



Temple Emanu-El

Connections

The Torah is a tree of life to those who hold fast to it

Temple Emanu-El, San Jose

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Worship Services

Wednesday, April 3

10:00 AM Pesach Yizkor Service

Friday, April 5

8:00 PM Erev Shabbat Service

Saturday, April 6

9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Minyan

Monday, April 8

7:00 PM

Community Yom HaShoah
Observance

Friday, April 12

7:15 PM Family Shabbat Service

Saturday, April 13

9:00 AM Shabbat Morning
Minyan

Friday, April 19

6:30 PM Tot Shabbat (and
potluck)

8:00 PM Erev Shabbat Service
with choir

Saturday, April 20

9:00 AM Shabat Morning Minyan

Friday, April 26

6:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat
Service
led by Aleph Hebrew class

Saturday, April 27

9:00 AM Shabbat Morning
Minyan

Friday, May 3

8:00 PM Erev Shabbat Service

Saturday, May 4

10:00 AM Adult B'nei Mitzvah
Service

COMMUNITY YOM HASHOAH OBSERVANCE

Monday, April 8 ~ 7:00 PM

Temple Emanu-El Sanctuary

Dr. Barbara Epstein, Professor of History, UC Santa Cruz

"The Underground Movement in Minsk"

and San Jose area rabbis and cantors



COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA

HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

Tuesday, April 16, 3:45 - 5:00 PM

County of Santa Clara Government Center,
70 West Hedding

Board of Supervisors Chambers, First Floor



Last 2002 Gitin Lecture:

Wednesday, April 24, 7:30 PM

Valerie Zakovitch, speaking on

"David and Goliath:

Transformations of a Biblical Story thru the Ages"

Making Shabbat At Home

Tuesday, April 16, 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Rabbi Magat leads a one-session adult ed class.

Save the Date

Thursday, May 16

Erev Shavuot ~ Confirmation Service

From the Rabbi

As you receive this month's bulletin, we are in the midst of the holy days of Pesach (Passover). Pesach reminds us of our freedom and of our responsibility to that freedom. The fourth Matzah that many of us use at the Seder is a reminder that there are still people in our world who are not yet free to practice their religion and beliefs.

In thinking about Pesach, I have also been thinking about my personal freedom. As I am sure many of you understand and have experienced within your own profession, there are times when we are last on our own list of priorities. There are times in a rabbi's year when there seems to be an endless stream of important activities. The last few months have been particularly challenging. When I hear "Rabbi, can you..." it is difficult to say no, especially when I love what I do and the people with whom I have the honor of working.

I share this with you because when we are over worked, we are not always at our best. What has helped me get through this recent period is the awareness that I have the strong support of our board, our staff, and you, the congregation. The board is working with me on various solutions so that as we continue to grow, we can fulfill the needs of all our congregants and at the same time prevent my potential burnout. We are a work in progress. I am a work in progress.

Having a congregant say to me "Rabbi, please take care of yourself" has meant a great deal. But now my listening to the words must turn in to actions. I have to change my priorities, so that I can do the things that I need to do for myself, such as exercising, eating right, pacing myself, and spending more time with my family. I am sure some of you may be thinking: "and cutting your hair." I have always liked my hair long and I admit it that there is a part of me that likes to be a bit different. I do not wish to be a representation of "a rabbi." I am Dana who is called to be a rabbi, as well as a husband, father, son, brother, friend. But I am not a from a cookie cutter.

As I have thought about my personal freedom, it became apparent to me that the length of my hair is a metaphor for me. "I will give to my congregation my blood, sweat and tears...but they can not have my hair." Maybe it is a reminder of the struggle for priorities; maybe it is a stage of life that I am confronting; and then, maybe I just like it. Either way it really does not matter. For if we judge a person on his hair then we lose sight of what is really important.

This Pesach gives each of us the opportunity to clean up our homes - spiritually as well as physically. Pesach calls to each of us to liberate the things about ourselves that we need to and to remember that each of us needs to rethink our priorities.

I wish you a good end of Pesach.



