

SUMMER 2004 - 5764

SHABBAT SERVICES

Fridays @ 6 pm

Kabbalat Shabbat

Friday August 13 @ 5 pm

Tot Shabbat

Kabbalat Shabbat @ 6 pm

Saturday August 28 @ 10 am

Bat Mitzvah of Saar Shemesh

TEMPLE ACTIVITIES

Ritual Meeting

Tuesday, August 24 @ 7 pm

EET 2004 Open Houses

Sunday, August 29, from 4-7 pm

Wednesday, September 1, from 5-8 pm

Thursday, September 9, from 5-8 pm

Back-To-School Night

September 8th @ 7 pm

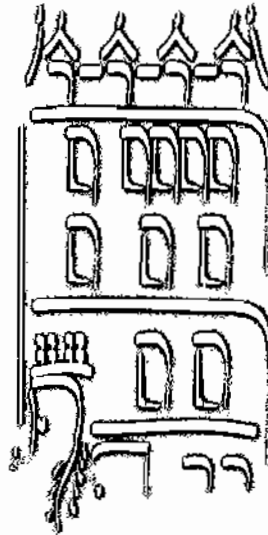
- *Get a preview of our plans and curricula*
- *Meet the teachers*

CALENDAR NOTE:

There is no day-by-day calendar on the back page this month due to limited activity. All services and events are listed above.

OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, August 29, from 4-7 pm



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**HIGH HOLY DAY DATES
2004 - 5765**

Erev Rosh Hashanah

Wednesday, September 15 @ 7:30 pm

Please note new time

@ NYU Dental School Auditorium

Rosh Hashanah

Thursday, September 16 @ 10 am

@ NYU Dental School Auditorium

Kol Nidrei

Friday, September 24 @ 7:30 pm

Please note new time

@ NYU Dental School Auditorium

Yom Kippur

Saturday, September 25 @ 10 am

@ NYU Dental School Auditorium

Note: Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur afternoon services information to be announced in September Templet

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July 12, 2004, Jerusalem

Dear Friends,

On the Way to the Holy Land

Greetings from Jerusalem. I am at the Hartman Institute with rabbis of all movements for two weeks of intensive study. Lynn is hard at work furthering her modern Hebrew skills, and we are also having a great time visiting with old friends.



On our way to Israel, we stopped in Britain for the wedding of my old friend Mitch. Mitch had wanted me to meet his new wife's uncle, and at the wedding I found out why. This tall, pale, non-Jewish Brit told me -- as we spoke in Hebrew, just for fun -- that he had been visiting Israel in 1967. When war broke out, instead of fleeing the country, he decided to serve in the military in his capacity as an engineer. After that, he ended up staying for a few years. I was delighted with his story, and deeply impressed, but not shocked. He is not the first visitor who has fallen under the spell of this place.

I am also such a person. I came to Israel for the first time in high school with a free exchange program offered by the Board of Education of New York City, and again for a semester of college. But it was not until my year here in rabbinic school that I was fully captivated by the beauty of Jerusalem, the intensity and energy I experience all over this country, and by the profound feeling that even waiting on line in the supermarket here connects me to the story of my people. I have come back almost every year since then, and the Jewish connection I feel here leaves me almost speechless.

Jerusalem, High and Low

But of course there is the Yerushalayim shel mala (upper, or spiritual Jerusalem) and Yerushalayim shel mata (lower, or daily Jerusalem). The political and security situation has been tough here for about four years, and is not improving in a hurry. The anxiety level feels a bit lower than in previous years, thanks in large part to army crackdowns and the construction of the "fence" or "wall", recently declared a human rights violation by the World Court. Lynn and I walked to the Tayelet, a terraced promenade with spectacular views, from which one can now see a section of that fence snaking through the outskirts of town. The question of the fence, if one can call a twenty-foot high concrete structure a fence, is very difficult. On the one hand, it

certainly has involved confiscating the land of many Palestinian civilians and made life much harder for many of them by separating them from family, livelihoods, medical and other needs. On the other, the fence has surely helped to save Israeli lives. The moral conundrum is: how many of your own people must you save -to excuse the heavy burdens placed on those you occupy? I am instinctively repulsed by the World Court's censure of the Jewish State. At the same time, I applaud the Israeli Supreme Court's decision that sections of the fence must be moved to alleviate the suffering of Palestinians. The presence of the fence at all? I will accept its necessity for now, and will also pray that necessity will end soon.

