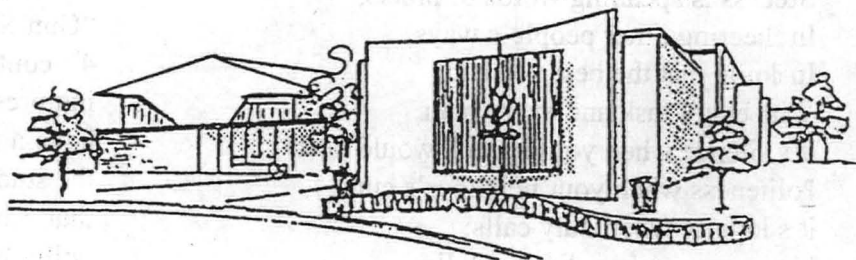


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SIVAN-TAMMUZ 5761

JUNE 2001

Fri. 1 Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM
Consecration of Confirmands
Sermon: **MEMORY AND MEANING**
Torah Portion: Naso
Num. 4:21-7:89

Fri. 8 Tot Shabbat 6:30 PM
Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM
Sermon: **SOME REFLECTIONS ON PRAYER**
Torah Portion: Beha'alotecha
Num. 8:1-12:16

Fri. 15 Outreach Sabbath - 8:15 PM
Guest Speaker: Dru Greenwood
"Outreach-Then and Now: How the Movement Has Evolved"
Torah Portion: Shelach-Lecha
Num. 13:1-15:41

Fri. 22 Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM
Sermon: **MY BELOVED IS MINE: A SERMON IN SONG**
Torah Portion: Korach
Num. 16:1-18:32

Fri. 29 Sabbath Eve - 8:15 PM
Conducted by Ritual Committee
Leader: Member of the Ritual Committee
Torah Reader: Karen Karl
Torah Portion: Chukat
Num. 19:1-22:1

PLEASE NOTE CORRECTION

There will **NOT** be an early
Family Service
at 6:30 PM on June 22nd

OTHER SERVICES

Sun. 3 Confirmation - 10:30 AM
MAJOR MOMENTS IN JEWISH HISTORY

Sat. 9 Sabbath Morning - 10:30 AM
Sermon: **THE IMPORTANCE OF LIGHT**
Bar Mitzvah of Drew Johnson
son of Nancy and Marty Johnson

Sat. 23 Sabbath Morning - 10:30 AM
Sermon: **WHEN PEOPLE ARE DIFFICULT**
Bat Mitzvah of Dena Weinstein
daughter of Joy and Martin Weinstein

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

Marilyn and Joel Morgovsky - on their daughter Micah being accepted to cantorial school.

Marcy and Brian McMullen - on their son David being honored by John Hopkins at Monmouth University for his score of 1350 on the SAT's.

Christopher Placitella - on being elected President of American Trial Lawyers Association, New Jersey.

Florence Diller - on her son Paul's graduation from law school and placing first in the Henry M. Campbell Moot Court Competition.

Bob Blank - on his son Daniel receiving his Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree from Tisch School of the Arts at New York University.

Daniel was a Founders' Day Honor Recipient and a member of the University Scholars group.

Sandy and Jerry Solomon - on the engagement of their daughter Marni to David Gray.