*Chag Sameach
Rabbi Dana Magat*

From the President

Dear Congregants:

The time is getting closer. Only a few more months and we will be having a changing of the guard, and the Temple Board will see some new faces. All of this will culminate on June 5th at the Annual Meeting. You'll be receiving more information and your ballot materials later this month.

The Temple is on a roll. The Budget Committee has re-organized its process so that all our Temple committees will have an Executive Committee member as a liaison. We should have a really solid budget to present for your approval. New Havurahs are being organized (see the Havurah article later in this bulletin). The schools are doing great, both our Religious School and the Pre-school. Registration for the fall is in full swing, so if you do not have a student who is continuing and you plan to enroll a child for September, now's the time to contact either the Religious School office (292-3223) or the Pre-school (293-8660) to be sure you receive a packet.

We are happy that so many people are involved in the life of the synagogue, through committees, special events like the Purim Carnival, and for our 140th Gala Celebration. But there is always room for more. Please step forward and become involved. The rewards, for you and for our temple, will be great. We need all of you. It's OUR temple. We can always use help in the office. Speaking of which, every so often we have a shining star. If you haven't met Elias Zasloff, stop by on a Tuesday and say hello. He's always willing to help with a smile on his face.

By the time you read this, the Gala will be moments away. We are grateful to the committee for all their hard work, the great time they planned for us, and also the funds generated for our synagogue budget.

Be good. Be careful. And be Jewish.

Barry Cohen

Save the Date:
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5
TEMPLE EMANU-EL ANNUAL MEETING

Mark Your Calendar
Sisterhood Donor Lunch
Thursday, June 6
11 AM - 2:00 PM
Silver Creek Country Club
More information and invitations to follow.

Our First One Hundred and Forty Years

PART SEVEN

The coming of Rabbi Freund really heralded the modern era for Bickur Cholim. He was a man of vision and saw how our neighboring congregations to the north were growing due the European conflicts and realized that we, too, would begin to experience growth. And so we did. Many families escaping the horrors and restrictions of the German regime slowly made their way westward. And the very attributes of Santa Clara Valley that attracted settlers in the 19th century attracted our new families, also.

But once again, tragedy would intrude on our peaceful area. First, Rabbi Freund had to contend with disastrous fire in the sanctuary of Bickur Cholim in August of 1940. To this day, it has never been made clear how the fire started. Theories abound from faulty wiring to sabotage by local groups of anti-Semitic hate mongers. Yes, even here, there were already small pockets of groups who felt we had no place in the sun. However, our congregation was not without good friends in the community. High Holiday services were transferred to Montgomery Theater and other services were held at the Masonic Hall. Nearby congregations also offered Rabbi Freund space whenever he needed it.

But even as the 1940 Board of Trustees began to plan for re-building, the war in Europe erupted in full force and within a year and a half, the United States entered the fray when, on December 7, 1941, Japan attacked Pearl Harbor. Rebuilding for time was put on hold. First of all, many of the young men of the congregation joined the various armed services to serve their country with valor and dignity; but secondly, materials for local building were put on hold as they were items needed for the war effort. Only factories and plants deemed necessary to the war effort were able to obtain materials.

But the men and women of Bickur Cholim joined other San Jose citizens in a united home front war effort. Blood banks were manned; our women were involved in the Red Cross for knitting, rolling bandages and the many other items to help our servicemen overseas. And in 1942 when the USO (the United Service Organization) built a canteen where now is the Caesar Chavez Plaza in front of the Fairmont Hotel, our men and women were volunteers, and most especially at Easter and Christmas so that our non-Jewish neighbors could celebrate their holidays with their own families. That canteen was operational well into the 1960's or 70's and we were still volunteering.

By 1945, immigration, the war and returning servicemen who had roots in San Jose, were changing our congregation. It wasn't quite so small anymore. San Jose was also changing from a small sleepy town into one of prominence in the state, notably because of its food industry from seeds to canning to exported foodstuffs. And soon Bickur Cholim's Board of Trustees once again, began to look to the near future to rebuild their precious seventy four year old sanctuary.

