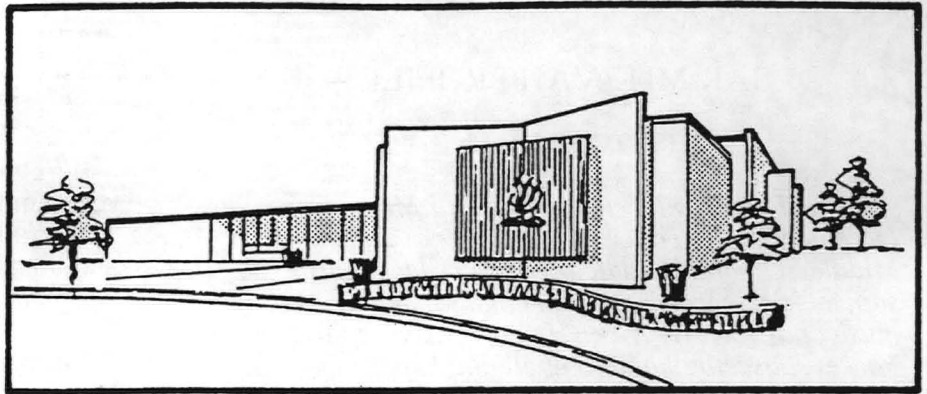


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Kislev - Tevet 5755

December 1994

WORSHIP

SERVICES

FRIDAY EVENINGS

OTHER SERVICES

- December 2 Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM
Chanukah Family Service by Senior Youth Group
- 9 Tot Shabbat - 6:30 PM
Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM
Sermon: *GETTING EVEN OR LETTING GO?*
Torah portion: GEN. 44:18-47:27
- 16 Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM
Sermon: *CRITICISM: BLESSING OR CURSE?*
Torah portion: GEN. 47:28-50:26
- 23 Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM
Sermon: *MIRACLES*
Torah portion: EXOD. 1:1-6:1
- 30 Sabbath Eve 8:15 PM
Sermon: *A GOD OF LOVE OR LAW?*
Torah portion: Exod. 6:2-9:35

- Dec.. 10 Sat. Sabbath Morning - 10:30 AM
Sermon: *GROWING UP*
Bar Mitzvah of
THOMAS DUANE
son of Tom and Stephanie Duane
- 17 Sat. Sabbath Morning - 10:30 AM
Bar/Bat Mitzvah Family Program
Sermon: *HOW WE SPEND OUR DAYS*
Bar Mitzvah of
MATTHEW SCHOTTLAND
son of Michael and Rosanne Schottland

Update!

Thank you to all those who have returned their data base questionnaire. For those who have not, you will be receiving another copy in the mail. Please respond so we can move forward with making our Temple office more efficient and to serve you better.

Lila Singer

TOT SHABBAT

A service designed especially for children under the age of 7

Friday evening, December 9
6:30 PM

Please join us for a special evening

BAR MITZVAH PROFILES

THOMAS DUANE

Tom Duane will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah on December 10th. Tom is a 7th grader at Thorne Middle School in Middletown where his favorite subject is science. Tom also enjoys listening to music, particularly rock. He enjoys such sports as hockey, basketball and football and hopes to try out for the school basketball team. He plays video games such as Super Nintendo and Mortal Combat. Spare time might also find Tom reading and writing scary stories. He has studied karate since he was 5 years old and currently holds a second degree black belt. Tom has no real thoughts on what his future plans might include. Studying for his Bar Mitzvah has been pretty hard, but Tom is certain he'll get the hang of it by the 10th. Mazel tov to parents Tom and Stephanie, brother Matthew, and sisters Ellen and Laurie.

MATTHEW SCHOTTLAND

December 17th is the day that Matt Schottland celebrates his Bar Mitzvah. Matt is an 8th grade student at Cedar Drive School in Colts Neck. His favorite subject is science and Spanish. Matt is an avid tennis player and a participant in the Junior Program at the New Shrewsbury Racquet Club. He has played in various tournaments with his father and his coach. Matt also has a Lego collection called Lego City. He also enjoys playing hockey, basketball, listening to music, and is a trumpet player at school. Matt's future plans include becoming a meteorologist or a hurricane specialist. Studying for his Bar Mitzvah was hard, but Matt feels it has been worth it. Mazel tov to parents Rosanne and Michael, brother Joey, and sisters Alyssa, Julie, and Bonnie.

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When making donations to the Temple, please include your name and the fund to which you are contributing when you write the information needed for the card to be sent. Occasionally notes get separated from the checks, making it difficult to match a donation with a name.

Also please return your statement along with your check when paying dues to assure proper credit to your account. Thank you.

BIKUR CHOLIM What We Are and What We Do

We're a group ready and willing to assist you in your time of need. We will provide transportation, run errands, help caregivers by providing support and home visits so they can have free time, and be available to visit loved ones in hospitals and nursing homes.

