportunity to discover what's going on in other Temples, and through the various meetings and workshops, to gather new ideas for the future growth of our many-faceted program. It also gives us a chance to measure our success against that of other congregations. Those of us who participated in this Biennial agreed that our Temple is vital and vibrant and doing quite well. Of course, there is always room for improvement, and we returned refreshed and renewed and eager to meet the challenges which lie ahead.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

When were you last in MRT's library? Have you even been in the library? There may be some members who don't know that it is there, at the far end of the school wing.

Members who do use the library know it contains a diverse collection of carefully selected books. There are children's books, reference books, biographies, novels, etc. There are books for "light" reading and those which take more concentration. There are even records and tapes. Rosalind Reisner and Joanna Charnick manage the library and order books that they think will be of interest to the rest of us.

The doors are usually unlocked and every member is free to take out books whenever desired. Everyone is her/his own librarian. Please take advantage of this wonderful Temple facility; it is waiting to be used.

---Rosalie Rosin

TRADITIONAL SABBATH EVE CANDLE LIGHTING

Dec. 4 - 4:11 PM 11 - 4:11 PM 18 - 4:13 PM 25 - 4:16 PM Jan. 1 - 4:22 PM

YAHRZEITS

- Dec. 4 * Risa A. Yagoda, *Miriam Leavitt Welner, Sadie Stempler, David Litwin, *Gussie Avrin, Martin Baronoff, *Jay Schulman, Joseph Dow, *Abba Mayer Beerman, *Harry Kohn, *Dr. Irma Steisel, *Hilda D. Salomon, Gertrude Wolf, *Sol Cohen, *Flora Braunstein and *Sally Mausner.
 - 11 *Isidore Bermann, *Betty Bermann, Ruth Welt, *Helen Davis, *Louis E. Jacobson, Susan Rosemann, Morris Weinstein, *Sheldon Hillel Brown and *Martha Lehrer Herzel.
 - *Abraham Glasser, Florence Lias, Norman K. Brenner, *Pearl Seitz, Leonora Schwartz, *David Lane, Ida Reisner, Leo Goodman, Harry Katz, Herbert Tanzman, Alvin Stone, *Richard Klein, *Bette Halpern Schmelzle, *George Glasser, Molly Gurevitz and Ace A. Orange.
- 25 Philip Kramer, Edward Klein, Vivian Galker, Sylvia Snedcof Musicus, Elaine Piniak, Jennie Rosenweig, Jessie Weiss, Gertrude Snyder, *Joseph Lansky, *Esther Komar, *Leonard Gettelson, *Edith R. Ginzburg and Mortimer Brandwene.
- Jan. 1 Martin Toll, *Goldie Bialy, Max Abraham Trauben, *Samuel Avrin, Joseph Weisfogel, Harold Rubin, Rose Neffler Snedcof, Sam Auerbach, Irwin Fenn, and Bernard Rosenberg.

* Indicates a plaque.

MEMORIAL PLAQUES

Plaques, which are dedicated to a Family Member, can be purchased through the Temple Office. They are hung in the entrance way to the sanctuary. Spaces are available on both walls. Cost is currently \$350. Please call the office for details.

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ATTENTION BAR/BAT MITZVAH FAMILIES

Please be aware that Bar/Bat Mitzvah items can be purchased through the Judaica Shop. Tallis, tallis bags, yarlmukas, kiddush cups, etc. can be ordered and delivered most times within a week. Contact Gloria Kantor 741-3753 or Fannie Klein 741-5676.

REFLECTIONS

Life is no straight and easy corridor along which we travel free and unhampered, but a maze of passages through which we must see our way, now lost and confused, now checked in a blind alley. But always, if we have faith, God will open a door for us, not perhaps one that we ourselves would ever have thought of, but one that will ultimately prove good for us.

-----A. J. Cronin

SISTERHOOD NEWS

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We had an excellent turnout at our Paid-Up Membership meeting. Our speaker, Grace Graupe-Pillard presented a wonderful thought provoking and moving program. Many thanks to Susan and Barry Kahn and Elaine Espey for making the evening so successful.

Sunday, January 10, 1993, at 9:30 AM is our annual Sisterhood/Brotherhood meeting. Please join us for bagels and coffee and tea. Our speaker will be Len Teitelbaum who will discuss the UAHC. We hope to see you there. Shalom!

> ----Florence Diller ----Sandy Corbett

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Sisterhood Judaica Shop will be open on Sundays, December 6, 13 and 20 for Chaukkah shopping and also on Wednesday, December 16 during Religious School hours. Merchandise is on display in the entrance foyer and also in the Judaica cabinets.

Any questions, any special needs, call:

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----Fannie Klein 741 5676 -----Gloria Kantor 741-3754

JOBS AVAILABLE

<u>The lewish Voice</u> is currently running an article of Jobs Available in their issues to help decrease the unemployment level. The jobs currently listed are:

Analytical Chemists needed. Several positions available.