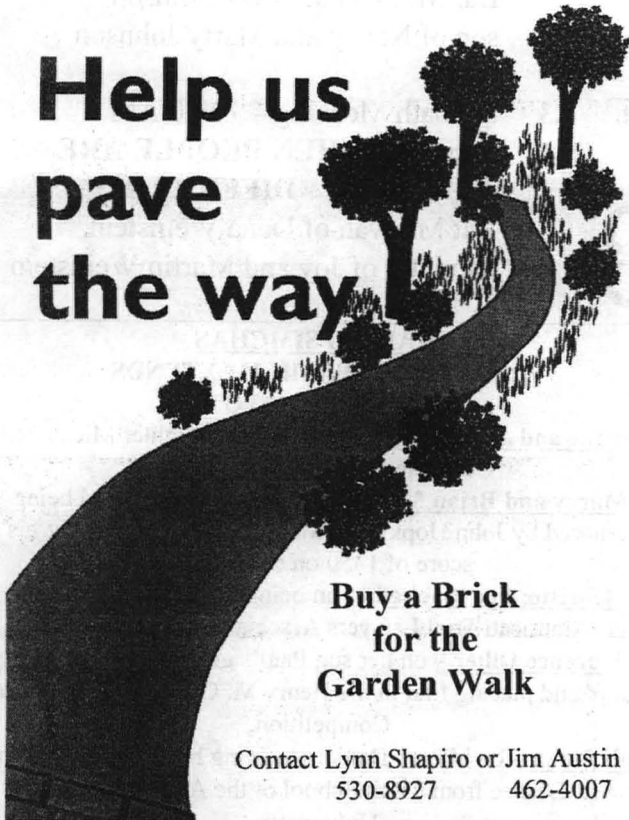
Barbara and Richard Gitlin - on the marriage of their daughter Rachel to Josh Herman.

Please keep us informed so we can share your simchas with your Temple Family

REFLECTIONS

Success is speaking words of praise,
In cheering other people's ways,
In doing just the best you can,
With every task and every plan.
It's silence when your speech would hurt,
Politeness when your neighbor's curt.
It's loyalty when duty calls;
It's courage when disaster falls.
It's patience when the hours are long;
It's found in laughter and in song.
It's the silent time of prayer,
In happiness and in despair.
In all of life and nothing less,
We find the thing we call Success.

Author Unknown



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Bobbie Goldstein, Ways & Means Chair.

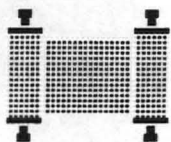
SOCIAL ACTION

The impact of Monmouth Reform Temple's "Gun Safety and Awareness Forum" held on March 4th continues to be felt. We have received several inquiries from concerned parents who would like to have a program presented at their child's school for the students or for the Parent Teacher organization of that school. Those who attended the MRT program will always remember Mandy Patinkin gathering the children on the bema and having them turn to their parents and yell: "Please ask!" Please ask if there is a gun in the house where I am going to play. The message is clearly stated in the pamphlet "Asking Saves Kids" produced by PAX whose co-founders Dan Gross and Talmadge Cooley spoke at the March 4th event. According to the pamphlet, over 40% of homes with children have a gun. The pamphlet advises parents, before sending your child to someone's house (playmate, relative, neighbor), to ASK if they have a gun in the home. If there is not a gun in the home...great! That's one less thing you have to worry about. If there is a gun, make sure that the gun is stored unloaded and locked, ideally in a gun safe, with ammunition locked separately."

The Social Action Committee seeks the assistance of members of the congregation to spread this simple yet lifesaving message. We would like to be a resource for those who would spread the word: "Please Ask!" If you would be willing to participate as a speaker at a program, to arrange a program at a local school or business, to distribute the "Asking Saves Kids" pamphlet or to help in any other way, please contact me or call the Temple office. As Mandy Patinkin so eloquently put it on that snowy day in March, "Ask if there is a gun in the home; it's easier than picking out a coffin."

Would you like to become a member of the Social Action Committee? For more information or to volunteer for any Social Action projects or events, you may reach me during the day at (732) 462-7170 or evenings at (732) 625-0776. My e-mail address is boblank98@aol.com. You may also call the temple office.

**Robert C. Blank,
Social Action Chair**



FROM RABBI PRIESAND

What a joyful evening the 40/20 celebration was! The room was beautifully decorated, the food great, the music perfect for the occasion, the entertainment a wonderful showcase for the talent we have in our midst – from Havdalah to the final dance, it was indeed a festive occasion. I was particularly touched by the warm and heartfelt remarks of Gerald Reisner concerning my twenty years with the temple and very grateful for the beautifully handcrafted pin that was presented to me. I will wear it with pride and fond memories of all we have shared these past two decades. For those unable to attend, permit me to repeat here my message in the anniversary booklet:

Anniversaries, like birthdays, offer a special opportunity to look backward and ahead. Tonight's celebration evokes memories of days gone by, of people who once sat among us and are sorely missed, of dreams fulfilled and hopes realized. It also bids us look to the future, aware of new challenges, ready once again to bring our hearts and our hands to the many tasks that remain undone. As we mark this moment in time, we give thanks to God for the many blessings bestowed upon our congregation and for the sincerity and unselfishness with which so many volunteer their time and expertise. These three – God, blessing, sincerity – are foremost in my mind this night.

