



Temple Emanu-El

Connections

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

Temple Emanu-El, San Jose

October 2002 / 5763

Volume 66, No.7

Excerpts from Rabbi Magat's Yizkor Remarks, Yom Kippur 5763

I love being a Rabbi. I love just about every aspect of my role as Rabbi. Life cycle events are among my favorite experiences. Nothing is like a baby naming, working with a couple prior to marriage and officiating at their wedding. Watching how a young person blossoms as they become Bat or Bar Mitzvah. And even funerals I find to be amazing.

I am beginning my fourth year as your rabbi. I guess the longer a Rabbi is with a congregation, the more people he becomes close with, and then officiates as their funerals. Our Emeritus Rabbi Joe Gitin understands this well. Coming to Yizkor service this year, it feels a little different, for there are people who have died this year that I loved. And I thought I would take this opportunity to share with you some thoughts about two men, and I thank their wives for giving me the permission to do so.

Larry and Max were two men who I met within a very short time of arriving at Emanu-El. Their deaths this past year affected me greatly. It could be for all sorts of reasons, but mostly because they invited me into their lives and into their deaths. And if you have ever been with someone who has invited you into his or her death, then you understand how intimate and potentially loving that can really be.

I first met Larry Rosenberg when he was fighting one of his many bouts with lung cancer. I did not find him to be very talkative, especially about issues of spirituality. But over the course of time, as we got to know one another, I found Larry to be quite spiritual in his own way. He had a scientific approach to life and so he knew that it was only a matter of

time before his disease would kill him. But the emotional part of Larry was something that he struggled with. Only in the last months before his death was he less concerned about how others perceived him. And so he became more emotional. Larry and I talked about God. We talked about death and what happens after we die. We talked about his family and how much he did not want to leave them. He had two young grandchildren, and the last of his three children had just recently gotten married. He was a young man, in his early 60's and he had just "retired."

Larry was an amazing designer, machinist and engineer. Who would even create a tool if one did not exist to his specifications. He could build anything and he was a professional pochkeer and tinkerer. He built his own air plane which he flew, he rebuild cars, things around the house. You name it. Larry could do it. His workshop in his garage was quite a site. But Larry mostly was a sweet man, who brought so much light to others with out even knowing it.

Because Larry fought so hard, it seemed at times that he was in spiritual as well as physical pain. But that was Larry. He did not want to leave his loving wife and children and grandchildren. And so he fought.

Literally the day he died, he was still fighting. It took a great deal for us to convince him that he could allow himself to die. He was scared because he did not know what was going to happen. The last week or so, members of his family and I would talk about life after death and I believe the last week his fear rested on knowing that his spirit would live on. But this experience reinforced what I have come to believe about dying. That we all die the way we



October 2002 Schedule of Services

Fri Oct 4
8:00 PM Erev Shabbat Service

Sat Oct 5
9:00 AM Minyan
10:30 AM Bat Mitzvah of Abbie Lieberman

Fri Oct 11
6:00 PM Potluck Dinner
7:15 PM Erev Shabbat Family Service with TJS students

Sat Oct 12
9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Meditation Minyan
10:30 AM Bat Mitzvah of Elliot Wolf

Sun Oct 13
7:00 PM Community Healing Service at Congregation Beth David

Fri Oct 18
6:30 PM Tot Shabbat followed by Potluck dinner
8:00 Erev Shabbat Service with choir

Sat Oct 19
9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Minyan

Fri Oct 25
6:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service
7:30 PM Potluck dinner and Israeli dancing

Sat Oct 26
9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Minyan
10:30 AM Bar Mitzvah of Bryan Fisher

From the President

As you read this, the High Holy Days will be over, but we cannot go forward without thanking those who made our services possible.

First we must thank the office staff, under the leadership of our office manager, Mary Anne Marceca. Our thanks go to staff members Deborah Zimmer, Linda (Dogherra) Spears, and Tanya Pekker; volunteers Branden Frederick, Elias Zasloff, Millie Segal, Bernice Gaon, Lois Matusow, and Alan Weissberger, without whose dedication and spirit we could not have succeeded. To everyone who participated in a service, and of course the choir and musical accompanists, and those who served as ushers and security, we say thank you.

As mentioned before, we are initiating a new program of having a representative from the Board of Trustees present during Religious School on Sunday mornings. If you are

dropping off or picking up a student, please take the opportunity to drop by and schmooze. I'm sure you can identify the Board rep by the name badge, and of course they can be found wherever the food is located.

In next month's Connections, we will publish a complete list of Temple committees and chairs. But if you can't wait, call me (779-9383) or our Vice Presidents (Mort Berlant 264-5706; Mike Cahn 723-1307; Laura Danoff 238-4847) or our Treasurer, Dan Lee (268-0926).

Thank you for your continuing support of Temple Emanu-El.

And finally, our congregational appreciation to Rabbi Dana Magat and Cantorial Soloist Rachel Michelberg, who bring so much of themselves to our High Holy Day Services.

Steve Greenberg

From the Rabbi, con't

live our lives. Larry Rosenberg had great internal strength and he could figure out how to do anything. It took him quite along time though to figure out this death thing and between you and I, I think he died when he figured it out.

Larry died on Shabbat, June 15, the day before Father's Day. He died 30 minutes after he and I spent our last moments together. Moments that will be forever precious ones in my life, a gift that I will always treasure.



When I first came to this congregation, there was a little old man who used to sit in the same place every Erev Shabbat Service and every Wednesday Lunch and Learn. He would sit with his wife, Millie, and it became a kind of comfort for me knowing Max Siegel was in his spot. Initially when I talked with Max, I was surprised not just by his intelligence, but I was struck by his absolute love of people. Later I learned much about Max. He and Millie were adopted as surrogate parents or grandparents by many in our congregation. I may have been one of those who adopted them as well.