Rabbi Freund was certainly not idle all this time. He worked closely with the architects to develop the interior of the sanctuary. Rabbi Freund had been very impressed with the design of the bimah at Congregation Emanuel in San Francisco and felt the symbolism of ascending to Mount Sinai whenever the Aron Hakodesh, (the Ark of the Covenant), was opened, would be very appropriate for San Jose also.

Although a traditionalist by nature, Rabbi Freund realized that with the growing congregation, a mixture of tradition and modernity was the best course for Bickur Cholim. It was also his suggestion that we change the name of the congregation to one more easily pronounced by non-members of the community. Because of his closeness to San Francisco, Rabbi suggested Temple Emanu-El. The Board of Trustees finally did approve the name change and we are known by it to this day. (But our original papers of incorporation in Sacramento still carry the name, The Bichur Cholim Society of San Jose, California).

Jane Schwartz

Come Join A Havurah

Are you new to Temple Emanu-El or are you an old-timer? Here's an opportunity to get connected with a group of people and make new friends.

Did you miss the Havurah organizational meeting? It's not too late to join. The word 'Havurah' comes from the Hebrew word 'Haver' which means friend. A Havurah is a group of Temple members who join together to form a smaller unit within the large Temple community. A Havurah adapts to the interests of the members. Some Havurahs plan only social events; some have study groups; others plan a variety of events.

Many Havurah members who are far from family feel they have a new, extended family with their Havurah.

Havurahs are for people of all ages. Would you like to be part of a Havurah?

Please call the Temple (292-0939) for an application and return it to the Temple office. If you have any questions about the Havurah program, contact Gene Alberts at 264-4889 or Sybil Sommer at 267-7932.

Brotherhood News

On behalf of myself and my family, I want to express our deepest gratitude to members of Temple Emanu-El who have sent letters or made donations to the synagogue in loving memory of my husband, Max.

Millie Segal

From the Caring Committee

We do a wide variety of small things that add up to a larger whole. The birthday cards we send to our over-80 congregants are very well received, and sometimes we get back a thank you card. People have come forward who are able to prepare a meal for someone who has just returned home from the hospital. We have a list of people who can be called if needed for a shiva minyan.

The current greatest need is for drivers. We can always (really, *always*) use drivers who can take people to medical appointments, shopping or to services at the synagogue. It doesn't matter what part of the South Bay you live in...if you are willing to help, we need you. Secondly, we are in the process of forming a small group of congregants who would be willing to make follow-up phone calls to people who are recovering from illness, just to make sure they are doing okay.

The individual tasks are small, but together they create the kind of caring community for which Temple Emanu-El wants to be known.

If you are interested in helping in any way, please contact Elsa Gordon, Chair, at (408)395-3182. Your energy will be put to good use, and you will make a difference in the lives of our congregants.

Please advise the office if someone you know is ill or could use a phone call from Rabbi Magat. We cannot reach out until we know there is a need.

This marks the second year that Temple Emanu-el is participating in the Yom HaShoah Yellow Candle Program. We have mailed a memorial candle to every home in our temple family. Brotherhood hopes that you, along with the other families of Temple Emanu-El, will light this candle in your home on Erev Yom HaShoah, Monday, April 8. Brotherhood will use the profits to support scholarships, camperships and educational programming, thereby enabling our temple members to connect more fully with our Jewish heritage, and ultimately to ensure the future of our People. I want to thank everyone who has mailed in a donation to help cover the cost of this program. If you have not yet had a chance to mail in your donation, there is still time.

March was a great month for Brotherhood. We helped make the Purim Carnival a great success. Thank you to everyone who came Saturday morning to get the games out of storage and set up, and to John Fox for coordinating the volunteers. We also donated a new game for the older kids. We've continued coordinating one dinner a month for the Hebrew High program (Special thanks to Maggie Newman, Paul Gendler and Marjorie Hoover). We also had a great turnout for the Sharks/Kings game.

