



TEMPLE SHOLOM

**TEMPLE SHOLOM
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

JUNE 10, 2001

The Annual General Meeting of the members of Temple Sholom was held in Sarah's Tent at Temple Sholom, 7190 Oak Street, Vancouver, BC on Sunday June 10, 2001 at 10:00am.

The meeting was chaired by Jerry Lampert. Rob Philipp served as Secretary.

The meeting was called to order at 10:15am.

1. Annual Financial Statements for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2001

The Annual Financial Statements were presented by the Treasurer, Sarah Richman. The statements included the budget for 2002 and the statement of operations for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2001. Revenue and expense totals for every fund were listed. A special thanks went to Eric Andrew and Carol Chipkin for their help in compiling the information. It was moved by Sarah Richman and seconded by Patty Batalden that the 2000/2001 financial statements be accepted as presented. Carried. It was moved by John Henry and seconded by Jean Fiedler to approve the annual budget for 2001/2002. Carried.

2. The Directors' report

The Director's report was presented by Jerry Lampert.

Jerry reported that the Professional Staff Search Committee had been successful in finding assistance for the Rabbi. Judith Wolfman has been appointed Executive Director and will be joining the Temple on August 1, 2001.

The shortage of Jewish professionals throughout the Reform Movement is an on-going problem. Our UAHF representative, Frank Kaplan is leading a Regional Task Force on this matter. It is expected that it will be the major focus of the UAHF Biennial Convention in Boston this December.

Membership in Temple Sholom has grown to 588 families, representing over 1400 persons. The Wine and Challah for new members program has been a great success. The program has helped new members to meet other congregants and to feel that they are part of Temple Life.

The Financial Statements and Annual budget tabled, reflect the Temple's prudent and responsible approach to finances. Jerry thanked Sarah Richman, Eric Andrew and Carol Chipkin for their work in this regard. Looking to the future the Board has agreed in principle to establishing an Endowment Fund for the Temple. The Endowment Fund Committee Chaired by Ralph Zbarsky will be reporting back to the Board in the Fall.

The Religious School is completing another successful year with about 135 students enrolled. Jerry congratulated Anne Andrew, Sarah Richman, the parent volunteers and the teaching staff on their efforts.

The Center for the Healing of the Soul moved its library to the Youth Lounge where it is stored in a new bookcase donated by the 2001 B'nai Mitzvah class. Jerry thanked Cathy for her work with respect to Healing Services and Shofar articles.

Jerry highlighted a few of the many committee activities over the last year:

- The Ways and Means Committee once again organized "Feasting for Funds" which is a fundraiser and a way for congregants to meet and socialize with one another.
- The Social Committee held another very successful "Jazz Night".
- The first Temple Family Retreat, organized by the Adult Education Committee was well received. All adult Hebrew courses were fully subscribed this year.
- The House Committee completed the repairs to the roof and the south side flooring.

Jerry thanked all Committee Chairs and members for their efforts.

The Sisterhood has had another busy year and continues to offer its members educational, cultural, spiritual and religious activities. Jerry congratulated co-presidents Gayda Coblin and Debbie Rootman on their achievement. The Men's Group continues to grow in popularity and its expanded program was enthusiastically received. Jerry thanked Elliot Lipsey for his hard work. The Youth Group increased its outreach program for the downtown homeless. The group also held a number of social activities. Jerry congratulated Austin Batalden and Kate Shapiro.

Jerry commended Lorna Shapiro, Brad Martin and Jeff Polo, who are all leaving the Board this year, on their contributions to Temple Life over the last few years.

Jerry thanked the Executive and the Board for their dedication to and support of the Temple.

Jerry thanked the Rabbi for his spiritual, educational and religious guidance and for his commitment to the Temple.