My journalist friend Dina, who has been an Israeli citizen for many years, has asked me to send the following message to my congregants in regards to our upcoming presidential election. She says: for a president to truly be "pro-Israel," he must measurably help improve the daily lives of Israelis. She's right. Yet during George Bush's administration, Israel has gotten no better off, and is without immediate prospects of improvement. There have been no real peace talks, no involvement of Israel's neighbors in furthering the cause of peace, and on the domestic front, poverty and unemployment are growing all the time. A president, who would act as an honest broker, and not a renegade bully, might help create far more stability and security for Israel and for the rest of the world. Even if this wisdom is instinctive to many of us, it is important we make our voices a part of the larger Jewish community's statement about the best type of support for Israel, and whom to vote for in the next election.

If there is any positive news to report from Israel, it is that the prospects of a unity left-right, non-religious government -- a near-term possibility -- may actually stand a chance of making progress toward leaving the Gaza Strip and even involving Palestinians in the process. We shall pray for progress, and wait as always.

The Hope of 2000 Years

Uncertainty for the future colors everything here, but can never quash the life of the spirit. Jerusalem is still full of honeysuckle, Turkish coffee and falafel; secular, liberal and Orthodox; the frustration of daily living and the hope of 2000 years. I never feel so nourished as when I am here. I would love to bring a group of members of EET for a visit, and try my best to introduce you to the seductions that abound. As you know, you would not be the first to fall under Israel's spell.

L'shalom,

PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE Karen Feuer

As the newly elected President of East End Temple, I look forward to marking my tenure with a shift in our collective thinking about leadership. The notion of the lone Temple President working single-handedly to ensure that the core activities of the Temple are implemented will be challenged over the next year. The issues facing our congregation – building membership, increasing participation at activities, developing capacity in future leaders, and maintaining financial stability are too complex to be solved by anyone person. The current Board of Trustees at East End Temple is exceptionally talented. It is a “great group” of strong individual achievers who will work together to get results. There are a number of characteristics that mark Great Groups. One in particular, speaks to the very core of this current Board and the dream it shares for East End Temple. It is best described in the EET statement of philosophy, vision and mission with the following passage: *God said, “It is not good for a person to be alone.” (Gen 2:18) We have been created to be connection-seekers and community builders.* We seek to ensure that sense of community and connection on the Board of Trustees with the concept of shared leadership.

The East End Temple vision expresses our direction and aspiration and provides a roadmap for the future. We aspire to ensure a congregation that emanates enthusiasm, where people of all ages are involved and participating in events. We aspire to ensure that our Temple be a place that establishes meaningful and caring relationships and to embrace the diversity of Jewish spirituality and expression. The ways in which we achieve our vision is through the study of *Torah*, binding us to stories of our past and connecting them to our own stories today; *Avodah*, prayer that connects us to all those who have ever prayed and who ever will; and *Gimilut Chassadim*, participating in acts of kindness that affirm we are not alone in the world – linking ourselves to all others in existence.

EET's *Great Group* will demonstrate a new leadership model – one of collaboration and shared purpose to achieve our vision. In many ways it is built on the three pillars of Judaism – *Torah*, *Avodah*, and *Gimilut Chassadim* and will remind the congregation of what's important, why their work makes a difference, and how much we can accomplish working together towards our shared goals.

Looking forward to an inspiring new year.

Have an enjoyable and restful summer.

Karen



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In Memoriam

Naomi Forman *A Collector of People*

From Rabbi David Adelson in Israel

Here is the message read at Naomi Forman's funeral; she died on July 7, 2004.

I greet you from Jerusalem at this very sad occasion. I am writing to offer my prayer for strength and comfort to Naomi's family, friends, and members of the East End Temple community.

It was my honor to know Naomi, and to be the student of her life wisdom. She told lots of stories of her family, including her mother, whose Yiddish name and title was "Basha the Klugger." A klugger is a sort of powerhouse, one who gets things done. Naomi was a klugger herself, and what she got done, to endless degree, was giving and receiving love. She served as a model to me, and I know to so many others, of a person who overcame enormous personal loss and struggle and turned back to life only to love even more. She exuded warmth and support and generosity. She acknowledged her own struggles and insisted on considering herself blessed to receive so much, from George and Bobby during their lives, from all of her family, her friends, and Temple community. She never failed to tell people how she felt about them. She gave others every drop she could muster.