Mechanical Engineer - HVAC - wanted Pharmaceutical experience preferred Call Ellen Mitchell at 257-5002.



Sunday, December 20 9:30 AM - 12 Noon

CHANUKAH CELEBRATION Bring your family Menorah

Friday, December 25 8:15 PM

Annual Chanukah Shabbat Service

The History of Chanukah

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The Hebrew word "Chanukah" means "re-dedication". The holiday derives its name from the Maccabean re-dedication of the Temple in Jerusalem on the 25th of the Hebrew month, Kislev, 165 B.C.E. Prior to the year 167 B.C.E. Palestine and the surrounding lands were ruled by the Greeks and Syrians. A part of their ruling policy was a relentless campaign to destroy Judaism.

In 167 B.C.E. on the 25th of Kislev, they entered the Temple in Jerusalem, defiled it by constructing altars to idols and began conducting pagan rites. That same year the Jewish people, under the courageous leadership of the High Priest Mattathias, and then his son Judah Maccabeus, began their revolt. For three years Judah and his followers, who became known as the Maccabees, waged a continuous fight for religious freedom. Finally, in 165 B. C.E. they dislodged the enemy from large portions of Palestine, gained control of Jerusalem, restored and cleansed the Temple.

Victoriously on the 25th of Kislev, the same date the enemy had defiled the Temple, the Maccabees rededicated it as a symbol of their struggle for religious freedom. We are told that "Chanukah", the ceremony of rededication, like Sukkot, lasted eight days. Some scholars believe, that because the Maccabees could not celebrate Sukkot during the years of their revolution, they combined that holiday with the festivities of their rededication of the Temple. This would explain the reason why Chanukah is eight days in length.

Each of the eight branches of the Menorah stands for one day of the festival. The lighting of the Menorah during the eight days has come to symbolize the victory of the Maccabees and the values of our faith for which they struggled. It reminds us of the importance of religious pluralism. All people should be free to worship as they wish, in the manner which best suits their needs and way of life. That is the true message of Chanukah.

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Words and Music by Peter Yarrow

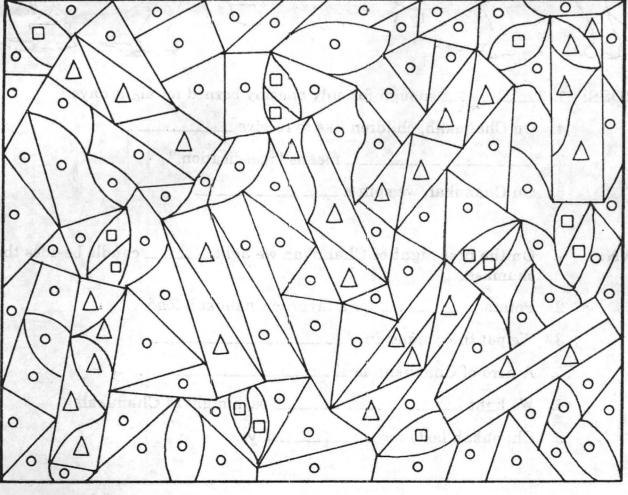


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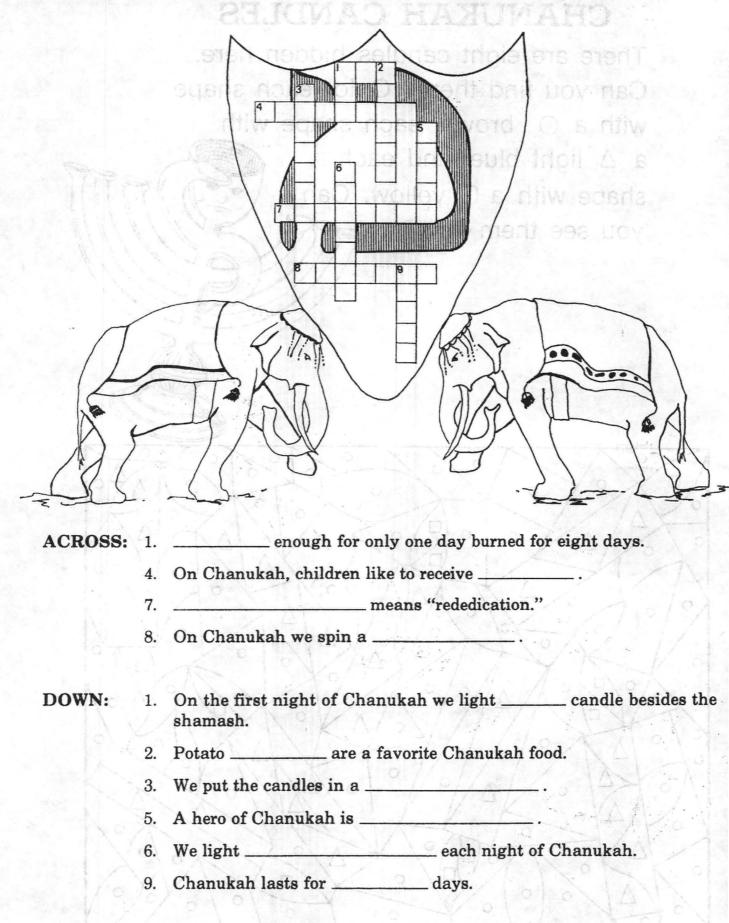
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There are eight candles hidden here. Can you find them? Color each shape with a \bigcirc brown, each shape with a \triangle light blue, and each shape with a \Box yellow. Can you see them now?