3. Nomination and Election of Officers

The Nominating Committee proposed the following slate of officers to serve until the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting to be held in 2002:

President	Jerry Lampert (2nd term)
First Vice-President	Hindy Ratner (1 st term)
Second Vice-President	Rob Philipp (1 st term)

Third Vice-President	John Henry (1 st term)
Treasurer	Sarah Richman (3rd term)
Secretary	Paul Becker (1 st term)

The Nominating Committee proposed the following slate of five trustees to serve until the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting to be held in 2003:

Mary Louise Albert (2nd term)
 Harold Folk (2nd term)
 Ralph Zbarsky (2nd term)
 Suzanne Pavlich (1st term)
 Darcy Billinkoff (1st term)

The following trustees were elected at the 2000 Annual General Meeting to serve until the conclusion of the 2002 Annual General Meeting:

Shelley Jaffe (2nd term)
 Patty Batalden (2nd term)
 Eric Fielder (2nd term)
 Marie Henry (1st term)
 Judy Mandleman (1st term)

Jan Prinzmetal was nominated from the floor for the position of Trustee. Following a secret ballot the original slate proposed by the Nominating Committee was elected.

4. Sisterhood's annual report.

Gayda Coblin presented the Sisterhood report:

- Darcy Billinkoff spoke about her Kilimanjaro adventure at the sisterhood opening
- The annual Sisterhood retreat was held at Edenvale
- Three Sisterhood members attended the Biennial Convention for Women of Reform Judaism in October.
- Sisterhood was presented with three district awards for excellence in various projects.
- Sisterhood hosted their Sunday morning program again.
- The Sisterhood service took place on February 2nd.
- Sisterhood once again sponsored the Chanukah and Purim potluck dinners.
- They provided baby sitting for the High Holy Days
- Pledged \$5,000 to the Levi Fund.
- In partnership with the Men's Club, presented each member of the B'nai Mitzvah class with a gift.
- Sent Chanukah packages to students away from home.
- Offered scholarships to two students pursuing Jewish studies.
- Had their first women's Seder.
- Contributed towards furnishing the Yaffa Housing Project.
- Gave to the Jewish Food Bank, Jewish Women International, and Homes for Hope
- Coordinated the Dress For Success Program.
- Organized the Cinderella Program.
- Raised money from their annual Mother's Day Flower Sale, the play "Daughters Dina", the twice-yearly Fashion Sample Sale and the Gift Shop.
- The closing event included a performance by the Jewish Men's Choir.

- Carol Walker was presented with the Life Line Pin.
- Planted Rhododendrons in recognition of past presidents

5. Men's Club Annual Report

Elliot Lipsey presented the Men's Club Report:

- Men's Club membership has grown to 40 members.
- Dr Mark Wexler spoke on the Ethics of Diversity vs. the Ethics of Multiculturalism.
- Dr Art Hister spoke on Men's Health.
- Darcy Billinkoff spoke on her trip to Mt. Kilimanjaro
- Freddy Zara spoke on the Jews of Salonica.
- Shawn Hawkins spoke on the Electricity Grid
- JP Berger spoke about his new business venture.
- Poker evenings were held
- Hiked up the Capilano Canyon
- Held a Men's Club get-away at Harrison Hot Springs.
- Shared ideas on politics, travel and investing.
- Participated in community projects.

6. Other Committee annual reports.

Other reports that were tabled and distributed for information:

Religious School Report, Temple Sholom Youth Group Report, Ways and Means Committee, Social Committee Report, Adult Education Committee Report.

7. UAHC Pacific Northwest Region Report

Frank Kaplan gave an update on the activities of this UAHC region, which includes 28 congregations.

The biennial took place in March in Bellevue. The major issue facing the region today is the need for more professional staff (Rabbi's, Cantors etc.) and how to fill these needs. There is a shortage of professionals and reports are being prepared to make recommendations on how to help with the recruitment process. The UAHC is also looking at establishing a summer camp in the region.

Jerry thanked Frank for his continuing role as the Temple's liaison to the UAHC Pacific Northwest Region.