I will miss Naomi terribly. When we said goodbye when I saw her last, she told me how much everyone at the Temple meant to her. We are all diminished by her loss.

If we all could be half as committed to feeling and expressing such wide-open, loving embrace as Naomi did, our world would be instantly healed. May her memory give us the courage always to give and receive love in abundance. Naomi Forman, *zichrona livracha*, may her memory always be a blessing.

Additional notes: At the funeral service held in the Temple sanctuary on July 9, there was a standing-room-only crowd---an overwhelming tribute to Naomi's popularity. The affection and closeness of her extended family was evidenced by the many warm stories told by her nephews, grandniece and others. Aunt Naomi was loved, respected and admired.

The East End Temple family extends sincere condolences to the Forman and Berg families.

In Memoriam

Terry Gordon

The East End Temple family is saddened by the death of Terry Gordon, a long-time member who died on June 24.

Terry grew up in Brooklyn with her older sister, Helen. She had an early introduction to tragedy when her mother died when she was only 12 years old; Helen played a major role in bringing her up. They remained life-long friends as well as sisters.

Terry met her future husband, Bernie Gordon, when they were both working in the Toy Building. They courted during the war, were married in 1946 and until Bernie's death in 1992. They settled in Manhattan, raised two children, Helen and Paul. Helen died at the age of 27, a traumatic shock to Terry. After a while, she returned to work, first for a jeweler and then for an architectural firm in New York.

Active Jewish Life

Terry was devoted to the local chapter of B'nai Brith where she served as a vice-president for a period. She and Bernie were long-time members of East End Temple, particularly active in the bazaars. Terry kept many close friends whom she met at the Temple.

She loved to shop; Saks Fifth Avenue was her favorite store. She was admired as an impeccable dresser. Her family fondly awarded her the title Ph.D in Shopping. She adored her family and kept close ties with her son, Paul; her grandson, Edward; and her nephew, Howard. Terry was known as a caring, outgoing and independent woman.

The East End Temple congregation extends sincere condolences to the family

SENIOR MOMENTS and your MetroCard

If you have lost your half-fare MetroCard, the one that has your personalized ID photo on it, or had it stolen, don't panic. Here's the easiest way to replace it. Just call METROCARD at (212) 638-7622. This city department has your photo and info on file and will mail you a replacement MetroCard within a few weeks, without your having to go anywhere in person. Unfortunately, any balance left on your lost card is forfeited and cannot be refunded or transferred to your new card.

Also, future payments can now be made by credit card, electronic debit from your bank account, or by check. Call the same number for an application.

SISTER TO SISTER Fern Stampelman

Summer is traditionally a time to slow down along with the warm weather; to go on vacation, enjoy an evening stroll, jog until sunset or take advantage of one of New York City's many cultural events. And for those of us who are political junkies, or not, we've got the trappings of the upcoming presidential election in the background of world events to keep our minds alert.

On behalf of Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ), East End Temple Sisterhood, I'd like to encourage everyone to go at a slightly slower pace, and have a most enjoyable summer.

Having said that, along with the daily routine of each of our lives, many are also hard at work planning for the holidays and the many events that will take place at EET beginning next fall.

From WRJ (Sisterhood): Be on the lookout for information regarding two presentations: one by Temple member, Linda Hetzer, co-author of *Moving On, A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO DOWNSIZING THE FAMILY HOME* (How to get rid of the STUFF, keep the MEMORIES, maintain the FAMILY PEACE, and get on with YOUR LIFE) and the other by Rabbi Jen Krause who will speak on a timely topic from the Jewish perspective (to be decided).

Thank You Notes

Finally, many thanks go to Sharon Shemesh for guiding us through the kneading and braiding of our Shabbat challahs (Challah Making Workshop 6/17), and to Florence Peloquin for giving us an amazing tour through the trials (and triumphs!) of being a woman professional commencing in the 1950's, in the field of publishing (Sisterhood Shabbat, 6/18). During the course of the year as many of us studied Women in the Bible (Rosh Chodesh) we repeatedly found that many of our matriarchs, women who weren't supposed to be in the public eye, took a stand, spoke up or acted on their beliefs when necessary for the survival of their communities - for the survival of the Jewish people. We came to realize that the myriad roles of women had strong and early roots in Judaism and we viewed our own stories through sharpened lenses. As a woman and as a Jewish woman, Florence was among the first to take part in Tikun Olam; making the world a better place.