If we can be of any assistance to you or your family, or if you know someone who might need us, please contact Rabbi or Helaine Rothman, Bikur Cholim coordinator (842-7639).

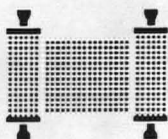
---Helaine Rothman
Inreach Committee

Anyone interested in playing Mah Jongg?
A new game is forming and we'd love to have you join us!
Please call either Joyce Christie at 842-4048 or Maureen Welton at 571-6793.

NEXT YEAR IN JERUSALEM GETTING CLOSER

The congregational trip to Israel, led by Rabbi Sally Priesand, will be March 11-20, 1995. Some special features of this trip include the Leo Baeck School, a visit to Mitzpeh Har Halutz, a jeep tour of the Golan Heights, a security seminar, a visit to the Absorption Center and a tour of Hebrew Union College. The tour also includes Tel Aviv, Jaffa, Caesarea, Haifa, Acre, Galilee, Safed, Katzrin, Capernaum, Jerusalem, Masada, Dead Sea, and Ein Gedi.

Anyone interested is welcome to come to an informational meeting with Margie Beck from ARZA on Wednesday, Dec. 7, 1994 at 7 PM in the Social Hall. Come prepared with your questions. For additional information contact Susan Rekedal, 747-8247.



FROM RABBI PRIESAND

At a recent meeting of our Religious Education Committee, there was an interesting discussion about worship services and whether or not we should encourage our children to bow at various points in the service. I suggested that we teach our children why some people choose to bow and then let them make up their own minds. One of the principles of Reform Judaism that I cherish most is our freedom to decide which customs and ceremonies will have meaning for us as individuals. Of course, in order to make intelligent choices, we have to know what we are choosing from, and that is why it is so important to study the past.

The Hebrew word for blessing is b'racha. It comes from the root meaning "to bend the knee." Bending the knee and bowing was the ancient Jewish way of expressing gratitude and showing respect for God. Its origin stems from a ceremony that took place on Yom Kippur at the Temple in Jerusalem. When the High Priest uttered God's name, the people, who were facing the Holy of Holies (represented by the Ark in our synagogue), actually prostrated themselves.

In today's service, there are four times when worshippers bow. The first time is at the beginning of the service when we recite the Barechu, commonly referred to as the Call to Worship. We bow in greeting to God in whose presence we stand and to whom we draw near through the act of prayer. The second time comes in that section of the service called the Amidah. When we recite its first blessing, Avot v'Imahot, we bow in deference to our ancestors, the patriarchs and matriarchs of our people, who stood in special relationship to God.

The third time we bow is during the Alenu, or Adoration. We face the Ark and follow the literal meaning of the words: "Va-anachnu ko-r'im" (We bend the knee and bow and give thanks before God Most High, the Holy One, the Blessed One). When we reach the word "lifnay," we stand upright, symbolizing our belief that God raises up those who are bowed down.

I know that bowing before the Ark makes some people uncomfortable; indeed, for some it smacks of idolatry. Such a feeling was sensed by the commentator Anaf Yosef who was quick to explain that we are not worshiping the Torah or the Ark but bowing in reverence to God who made these objects holy.

The fourth and final time that we bow is at the end of the Kaddish when we recite Oseh Shalom. It is customary to take three steps back, bow to the left,

to the right and then forward, as a sign that we are concluding our prayer, taking leave of God's presence and returning to the tasks of the world.

Bowing during the act of worship is just one way of expressing our reverence for God and deepening our feelings of awe in the presence of our Creator. In the true spirit of Reform Judaism, it remains an option for all who worship with us.

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SHARING SIMCHAS

The Temple family extends a hearty Mazel Tov to:

Connie & Milton Klein on the birth of their grandson, Benjamin Richard Elliot Faller

Joan Lansky, much happiness in retirement

Bob Goodman, much happiness in retirement

Gloria & Marvin Kantor on the birth of the new grandson Reid Michael Kantor

Betty Salomon in honor of her conversion

Claire & Murray Kipnis in honor of son Robbi's engagement

Myra & Stanley Ostroff in honor of the birth of their new grandson

Arlene & Jim Berg in honor of son Jeffery's marriage to Christine

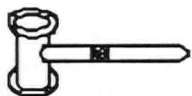
Sue & Frank Whyman in honor of Billy's marriage

Betty & Bob Schulman on son David's engagement

Barbara & Al Goldstein on the birth of granddaughter, Nichole

Joyce & Jerry Silverman on birth of their new grandson

As a Temple family, we like to share each other's joys. If you have or know of a simcha, please call Elaine Weisbrot after 4 PM at 219-9630



FROM THE PRESIDENT

As you know, there is a check off box on your dues statement enabling you to become a member of ARZA, the Association of Reform Zionists in America. If you have not joined, I urge you to do so at your earliest opportunity. Arza has just launched a major new initiative, Operation Equality, a campaign to win religious equality for all Jews in Israel. The campaign seeks to bring the full power of the American Reform movement behind the effort to gain legitimacy for Reform Judaism in Israel. According to Marcia Coyne, president of ARZA, "If every Reform Jew would join ARZA, Israel would be transformed." The money raised would infuse the Israel Reform movement with massive financial support enabling it to bring Reform Judaism to the cities and streets of Israel.

