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Rabbi's Message



Rabbi Brenner Glickman

include Eydie Gorme, Neil Sedaka, Hank Azaria, and Isaac Mizrahi. Jerry Seinfeld and Paula Abdul are both half Sephardic and half Ashkenazic (Jerry's mother and Paula's father are Syrian Jews).

In the first decades of American history, the vast majority of the small Jewish population here was Sephardic. Soon, the arrival of large numbers of Ashkenazic Jews to the New World would change the demographics. Waves of German Jewish immigration in the 19th century turned the tide, and then the enormous immigration of Eastern European Jews in the late 19th and early 20th centuries cemented it. American Jewish culture is primarily Ashkenazic.

Still, the very existence of Sephardic Jews challenges some of our very basic assumptions about what it means to be Jewish. For some, being Jewish is a cultural experience. To be Jewish is to eat lox and bagels, or pastrami on rye. But the existence of Sephardic Jews chal-

lenges that assumption. They do not eat bagels; they do not eat pastrami. And they do not have Germanic last names like Schwartz and Rosenbaum. They have their own unique culture of foods and customs and names. They remind us that Judaism is more than a cultural identity. We are linked to Jews throughout the world by shared peoplehood and religious practice. We are all people of the Torah, whether we cover our Torah scrolls in a soft mantle (Ashkenazic) or a hard case (Sephardic).

Our temple will be celebrating Sephardic culture with a special Shabbat dinner and service on January 4. Two of our most famous temple members will speak of their Sephardic heritage: past president Isaac Azerad and Director of Education Sabrina Silverberg. Please look inside for more details.

Jewish heritage throughout the world is a mixture of cultures and practices. This diversity makes us all richer.

Sephardic Jews Among Ashkenazic Jews

Most of us know only a handful of Sephardic Jews. The vast majority of the descendants of the Jews expelled from Spain and Portugal live today in Israel and France. Those that reside in the United States live primarily in concentrated neighborhoods of a few larger cities, especially New York and Los Angeles. Some American Sephardic Jews have risen to fame and the consciousness of greater American culture. These

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Temple Leaders Share Stories of Inspiration

We asked three temple leaders why they are so motivated to keep the light of Judaism alive at Temple Emanu-El. They responded with vignettes of inspiration that they shared at a special Shabbat service titled “Don’t Let the Light Go Out.” The theme was based on the beloved Hanukkah song by Peter Yarrow of Peter, Paul and Mary.

Barry Gerber spoke of the Jewish awakening that happened at a youth retreat that carried with him as a young father. Barbara Peltz spoke of her parents instilling a passion for justice and Jewish values that has guided her and driven her. Harry Yaverbaum counselled us to worry not about the Jewish commitment of the younger generation, and focus on keeping the fire burning inside each of us. Only with the fire of Jewish commitment burn-



The rabbis pose with featured speakers Harry Yaverbaum, Barbara Peltz, and Barry Gerber

ing inside us can we be an example and inspiration to the younger generation.

It was a perfect prelude to Hanukkah.



Mitzvah Day Temple Emanu-El Sunday, May 5, 2019 Beginning at Noon

**MITZVAH DAY STEERING
COMMITTEE FORMING
BE A PART OF IT!!**

Mark your calendar and plan to be part of one of Temple Emanu-El’s signature events! Temple members of all ages and interests come together for the benefit of our community and our world. Watch the Temple bulletin,

Temple events, and your email inbox for more information in the coming months!

Would you like to get involved with the planning? Whether you are new to Mitzvah Day or have been part of Mitzvah Day for years—whether you’re interested in taking a major role in planning Mitzvah Day or just want to share ideas and help out a little bit—there is a place for you on the Mitzvah Day Steering Committee! Please come to our first Steering Committee meeting Sunday, January 27, at 10 a.m.—or contact Mitzvah Day Chair Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman at 379-1997 or elaine-glickman@com-

cast.net for more information.

“One mitzvah leads to another.”—
Mishnah Avot

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As we enter the new calendar year of 2019, I am pleased to report that the gift we pledged to the temple last year is coming to fruition. Brotherhood donates money at the end of each fiscal year, designated for a major project. This year's project is a new audio-visual system for the school building. This will include a mounted projector, ceiling-mounted speakers, a motorized screen and a Blu-ray player. Installation will take place in early January.