8. Rabbi's annual report.

Rabbi Bregman reported that it had been a difficult year for a number of reasons:

- Shira was attacked by a dog but has recovered well.
- Joel Libin was brutally assaulted and continues on the long road to recovery.
- Zlatco Levi died. The Jewish community and Temple Sholom have collected enough money to pay for the post secondary education of his children who were left without any means of financial support.

The Rabbi expressed appreciation to the following people:

Jerry Lampert, Carl Rothschild, Mark Elster, Ruffina Cruz, Bernie Clar, Carol Chipkin, Jodi Simkin, Susan Lampert, Jean Fiedler, Gayda Coblin, Debbie Rootman, Elliot Lipsey, the

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REPORTS

TEMPLE SHOLOM ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING REPORT

Jerry Lampert
President

June 10, 2001

As I indicated at last year's Annual General Meeting, our number one priority was to find suitable assistance for the Rabbi. I am pleased to report that we have been successful. Judith Wolfman will be joining us on August 1 as our Executive Director with overall responsibility for programming, administrative management, membership communications and community liaison. It is our expectation that Judith will provide significant support and assistance to the Rabbi.

Temple Sholom will continue to look to the future, in terms of our professional needs, by remaining active in seeking and promoting solutions to the shortage of Jewish professionals that exists throughout the Reform Movement. Our UAHC Pacific Northwest Region representative, Frank Kaplan, leads the Regional Task Force on this matter. I would expect that it will be a major focus of the UAHC Biennial Convention in Boston this December.

Membership in Temple Sholom has grown to 588 family and individual members, representing over 1,400 persons. Our new member greeting program, featuring the delivery of Shabbath wine and challah, has been very well received. It has helped new families and individuals meet other congregants and experience our inclusive approach to Temple life.

The Financial Statements and Annual Budget tabled at the AGM reflect our prudent and responsible approach to Temple finances. I want to thank Sarah Richman, Eric Andrew, and Carol Chipkin for their work in this regard. Looking to the future, the Board constituted an Endowment Fund Committee, chaired by Ralph Zbarsky, to consider the merits of establishing such a fund for the Temple. The initial report of the Committee was presented to the Executive and Board last month. Agreement in principle was given to proceed with establishing an Endowment Fund. The Committee will continue its important work and report back in the Fall.

The Temple Religious School is completing a highly successful year, with about 135 students enrolled. Principal Anne Andrew and School Committee Chair Sarah Richman continue to offer tremendous leadership in curriculum and staff development. They, their teaching staff, and the many parent volunteers are to be congratulated.

The Centre for the Healing of the Soul moved its reference library to the Youth Lounge where it is now stored in a lovely hand-made wall unit. Cathy Bregman continues to develop meaningful Healing Services throughout the year. Her monthly column on "Answers to Common Questions" is must reading in the Shofar. Thank you, Cathy.

Many volunteers, and we can always use more, served on Temple Committees this year. A number of Committee reports will be tabled during the AGM. Let me highlight a few of the many Committee activities over the past year.

- Ways and Means Committee: The successful return of the "Feasting for Funds" initiative; not only a fundraiser but a wonderful way for congregants to get to know one another.
- Social Committee: "Jazz Night featuring Jennifer Gasoi" attracted a large following.
- Adult Education: Our first Member's Family Retreat was well received by those who attended. Adult Hebrew courses were fully subscribed.
- House: We completed the replacement of the wood floor throughout the south side extension; leaky roof repairs were completed (say a little prayer).

I want to extend our appreciation to Committee Chairs and members for all of their efforts over the past year.

Our affiliates continue to play a central role in the life of Temple Shalom. They are part of what we are. The Sisterhood has had another busy year. Its educational, cultural, spiritual, and religious activities have offered great value to its members. The Sisterhood Shabbath service stood out as a special moment this year. Gayda Coblin and Debbie Rootman, Co-Presidents, are to be congratulated. The Men's Club expanded its program this year and the response was overwhelmingly positive; continued success to Elliott Lipsey and his band of enthusiastic supporters. The Temple Youth Group increased its outreach program for the downtown homeless. It also had a number of social and outdoor activities. Austin Batalden, President, Kate Shapiro, Youth Group Advisor, and all members did a superb job.