I only knew Max towards the end of his 80+ years of life. I could only imagine what he must have been like early in his life. Max, whom I called Maxy, was a very spiritual man, who told me that he talked to God everyday. He loved being Jewish and he loved his amazing children. But what stands out in my mind is how much he loved his soul mate, his sweetheart his wife of over 61 years, Millie. They could not keep their hands off of each other. The license plate of their car says "SWTHRTS" and they were truly sweethearts, inseparable.

Max was a hugger, so you know we had much in common and I will never forget his juicy kisses and his finger pointing in the air when he was going to make a point. I miss his hugs, his soft voice and his sweet and sincere smile. And of course I could never forget his greeting to me which was: "How is my favorite rabbi?" although I am sure he said that to every rabbi, but I felt his love and he and I would always said goodbye with an "I love you."

Max slowed quite a bit this past year and after a fall

he was admitted to the hospital, which he would never leave. For two weeks or so, Max hung in there. I know with all my heart that Max was ready to die, but for his children, for Millie, for his dear friends, letting go was so very hard. And so Max waited until we all were ready. Max was loving and he truly cared for others. So instead of us giving him permission, he had to give us permission to let him go.

Max died on a Friday night, January 25 of this year. That is a significant date for me, for that is my daughter's birthday. But I do not think that is a bad thing. On the contrary, I think it is terrific, for I really loved Max and he will be forever intertwined with my family.



Larry and Max were two men that I will forever love, and although I grieve on this day with their families, I also smile for the gifts that they gave so many and for the wonderful memories I shared with them. The greatest gift they gave me is to share the most intimate of experiences, their death. *Zecher Tzaddik Livracha*. May their memories be forever a blessing in our lives. Amen.

L'Shalom,
Dana Magat

If you or someone you know would like a call from the Rabbi, please contact the Temple office. We cannot reach out until we know there is a need.

Rabbi Joseph and Rosalie Gitin express their gratitude for the many New Year's wishes they have received, and send their best for a healthy and happy 5763 to the Temple Emanu-El family.

Ritual Committee

RECENT HAPPENINGS

Thank you to all of the members of Temple Emanu-El whose participation in High Holy Day services enhanced the worship experience for the entire Congregation. The Ritual Committee is pleased to be able to honor those who have contributed their time and energy throughout the year to making our Temple a vibrant community.

Thanks go also to the members of the Ritual Committee and the Choir for conducting the Yom Kippur afternoon Healing Service, especially Dawn Chaffin, who compiled the service and music and organized this hour for reflection and healing.

Recent activities include creation of the Kabbalat Shabbat service that was introduced during the summer; thanks again to Dawn Chaffin for her leadership in creating this work. Give us your feedback on the service in the Forum area of the Temple web site.

The Committee also offered honors for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services and worked with Brotherhood and Security to recruit and train High Holyday ushers.

PLANNED FOR THE FUTURE

We will begin writing our own service for the Shabbat morning minyan. We will explore alternate forms of worship with the first Meditation-themed minyan on October 12, co-sponsored with Women of Temple Emanu-El. In the spring, we assist Rabbi Magat in planning and conducting the Congregational Seder.

During our monthly meetings, we will continue to study texts from the UAHC "Go and Study" series for congregational committees. We have lively discussions on the variety of religious practices found within the Reform movement and how they may enrich our spiritual life at Emanu-El.

Members of the committee are: Mort Berlant, Rebecca Bronstein, Maggie Cant, Dawn Chaffin, Laura Danoff, Jonathan Hirshon, Ginny Hoffman, Lori Kohler, David Levine, and Sid Rosenberg. Please contact any member with your comments and suggestions about services and other aspects of worship at Temple Emanu-El.

The Ritual Committee meets on the 4th Thursday of each month (except November) at 6:00 PM. If you are interested in becoming involved, contact the chairperson, Maggie Cant, at (408) 720-0611, or email to: rmcant@earthlink.net.

From the Office Manager

To the families of Temple Emanu-El,

Well, hello everyone. My name is Mary Anne Marceca and I am the new Office Manager at Temple Emanu-El. I am now able officially to say hello to you all in this month's bulletin. I would like you to know how much I have enjoyed being here in this position at the Temple - especially with all the warmth, friendship and continued support that I have received from so many people here, on a daily basis - in such a short time.

Since joining the Temple staff in late June, I have met many of you, but I know I have many more families to go. I do hope to have the opportunity to meet you at one of our services and/or social events within the New Year.

I missed the opportunity to introduce myself to you all in last month's bulletin because of the initial transition period of my beginning to work at the Temple and preparing for the High Holy days.

One of my key responsibilities as office manager will be to handle the administrative side of the office. With that includes overseeing and managing monetary donations, acknowledgement letters, check handling, data entry and statement integrity, and membership/ dues issues, etc.

If at any time you have a question or problem, please feel free to give me a call (408-292-0939), or send me an e-mail (maryanne@templesanjose.org), or stop by the office. All discussions are private and kept confidential and will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis. If you do come by the office, my staff and I will do everything we can to make your visit a pleasant one.

I would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year and most of all to thank you for making me feel a part of this new wonderful "family".

L'Shalom,

Mary Anne Marceca

From the Social Action Committee

A belated "Thank You" to all congregants, friends, havurahs, etc. who participated in Temple Emanu-El's month of June 2002, housing and feeding the homeless men through the InnVision Rotating Shelter Program.

Our thanks to all of you who shopped, cooked, served meals, and made donations to the JoAnne Salman-Tehrani Homeless Fund in support of this work.