To everyone who took on a responsibility for Sisterhood this year; paying membership dues, attending meetings, planning and overseeing specific events, attending presentations, preparing the social hall for an Oneg Shabbat, being a guest speaker, a workshop leader, an advisor, we also extend our heartfelt thanks.

As always, In Sisterhood,

Fern

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EDUCATOR'S CORNER

Hagit Halperin

Dear Parents and
Congregants,



June 1st marked a year since I was hired as the Religious School Education Director, and it is a great feeling to look back at all that was accomplished in one year. I learned a lot during this school year and have gotten to know most of you and your children. Now it seems easier when I can connect names on the list to actual faces. I owe thanks to some people who made this job easier. Edna Rosen, who patiently mentored me; Sharon and Carole who were always ready to help; Mohamed, our wonderful maintenance person; and the Kolins, who if you didn't know, whenever they are around, they help.

I want to share with you the letter that we sent to all the parents:

As we prepare for Religious School registration for our second year in our new building, I would like to take this opportunity to review some of the highlights of this past year, and preview some of our exciting plans for the next school year.

A New Home for EET...

We started the year in our beautifully restored building with many new programs, including:

- ☆ A Tu-B'Shvat Seder, where we sang, worshipped and enjoyed traditional holiday treats together.
- ☆ Our energetic youth group, under the guidance of our dynamic new Youth Group Leader, Marc Sobel, created a wonderful Purim Carnival.
- ☆ A number of families shared prayer, song, dance and fun and games dedicated to the establishment of Israel, at an exciting Family Retreat at Camp Kutz.
- ☆ Our 7th graders posted their Jewish "artifacts" at Toldot, a website of the "The Online Jewish Museum of the Next Generation". With their families, our B'nai Mitzvah class also prepared gift packages with items donated by the entire school and brought them to the women's shelter of the Bowery Residents' Committee.
- ☆ The Rabbi and Youth Group Leader jointly lead our Confirmation class in many lively discussions twice a month. In addition, the 7th graders joined the Confirmation class to see the movie *Divan*, part of the Jewish Film Festival and had a short discussion with the movie's director.
- ☆ A display of our children's projects and artwork concluded the school year, much of which can still be seen on the 3rd and 4th floors of the Temple.
- ☆ A *tzedakah* collection in the amount of \$ 590.50, which the children voted almost unanimously to

send to Shalom Ethiopia, a small organization that helps Ethiopian Jews make aliyah to Israel.

What's Ahead

Many new and promising programs are already in the works:

- ☆ The opening of the "Sara Spencer Children's Educational Resource Center", which allows our children to borrow books.
- ☆ Music on Wednesdays with our wonderful Cantor Hayley Kobilinsky. Older children will continue to participate in a T'filah (prayer) service with the cantor every Tuesday.
- ☆ As part of our mission to create a sense of shared community among our children, we will include members of our Confirmation Class and our Youth Group in selected school programs, and will create a buddies' program in which 7th graders will help younger children to learn Hebrew.

This coming year we will be creating many opportunities for communication between the school and you. For example, our Youth Education Committee will lead a discussion to talk about curriculum, and teachers will inform you regularly via email about what is being taught in your children's classes.

Hagit

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**Please plan to attend our
Back-To-School Night
on September 8th at 7:00 pm
to get a preview of our plans and
curricula in more detail and to
meet the teachers.**

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CANTOR'S Hayley Kobilinsky

The East End Temple Volunteer Choir will regroup and participate in several Shabbatot. Please join our ranks as we "sing unto God a new song"! The debut in June was fantastic, and I'd like to take a moment here to thank my devoted members who put in great time and effort to give us all the gift of wonderful music! Lynn Harris Adelson, Suellen Eshed, Ellen Ettinger, Vivian Harrow, Steve Novick and Ben Poserow, plus Alex Mekinulov at the piano, thank you all so much! It was my pleasure to work with you!

I will continue to teach Torah Cantillation and Blessings to the 6th graders, and work one-on-one with our B'nei Mitzvah students, but this year I will also resume music specialty for the Wednesday students (Gan through 3rd grade). I'm looking forward to making music with you!

I am also happy to announce to our East End family that I have achieved a Master's degree in Sacred Music from Hebrew Union College. You are all invited to attend my Master's recital at HUC on Wednesday, March 9, 2005, at approximately 11am. Please mark your calendars.

