

MEGILLAH



THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR TEMPLE EMANUEL | THE TEMPLE AT THE BEACH

September 2010 | 22 Elul 5770 - 22 Tishrei 5771

Rabbi Howard Mandell

SPECIAL EVENTS

Temple members help Habitat for Humanity



37 members of Temple Emanuel showed up in support of this wonderful community service project. See page 7 for the article and pictures.

Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur & Sukkot September 8, 17, 22 @ Sundown



Rosh Hashanah begins the evening of Wednesday, Sept. 8 (1 Tishrei 5771). Yom Kippur begins on the evening of Friday, Sept. 17 (10 Tishrei 5771). See page 6 for service dates/times and more information about our High Holy Days schedule of events.

Max Benkovitz Bar Mitzvah October 2



Services will start at 9:30am with Kiddush luncheon to follow at noon. All members are welcome.

Yamin Noraim — Days of Awe

The Jewish High Holy Days, the *Yamim Noraim* (Days of Awe), are almost here — a time of joy and of spending quality time with

family and friends, a time also for serious self-reflection leading hopefully to the doing of *teshuva* as we seek to get back in sync with God and with our authentic selves.

Last year, my *d'var Torah* on Yom Kippur day focused on

the *midah* (the character trait) of *anavah* (humility), which the Jewish mussar tradition deemed to be the primary trait needed for us to unlock the door to our doing *teshuva*. For if one is arrogant, the

rabbis of old would say, he will likely not feel the need to undertake a *heshbon hanefesh* (a personal accounting), saying instead to himself, “I like the way I am; I don’t feel any need to change or to grow.”

Another trait, which can be a serious obstacle to our being able to do *teshuva*, and one which is at the opposite pole from arrogance, is being overly self-effacing or critical of oneself. As Dr. Alan Morinis notes in his book *Everyday Holiness*, if one is overly harsh or critical with herself, she will likely be overwhelmed with despair, therefore not even attempting to mend or improve her ways.

Our sacred texts clearly reject the notion that God expects us to be perfect or even near perfect.

The leading figures in the Hebrew Bible, people such as Abraham, King David and King Solomon, to name but a few, bear this point out well. For while each of them possessed many admirable, even noble, traits, they are also portrayed as being human, not divine, with numerous flaws and imperfections.

Maimonides (The Rambam), in his classic legal treatise, the *Mishneh Torah*, affirms this important point:

“Each and every person has merits as well as sins. Somebody whose merits outnumber his sins is considered to be righteous....Somebody who has an equal number of

THE RABBI'S VISION



Howard Mandell

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SEPTEMBER MILESTONES

Birthdays

- 1 Genna Brand
Richard Gross
- 2 Elissa Harwood
Daniel Hechtkopf
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- 3 Joshua Dozoretz
Zachery Rapaport
- 5 Jim Frandsen
Kela Kramer
- 6 Julia Havel
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- 9 Neil Morrison
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- 10 Robert Korman
- 11 Hayden Miller
- 13 Rachelle Ingram
Ronnie Yancey
- 14 Bernice Jacobs
- 15 Howard Shmuckler
- 17 Susan Cherin
- 18 Adam Frandsen
Jack Kahan
- 19 Rosalyn August
Judith Hechtkopf
- 22 Lillian Piasecki
- 23 Luanne Goldrich
Vicki Kalfus
- 24 Natalie Breit
Heidi Simon
- 25 Melanne Dozoretz
Noah Roistacher
- 26 Joseph Adler
Mikaela Goldrich
Raymond Kreisman
- 27 David Wolfe
- 29 Colleen Benkovitz
Abigail Feigenbaum
Jason Lovitz
- 30 Stanley Furman

Anniversaries

- 1 Michael and Judy Hechtkopf
- 6 Dana and JoAnn Dervay
Joel and Carol Jason
- 12 Robert and Cheryl Levinson
- 15 Ronald and Beth Dozoretz
- 21 Daniel and Sylvia Jason
- 26 Arthur and Jody Greason