Every letter of the Hebrew alphabet has a numerical equivalent. The letter מ stands for forty. It also represents one of the many names we have for God - מקום (makom). Literally, מקום means "place," reminding us that God is present in every place if we but pay attention. That is the lesson we learn from Jacob who upon waking from his dream exclaimed in awe: "Surely God is present in this place (makom) and I, I knew it not."

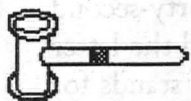
We all know that this is really the forty-second anniversary of our temple and so we add the letter כ which has a numerical value of two. כ stands for ברכה (b'racha) which means "blessing." כ is the first letter of Torah. Our sages taught that God began creation with the letter כ in order to remind us that everything we do is an opportunity to bring blessing into the world. כ is also a letter of duality. In the beginning, God created everything in pairs. Thus, we are partners with God and with each other in moving the world forward toward that purpose for which it was created. The letter כ also calls to mind the rabbinic teaching that whenever two people sit to study Torah God's Presence dwells among them.

This is my twentieth year in your midst. The Hebrew letter כ stands for twenty. It is the first letter of the word כונה (kavanah) which means "sincerity" in the sense of doing things with intention. I have tried to bring my heart to all my responsibilities and you have responded with yours. That is why our partnership has been so successful and has lasted so long. Thank you for your continued willingness to explore with me the eternal drama we call Judaism. May God continue to bless our efforts in the years ahead, and may we strive always to be the best that we can be.

Old Phones Can Help Domestic Abuse Victims

"Donate-A-Phone" program helps domestic violence victims. Sponsored by the Wireless Foundation, this campaign collects and refurbishes phones. The phones are reprogrammed with 911 and other emergency numbers so domestic violence victims can access local emergency services and hotline numbers at the touch of a button. From May 1 to July 31, RadioShack is once again partnering with the Wireless Foundation to collect cell phones for the program. Please drop off your outdated cell phones to any of RadioShack's 7,100 stores. Phones and accessories in any condition will be gladly accepted, and all donations are tax-deductible. For more information, access the Web site: www.donateaphone.com.

FROM THE PRESIDENT



On May 6th, 2001 at the annual meeting, a slate of officers was presented for election to the Board of Trustees. I was elected to be your President...so how did I get to be President anyway?

In 1990 my family and I became members of MRT. My husband Lloyd and I decided to formalize our boys' Jewish upbringing and enrolled them here to begin their religious education. I worked part-time and donated some free time to my children's school experience, both in elementary and religious school. As Lloyd, now 19, and Drew, now 17, grew older, they became involved in the temple's youth group. I was just minding my own business one day, standing in the hallway outside the temple office when the Rabbi emerged and suggested that I join the youth group committee. How do you say no to the Rabbi? And so my journey began! Little did I know in 1990 that MRT would become such an important part of my life. After all, I just wanted my kids to get a formal Jewish education!

Since youth group, I joined Sisterhood, became the Sisterhood President, joined the Ways and Means Committee, became a Trustee on the Board, a Vice President, and now the President of the Temple. I never planned to be President. I never thought I could do the job as the President. I was afraid to become the President! But I realized that some of the best things in life are those things that you work hard to achieve and become successful at and that unless you stretch you can never reach your potential. MRT has helped me to grow Jewishly, to understand my responsibility in Tikkun Olam (repairing the world) and to appreciate this community. Everything that we do in our temple community, from paying our dues, to attending services, to joining committees, works towards our goal as Jews to partner with God and help repair the world.