In April, Brotherhood will be sponsoring a free missing-child photo registration as part of Mitzvah Day. We will also be cooking burgers and hot dogs for the temple lunch on April 28, just before the Mishpachot Cosmic Bowling event. If you would like to help with either of these events give me a call.

Our next Brotherhood meeting will be April 14, 9 AM. Join us for some fun discussion and free bagels and lox.

Shalom,

Dan Winter
408-295-3191

For Our Loved Ones

We have come a long way with the help of the Cemetery Beautification Fund. Our Home of Peace Cemetery looks good, but we want it to look even better.

We need more trees, shrubs, and more cement work. With your financial help, we can get it done.

I know we all want our loved ones to have the finest resting place possible. With your continuing contributions, we will be able to provide the necessary improvements.

As always, the entire community is grateful for your help in the past.

Please keep the Cemetery Beautification Fund in mind when making a donation to the temple for a special occasion.

Rubin Jurman, Chairman
Cemetery Beautification Fund

Women of Temple Emanu-El

WOMAN OF THE MONTH PEARL SOLOMON

We come in all shapes and sizes, but nobody can fill Pearl Solomon's shoes.

Happy 90th birthday, Pearl! Your achievements are too numerous to mention. You are loved by all who know you. Many happy returns of the day. We are indeed blessed to be able to honor you on Friday, April 12.

With love from Eva Stanley and the Women of Temple Emanu-El.

ROSH CHODESH

Celebrating the new moon is an important ritual in the Jewish tradition. In Biblical times it was a festive day. Come join other spiritual Jewish women and be renewed as we pray, sing, and share.

Dates: Saturday, May 11 and Monday, June 10 (no April celebration - Women's Seder).
Places to be announced or call Judith Stubbs (408)496-1660 or email spiritualjudith@yahoo.com

WOMEN'S MEDITATION WORKSHOP

Small group setting to inspire us to begin or continue more regular practice of meditation.

Informal, yet inspiring!

Saturday, April 27.

Time and place to be announced

For details: Judith Stubbs

CELEBRATE YOUR FAMILY!

School-wide Family Education Day
SUNDAY, APRIL 28 10:00 AM

Just as we started the school year with Shabbat - we will begin to end the school year with the study of havdallah, the ceremony to mark the end of Shabbat.

Your family will have the opportunity to make a lasting and beautiful wine cup, spice box, and havdallah candle. You will have the option of attending discussions about "Who is Elijah - and what does he have to do with havdallah, anyway?" or "Havdallah, separations, and Judaism"

Enjoy lunch with MISHPACHOT immediately following Religious School (\$3/person, \$2/Mischpachot members) RSVP to the Religious School Office (292-3223)

The congregation is invited to join Mishpachot for an afternoon Of glowing laughter and fun at our annual **COSMIC BOWLING** at Homestead Lanes, Cupertino 2:30-4:30 PM on Sunday, April 28, following the school-wide Family Ed day. Advance tickets will be available after Religious School in April or by calling Marci Gerston at (650)967-7207

From the Purim Carnival Committee

I would like to thank all of the Parent Volunteers, Room Parents, Teachers, Brotherhood, Sisterhood, and Youth Group members and Rabbi Magat, who all helped make the carnival successful and fun!

I know the kids had a good time. The cotton candy machine never stopped, and I had fun watching it all. Thank you all so much for making it happen, and to quote my great friend, Laura Danoff: "Everything we do here is a Mitzvah -- we do it for the kids."

Shalom,
Jeanne Bronstein

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the untimely death of

Bonnie Gallaty

at her home in Portland in February. Bonnie's graphic artistry has graced our bulletin, and the publications of many synagogues. We will greatly miss her flair, her sense of humor, and her incredible talents.

Update from the Rabbinic Housing Committee

I want to give the congregation the latest information regarding the efforts that the Temple has made to provide our rabbi and his family with a house in this very expensive housing market of Silicon Valley.