Charles F. Atlas and Lori Kohler
Social Action/Homeless Program Co-chairs

SAVE THE DATE

**Cantors' Concert
"Cantors on Broadway"
Sunday, March 23, 2003, 7 PM**

Help Brotherhood Continue to Keep Our Youth Safe

I hate having to write this article. I wish I could write an article that only celebrated the great work of our **High Holy Day ushers** in helping to make our members welcome and comfortable as we start the new year (and especially Dave Levine for coordinating them all, and Larry Hirsch for coordinating all of the members who helped with security). Or I could write an article that only mentioned the great projects we have planned this year, like a Sharks game (this Spring) or **Havdallah Dinner and Movie** (coming 5:30 PM, November 9th) to help bring our members together in community. Or even a simple article letting you know you can **come to one of our monthly meetings** (9 AM October 22nd or November 10th) to make some new friends or catch up with others. But I can't write an article like these.

Instead, I have to write an article asking you to help Brotherhood raise funds to **keep our children safe as they participate in Jewish community at Temple**. As a result of continuing heightened tensions (including arson at bay area temples and assaults on students at local universities), our Temple Board has committed to on-site police security during religious school. Brotherhood has committed to raise funds to help cover this cost, as well as several hundred dollars to pay for insurance so our Youth Groups can continue to hold wonderful activities. This provides an opportunity for each of us to participate in a mitzvah.

To raise these funds, **Brotherhood is bringing back Uncle Morty's Great Brotherhood Giveaway**. All proceeds will go directly to Temple Youth Security. Prizes will include home video equipment, a medium men's leather jacket, garden supplies and plants, travel certificates, a poker chip and card set, gift certificates for local businesses, and other exciting and valuable items (we are still accepting prize donations). **Use the form below to enter and help us keep our kids safe.**

Brotherhood is also kicking-off our annual membership

I want to keep our kids safe!
Please enter me in Uncle Morty's
GREAT BROTHERHOOD GIVEAWAY

I would like to donate:

\$5 for 1 entry

\$18 for 5 entries

\$9 for 2 entries

\$36 for 12 entries

Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

drive. **Your paid membership has never been more critical.** With the focus on security, we will need every membership we can get to support other important temple activities; from helping to pay for Yom Kipur Break the Fast and holiday cooking for religious school to B'nei mitzvah gifts and a 1st Aid/CPR class for our members. Membership envelopes will also include forms for entering the Uncle Morty drawing.

We will also be selling a wonderful selection of Dutch bulbs to raise funds for ongoing programs. You can see the selections, including Tulips, Hyacinths, and Daffodils in many colors, and place an order at the Bagel sales table on Sundays, or you can place your order on the form at the Shalom Table. Packages of bulbs cost \$5. This is a wonderful celebration of life to add cheer to next Spring.

With your help, we will continue to make this a great year, so do what you can to make a difference.

Dan Winter

Israel Action

Temple Emanu-El is part of the Southbay Israel Action Committee. This group has been very actively promoting support of Israel and the fight against increasing worldwide anti-semitism. If you would like to be informed of upcoming speakers and rallies, news and opinions of immediate concern, and calls for action, please sign up on the Temple Emanu-El Israel list at <http://lists.templeanajose.org/>.

Another wonderful site is www.olam4israel.com. If you sign up here, you will receive a daily e-mail with a one-minute action item that you can do each day in support of Israel. On the home page are links for news updates, editorials, and quotes. Check out the link to ten top sites (including one for official Israeli government information, Arabic press in translation, other media connections, and the American Israel Public Affairs Committee) that will enable you to stay connected and informed on a regular basis.

If you want to better understand what is happening in the Middle East, watch for information about the upcoming monthly lecture series, Israel 101, that will take place at

Temple Emanu-El on Sunday mornings, beginning October 13.

The situation right now is very serious. If you believe that Israel has the right to exist, whether or not you support every action of the Israeli government, the time to act is now. Please take the time to become involved on whatever level is most appropriate for you.

For more information on Israel programming, contact Sue Maltiel, 725-1106 or suemaltiel@attbi.com.

Up to \$36,000 Reward

During the early morning hours of April 2, 2002, The Church of the Redeemer in Los Altos Hills was destroyed by fire. Anyone with information pertaining to this fire should contact the San Jose ATF office 535-5015, the County Fire Dept. 341-4401, or the Sheriff's office 1-800-847-5077.

The Choir

Do you love to sing?
Are you interested in
Jewish music?
Do you want to meet new
and interesting people?

If you answered yes to any
of these questions, then
the **Temple Emanu-El
Choir** is the place for
YOU!

The choir rehearses most

Thursday nights 7:30 –
9:00 PM in the
Benefactors Room
beginning October 3rd.

No auditions necessary!
Tenors and basses are
especially needed but all
voice parts are welcome.

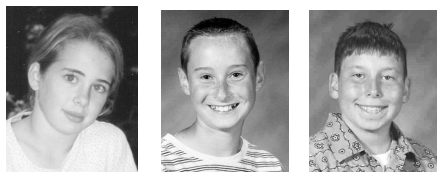
For more information,
contact Rachel at
292-0939.



I'm sure I speak on behalf of the
entire congregation in expressing my
gratitude for the wonderful Temple
Emanu-El choir. Members rehearsed
since the beginning of August to
prepare the beautiful music that
graced our High Holy Day services.

I'd also like to personally thank
each member of the choir. They are:
Evann and Mike Aronoff, Claire and
Jerry Barnhart, Jeanne Bronstein,
Greg and Sara Calkins, Maggie Cant,
Dawn Chaffin, Henci Goer, Diane
Hirshon, Ginny Hoffman, Carol
Irwin, James Jenks, Cheriell Magat,
Lois Matusow, Britta Peterson, Nora
Rousso, Cathy Rubin, Dave Schwartz,
Philip Schwarz, Bob Sherman, Kelly
Snider, Laura Sternberg, Judith
Stubbs, Amanda and Suzanne Tobin,
John Williams, Harriet Wolf, and
Debbie Wolfson.

B'nai Mitzvah



From left to right:
Abbie, Elliot, Bryan.

