



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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141st Annual Congregational Meeting

Wednesday, June 11, 2003

6:00 PM – *Wine and Cheese Reception in Temple House*

7:00 PM – *Call to Order in the Sanctuary*

The evening will include the Rabbi's Report, Auxiliary Reports, presentations of awards, the annual report on education, a discussion of the proposed 2003-2004 budget, and the outcome of the elections. A dessert social will follow.

Ballots may be mailed or hand-delivered, but must be received in the office by 5:00 PM on Tuesday, June 10. Ballots may also be brought to the annual meeting.

Schedule of Services

WEDNESDAY JUNE 5

Erev Shavuot

7:00 PM

Erev Shavuot and Confirmation Service

FRIDAY, JUNE 6

7:30 AM Shavuot Study Session/Breakfast (BFR)

9:00 AM Shavuot Morning Service/Yizkor (BFR)

6:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service (Patio)

SATURDAY, JUNE 7

9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Minyan

FRIDAY, JUNE 13

6:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service (patio)

Installation Shabbat

SATURDAY, JUNE 14

9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Minyan

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

6:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service

(patio)

(Tot Shabbat Family Potluck at 7:00 PM)

SATURDAY, JUNE 21

9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Minyan

FRIDAY, JUNE 27

6:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service

(patio)

From the Rabbi

The first week of this month features one of the most important holy days we have in our tradition. In fact, Pesach is incomplete without it! That holy day is Shavuot, and it is traditionally understood to be the time when Moses received the Aseret Hadibrot (the Ten Commandments) from Mount Sinai. It is also (according to tradition) the time that Moses received the entire Torah and the Mishnah (the oral Torah) on Mt. Sinai. Whether we accept this as fact or myth, the values behind the message are what is most important.



Pesach is the time in our year to re-experience our Exodus from Egypt as well as understand the importance of our commitment to the freedom of all peoples.

But without Shavuot, Pesach is empty, for Shavuot is the time for us to remember that freedom without responsibility and commitment means very little. On Shavuot we are to imagine ourselves at the foot of Mt. Sinai, receiving the Torah. Torah is the symbol of our Brit – our covenant – and the basis of that covenant is action. We are commanded to behave in a way that demonstrates our commitment to this Brit. So come out and join us on Erev Shavuot (June 6 at 7pm) as our confirmation class leads an inspiring service and come on Friday morning as we study, eat blintzes and pray together (starting at 7:30am, and the 9:00am service will also include a Yizkor service).

Shavuot reminds us that our identity as Jews is not automatic. It is something that we must nourish and grow like a beautiful rose bush. To be Jewish, therefore, is to pray, study and enjoy that identity. So too, we are to act in our community. Being a part of the Congregation through study, prayer and learning is part of that action and commitment. The other part of that commitment is remembering that we must ensure that those who follow us truly have our commitment and support. We do this by supporting our synagogue economically as well as through our physical activity.

Some members of our congregation have been out of work for nearly two years. These individuals and families show their commitment by volunteering and other activities, supporting the synagogue with the means available to them. There are others who could afford to give more financially but maybe forget that they are responsible for those who are not now able to give as they would like.

And so I hope those of you who are able to increase your financial commitment to the temple will do so. As you know, I am not in the practice of asking for money, but as our President has informed us, these are challenging times.

I am committed to our future, but that commitment is nothing unless you and I are committed together. Only together can we make Temple Emanu-El a place of which we can all be proud.

L'Shalom,
Rabbi Dana Magat

From the Office

Well, June is here and we are nearing the end of another Temple fiscal year. It has been quite an experience for me coming on board as the office manager, with all I had to learn in such a short time - each and every time a new holiday or event was up coming at the Temple. It has been truly a rewarding experience for me.

As you all know, this year the administrative office has gone through growing pains of its own. I wanted to ensure that you – the members – were satisfied with information that came from the office, whether it was your financial statements, your donation acknowledgments, visiting our office, or even speaking with a person on the phone.