Non Jews in Israel have more religious freedom than Reform Jews whose rabbis still cannot officiate at life cycle events. Through recent decisions of the Israeli Supreme Court, Reform institutions are now receiving some government funding where before they received none. At the same time, Orthodox institutions receive hundreds of millions of dollars annually. Reform religious principles have been denigrated not only by the Orthodox Rabbinate but public figures as well.

The invective spewed is all but non-stop. For example, a government committee has recently recommended that the philosophies of non-Orthodox movements be taught in the public schools. This brought the following comment from an ultra-Orthodox member of the Knesset. He said, "Reform is not Judaism. It has taken things from Judaism, but it is not Judaism. Just as Christianity and Islam took things from Judaism, but are not Judaism. If they try to present this as Judaism, the nation will spit it out!" There are so many more examples too numerous to mention.

Once again I urge you to join ARZA. The time has come to end the discrimination and second class treatment Reform Judaism has suffered in Israel.

Shalom,
Baldwin Davidson

NEED A RIDE TO TEMPLE?

CALL FLORENCE COHEN 542-2143

BROTHERHOOD MEETING
SUNDAY DECEMBER 11 - 9:30 AM

PROGRAM: DR. GLASSTEIN, MONMOUTH MEDICAL
"MY ACHING BACK"

BAGELS --COFFEE --TEA

REFLECTIONS

Two Jewish men riding together in an airplane began conversing. One was an astronomer and the other a rabbi. The astronomer said smugly: "I'm really not religious myself, and I hardly ever go to Temple, except on the High Holydays. I have trouble with the Bible and God...though I do have the deepest respect for religion. Sometimes I think, doesn't the whole thing, Temple, Bible, God, Judaism, and all that - doesn't it really boil down to 'Love your neighbor'?"

The Rabbi replied: "Let me answer your question with a question. I am not a scientist myself, nor an astronomer. I have trouble with differential equations and calculus...but I have the deepest respect for astronomy. And sometimes I think, doesn't the whole business - quasars, black holes, galaxies, and all that - doesn't it really boil down to 'Twinkle, twinkle little star'?"

-----Rabbi Eugene Levy

OFFICE NOTES

Office Hours: Temple Secretary
9 AM - 12 Noon and 1 PM - 5 PM
Fridays - 9 AM - 4 PM
Please schedule your time to meet these hours.

Announcements for Friday evening services are due 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 to arrive before the first Friday of the next month. Articles are due in the office by the **10th of the month.**

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NOTES

NURSING HOME VISITS

I want to acknowledge our class parents and the students in grades three through nine for making our visits to the Shrewsbury Manor Residential Health Care for Seniors so successful. Last year the weather prohibited us from sending more than two classes to the facility; this season seven classes had the opportunity to spend time with residents. When I accompanied the sixth grade, I observed the joy with which our children were received. I am very proud of our students for fully understanding the mitzvah of Jibud Zekaynim (honoring the elderly). In the spring, grades kindergarten, first and second will visit the Shrewsbury facility to complete our school project. A special thank you is extended to Susan St. Lifer as coordinator of the visits. I anticipate that our association with this center will continue for many years.

MRT'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Our annual book fair reminded me of this item. Joe Morgovsky, our Adult Education chair, put together a very educational calendar for our members. He included a page of Jewish vocabulary with definitions to coincide with each month. The list which accompanies December is titled Acts Of Kindness. The five books of the Torah are explained with June's dates. Shavuot is observed on June 4, on the day that our tradition informs us that our people received the Ten Commandments. At MRT, our Confirmation ceremony will be held on June 4.

I suggest that as an educational device, families discuss the vocabulary in the calendar as each month begins.

REPORT CARDS & SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

The first marking period for children in grades 4-7 ended on November 13, with report card distribution scheduled for early December.

The following paragraph is a repeat from my November column because it describes a policy that I believe is very important for the total Jewish education of our children.

All students in grades 4-6 must attend 3 Friday evening Shabbat services as congregants and participate in one service with their class. The dates for the class services are printed in the Religious School Booklet and are posted in the Temple calendar. Kindly, use my service attendance form or your own **Stationery to notify me of your children's service attendance.** **Service attendance credit is always**

Indicated on your children's report cards under the comment column.

BOOK FAIR AND CHANUKAH CELEBRATION

As with our nursing home visits, volunteers are very much needed for every school and Temple activity. The Book Fair was coordinated by our professional librarians, Roz Reisner and Joanna Charnick.