Abbie Lieberman, daughter of Linda
and Andrew Lieberman, will be called to
Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday,
October 5, 2002. Abbie is an eighth grader
at Kennedy Middle School in Cupertino,
where she is on the Honor Roll. Her other
school activities include cheerleading,
WEB, and Lend a Helping Paw (the
school's community service group). When
she is not busy studying, Abbie enjoys
spending time with her friends, and does
ballet and hip-hop. Abbie has very much
enjoyed preparing for her Bat Mitzvah and
is grateful for all of the experiences at
Temple Emanu-El, Camp Swig, Camp
Newman, and the many friends she has
made. Abbie shares her home with her
parents, her brother, Elliot, and dog, Fudge.

Elliot Wolf will be called to the Torah
as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, October 12,
2002. Elliot is an 8th grader at Kennedy
Middle School. He enjoys playing
basketball, baseball, tennis, and computer
games in his spare time. He follows the
Oakland A's and Green Bay Packers' teams
with much enthusiasm. Elliot has a strong

interest in protecting the environment
and animal habitats, which ties in with
his Torah portion, Noach. Elliot, his
parents Joel and Joelle, and sister, Erin
invite the congregation to join them on
this special day.

Bryan Fisher son of Bunny and
Alan Fisher, will be called to the Torah
as a Bar Mitzvah on October 26, 2002.
Bryan is an eighth grade student at
Piedmont Middle School in San Jose.
His favorite class is Band where he
plays the flute. In his spare time he
likes to play baseball and ride horses.
He also enjoys traveling to the East
Coast to visit relatives and local
historical and tourist sites such as
Fenway Park in Boston and Greek
Town in Detroit. During winter and
summer break, Bryan also enjoys
spending time with his Jewish friends
in Camp Swig and Camp Newman.
Bryan has family visiting from around
the world and they are all very proud
of his achievements that have led up to
this day.

This year will be an exciting one
for the choir. In December, the choir
will once again participate in the
"Season of Hope" concert series at St.
Joseph's Cathedral downtown. This
is a lovely community interfaith
event presented every year. Stay
tuned for more details. On January
17 (Shabbat Shira) Cantor Arlene
Bernstein will join me, the choir and a
chamber orchestra for *Echad*, a Friday
evening service. I am very excited
that the composer, Cantor Stephen
Richards, will be conducting the choir
that evening. Additionally, the choir
will continue sing for Shabbat
services throughout the year.

Please consider joining the
choir! Rehearsals begin again on
October 3. Contact me at the temple if
you are interested.

Rachel Michelberg

KIDS NIGHT OUT PAJAMA PARTY

Saturday, October 19 6:00 – 11:00 PM Open to kids ages 18 mos. to 8
years. It's filling fast. Call Barbara @ 293-8660 to reserve a space
Next party: December 14th.

Is there a calligrapher in the
congregation who would
be willing to volunteer
occasionally to inscribe
baby-naming
certificates, ketubot,
etc? Please call Deborah in the
office, 292-0939.



Education Page

The new school year began with a delicious pancake breakfast provided by the Brotherhood. Thank you for the wonderful start to our opening day of school.

Our Hebrew School students have begun their studies in preparation for B'nai Mitzvah. Our Hebrew teachers are excited about this year's program, particularly the study of Torah trope by our Gimel and Dalet students.

Rabbi Magat led parents and students in the study of Sukkot to prepare the students for their visits to the sukkah following T'fillah. Thank you to Henrietta Mintzer of Sisterhood for providing challah and apples to the children during their sukkah visit.

We had a wonderful and informative parent get-together following T'fillah. Parents were busy signing up for carpools, schmoozing, signing up for snacks, schmoozing, signing up for TJS, schmoozing...

On Simchat Torah, Friday, September 27th, our new students were consecrated. Children received small Torahs, a certificate, and a candy to sweeten the study of Judaism. We would like to welcome our new members and First Steps families to the school. If you have any questions, comments or suggestions, please do not hesitate to call at 292-3223 or stop by the school office.

We would like to add special thanks to:

- Laurie Aknin, Assistant School Administrator, for making opening day a success and for staffing the Religious School office on Sunday mornings.
- Shari Krandel and Abby Perr-Baker for their coordination of the Room Parent program.
- Debbie Bicknell for coordinating the fundraising activities.
- Harriet Reisner for a great job in providing support to the Sunday program, as well as running the office for Wednesday Hebrew School.
- Sisterhood for restocking our Art Room and the donation to playground.
- Brotherhood for providing the school with drinking water throughout the year.
- A special thank you from our teachers to the members of Mishpachot for the wonderful gift of money to purchase individual class supplies.

These are some of the exciting upcoming events that you should be sure to add to your calendar:

1. Playground building date is Friday, October 4th, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.
2. Teen Jewish Studies Teen Screen is Sunday, October 6th at 1 pm. Remember, there is no TJS class on Wednesday, October 9th.
3. Family Service on Friday, October 11th, will be led by several of our TJS students. Potluck dinner is at 6:00 pm, following by 7:15 pm service. We invite the entire congregation to join us for both the dinner and service. Please RSVP to the Temple Office at 292-0939 for the dinner.
4. Our first "Kids Nite Out" is Saturday, October 12th. Parents, bring your young children in their pajamas to the Temple House at 6:00 pm and enjoy a night out. Barbara Smead and her Preschool staff will take care and entertain the children from 6:00 to 11:00 pm

while you go out and enjoy yourselves. RSVP to Barbara at 293-8660 to reserve a place. Donations will be accepted at the door.

5. On Wednesday, October 30th, parents are invited to participate with their TJS students in an Israeli evening. An Israeli dinner will be served at 6:15 pm. Sue Maltiel, our Family Education Specialist, will then facilitate a discussion of the Israel / Arab conflict and how to interpret the news.
6. Family Education Day for Kindergarten and Grade 1 will be held Sunday, November 3rd. Parents are encouraged to attend with their child(ren).