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CHANUKAH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



MONMOUTH REFORM TEMPLE

A HOME SERVICE FOR CHANUKAH

This service for lighting the menorah celebrates the values of Judaism. Each night, after the opening prayer, a meditation is read, the candles are kindled, the blessings recited, and a closing prayer is offered.

OPENING PRAYER

The lights of Chanukah are a symbol of our joy. In time of darkness, our ancestors had the courage to struggle for freedom; freedom to be themselves, freedom to worship in their own way. Theirs was a victory of the weak over the strong, the few over the many, and the righteous over the arrogant. It was a victory for all ages and all peoples.

Let the lights we kindle shine forth for the world. May they illumine our lives even as they fill us with gratitude that our faith has been saved from extinction time and again.

The candles are placed in the Menorah from right to left, and kindled from left to right

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וְקִימֵנוּ	You have sustained us	la-ze-man ha-zeh.			
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FIRST NIGHT - FREEDOM

<u>MEDITATION:</u> We kindle these Chanukah lights in memory of the dedication and courage of the Maccabees. Believing that they should be free to worship God as their hearts and minds dictated, they willingly gave their lives for freedom. Now, kindling these candles, we rededicate ourselves to the task of creating a world where all may know the joy of freedom.

LIGHT CANDLES, RECITE BLESSINGS

<u>PRAYER:</u> Our God and God of ages past, on this eve of Chanukah, we rededicate ourselves to You. Let these lights shine forth brightly, reminding us that all people are created equal in Your sight. Inspire us anew that we may serve the cause of freedom as valiantly as did our ancestors before us. We praise You, O God, who has implanted within us a love of freedom.

SECOND NIGHT - FAMILY

<u>MEDITATION:</u> Tonight, as we celebrate Chanukah together, we are conscious of our precious gift of family. So often we take one another for granted, forgetting to express our love and concern. As we kindle these festive lights, let us rededicate ourselves to sharing our interests and time with one another. Like the Maccabees of old, let us always face the tribulations and the joys of life united by our family bonds. May our love for each other increase through deeds of kindness and thoughtfulness.

<u>PRAYER:</u> Eternal God, Source of all goodness, we thank You for the blessings You have bestowed upon us, and we pray for health and joy. May all families everywhere experience the love for one another which we share. We praise You, O God, for enabling us to be together on this joyous festival.

THIRD NIGHT - STUDY OF TORAH

<u>MEDITATION</u>: On this third night of Chanukah, we rededicate ourselves to the study of Torah. As the Maccabees courageously fought to preserve our tradition, we too are duty-bound to sustain our heritage and deepen our understanding of it through study. By increasing our knowledge of Judaism, we become more sensitive to its abiding values and more aware of our responsibility to realize those values in our society. Study opens our minds and fortifies us against tyranny. Learning secures our freedom. As we kindle these candles, let us rededicate ourselves to the study of our tradition.

DECEMBER EVENTS

DECEMBER 1 - TUESDAY - 7:30 PM - IN REACH MEETING - 8 PM - RELIGIOUS SCHOOL MEETING

DECEMBER 2 -WEDNESDAY - 4 - 6 PM- BOOK FAIR - 8 PM - RITUAL MEETING

DECEMBER 4 - FRIDAY - 8:15 PM - JEWISH BOOK MONTH SERVICE - 6:30 PM - TOT SHABBAT - 6:30 - ? - BOOK FAIR

DECEMBER 6 - SUNDAY - 9:30 - NOON - BOOK FAIR - 10:30 AM - SEPHARDIC TAPESTRY PROGRAM

DECEMBER 8 - TUESDAY - 8 PM - SOCIAL ACTION MEETING

DECEMBER 10 - THURSDAY - 7:30 PM - ARTS FESTIVAL MEETING

DECEMBER 11 - FRIDAY - 8:15 PM - SABBATH EVE SERVICE

DECEMBER 12 - SATURDAY - 10:30 AM - SABBATH MORNING SERVICE

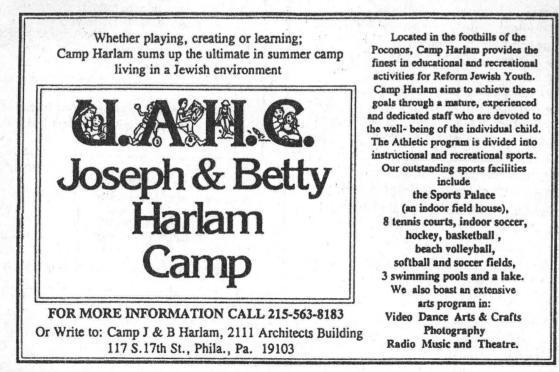
DECEMBER 14 - MONDAY - 7 PM - PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