I want to commend Lorna Shapiro, Brad Martin and Jeff Polo, all of whom are leaving the Temple Board this year. In the case of Lorna and Brad, they have served on both the Executive and Board. Their contribution to the array of issues and activities that have taken place over the years is acknowledged with thanks and appreciation. Jeff has served two terms on the Board and has been a real contributor, from co-ordinating High Holy Days security to helping on the Ways and Means Committee.

In closing, I want to thank the Executive and Board. Often your work goes without acknowledgement. As in any year, there are some issues that were difficult and others that gave us a great deal of satisfaction. In all circumstances, the congregation should be aware of your dedication to and support of the Temple.

Finally, to our Rabbi, on behalf of the congregation, thank you for providing us with spiritual, educational and religious guidance and leadership over the past year. From personal and community joy, to crisis, and back again, you have been there for us and with us. We acknowledge the unique demands that are often placed on you and appreciate your commitment to our very special Temple Family. Todah Rabah.

B'Shalom

Jerry Lampert
June 10, 2001

A Year in the Life of Sisterhood

This past year has been a busy one for Sisterhood. We kicked off the season with our opening event, a pot-luck dinner featuring Darcy Billinkoff speaking about her Kilimanjaro adventure. The focus of Darcy's climb was to raise money for Alzheimer's research and we were indeed pleased to add our financial support to the many donations Darcy raised.

The annual Sisterhood weekend retreat - this year to Edendale - was greatly enjoyed by all who attended.

In October, three of our members attended the biennial convention for District 24, Women of Reform Judaism, in Westlake Village, California. At this gathering, our Sisterhood was presented with three district Kavod awards in recognition of excellence in projects undertaken the previous year. We were the only triple winners!

We once again hosted our Sunday morning program series where we enjoyed a wide variety of guests and topics.

One of the highlights of our year was our Sisterhood service, complete with choir. We were honoured to have our District 24 president, Fran Sherman from Anaheim, California, join us for the pot luck dinner and service.

We again sponsored congregational pot luck dinners, frying several hundred latkes for Channukah and baking endless hamentashen for Purim. And while we are in the kitchen - we have allocated funds for the purchase of a new heavy duty mixer.

It was our pleasure to provide baby sitting for the High Holy Days, to offer practical assistance to sisterhood members and other congregants in need, and to pledge \$5000 to the Levi Fund.

As in past years we have presented, in partnership with the Men's Club, the beautiful book, On The Doorposts of Your House, to all B'Nai Mitzvah in the congregation.

We continue our tradition of sending Channukah gift packages to those lonely students away from home for the festival.

We once again offered scholarships to students pursuing some course of Jewish education, and this year we were able to assist two worthy candidates.

This year saw our first (of what we hope will become annual) women's seder, a very special event for all who attended.

Reaching beyond the walls of our Temple to the broader Jewish family and to the community at large, we contributed towards furnishings in the Yaffa Housing Development, a home for young Jewish adults with disabilities, and provided soya

formula for a needy infant through the Jewish Food Bank. We were pleased to make a financial contribution to Jewish Women International in support of their work to combat domestic violence. In addition, we continue our sale of Homes for Hope Pins, the proceeds of which go to a battered women's shelter. We remain actively involved in Dress for Success, collecting interview appropriate clothing for women re-entering the work force as well as serving as "dressers" on location. This year, we also contributed grad gowns to the Cinderella Project which provides evening attire to high schoolers who would not otherwise be able to outfit themselves for their prom.

Where, you may ask, do we get the money for these projects? Our major fundraising events include the annual Mothers' Day Flower Sale, this year's profits being augmented by the sale of flower pots generously donated to us. We also shared sponsorship of the very successful play, Daughters Dinah. The proceeds from the twice yearly Fashion Sample Sale add to our coffers, and, of course, we remain actively involved in the operation of the gift shop, a major source of funds for us.