Yahrzeit

- 1 Sarah Boster
Frieda Mendelssohn
- 2 Frieda Kahan
- 3 Franklin Rosen
- 5 Margie Hofheimer
- 6 Anna Fagin
- 7 Moses Louis Goodman
- 8 Jeff Elstein
Pauline Goldberg Keller
Lottie Kreisman
- 9 James Barr
Edward Chenman
- 10 Estelle Sable
Eileen Sands
- 12 Sonia Allison
Roberta Binder
Herman Kravitz
Goldie Nachman
- 13 Gertrude Berman
Ilona Ginsburg
- 15 Benjamin Jacobs
Daniel Oliver
Peggy Weiner
- 16 Ruth Harwood
Sally Shmuckler
- 18 Max Brand
Marilyn Graham
- 19 Fred Flex
- 20 Carol Gottlieb
Morton Ronick
- 21 Edward Berman
Morris Goldberg
Max Robbins
- 23 Isadore Shmuckler
- 25 Morris Becker
- 26 Leon Cardon
Bernard Glassman
- 27 Jerry Adler
- 28 Irving Nissman
- 29 Frank Leiderman
Robert Ronick

It is a mitzvah to attend services on the yahrzeit of your loved ones, honoring and perpetuating their memories. If you have had a death in your family in the past year, please call the office at 428-2591 and make sure we have the correct information so a reminder card can be sent to you.

Jewry Duty - Minyanim

Please continue to support the Jewry Duty program which makes minyans possible at 6:00 pm on weekday evenings. Please come on time so that those who wish to say Kaddish can do so. You are asked to attend one night per month. If you can't make it, call a friend and switch dates.

SERVICES & MEETINGS

Candle lighting times

Sept. 3	7:19 p.m.
Sept. 10	7:08 p.m.
Sept. 17	6:58 p.m.
Sept. 24	6:45 p.m.

Shabbat services

Friday evening	6:00 p.m.
Saturday morning	9:30 a.m.

Ride Needed

Esther Leiderman needs a ride to Friday Shabbat services. Esther lives near 24th Street and North Birdneck Road. Her telephone no. is 422-6044.

Minyans

Monday thru Thursday	6:00 p.m.
Sunday mornings	9:30 a.m.

Guests are always welcome!

Torah Classes

Sept. 23, Thursday	1:30 p.m.
Sept. 30, Thursday	1:30 p.m.

Young at Heart

Sept. 30, Thursday	Luncheon
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SYNAGOGUE EVENTS

Labor Day parking (Sept 3-6)

Please remember you must have a parking pass at all times during Labor Day weekend.

The parking passes are provided to Temple Emanuel by the City of Virginia Beach. The passes are available in the synagogue and Temple office. The pass must be displayed where it can be easily viewed from outside of your vehicle.

KIDDUSH SPONSORS NEEDED

Shabbat Kiddush sponsors are needed for Sept 4, 11 and 25. There is no kiddush on Yom Kippur because of fasting. Sponsor or share a sponsorship for \$100 to honor someone or to celebrate a simcha. To reserve a date, contact Joy Kaps at 422-2624 or send an e-mail to joy2624@verizon.net.

Finding the balance

Today's world puts many pressures on each of us. Each day we have a limited amount of time to pursue

PRESIDENT'S VISION



Dr. Morris Elstein

all of our needs. How can we possibly find time for Temple Emanuel or even time for prayer? How does each of us prioritize our precious time to meet the needs of our community, our family and ourselves?

Not a day goes by that I am not solicited by some worthwhile organization for a contribution, either financial or time. I am reminded of a saying, "If you want something done, ask someone who is busy." It seems that busy individuals have an organizational perspective that allows them to prioritize and engage others to accomplish a goal. There are those among us who are leaders and those who are workers, and there is need for both of you in our synagogue community. Finding both the finances and the time is the challenge for each of us and our synagogue.