REMINDER TO PARENTS: Fall back – be sure to turn your clocks one hour back on Saturday, October 26th.

L'Shalom,
Rosie Pick, School Administrator
Paula Marsh, Religious School Coordinator
Barbara Persin, Primary Team Leader
Ann Roque, Secondary Team Leader
Joelle Wolf, Hebrew School Team Leader

Pre-School Notes

WE DID IT!! A big sigh of relief describes how I'm feeling as all the final preparations for the playground have been completed. We are finally ready for our playground to go up! A huge thank you to the many families and companies who donated money towards the playground. To date they are: Fry's Electronics, WOTE, Metro Steel, the Mazo family, the O'Brien family, the Karen and Ty Levine family, the Greenberg family, the Margolis family, the Turetzky family, the Kacharia family, the Ross family, the Orteg family, the Michelberg family, Cohen Landscaping, the Zevitz family, the Leingang family, the Malkofsky-Berger family, the Ganz family, the Persin family, and the Tristram family.

September was an amazing month in the Preschool. We added many new friends, celebrated our one year anniversary on September 24th, learned all about the High Holy Days, ate tons of apples and honey, decorated the Sukkah and took part in an all-school BBQ. We also began a special music program in the preschool on Wednesday mornings with Rachel Michelberg. The children really love the singing and the instruments that she bought for the preschool.

Shabbat on Friday mornings has always been a highlight for the kids and staff. Rabbi Magat has recently begun reading stories about God to the children on Shabbat morning. The discussion session that follows is truly priceless and looked forward to by all.

October promises to be an exciting month with the installation of the playground and our first ever Kids Night Out Pajama Party. We will continue our study of Shabbat along with learning about Fall, harvesting and pumpkins.

Our staff is wonderful, our classrooms are exciting and the preschool is definitely the place to be! Please call me at 293-8660 if you would like to arrange a visit.

Barbara Smead, Preschool Director

Women of Temple Emanu-El



From The Pampered Chef

The Women of Temple Emanu-El are busily entering the New Year. We will be having our next meeting at the home of Rita Loren on October 29 starting with a pot luck at 6 PM. If you would like to attend, please contact Rita at 379-8681. The meeting will begin promptly at 6:45 P.M.

Our **Pampered Chef** fundraiser/dinner was a big success. We all enjoyed a stir-fry dinner while schmoozing after learning all about the wonderful new products available to make cooking fun and easy. Thanks, Bernice, for organizing this fun evening.

By now all the **Gift Shop** workers have been properly trained. Stop in and say hello. The gift shop is open on Sundays during Religious School, on Friday nights after motzi and on Wednesdays during TJS. Other times can be arranged by appointment with Peggy Frederick (354-1084). Don't forget to register for great Bar and Bat Mitzvah gifts. Entertainment books are also available for purchase in the shop.

Beginning on the first day of Religious School and continuing until our supplies run out, WOTE members will be selling tickets to **Westfield Works Wonders**, the great exclusive evening of after-hours holiday shopping, featuring special discounts, refreshments, entertainment, free gift wrapping, free photos, prizes and much more to be held on November 10 from 7-10PM at both Valley Fair and Oakridge Malls. Tickets are only \$5.00 and proceeds go directly to WOTE.

It's not too late to read the book for the first meeting of our **Jewish Women's Book Club** which will meet on October 16 in Classroom 7 from 6:30 - 8PM. Our first book will be "Cry of the Peacock," by Gina Nahai.

We will again be sponsoring a **Chanukah Boutique** on October 27th in the Temple House. There will be lots of new vendors this year, so drop by and take a peek. We will also be having our annual bake sale and a special area for kids.

On October 12 we will have our first **Meditation Minyan** in the BFR beginning at 9AM. We welcome men, women and teens to come together as a community for study and prayer. Bobbi Bornstein will be the meditation leader. The Minyan will be followed by a light snack.

Women of Temple Emanu-El extend a personal invitation for you to join other spiritual women for Our annual **WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY DAY** on November 2, 2002. "WOMEN IN THE TORAH: CONTINUING THE JOURNEY" is an all-day retreat taking place at Temple Emanu-El from 10:00a.m.-4:30 p.m. The cost is 25.00 for the day and includes a scrumptious lunch as well as workshop materials.

Using her book "LISTEN TO HER VOICE: WOMEN OF THE HEBREW BIBLE", our wonderful facilitator, Miki Raver, will lead us on a path into the Biblical text through stories of these strong and inspirational women. We will steep ourselves in the lives of Eve, Sarah, Rachel, Ruth, Rebecca, Jezebel, Naomi, Esther, Tamar, Dinah, Deborah and other remarkable female ancestors.

Through discussion, prayer, magnificent artworks of these women, music, movement and journaling, you will explore the meaning of these stories for your personal journey in life.

Miki Raver's documentary film work has aired on national public tv and she has served as a national coordinator for Hadassah. She is currently the director of adult activities for the Marin JCC.

Don't miss this fabulous opportunity for enjoyment, inspiration and spiritual growth!!

For information or to RSVP:
email: spiritualjudith@yahoo.com
call Judith @ (408)496-1660

Don't forget our annual **WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY DAY** on November 2, 2002. "WOMEN IN THE TORAH: CONTINUING THE JOURNEY" (see boxed article).

WOTE is in the process of revising our by-laws. The new by-laws will be voted on at our October 29 meeting. If you would like to look over a copy of the proposed revisions, please contact Bunny Fisher at 272-7598.

Anita Medeiros
WOTE President

Donations

Donations received after September 10th will be acknowledged in the November Connections.