I look forward to being a part of this partnership with you and working with an amazing group of people who also serve on the Board. People who are compassionate, talented, committed and, like me, value the opportunity to give something back. They are:

Alice Berman
Bob Blank
Semmes Brightman
Joan Denton
Ayse Dilber
Bob Gabel
Bobbie Goldstein
Bev Gruensfelder
Mark Gruensfelder

Miriam Hageman
Michael Kaye
Sheila Leavitt
Rachel Placitella
Bob Rosin
Dee Ross
Susan St. Lifer
Stu Tuchband
Jay Wiesenfeld

My telephone number is 530-6673 and my e-mail address is Sfitz530@home.com. I welcome your calls!

Stephanie Fitzsimmons, President

GREETINGS FROM BROTHERHOOD

Our Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast and Book and Record Sale was enjoyed by all. Baldwin Davidson led the cooks and waiters; Don Leeds held together the sale. Many thanks to them and all the workers.

To Larry Avrin, Mark Gruensfelder, Jim Baker, Jim Berg, Bernie Brandwene, Bob St. Lifer, Bob Gabel, Bob Rosin, Art Harris, Brian Charnick, Barry Miller, Arthur George, Steve Mahan, Hy Klein, and Alan Gabel...thanks for all your hard work.

As spring ends a larger and reinvigorated Brotherhood Board with new president, Mark Gruensfelder, and new members Arthur George and Jim Newman, are planning programs for the coming year. Our goal is to make Brotherhood a center of fellowship for all the Temple men and, with Sisterhood, to create opportunities for learning, Jewish education and service to Temple and community.

To the 2001 Confirmation Class — congratulations, you've done it!

Bob Gabel

Brotherhood wishes to thank all who helped to make the Mother's Day book sale and breakfast a very successful event. My personal thanks to our office staff, Elinor and Mindy, and custodians Alex and Peter who helped with their manpower. Also, thanks to all the Brothers, including Louis Welfare, Michael Book and Mark Gruensfelder without whom the "set up" and "return to storage" could not have been accomplished. A special thank you to Steve Mahan and Bob Gabel for all their assistance; cashiers Hy Klein and Ken Phillips and Bernie Brandwene and Joan Leeds for their help with constructing signs. **Don S. Leeds, Brotherhood Treasurer and Book Sale Coordinator**



A Note from Cantor Daniel M. Rosenfeld

Shalom!

We truly have been blessed with a breathtaking Spring. I'm thinking of the magnolia blossoms which covered the walk in front of my apartment over the last few weeks. How fitting it is that our temple experienced so beautiful and joyous an occasion as the Dinner Dance on Saturday April 28th when we gathered together to celebrate Rabbi Priesand's more than twenty years at MRT and the congregation's fortieth anniversary. I offer my heartfelt congratulations to Sheila Leavitt and her committee for planning such a wonderful event. It was a sheer pleasure to share in the warmth and spirit of that occasion with our temple family. Again, congratulations to Sheila and all of those who made it happen.

In addition to the joy and beauty of this season's events, we were graced with the presence of one of the Reform Movement's foremost composers, my teacher and friend Bonia Shur. Professor Shur has served on the faculty of Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati since 1974. On Sunday, April 29th, he visited our area as part of the Jewish cultural series sponsored by the Strategic Plan Initiative Fund of the Jewish Federation of Greater Monmouth County, and four Reform Temples of Monmouth County, including our own congregation. In the afternoon at Temple Shalom, Professor Shur delivered a lecture entitled *From Traditional To Jazz In The Synagogue*, replete with humorous, colorful anecdotes and musical examples. During his presentation, he traced the evolution of Jewish music from Biblical times on up to our own era. Professor Shur demonstrated his intimate familiarity with the genres and conventions which have influenced the music of our people for centuries. In typical fashion, he opined on what he considered to be the worthy and less worthy among those influences. Whether or not everyone agreed with his comments, they came away from the presentation invigorated and with food for thought.

Later in the evening, Professor Shur conducted a special workshop for our Adult Choir here at the temple. And that's when the fun really began. He conducted the ensemble through nine of his compositions explaining in depth the various events

and individuals who had inspired him. He shared stories of an intimate nature which revealed his beliefs and his life experiences, at times painful. He then went on to improvise a piece with the choir based on New Jersey traffic patterns. This is one of his trademarks, to compose on the spot with singers of all ages and musical backgrounds.