I apologize to those members whose donations letters were incorrect or not sent out in a timely fashion and when the financial statements were wrong. At times, the transition period between office staff personnel, office responsibilities and then losing a staff member due to the economy, were some of the key reasons that errors were made. There is no excuse for mistreating your donations or sending out statements when they were wrong. Just know that each day, both the office staff and I strive to make sure these errors don't happen, no matter what the issue may be. We cannot fix what I don't know to be broken, so please contact me in the future if you do have a problem. We are here to help you any way we can.

Last but not least, as the office prepares for the next fiscal year, I would like to bring to your attention that you will soon be receiving your Annual Membership Commitment form. This form will list your financial commitment from the previous three years, and a place for you to write what you would like to pledge for membership the coming fiscal year.

For members who have joined in the past year and may be unfamiliar with this process, please feel free to contact me with any questions. For all of you, please review this document and return it to the office as soon as possible so that the information may be entered before we start our new fiscal year on July 1. Also enclosed with the financial commitment form will be a Membership Information Update, your opportunity to make sure that the temple has your correct current information. Please make a note on these forms if you have any change of address, phone numbers, e-mail address, anniversary or any bundles of joy that the stork did not tell us about. Any information you submit will be kept confidential. As our congregation grows, it is important that we have current information in your files each year.

As my first year is coming to a close, I'd like to take a moment to thank the Rabbi, Temple staff, the Board of Trustees, the Preschool staff, Religious School staff, members and volunteers who have always gone out of their way to make me feel welcome at the Temple. With each new challenge that I faced, there were those of you that took the time to show me the way, and I want to thank all of you who took the time to do so. No matter what, someone would always be there with a kind word of support - whether I needed it or not. Afterwards, the challenges I had faced didn't seem so big to handle anymore, and I handled them with ease. Thank you everyone.

Mary Anne Marceca

Musical Notes

Cantor's Concert

It was truly a grand night for singing on May 4, when approximately 400 enthusiastic patrons enjoyed our Cantor's Concert. A heartfelt "thank you" to all of those who assisted in making the evening so successful.

- Evann Aronoff, who along with her husband Michael create the stunning dessert reception that threatens to outshine the music!
- Maggie and Bob Cant, who spent a better part of their day assisting Michael and Evann in setting up the reception
- everyone who brought tasty desserts, especially members of the choir who also helped at the door.
- the wonderful office staff, including Deborah Zimmer for her assistance with the publicity, Mary Anne Orlowski for managing the reservations, Doris Bettencourt for helping to format the program, and to Mary Anne Marceca for managing the "house" and putting up with my craziness.



And finally, thank you to Rabbi Dana Magat for consistently supporting the music programs here at Temple Emanu-El.

High Holiday Choir

The choir will begin rehearsing for the High Holidays on Tuesday, August 12th. We always welcome new members. Though music-reading skills are helpful, they are not a requirement for singing in the choir. We will rehearse on Tuesdays through Yom Kippur, and sing for the evening services only. This year will be especially exciting - for the first time we will be holding services at the San Jose Civic Auditorium. Contact me at the temple if you're interested. All voice parts are welcome.

Rachel Michelberg

Today Rabah

Thank you to all the people who faithfully fold and stuff and affix labels for Temple mailings, among whom are: Rita Loren, Mitzi Sapper, Henrietta and Sam Mintzer, Millie Segal, Gladys Puopolo, Ida and Bert Heyman, Elias Zasloff, Charles Atlas, Bernice Gaon, Nancy Markham, Grace Freiberg, Lillian Nerenberg, Lorie & Shari Kaplan.

(We're sorry if we missed anyone. If you would like to see your name here the next time we say thanks, please contact Deborah in the Temple office to make arrangements to volunteer! It's a mitzvah!)

Give The Gift Of Peace Of Mind

You know it is inevitable, but you don't want to think about it. You know that if you don't do it now, someday your loved ones will have to, at a time when they are most vulnerable. They will want to honor your memory in the best way possible, perhaps without regard to costs. They will want to respect your wishes, but will only be able to guess at what those wishes might have been. They might even disagree among themselves, adding to the burden of their grief.