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In Honor of Rabbi Magat
Don Fernandez
Sue & Ron Timpson
Janet & Gary Katz
In Memory of Ilene Hoffman
Lorie, Al & Sharri Kaplan
In Memory of Morris Burman
Henia Burman
Tannen Family
In Loving Memory of Phyllis Sovansky
Myrna Cohen
Donation
Myra Reinhard
In Appreciation of Rabbi Magat
John & Andrea Walias
Joan L. Sobol-Lowry
In Memory of Rhona Bethlahmy
Nogah Bethlahmy
In Loving Memory of Eva Leve
Wanda & Bob Pollack
In Memory of Joan J. Hersch
JoAnne & Robert Hersch
In Loving Memory of Georgette Hussey
John & Mary Anne Marceca
In Loving Memory of Audrey Rothschild
Ruth & Leonard Schlussel
Alvin Ravel Garden Fund
In Loving Memory of Sidney Resnick
Arlene Ravel
Betty Rinsler Religious Fund
In Loving Memory of Dora Fischer

Mildred Wolfson
In Loving Memory of Ilene Hoffman
Pauline & Jacob Braunstein
Francine Rosen
Beverly Jordan Temple

Beautification Fund

In Honor of Mr. & Mrs. Marvin
Cassero's 50th Anniversary
In Honor of Mr. & Mrs. Henry Stein's 50th
Anniversary
Dr. Art & Phyllis Messinger
In Loving Memory of David Levin
Larry & Audrey Fox
Joe & Edith Rosenberg

Building Fund

Donation
John & Mary Anne Marceca

Campership Fund

In Memory of Edythe Litman
Lorie Kaplan

Cantorial Discretionary Fund

In Honor of Beth Timpson's Bat Mitzvah
Sue & Ron Timpson
In Loving Memory of Ilene Hoffman
Joan & Marvin Fox

David Levin Cemetery Fund

In Memory of David Levin
Arlene & Larry Goldberg
Richard & Doris Davis

Facilities for the Aged

In Memory of Sydney Resnick
Bernard J. Axelrad
Ruth & Mike Stein
In Memory of Sarah Silverman
Myrna Cohen

General Fund

In Honor of Richard & Joyce
Wittenberg's 40th Anniversary
Marvin & Joan Fox
In Memory of Morris Burman
Dian & Mel Grais
Robert & Marion Lanza
Kenneth & Barbara Sheets

JoAnne Salman-Tehrani Homeless Fund

In Honor of our Grandson Michael on
his Bar Mitzvah
Bee & Si Silin

Judith Jurman Omens Cemetery Beautification Fund

In Honor of Harry Miller's Birthday
Jyl & David Jurman
In Memory of Ilene Hoffman
Harry & Marcia Ratner

Kenneth Gordon Children's Prayerbook Fund

In Memory of Madeline Louise Kaufman
Bob, Kelly & Sophia Kaufman

Milton Fox Campership Fund

In Honor of Joyce & Richard
Wittenberg's 40th Anniversary
Robert & Ruth Fox

Religious School Enrichment Fund

In Memory of Fanny Emanuel
Mark & Bette Emanuel
Wishing a Special Birthday to Chuck
Jacobs

Marlene & Herb Slavin

In Memory of David Levin
In Memory of Marlene Albert
Gary & Janet Katz
In Memory of Lena Aizenberg
Steve & Arlene Greenberg

Shank-Rockman Family Sound System Fund

In Loving Memory of Ilene Hoffman
JoAnne Shank & Family

Tzedakah Fund

Donation
Golda Miller

Our heartfelt condolences to

Lynda Chase, on the death of her father, Benjamin Fisher
Ellen Lee, on the death of her uncle, Bernard Nathan
Jeff, Barbara and Jason Persin, on the death of Jeff's father, Edwin Persin
Ilean and Todd Rudin, on the death of Mike Rudin, husband and father

Emanu-El 49ers

We'll meet for services on October 4 and 18 (8:00 PM Sanctuary service). Don't forget the free Lecture on October 9 at Temple (7:30 PM). We'll attend some Jewish Film Festival offerings...RSVP by October 9 so we can get group rates. On Sunday, October 27 at 3:00 PM, we'll walk the mall at Valley Fair (on the west end of the mall, starting at the mall entrance to Macy's Men's Store. We'll walk in groups of six, dine at the Food Court or other place of your choosing. Bring walking shoes, put money in your pocket, and come get exercise! For more information about this group of active Jewish singles (age 49 or thereabouts and above), and to RSVP for the walk, please call April Miller, 298-4181.

Wanted:

One refrigerator for the Religious School
(small regular size, not the mini)
Call Rosie, 292-3223, if you are able to help.

A New Year's gift

from the **Jewish Bulletin** of Northern California
Free 6-week trial subscription
(for new subscribers only)
Pick up a form on the Shalom Table, or call your
information to (415)7202 x24.

The Power of eScrip

It was great meeting with many religious school parents Sunday, September 22.

Thank you ahead of time to all those who promised to enroll.

Did you know that there is no charge to enroll? Use the website www.escrip.com or call me and I'll mail you an application. Temple Emanu-El's account number is 136985180. Once registered with your Safeway, PW and up to five credit cards, you're on your way to earning money for Temple. Now that's powerful!!

Currently we have 64 families who support eScrip. Thank you! Through June, contributions to Temple total \$1371.79. We all need to eat. eScrip is available for shopping, dining, at the drug store, even for tires. You won't be spending any more money, and you'll be earning from 2-5% of your purchase credited to Temple Emanu-El.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me.

Lorie Kaplan
267-4563

SAN JOSE JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL

Begins October 9 and continues through November 10.

Nine different films will be shown Wednesday at 7:30 PM, Sundays at 1:00 PM. Special features at 4:00 PM on Sundays. For more information, pick up a flyer on the Shalom Table, check out the website, www.sjfff.org, or call Fagie Rosen at (408)358-5907.

All films will be shown at

Camera 3 Theater, South 2nd Street at San Carlos. A special screening for underwriters, patron-plus and patrons will be held on Wednesday, October 2, 7:30 PM and will include a dessert reception. Call Fagie if you wish to support the festival and be included.