The choir was exhilarated by his presence and by the work he did with them. It was a genuine thrill for our members to meet and work with a *real, live* composer of his stature. Knowing Bonia, I can safely say that he also enjoyed the workshop immensely. In fact, he was so impressed by our choir that he sent them a letter in which he offered them glowing praise. I would like to share it with you:

"I truly enjoyed working with you both artistically and socially. I treasured every minute of sharing the inner structure of my compositions. Your total attention to my directions allowed me to take you through the maze of little notes and rhythmic constellations which form harmonic universes that move the listener through the entirety of the composition.

"I would love to be in touch with you. I would love to work with you again on a new project that would allow me to share with you again the pulse of my creative mechanism.

"Be blessed in your every day lives."

This letter gives an inkling of how rewarding an evening it was for both the composer and the choir. A number of our singers commented on how quickly the three hour workshop passed.

In closing, I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to all who were involved in this project, and I look forward to undertaking more like it in the year to come.

*L'shalom v'ahavah,
Cantor Rosenfeld*

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

I am a long standing member of MRT and in charge of the Volunteer Income Tax Site at the Monmouth County Library in Shrewsbury, Route 35. It is the busiest and best site of its type in the state. We would like to increase the size of our very fine volunteer group. We work from February 15th to April 15th. You do not have to be an accountant. We will train you. If you are interested, call 741-0766 or drop me a note, Al Peskoe - 62 Oakes Road, Little Silver, 07739.

DESIGN YOUR OWN MITZVAH
Opportunities for volunteering exist at MRT

Volunteer to teach Hebrew to beginners who want to learn

Contact Karen Karl

Help to organize a room in our building for committees to use when needed. We need someone to pick up a file cabinet in E. Windsor that is being donated to us.

Contact Joan Denton

Please contact Florence Diller or Fayth Newell to help with any of the above mitzvot



**TINTON FALLS
CO-OP NURSERY SCHOOL**

Though summer is almost here, our nursery school is still moving full speed ahead! The staff, parents, children, and I are eagerly anticipating our many end of the year activities. We have been practicing for our Class of 2001 Graduation Ceremony. Plans for the annual picnic are underway; with pony rides, a surprise character, and great food for all!

My staff and I would like to thank the temple for all their support. I would especially like to mention Bobbie Goldstein who has worked so closely and diligently with me for the well-being of the nursery school. Her expertise on the computer has certainly enhanced our brochures and other advertisements.

I wish all of you a happy and safe summer and ask you to please remember our summer program and don't forget to spread the good word about our fall program. For more information, call me at 747-3990.

Bobbie LaPlaca, Director



MEET OUR JUNE B'NAI MITZVAH

DREW JOHNSON

On June 9th Drew will become a Bar Mitzvah. This is a very special day for Drew. His parents Nancy and Marty, brother Alex and sister Stephanie are very proud of him. Drew is an honor student at Oak Hill Academy in Lincroft and is in the 7th grade. His favorite subjects are math, history and science. Drew is a ROGATE Honors member (National Talent Network), and is on the soccer team and in the drama club. He enjoys reading, the computer, rollerblading and skateboarding. Drew and his family are looking forward to this special day. Drew extends a special thank you to the Rabbi and the Cantor for their support and guidance. Mazel Tov to Drew and his family.

DENA WEINSTEIN

June 23rd will be Dena's special day to remember when she will become a Bat Mitzvah. Her parents Joy and Martin, sister Marla and brother David are very proud of her. Dena attends Thompson Middle School in Middletown and is in the 7th grade. Dena plays soccer, basketball, softball and enjoys camping. Her favorite subject is social studies. Dena is very excited about her Bat Mitzvah and celebrating with friends and family. Mazel Tov to Dena and her family.

