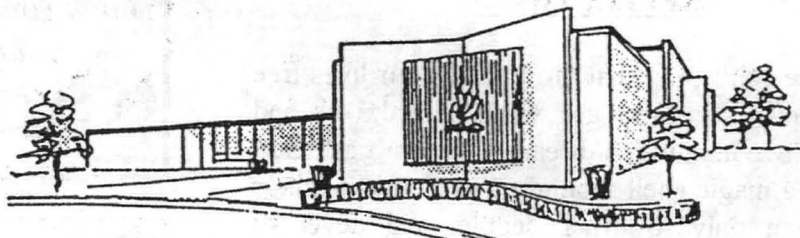


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Happy Passover

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ADAR II - NISAN 5757



APRIL 1997

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

Fri. 4 Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM
Shabbat Across America
Sermon: **KEEP AND REMEMBER**
Torah Portion: Shemini
Lev. 9:1-11:47

Fri. 11 Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM
Sermon: **MAUNDERINGS**
Torah Portion: Tazria
Lev. 12:1-13:59

Fri. 18 Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM
Shabbat HaGadol
Social Action Sabbath
Guest Speaker:
Rabbi Michael Feinberg
IMMIGRATION!
LAND OF HOPE AND PROMISE?
Torah Portion: Metzora
Lev. 14:1-15:33

Fri. 25 Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM
Shabbat Chol Hamoed Pesach
Sermon in Song:
SHIR HA-SHIRIM
Exodus 33:12-34:26

SOCIAL ACTION SABBATH

April 18, 1997
8:15 PM

Rabbi Michael Feinberg, Director
Jews for Racial and Economic Justice

Immigration! Land of Hope and Promise?

OTHER SERVICES

Sat. 12 Sabbath Morning - 10:30 AM
Sermon: **THE IMPORTANCE OF
THE UNIMPORTANT**
Bar Mitzvah of
David Weinstein
son of Martin and Joy Weinstein

Sun. 13 Healing Service - 1:00 PM

Sat. 19 Sabbath Morning - 10:30 AM
Sermon: **THE EVIL TONGUE**
Bat Mitzvah of
Jessica Hovatter
daughter of Nancy and Michael

Sun. 27 Passover Yizkor - 8:15 PM
Sermon: **SURVIVING LIFE'S
STORMS**

Please join our Temple family.
Friends and family welcome!

Congregational Seder



Tuesday, April 22
6:00 PM

REFLECTIONS

We can't pray that God makes our lives free of problems...We can't ask God to make us and those we love immune to disease...We can't ask God to weave a magic spell around us so that bad things will happen only to other people, and never to us...But people who pray for courage, for strength to bear the unbearable, for the grace to remember what they have left instead of what they have lost, very often find their prayers answered. They discover that they have more strength, more courage than they ever knew themselves to have. We cannot escape suffering, but we may find God in spite of it, and even within it.

----Rabbi Harold S. Kushner

DAVID WEINSTEIN

David is studying hard and learning a great deal during his Bar Mitzvah training. He looks forward to the culmination of his efforts and the celebration of his becoming a Bar Mitzvah on April 12. David is a seventh grader at Thompson School in Middletown. He plays basketball, soccer and likes to skateboard. David also plays guitar and likes working on the computer. His favorite subjects are Social Studies and Science. His parents, Joy and Martin, and sisters Marla and Dena are very proud of him and his accomplishments. Mazel Tov to David and his family.

JESSICA HOVATTER

On April 19, Jessica Hovatter will become a Bat Mitzvah. Jessica looks forward to this momentous day because her parents Nancy and Michael and her sister Brenna will all be celebrating with her. Jessica attends Tinton Falls Middle School and enjoys softball, writing stories, working on the newspaper, reading, playing flute and talking on the phone with friends. Jessica belongs to the Mon-mouth Falcons Pop Warner and won first place in a cheerleading competition. Her favorite subject is science. Mazel Tov to Jessica and her family.

**When is Mitzvah Day,
anyway?**

*Thank you for your calls,
your cards, and your caring.*



Dolores and Ken Phillips



A Note from the Cantor..

