



DIVRAY HA'RAV —

RABBI'S PASSOVER MESSAGE

The most popular song of the Seder, one of my favorites, is *Dayenu*. It recalls the Prophet Malachi's promise "to pour down blessings." Literally the phrase means "until there is more than enough." The Talmudic sage *Rami ben Hama* interprets this to mean "until your lips are exhausted from saying, 'enough'." *Dayenu*.

As a child I liked the tune and its repetitions. As an adult I love its message. The song details the Exodus story, exclaiming that at any given moment of G-d's generosity towards us...splitting the sea, feeding us manna, giving us the Torah and Shabbat...it would have been "enough." *Danyenu's* concept of "it would have been enough" seems to be particularly appropriate in today's economic climate. The question becomes what does it mean to think about our current lives in terms of *Dayenu*?

For example, if we can put food on our tables yet are prevented from buying all of the things we are used to having, *Dayenu*. If we sit gather together as a family and enjoy each other's company but cannot take a vacation, *Dayenu*. This simple song urges us to be thankful for what we are presently experiencing. It is true that human nature being what it is we all want more. Hopefully that will come but in the meantime we ought to be content in the moment.

Dayenu recalls the past events of our ancestors but also express that we should have gratitude for our lives today. It is interesting to note:one of the names in the

Torah for G-d is *El Shaddai*, which according to the Talmud is a name which means "the One who says enough." This name is found on many of the *Mezzuzot* in our homes. How happy our lives might be if each time we walked though the doors, we truly felt this message of "enough." I have enough. G-d will provide enough. If we succeed is doing this, we might actualize the words of Ethics of the Fathers, *Pirke Avot* which says: "Who is rich?" The one who is happy with what he/she has." *Dayenu!*

A request...before singing *Dayenu* at your *Seder* ask those seated around the table what blessings have poured down on you? In other words, "What in your life is "enough?" For what would you say "*Dayenu*" today?

Barbara and our family join with me in wishing you and your family a Joyous and a Meaningful Pesach.

Chag Samayach v'Kasher!

Rabbi Marc S. Jagolinzer

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rabbi Marc S. Jagolinzer".

MARCH/APRIL
WHAT'S GOING ON AT OUR TEMPLE

Please Note – Some of these scheduled events may have been changed from the dates and times listed in the Temple Calendar.

Friday Evening, **March 5** at 7:30 pm
Leil Shabbat Worship
March Birthdays will be honored
An *Oneg* Shabbat will follow the services

Thursday Morning, **March 11** at 10:30 am
Jewish Seniors Agency Program

Friday Evening, **March 12** at 7:30 pm
Leil Shabbat Worship
An *Oneg* Shabbat will follow the services

Saturday Evening, **March 13** at 8:00 pm
Annual Spring Concert
Cantor Fred Scheff and Friends in Concert

Tuesday Evening, **March 16** at 7:00 pm
Adult Education Program: Developing a Personal Theology I — Jewish Ideas About G-d

Thursday Evening, **March 18** at 7:00 pm
Adult Education Program: Developing a Personal Theology II — G-d in Your World and Your Life

Friday Evening, **March 19** at 6:30 pm
Pizza and Prayer Shabbat
Pizza at 6:30 p.m.
Worship at 7:30 p.m.
An *Oneg* Shabbat will follow the services

Saturday Morning, **March 20** at 10:00 am
Shabbat Morning Worship

Thursday Evening, **March 25** at 7:00 pm
Partnership with United Congregational Church
At the Temple

Friday Evening, **March 26** at 6:00 pm
Kabbalat Shabbat Worship
Creative Service – Bring your favorite prayer, poem, story or reading followed by a dairy or pareve dinner. Bring whatever you want to eat (which can be eaten cold or at room temperature), then enjoy a program of Israeli dancing.