As I wrote in my article in the Connections earlier (a copy of which was sent to each congregant), six members of our congregation co-signed for a loan with San Jose National Bank that allowed the Temple to purchase a house to rent to the Rabbi. Eventually, the Rabbi can choose to purchase the house. For more detail, please see my original article.

In addition to the loan, the Rabbi Housing Fund was established that would pay for the maintenance of the house over the next five years. Many members of the congregation have stepped forward and donated generously to this fund. When the house is sold, any money left over could be available to assist other key employees in obtaining a home.

The “bottom line” is that the Rabbi and Cheriell, with the help of Gloria Asher as realtor, found a house and moved in in February. Temple Emanu-El is indebted to those members who co-signed the loan, to those who donated the money to the fund, and to those who worked out all the details required to bring this project to completion. All of you as members of our synagogue can be proud of the team effort that resulted in the success of this project.

In closing, I want to urge all of you in the congregation to consider the Rabbi Housing Fund whenever you wish to make a donation to a tribute fund.

Bob Hersch, Chair

Oneg Shabbats

In recent months, the following families have sponsored our Oneg Shabbats. If you have a special person you would like to remember, or a simcha you wish to share, please contact Anita Medeiros at 773-1410 to arrange a specific date.

DECEMBER 7

Myrna Reinhard
Fagie Rosen in honor of her four grandchildren
Ruth and Bernard Rosenberg in memory of Ruth's father, Israel Weinberg

DECEMBER 14

Friends and family of the Gimel A and 5th grade

DECEMBER 21

Sidney and Doris Rosenberg
Kurt Rubin and Lori Telson in honor of their children, Adam and Noah Rubin
Judith and Bernardo Saucedo
Leon, Abraham and Oda Livchitz in memory of all our dearly departed family and friends
Richard and Eleanor Rusnak
The Stanley Rubin Family

JANUARY 4

Friends and family of Tami Maltiel in honor of her Bat Mitzvah

JANUARY 11

Friends and family of the Gimel B and 4th grade

JANUARY 18

Friends and family of Derek Hoffman in honor of his Bar Mitzvah

JANUARY 25

Temple Emanu-El Choir in honor of Shabbat Shira

FEBRUARY 1

Judy Sapper in memory of Gerald H. Sapper
Bill & Michele Schneiderman
Arthur and Lynne Schnitzer with wishes for good health to Harriet Rothfeld
The Schaechter Family
Wayne and Iva Rose
Pamela and John Schuur
David and Randie Schwartz
William and Blanche Schwartz
Mitzi Sapper in memory of Gerald H. Sapper

FEBRUARY 8

Friends and family of the Bet A and 3rd grade

FEBRUARY 15

Myra and Harry Birnkrant, in honor of Jeanne Donohue & Marc Birnkrant on their forthcoming marriage.

MARCH 1

Esther and David Reiser in memory of Betty Rinsler
Friends and Family of Natalie Roth
Members of WOTE in honor of Interfaith Shabbat

MARCH 8

Harriett Shapiro
Noreen Shana Shapiro
Ruth and Lawrence Ross
Rita and Joe Loren in memory of Rita's brother, Ralph Jaffe and her father, Jacob Jaffe

Pre-School Notes

It is so amazing to me that April is already upon us. The school year is almost over and we have begun to look forward to our first summer program in the preschool. March was a thrilling month that ended with the celebration of Passover and the children learning the meaning of Seder.

After enjoying our weeklong vacation in observance of Passover, the children are ready to be back and jump straight into Spring. April will begin our study of weather and we will continue to learn about plants and flowers. We will also participate in our first-ever school pictures. The classes are taking advantage of the great weather and experimenting with water play and one of our favorite activities, "sink and float." We will also spend part of this month showing our appreciation for our fantastic teachers. A preschool cannot be successful without an amazing staff and that is something I have!!

We received a great donation of whiteboards from Larry Hirsch, and Sisterhood/WOTE gave us a very generous donation for our art materials!!

The preschool will receive new carpet in the next few months and our playground will continue to evolve, much to the delight of the preschoolers and the Religious School students.