DECEMBER 15 - TUESDAY - 8:15 PM - TEMPLE BOARD MEETING

DECEMBER 18 - FRIDAY - 8:15 PM - FAMILY SERVICE CONDUCTED BY SENIOR YOUTH GROUP

DECEMBER 20 - SUNDAY - 9:30 AM - LATKE PARTY

DECEMBER 25 - FRIDAY - 8:15 PM - SABBATH EVE SERVICE



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NOTES

The first night of Chanukah is December 20. That morning the Religious School will hold its Chanukah Celebration, beginning at 10 AM. The festivities will be held in two parts.

First, every class will have the opportunity to perform a holiday related song, dance or skit on the Bema. Student Cantor Metzger will lead us in holiday songs, and if time remains, I will MC my super Chaunkah trivia contest. Parents and other guests are invited to join in our fun. Due to our plans in the Social Hall for the second part of the program, the sanctuary doors cannot be opened to allow more seating; therefore, plan to arrive at 9:30 AM to guarantee a seat.

The second part of our Celebration has become a very popular annual event. Every Temple family, with or without children in the Religious School, is invited to bring its personal Menorah to the Social Hall for a Temple "family" candle lighting ceremony. Just picture Menorahs of every size and shape, simple and elaborate, placed on tables in a horseshoe around the Social Hall, all lit at one time, with the blessings chanted by all. Of course. lots of latkes and applesauce will follow.

The first marking period for grades 4 through 7 ends on December 6. Report cards will be sent home with the students before the winter recess. Sunday-only students will receive their first report card on February 7.

Unfortunately, I must remind all of our parents about driving safety when picking up children at the conclusion of Religious School on Wednesdays and Sundays. Children should only be picked up only in the rear of the parking lot; please resist the urge to tell your charges to meet you in the front of the Temple in order to gain a few minutes. Also, instruct your riders to wait until your car has come to a complete stop before going to the car. I have noticed children dangerously close to moving vehicles thinking that the driver knows them and will stop. And, I have definitely observed cars taking off before checking to see that their car doors are closed.

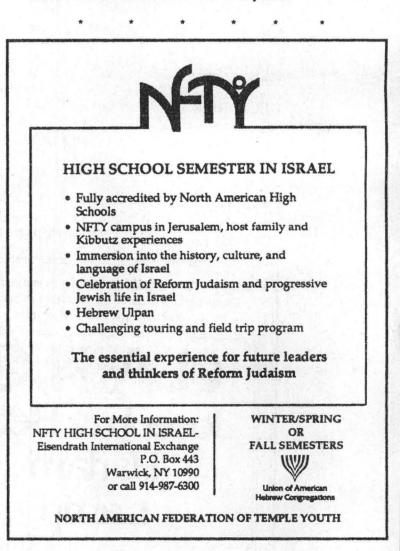
Reminders

All children in grades 4 through 6 are required to attend four Shabbat services. Attendance forms are available in my office and in your copy of the Religious School Booklet. Students should come to school with their books and pens/pencils (and homework, if assigned.)

----David Levinsky

WHAT IS MAZON?

MAZON is the Jewish response to hunger. It is an organization whose purpose it is to encourage contributions and, with the advice of its Professional Advisory Committee, to allocate funds to established agencies with proven track records in the battle against hunger. MAZON is responsive to hunger among Jews; but in keeping with the best of our tradition, it responds to all who are in need. Administrative costs are extremely low.



<u>PRAYER:</u> O God, may we ever recognize our obligation to learn. Increase in us the desire to pursue knowledge as an instrument which strengthens our way of life. Humbly we realize how little we know of our world and our faith. Let these Chanukah lights serve to remind us of our need to study and increase our understanding. May they inspire us to enlighten our minds and use them for the benefit of all humanity.

FOURTH NIGHT - HOPE

<u>MEDITATION:</u> Our ancestors taught us that in hope the future of humanity is illumined and made creative. Many people in the world live in fear and great despair. But like the Maccabees of old, we must learn to build our lives on hope: hope that ultimately truth will triumph over falsehood, and confidence that knowledge and understanding will finally depose superstition and tyranny. As we kindle these Chanukah lights, may our lives be strengthened by the highest hopes and visions of our faith.

<u>PRAYER:</u> Eternal God, Source of our upward striving, inspire us with hope to face courageously the trials and challenges which confront us. Based on truth and honesty, may our efforts bring to fulfillment our highest aspirations. We sincerely hope for the day when all people will be free and war will no longer delay the dawn of justice and peace. We praise You, O God, who has implanted within us a steadfast hope in the future.