On Friday evening April 25, as part of our Shabbat worship experience and in conjunction with the Rabbi, I will present a sermon in song on the texts of Shir Ha-Shirim (Song of Songs). Traditionally, Shir Ha-Shirim is chanted in its entirety on the Shabbat that falls during Pesach. The text of Shir Ha-Shirim is beautiful and falls into the category of Biblical love poetry. Often, Shir Ha-Shirim texts are read or sung at Jewish weddings; the lush poetry adds to the simcha, and illustrates the love of the couple for one another. Come join in worship, and to enjoy the texts of Shir Ha-Shirim set to beautiful music.

A Special Pitch

Already it is time to begin turning our thoughts toward the High Holydays and begin plans to rejuvenate a choir to sing on these holiest of days.

The philosophy of having a synagogue choir is to enhance the worship service, to help demonstrate the drama and excitement of the liturgy, and to help lead the congregation in worship.

Since the Holydays fall "late" this year, we have ample time to rehearse. Six rehearsals are planned for the month and a half prior to the Holydays. This will only be successful if everyone participates on a regular basis. Tapes of parts and music will be available for all participants. So, if you consider yourself a singer, or even if you don't, but have had choral experience, or can carry a tune well, please consider lending your voice to our worship and help to create the drama that the High Holyday liturgy deserves. Teens are welcome as well as adults. Also needed: someone with conducting experience who is willing to help with rehearsals. Please call me at home or leave a message at the Temple to express your interest.

Shoila Case, Student Cantor

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From Rabbi Priesand.....

Words cannot adequately express the gratitude I feel for the loving and enthusiastic way in which the Temple marked the twenty-fifth anniversary of my ordination. The service that Shabbat is something I will never forget, and I am truly grateful to all those who planned and implemented the celebration, not only for their attention to detail but also for the extra effort that was expended to make this milestone in my life a memorable occasion for us all. There is much that I will always remember: the display in the showcase that I fondly came to call the shrine, the beautiful invitation, the words of tribute that came from the heart and touched my heart and surely yours as well, the hundreds of people whose presence and participation that night added greatly to the joy of our service, the festive Oneg Shabbat and the spirit our Religious School students displayed on Sunday morning when they presented a program all their own. All these - and so much more - have become precious memories that I will forever cherish.

I am particularly grateful for your generous support of the Rabbi Sally J. Priesand Visiting Professorship of Jewish Women's Studies which will be established at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. This chair will enhance the education of our rabbinic students and all those preparing themselves for a life of service to the Jewish people. I am honored to have my name associated with it and truly touched that my Temple family has made the first and thus far largest contribution toward its establishment. I had intended to write a personal note to each contributor, but the response has been so overwhelming that I hope you will accept this collective thank you and know that it comes from the bottom of my heart.

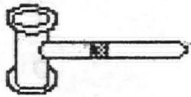
It has been my good fortune to serve as your rabbi these past sixteen years. From you I have learned so much, and with you I have shared those joys and difficulties that are part of every life. May God continue to bless this partnership we have, a covenant in the truest sense of the word, and may all our rainbows be brilliant and bright.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

A great deal of work is culminating this month as we look forward to our annual meeting. First, I would like to thank Peg Baker and the members of the **Pulpit Committee** for the development and conclusion of the new contract for Rabbi Priesand, which will be brought up for approval at our Annual Meeting on April 27. Even with the excellent relationship we have with our Rabbi, it is not an easy task to write an agreement which seeks fairness and sensibility for all concerned.

Second, thanks go to Semmes Brightman and the **Finance Committee** for their work in the development of our coming fiscal year's budget, which will be brought up for approval at the annual meeting as well. Our needs are great, our mission is important, but our ability to balance desire with affordability is only facilitated by the committee's hard work and insight.

Third, thanks to Baldwin Davidson and the **Nominating Committee** for presenting a slate of Officers and Trustees for our approval. I know that they endeavored to find people who would be ready and willing to serve all of us in the work of the Board and its committees. While we're all busy, those who 'answered the call' and agreed to a term on the Board are to be thanked.

If you think there's a theme emerging - you're right! Many people put a great deal of time and effort into the work of the Temple. One way to show your appreciation - and to gain a better understanding of the issues we face and the means by which we operate, is to attend the **Annual Meeting** on April 27 at 10a.m. Come to state your opinions and be there to vote and participate in the decision making of the congregation.