☆ Friday Evening, **April 2** at 7:30 pm
Shabbat/Festival Worship
April Birthdays will be honored
The Rabbi will share a special story
There will be NO *Oneg* Shabbat

Tuesday Morning, **April 6** at 10:00 am
Eighth Day of Passover Worship
***Yizkor* will be recited**

Thursday Morning, **April 8** at 10:30 am
Jewish Seniors Agency Program

Friday Evening, **April 9** at 7:30 pm
Leil Shabbat Worship
The Rabbi will deliver the sermon
An *Oneg* Shabbat will follow the services

Sunday Evening, **April 11** at 7:30 pm
Annual Yom Ha Shoah Service

Friday Evening, **April 16** at 6:30 pm
Pizza and Prayer Shabbat
Pizza at 6:30 pm
Worship at 7:30 pm
An *Oneg* Shabbat will follow the services

Wednesday Afternoon, **April 14** at 3:45 pm
Weekday Religious School

Sunday Evening, **April 18** at 6:30 pm
Adult Education - Panel Discussion
Contemporary Issues Confronting Us Today

Friday Evening, **April 23** at 7:30 pm
Leil Shabbat Worship
Julia Hirsch will participate in the services
On the eve of her becoming a *Bat Mitzvah*
The *Oneg* Shabbat will be graciously sponsored by The Hirsch Family

Saturday Morning, **April 24** at 10:00 am
Bat Mitzvah of Julia Hirsch

Friday Evening, **April 30** at 7:30 pm
Leil Shabbat Worship
An *Oneg* Shabbat will follow the services

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**MARCH/APRIL
Religious School Dates**

Wednesday Afternoon, **March 3** at 3:45 pm
Weekday Religious School

Wednesday Afternoon, **March 10** at 3:45 pm
Weekday Religious School

Sunday Morning, **March 14** at 10:00 am
Sunday School/Post Graduate at 10:00 am
Family Passover Workshop at 11:00 am

Wednesday Afternoon, **March 17** at 3:45 pm
Weekday Religious School

Wednesday Afternoon, **March 24** at 3:45 pm
Weekday Religious School

Wednesday Afternoon, **March 31**
NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL -2nd Day of Passover
Wednesday Afternoon, **April 7** at 3:45 pm
Weekday Religious School

Wednesday Afternoon, **April 14** at 3:45 pm
Weekday Religious School

Sunday Morning, **April 18** at 10:00 am
Sunday School/Post Graduate Classes at 10:00 am
Israel Independence Day Celebration and Observance at
11:00 am

Wednesday Afternoon, **April 21**
NO Weekday Religious School

Wednesday Afternoon, **April 28** at 3:45 pm
Weekday Religious School



RECYCLING

Commencing November 1, we began recycling at our Temple. Please be sure to dispose of your items in the appropriate bin.



THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Winter is hopefully coming to an end and we eagerly await the first signs of spring, daylight hours begin to lengthen and soon the stark gray of the tree branches will be softened with misty green as new buds swell and new shoots seek out the warmth of the sun. It is time to think about our major spring festival commemorating the exodus from Egypt of 3,000 years ago. Passover celebrates "beginnings". We can look out the window and see signs of spring. The green parsley on the Seder plate symbolizes this seasonal rebirth.

Mickie and I wish you a happy and meaningful Pesach.

Shalom,
Gerry



**MARCH/APRIL
TEMPLE SHALOM ADULT EDUCATION**

The Adult Education program at Temple Shalom has a series of events planned over the next couple of months. All events will be held at Temple Shalom. Guests and friends of the community are welcome. The scheduled programs are as follows:

- 1) Developing a Personal Theology, a two session program on Tuesday evening **March 16** and Thursday evening **March 18** at 7:00 pm, facilitated by Rabbi Marc Jagolinzer
- 2) Israeli Dancing, after the Friday evening service on **March 26** followed by an Oneg sponsored by Drs. Freiman-Mendel.
- 3) Controversial Issues in Judaism, i.e. Organ Donation, Abortion, Stem Cell research, Cloning, Euthanasia, Cremation, etc. This will be held on Sunday evening **April 18** at 6:30 pm with a light dinner followed by a discussion moderated Rabbi Jagolinzer with a panel of professionals familiar with the topics.
- 4) Images of Judaism in Art - A slide presentation by artist Marion Wilner. Marion is Professor Emeritus of Arts at Bristol Community College in Fall River. Judaism in art is a topic on which Marion has given many lectures and a theme that she explores in her own work.