Speaking of 2019, Brotherhood has resolved to continue our offerings of fantastic programs that are open to the entire temple family. I hope you resolve to participate in many of those events.

This past month for the third year in a row, Brotherhood hosted an afternoon of jazz. This year's terrific entertainment was provided by the Art Hecker Jazz Allstars. Thanks to Don Malawsky for organizing the event.

On Sunday, January 13, Brotherhood will host our next breakfast program. Professor Robert Toplin makes a return visit to Temple Emanu-El talking about the life and times of Louis Brandeis, the first Jew to be a Supreme Court Justice. The program is accompanied by our great bagel and lox breakfast. Doors will open at 9:30 and the presentation begins at 10:00. All this for only \$10.

On Sunday, January 20 our annual Martin Luther King celebration returns to Temple Emanu-El, co-sponsored by Brotherhood, Sisterhood and the Social

Action Committee, as well as the Jewish Federation of Sarasota-Manatee. Reverend Charles McKenzie will again recite excerpts of Dr. King's speeches, and music will be provided by Greatness Beyond Measure. The program, which starts at 2:00, will be followed by a reception with homemade desserts.

On Saturday, March 2, Temple Emanu-El is going to Circus Sarasota, with special guest ringmaster Rabbi Brenner Glickman! Details are available on flyers. Please be aware that there is a firm reservation deadline of January 30—unsold tickets will be returned at that time.

Happy 2019 to all!

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The M'Dor L'Dor project continued with Sisterhood members assisting the TEERS students in shopping for Hanukkah gifts from our wonderful Gift Shop. The children were delightful and our Sisterhood members truly enjoyed themselves too. Thanks to all who participated and to Alice Cotman for providing all the wonderful items for them to purchase. Alice also shared how their purchases were actually helping TEERS! Please consider lending your talents to our M'Dor L'Dor project.

New friends were made and old friendships renewed at our annual membership luncheon on November 18. Gail Levitt and Barbara Peltz co-chaired the event and their fabulous committee included Brenda Berkeley, Phyllis Bertenthal, Margaret Goldberger, Paula Hayden, Lynne Pewterbaugh, Julie Ross and Kim Sheintal. Fun activities and icebreakers, meaningful readings and a delicious luncheon made for a memorable afternoon for the 80 attendees.

A visit to Tervis Tumbler was our first excursion of the year. Mollie Sernau



and Linda Weiss arranged a creative time for 17 members that also included creating a customized Tervis item. It was great to see all the artistic talents of our members! An enjoyable afternoon of fun and friendship was shared by all. Watch for more activities and excursions throughout this year.

Sisterhood will be providing the baked goods for the MLK scheduled for Sunday, January 20. This is a wonderful community event that will include amazing speakers and entertainment.

Please save the date and watch for flyers for our Celebrating Women luncheon at the Prestancia Country Club on Sunday, January 27, 2019, co-chaired by Linda Weiss and Mollie Sernau. This year's speakers will be presenting 'Female Jewish Authors Who Broke Barriers'. Prestancia Country Club is a beautiful venue and this should prove to be an enjoyable and enlightening afternoon.

Linda Weiss and Mollie Sernau are

busy soliciting donations for the Golf Tournament's Silent Auction. The Temple Golf Tournament is going to be held at the Meadows Country Club on April 7, 2019. We have teamed with Brotherhood and anticipate this to be a significant fund raising event for the temple. Please consider making a donation for the Silent Auction or perhaps to work on the Silent Auction with this dynamic team.

Please continue to support the Temple Gift Shop. Alice Cotman continues to provide beautiful items which are perfect for weddings, baby namings, or just to enhance your own Judaica collection! Pew Plaques and Gold Leaves are also now sold through the Gift Shop. Additionally, TEE Starfish Donation Certificates can be purchased for \$10 each. Remember, all proceeds from our Gift Shop support TEERS!

Shalom.

Kathy Docks and Judy Levy

TEE STARFISH INITIATIVE



Children with Books! What Could be Better?