As for the past 11 years, Al and Sylvia Paley supplied our Chanukah latkes. Members of our Religious School Committee, Gerald Reisner, Laurie Lowenstein, Paula Metz, Richard Goldberg, Matty Kalb and Lori Goldberg took on the giant task of putting on our Chanukah Celebration.

CHILDREN'S SAFETY & WINTER BREAK

The cones in the parking lot are placed there for two reasons. They act as a simple barrier to keep your automobiles from getting too close to the waiting children; and by driving to the first cone (at the rear of the parking lot) a longer pick-up line forms relieving the back up onto Hance Avenue. Therefore, it is extremely important for all drivers to tell their children to wait for them near the first cone and enter the vehicle after it comes to a complete stop. Also, without supervision in the front of the building, it is very dangerous to circumvent our system by picking-up your children on the circular driveway.

Our winter vacation begins on Sunday, December 25. I hope your secular New Year is a safe and healthy one.

Shalom,
David Levinsky

PARENT DISCUSSION GROUP

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

Rabbi Priesand will discuss with us:

"The Chanukah - Christmas Dilemma"

9:30 Coffee and Bagels
10:00 Discussion

Questions:
Eve Leppel 842-5294
Joy Schuchman 747-6404

SENIOR YOUTH GROUP

Hello again to all! Winter is almost here, and the Senior Youth Group got off to a fantastic start on October 16, when fourteen of us got together for a progressive dinner. I observed new friends being made (sewing ourselves together had quite a bonding effect), and everyone really enjoyed the night. Many thanks are due to the Goldbergs for their house and delicious homemade dinner.

Eight members of the group spent October 28-30 at the NFTY New Jersey Region New Member South Conclave in Edison, where we had song sessions, beautiful services (Havdalah's the best!), a dance, met lots of warm, fuzzy people, and just had a ball. Our youth group hasn't been too involved in NFTY the past few years, and having eight of the eighty people at the conclave coming from MRT made me ecstatic!

Last but certainly not least of our recent activities was our horseback riding trip to Circle A in Howell on November 6th. The ten of us who went had a great time.

Congratulations to Scott Siebert-Johnson, our newly elected Vice-President of Fundraising. Scott has some terrific ideas, such as a bowl-a-thon, for raising money that will be used to subsidize trips to the theater, games, and more. He has initiative, and we're really expecting great things from him. Welcome aboard, Scott! We have so much more coming up, including a Knicks game and Shul-in (sleep-over) on December 10th, a bowl-a-thon, NFTY winter conclave, and much more. If you'd like to join the group, I'm eager to hear from you - call me at 946-7265.

Shalom!

Aliza Torok
Senior Youth Group
President

P.S.-

The Senior Youth Group is working to make the youth lounge an awesome place to just hang out, and donations from our Hanukah wish list would be greatly appreciated. If you'd like to contribute anything that's on or off the list, please give me a call. Thanks a lot!

Hanukah Wish List From The Youth Group

Television Tables Battery Operated Wall Clock
VCR Sofas Entertainment Videos
Music system with cassette deck (of course, a CD player would be great too!)

GOODS AND SERVICE AUCTION

Contact Joanna Charnick of Ways and Means at 542-1562 or Florence Diller of Sisterhood at 747-9489 to donate any goods or services for the Auction. Reserve the date of Feb. 25, 1995 for a fun filled evening.

SISTERHOOD

Thanks to your support our Judaica Shop for Chanukah was very successful. We hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful holiday.

Sisterhood provided the Religious School students with a bag of Chanukah gelt, a box of candles and a dreidel.

The Judaica Shop is open all year long for your special needs - seder plates, kiddush cups, tallit, tallit bags, mezzuzehs, etc., etc.

Please call with any questions.

Gloria Kantor 741-3753
Fannie Klein 741-5676

Ways and Means Committee

The committee is pleased to announce new record sales for our Food Certificate Program for the month of October, \$10,960, which means the Temple made \$548. We also had the highest number of participanys, 59. We thank all those that are participating in this easy fund raiser for the Temple and hope more of you will join us. Consider \$25 or \$50 a month. Remember for every dollar spent you get the same dollar amount back in a food gift certificate.

Our committee, along with Sisterhood is collecting donations for the Goods and Service Auction in February. We will be having a live auction along with a silent auction and a Chinese auction. Look for our flyer next month with more details.

Arlene Berg

REMINDER.....