Shalom,
Rich Goldberg

Mitzvah Day is coming...Mitzvah Day is coming...Mitzvah Day is coming...Mitzvah Day is coming...Mitzvah Day is coming...Mitzvah Day is coming...Mitzvah Day is coming...Mitzvah Day is coming...Mitzvah Day is coming.....



Welcome New Members

Please welcome to our congregation:

Michael and Lisa Brand
60 Lovett Avenue
Little Silver, NJ 07739
(908) 345-1139

UPDATE.....The Building Expansion Committee reported that we are on the agenda for the Zoning Board of Tinton Falls.

25TH ANNIVERSARY CHAIR FUND

Thanks to everyone for helping us meet our \$25,000 goal for the permanently endowed chair at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in honor of Rabbi Priesand. Contributions continue to come in and will probably exceed \$26,000.

To date we have 80% congregational participation! If you haven't sent in your contribution and would like to get us to the 100% mark, please do! Checks should be made payable to "The 25th Anniversary Chair Fund" and either left in the Finance Committee box in the office or mailed to me at home. Again, many thanks.

Semmes Brightman

The Office Staff wishes a zis'n Pesach to all of our Temple family.

Please note the *new, more convenient*

"url" for our Temple Web site is:

<http://www.monmouth.com/~mrt/>

Please check out the new web address for
Arts Festival

<http://www.monmouth.com/~mrt/festival/>

Our E-mail address is:

mrt@monmouth.com

FOOD GIFT CERTIFICATES

We hear from a number of our users that they feel guilty when they go to the food store without food certificates. Our committee says, "a little bit of guilt is not a bad thing." After all, look what you have done for the Temple without it costing you anything.

Arlene Berg 946-8559

Special Thanks.....

Many people contributed in many different ways to the joyful celebration of the 25th Anniversary of Rabbi Priesand's ordination on March 14.

Semmes and Ian Brightman
Joel Morgovsky
Baldwin Davidson and the
custodial staff
Our office staff
Rich Goldberg
Stu and Cora Tuchband
Jessie Goldberg and members of
the Youth Group
Vallerie and Gary Hersch
The Schreiber family
Ann and Randy Wolf
Dorothy Teitelbaum
Sheila Leavitt
Sisterhood and Brotherhood
Rosalie Rosin and Stan Ostroff

And all of you who came to worship, sing,
and kvell with our Rabbi.

Myra Ostroff and Bob Rosin

SHARING SIMCHAS **THE TEMPLE FAMILY EXTENDS** **A MAZEL TOV TO:**

Hanna and Greg Ostroff
on the birth of their daughter,
Isabel Aya Ostroff

**Brotherhood Mother's Day Breakfast
and
Book-Tape-Record Sale
May 11, 1997
(Rain Date May 18)**



ADULT EDUCATION

I am pleased to announce that our second Shabbat Kallah this year will take place on Saturday, May 10th, from 10:30 A.M. until 4:00 P.M. The program will be similar to the last Kallah but this time we have the added bonus of joining with Barbara Rosenzweig as she is called to the bema as an adult Bat Mitzvah. After the service we will meet in the social hall for lunch followed by Torah study and concluding with a Havdalah service. Those of us who attended the last Kallah were moved by the opportunity to study and enjoy the special nature of the Shabbat in company with members of our Temple family. Please come and join us for this Springtime celebration of the Shabbat and for the special opportunity to join with Barb on the occasion of her Bat Mitzvah.

Karen Karl

SCHOLARSHIP

The MRT Scholarship Committee wishes to thank all the members of the congregation who responded to the first annual "MRT Scholarship No Fundraiser, Fundraiser." Special thanks also go to the Brotherhood and Sisterhood, both of whom generously donated funds to Scholarship.

This year we are happy to announce that partial scholarships for Camp Harlam have been awarded to five MRT Religious School students: Amanda Libman, Jessica Morreale, Savannah Roberts, Marla Weinstein and Dena Weinstein.

Please continue to remember the Scholarship Fund when allocating your tzdakah. You can also support our fund by participating in the upcoming Book/Tape/Record Sale sponsored by Brotherhood on May 11. What better way to give our children a meaningful Jewish experience that is both educational and fun!

Thanks!