As summer approaches, families are beginning to think about September and the difficult decision of where to put the kids. We are currently accepting applications for the fall and sessions are beginning to fill. Please give me a call if you would like an opportunity to see the school and some of the exciting changes that are taking place.

Barbara

Education News

From the second seder of Passover we count 33 days to Lag B'Omer (the Hebrew means: the 33rd day of the Omer). These 33 days are considered by many Jews to be days of mourning for the students of Rabbi Akiva. Rabbi Akiva was one of the greatest sages of the first century. He was tortured to death by the Romans in the year 135. The entire Mishna (the essential work of Jewish Religious Law, which is the foundation of all later works in that area) was collected by Rabbi Akiva's followers. The basis of all of Jewish Religious Law for 2000 years, is one great mind.

What makes Rabbi Akiva an even more impressive figure is that he was completely illiterate until he was 40 years old. In fact, when he went to school to learn to read, he was placed in the same class as his young son!

Rabbi Akiva could easily have spent the rest of his life as a common laborer and never gone to school, but luckily for us he wanted a Jewish education.

There are many stories in Jewish lore about Rabbi Akiva's dedication to learning and the great sacrifices he and his wife made so that he could become one of the greatest Jewish scholars of all time.

April is the month that we begin enrollment for next year. If you have not continued your Jewish studies, now is the time to start. Enroll your children in Religious School and Hebrew School. Take a class yourself, or join the Rabbi for "Lunch and Learn" once a month. There are many opportunities for both formal and informal education here at the Temple Emanu-El.

The family services in April all celebrate our youngest learners and our most advanced Hebrew students. On April 12th there is a family service at 7:15 PM (preceded of course by a potluck dinner at 6 PM to which the entire congregation is invited). The service participants are the pre-school, pre-kindergarten, kindergarten Religious School classes and the Hay (5th year) Hebrew class. On the 26th of April, the Aleph class (first year of Hebrew) will lead the 6:30 PM service, which will be followed by a potluck dinner and Israeli dancing. In May, we will thank the teachers and assistant teachers in our Religious School, Hebrew School and Teen Jewish Studies Program at the annual Teacher Appreciation Shabbat Service on May 10th. I invite you all to join us for all of these very special services.

It is never too late to start yourself or your child in Hebrew or Religious studies. Remember Rabbi Akiva and sign up today.

*L'shalom,
Havah*

Job Skills Workshop Rescheduled

Ira Dorf and Lisa Levy will present "Selling Your Most Important Product: You" in a two-hour workshop on Tuesday, April 23, from 10:00 AM to noon in the Benefactors Room.

Whether you are between jobs or seeking advancement, you will find useful information here. Cost is only \$40 for Temple members. Pre-register by April 18 (providing your email address as well) and receive preparatory materials in advance. For more information, contact the Temple office, 292-0939.

Congregational Mitzvah Day Sunday, April 21

Hebrew School at 8:45 AM

Tefillah for everyone at 10:00 AM

Activities off-site and at Temple.

See flyer on the Shalom Table for what you can bring in advance. Call 292-3223 for more information.

Youth Group

4TH - 8TH GRADE GAME NIGHT

On Wednesday March 13th, the 8th grade met for their second abbreviated game night of this year. At 6:00 they were joined by eight 4th-7th graders. They again enjoyed pizza, soda, cookies and schmoozing. The 4th - 7th graders got to stay until 7:30, playing pool, checkers, magic, ping pong, catch and a new game they called ping pong pool. The 8th graders left after a short game of pool at 6:30 to have fun at TJS. Our next game night will be April 10th.

On Sunday, Noar joined Kadima for lunch and ice skating at the San Jose Ice Skating rink. They got a taste of what it would be like to be really cold.

NOAR

Noar's (the Temple Emanu-El 7th and 8th grade youth group) next fun activity will be Kabbalat and Comedy on April 26th. We will meet at the Temple for Kabbalat Shabbat at 6:30 PM. Then we will carpool to The Mongolian BBQ in Santa Clara for dinner and Comedy Sportz. Come have fun with us!