On the other hand, I raise the question, "Are we human doers or human beings?" The answer to that question lies in finding the balance. Today we live a frenetic lifestyle, always on the go and always doing. We continuously process information until many of us are in overload. How can we achieve the balance of "just being"? Personally, I find solace in prayer and singing. I have learned that I can focus on one meaningful

prayer or verse without trying to keep up with the entire service. I have learned to make the prayer service personally meaningful for me. This process evolved over many years but evolved because I pursued finding meaning in fixed liturgy. Over time, I have come to appreciate the beauty of Shabbat afternoons – a time for a wonderful, rejuvenating nap, a blessing in the hectic week. These blessings of Shabbat and prayer are built into our religious life and are there for the taking.

I believe that we all struggle in finding our balance. As I see more new faces regularly attending services, I am excited that Temple Emanuel is providing a respite from the day-to-day struggles. As we approach the High Holidays, I pray that each of us can look inside and find space and time for our synagogue community. I am proud to be a part of our community at this exciting time, and I hope that each of you feels the energy and a desire to participate.

Our board just completed the first phase of leadership training. For two nights we met, learned about each other, explored the challenges of serving on the board and brainstormed to form a mission statement for the board of directors. I am proud of all the effort put in by the attendees and their openness to explore new possibilities for the board and Temple Emanuel – Todah Rabah!

L'Shana Tova
Morris Elstein, MD,
President



Next Board Meeting: September 14 at 7:30pm in the Temple Social Hall. Everyone is welcome.

Rabbi's vision, continued

merits and sins is an average person. Righteousness is when one's merits are more numerous than one's sins..."

It is my hope, this High Holy Day season, as each of us seeks to do *teshuvah*, that we will see, not only our faults and foibles, but also all the good in ourselves, recognizing that

God is looking for us only to show good faith, to take the first step or two along the way. God's compassion and grace will then do the rest.

"G'mar Hatimah Tovah!" "May Each Of Us Be Inscribed in the Book of Life!"

L'Shanha Tovah
Rabbi Mandell

COMMUNITY SELICHOT SERVICE

As we prepare for the New Year 5771, please join us at Temple Emanuel along with members of Temple Israel, Congregation Beth El and Kehillat Bet Hamidrash synagogue for a Selichot service on Saturday, September 4, at 9 p.m. The program will include a panel discussion on "Forgiveness: Both from a Jewish and from an Interfaith Perspective."

Since parking will be at a pre-

mium that evening (part of Labor Day weekend), we have arranged, with the assistance of the mayor's office, for 15 parking places on 25th Street at the Virginia Beach Middle School. Shuttle service will be available. We ask Temple Emanuel members to park in these places rather than in the parking lot adjacent to the education building.

Refreshments will be provided by our own Sue Adler.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

Registrations are due...

Shalom! All I can say is: WHERE did the summer go? I hope it was a great summer for all; I can't wait to ask the children about their camp experiences and what they did all summer.

Registration has gone out for this coming school year. Please get your forms back, so books and supplies can be ordered and we have enough of everything for our children. The teachers are preparing their classes now.

We will be having professional sitters again during the High Holy Day services. Sitters will be in the religious school building from the start to the end of each service. Please sign up your children and grandchildren if you would like to use our service so we have enough sitters on

hand.

Mark your calendars: Religious school starts on September 12, 9:00 – 11:00; we will not have a breakfast the first day of school because of it being a fast day. When you drop off your child, come in to meet the teachers. Check out the teacher bulletin board to see what the teachers did this summer while they were not teaching our children!

B'Shalom,
Beth Weiner Gross
Religious School Principal

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

October Bar Mitzvahs

Max Benkovitz, Oct. 2
Alexis Gordon, Oct. 9
Julia Havel, Oct. 16
Ben Feigenbaum, Oct. 23

Engagement

Dr. Howard and Terry Dorfman are thrilled to announce the engagement of their son, Dr. Darren Dorfman, to Rebecca Bosler. She is the daughter of Michael Bosler of Norfolk and Yoffa Bosler of Virginia Beach.