Fifty-one Temple Emanu-El members have joined together through the **TEE Starfish Book Buddy** program this year to gift four books throughout the year to the children in the five kindergarten classrooms at Wilkinson Elementary School—our Starfish school. Last year Wendy Barnet worked hard to establish this wonderful program under the TEE Starfish Initiative. Four times a year each student Book Buddy draws a picture that tells something about him/her. The drawing is sent to their adult Book Buddy who purchases a book for their student Book Buddy. The final book is presented to the child in person by their adult Book Buddy at an end-of-year party celebrating books and reading. As a result 18 students in the Starfish classroom each received four books from their adult Book Buddy to build a home library.

Because this year Wendy Barnet has expanded her Dramatic Storytelling Starfish program from three books to five and from one classroom to five, she handed the Book Buddy program over to Wendy Rudd, who has expanded the program to the 85 students in all five kindergarten classrooms. Of course, Wendy Rudd has met this challenge with great skill!

Our participating Temple Emanu-El volunteers have inspired 10 others from their families and communities to join the program. One such example is when our Starfish teacher was at the salon she frequents talking about what the TEE volunteer Book Buddies were doing, five others—including the salon owner—cried out, “We want to do that!” and



Students with books from the salon Book Buddies



Adult Book Buddies from The Intimate You Salon Margie, salon owner Susan, Hazel, Kathy, and Mary Jane

quickly joined the program. Each time a book is due, the salon owner picks up the other four (two in their nineties and one in her eighties) and takes them to Barnes and Noble to purchase their books. Afterward, they all enjoy lunch together, sharing information about their books and predicting what their little Buddy might enjoy most. As a result, others from the salon wanted to join. When told the program was full this year, they quickly signed up for next year!



COMING EVENTS

Claire Eaden Opal-Levine Bat Mitzvah

It is with great pride and joy that we announce that our daughter, Claire Eaden Opal-Levine, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on January 12. Claire is a seventh grader at Pine View School, which she has attended since second grade. Recently inducted into the National Junior Honor Society, Claire's accomplishments this year include receiving a commendation from Governor Rick Scott lauding her perfect score on the Math FSA (Florida Standard Assessment). In addition, Claire is a member of Pine View's first ever all-girl middle school Student Astronaut Challenge team. Her team placed first in the preliminaries and will compete in the finals at the Kennedy Space Center in February.

Outside of academics, Claire enjoys sports and is a coxswain for Sarasota Crew. She is also the president of the PV Hula Hooping Club. An avid hooper, Claire has guest hosted the webcast Hooping Live, been highlighted on the international website Hooping.org, and has videos of her performances on YouTube.

Claire also just finished filming an episode of the PBS television show SciGirls. The Sarasota episode, shot locally at Mote Marine, will air



Claire Eaden Opal-Levine

this fall. The show provided Claire the opportunity to merge her love of science with her love of animals, as did her Mitzvah Project.

This past summer, Claire spent over forty hours volunteering at the Sarasota nonprofit Save Our Sea-

birds. Working in the hospital section of Save Our Seabirds, Claire saw first-hand the effects red tide had on our local wildlife. This subject was further explored during her work with researchers at Mote Marine Laboratory. Claire and her fellow SciGirls presented their findings to schools across the nation via Mote's SEATrek, an interactive livestream.

We could not be prouder of Claire for all her endeavors, but especially for her achievement in becoming a Bat Mitzvah. We can't wait to commemorate Claire's special day, surrounded by family and friends, with a hoop themed celebration at Mote!

With love and appreciation,

Allison and Marc



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Join Your Temple Family for Israel Shabbat-Sephardic Style!

The third annual Israel Shabbat is coming up on Friday, January 4. Hosted by the Israel Committee, this wonderful Sephardic-style evening begins at 5:45 pm with a Sephardic-Israeli Shabbat dinner. Although paid reservations were due by December 26, please call 379-1997 to find out if there are any last-minute spots available!