Vallerie Hersch

An Open Letter to the Jewish Community

As rabbis and concerned Jews, we express our personal commitment to Klal Yisrael. We, at the same time, urge our people to demonstrate their commitment to Klal Yisrael through both word and deed.

It is important for every Conservative and Reform Jew to support Klal Yisrael by making a meaningful gift to the 1997 Federation/UJA Campaign. At this time when pluralism in the Jewish community is being challenged, it is especially important, this year, for Conservative and Reform congregants to support Federation/UJA Campaigns because their causes are ones that need and deserve our support.

The United Jewish Appeal and the Council of Jewish Federations did not cause the challenge to religious pluralism in Israel. To the contrary, they have demonstrated over the past several months a genuine willingness to be our partners in the articulation of distress to the government of Israel. We welcome that support and expect them to heighten their efforts to strengthen Klal Yisrael and the cause of pluralism in Israel.

As Conservative and Reform Jews there are constructive steps that each of us can take. We must continue educating fellow Jews as to the implications of legislation that, in effect, disenfranchises non-Orthodox rabbis in Israel. It is important that each Jew understand the issues as well as our hurt. We must express our feelings to the Israeli government. Letters must be received by members of the Knesset so that they will sense our position and our pain - and understand our outrage!

But, we must support our Federation Campaigns this year. We must not hurt our fellow Jews in the former Soviet Union who require our help. We must seek ways to ease the pain for Jews who have made Aliyah and who are currently struggling to make a new home in Eretz Yisrael. And, we must be concerned about local needs: there are Jews in our own neighborhoods who require our help. We must not turn our backs on them. We are just beginning to make strides in Jewish continuity. If there is to be a Jewish communal response to continuity, we must support it.

The vision of Klal Yisrael - a unified Jewish people - is one that has been held by our ancestors for thousands of years. We share that vision. We believe that, working together with UJA and Federation leadership, we can mold and shape the Jewish community so its needs for physical security and financial well-being will be blended with its requirement for spiritual growth and educational depth and the freedom of all Jews to practice fully their Judaism wherever they are. It is through the partnership between the Synagogue world and the Federation world that this vision can become a reality.

L'Shalom,

Rabbi Jerome M. Epstein, Exec. V.P.

The United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism
Rabbi Paul Menitoff, Exec. V.P.

Central Conference of American Rabbis
Rabbi Joel Meyers, Exec. V.P.

The Rabbinical Assembly
Rabbi Eric Yoffie, Pres.

Union of American Hebrew Congregations



FESTIVAL 27

The 27th Monmouth Festival of the Arts is upon us, with the setting up of the show the week of March 31 and opening with our Gala Reception on Saturday night, April 5. Family Day, with many activities for the children, opens on Sunday, April 6. Don't miss out on the fun of being a part of this wonderful event. A lot of people have been working hard all year to plan the festival, and we are counting on you to join us for the rewarding and fun part, staffing the selling floor, setting up and tearing down. Yes, it is fun, and the spirit of working together is contagious. *Catch the fever.*

If you would like tickets to the opening reception, want to work at the festival, or if you have any questions, you can reach the festival at 747-8278. We look forward to seeing you there.

Dolores Phillips, Barbara Cobuzzi and

Kay Wiesenfeld, Co-Chairs

<http://www.monmouth.com/~mrt/festival/>

MONMOUTH REFORM TEMPLE

APRIL EVENTS

1 Tuesday - April 5		Arts Festival Setup
2 Wednesday	4:00-6:00 AM	Religious School at Church next door
	8:00 PM	Ritual Meeting
4 Friday	8:15 PM	Sabbath Eve Service (Shabbat Across America)
5 Saturday	7:30 PM	Arts Festival Opening Night
5 Saturday - 9 Wednesday		Arts Festival
9 Wednesday	4:00-6:00 PM	Religious School at Church next door
	8:00 PM	Executive Committee Mtg.
11 Friday	8:15 PM	Sabbath Eve Service
12 Saturday	10:30 AM	Weinstein Bar Mitzvah
13 Sunday	9:30 AM	Religious School
	10:00 AM	Brotherhood Brunch at Gibbs Hall - Fort Monmouth
	12:00 noon	Senior Youth Group
	1:00 PM	Healing Service
15 Tuesday	9:30 AM	Study Group
	8:00 PM	Temple Board
16 Wednesday	4:00-6:00 PM	Religious School
17 Thursday	7:30 PM	Arts Festival
18 Friday	8:15 PM	Sabbath Eve Service (Social Action Sabbath)
19 Saturday	10:30 AM	Hovatter Bat Mitzvah
20 Sunday	9:30 AM	Religious School (Model Seder)
21 Monday	Sundown	Passover Begins
22 Tuesday	6:00 PM	Congregational Seder
24 Thursday	7:30 PM	Art Selection Committee
25 Friday	8:15 PM	Sabbath Eve Service
27 Sunday	10:00 AM	Annual Meeting
	8:15 PM	Yizkor Service
29 Tuesday	9:30 AM	Study Group
	8:00 PM	Social Action Committee
	8:00 PM	Arts & Deco Meeting
30 Wednesday	4:00-6:00 PM	Religious School
	7:45 PM	Ways & Means Committee

NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL: APRIL 6, APRIL 23, APRIL 27
OFFICE CLOSED FOR PASSOVER: APRIL 22, APRIL 28

YAHREZEITS

- Apr. 4:** *Rose Stein, Ray Persoon, Rose Bakal,
*Rebecca Davidovits, *Gabriel Barnett,
*Alberta Kramer, *Carolyn B. Meyer*
- Apr. 11:** **Anna Rosin, *Morris Miller,
*Rose Straus, Sadie Dlugacz Klein,
M.E. Medalie, Bert Samuel Morgovsky,
Elizabeth Ruby, Charles Loebel,
Leopold Fuchs, *Alfred Mannheimer*
- Apr. 18:** **Fannie Kipnis, Simon Wiesengrund,
Bernard Fain, Alan Bruce Fain,
Leon Levinson, *Dorothy M. Feinberg,
Hyman Goldberg, Sadie Greenglass,
Herman Orlans, Tony Ciambrone,
Louis Levin, Anna Cohen, Howard Klein,
Leonard S. Snyder, Howard Rosen,
Harry Gale, Sheldon Rose, Yetta Drath,
*Rose Rubinstein, *Gertie Hersch Wiener*
- Apr. 25:** *Benjamin Ehrenberg, *Rae Ostrov,
Sigmund Kaswiner, Rebecca Birnkrant, Mildred
Hamberg, Molly Pickus, Ivan Isaacs, Mollie
Reiss, Jack Salzman, *Lena Collis, *Wendy
Salomon, Jesse Davidson, *Sidney Martin,
Esther Isquith*

*Indicates perpetual Kaddish

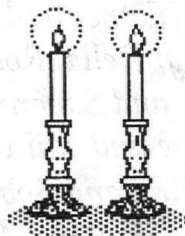
**The Congregation extends warm
condolences to:**

**Karen and Dan Grieco
on the death of Karen's uncle
SOLOMON WEISSMAN**

*May God send peace to
all the bereaved among us.*

TRADITIONAL SABBATH EVE CANDLE LIGHTING

April 4 6:06 PM
April 11 6:13 PM
April 18 6:20 PM
April 25 6:28 PM



RITUAL COMMITTEE

Greetings from the Ritual Committee!

A few special observances are on the horizon and you might want to plan for some of them.

- On April 4th we will join with the rest of the country in observing Shabbat Across America. This is a service to honor Shabbat and an opportunity to reach out to the unaffiliated. The Arts Festival opens the very next day, so there cannot be an Oneg, but the service will be especially designed to fit the occasion. Join us in this historic event.
- On Sunday, April 13, there is another in the series of Services of Healing and Hope. Join with others in a service expressly created to help cope with life's most difficult challenges. Service starts at 1:00pm.
- On May 4th, Sunday morning, we will hold a Yom HaShoah observance that features the Religious School classes and includes the reading of names of Holocaust victims. The goal, nationally, is to have the name of everyone who perished in the Nazi extermination program read somewhere, by someone in synagogues across the country. Look for the table in the lobby to pick up your yellow Yom HaShoah observance candle after the Arts Festival.

On other fronts I want to draw your attention to some special efforts being proposed by Student Cantor Case. First among those is the goal of re-establishing our Choir with the specific aim of singing a few prayers during the High Holydays this year. Making this happen will require a real, but time-limited commitment to learning the music and rehearsing at the Temple. Won't you consider participating in this lovely project?