Darren and Rebecca are both graduates of Virginia Commonwealth University and live in the Ghent section of Norfolk.

Darren, 30, who was in the VCU School of Dentistry, is doing his residency at the Hampton VA Medical Center but plans to go into private practice. Rebecca, 24, works for a private investment company.

Before meeting, the couple's paths crossed several times. Rebecca is the daughter of Darren's former Temple Emanuel Hebrew teacher. And, while attending VCU in Richmond, they lived next door to each other. But it took the online Jewish dating site JDate to bring them together. They will be married in the spring of 2011.

YOUNG AT HEART



Thursday, September 30

Please join us for the start of another year of Young at Heart where we share our lives with others, exercise our bodies, minds and souls and join together as a Holy Community.

Our first meeting this year will be Thursday, September 30. Feel free to bring a friend. Please RSVP to the temple office by September 27 so we can plan lunch. The entire schedule will be distributed at this first meeting.

3rd Annual Holiday Market: November 21 in the Temple Social Hall. It will be bigger than last year so save your holiday shopping for this event.

Holy Mikvah: a Guinness record for Temple Emanuel

By Dr. Morris Elstein, "beit din" member

On Sunday, August 22, the Benkovitz and Feigenbaum families set the record for a single day's conversion of new members when their children officially joined the Jewish community.

Reuben and Colleen Benkovitz brought their three children – Max, Nicholas and Ingrid – and John and Rachael Feigenbaum brought their three children – Benjamin, Abigail and Aiden – for the conversion ceremony. The *beit*

din consisted of Rabbi Mandell, Steven Warsof and myself.

The timing was auspicious, occurring before the New Year and in preparation for the Bar Mitzvot next month of



From left to right. Top row: Rabbi Mandell, Dr. Morris Elstein, Dr. Steve Warsof; Second row: Nick Benkovitz, Max Benkovitz, Aiden Feigenbaum, Ben Feigenbaum, Abigail Feigenbaum, Ingrid Benkovitz

Max and Ben. A joyous spirit filled the mikvah building as the six youngsters each said their prayer and immersed in the mikvah's water, symbolizing rebirth as a Jew.

As a member of the *beit din*, I can say that we were filled with awe over the commitment made by each family. Please take the opportunity to greet the Feigenbaums and Benkovitzes, as newer members of Temple Emanuel with upcoming sim-

chas, when you see them at synagogue.

GIFT IDEA

A Perfect Gift for Any Occasion

DINNERS - 2 FOR 1
INTERNATIONAL DINERS CLUB
* Now Available *

The IDC Coupon Book contains coupons for about 100 popular restaurants in the Tidewater area. Forty new restaurants have been added. Each coupon can be used 12 times. The cost is \$35. Make your check out to Temple Emanuel. Each month the coupons are printed to start at the beginning of that month and last one year. Entertainment Books are now available at the Temple office for \$25.

Party's Etc.

- +Catering
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Call for Sue Adler for consultation -588-2276

Leave a message or email: PartyEtc@aol.com



HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES SCHEDULE: 5771 - 2010

Selichot (Community Observance) at Temple Emanuel

Saturday, September 4 9:00 pm

Erev Rosh Hashana

Wednesday, September 8 6:30 pm

First Day Rosh Hashana

Thursday, September 9
 9:00 am
 Babysitting 9:00 am*
 Junior Congregation 11:00 am*
 Shofar Blowing
 Tashlich 5:00 pm
 Mincha 6:00 pm

Second Day Rosh Hashana

Friday, September 10
 9:00 am
 Babysitting 9:00 am*
 Junior Congregation 11:00 am*
 Shofar Blowing
 Mincha 6:00 pm

Kol Nidre

Friday, September 17 promptly @ 6:15 pm
 Babysitting 6:00 pm*

Yom Kippur

Saturday, September 18
 Morning Service 8:30 am
 Babysitting 8:30 am*
 Junior Congregation 11:00 am*
 Yizkor Service following Torah Services
 Mincha and Neilah 5:15 pm
 Shofar blowing, Community Break the Fast 7:15 pm

Please be prepared to present your High Holy Days admission card at the door.