There will be no Religious School on December 25, 28 or Jan. 1

DECEMBER EVENTS

- DECEMBER 1 - THURSDAY - 7:30 PM INTERFAITH SERVICE
Candles in the Wind
- DECEMBER 2 - FRIDAY - 8:15 PM - SABBATH SERVICE
Chanukah Family Service
- DECEMBER 4 - SUNDAY - 9:30 AM - CHANUKAH LATKE PARTY
- DECEMBER 6 - TUESDAY - 8:00 PM - RELIGIOUS ED
- DECEMBER 7 - WEDNESDAY - 7:00 PM - ISRAEL TRIP
- DECEMBER 8 - THURSDAY - 7:30 PM - ARTS FESTIVAL
- DECEMBER 9 - FRIDAY - 6:30 PM - TOT SHABBAT
8:15 PM.- SABBATH SERVICE
- DECEMBER 10 - SATURDAY - 10:30 AM - SABBATH MORNING SERVICE
Bar Mitzvah of Tom Duane
- DECEMBER 11 - SUNDAY - 9:30 AM - BROTHERHOOD
12:00 PM -JR. YOUTH GROUP
- DECEMBER 13- TUESDAY - 8:00 PM - SOCIAL ACTION
- DECEMBER 14 - WEDNESDAY - 8:00 PM - EXECUTIVE BOARD
- DECEMBER 16- FRIDAY- 8:15 PM - SABBATH SERVICE
- DECEMBER 17 - SATURDAY -10:30 AM - SABBATH MORNING SERVICE
Bar Mitzvah of Matthew Schottland
Bar/Bat Mitzvah Family Program
- DECEMBER 18 - SUNDAY - 10:30 AM - RELIGIOUS SCHOOL PARENTS
GROUP
- DECEMBER 19.- MONDAY - 7:00 -8:00 PM PRE-SCHOOL
- DECEMBER 20 - TUESDAY- 8:00 PM - TEMPLE BOARD
- DECEMBER 28 - WEDNESDAY - 7:45 PM - WAYS AND MEANS
8:15 PM - YOUTH
- DECEMBER 30 -FRIDAY.- 8:15 PM -SABBATH SERVICE

YAHREZEITS

- Dec. 2 Beatrice S. Leeds, Risa A. Yagoda, Cary Lowenstein, *Miriam Leavitt Welner, *Steven Stone, Sadie Stempler, David Litwin, *Gussie Avrin, Martin Baronoff, Roger K. Berman, *Jay Schulman, Joseph Dow, *Abba Mayer Beerman, *Harry Kohn, *Dr. Irma Steisel, Mortimer Brandwene
- 9 *Hilda D. Salomon, Gertrude Wolf, *Sol Cohen, *Flora Braunstein, Harold Rosenblum, *Isidore Berhann, *Betty Bermann, Ruth Welt, *Helen Davis, *Louis E. Jacobson, Abraham Golden, Susan Rosemann, Joseph Levinsky
- 16 Bernard Rosenberg, Kate Cohen, Irving Priesand, Helen Sanders, Morris Weinstein, Sam Fass, *Abraham Glasser, Florence Lias, Norman K. Brenner, *Pearl Seitz, Leonora Schwartz, Jane Marshall, *David Lane, Ida Reisner, Leo Goodman, Harry Katz, Herbert Tanzman, *Richard Klein
- 23 *Bette Halpern, *George Glasser, Molly Gurevitz, Philip Kramer, Edward Klein, Vivian Galker, Collette Katz, Sylvia Snedcof Musicus, Elaine Piniak, Jennie Rosenweig, Jessie Weiss, Gertrude Snyder, *Joseph Lansky, *Lora G. Miller, *Abraham W. Miller, Louis Cohen
- 30 Hyman Reisner, *Esther Komar, *Leonard Gettleson, *Edith R. Ginzburg, Marvin Toll, *Goldie Bialy, Max Abraham Trauben, *Samuel Avrin, Evelyn Anna Roe Gilstein, Joseph Weisfogel, Harold Rubin, Rose Neffler Snedcof, Earl H. Priesand, *Herman Kahn, Philip Schiller, Rose Cohen, Harriet Phyllis Herman

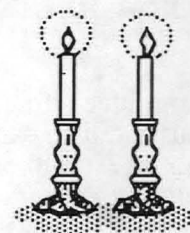
* Indicates a plaque.

MEMORIAL PLAQUES

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

TRADITIONAL SABBATH EVE CANDLE LIGHTING

Dec. 2 - 4:11 PM
9 - 4:11 PM
16 - 4:12 PM
23 - 4:15 PM
30 - 4:20 PM



The Congregation extends warm condolences to:

The Liebesman Family on the death of wife and mother

SANDY LIEBESMAN

Betty and Bob Schulman on the death of her mother

ROSE WELNER LIFSCHITZ

May God send peace to all the bereaved among us

Gold C Books for Sale: A Youth Group Fund-Raiser

Do you have kids? Want to save money? Then buy a Gold C Book! For only \$10, you'll get a coupon book filled with savings for fast food restaurants, amusement parks, and much more, all aimed for kids. The Youth Group will be selling the Gold C books in the Temple lobby Sunday mornings before and after Hebrew School. Please buy one-you'll be saving money and supporting our youth group. If you have any questions, call Aliza Torok at 946-7265

ADULT EDUCATION

REFORM RELIGIOUS ZIONISM SERIES WINS CRITICAL ACCLAIM!