FIFTH NIGHT - CHARITY

<u>MEDITATION:</u> Our tradition tells us that during the Maccabean war for freedom, all Jews, both children and adults, contributed charity toward the cause of defeating the oppressor. Many forms of oppression still exist in the world today: sickness, hunger, ignorance, prejudice. Tonight, we like our ancestors set aside gifts of charity in order that we too may help bring an end to oppression. We pray that the gifts we offer will provide food for the hungry, medicine for the sick, knowledge for the ignorant, and equal opportunity for those afflicted by prejudice.

<u>PRAYER:</u> Our God and God of ages past, our tradition teaches that the more charity there is, the more secure does peace become. May our Chanukah candles symbolize for us the light of happiness and hope which our charity will bring to those oppressed by need. Help us always to be compassionate and generous toward others. We praise You, O God, who commands us to give tzdakah.

SIXTH NIGHT - PEACE

<u>MEDITATION:</u> The candles of Chanukah remind us of our mission as Jews. Like the Maccabees, we seek to rededicate ourselves to the service of God. Today one of our foremost tasks is to secure peace in our troubled world. Whenever we end disagreements through mutual understanding, whenever we seek to mend hurt and wounded feelings, we are doing our part in making peace a living ideal. As we kindle our Chanukah candles, let us rededicate ourselves with renewed strength to the task of securing peace.

<u>PRAYER:</u> Eternal God, let there be a love of peace in every human heart. Help us to realize that hate and prejudice bring nothing but strife and chaos into the world. May all people come to recognize that only through cooperation and honest negotiation can the blessings of peace be made secure. We praise You, O God, Giver of peace.

SEVENTH NIGHT - RESPECT

<u>MEDITATION:</u> You shall love your neighbor as yourself. Respect for others is the basis for harmony among people and nations. As we light these candles, may we recognize the dignity of all people and remember the respect and honor we owe to others.

<u>PRAYER:</u> Eternal God, Source of all goodness, teach us to be sensitive to the feelings of our friends and neighbors. Help us to understand their failings and grant us the humility to praise and applaud their achievements. We praise You, O God, who has created one human family.

EIGHTH NIGHT - FAITH

<u>MEDITATION:</u> Tonight we kindle all the candles in our Chanukah menorah. Throughout the centuries, the menorah has been a symbol of our faith in God and our commitment to Judaism. Like the Maccabees of old, we rededicate ourselves to the task of living a more meaningful Jewish life. Not by might nor by power but by My spirit, says God.

<u>PRAYER:</u> Our God and God of ages past, may we be sustained and strengthened by our faith. Make us ever mindful of the links that bind the generations together, and let the heritage that has been entrusted to us be secure in our keeping. We praise You, O God, for the faith of our ancestors and for the opportunity of celebrating this holiday of Chanukah.

CHANUKAH WORD SQUARE

A CHANUKAH GAME

Who will be the first to reach the Temple? Use one marker for each player and a dreidle for a spinner. The player who spins a Π first begins, and play continues in a clockwise direction. Players take turns spinning the dreidle, moving forward or backward according to the letter showing on the dreidle and the printed directions. The first player to reach the Temple is the winner.

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- 1 move 3 spaces forward

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Each of the underlined words can be found in the word square above. Words may appear forwards or backwards, horizontally, vertically, or diagonally. Circle each word as you find it. The letters remaining that are not in circled words spell out a special Chanukah message.

In 165 B.C.E., Palestine was ruled by <u>Antiochus</u>, King of <u>Syria</u>. He placed idols in the Holy <u>Temple</u> in Jerusalem and would not let the Jews follow their <u>religion</u>. <u>Judah the Maccabee</u> and his brothers, the <u>Sons</u> of <u>Mattathias</u> from the town of <u>Modin</u>, <u>led</u> a revolt against the Syrian rulers. Though small in number, the <u>Jews</u> repeatedly defeated the large, well-trained Syrian Army. Their final victory came when they reached Jerusalem. They cleaned the Temple and let worship take place again. They could find only enough <u>oil</u> for the Ner Tamid for one day, but instead it lasted for <u>eight days</u>. We remember the <u>rededication</u> of the Temple and the <u>miracle</u> of the oil by lighting <u>candles</u> in the <u>menorah</u> for eight days beginning on <u>Kislev</u> 25. This feast of dedication or feast of lights is better known as <u>Chanukah</u>.

Write the hidden message here.



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Ma·oz tsur ye·shu·a·ti, le-cha na-eh le-sha-bel-ach; ti-kon beit te-fi-la-ti, ve-sham to-da ne-za-bel-ach. Le-eit ta-chin mat-bel-ach, mi-tsar ha-me-na-bei-ach, az eg-mor, be-shir miz-mor, cha-nu-kat ha-miz-bel-ach.

מעוז צור ישועתי, לך נאה לשבח: תְּכּוֹן בֵּית תִפְלַחִי, ושם תודה נובח. רְעֵת תַּכִין מַטָבֵח, מצר המנבח, אז אגמור, בשיר מזמור, חנכת המובח.