*Junior Congregation for ages 9 and up is scheduled during Torah Service in the sanctuary. Babysitting is available for younger children. Please RSVP to Beth at the Temple office 428-2591.

September 2010						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5	6 LABOR DAY	7	8 Erev Rosh Hashanah	9 Rosh Hashanah Day 1	10 Rosh Hashanah Day 2	11
12	13	14	15	16	17 Kol Nidre	18 Yom Kippur

REMEMBER OUR HIGH HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

Every year Temple Emanuel family collects non-perishables to send to Jewish Family Service and Mazon to help feed the hungry. We ask that you bring your bags to the temple with you when you come to services or you may drop them off at the temple office. We will be collecting through Sukkoth. Thank you for your support to the community and to those less fortunate.

NOTE: Please check the dates on your donated items; we don't want to send expired and risky foods.

Cantor Jack Kessler to lead High Holiday Services

Temple Emanuel has taken a major step toward enhancing our spiritual and musical components of the Holiday services by engaging Cantor Kessler as our Baal Tefilah – leader in prayer. We are grateful for our TE Angels who have made it possible to bring Cantor Kessler to Virginia Beach.



Hazzan Jack Kessler has been described as a one-man force of nature in Jewish music. He was ordained as a Cantor at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, and went on to have a twenty-year career serving Conservative congregations. During that time he received a Master's degree in voice from Boston Conservatory and pursued studies in composition in the graduate department of Brandeis University, where he worked with Arthur Berger and Harold Shapero, and Bethany Beardslee at Harvard. A lyric baritone, he has performed opera, oratorio, and premiered new works, in addition to his ongoing career as a singer of Hazzanut, the sacred cantorial art. Originally trained as an Ashkenazi Hazzan, his performance style and original compositions also embrace Sephardi and Mizrahi styles.

Hazzan Kessler has lectured and taught master classes in Jewish music at New England Conservatory in Boston, the Academy for Jewish Religion in New York, and presented many concerts in an educational format. He is the dean of the Cantorial department of the professional training program of ALEPH: Alliance for Jewish Renewal, and teaches a number of cantorial students. His current performance projects are directing, composing for, and being the vocal lead of the two touring ensembles ATZILUT--CONCERTS FOR PEACE, a duet format of arab and Jewish musicians performing together, and KLINGON KLEZMER, which does Jewish music from other planets.

37 members turn out for Habitat for Humanity

By Pamela Brown

For many of us, the appeal of Judaism is the obligation to repair the world. Rabbi Mandell's vision of a Holy Community committed to social justice and Tikkun Olam is a compelling one. Last month, 37 members of the congregation put the vision into action and turned out early in the morning with hammers and saws to build a house.

Habitat for Humanity agreed to a Sunday workday to accommodate the first-ever Jewish "build team" in South Hampton Roads. Habitat had begun two houses in the Red Mill area for two families purchasing their first homes. Both families were present for the Aug. 1 build. Their dreams of good homes to raise their children were coming closer with each nail we hammered. Our team's commitment to safe and affordable housing for all families was being fulfilled at the same time.

Iris Weinstein worked at the power saw the entire day. "As I participated and watched the progress," she said, "I realized that much more than homes were being built. Relationships were being formed: relationships with families whose hopes and homes were being built. Relationships with those whose paths might not have crossed except for the work day and, for me, a closer relationship with G-d."



Another Temple Emanuel volunteer, Ronnie Levy, admits he was "somewhat apprehensive" about this ambitious project but "pleasantly surprised and relieved with how friendly, patient and helpful the professionals on site were. Before long, we were all hammering and sawing away. Everyone appeared to be really enjoying themselves and enjoying the camaraderie that we all felt."

Particularly moving, said Ronnie, was the big smile on the face of one of the new homeowners. "What a great feeling to know that by performing this mitzvot of giving back to the community, we helped these families achieve a new start."