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For information about participating in the Shalom Fund
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BA MISPACHA – IN OUR FAMILY

The Congregation extends a Refuah Shalimah and future
good health to:

Ruth Ziegler Bea Krosney Angela Libman
Zelda Fisher Pat Dorkin

The Congregation extends deepest sympathy to the
Libman Family upon the passing of their beloved
Marilyn Libman.

May they be comforted among the mourners of Zion.
May Marilyn's memory be a blessing. May she rest in
eternal peace.

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**THE CONGREGATION GRATEFULLY
ACKNOWLEDGES THESE
THOUGHTFUL CONTRIBUTIONS**

In Memory of **Marilyn Libman** by
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WHY SHOP AT TRADER JOE'S?

Trader Joe's on Route 2 in Warwick has added to their
Kosher line of meats and poultry. They now carry
chicken, turkey, beef (brisket, chopped meat, stew beef
and shoulder steak).

They will continue to carry these products and add
to their already existing items if there is continued
interest.

All of these products are fresh, not frozen! Please take
a trip to Trader Joe's and support not only the Kosher
products but all the other wonderful food the store
offers.

You will be glad you did!

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AN ON-GOING OPPORTUNITY

The Rabbi's Caring cart and the Kosher Food Pantry
Bin are always in need of restocking. Each and every
day there are persons and families in need of sustenance.
We can do our part to assist those less fortunate with food.
Please make it a habit to bring some non-perishable food
items with you every time that you come to the Temple.

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**CELEBRATE A SIMCHA
SPONSOR AN ONEG**

Today *Rabah* to all those families that sponsored Onegs
during January and February. To sponsor an Oneg,
please look at the dates below, choose one or two and
contact Helene Scheff, call 885-6073.

You will get confirmation of the date and information
about how to proceed.

Mar 5 Mar12 Mar 26
Apr 9 Apr 16 Apr 23 Apr 30

**Mark Your Calendar Now!
Spring Concert
March 13 — 8 pm**

Have dinner with your friends and neighbors, then go to a concert at the Temple

that will feature songs from the Great American Songbook, with selections from the Broadway stage, the movie and television screens.

Featuring the voices of Kara Lund, Kathrynne Jennings, and our own Fred Scheff, the concert will include some of the best known music of the last 75 years.

There will be some old, familiar favorites and some new songs that are destined to become your favorites. The artists are choosing their songs now, but we are likely to hear selections by Andrew Lloyd Webber, Cole Porter, Irving Berlin, Jerry Herman, Lerner and Lowe, and Rodgers and Hammerstein.

Do you have a favorite you'd like to hear? Let us know as soon as you can and we'll try to include it.

Plan for the evening now. March 13 is really just around the corner. So call some neighbors and friends and make an evening of it. Get together and have dinner, come to the Temple for the Concert and then go have some dessert!

Tickets are available now, and again are priced at \$30. Don't miss this opportunity to show off the talents we gather here at Temple Shalom. Invite your friends to join you — Helene and I have over the last few years, and they often ask us to be sure to let them know when the concert will be held each year so they don't miss it.

This is a great fundraising event and with your support it can be even better than ever.

So don't wait — the time is now!

Ed Scheff

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**HELP OUR SYNAGOGUE
MEMBERSHIP GROW**

The Membership Committee would like every member to assist them in their goal of increasing the membership of our congregation. In order to accomplish our goal, we ask that you inform the Temple office of all families who have moved into your neighborhood. Our Rabbi and the Membership Committee, under the leadership of Mickie MacNeill, (401) 846 -9002, will welcome them to our community.