In June we celebrated the Bat Mitzvahs of Melissa Gollance and Anne Levine... Mazal Tov to you both and



to your families! It was a pleasure to work with you. Later this summer we will celebrate the Bat Mitzvah of Saar Shemesh! Good luck, Saar!

Musically Yours, Hayley Kobilinsky
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KABALA Is Now "Cool"?

Remember when your mother or grandmother tied a red ribbon (a "bendel") around your wrist to ward off the evil spirits? Well, according to the *NYTimes*, now that Madonna has embraced part of the kabalistic mysticism, adopted the additional name of Esther, worn the bendel, along with tefillin, a fashion fad has been born. Now on the market are red bendel bracelets (@ \$45 each), kabala water in plastic bottles, red candles, graffiti-airbrushed skullcaps and a crystal-studded Star of David. There are many kabala centers throughout the country that will be stocking this merchandise; the candles will be at Barneys New York this fall.

Understandably, this sudden popularity of kabala and its symbols has raised alarms among some Jewish scholars who feel this "pop trend" is sacrilegious.

EAST END TEMPLE DONATION FORM

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LOOKING FOR PRIVATE PARTY PLANNERS

Wouldn't it be something if we could break the fast together on Yom Kippur?

Wouldn't it be something if you could make it happen for us?

Volunteer your gift for arranging wonderful lox-and-bagel parties.

You can do it. We would love it.

**Go public with your private passion
and call Marcia Muskat,
Ritual Committee Chair (477-6444)**

EET Memorial Park: Cemetery Plots Available

While the decision to purchase a cemetery plot is an issue we frequently postpone or avoid, it is something that should be planned and not done under duress, or in an emergency. East End Temple maintains a section in Mount Moriah Cemetery, located in Fairview, NJ. Please call for the prices of a single or double grave, including the cost of endowed care. If you are interested in the purchase of one or more cemetery plots, please contact Sharon at the office (212) 477-6444.

When Helene and Leonard Spring were in Denver last month at the URJ meeting, they sent this message of congratulations to the new Board of Trustees being installed the night of June 11, 2004. Their message is excerpted here:

First, thanks to Edna Rosen for her hard work and dedication during the past two years.

We also pray for inspired leadership for Karen Feuer who has already shown her special ability of vision and commitment. Karen will enable us to truly illuminate our future. We know that her special leadership abilities will give us the best of the past blended with excellence for the future. The best is yet to come!

So, Karen, this is your time, your new season and your new board. Go forward with these dedicated East End Temple leaders as you merge the lives of our members with that of its leadership. Communicate – look out at the world (our world) in joy and renewed faith. Leonard and I know you will succeed in this sacred and shared responsibility for us all.

Help for the Visually Impaired

In our own local area, there is help for the visually and physically impaired who are book lovers. The Andrew Heiskell Braille & Talking Book Library, located at 40 West 20th Street, has large-type books available, and also a huge audio library of books-on-tape. Since this is part of the New York Public Library system, there is no charge to join or borrow books, but you need to apply first to participate in the books-on-tape program.

How it Works

I do volunteer work at this library a few hours a week, doing audio proofreading. Wearing professional Sony headphones, I listen to the voice of the narrator as I read the book to find any incorrect pronunciations of words, hear coughs, misreadings, etc. Then, I record these mistakes on a special computer program; the corrections are then made by the narrator who comes back into the studio when the proofreading of the book is finished. The entire library membership process for these books-on-tape can be done by phone and mail order. Hundreds of tapes are mailed out to residents all over the city each day. To find out more information and get an application, call the Andrew Heiskell Library at 212.206.5400.

Israeli Technology

An Israeli company that specializes in computer technology for the blind and visually challenged is launching a new class of software for accessibility in the area of non-text computer images. VirTouch is the company based in Israel. Elements such as photographs, maps, tables and even flowcharts, can now be viewed through a mouse-like patented device that allows "vision" through the fingertips.

Free Telephone Help

Fran Kolin tells us that in order to help people who have visual, hearing, or other disabilities, the local phone companies may offer free directory assistance. Just call the Business Office of your phone company, (for Verizon: 1.212.890.1550) and request the form for a disability exemption for Directory Assistance. You will need to fill out one section, and your doctor will fill out the other. When you return the form to the phone company, you'll be eligible for free directory assistance. This is a wonderful service, and can be quite a savings.