One of the new houses will allow a single mother of two boys to bring home her severely handicapped 13-year-old son for the first time in 10 years; he now lives at St. Mary's Home for Disabled Children. Her Habitat house will have accessible features such as a roll-in shower and railings. She was shining with joy at having both of her sons together in their own home.

Temple Emanuel expects to work with Habitat for Humanity at least quarterly. Additional workers are always welcome. Watch for announcements of additional opportunities to participate. You'll be glad you did.



NEW MEMBERS

Temple Emanuel is proud to announce the following new members. Please welcome these families to our synagogue.

IRINA ABRAMOVA
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Virginia Beach, VA 23462
326-6244
iabramov@odu.edu

AMY KRUMBEIN
17 Oak Lane
Richmond, VA 23226

HOWARD & ELAYNE SHMUCKLER
1841 Rein Lane
Virginia Beach, VA 23456
721-2555 * 434-2313 Howard cell;
477-7190 Elayne cell

TRACI SIMONS & ERIK CALLAGY
9578 26th Bay Street
Norfolk, VA 23518
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CAROLE JEANNE STEINBERG
3424 Kings Lake Drive
Virginia Beach, VA 23452
486-2831

HERBERT M. KLINE
4004 Atlantic Avenue #1502
Virginia Beach, VA 23451
437-1862

ADULT EDUCATION

Books & Movies

The Temple Emanuel book club is back! Heading up the club is Martin Silfen. An organizational meeting will take place on Sunday, Sept. 12, at 12:15 in the Social Hall. All interested congregants are encouraged to attend. The hope and expectation is to form a group interested in reading and discussing books of Jewish content. If you are interested or have questions, contact Martin at 496-0360 or mesilfen@aol.com.

Also beginning after the holidays will be Saturday Night at the Movies. This monthly program will feature a Jewish- or Israeli-themed movie, complete with Havdalah and popcorn. Anyone interested in helping to organize, participate or choose movies, contact Steve Warsof (481-2769 or warsofsl@evms.edu).

Jewish learning

Here is a wonderful opportunity to increase your Jewish study and knowledge: Rabbi Mandell will teach a weekly class at the Simon Family JCC as part of the first year of the Florence Melton Adult Mini-School. The mini-school is a two-year program (30 weeks each year) for the purpose of strengthening adult Jewish literacy. There are no tests, grades or homework. The classes are interactive and the mini-school is not affiliated with any movement or denomination of Judaism.

Two courses will be offered each year. Rabbi Mandell will teach one of the first-year courses, *Purposes of Jewish Living*, with such topics as: "What happens to us after we die?" and "What does it mean to be the 'chosen people?'" The other course is called *Rhythms of Jewish Living*.

Classes will be held on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:45 beginning on October 13. The cost is \$665 for JCC members and \$770 for non-members. Every student will also be asked to purchase a Hebrew Bible, a Tanakh, for \$28. At the end of the two years of study, each participant will receive a certificate from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. Contact Miriam Brunn Ruberg at 321-2328 or mbrunnruberg@simonfamilyj.org for information.

GIFT IDEA

Temple Emanuel Gift Shop

The temple's gift shop is open during regular office hours at Temple Emanuel. You can also make an appointment with Ronnie Friedman (428-0873) to look at catalogues for something special that is not in stock. Think about the gift shop when you need a wedding present. There are many beautiful mezuzahs that make special housewarming gifts. We also carry Bar/Bat Mitzvah albums for teens to record all the special events related to becoming a son/daughter of the commandments. Support the Women's League and shop with us first!

A sign of good things to come...



Temple Emanuel is blessed to have a brand new sign to announce important events, like Rabbi Mandell's milestone in July.

ADULT EDUCATION SURVEY

Dear Temple Emanuel Congregation,

We need your input to make adult education at Temple Emanuel interesting and to meet your desires to build a stronger and more meaningful community. Please take a few moments to fill out this survey and drop it off, or mail it to the Temple Office.

