

TEMPLE JUDEA OF MANHASSET NEWS RELEASE

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TEMPLE JUDEA CELEBRATES PURIM WITH WINE TASTING

Manhasset, NY, March 2008 -- Temple Judea of Manhasset's recently formed Family Connection celebrated the holiday of Purim with a couples' Wine Tasting Event at the home of Temple members Michelle and Joel Levitin of Manhasset. This entertaining and informative evening featured wines presented by Matt Schweiger of East Hills Wine Market and catering by Holiday Farms of Roslyn.

After a light buffet, Matt Schweiger conducted the wine tasting, presenting a variety of wines from his store at 52 Glen Cove Road in East Hills which specializes in boutique wines and premium spirits.. Mr. Schweiger graciously donated his time to select the wines and educate the group. The guests were divided up into groups and they blind taste-tested an assortment of wines. A spirited competition ensued with each group competing to determine the exact type of wine, flavor, rating, price and country of origin.

"This event enabled us to bring together Temple members in a new setting. It was the perfect way to celebrate Purim, a holiday that includes the tradition to "eat drink and be merry,"" explained Mollie Mandell, co-chair.

Purim is one of the most joyous and fun holidays on the Jewish calendar. It commemorates a time when the Jewish people living in Persia were saved from extermination by Queen Esther.

Temple Judea's "Family Connection" was created to bring together Temple members who have children in the Hebrew school, through a variety of activities including couples evenings and family events, both fun and educational. This event, co-chaired by Lauren Chizner and Mollie Mandell, offered members a chance to mingle with other members as well as with Rabbi Chizner and Cantor Adleman, and celebrate the holiday of Purim. To join the "Family Connection" planning committee, please call the Temple at 621-8049.

Temple Judea of Manhasset, affiliated with the Union for Reform Judaism, is located at 333 Searingtown Road, Manhasset. Please call (516) 621-8049 for further information and visit its website at **temple-judea.com**

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