Check out Noar and Kadima's new website at <http://www.geocities.com/noaryouth/index.html>. Give us your ideas on some fun activities.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR AN UPCOMING EVENT:

May 19th ~~~ Golfland Waterslides

In the Community

Women's Division Spring Outreach Event — "Get Organized ... and Stay Organized!"

Sunday, April 21, 2002, at 11:30 am at the Bella Mia Restaurant, 58 South First Street, San Jose. This spring outreach event sponsored by the Women's division of the Jewish Federation of Greater San Jose features guest speaker Karla Jones. Advance reservations are required. The \$36 per person fee includes lunch and speaker. For more information, call the Jewish Federation of Greater San Jose at (408) 358-3033, ext. 69.

New Summer Theater Program in Los Gatos

Kids entering grades 2-10 may participate in this six-week intensive program, culminating in a full scale theatrical production of the musical "Children of Eden." The program meets June 24 through August 2, Monday-Friday, 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM (before and after care available onsite). Come meet the Artistic Director Jim Gunn and Associate Director Melanie Sandberg at the Information Night: Tuesday, April 16 at 7:00 PM. For more information call (408)358-5916.



NOAR AND KADIMA CHILL OUT

On Sunday, March 17th after a meal of pizza, juice, buffalo wings, and cookies the Kadima and Noar Youth Groups chilled out at the San Jose Ice Center. While all but one of the advisors and drivers tried to keep warm, the kids and one brave grown-up went round and round on the ice. After helping them into many various pairs of skates, the grown ups relaxed (except for our one skater) while the youth were on and off the ice, watched a hockey game, play a few video games and ate, drank and had fun together.

Web-sitings

For 20's and 30's (and anyone else)
There's good substance at
<http://www.clickonjudaism.org>
Also, check our Temple Emanu-El website for
interesting links: www.templeanjose.org

We welcome new members:
Joshua Rosenthal and Jennifer Pollio
Richard Dean Wolf and Peter Chastain
Enrique and Molly Guadamos
(and daughters Ariella and Isabella)

Now hear this! The latest news is we now have 45 supporters who have earned for Temple for the year 2001 over \$1766. Thank you! Please, if you haven't as yet decided to participate do it now and help support Temple. Think how much more money Temple could be earning. Everyone shops, everyone eats. Add this to your list of things to do this month.

It's so easy. Register online...www.escrip.com. Several clicks are necessary...Calif, register online, group i.d., and then enter Temple Emanu-el's group number...136985180. Click on our name, follow the prompts to register. If you register a Discover card you do not lose your Discover points. Don't want to use a computer? Call me and I'll send you a mail-in registration form.

Cost is \$10 per year, and can be charged to the credit card you've registered with eScrip and will need to use each time you shop.

At Safeway and PW your club card does the good deed. Just a few of the many participating merchants are Cosentino's, Whole Foods, Lunardi's, Round Table, Carl's Jr., Coco's, various hotels and inns, Carrow's, Eddie Bauer, Sharper Image, Big 5 and Baja Fresh. I have a complete list of all merchants, restaurants, etc. Call me and I'll mail you one.

This is not complicated. eScrip does all the recordkeeping for us. Let's see how quickly we can increase participation. I'll keep you informed of our progress. Please call me with any questions you may have.

Lorie Kaplan
eScrip coordinator 267-4563

ARZA/World Union

Wednesday, February 20, brought good news for all those committed to advancing the cause of religious pluralism in Israel. After a legal battle lasting seven years, the Supreme Court ruled that Israelis who convert to Judaism in Reform and Conservative religious courts in Israel should be registered as Jews in the Ministry of Interior's Population Registry.

Online voting will be available until April 5th.

Ballots were mailed at the end of February. Completed ballots must be postmarked by April 5. Online voting will be available from February 27th to April 5th at <https://vote.election.com/azm2002>. To vote online, you must use your Personal Identification Number, found inside your ballot packet or by calling 866-259-9816.

VOTE SLATE 8: ARZA / WORLD UNON, North America

XYZ hosts religious school students students for Bingo Sunday Apr 7 at 1:15 pm.