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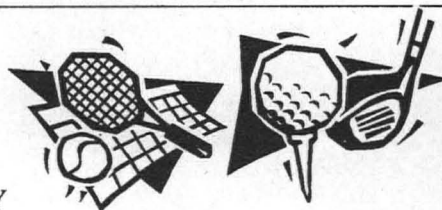
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MONMOUTH REFORM TEMPLE

JUNE 2001

Friday June 1	8:15 PM	Sabbath Eve Service (Consecration of Confirmands)
Sunday, June 3	10:30 AM	Confirmation
Tuesday, June 5	9:30 AM	Adult Study Group
	8:00 PM	Religious Education Meeting
Wednesday June 6	4:30 PM	Youth Committee Meeting
	6:00 PM	Senior Youth Board Meeting
	7:15 PM	Cantor's Trope class
	8:00 PM	Ritual Meeting
Fri.day June 8	6:30 PM	Tot Shabbat
	8:15 PM	Sabbath Eve Service
Saturday June 9	10:30 AM	Sabbath Service (Drew Johnson Bar Mitzvah)
Monday June 11	7:30 PM	Arts Festival Meeting
Tuesday June 12	9:30 AM	Adult Study Group
Wednesday June 13	7:15 PM	Cantor's Trope class
	8:00 PM	Executive Committee
Friday June 15	6:30/8:15 PM	Sabbath Eve Service (Outreach Dinner & Sabbath)
Tuesday June 19	9:30 AM	Adult Study Group (last session)
	8:00 PM	Temple Board Meeting
Wednesday June 20	7:15 PM	Cantor's Trope class
Friday June 22	8:15 PM	Sabbath Eve Service
Saturday, June 23	10:30 AM	Sabbath Morning Service (Dena Weinstein Bat Mitz.)
Tuesday June. 26	8:00 PM	Social Action Meeting
Wednesday June 27	7:15 PM	Cantor's Trope class
Friday June 29	8:15 PM	Sabbath Eve Service

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NOTES

where parents set the example

The five Monmouth County reform religious school principals are in the process of organizing the final details for their 3rd annual teachers' workshop. As with most yearly events, planning for the October 14, 2001 event began the month following our fall, 2000 teachers' gathering. We needed monthly meetings to first decide on a theme, the structure of the day and the facilitators for the sessions. The workshop will be held as usual at MRT.

The Holiness of Teaching is this year's theme. The workshop agenda includes coffee, a prayer service, a keynote address, two seventy-five minute sessions, lunch and a follow-up evaluation. Temple lay leaders are encouraged to attend, and frankly, you will enjoy the quality of instruction and discussion.

Rabbi Priesand and Cantor Rosenfeld will conduct the morning service. Rabbi Malinger of Temple Shalom, Rabbi Stanway of Temple Beth Miriam, Rabbi Sherman of Temple Shaari Emeth, and Rabbi Weber of Temple Rodeph Torah will act as facilitators for the first session. Each rabbi will select a favorite Jewish text that demonstrates that teaching is a holy endeavor. Certainly, we know through Rabbi Priesand's Mitzvah Program that Talmud Torah (studying Torah) is one of the highest commandments. Attention to learning is incumbent upon the teacher and the student. As principals, we hope that the rabbis' sessions are instructive and motivate their participants to strive even more to perfect their teaching skills.

The second session, with each of the principals leading a group, aims to provide additional methods to solving problematic classroom situations or altering teachers' behaviors. The five classes are the Holiness of Speech: how teachers speak to and about students; Derech Eretz: the holiness of proper conduct through textual clues on better classroom discipline; What do our sacred texts tell us about teaching: respect for the students by being prepared for their lessons; Creating a sacred space: developing spirituality in the classroom; and the Holiness of Hebrew: how language instills the message of Judaism.

A benefit from dialoging with the other principals during the past three years has been the exchange of ideas and knowledge regarding Judaism. Also, we candidly talk of areas of concern within our own schools and share our individual approaches to their solution. Similarly, I find the Religious School Committee meetings at MRT just as productive. A principal cannot know everything and, therefore, discussions are useful to clarify and refine topics raised at our monthly meetings. Often, I employ my experience to expand and utilize suggestions first presented by members of our committee. Please consider joining the Religious Education Committee. You will be surprised at the immediate impact your participation will have on the operation of our religious school. Contact Bob Gabel for more information.