Our closing event began with a delicious catered dinner after which we were treated to entertainment by the Jewish men's Choir - a beautiful wind up to a busy and successful year. At this event we were honoured to present, on behalf of Women of Reform Judaism, a Lifeline Pin to Carol Walker in recognition of her \$1000 contribution to the YES fund, an endowment fund, the income from which is used to support youth, rabbinical students, and special projects of WRJ. We also planted rhododendrons in recognition of the contributions of past presidents Marie Henry and Joan Fader.

We invite all women of the congregation to join us for our opening event for next season - which will feature Kosher wine tasting - to be held October 3 at Temple.

5 And all you social butterflies - dust off your dancing shoes. We are planning another of our great galas for the fall.

TEMPLE SHOLOM MEN'S CLUB

YEAR END REPORT

Mission of the Men's Club

Well, the year is drawing to a close and what a year it was in the Men's Club! In September, you told us from the survey, what you wanted the Men's Club to be with four Objectives 1) Social 2) Education 3) Networking and 4) Community/Temple Service. You achieved those objectives, all year long! As a result, The Men's Club grew to well over 40 members. This cross section of members were made up of single men, young men with families, men studying for their MBA's, entrepreneurs, corporate, small business men and retirees.

2000-2001 Program

We heard from informative speakers such as Dr. Mark Wexler on The Ethics of Diversity vs. The Ethics of Multiculturalism, Dr. Art Hister on Men's Health, Darcy Billinkoff on her trip to Mt. Kilimanjaro, Freddy Zara on the Jews of Salonica, Shawn Hawkins on The Electricity Grid and JP Berger on his new business venture.

We played poker and hiked up the Capilano Canyon. Our 2nd Annual Men's Club Getaway Weekend to Harrison Hot Springs drew 45% more people than last year.

Summary of Year's Events:

November 21, 2001 – Planning Meeting

December 19, 2001 – “The Electricity Grid” – Shawn Hawkins

January 16, 2001 – Darcy Billinkoff – Trip to Mt. Kilimanjaro

February 20, 2001 – Freddy Zara – “The Jews of Salonica”

February 24, 2001 – 2nd Annual Getaway weekend at Harrison Hot Springs

April 24, 2001 – Mastermind and Poker Night

May 6 – Hike to Capilano Canyon

May 15, 2001 – Dr. Mark Wexler – The Ethics of Diversity vs. The Ethic of Multiculturalism: Choices in the Jewish Community”

June 19, 2001 – Year End Event – Dr. Art Hister – A Humorous Look at Men's Health-

The group also shared ideas from politics to travel, from investing to community projects. This was all combined with a sense of humour and joke telling. It was a thought provoking, fun filled, active, and socially responsible year. In summary, it was a great time for men to meet other men, make new contacts, and enjoy the camaraderie, while all in a relaxed environment.

Looking forward

To my fellow members, thank you for attending our meetings, for your valuable contributions and participation, and for making the Men's Club what it is today.

It was an honor to work with you this past year. With your ideas and enthusiasm I look forward to an even better year next year. We have momentum and look forward to seeing all of you again in the fall. As usual, we always welcome new members.

Have a great summer!

Elliott Lipsey
President
Temple Shalom Men's Club
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June 2nd, 2001

**The Temple Sholom Youth Group.
Liaison Report.**

The Youth Group had a busy and successful year with significant increase in participation and membership. As is customary, events were held once or twice a month throughout the school year for youth in grades 8 to 12. This year saw strong participation at events with upwards of 25 members. Each event is generally some combination of social, educational, and social action—**'healing the world'**. Some of the most successful events have been athletic/outdoor events such as rock climbing and tandem biking at Stanley Park.

NFTY, the North American Federation of Temple Youth, continues to be attended by some of our core members who all find to be educational, emotional, and an enriching experience in their Jewish life.