The 7:15 pm Israel Shabbat

service will continue the Sephardic theme with inspiring sermonettes given by our own Director of Education Sabrina Silverberg, MARE, and Past President Isaac Azerad. They will share their compelling experiences of growing up Sephardic in Egypt and in Israel, and their fascinating family history and cultural life. The service will also include prayers, readings, and music that celebrate the Jewish State, our ancestral homeland, as well as service participation by Israel Committee members—highlighted by Esther Rose’s Torah reading. Don’t miss it!

We look forward to celebrating Israel Shabbat-Sephardic style together.



Sabrina Silverberg and Isaac Azerad, accompanied by their Uncle Albert, as children at the Pyramids in Egypt

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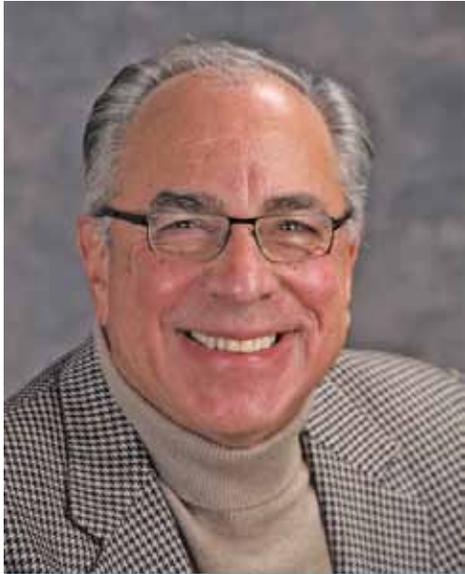


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COMING EVENTS

Temple Emanu-El Will Welcome Scholar-in-Residence Dr. Norman Cohen January 25-26



Scholar-in-Residence Rabbi Norman Cohen, Ph.D.

Temple Emanu-El proudly welcomes Dr. Norman Cohen as this year's Scholar-in-Residence on Friday, January 25 and Saturday, January 26.

Dr. Cohen is Professor Emeritus

of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, where he also served many years as Provost, as well as a prolific, highly respected author. A popular, lively lecturer whose teachings focus on the modern interpretation of the bible. Dr. Cohen comes to Temple Emanu-El thanks to generous support from the Peck Scholar Fund and Army and Dee Kaplan.

On Friday at 7:15 pm, Dr. Cohen will join Rabbi Glickman and Rabbi Shefrin on the bimah to speak during Shabbat services on "Learning about Our Power to Confront Evil: Moses' Struggle to Raise His Own Voice." Dr. Cohen explains, "When we think of Moses, we see him as the Redeemer, Miracle Worker, Warrior, and Lawgiver. But Moses is also portrayed as a human being who struggles to become a leader. He touches all of us who often feel we do not possess the power to effect change in our world today."

Saturday at 10 am is "Coffee with the Scholar"—a great opportunity to meet Dr. Cohen and socialize with your Temple family in a relaxed setting while enjoying coffee and a nosh. At 10:30., Dr. Cohen will address "Miriam and Moses: The Power of the Voices of Men and Women."

"Moses so dominates the biblical

story of the Exodus that we often lose sight of the roles played by his two older siblings," Dr. Cohen points out. "But when the Israelites cross the Red Sea, we hear the power of Miriam's voice, who demands that every Israelite can and must sing the song of Redemption. Each of us is empowered to sing God's song in our own unique ways."

Rabbi Glickman expressed great excitement about hosting this year's Scholar and said. "Norman Cohen is one of the giants of modern scholarship and our movement. His talks on modern midrash are enlightening and moving. He takes our ancient Torah and makes it speak fresh and new as if it were written this morning. I am so excited to spend Shabbat with him and learn from him and be moved by him," he concluded.

This wonderful weekend is planned by our dedicated Scholar-in-Residence committee: Wendy and Larry Barnet, chairs; and Renee Gold, Ethel Gross, Toby Halpern, Arny Kaplan, Philip Meltzer, Esther Rose, Wendy Wicks and Rabbi Glickman.

The community is warmly invited to this special weekend of learning, so feel free to bring family and friends! For more information, call 371-2788.

Mind in the Making Workshop

FREE workshop!!! Thanks to the generosity of The Patterson Foundation and the Suncoast Campaign for Grade Level Reading, TEERS is hosting a Mind in the Making workshop.