It is important that uninvolved religious school parents realize that many members give freely of their limited time to make MRT a better experience for all children.

At the top of the list is Jay Wiesenfeld, past chair of the Religious Education Committee, for his insightful leadership and very well run committee meetings. Members of the committee coordinated holiday programs: Arthur George (Chanukah Celebration), Ilene Saporta (model seder) and Karen Grieco (shalach manot baskets). Karen Cole and Rachel Placitella have given many hours throughout the year on projects for the school.

Now, long time member of the committee, Dr. Bob Gabel, has taken on the responsibility of chair.

For many, many years, Brian McMullen has been responsible for collecting the weekly tzdakah from each class, tallying the money, maintaining records and preparing a weekly graph that visually explains each class' contribution. This year, our class parents have been very helpful, especially the parents who have coordinated the 4th, 5th and 6th grade oneg shabbat celebrations.

I want to mention our hard working class aides: Lauren Kramer, Lillian St. Lifer and Melissa Boskey for being friends to their children and providing superior support to their cooperating teachers. Recent confirmands Brianne Perlman, Randi Goldberg and Jason Ryterband volunteered their time on Sunday mornings to make the school more enjoyable for your children.

Matthew Amtzis, our Hebrew aide on Wednesdays and Sundays warrants individual mention. He acted like a big brother to the children and was very concerned about their progress. He helped Ms. Ghidali prepare the 5th grade classes for their services and was in attendance on those Shabbat evenings to provide assistance and support. He also helped at dismissal in the parking lot to add an extra pair of eyes and supervision in a potentially dangerous area.

I am very grateful to our magnificent office staff, Mindy (temple secretary) and Elinor (office Manager), for their assistance and friendship.

Our teachers deserve special praise. Many of our teachers extended themselves beyond their contractual obligations. Debbie Weissman organized trips for grade 5, 8 and 9. Our Comparative Religion curriculum took on new life in the hands of our dedicated 8th grade teacher, Beverly Gruensfelder. Through the energies and skill of Mark Winter, we added a Prophets course to our 5th grade curriculum this year. I would like to extend a very special thank you to Sidney Sandler for assuming the responsibility of our 4th grade Religious Studies program. As many of you may be aware Diane Gross left our school in March for medical reasons. We wish her a r'fua sh'leima. Lea Ghidali made Hebrew instruction on the internet a reality for her classes. Miriam Bougie raised Hebrew instruction to a very high level. Larry Weingroff made the parking lot safer for your children. Janet Bell showed her students that Torah study could be lively and relevant. Cantor Rosenfeld and Judy Raybon were instrumental in giving the 6th grade insight into Jewish history and our Shabbat service.

No principal could have asked for a more dedicated and cooperative group of early childhood teachers than Miriam Abramson, Rita Colodin, Lisa Calderwood, Karen Kahn and Barbara Borges. After many years of service, Mrs. Abramson, our marvelous kindergarten teacher, has decided that it is time to relax on Sunday mornings and will not return next year. Our school will miss her exuberant personality, level of professionalism, sense of Jewishness and love for our children.

Rabbi Priesand is a very involved member of the Religious Education Committee, teaches the confirmation class every Sunday, coordinates the classes' charity selections, writes the Mitzvah of the Month sheet, prepares B'nai Mitzvah students and finds time to discover new programs that expand our school's mission.

I wish you a safe and pleasant summer and please contact me if the need arises. *Shalom, David Levinsky*

At our temple, loved ones are memorialized with kaddish at the Shabbat service on or following their yahrzeit. If you would like someone's name read instead on the Sabbath before the yahrzeit, please feel free to contact the temple office or see the Rabbi just prior to the service.