APRIL 5

Morris Actor, June Atlas, Max Bloom, James Edward Carr, Deborah Ferguson, Marton Fischer, Sam Goldberg, Jack Greenfest, Lt. Henry Hoffman Jacobs, Rose Kahn, Louis Leiter, M.D., Bea Levy, Mona Mailitz, Celia Miller, Rose Mintz, Dorothy Nadel, Jeanette H. Pencovic, Sidney Pollack, Helen Richmond, Rose Rinsler, Eualalia Rose, Marion J. Rosenthal, Harry J. Sapper, Dora Shapiro, Irene Shebby, Hova Shtaneman, William Shulman, Harry Silverman, Brenna Vierra, Philip Weiner.

APRIL 12

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 6:00 pm Women's Seder	3 Office Closed No Religious School 10:00 am Yizkor Service	4 6:30 - 8:00 pm Adult Bnai Mitzvah 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (BFR)	5 8:00 pm Erev Shabbat Service	6 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Minyan 6:00 PM 140th Gala - SJ Hyatt
7 8:45 am Hebrew 10:00 am Jewish Studies 10:00 am Family Ed (gr 6-7) 10:00 am Adult Ed: Hebrew 11:15 am Adult Ed: Mysticism 12:30 pm XYZ Bingo (TH) 12:30 pm First Steps Lunch 3:00 pm Your Choice, Your Health (BFR)	8 4:15 - 6:30 pm Jewish Starz rehearsal (TH) 7:00 pm Community Yom Hashoah Observance (sanctuary)	9 Yom HaShoah 7:30 pm Intro to Judaism	10 12:00 pm Lunch/Learn 4:15 pm Hebrew 5:00 pm Game Night (YL) 6:00 pm TJS 6:00 pm Pre-school Board Mtg	11 6:30 pm Adult Bnai Mitzvah 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	12 6:00 pm Potluck Dinner 7:15 pm Family Service (PS, PK, K, 1)	13 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Minyan
14 8:45am Hebrew 9:00 am Brother Meeting (YL) 10:00 am Jewish Studies 10:00 am Adult Ed: Hebrew 11:15 am Adult Ed: Mysticism 12:15 pm Faculty Meeting 1:00 - 4:00 pm Jewish Starz rehearsal (TH) 7:00 pm Community Healing Service (Sinai)	15	16 YOM HAZIKARON 7:00 pm Adult Ed: Making Shabbat at Home	17 YOM HA'ATZMAUT 4:15 pm Hebrew 6:00 pm TJS	18 6:30 pm Adult Bnai Mitzvah 7:30 PM SBI Lecture (Beth David) 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (sanctuary)	19 6:30 pm Tot Shabbat 7:00 pm Tot Shabbat Potluck 8:00 pm Choir Service	20 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Minyan
21 MITZVAH DAY 8:45 am Hebrew 8:45 am Rel School Board (Teachers Lounge) 10:00 am Tefillah for all 12:15 pm Kadima Youth Group lunch/bowling	22	23 10:00 am Job Skills Workshop 6:00 pm Executive Committee Mtg 7:30 pm Board Meeting 7:30 pm Intro to Judaism (Shir Hadash)	24 4:15 pm Hebrew 6:00 pm TJS 7:30 pm Gtin Lecture: David and Goliath	25 7:30 pm Adult Bnai Mitzvah	26 6:30 pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service (Aleph) 7:30 pm Potluck dinner and Israeli dancing 6:30 pm Noar Youth Group Kabbalat & Komedey	27 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Minyan
28 8:45 am Hebrew 10:00 am School-wide Family Ed Day (Temple House) 12:15 pm Lunch Bunch Mishpachot Cosmic Bowling 1:00 pm Jewish Starz rehearsal (TH)	29 4:15 - 7:15 pm Jewish Starz rehearsal (TH)	30 LAG B'OMER 6:30 - 9:00 pm TJS Community Event at Shir Hadash 7:30 pm Intro to Judaism				

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