Finally, if you want to be a part of our "Shiva Corps," a group of Temple members called as part of a phone chain whenever a death occurs in our Temple family, please let me know through a note or a phone call.

Shalom
Joel Morgovsky

BROTHERHOOD

Our March meeting featured Bill Smith and Bob Schulman who had a very interesting slide show on how to plan for retirement. Bill stressed that people should not rely on social security for all their financial needs. He also suggested people should consider what their life style will be when they retire.

Upcoming events include a brunch on April 13. Our Paid-Up Membership Brunch was so tasty that we decided to return to Gibbs Hall. This time there will be a small charge of \$5 for members and guests are invited for \$10. Please let Jim Berg or Bernie Brandwene know if you will attend. We must make reservations.

Our Block-Buster Mother's Day Breakfast will be held again this year on May 11. We will have pancakes, eggs, juice, coffee, and Baldy Davidson Potatoes. Please note that we have rescheduled our book/tape/record sale for the same day for your convenience. Contributions to the sale should be brought to the old cloak room between April 27 and May 9. Bring your favorite mother to enjoy breakfast in her honor; then take a peek at our Book and Record Sale!

Jim Berg
President



Judaica Shop



What better way to make this Passover a memorable one. And we can help!

The Judaica Shop has everything you need for the occasion; Seder plates, matzoh boxes, matzoh covers, Haggadahs for adults and children, a selection of gifts for you and/or your host/hostess and for the Seder maker a variety of cookbooks with simple and delicious recipes.

We're open for your shopping on

Sunday, April 13th

9:30 AM to 12:30 PM

and on

Wednesday April 16th

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Just call us!

Fannie Klein 741-5676

Gloria Kantor 741-3753

Passover greetings to our

Rich and Linda Goldberg and family Temple family
Mort Jacobs
Lila and Max Singer
Barbara and Al Goldstein
Fern and Ben Burton
Meg Levinson, Paige and Greg Luhn
The Fass Family, Scott, Tisha, Sarah,
Samantha and Elizabeth
The Hersch Family
Joanna and Brian Charnick
Martha Brandwene and Rita McWilliams
Dylan and Sean Barlett and
Ronnie Gardstein
Ann Baldrige Scheuer
Steve Lewis, Pam Burke, Daniel and Brian
Charles and Norma Bernstein
Susan Martin
Susan and Robert St. Lifer, Lillian,
Sam and Emily

from:



Arlene and Jim Berg
The Greenberg and Wilkus Family
Sheila and Jim Leavitt
The Johnson Family, Marty, Nancy, Drew,
Alex and Stephanie
Baldwin Davidson
Eve Leppel, Tom Walsh and
Esther and Ronnie
Randy, Della, Rosalyn
and Savannah Roberts
Connie and Milton Klein
Rosalind and Bob Woolf
Dean, Sharyn, Melanie, Sean, Dee and
Max, Sam and Izzy

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NOTES

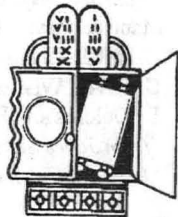
where parents set the example

On March 16, the Religious School joined the long list honoring Rabbi Priesand for her 25 years in the clergy. Ms. Millman, our 2nd grade teacher, and Ms. Bell, an intermediate grade teacher, wrote parodies to familiar songs especially for the school's tribute. The children's choir sang two selections and the entire school sang the Rabbi's favorite Purim song, Lakova Sheli, complete with hand motions. Members of the confirmation class shared their special thoughts with the assembly and members of the eighth and ninth grades explained some of their favorite mitzvot from Rabbi Priesand's Mitzvah of the Month program. The tribute concluded with refreshments sponsored by the Religious Education Committee.

Observing the students from grades kindergarten through confirmation joining together for our tribute reinforced for me the Rabbi's long held belief that our Religious School is not composed of separate entities, called classes, functioning without regard for one another. Rabbi Priesand strongly maintains that each class operates as a member within the MRT Religious School community and that each age group is encouraged and fortified by the other age groups experiencing Jewish education together every Sunday and Wednesday.