Temple Emanu-El owns one of California's most historic cemeteries. For one hundred and fifty years, Jewish pioneers from the Gold Rush of the Mother Lode to the high tech rush of Silicon Valley have chosen Home of Peace Cemetery as their final resting place. Plots are available for traditional ground burial as well as mausoleum crypts for above-ground interment and columbarium niches for those whose choice is cremation. And, unlike any other cemetery, one-half of all cemetery revenue goes directly to Temple Emanu-El's Operating Fund to help maintain the level of services and facilities its members expect and deserve.

Call Wayne Rose, our Cemetery Administrator, at 408-297-2447, from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM on Sundays through Thursdays, to arrange an appointment to visit the cemetery and receive information about pre-need planning without obligation. Convenient terms are available, including extended monthly payments with no interest or finance charges, making it easier for you to provide for yourself, your family and your Temple.

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

Contacting the Temple

Main office: (408)292-0939
fax (408)292-7625

Religious School: (408)292-3223
fax (408)200-1163

Preschool: (408)293-8660
website: www.templestanjose.org

Share Your Time, Give A Ride...

The Caring Committee is looking for a few good men and women. On a regular basis, the temple office receives requests from congregants who need a bit of help, usually with rides to appointments or shopping. As they get older and have to face the limitations of no longer being able to drive, they find it difficult even to ask for help. It is disappointing not to be able to fulfill the request, as our list of drivers isn't long enough.

Please consider if you have an hour or two to spare. We could use transportation in all areas of San Jose and the surrounding cities.

If your time is not so available, consider becoming a phone buddy for someone who doesn't get out a lot. An occasional visit with one of our octogenarians is also rewarding.

In a real sense, these are "our" grandmothers and grandfathers, the people who preceded us here at Temple Emanu-El. Just as they gave of themselves in the past, it is now our responsibility to help them. But it is not just helping them. These are interesting people, many of whom with great stories to tell. You will be surprised at how much you will get, in addition to the satisfaction of knowing that you've made a difference.

Please call Elsa Gordon, chair of the Caring Committee, at 395-3182, to let her know you will help.

Health Fair for All Ages

SUNDAY, JUNE 8

10:00 AM - 3:30 PM

in Temple House and the BFR

Admission: one can of food
(to be donated to Second Harvest)

WOTE has put together a wonderful day, with vendors and representatives of 23 organizations representing a wide range of health, safety and public interest topics. The Osteoporosis Society and American Lung Assn. will have information and screenings. City of San Jose will have information on earthquake preparedness. The new voting machines will be here for you to try out. Fingerprinting of children will also be on site.

Lunch will be available for purchase, prepared by Temple Brotherhood.

For more information, contact Bernice Gaon,
269-0131.

Mispachot Needs You!

Seven years ago, we had an idea germinating in our heads: creating activities for families at Temple Emanu-El. We each discussed it with different people, and finally someone led us to each other. That idea was the beginning of Mishpachot. It's difficult to believe we began that long ago. It started with seed money from Sisterhood, and since the beginning, Mishpachot has accomplished much more than we had ever imagined.

The week-end retreat at Camp Swig, the Sukkot Sleepover, the Family Alternative High Holiday Services, Lunch Bunch, the reinstatement of the Youth Lounge along with the additions of the pool table and ping pong tables, Cosmic Bowling, the Hamantaschen Baking Class and more all had their roots in Mishpachot. Through your participation in our fund raising efforts, Mishpachot has also been able to financially support many Temple programs, such as the playground equipment, the week-end campership contest, teacher gifts, art supplies for religious school and enrichment funds for Teen Jewish Studies. We are so proud of this group, of the connections we have made between families, the way we've been able to help the synagogue as a whole, not to mention the FUN that we've had at the events (seriously, cosmic bowling is wonderful!).

But seven years is a long time for anyone (even us) to be in charge. During that time, we have both become involved in other aspects of Temple life which are still engaging us. So now it is time for us to step back from Mishpachot, and pass the torch along to someone else.

So, who shall it be? That's up to **YOU**.