YAHARZEIT

June 1: *Edward Kaufmann, Carl Moskowitz, Pauline Lang, Symcha Feldmus, Anna Rogak, Esther Haratz, Mildred Shapiro, *Bessie Goldberg, *Mildred Scheuer, *Minnie Lewis Feinman, Dorothy Herman Ruby, Helen Cohen-Gardstein, Jack Zager, Bessie L. Bodner, Philip Zager, *Bertha Grossman

June 8: Henrietta Rosenfeld, Shirley Schulman, *Andrei B. Yagoda, *Gerhard J. Gaupe, Morris Sushansky, Kim Baker, Louis J. Popper, *Ida Potozky Friedman, Warren Gross, Emanuel Kaye, Seymour Gardstein, Rose Zwilling, Max Tuller, Fay Smith, Ida Kane, Daisy Lowenstein, Hyman Holzman, Casper Sober, *Rose Silver, Maurice S. Byck, *Charles Klein, William Kravitz

June 15: Norman Zeitlin, Carolyn Einhorn, Bernard Greenberg, Ruth Aronow, Henry "Budd" Coyne, Harry Zager, *Irwin Wachtel, *Meyer Rothman, *Frances Herman, Herman Albert

June 22: Samuel Danzig, Abram Yellenberg, Sidney Fineberg, Arthur A. Gilbert, Samuel Semer, Leo Zeisel, *Samuel Brenner, Rose H. Dick Snedcof, Joseph Mayzel, Adam Greenfield, Emanuel Goldberger, Norma Snedcof Sims, Theodore Rosenfeld, Jack Finkelstein, Helen

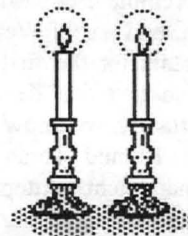
Strahl, *Morris Kogos, Rose Wolinsky, Joseph Cosentino, Joseph Popok, *Adele Luftman, Leon Meiselman, Rose Caplan,

June 29: *Esther Morgovsky, Joseph Krauss, Zachary Lee, *Ryan Sadwith, Rose Marks, Mollie Golden, Celia Whyman, Bess Isaacs, Adolf Rauch, *Harry Marks, *Irene Barnett, Benjamin Becker, Sophie Ohl, Freda Esther Becker

*Indicates perpetual Kaddish

TRADITIONAL SABBATH EVE CANDLE LIGHTING

June	1	8:02 PM
June	8	8:07 PM
June	15	8:11 PM
June	22	8:13 PM
June	29	8:13 PM



The Congregation extends warm condolences to:

Gloria Hoffman
on the death of her mother
Betty Schulman



Iris and Bob Froehlich
on the death of Iris' mother
Sally Sternsheim



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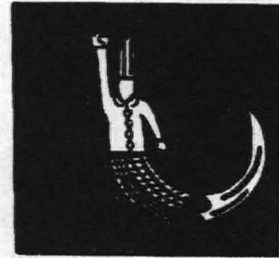
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June	1 Fri	Sabbath Eve Service	8:15 PM
		Consecration of Commands	
	3 Sun	Confirmation	10:30 AM
	8 Fri	Tot Shabbat	6:30 PM
		Sabbath Eve Service	8:15 PM
	9 Sat	Sabbath Service	10:30 AM
	15 Fri	Sabbath Eve Service	
		Outreach Dinner & Sabbath	6:30/8:15 PM
	22 Fri	Sabbath Eve Service	8:15 PM
	23 Sat	Sabbath Service	10:30 AM
	29 Fri	Sabbath Eve Service	8:15 PM

Torah Study every Saturday morning at 9:30 AM**MEETINGS**

June	5 Tues	Study Group	9:30 AM
		Religious Ed Meeting	8:00 PM
	6 Wed	Youth Committee Meeting	4:30 PM
		Sr. Youth Board Meeting	6:00 PM
		Ritual Meeting	8:00 PM
	11 Mon	Arts Festival Meeting	7:30 PM
	12 Tues	Study Group	9:30 AM
	13 Wed	Executive Committee	8:00 PM
	19 Tues	Study Group (last session)	9:30 AM
		Temple Board Meeting	8:00 PM
	26 Tues	Social Action Meeting	8:00 PM

Cantor's Trope Class – June 6,13,20, & 27 at 7:15 PM**UAHC**

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