Kindling new the holy lamps,

Priests approved in suffering,

Purified the nation's shrines,

Brought to You their offering.

And Your courts surrounding

Hear, in joy abounding,

With a mighty sounding.

Happy throngs,

Singing songs,

ROCK OF AGES

Rock of ages, let our song Praise Your saving power; You, amid the raging foes, Were our sheltering tower. Furious, they assailed us, But Your arm availed us, And Your word Broke their sword, When our own strength failed us.

> Children of the Maccabees, Whether free of fettered, Wake the echoes of the songs, Where you may be scattered. Yours the message cheering, That the time is nearing, Which will see All go free, Tyrants disappearing.

CHANUKAH IN THE KITCHEN

Yes, Chanukah is in the kitchen, too. One of the favorites is "latkes" or potato pancakes. No doubt you have your own recipe or you can easily find one. Or perhaps you might like to try this recipe.

POTATO PANCAKES 2 cups grated raw potatoes 2 eggs, beaten 1 tsp. salt 1 heaping tbsp. flour or matzah meal Pinch of baking powder 1 small grated onion Combine all ingredients and drop mixture by tablespoons into hot skillet. generously greased with butter or shortening. Fry on both sides until brown and serve with applesauce.

Some Oft Asked Questions About Kindling the Menorah

HOW SHOULD THE CHANUKAH CANDLES BE PLACED IN THE MENORAH? Always place candles in the Menorah beginning from the far right and continuing to the left.

WHAT IS THE ORDER OF THE **KINDLING THE CHANUKAH LIGHTS?** The Chanukah Candles are kindled from left to right.

WHEN SHOULD THE CHANUKAH CANDLES BE KINDLED? "Immediately at the appearance of the stars" if possible. Later in the evening if necessary, but always "before any member of the household-child or adult-goes to sleep." On Friday evening, of course, the Chanukah Candles are kindled before we light the Shabbat candles.

WHERE TO PLACE THE CHANUKAH MENORAH? In front of a window or the like in order "to publicize the miracle" of Chanukah.

DREIDEL GAME OF THE

Dreidel is the traditional game for the festival of Chanukah. Any number can play.

Each player contributes some nuts, raisins, or candies to a central "pot" and spins the dreidel in turn.

The Hebrew letters on the dreidel stand for Yiddish words which tell you how much you win . . . or lose!

- "NUN stands for UV")"Nisht"
- win nothing, lose nothing.

"GIMMEL" stands for YJNA "Gantz" = take all, win the pot.

- "HEY" stands for コフトロ"Halb"
- = win half the pot.

"SHIN" stands for Syuv "Shtel"

= put one in the pot (or other pre-decided amount).

If the pot is won, every player can "ante up" again. The letters on the dreidel have also been interpreted to stand for the Hebrew phrase: נָס גָרוֹל הָיָה שָׁם

"Nes Gadol Haya Sham"

meaning: "A great Miracle happened there" in reference to the story of Chanukah.

ADULT EDUCATION NOTES

Now that you have recovered from the whirlwind discussions on Responsa literature during October and November, it is time to plan ahead for the next major Adult Education program.

BEHOLDI JANUARY 16, 1993, 8 PM ADULT EDUCATION NIGHT! AN EVENING OF JEWISH CULTURE

On that magical evening in January, you will have the choice of TWO delectable tidbits of Jewish cultural accomplishment. THE OFFERINGS:

Relish <u>The Forward: From Immigrants to</u> <u>Americans</u>. An extraordinary human story of the world's most successful Yiddish-language newspaper. It contains excerpts from over 100 pages of the paper - including its "Bintel Brief" column.

Revel to the sounds of <u>Klezmer Music</u> -Jewish Soul Music: The Art of Giora Feidman. "Mr. Feidman's extraordinary introspective and celebratory playing...is filled with a sense of spirit, purpose and deep understanding." - New York Times

Savor the literary riches of Isaac Bashevis Singer through the evocative film adaptation of one of his most beloved short works, <u>The Cafeteria</u>. Watch the story of Jewish refugees in post-war New York City as they try to escape their past. "Directed with admirable gentleness, a haunting work." - New York Times

Marvel at the creative genius of Marc Chagall: Portrait of an Artist. Arguably the greatest Jewish painter, Chagall's life and works are explored in this outstanding documentary.

The Committee would like everyone to have the chance to watch two of these fine performances on this festive evening. So pick the ones that intrigue you the most and mark the evening in your datebooks. That's ADULT EDUCATION NIGHT, JANUARY 16, 1993. See you there.

----Joel Morgovsky

LIVE THEATER COMES TO MRTI

On Sunday, December 6, at 10:30 AM, the Library Committee, Adult Education and the Parents group will present SEPHARDIC TAPESTRY, a solo story-theater presentation, devised and performed by actress/producer Judith Goldsmith. The performance pays tribute to the Sephardic cultural heritage in this anniversary year of the expulsion of the Jews from Spain.