We have a lot of information detailing the past activities, and the Lunch Bunch crew will be continuing for next year. What we need is a small group of people willing to take on the responsibility for leadership of this important Temple auxiliary. The jobs available are President, Programming Vice President, Treasurer, and Corresponding Secretary. If you are interested, please contact either of us. As we continue our other temple activities, we have every confidence that someone will see that the leadership of Mishpachot is exactly the right position for him or her at Temple Emanu-El. We look forward to hearing from you.

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<http://www.templesanjose.org>

The Education Page

Dear Friends,

The past eight years working here at Temple Emanu-El have been a wonderful part of my life. Thank you for allowing me to be a participant in the Temple Emanu-El family. I will think of you often, as my husband Eytan, my son Michael, and I make our new home on Long Island in New York.

Working this year alongside Rabbi Magat and the Religious School Team – Paula Marsh, Barbara Persin, Ann Roque, and Joelle Wolf – has been a memorable experience. Not only have I enjoyed the experience of working with such knowledgeable professionals, but I have also gained lasting friendships.

Thank you to W.O.T.E. for your consistent support and friendship. Whenever I needed assistance, I knew I could count on the members of W.O.T.E. You should be very proud of your organization. You do wonderful things for the Temple and especially the Religious School. It has been a pleasure working with you. Thank you also for your generous gift, which I used to buy a mezuzah for our new home.

This year's Religious School Board has been a dynamic group, and I would like to thank each member for their support. The climbing rose "Joseph's Coat" was such an unexpected and delightful gift. I will always think about my rose climbing and blooming in the Temple Emanu-El gardens, and know that, thanks to your thoughtfulness, I am still a part of community I love.

It has been a delight working with the teachers and madrichim of the Temple Emanu-El Religious School for the past eight years. Thank you for all your good wishes. Good luck to you, too, and may God bless you and your loved ones with peace and joy.

L'Shalom,
Rosie Pick

Register now for the 2003-04 Religious School year.

- Take advantage of the early registration discount and enroll your child(ren) before June 30, 2003.
- Tell a unaffiliated friend about our First Steps Program (tuition and AMF fee only for the first year for grade 2 and below).
- First day of school: Sunday, September 14, 2003.

Call the Religious School office for answers to your questions at 292-3223.

Summer hours are Monday - Thursday,
10 AM - 2 PM.

Preschool Notes

May came and went with amazing speed and excitement in the preschool. We began the month celebrating Teacher Appreciation Week for my fantastic staff. The Preschool parents out did themselves by providing an elaborate luncheon for the teachers, including Rabbi Magat and Rachel Michelberg. We enjoyed a quiet hour together while the students played in the classroom with parent volunteers and subs.

Our first annual Preschool Potluck Dinner was a huge success. The children and families loved music time with Rachel Michelberg and we were able to sing some of our favorite Preschool songs including "The Temple Emanu-El Preschool Song" written exclusively for our school by Rachel Michelberg.

The evening finished with entertainment by Steve Chaney, ventriloquist, and his sidekick Cornelius Crow. They had us all laughing and the memories of that night will live on forever.

My thanks to all of the families who participated in our Preschool Night at Burger King. The evening was a great chance to have dinner with friends and raise money for our program.

We are still accepting applications for the summer and fall of 2003. Our preschool is growing and it is a great place to be. If you have not had a chance to visit please give us a call.



Barbara Smead

Grandparents Needed

Do you have some free time? Would you be interested in sharing some with our preschool children?

Temple Emanu-El Preschool is looking for a few grandparents to spend time in the school and read stories. Previous grandparenting experience desirable but not required.

Hours: Flexible.

Dress: Casual.

Rewards: Plenty of hugs.

If interested please contact Barbara
at 293-8660.

Women of Temple Emanu-El

2002/2003 is coming to a close and so I thought now would be a good time to recap an extremely busy and productive year for WOTE. With your support and the help of our dedicated Executive Board and Committee Chairs, we have managed to accomplish so much this year - it's unbelievable - BUT believe it. The list was too long to report in one bulletin, so I've divided into two. Look for the second half next month.