Jeff Lewis continues to sit on the Northwest Regional Youth Committee that looks at cost sharing for transportation and the US dollar differential for NFTY's youth events. With a region that stretches from Alaska through BC, Alberta, Idaho, Montana, and Washington to Oregon there are significant obstacles. **One of the main issues still to be tackled is the cost of the NFTY weekends, which generally cost each youth attending just over \$100.** This is difficult for those with more than one child attending, but also for a great majority of our own Temple's members.

A new social action imitative was undertaken this year where the Temple Sholom Youth Group established a Food and Clothing Drive for homeless individuals on Vancouver's Eastside. Initially, the Youth Group raised the funds, organized the clothing collections, purchased the supplies, made the sandwich lunches, and then distributed them. This was a rewarding experience for the large number of members who worked all aspects of this Drive. Midway through the year, upon hearing of the work that was being done by the Youth Group, an extremely generous donor created a fund, which has helped and will continue to help with the purchases of supplies for this project. This Food and Clothing Drive was quite an undertaking and was a definite success. **Congratulations to the Youth Group.**

Special thanks should go out to the Temple Sholom Youth Group Board for their strong work this year. Thanks in particular to the Austin Batalden as president and Kate Shapiro for her work as advisor.

Respectfully submitted by



Jeff Lewis

Religious School Report 2000-2001

This has been an excellent year in many ways. The staff has been particularly strong this year, and the camaraderie has been tremendous. The following are a list of points of interest.

Special events

Primary Grades Pot Luck supper and Simchat Torah service with consecration
Intermediate grades Shabbat Pot luck
Chanukah gift-giving project with JFSA
Tu BiShvat family programme for Preschool to Grade 2
Tu BiShvat Seder for the whole school
Purim carnival transferred to Megillah reading rather than at Religious school
Model Seder
Havdalah Sleepover party (20 participants)
Mitzvah Day family education programme
Family Retreat
Grade 4 field trip to Louis Brier Home
2 Tuesday afternoon Drama Group productions
1 Richmond drama group production
Wimpel workshop for parents
5 public speaking contest entrants
Several entries in the "Young Authors" volume
Weekly singing with Jennifer Gasoi for the youngest two classes
Four Minyan levels
Al Shlosa Devarim Grade 7 programme
Yom HaShoa programme with Lillian Boraks Nemetz
Yom Ha Atzmaut celebration dance around the sanctuary
Grade 6 Yom HaAtzmaut seder
Holocaust Centre field trip (grades 4 to 6)
Jewish Community Centre and JFGV, JFSA & JNF field trip (grades 4 to 6)
Cemetery field trip (Richmond class)
Crankpots activity (Richmond class)

New instructional initiatives this year

New special education class for Hebrew
Combined beginners class for new students
Promotion of students with excellent Hebrew skills
Division of some classes into smaller groups based on Hebrew levels

Staff training

Assistants training programme during first term
Professional development on Labour Day weekend with **Hilary Zana** (Hebrew)
Professional development session with **Reuven Kimmelman** on prayer
Professional development session with **Joel Grishaver** on classroom management
One member of staff attended the CAJE conference in New York

13 members of staff attended the mini-CAJE conference in Seattle

Staff turnover

We are losing the following members of staff:

Adam Strasberg

Mira Rozenberg

David Bluman

Jennifer Staffenberg

Shai Bregman

Daniel Mikelberg

And Roanna Glickman

These are all excellent staff members and will be missed. It is a huge challenge to replace and rebuild the staff.

Successes

No significant behaviour problems, due to clear expectations and consistency throughout the school, and due to students working at appropriate levels therefore not becoming frustrated.

Measurable improvement in Hebrew skills throughout the school

Continued excellent participation in Minyan by all age groups

Participation of parents in family programmes increased greatly this year with the exception of the Al Shlosa Devarim programme which decreased

Disappointments

Grade 7 attendance beyond the Al Shlosa Devarim programme

Tuesday afternoon class attendance – all grades

Attendance at the retreat

Challenges for next year

Rebuild a strong staff

Evaluate the Tuesday programme to find out how to improve attendance

Evaluate the Grade 7 programmes.