SEPHARDIC TAPESTRY features the dramatic, moving story of an "underground" Bar Mitzvah during the Inquisition, and mini-portraits of three outstanding women of Sephardic heritage: Dona Gracia Nasi, who played a major role in aiding her fellow Jews after their forced exodus from the Iberian Peninsula; Rebecca Gratz, the inspiration for the wonderful Jewish heroine in Sir Walter Scott's "Ivanhoe"; and Emma Lazarus, poet of the American people and the "Voice" of the Statue of Liberty.

Judith Goldsmith, a graduate of Barnard college, is widely known for her solo theater presentations which she devises and stages as well as performs. Touring to libraries, museums, schools and college, religious and charitable organizations, Ms. Goldsmith has appeared Off-Off Broadway, on radio and cable TV. We are certain that her performance will be a highlight of the year at MRT.

SEPHARDIC TAPESTRY will be part of our celebration of Jewish Book Month. The annual Book Fair, sponsored by the Library Committee and Fair Haven Books will be open for browsing and buying before and after Ms. Goldsmith performs. Refreshments will also be available.

----Rosalind Reisner

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Often times the Rabbi or administrative assistant have to put someone on hold on one line in order to answer your call. Sometimes people have to go from one area to another in order to reach the phones in the front office or school office—and it's a big building.

Thanks for your patience.

NURSERY SCHOOL

Tinton Falls Cooperative Nursery School is a certified preschool sponsored by Monmouth Reform Temple. The school accepts children between the ages of 2 yrs 9 mos to 5 years. Parents may participate in the classroom; however, aides are available for those parents who are unable to help. The following morning and afternoon classes are being offered:

3 yr olds:	T&Th	AM or PM	
4 yr olds:	M, W & F	AM or PM	
3 day Pre-K:	M, W & F	PM	
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Interested parents may contact the school for additional information.

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YOUTH NEWS

The Senior Youth Group will be having their annual service on December 18. Jake Jeffe will lead songs and play guitar again this year.

The 1993 NFTY Convention is to be held in East Brunswick, NJ, February 12-16. Our SYG hopes to be well represented. We will hold various fund raisers so that more of our members can attend the convention.

We will have bake sales, December 6, January 10 and January 24 from 10:30 - 12. We will also be selling tickets for a Chanukah raffle. If any temple members wish to donate a large stuffed animal as a prize, it would be greatly appreciated. The SYG wishes to thank you for supporting us. wer join call. Somethings people have

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HOSPITAL VISITS

A call to the Temple Office would be appreciated to let Rabbi Priesand know when a member of the Congregation is hospitalized so she may visit. Thank you.

1993 ARTS FESTIVAL

Our 1993 Show Designer is Lois Blonder. Lois last designed the Festival in 1990. We look forward to working with her again.

The week of December 21 we will be rejuvenating the existing Festival "equipment" (stands, pedestals, etc.). If you have the time, please help us with the painting and carpentry work. Call and let us know your availability.

The Arts Festival has its own telephone number. Please use it ONLY for Festival matters -908-747-8278.

PATRON APPEAL CARDS (FRIENDS OF FESTIVAL) will be coming to you in January 1993. If you wish to take this as a 1992 deduction, please send your checks to Dorothy Teitelbaum, 4 Sharon Lane, Holmdel, NJ 07733. Please make all checks payable to the Monmouth Festival of the Arts. Checks should be received no later than the week of December 25, 1992.

- BENEFACTOR \$125 One chance for \$250 Gift certificate for purchase at the 1993 Festival; 2 Reception Tickets; Family ticket to all events & demonstrations; Program Listing.
- SPONSOR \$75 2 Reception Tickets; Family ticket to all events & demonstrations; Program Listing.
- PATRON \$25 1 Reception Ticket; 1 Ticket to all events & demonstrations. Program Listing.

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NEW MEMBERS

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On behalf of the Officers and Board of Trustees of Monmouth Reform Temple, I warmly welcome the following members to our Temple Family:

Jane Kaye & Kevin Coyne, 54 Broadway, Freehold 07728 child Laura

Gale Lackner, 14 Old Shark River Road, Eatontown 07724 children Corinne & David

Beryl & Michael Saffer, 47 Knollwood Drive, Tinton Falls, children Matthew & Jennifer

May their presence add to the vitality and spirit of our Congregation.