Florence Peloquin



KEHILA CAMPAIGN UPDATE Judith Sussman

Kehila Wall Dedication Ceremony, Friday June 4th

Many Kehila Campaign donors, along with their families and friends, and other Temple members, attended the dedication of the Kehila Wall, unveiling of the donor plaques honoring the first families to give to the Kehila Campaign, and a celebratory Oneg after Shabbat services on Friday, June 4, 2004. If you weren't able to join us, please stop and take a few minutes to view the Kehila Wall next time you are in Temple.

If you have not yet made your gift to the Kehila Campaign, please consider doing so now. New plaques and the Kehila Honor Roll (formerly called the Kehila Scroll) will be unveiled in the fall. Honor your family, honor a loved one or a friend, or simply honor your Temple. Yours just might be the gift that completes our dream house.

Contact: Joan Beranbaum jberanbaum@dc37 or Judith Sussman jhs@nyc.rr.com

\$100,000 MATCHING GRANT FUND GOAL REACHED!

Thanks to 100% participation by the EET Board, thoughtful donations from many EET members and friends, and a very generous anonymous donor's commitment to match the first \$50,000 received, we reached our goal and raised slightly over \$100,000 to help close the extraordinary deficit the first year in our new Temple building.

THANK YOU to everyone who participated, which included the follow donors since 5/18/2004:

Martin Barrett and Bette Levy, Arlene Bluth, Charles and Debbie Backwald, CTTANY, Coppola Ryan McHugh Riddell, CSA, Paul Connuck and Lauren Weinberger, Ron and Cynthia Dubensky, Boris and Suellen Eshed, Robert and Marian Fish, Gramercy Stuyvesant Independent Democrats, Greenberg Traurig, Greenman Family Foundation, Mel Harris and Ruth Haber, Norma Hirsch, Carole L. Hyman, Robert and Fran Kolin, Legal Aid Society of Mid-NY, Helen and Paul Levine, Lexington Democratic Club, Phil and Janie Listengart, Judith Lorber, Herbert Marx Jr., New York State Lawyers, Malkin, Ross and DeSantis, Richard and Wendy Muskat, Paul and Barbara Ringel, Helen Sanders, Larry and Nancy Schneider, Thelma Spinrad, Bea Strasnick, Robert A. Ungar, United Way of New York, Wilson, Elser, Moskowitz, Edelman & Dicker LLP, YAI

LIBRARY BUZZ Barbara Ringel & Beth Labush

As you find yourself in mid-summer with perhaps more free time to read, why not come into our library and pick up one of our favorite book club selections for a great read! We particularly enjoyed the following books:

Revenge by Laura Blumenfeld (non-fiction)
Holy Days by Lis Harris (non-fiction)
The Nazi Officer's Wife by Edith Hahn Beer (non-fiction)
Displaced Persons by Joseph Berger (non-fiction)
The Avengers by Rich Coen (non-fiction)
Your Mouth Is Lovely by Nancy Richler (fiction)
Bee Season by Myla Goldberg (fiction)
Ladies Auxiliary by Tova Mirvis (fiction)
The Secret Book of Grazia dei Rossi by Jacqueline Park (fiction)
Amazing Adventures of Kavalier and Clay by M. Chabon (fiction)

In addition, we will be discussing *Austerlitz*, the award-winning book by renowned author, W. G. Sebald, at our next book club gathering on August 18th. We would love to have you join us. Check with the temple office for member's home location. Hope to see you there!

EAST END TEMPLE BOOKCLUB

The Book: *Austerlitz*
The Author: W.G. Sebald
The Date: Wednesday, August 18th
The Place: call for location 212.477.6444

For Library Fund contributions, please call Barbara Ringel (212) 477-6625, to send donations directly to her. This will ensure timely handling of your offerings.

Contact: Bringel@aol.com or BKLYNC@aol.com

JUDAICA SHOP FINDS Fran Kolin

Summer at the Shop is a time for restocking and anticipating the needs of the congregation and community.

This fall, the latest fashion trend will be red ribbon (the bendel) worn on the wrist, to "ward off evil". Naturally, we have a plentiful supply on hand. Also, we will feature packages of New Years Cards since every year, many of you come asking for them!

Have a great summer, and come back ready to shop the Shop!

Fran

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June Morse... a gracious hostess

As June's children, grandchildren and great grandchild well know when visiting New York: June's East side Manhattan apartment is "Hotel Morse". Never mind that they might need to arrive late into the night, or extend their stay or even bring along a friend or two, June truly enjoys making guests feel at home. East End Temple also has her number, especially when we're in a jam. A last-minute call to set up the Oneg Shabbat desserts or conduct a summer Shabbat service is never a problem for June Morse, the hostess with the mostest!