The Committee's four week series on Reform Religious Zionism came to a close on Thursday, November 17. Without a doubt this was one of the most scholarly programs we have ever assembled. While attendance was small each evening, the atmosphere was decidedly that of an academic seminar. Everyone participated, read, studied and learned. Thanks to the earnestness, studiousness and enthusiasm of each of the major presenters, Jay Wiesenfeld, Karen Karl and Minna Lee, the group was lead into examination of the intricacies of Reform's history and philosophy with emphasis on its posture towards Zionism since 1820. Thanks are also due to Sue Rekedal, chair of the Israel Committee, who helped plan the content of each of the four sessions and secured relevant materials from ARZA and other sources. Our primary reference work was the *Journal of Reform Zionism*, produced by ARZA in March of 1993. (If you would like to purchase a copy of the *Journal* for \$5.00, please contact me at 747-9256 or through the Temple Office.) Audio tapes of lectures given at the UAHC Biennial last year were also used in our series, as were videotapes from ARZA and The McNeil/Leher Hour covering recent, controversial events in Israel.

We sincerely miss you at these events. The real benefits we experience from our personal studies are a blessing in themselves, but we also are doing this work on behalf of the greater Temple family. Won't you please consider enriching your lives in the future by joining us for more learning experiences crafted by the Adult Education Committee?

Scholar-In-Residence Weekend Draws Near!

On January 6, 1995, composer Ben Steinberg, director of Music at Temple Sinai congregation, Toronto, will grace our Bima as MRT's Scholar-in-Residence for 1995. Mr. Steinberg is well known for his lecture-recitals on Jewish Music History at major centers and universities in Canada and the United States, and we will not be an exception. The Adult Education Committee is putting together an ambitious program that will call upon the talents of Cantor Winston, Ruth Schlosberg, Ken Phillips and others throughout the weekend.

As usual, there will be a brief introductory presentation after Shabbat service on Friday night, then a lecture-performance on Saturday evening after a covered-dish dinner in the social hall. At that time,

we will be treated to a performance of one of Mr. Steinberg's Cantatas. On Sunday we will once again have a bagel breakfast followed by a lecture describing the music brought to Israel through the Ingathering of the Exiles. Watch the mail for our flier and more details.

A big turnout is all we need to bring this program to its full realization. We have not had a music-centered SIR weekend for many years and this one has the promise of being extra special. Mark your calendars please. Keep that weekend clear of other commitments so that you're free to support this exceptional Temple activity. And don't forget...donations to the Joan Goodman Scholar-in-Residence Fund will help us meet the financial demands of the upcoming weekend. Thank you

Joel Morgovsky
Chairman

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MONMOUTH FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS

By the time you are reading this, the AD JOURNAL deadline will be upon us. We hope you will take just a few minutes from your busy holiday schedule...and get an ad. ONE AD, no matter how large or small, is a tremendous help. Businesses you support during the year will be eager to support you. Ad forms can be gotten in the MRT lobby. Please help the thermometer rise!

Our Corporate Grants Program is equally important. Through this community service, many school-aged children are able to attend our show; for many of them this will be their only exposure to art. Please contact Claire Mausner for information.

Art selection for new artists has been completed and for the 1995 show we have over 300 artist who will be invited to show.

Our Opening Night Reception is April 1, 1995, and it will be catered by Sharon Zack of Point Pleasant. (We've eaten in her Pt. Pleasant restaurant, and the food's great!) When you receive your Friend's of Festival invitation for the April 1 opening reception, remember to RSVP YES. And yes, valet parking will again be available.

We're looking for a Temple member who knows Microsoft Access. Please call Barbara Cobuzzi.

FYI: In 1971, the first AD Journal had 20 pages! (1994's had 80.)

Semmes Brightman

NURSERY SCHOOL NEWS

Tinton Falls Cooperative Nursery School is a certified preschool sponsored by Monmouth Reform Temple. The school accepts children between the ages of 2 years 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:

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|----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 3 yr olds | T & Th | AM or PM |
| 4 yr olds | M, W & F | AM or PM |
| 4 day Pre-K | M thru Th | AM |
| 5 day Pre-K | M thru F | PM |
| 5 day advanced Pre-K | M thru F | AM |
| Mom & Me | Fri | AM |
| Extended Care | M thru Th | 11:30 - 3 |

Interested parents may contact the School for additional information.

The Nursery School is looking for a computer to use with the children in the classrooms. If anyone is interested in donating one contact Susan in the school office.

Susan Esposito
747-3990

SOCIAL ACTION

IMPORTANT..HELP WANTED...

WHEN: December 25, 1994

WHERE: Hospitals, Convalescent Homes, Churches

WHAT: Volunteer to relieve non-professional staff or visit at Christmas Day dinner for those in need.

WHY? So that our Christian neighbors who work at the above facilities can spend more time with their families.