-----Rosalind Reisner

THE CONGREGATION ACKNOWLEDGES WITH THANKS THE FOLLOWING CONTRIBUTIONS as received in the Temple Office from October 21 through November 16:

to the Rabbi's Fund:

from Lois & Ike Blonder to Lila & Max Singer in honor of the naming of Mira, to Jack & Norma Kohn in memory of his mother Lillian Kohn, to Libby & Howard Sadwith in honor of their new grandchild, to Irving Cohen on his award as Man of the Year, get well wishes to Howard Bodner, congratulations to Richard Gitlin on being named director and to Stu & Cora Tuchband congratulations on your new home

from Barry & Susan Kahn wishing Cora & Stu every happiness in their new home

from Gail & John Goldsmith to Barbara & Howard Fox in honor of Margie & Jeff's marriage

from Richard & Linda Goldberg in honor of their daughter Jessica's Bat Mitzvah

from Susan & Frank Whyman in honor of Rabbi Priesand

from Maureen & Frank Welton in honor of his recent aliyah

from Marjorie & Bernie Levy in honor of the birth of their grandson, Sean Daniel Esterkin and in honor of Maxine Byck's 90th birthday

from Florence & Irving Cohen get well wishes to Bob Schulman

from Ruth & Len Schlosberg

Contributions to the Rabbi's Fund for Hurricane Andrew and Somalia Relief:

from Phoebe & Bernard Shagan, Sarah Moessinger, Shirley & Jack Gardy, Donald & Helaine Rothman, Paul & Susan Brenner, Joan & Jerry Lansky, Brian & Leni Schiefer, Barbara & Dan Morreale, John & Gail Goldsmith, Charles & Judith Cooper, Miriam & Gabe Torok, Larry & Laurie Lowenstein, Naomi & Fred Moessinger, Peg & Jerry Baker and Joyce & John Christie

to the Roslyn Garin Fund for Juvenile Library Books:

from Cheryl Berman in honor of Jessica Goldberg's Bat Mitzvah

from Peg & Jerry Baker congratulations to Baldwin Davidson on his new granddaughter, to Bernie & Marjorie Levy on their new grandson, to Ken Clayton on his new grandson, to Irving Cohen in honor of being named Tinton Falls Citizen of the Year and to Ike & Lois Blonder congratulations on Terry's marriage

from AI & Bobbie Goldstein congratulations to Richard Gitlin on his promotion and to Bob Schulman hoping you are feeling better fast

to the Arts & Decorations Fund:

from Steven & Trudy Goldsmith mazel tov to Joanna & Brian Charnick on Steven's success to the Fund for the Homeless:

from Phoebe & Bernard Shagan in honor of Marjorie Fox's marriage to Jeff Naiman, to Alex Reisner in honor of his Bar Mitzvah and to Lila & Max Singer in honor of the naming of Mira

from AI & Bobbie Goldstein congratulations to Marge & Bernie Levy on your new grandson, to Phil Auerbach in honor of his Trial Attorney's Award and to Minna Lee best wishes on your retirement from Brookdale

from Phyllis & Charles Rubinstein to Baldwin Davidson Mazel Tov on the birth of your grandchild and to Cora & Stu Tuchband good luck in your new home

from Lila & Max Singer in honor of Marge & Bernie Levy's new grandson, much happiness in your new home to Cora & Stu Tuchband and Chris & Bob Rosen and to Rosalie Rosin get well wishes

to the MAZON Fund:

from Richard & Linda Goldberg in honor of their daughter Jessica's Bat Mitzvah

from Lillian, Sam & Emily St. Lifer

to the Joan Goodman Scholar-In-Residence Fund:

from Betty & Bob Schulman to Marge & Bernie Levy congratulations on the birth of your grandson and to Irving Cohen in honor of being named Citizen of the Year

from Peg & Jerry Baker to Betty & Martin Welt in memory of her father Henry Fuchs

to the Summer Youth In Israel Fund:

from Frank & Dorothy Eliscu in memory of Eli Jaffe

to the General Fund:

from William & Pamela McGreger

to the Altar Flower Fund:

from Bob Woolf in memory of his mother Susie Harrison Woolf

from Sandy & Bernie Brandwene in memory of her father George Weinberg

from Joseph & Susan Frankel in memory of his mother Sally T. Frankel

from Morton & Helen Jacobs in memory of her father David Raschkover

from Art & Miriam Harris in memory of his father Emanuel Knight Harris

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WORSHIP SERVICES

Dec. 4	-	Fri	-	Jewish Book Month- 8:15 PM
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12	-	Sat	-	Sabbath Morning - 10:30 AM
18	6-	Fri	-	Family Service - 8:15 PM
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25	-	Fri	-	Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM
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RELIGIOUS TRAINING

Sundays, December 6, 13 & 20 - 9:30 - Noon Religious School No Session, December 27 Tuesdays, December 1, 8, 15 - 9:30 AM Rabbi's Study Group Wednesdays, December 2, 9 & 16 - 4-6 PM Hebrew School No Sessions December 23 & 30

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DECEMBER CALENDAR

MEETINGS

Dec. 1	- Tue	- Inreach - 7:30 PM
		- Religious Education - 8 PM
2	- Wed	- Ritual - 8 PM
8	- Tue	- Social Action - 8 PM
10	- Thu	- Arts Festival - 7:30 PM
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- 14 Mon Preschool 7 PM
- 15 Tue Temple Board 8:15 PM

SPECIAL EVENTS

Dec. 2	- Wec	- Book Fair - 4-6 PM	
4	- Fri	- Book Fair - 6:30 - 10 PM	
6	- Sun	- Book Fair - 9:30 - Noon	
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