Track every student's Hebrew progress

Rewrite parts of the curriculum to reflect the need to address Jewish values and ethics at younger ages.

Temple Sholom Ways and Means Committee Report

What is rapidly becoming a much anticipated annual event in Temple life is feasting for funds. In addition to the fund raising aspect, the dinners also provide an opportunity to socialize with other members of the synagogue in the atmosphere of a home setting. As common interests are discovered and new bonds of friendship are being formed, Temple and its members can only benefit.

The activity to take reservations and payments through the office puts strain on its staff members. However, since the dinners sold out in less than a week it is a short-lived problem. This year saw an increase over last year's event with 22 hosts and 146 diners for an after-expenses total of \$6,300. Nine new hosts have already indicated their participation for the 2002 event and it is hoped that there will be an even greater participation of hosts and dinners available for that year.

Other fundraising events are being looked at on an ongoing basis. Certain criteria that we have developed to help guide us include: being a team activity, raising funds from non-Temple members where possible as well, looking for a good return on our effort, giving people something they want or need (chocolate anyone?) and a repeat annual event if at all possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Ways and Means Committee
May 2001

**June 10th 2001 Temple Sholom Annual General Meeting
Social Committee Report.**

Co-Chairs--- Shelley Jaffe and Mary-Louise Albert.

Members--- Paul Becker, Gayda Coblin, Mark Elster, John Henry,
Lorna Shapiro, with Deborah Ram-West and Bonnie Elster.

The purpose of the committee is to develop, implement and organize two to three social functions throughout the year where Temple members, in an informal atmosphere can get to know each other.

The Temple Sholom Social Committee presented singer/songwriter Jennifer Gasoi and her three piece band at it's second annual **Jazz Night** this past winter. This event was very well attended, and wine, tea and coffee, and hors d'oeuvres were served to round out the this elegant and relaxed concert in a night club like setting in the Social Hall.

An up-coming event is a **catered summer dinner** on the Temple patio following an invigorating game of golf at the **Mylora Golf Course** in Richmond. This will take place on **Sunday August 26th** with "tee-off" starting at 2pm.. There are a variety of ways to enjoy this event. Golf only is \$26; dinner and golf package is \$44; and dinner only is \$18. Please call the office to reserve or for further information call Shelly at 275-5212.

On **Saturday November 16th**, the Social Committee will join forces with Temple Sholom Sisterhood in presenting the **Fall Ball**. This will be a fun filled dance featuring the band **SBAHN** and refreshments.

Another **musical evening** in our Temple Jazz Club and a much anticipated **scavenger hunt/ car rally** is planned for the coming year.

Adult Education Report, June 10, 2001

Congregational Retreat "Finding God": March 23rd to 25th Camp Sasamat with Joel Lurie Grishaver, Rabbi Bregman and Anne Andrew. This was the highlight of the year.

Hebrew classes on Sunday mornings with Sarah Richman were so successful this year that a group of approximately 12 are continuing to meet and study Hebrew at a higher level. Thanks to Sarah for inspiring them!

Torah Study for parents. A small group of parents meets once a month to discuss relevant issues – such as The Red Tent, Circumcision, Seders for kids. Jerry Grove has been the moderator for these discussions. Thanks Jerry!

Downtown Talmud and Saturday morning Torah study sessions continue on a regular basis. Thanks to Rabbi Bregman and Jerry Grove for leading these two important study groups.

Chicken Soup for the Mind and the Philosopher's Café are two Federation-funded, community wide adult education programmes available to Temple Sholom members. These outstanding programmes are extremely well attended and are of the highest caliber. They need to continue to be promoted as our own because we are part of the wider community. This joint initiative was meant to replace some of the numerous individual attempts by Synagogues to provide adult education programmes.

special Shavuot study session "Ruth & Blintzes" with
Barbara Halperin.