We started off our year with our **Women's Shabbat**, organized by Judith Stubbs. It was a wonderful patio service with a delicious Oneg Shabbat. Thanks Judith, for starting our year off on the right foot.

The fall brought our first (of many) **Rosh Chodesh** celebrations. Women joined together to mark the new moon with prayer, ritual, sacred symbols, music, meditation, storytelling and more. Beginning at this event and throughout the year we met in members' homes, exploring who we are as Jewish women, reinforcing our Jewish identity and deepening our spirituality. Thanks again to Judith for inspiring us all.

In August we met in the Temple house for a **Pampered Chef Tasting and Cooking Demonstration**. We all enjoyed a stir-fry dinner while schmoozing after learning all about the wonderful new products available to make cooking fun and easy. Bernice Gaon, our Programming Vice President arranged this event and all attending had a great time testing out the unique gadgets and innovative techniques. Thanks, Bernice for organizing this fun evening.

In September we helped support the **Yom Kippur Break-the-Fast**, helped with the **first day of Religious School** and had a **gift shop training day**. And, while I'm on the subject of our gift shop, all I can say is WOW! Peggy Frederick and her crew of helpers have done a fabulous job this year keeping the gift shop open, attractive and full of wonderful treasures. The Temple has supported our gift shop this year more than ever before, and for that we are very grateful. Thanks Peggy, for making shopping in the gift shop a wonderful (and money saving) experience. Remember that the proceeds from all your purchases at the gift shop are returned to the synagogue through WOTE projects.

The beginning of Religious School brought with it the beginning of Henrietta Minzter's annual quest to bring Holidays to our school children's tummies. Henrietta, with her assistant, Maggie Newman, provided our children the opportunity to partake of the delights of our culture for all occasions throughout the year. We know the kids really appreciate this, as do the parents who are lucky enough to get some of the leftovers.

Next came this year's first **Lunch Bunch**. Marjorie Hoover and her assistants have spent one day almost every month this school year preparing and serving a community lunch for you and your families. Marjorie is able to do this WHILE ALSO attending Cantor Unterman's class. How do you do it, Marjorie? You are wonderful.

Our **Meditation Minyans**, another of Judith Stubbs' innovations, also began in October. We welcomed men, women and teens to come together as a community for study and prayer. Thanks again, Judith. What would we be doing without you?

Another new activity began in October, this one initiated

by Sue Maltiel. We had our first **Jewish Book Club**. These interesting and thought provoking gatherings took place throughout the year starting with a Wednesday night session, led by Sue and then adding Sunday sessions led by Teri Kane. Thanks to both Sue and Teri for giving us this new opportunity.

Eva Stanley, Bette Myers, Peggy Frederick and I were privileged to attend the **WRJ District 24 convention** in October, where WOTE was presented with an award for our 48% increase in membership. Thanks to those of you continuing and new members who made this possible and especially to Eva, who works endlessly to increase and retain our membership.

October culminated with WOTE's **Annual Chanukah Boutique**, which was chaired this year by Candace Halbig. Candy brought back some familiar vendors and introduced us to some new ones. She also devised wonderful crafts for the children to make for Chanukah presents. Thanks to EMTY (our Temple's Senior Youth Group) for handling the food (with an assist from Brotherhood), Janis Decker and her assistant, Ester Burton, for running the bake sale, Marci Gerston for taking care of "kids crafts," Peggy Frederick and her crew for staffing and completely relocating the gift shop, Brandon Frederick for manning the "everything under \$6 store", and of course Candy Halbig, our chair who orchestrated the entire event. A big thank you to all the WOTE helpers and all those attending for helping make this event a success.

Well, finally October ended - WHAT A BUSY MONTH - and we started off November with **Women's Spirituality Day**, run by (you guessed it!) Judith Stubbs. The theme "*Women In The Torah: Continuing The Journey*" was carried out both in the morning prayer service as well as during inspirational and lively circle activities in the afternoon. After a scrumptious fresh salmon lunch, (prepared by Judith and her helpers), Miki Raver, well-known author of "*Listen To Her Voice: Women Of The Hebrew Bible*," treated us to slides of magnificent paintings and Biblical texts of our favorite strong and inspirational women. Over 30 women attended this event. Thanks, Judith for continuing this a tradition.