1. Are you interested in attending adult education programs at Temple Emanuel?

- Yes Go to question 2
- No.

2. When would you prefer Adult Education?

Please indicate order of preference: 1-5

- a. Sunday Morning _____
- b. Wednesday Evening _____
- c. Friday Evening _____
- d. After Shabbat Service _____
- e. other (write in) _____

3. Please order your likelihood to attend following classes. (1. Definitely attend 2. likely to attend 3.unlikely to attend.)

- 1. Beginner Hebrew Reading _____
- 2. Conversational Hebrew _____
- 3. Introduction to Judaism _____
- 4. Introduction to Jewish Prayer _____
- 5. Health & Fitness _____
- 6. Modern Israel _____
- 7. Biblical Israel _____
- 8. Chanting Torah & Haftorah _____
- 9. Musar Jewish Ethics _____
- 10. Jews that Influenced the World _____
- 11. Jewish Cooking _____
- 12 Holocaust themes _____
- 13 Beautifying the Shabbat _____
- 14 Other _____

4. Please order your likelihood to attend a single lecture on the following: (1. Definitely attend 2 Likely to attend 3. Unlikely to attend.)

- 1. Preparing for the High Holidays _____
- 2. Preparing for Spring Holidays _____
- 3. Children of the Holocaust _____
- 4. US – Israel Relations _____
- 5. Winter Dilemma _____
- 6. Inter marriage _____
- 7. How to bring adults back to Judaism _____
- 8. Surviving the Holocaust _____
- 9. Jewish Life in Russia Today _____
- 10. Emergency Preparedness in Israel _____
- 11. Jewish Athletes Past & Present _____
- 12. Jews and the Supreme Court _____
- 13. Jewish Cooking _____
- 14. How to make a Jewish Home _____
- 15 Other _____

5. Please indicate your likelihood to attend a Saturday evening Jewish/Israeli-themed movie. (circle one)

- 1. Definitely attend
- 2. Likely to attend
- 3. Unlikely to attend

6. Please indicate your likelihood to attend a monthly book club. (circle one)

- 1. Definitely attend
- 2. Likely to attend
- 3. Unlikely to attend

7. If you were going to attend monthly book club, would you prefer it on: (circle one)

- 1. Early evening
- 2. Weekday
- 3. Weekend
- 4. Other

Shall we contact you for participation? If so:

Name _____ Tel # _____

e-mail _____

Would you be interested in leading an activity? _____

TZEDAKAH

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Pearl H. Glassman: To my rabbi, *Rabbi Mandell*, and to my dear temple friends, I appreciate beyond expression your kindness, your generosity and your good wishes for the service and for the bountiful Kiddush in honor of my 96th birthday.

Roberta and Will Alperin: *Rabbi*, congratulations on your second anniversary and many, many more.

Suzanne and Jack Jacobson and family: In honor of *Rabbi Mandell*. So glad you're with us.

Bernice Slipow: In honor of *Rabbi Mandell's* two-year anniversary at Temple Emanuel.

Carla Grune: Thank you, *Rabbi Mandell*.

Daryl A. Greenberg: In appreciation for services for my father, *Abe Greenberg*.

Toby Pekarsky: Wishing the rabbi a speedy recovery.

Lev Shikhman: In memory of my father, *Michael Shikhman*.

Reuben Benkovitz: Thank you Rabbi, for all you've done for me and my family.

Diane and BJ Leiderman: In honor of the rabbi's second anniversary at Temple Emanuel.

DEUTSCH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

This fund helps families meet their financial obligations for Religious School and United Hebrew School tuition. It can also be used to help defray the cost of a Jewish camp, a Shabbaton or other Jewish educational experience. All scholarship requests are confidential.

Jessie Sheppard: To the Goodwin family, in memory of *Jo Brown*.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Irv and Sheila Friedman: In honor of *Russell Dervay's* Bar Mitzvah.