Surveys have shown Passover to be the favorite holiday among Reform Jews. It is easy to understand the appeal of family get togethers, with bountiful food and wondrous aromas. For many, this month's seder quickly brings to the surface memories of joyous past Passovers when families may have lived in closer proximity than now and older loved ones were present to share the holiday spirit. As Passover united us in ancient times, it performs the same function today, bringing Jews together for family and cultural bonding.

Passover is my favorite holiday, as well, and I miss my parents and aunts and uncles who made the seders so special, and yes, so Jewish. And, I am saddened that two of my children, Craig and Rachel, will be attending college in Colorado during the Passover season. But, your children are here and I



want to help make this Passover model seder as special for them as possible. Rabbi Priesand conducts the seder mindful that this may be the only seder attended by some of our students. Much care and love goes into model seder preparation. Parent volunteers work all morning to create seder plates for each student with the traditional items brought in by the children themselves. Our new, children's oriented Haggadah is read and Lisa Goodall, our school's music teacher, leads us in the holiday melodies. It is my sincere hope that many years from now, our school children will look upon the MRT model seder with the same affection as I have for the holiday gathering of my childhood. (Please let me know if the model seder is the only seder that your child will attend.)

By now, all school families should have received my letter listing the Passover food responsibilities for each grade. If you would like to assist with the model seder on Sunday, April 20 (9:00 for volunteers), contact Susan St. Lifer, chair of the Religious Education Committee, 780-4778.

Due to the Monmouth Festival of the Arts, school will be held at the Monmouth Church of Christ on two successive Wednesdays--April 2 and 9, at regular session hours; NO school on April 6.

Passover candy orders will be available for distribution on Sunday, April 13.

Ms. Bell's fourth grade class will conduct the Shabbat family service on Friday, May 4. These students have waited all year to display their knowledge for their families and the congregation. I know that the class' high level of accomplishment will surprise many in attendance.

The magnitude of the Holocaust makes it an absolutely necessary subject for study and analysis. At MRT, the Holocaust and other genocide are examined in terms of their facts and their morality.

Our annual Yom Hashoah service conducted by Rabbi Priesand and Student Cantor Case and held this year on Sunday, May 4, reminds us that all life is holy and that the living have responsibilities to the dead. Grades 4 through 10 will attend this service and Grade 6 will participate in the program. I hope that school parents and congregants will "set the example" by attending.

Shalom,
David Levinsky

THE CONGREGATION ACKNOWLEDGES WITH THANKS THE FOLLOWING CONTRIBUTIONS

THE RABBI'S FUND

In Memory of:

Maurice Meyer, Jr.

from Caryl and Charles Sills

from Erik and Jean Borup

Joan Litwin

from Caryl and Charles Sills

from Arthur and Miriam Harris

In Honor of:

The 25th Anniversary of Rabbi Priesand's Ordination

from the St. Lifer family

from Joan and Jerry Lansky

from Baldwin Davidson

from Bob and Marianne Gabel

from Helene Marx

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from Elaine Espey

The birth of our grandson, Justin Mikel Litofsky

from Francine and Barry Litofsky

Get Well Wishes:

To Dolores and Ken Phillips

from Connie and Milton Klein

THE FLOWER FUND

In Memory of:

Siegmund Rath

from Jill and Harmon Butler

Binnarie Adams

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Marjorie Fishman

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Morris Gelb

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In Honor of:

Jason Ryterband's Bar Mitzvah

from Jeff Willard and Steve Mahan

The marriage of Bob and Dottie Blank

from Lila and Max Singer

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To Bob Singer

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from Marjorie Levy

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In Honor of:

The engagement of our son Marc to Melinda Moy

from Karen and David Levinsky

Our daughter, Jessica's Bat Mitzvah

from Nancy and Michael Hovatter

MAZON FUND

from Cora and Stu Tuchband

In Memory of:

George Brodtkin

from Eileen and Joe Grossman

In Honor of:

The engagement of Cora and Stu Tuchband's son Steven

from Karen and David Levinsky

PRAYER BOOK FUND

In Memory of:

Maurice Meyer, Jr.

from Phyllis and Charles Rubinstein

from Abe Strominger

from Barrie, Mindy, Steve and

Audrey Rubinstein

from Trudy and Steve Goldsmith

Maurice Meyer, Jr.

from Cora and Stu Tuchband

Henry Schwartzman

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In Honor of:

Rabbi Priesand's Doctor of Divinity Degree

from Rosalind A. Gold

The 25th Anniversary of Rabbi Priesand's Ordination

from Bob and Marianne Gabel

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND

In Honor of:

The engagement of Karen and David Levinsky's son Marc to Melinda Moy

from Cora and Stu Tuchband

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SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE FUND

In Memory of:

Maurice Meyer, Jr.

from Peg and Jerry Baker

In Honor of:

The marriage of Bob Blank to Dottie Dean

from Peg and Jerry Baker

from Rosalind and Bob Woolf

Get Well Wishes:

To Dolores and Ken Phillips

from Peg and Jerry Baker

from Cora and Stu Tuchband

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In Memory of:

Maurice Meyer, Jr.

from Joan and Jerry Lansky

from Betty and Bob Schulman

from Sandy and Bernie Brandwene

Joan Litwin

from Sue and Joe Frankel

Henry Schwartzman

from Dolores and Ken Phillips

In Honor of:

Susan Hersch' Bat Mitzvah

from Peg and Jerry Baker

from Barbara and Al Goldstein

Sheila Leavitt's special birthday

from Rosalind and Bob Woolf

Jason Ryterband's Bar Mitzvah

from Dolores and Ken Phillips

from Barbara and Al Goldstein

The 25th Anniversary of Rabbi Priesand's Ordination

from Bruce and Sandy Sternberg

from Betty and Bob Salomon

from Clara Gee and Milton Ziment

The engagement of Cora and Stu Tuchband's son Steven

from Gabe and Miriam Torok

The birth of Francine and Barry Litofsky's

grandson, Justin Mikel

from Gabe and Miriam Torok

from Dolores and Ken Phillips

The marriage of Bob Blank to Dottie Dean

from Betty and Bob Schulman

The engagement of Karen and David Levinsky's

son Marc

from Dolores and Ken Phillips

Get Well Wishes:

To Bob Schulman

from Betty and Bob Salomon

To Bob Singer

from Phyllis and Charles Rubinstein

from Betty and Bob Schulman

from Betty and Bob Salomon

Dolores and Ken Phillips

from Barbara and Al Goldstein

from Phyllis and Charles Rubinstein

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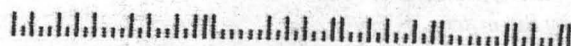
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Monmouth Reform Temple Calendar for April

WORSHIP SERVICES

Apr.	4 Fri	Sabbath Eve	8:15 PM
	11 Fri	Sabbath Eve	8:15 PM
	12 Sat	Sabbath Morning	10:30 AM
	13 Sun	Healing Service	1:00 PM
	18 Fri	Sabbath Eve	8:15 PM
	19 Sat	Sabbath Morning	10:30 AM
	25 Fri	Sabbath Eve	8:15 PM
	27 Sun	Yizkor	8:15 PM



SPECIAL EVENTS

Apr.	5-9	Monmouth Festival of the Arts	
	13 Sun	Brotherhood Brunch	10:00 AM
	20 Sun	Relig. Sch. Model Seder	9:30 AM
	22 Tues	Congregational Seder	6:00 PM

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Apr.	2 Wed	Religious School	4-6:00 PM
	6 Sun	No Religious School	
	9 Wed	Religious School	4-6:00 PM
	13 Sun	Religious School	9:30 AM
	16 Wed	Religious School	4-6:00 PM
	20 Sun	Religious School	9:30 AM
	23 Wed	No Religious School	
	27 Sun	No Religious School	
	30 Wed	Religious School	4-6:00 PM

MEETINGS

Apr.	2 Wed	Ritual Committee	8:00 PM
	9 Wed	Executive Comm	8:00 PM
	13 Sun	Sr. Youth	12:00 PM
	15 Tues	Study Group	9:30 AM
	15 Tues	Temple Board	8:00 PM
	17 Thurs	Arts Festival	7:30 PM
	24 Thurs	Art Selection	7:30 PM
	27 Sun	Annual Meeting	10:00 AM
	29 Tues	Study Group	9:30 AM
	29 Tues	Arts and Deco	8:00 PM
	29 Tues	Social Action	8:00 PM
	30 Wed	Ways and Means	7:45 PM