XYZ

Xtra Years of Zest For seniors 65 and over

Will meet at 1:30 PM on Sunday, October 6 in the Benefactors Room. Come and join us for a planning meeting. We'll discuss our programs for the coming months. We are a group of friendly and caring men and women. For more information contact Carolyn Fabisch, 734-5683.

ARZA/World Union Campaign to support Reform Jewish Kindergartens

The Israel Movement for Progressive Judaism, a beneficiary of ARZA/World Union, has established a network of nursery schools and kindergartens which offer children and families an opportunity for Jewish education with progressive values.

Plant the Seed Project 2002-2003 is being promoted in this area by the Pacific Central West Region of UAHC. When you help fund this project, you are supporting 45 kindergartens serving more than 1,100 families in more than ten cities in Israel.

Pick up a flyer on the Shalom Table, or send your tax-deductible donation (marked Kindergarten Project) to: PCW Regional Office, ARZA/World Union, 2269 Chestnut St., #276, San Francisco CA 94123. (415)776-2754.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FR	SATURDAY
		1	2 4:15 Hebrew 6:00 TJS 6:00 PM Preschool Board (Teachers Lounge)	3 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (BFR)	4 8:00 PM Erev Shabbat Service	5 9:00 Shabbat Morning Minyan 10:30 AM Bat Mitzvah Abbie Lieberman
6 To Life: Jewish Cultural Festival, Palo Alto 8:45 AM Hebrew 9:00 AM Brotherhood Mtg (Youth Lounge) 10:00 Jewish Studies 10:00 AM Adult Ed: Torah Hebrew 11:15 AM Adult Ed: Comp. Rel. 12:15 PM Lunch Bunch	7	8	9 12:00 PM Lunch & Learn 4:15 PM Hebrew 7:30 PM Gittin Lecture (BFR)	10 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (Sanc)	11 6:00 PM Potluck Dinner 7:15 PM Erev Shabbat Family Service	12 9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Meditation Minyan (BFR) 10:30 AM Bar Mitzvah Elliot Wolf
13 8:45 AM Hebrew 10:00 AM Religious Studies 10:00 AM Israel Lecture Series (TH) 10:00 AM Adult Ed: Hebrew 11:15 AM Adult Ed: Comp Rel 7:00 PM Healing Service (Beth David)	14 7:30 PM Intro to Judaism (BFR)	15	16 4:15 PM Hebrew 6:00 PM TJS 6:30 PM Jewish Women's Book Club (Rm 7)	17 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (Sanc)	18 6:30 PM Tot Shabbat 7:00 PM Tot Family Potluck (BFR) 8:00 PM Erev Shabbat Service with choir	19 9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Minyan (BFR) 6:00 - 11:00 PM Kids Night Out
20 8:45 AM Rel Sch Board 8:45 AM Hebrew 10:00 AM Religious Studies 10:00 AM Adult Ed: Hebrew 11:15 AM Adult Ed: Comp Rel 11:15 AM Shalom Chaverim	21	22 6:00 PM Executive Committee 7:30 PM Board of Trustees	23 12:00 PM Bring Lunch/Learn Torah 4:15 PM Hebrew 6:00 PM TJS	24	25 6:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service 7:30 PM Potluck Dinner	26 9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Minyan (BFR) 10:30 AM Bar Mitzvah Bryan Fisher
27 Remember to set clocks back 8:45 AM Hebrew 10:00 AM Religious Studies 10:00 AM Adult Ed: Hebrew (Chapel) 11 AM - 3 PM Hanukkah Boutique (TH) 11:15 AM Adult Ed: Comp Rel (Chapel)	28 6:00 PM Preschool Teachers Meeting (Teachers Lounge)	29 6:00 PM WOTE Meeting (Rita Loren's) 7:30 PM Intro to Judaism (Shir Hadash)	30 4:15 PM Hebrew 6:00 PM TJS	31		

October Yahrzeits

OCTOBER 4, 2002

Sadie Abelson
 Anna Berman
 Ann Brecker
 Lena Feldmann
 Robert Friedman
 Sydney Harvey
 Florence kristal
 Grace Hirsch Laevsky
 Jacob Levin
 Henry Levine
 Jacob S. Mehlman
 Mary Rosenberg
 Harry Rosenthal
 Edna Schaar
 Sarah Smulyan
 Sylvia Sokol
 Anita Sommer
 Albert Stein
 Mark Sternberg
 Gertrude Weininger Stoer
 Otto Stoer
 Rachel Taub
 Gertrude Wolff

Irving Jacobs
 Marian I. Kaplan
 Fanny Katz
 Minnie Levine
 Eugene Marxheimer
 Johanna Marxheimer
 Rita B. Milner
 Nettie Mintzer
 Abe Ofsalof
 Nellie Schier
 Arthur Schmieck
 Lily Shulman
 Jennie Solomon
 Barnett Weinstein
 Joseph Wolff

OCTOBER 18, 2002

Hilda Altman
 Benjamin Aronowitz
 Ben Avrech
 Bayla Bryman
 Nettie Chatoff
 Lee Fink
 Milton Fox
 Rose Frank

OCTOBER 11, 2002

Kate Baitchman
 Allan A. Berkowitz
 Samuel Dekoven
 Mildred Entner
 Hinda Friedman
 Jack Graff
 Louis Harkavy
 Rick Hoffman

Hyman Garshon
 Rebecca Greenberg
 Sandra Lynn Hersch
 Henny Just
 Mollie Kadish
 Carl Kraft
 Ida F. Kragen
 Louis Landman
 Lee Levine