Richard and Beth Gross: To *Leslie Hecht-Leavitt and family* -- so sorry for the loss of your dad. He was a special man.

The Dervay family: To *William and Roberta Alperin*, sorry for your loss.

LIBRARY

Trudy and Gil Friedman: In memory of our dear parents.

ANGEL FUND

The Dervay family: Thank you, *Rabbi*, for all you have done for our special day; and in honor of all *Morris Elstein* does at the synagogue and has done for us.

G'MACH

Abbie and Rob Korman: In honor of the rabbi's second anniversary at Temple Emanuel.

Pamela Brown: In appreciation of *Irv Friedman's* kindness.

Hattie Hechtkopf: In memory of *William Alperin's* brother, *Ervin*.

G'MACH FOOD PANTRY

Toby Pekarsky: Wishing the rabbi a speedy recovery.

Renee and Charlie Heymann: In honor of *Russell Dervay's* Bar Mitzvah; in appreciation of all *Elayne Axel* does for Temple Emanuel; wishing *Roberta Alperin* a speedy recovery; in memory of *William Alperin's* brother, *Ervin*.

Ronnie and Paula Krukin Levy: Wishing *Roberta Alperin* a speedy recovery.

Bernie and Helene Grablowsky: In honor of *Ronnie and Paula Krukin Levy's* 45th wedding anniversary.

PRAYER BOOK

Dr. and Mrs. Arnold Oppenheim: Get well wishes to *Steve Rosenberg*.

GENERAL

Carole and Iris Weinstein: In honor of family *yahrzeits*.

Merle Becker: In honor of the August *yahrzeits* of my parents *Dorothy and Samuel Sholer*.

Bernard and Miriam Alper: In appreciation.

Lilian Pugach: In memory of my mother and father, *Rose and Mitchel Zveitel*, on their *yahrzeits*.

Merle Becker: In memory of my parents, *Dorothy and Samuel Skoler*, on their *yahrzeits*.

Aaron Freedman: In memory of *William Alperin's* brother, *Ervin*.

Carla Grune: Thank you, Temple Emanuel.

KIDDUSH SPONSORS

Sponsor or share a sponsorship for a delicious Shabbat Kiddush for \$100 to honor someone or to celebrate a simcha. To reserve a date, contact Joy Kaps at 422.2624 or joy2624@verizon.net

HELP NEEDED

G'Mach leaders need your help

A great opportunity to do a Mitzvah! The G'Mach Committee needs members of our Holy Community to provide comfort and support to other members who are ill. Please contact Lynn Zitron at lszpearl@aol.com for more information.

DONATIONS TO TEMPLE FUNDS

Temple Emanuel requires payment at the time of the donation, when cards are sent in honor or in memory of someone. The minimum donation is \$7.50. You may mail in or drop off your request. You can even send an e-mail and put a check in the mail at the same time. Be sure to include the full name and address of the recipient and the name of the fund that you have chosen.

The funds are:

- ❖ Angel Fund
- ❖ Earl Boster Torah Fund
- ❖ Building Fund
- ❖ Endowment Fund
- ❖ Deutsch Scholarship Fund
- ❖ Rabbi's Discretionary Fund
- ❖ Flower Fund
- ❖ General Fund
- ❖ Library Fund
- ❖ Pincus Forum Fund
- ❖ Religious School Fund
- ❖ Prayer Book Fund
- ❖ G'Mach (Acts of Loving Kindness) Fund

FLOWER FUND

Help Keep our bema in bloom (and our directory up to date). Each Fall the *Women's League* prints "The Scribe" temple directory and the New Year's Greeting and Memorial Book.

Donations provide flowers on the bema for every Shabbat and holiday. It's time to check your listings and make additions and changes.

Do you have new grandchildren to add to the list? Has your son or daughter married in the past year? Were there other changes to your family? Please send all additions, corrections and changes to Nancy Nelson at nsquared22@yahoo.com.

L'Shanah Tovah U'Metukah!

(A Good & Sweet New Year!)



*From your
Temple Emanuel Family*