Florence Cohen
Social Action

CORRECTION

Last month it was incorrectly reported that Bob Schulman had retired....it was really Bob Goodman. Apologies to both Bob's for the error!

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 or call. Thank you.

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WORLD AIDS DAY

Thursday December 1

CANDELIGHT MARCH

Beginning at the Asbury Park
Municipal Building at 6:30 PM

CANDLES IN THE WIND

People of faith taking a stand against
AIDS

The Trinity Episcopal Church 503
Asbury Avenue
Asbury Park, NJ
at 7:30 PM

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THE CONGREGATION ACKNOWLEDGES WITH THANKS THE FOLLOWING CONTRIBUTIONS as received in the Temple Office from Oct. 19 through Nov. 19

to the Rabbi's Fund:

from Jack Harary
from Mort Jacobs with appreciation
from Pearl and Harry Belkowitz
from Frank and Maureen Welton in honor of "Aliyah" granted to the Welton and Fitzsimmons families
from Bill Garson in memory of his wife, Toby
from Gloria and Marvin Kantor to Mr. & Mrs. Eric B. Kantor in honor of the birth of new son
from Miriam and Arthur Harris to Anne Brasson and family, remembering Estee Brasson, devoted choir member; condolences to Betty Schulman on the death of her mother
from Peggy and Jerry Baker to Betty Salomon in honor of her conversion
from Joyce and John Christie to Betty Salomon, mazel tov
from Ellen M. Heffes to the Liebesman family in memory of Sandy
from Marilyn and Don Hirsch to the Liebesman family in memory of Sandy
from Mort Jacobs in memory of his wife Helen
from Bob Salomon with mazel tov to his wife, Betty
from Esther Kravitz in memory of her daughter Sandy Liebesman
from the Liebesman family in memory of their wife and mother, Sandy

to the Garin Juvenile Library Fund:

from Phyllis and Charles Rubinstein and family, congratulations to Wendy and Bruce Faller on the birth of your son, Benjamin; to Connie and Milton Klein, congratulations on the birth of your grandson, Benjamin
from Connie and Milton Klein, congratulations to Elizabeth Salomon on her conversion; deepest sympathy to the family of Sandy Liebesman; to Bob and Betty Schulman in memory of her mother

to the Fink Music Fund:

from Joyce and John Christie to Sheila and Jim Leavitt in memory of Sadie Finkelstein; to Mitchell Fink in memory of his grandmother Sadie Finkelstein
from Mitchell Fink in loving memory of Sadie Finkelstein

from Sheila and Jim Leavitt in loving memory of Sadie Finkelstein

to the Fund for the Homeless:

from Lila and Max Singer to Sandy Liebesman and family in memory of Sandy; to Betty Schulman and family in memory of Betty's mother; to Irv Cohen get well wishes; to Betty Salomon in honor of your conversion; to Ian Brightman, get well wishes; to Connie and Milton Klein in honor of their new granddaughter; to Joyce and John Christie in honor of Holly's marriage; to Joan Lansky, much happiness in retirement; to Bob Goodman, much happiness in retirement
from Peg and Jerry Baker to Jamie Rosenzweig, congratulations on your Bat Mitzvah; to Connie and Milton Klein, congratulations on your new grandson; to Bruce Sternberg a wish for a speedy recuperation
from Bobbie and Al Goldstein to Connie and Milton Klein in honor of their newest grandson, Benjamin
from Donald and Helaine Rothman to the Liebesman family in memory of Sandy
from Bruce and Sandy Sternberg to Sandy Liebesman and family in memory of Sandy
from Phyllis and Bob Rosenberg to Betty and Bob Schulman, condolences on the loss of her mother; to Ian Brightman a speedy recovery

to the Joan Goodman Scholar-In-Residence Fund:

from Peter and Irma Meyer to Connie and Milton Klein, best wishes on the birth of your new grandson
from Claire and Murray Kipnis in honor of son Robbi's engagement
from Ellie and Bob Goodman to the Liebesman family in memory of Sandy Liebesman; to Myra and Stanley Ostroff in honor of your new grandson; to Marvin and Gloria Kanto in honor of your new grandson
from Betty and Bob Schulman to Joyce and John Christie in honor of the marriage of daughter Holly; to Joan Lansky congratulations on your retirement; to Bob Goodman congratulations on your retirement; welcome to Elizabeth Salomon
from Irma and Peter Meyer condolences to Betty Schulman in memory of her mother; to Sandy Liebesman in memory of wife, Sandy; congratulations to Joyce and Jerry Silverman on new grandson
from Biblical Hebrew Class to Nelly segal in honor of the birth of her grandson

to the Scholarship Fund:

from Baldwin Davidson to Sandy Liebesman, sincere sympathy on Sandy's passing; to Betty Schulman, sincere sympathy on the loss of your mother; to Bruce Sternberg, Miriam Torok, and Ian Brightman a speedy recovery; to Joyce and John Christie on Holly's marriage