**FROM THE RABBI:
IT'S FLU SEASON**

As families and friends we gather together in our Temple to pray, reflect and celebrate. As the potentially active influenza season commences with its various strains, we need to do everything possible to help limit the spread of the virus. We want to keep Temple Shalom as a safe and healthy place for congregants to come to worship. Hand sanitizers and facial tissues will be available on the book case outside the entrance to the sanctuary, at the Oneg Shabbat and in each and every classroom. I request that congregants plan to stay home from worship if they are sick or have signs of a fever. In response to the potential risk to health during this flu season, please do your part to offset or prevent the spread of the flu. **Thank you.**

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**THE CONSERVATOR PUBLICATION
SCHEDULE**

The Conservator will be published bimonthly (5 times) this year — September/October, November/December, January/February, March/April, and May/June. The reduced publication schedule will save in both printing and mailing costs. If you plan to have something included in the newsletter, please plan to have it to me by the 15th of the month prior to publication, e.g., April 15 for inclusion in the May/June issue.

Ed Scheff 885-6073

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**NOTIFY US WHEN
A LOVED ONE IS HOSPITALIZED**

Please be aware of the changes resulting from HIPPA, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act that went into effect in April 2003. This law no longer permits medical facilities to show clergy, when visiting hospitals, any lists of patients in their facilities. Only those employed by the medical facility have the right to see these lists. Prior to this, we were permitted to call the hospital and ask if any Temple Shalom members were in the hospital.

Therefore, the only way that we know that one of our members is hospitalized when a friend or family member contacts the synagogue office at (401) 846-9002. We urge you to let us know so that a visit can be arranged. In addition, in case of illness, please let us know so that our clergy and the Caring Committee can take action when their services are needed.



WINTER CANCELLATIONS AT THE TEMPLE

Due to the uncertainty of winter weather, it is sometimes necessary to cancel a meeting or a service. If we do cancel, we will send out an email to those on our list and put a phone message on the Temple number 846-9002. The decision to cancel will be based on weather forecasts, parking, and sidewalk conditions.

As we have congregants who come a distance, we would rather have them safe than driving on dangerous roads. We ask that you, too, use common sense and know that if we do cancel due to weather it is with you in mind.



MISHABEIRACH LIST

At weekly Shabbat Services, Rabbi Jagolinzer offers a prayer for those who are fighting disease. During this prayer for recovery, he mentions the names of those in need. The Rabbi requests that names to be included on his list be submitted to him prior to Shabbat. And, that the names which he has, be updated on a regular basis by those submitting them. If you would like the Rabbi to send a note to a person on the list, please make sure you provide him with the person's address.

THE EMPHASIS IS ON LIFE

The Tree of Life is the first and most imposing thing you see when you enter the Temple. Its purpose is to celebrate all of the exciting, good, wonderful, and meaningful things that happen(ed) to people in our Temple family, their relatives or friends birthday, anniversarie, *B'naiMitzvah*, promotions, births, awards and honors, wellness, graduations, or for any reason to celebrate.

I (we) wish to dedicate a leaf or leaves on the Temple's Tree of Life "*Simcha Tree*".

Number of leaves _____ @\$150.00 each
Please print inscription legibly — maximum of 3 lines per leaf

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

TO REMEMBER IS TO KEEP ALIVE

One of the greatest of Mitzvot in our tradition is performing the act of remembrance. Temple Shalom offers opportunities to fulfill this Mitzvah by arranging contributions and dedicating Memorial Plaques to perpetuate the memory of a loved one.

A Memorial Plaque is a constant reminder and a timely symbol of a cherished devotion to those we wish to remember. On the anniversary date of the Yahrzeit a light is kindled next to the nameplate. In accordance with Jewish tradition, whenever Yizkor is observed, a light should be kindled and Kaddish recited.

The present contribution for a Memorial Plaque is \$375.00.

For additional information contact Rabbi Jagolinzer, (401)846-9002

Contributions of many meaningful and needed items can be dedicated at the Temple. Please contact the Rabbi to discuss the possibilities.

Barbara N. Jagolinzer

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Thank you.
Ed Scheff

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