Early Training

June's penchant for welcoming the visitor was formed early in her parents' Bronx apartment. When younger sister Janet married, the family purchased a sleep-sofa to accommodate the visiting bride and groom, lest they be relegated to the discomfort and expense of a hotel room. "We can manage" was June's mother's popular refrain, despite the limited space and one bathroom. Throughout life, June has taken her mother's message to heart. She married City College sweetheart, Mel Morse, while completing the final two months of a Hunter College, Biology/Chemistry degree. She also managed to hold the PS 19 PTA President's position while raising daughter, Barbara, and son, Alan, both success stories in the Morse narrative.

June's son Alan's inspired guidance from EET Youth Leader, Shelley Zimmerman, prompted June and Mel to become first-time synagogue members and lifetime active, well-versed Jews. Between the two of them, they've chaired almost every committee at the Temple as well as taking on the presidencies of the Men's Club and the Sisterhood. June read from Torah as an adult Bat Mitzvah, chaired the most recent EET Cantorial Search Committee, chairs the Floral Fund, knits hats for the Cold Weather Project and attends Shabbat services regularly. A growing collection of awards from EET, UJA and Israeli Bonds adorn June's apartment walls.

The Complete Traveler

In between hosting her family in New York, June shuttles to every family milestone event from here to Israel. June's daughter, Barbara, resides in Carlsbad, California where she is a PhD in Economics and the author of *Planning With A Heart: A Business Planning Book for Women Only*. One of Barbara's two married children has just blessed June with her first great-grandchild, Tamar. Alan, wife Deborah and their five children's roots have been firmly planted in Israel, where Alan is a technical writer for Intel and Deborah is a



teacher of English as a Second Language. Alan's religious calling was realized early on as an ordained (Reconstructionist) rabbi and as a ten-year congregational and Hillel rabbi.

This year's Passover visit to Israel found June welcoming her grandson, a paratrooper, and her granddaughter, a paramedic, home on their weekend leaves from the Israeli Army. Typical of their homecoming routine, Alan immediately secured his children's rifles and ammunition for safekeeping until their return to the front. And then, with a full house and full hearts the Morse family, as always, made sure that everyone felt at home when they sat down to the Seder Table.

We'd love to hear your story. Call Marcia Muskat 212/477-6444 and tell her that you are ready to share.



June and Sisterhood women at the Challah workshop

THE TEMPLE FAMILY

Congratulations and Best Wishes to

- Morgan Doneger who will be attending University of Rhode Island this fall

Welcome New Members

- Peter Seligman and Karen Friedman
- Alec Appelbaum and Emily Blank

THANK YOU...

Dear East End Temple Family,

Thank you for your concern and kind expressions of care from all following the death of our beloved Sol. Our family appreciates the cards, letters, calls, food, contributions, visits and prayer.

Sincerely,

Gert Wiener

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Wednesday, September 1 (5-8 pm)
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High Holy Day Tickets:

Thanks to all of you who have paid your dues in full. This helps to reduce administrative costs and facilitates mailing the High Holy Day tickets. We will send tickets to those members who have paid at least 50% of their membership dues, security assessment, and all applicable tuition charges by September 1st.

We credit payments to your account as follows:

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High Holy Days Ticket Prices:

Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur \$360
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Book of Remembrance:

Thanks to those of you who have submitted your listings. **If you have not yet replied, please remember that the deadline is August 20.** The Book of Remembrance is an important tribute to beloved family and friends during the High Holy Days. Call the office with any questions.

FOR OUR NEW HOME:

NO HOUSE GIFTS NEEDED RIGHT NOW

Some of our members have offered to make decorative items or give items of Judaica to us for the new building.

However, please don't paint another stroke, needlepoint another stitch or independently buy a gift for the Temple until you have gotten approval from the committee. Calls come in almost daily with offers of pictures, candlesticks, Kiddush Cups and more.

The Board of Trustees has reconstituted the Honors Committee to review such potential gifts and then pass on its recommendations to the full Board. A structured process needs to be followed before any gifts can be accepted.

Thank you for your interest and desire to help us beautify our space.

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- Best wishes for continued good health to Helen Doneger

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- Mazal Tov to Saar Shemesh and her proud family on the occasion of her Bat Mitzvah

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