Joel Loren
 Alan Loth
 Jack Markus
 Myer Medoff
 Ralph Muslin
 Anna Myerfeld
 Monty Myers
 Dr. John Norman
 Reznikov
 Mildred Cohn Rosen
 Dr. David G. Roy
 David Silen
 Sophie Silverstein
 Esther Slavin
 Besse Slonaker
 Eric Stanley
 Lillian Stenberg-Schmidt
 Laura Picard Sternberg
 Joseph Unell
 Joe Wilson
 Nancy Grace Wilson
 Mary Witkin
 Ruth Zenver

OCTOBER 25, 2002

Aaron Dorfman
 Abram P. Epstein
 David A. Feldman
 Lean Frenk
 Marilyn Gerber
 Pearl Goldstein
 Frieda Gordon
 Monroe J. Hartfield
 Simon Indianer
 Max Kivetz
 Howard Klepner
 Herman Labovick
 Minnie Lackner
 Virginia Lee
 Ann Levin
 Rita Levy
 Sadye Lewis
 Joe Marchick
 Herbert J. Nayman
 Dorothy Osiel
 Dr. Meyer A. Perlstein
 Bernard Richman
 Samuel Shapiro
 Stanley Shine
 Max Shuch
 Sam Spinner
 Rose Stern
 Sol Streim
 Albert Tidwell
 Herman Waschler
 Clara Webb-Nord
 Debora Wolff
 Mohtarum Zehab

Temple Emanu-El

1010 University Avenue
 San Jose, CA 95126-1898
 Telephone: (408) 292-0939
 FAX: (408) 292-7625

www.temple-sanjose.org

Connections is published ten times
 a year by Temple Emanu-El

Dana L. Magat Rabbi
 Joseph Gitin, D.D. Rabbi Emeritus
 Rachel Michelberg ... Cantorial Soloist
 Wayne Rose Cemetery Administrator
 Mary Anne Marceca ... Office Manager
 Barbara Smead Preschool Director
 Rosie Pick.....Religious School
 Administrator
 Deborah Zimmer Member Services
 Coordinator
 Linda Spears Facilities Coordinator
 Tanya Pekker Bookkeeper

Officers

Stephen Greenberg President
 Mort Berlant Vice President
 Dr. Michael Cahn Vice President
 Laura Danoff Vice President
 Bruce Frederick Secretary
 Dan Lee Treasurer
 Barry Cohen Past President

Trustees

Burt Epstein Al Roth
 Larry Hirsch Deborah Schreiberstein
 Jonathon Jackel JoAnn Shank
 Anita Medeiros Dr. Richard Sogg
 Sheri Prizant Dan Winter
 Jean Richards

Myrna Cohen.....Sisterhood
 John Fox/Uri Gottfeld .. Brotherhood
 Oda Livchitz XYZ
 Emilia Varshavsky
 Senior Youth Group President



Affiliated with the
 Union of American Hebrew Congregations

Recent Onegs have been sponsored by the following families:

JULY 5

The Fisher/Silverman family in loving memory of
 Morley Silverman

JULY 12

Friends and family of Beth Timpson in honor of
 her Bat Mitzvah

AUGUST 2

Friends and family of Daniel Suchow in honor of
 his Bar Mitzvah

AUGUST 9

Friends and family of Scott Lowry, in honor of his
 Bar Mitzvah

AUGUST 16

Friends and family of Michael Silin, in honor of his
 Bar Mitzvah

AUGUST 29

Elias Zasloff, in memory of Goldie Zasloff
 Friends and family of Emily Gerston, in honor of
 her Bat Mitzvah

Temple Emanu-El Contribution Form

Enclosed please find \$ _____ as a donation to _____ Fund.

Given in honor of or in memory of:

Please list additional donations on a separate sheet

Please send acknowledgement to:

Name _____

Please make your checks payable to Temple Emanu-El

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Donor's Name _____

Contributions are tax deductible

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Temple Emanu-El List of Funds

General Fund
Endowment Fund
Annual Maintenance Fund
Tribute Funds

(listed below by category in alphabetical order)

Memorial Funds:

Andrew Apte Temple Historical Fund
 Lollie Brickner Media Center Fund
 Harold Cahn Prayerbook Fund
 Michael Elman Campership Fund
 Milton Fox Campership Fund
 Ralph Goldeen Library Fund
 Kenneth Gordon Children's Prayerbook Fund
 Beverly Jordan Temple Beautification Fund
 Lou & Clara Juren Library Fund
 Ida F. Kragen Consecration and Caring Fund

Herbert Marchick High Holy Day Fund
 Phyllis Matzner Campership Fund
 Phyllis Omel Jr. Choir Fund
 Judith Jurman Omens Cemetery Beautification Fund
 Alvin Ravel Garden Fund
 Betty Rinsler Religious School Endowment Fund
 JoAnne Salman-Tehrani Homeless Fund
 Winnie Schare Interfaith Shabbat Fund
 Maurice Tucker High Holy Day Music Fund

Other Tribute Funds:

Adult Education Fund
 Bertram Berns Music Fund
 Campership Fund
 Cantorial Discretionary Fund
 Caring Fund
 Choir Fund

Cuban Relief and Prayerbook Fund
 Facilities for the Aged Fund
 Leonard and Bernice Gaon Campership Fund
 Israel Scholarship Fund
 Prayerbook Tribute Fund
 Rabbi's Discretionary Fund
 Rabbinic Housing Fund
 Religious School Fund
 Religious School Scholarship Fund
 Shank-Rockman Sound System Fund
 Sisterhood Remembrance Fund
 Tzedakah Fund
 Weintraub Religious School Scholarship Fund

Other Tribute Donations:
 Memorial Plaque - \$600 each
 Sanctuary Chair Plaque - \$400 each
 Prayerbook Tribute - \$25 each



Temple Emanu-El
 1010 University Avenue
 San Jose, CA 95126
 (408) 292-0939

Address Service Requested

Non-profit org.
 U.S. Postage
 PAID
 San Jose, CA
 Permit No. 542

**TIME VALUE
 DATED EVENTS**