from Sue and Joe Frankel to Sue and Frank Whyman in honor of Bill's marriage

from Ken and Dolores Phillips good wishes and love to Semmes Brightman; rapid recovery to Ian Brightman; rapid recovery to Irv Cohen; to Betty and Bob Schulman congratulations on son's engagement; to Maureen and Frank Welton, congratulations on grandson's Bar Mitzvah; to Gloria and Marvin Kantor in honor of the birth of new grandson; welcome and mazel tov to Betty Salomon; to Anne Brasson in memory of Estee

from Barbara and Al Goldstein to Bruce Sternberg wishing you a speedy recovery; to Ian Brightman wishing you a speedy recovery; to Betty Schulman in memory of her mother; to the Liebesman family in memory of Sandy; to Susan and Frank Whyman in honor of their son, Bill's marriage

to the MAZON Fund:

from Gerald and Barbara Rosenzweig in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Jamie

from Arlene and Jim Berg in honor of our son Jeffery's marriage to Christine

from Ellie and Bob Goodman to Sylvia Nadel in honor of ht 85th birthday

from Joyce and John Christie get well wishes to Ian Brightman

to the Prayerbook Fund:

from The Christie-Friedman family to the Liebesman family in memory of Sandy

from Bob and Rosalie Rosin to the Liebesman family in memory of Sandy Liebesman

from Trudy and Steve Goldsmith to Sandy Liebesman in memory of Sandy

to the Alter Flower Fund:

from Max and Lila Singer in memory of Harry Braunstein and Anna Singer

from Spencer and Patty Gaines in memory of Amy Gaines

from Frank and Maureen Welton in memory of Lucie Wiesengrund

from Susan and Joseph Frankel in memory of Sally T. Frankel

from Arthur and Miriam Harris in memory of Emmanuel Knight Harris and Arch Isaacs

from Melvin and Shirley Zeisel in memory of Marian Winters and Morris Weinstein

from Morton Jacobs in memory of Helen R. Jacobs and David Raschkover

from Kirby and Susan Rekedal in memory of Emily Talberth

from Florence and Irving Cohen in memory of Irene Lewis Roth

from Ellen Byck in memory of David Spellman

from Al and Bobbie Goldstein in memory of Frances Litthauer Goldstein and William Goldstein and Esther Hauser

from Bob and Betty Salomon in memory of Sandy Liebesman and Betty and Bob Shulman's mother

from Robert and Betty Schulman in memory of their mother

from Helene Marx in memory of William Ostrov

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to the General Fund

from Phyllis and Leo Kugler to Martin and Bette Gale in honor of Jessica's Bat Mitzvah

to the Library Fund

from Betty and Bob Schulman to the Liebesman family in deepest sympathy on your very great loss

from Joyce and Jerry Silverman to Sandy Liebesman in memory of wife Sandy; to Betty and Bob Schulman in memory of her mother Rose

from Arlene and Jim Berg to the Liebesman family in loving memory of Sandy; to Lois and Sam Surray congratulations on the birth of your grandson Nathaniel; to Bob Schulman, enjoy retirement; to Annie Brasson in memory of Estee Brasson; to Joan Lansky, enjoy retirement; to Joyce and John Christie, congratulations on Holly's marriage; to Betty Schulman deepest sympathy on the loss of your mother; to Bobbie and Al Goldstein, mazel tov on the birth of your granddaughter; to Betty and Bob Schulman congratulations on David's engagement

to the Arts & Deco Fund

from Joyce and John Christie to Betty and Bob Schulman, condolences on the loss of her mother

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MONMOUTH REFORM TEMPLE CALENDAR FOR DECEMBER

WORSHIP SERVICES

December 2 -Fri - Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM
Chanukah Family Service
9 -Fri - Tot Shabbat - 6:30 PM
Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM
10 -Sat - Sabbath Morning -10:30 AM
Duane Bar Mitzvah
16 -Fri - Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM
17 -Sat - Sabbath Morning -10:30 AM
Bar/Bat Mitzvah Family
Program
Schottland Bar Mitzvah
30 -Fri - Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM

SPECIAL EVENTS

December 1 Thu - Candles in The Wind
Interfaith Service- 7:30 PM
4 Sun - Chanukah Latke Party 9:30 AM
19 Mon - Pre-School 7-8 PM

MEETINGS

December 6 Tue - Religious Ed 8:00 PM
7 Wed- Israel Trip 7:00 PM
8 Thu- Arts Festival 7:30 PM
11 Sun- Brotherhood 9:30 AM
Jr. Youth Group 12:00 PM
13 Tue - Social Action 8 PM
14 Wed - Exec. Board 8:00 PM
18 Sun - Rel. School Parents Group
10:30 AM
20 Tue - Temple Board 8:00 PM
28 Wed - Ways & Means 7:45 PM
Youth 8:15 PM