Next came our thank you to all our paid up members, a wonderful **paid up membership luncheon** for The Women of Temple Emanu-El. As always, Eva did a fabulous job, with lovely table decorations, a terrific program and free food and drinks for all those attending. We would also like to thank those of you who said "yes" when Eva called (who can refuse her?) for your generous donations and Phil Toren for providing the wine.

In December we participated in the **gift-wrapping booth at Valley Fair Mall**. We got caught up in the excitement of the holidays at the mall, and visited with old friends while earning money for WOTE and putting smiles on the faces of the shoppers. Thanks to the work of Pam Schuur it was a big success in both fun and revenue.

I don't know about you, but I'm exhausted. Look for the rest of our exciting year next month and thanks again for supporting WOTE. We could not have done all of this without you.

Anita Medeiros

Brotherhood: The New Kid on the Block

By Jeff Marsh, Incoming Brotherhood Co-President
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Before I tell you a little about myself, on behalf of the Brotherhood and myself, first let me thank Dan Winter for all of his time and dedicated service to the Temple and the Brotherhood over the years. Luckily, we are not saying goodbye to Dan, but rather good luck and congratulations for ramping up his responsibilities on the Temple Board of Directors where his many talents will most certainly be called upon.

And now, a little bit about myself. Most of you probably don't know who I am, as I have only been a member of the Temple for the past three years.

You might know me if you saw me, especially out in front during religious school on Sunday mornings while I am hawking bagels, flower bulbs, Sharks tickets, and anything else we might be selling to raise a few bucks.

Joining the Temple was a combination of pure coincidence and an earlier recommendation from a friend of a friend, Al Roth. The coincidence occurred one afternoon while doing a Yahoo search for another synagogue in San Jose.

I wanted to send them a notification of the passing of a former member who had immigrated to Israel. Instead, I clicked on "templesanJose.org" and there was the bright, smiling face of Rabbi Magat inviting prospective members to a wine social that very evening. I called my wife, Missy, and we agreed that if our eldest son Joshua, then almost 11, was going to have a Bar Mitzvah, it was now or never. We met some very nice people that night and after bending the Rabbi's ear for a while decided that this was the place we had been seeking. So, the next Sunday morning, we were there signing ourselves up as members and putting our son into Hebrew/Religious School.

Since then, Joshua has had his Bar Mitzvah (and did an outstanding job) and is continuing in TJS. Number 2 son, Spencer is finishing up Bet and is three years away from his big day, and Ben, who is a full time job for his mother, is still a few years away from starting his formal religious education.

So how is it that suddenly I now have this job of Brotherhood co-president?

Well, it wasn't worth driving back home on all those trips to the Temple on Sunday mornings, so I started schmearing bagels and socializing with everyone else who was hanging out. It just seemed natural to join the Brotherhood and to get involved since I was there anyway. The rest is kind of blurry, but the next thing I knew, I was being congratulated for winning the election. I expect that the next year will be both educating and fulfilling as we continue some of the existing programs and create some new ones (like a picnic this summer!).

I know that Dan has some big shoes to fill, and hopefully between Harold Welch, Uri Gottfeld and myself, we'll prove that we can do it. Of course it's going to be a group effort since I know that all the Brotherhood members will be there to help us be successful. We would also welcome any and all ideas that you might have for events, whether they are just for the Brotherhood, or the Temple as a whole. Call me, or better yet, send me an email with your ideas and for any events you would like to be a volunteer.

Jump into June with eScrip!

In an effort to kickup our fundraising campaign, a name will be drawn from all June signups and a prize will be given. An additional name will be drawn from all supporters previously enrolled. (We wouldn't want to discriminate against our long-time shoppers!)

You can sign up for eScrip any time--do it today! Everybody shops, everybody eats. Register online at www.escrip.com or call Lorie Kaplan, 408-267-4563, for a mail-in form or more information.

Temple now has 103 supporters! Last year we earned over \$2600.

Thank you to everyone who shops on behalf of Temple Emanu-El.

L'Atid:

Leadership Division for Adults 25-45

sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Greater San Jose

Bocce Outing

Sunday, June 29, 4-5:30 PM

Campo De Bocce

565 University Avenue, Los Gatos

An opportunity to make connections with other Jews and help strengthen the South Bay Jewish community. Includes lessons, light refreshments, no-host bar.

\$18 per person, RSVP's required by June 15 to Arielle Hendel, Young Leadership Coordinator
(408) 358-3033 x 65 or
Arielle@jewishsiliconvalley.org

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The Six Million

Our families and the 6
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All our loved ones

June 2003 / 5763 Calendar

THURS JUNE 5

Erev Shavuot
7:00 PM Confirmation Service

FRI JUNE 6

Temple office closed
Preschool closed
7:30 AM Breakfast and study
9:00 AM Shavuot Morning Service & Yizkor
6:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service (patio)

SAT JUNE 7

9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Minyan

SUN JUNE 8

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM WOTE Health Fair (Temple House/
BFR)

WED JUNE 11

12:00 PM Lunch & Learn
6:00 PM Reception (Temple House)
7:00 PM Annual Meeting (Sanctuary)

FRI JUNE 13

11:00 AM Preschool Graduation
6:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service

SAT JUNE 14

9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Minyan

MON JUNE 16

First Day of Preschool
Summer Program

FRI JUNE 20

6:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service (patio)
7:00 PM Tot Shabbat Family Potluck dinner

SAT JUNE 21

9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Minyan

TUES JUNE 24

6:00 PM Executive Committee Meeting
7:30 PM Board of Trustees Meeting

WEDS JUNE 25

12:00 PM Lunch & Learn: Torah Study

FRI JUNE 27

6:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service

SAT JUNE 28

9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Minyan

Youth Group: A DAY IN THE SUN

On May 18th Kadima and NOAR had their last event of the school year. Twenty five (that's right - 25) kids attended our Golfand/Waterslide day, which was paid for in part by the Women of Temple Emanu-El. For only \$5 each, kids received 4 hours of unlimited golf and water sliding, tons of snacks (both healthy and not so healthy), pizza, drinks, cookies and ice cream.

The day could not have been more beautiful. A special thank-you to our drivers; Steve Krandel, Bennet Jacobstein, Alan Fisher, Randi and David Schwartz and Ilene and Jerry Levine. We couldn't have gotten there without you. It was wonderful to see our year end on such a positive note.

Traveling? Looking for Jewish resources across the country or around the world?

Jewish Community Information & Referral, a program of the San Francisco Federation is here to help! You can email them at jewishinfo@sfjcf.org or give a call to (877)777-5247.

Coming in July:

Come to pray, then stay a while.
We've got two potluck dinners planned,
following the 6:30 PM patio service:

July 11: Israel

July 25: Women in the Rabbinate

Two more are calendared for August as well.

If you have a student who will be going off to college in the fall, please give their school address to Deborah in the Temple office so that we can stay in touch. We still want to be "their" synagogue.

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Temple Emanu-El appreciates the generosity of the following congregants and members of the community who have recently made contributions. Donations received after June 15 will be acknowledged in the July issue of Connections.

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Oneg Shabbats have been sponsored in recent weeks by the following:

MAY 2

Friends and family of Eric Sanchagrin, in honor of his Bar Mitzvah.

MAY 9

Families of the Aleph Class, in honor of their participation in services, and the Religious School Board, in honor of all the teachers and madrichim in our Religious School.

MAY 16

Stewart and Brenda Weinstock in memory of Brenda's parents, Robert and Laura Zollars and Stewart's parents, Irving and Edna Weinstock; Friends and family of Dina Varshavsky, in honor of her Bat Mitzvah.

MAY 30

Friends and family of Eric Maltiel, in honor of his Bar Mitzvah.

June Yahrzeits

JUNE 6

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