MITM is an 8-week workshop that focuses on 7 Essential Life Skills all children need to thrive and to foster brain development

Grandparents, parents, caregivers, educators are all welcome! There will be some self-exploration into these skills too!

The class size is limited, so please

register as soon as possible!

7 Skills include: Focus and Self Control, Communicating, Making Connections, Critical Thinking, Taking on Challenges, and Self-Directed/Engaged Learning.

See the attached flyer to register.



Temple Emanu-El Celebrates Tu B'Shevat

Tu B'Shevat—the birthday of the trees—is an occasion for celebration. Join Temple Emanu-El members and community guests of all ages as we savor the holiday and thank God for the blessings of trees and nature.

On Saturday evening, January 19, from 4:30 to 7, we will gather at the home of long time temple members Steve and Amy Weinberger. The Weinbergers have generously established a community garden in their yard, allowing all temple members to maintain plots and plant fruits, herbs, and vegetables. We will enjoy a beautiful sunset and an uplifting Havdalah service led by Associate Rabbi Michael Shefrin. There will be friendly socializing and a wonderful bonfire with music and marshmallows, and we will plant a new tree together. Happy birthday to the trees – and happy Tu B'Shvat to all. To RSVP or for more information contact Steve Weinberger at 809-2454 or coconuttime@hotmail.com



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Membership Committee

The Temple Emanu-El building is like home to many people, but the temple home feeling often goes beyond the building's walls. Temple events do not always take place at temple. In August, the Temple Emanu-El Membership Committee coordinated their popular "Start a Sweet New Year" for members and guests at Menchie's Frozen Yogurt on Cattlemen. The Members Committee is currently spearheading several zip code gatherings for temple members in homes, clubhouses, restaurants, and parks. Many temple groups, in addition to the Membership Committee, have held events away from the temple. Whether at temple or miles away, Temple Emanu-El events are filled with warmth and friendliness.



Surprised at Stanley's yogurt creation and having fun at Menchie's are Stanley Ross, Michele Wieckowski, and Julie Ross.



The zip code gathering at Beverly Austgen's home was a great way for temple members living in 34231 to get to know one another better.





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Jewish veterans posed for a photo following the Veterans Shabbat service

What Veterans Day Means to Me

Temple Emanu-El members Dick and Ethel Gross have chaired Veterans Shabbat for eight years. For the past five years, they have also overseen Temple Emanu-El's Social Assistance Buddy Program and the Summer Dining Series, in which Temple members patronize restaurants that donate 10 percent of their proceeds to the Overseas Military Assistance Program of Jewish Family & Children's Service. Over \$3600 has been raised.

Temple Emanu-El observed our annual Veterans Shabbat on Friday evening, November 9. Patriotic music, a blessing for veterans, and a presentation of a mayoral proclamation officially designating this date as Veterans Shabbat highlighted the service.

In preparation for Veterans Shabbat, Dick Gross shared some thoughts:

I am what I am because I am a veteran. My mother died at an early age, and my father had a gambling addiction. I dropped out of high school and soon after got into trouble.

The judge gave me two choices: go to a juvenile detention center or join the Marines.

I decided to join the Marines. It was the best decision I ever made, besides marrying Ethel.

The training was brutal. There were nights I cried myself to sleep. But it gave me something that has lasted a lifetime—structure, confidence, self-esteem, the ability to think and act quickly, and the belief that I can achieve goals that may not seem attainable. It taught me to have a positive outlook on life and to enjoy every day. It gave me respect for my fellow comrades-in-arms.

I am fortunate to have survived the Korean conflict, and I always look forward to sharing Veterans Day with my fellow veterans.



STEEMY has recently been engaged with some remarkable people. Working with Stand With Us, STEEMY was able to have a meet and greet with two IDF soldiers. The soldiers came to Temple Emanu-El and talked to us about what is happening in Israel from the military point of view. We also discussed the history of Israel and her military. The soldiers gave a personal presentation about their life experiences in the IDF and how it affected their lives. It was truly exciting to get the opportunity to talk to the IDF soldiers and ask hard questions.

STEEMY Jr. had their first experience at a weekend long NFTY event. We had six wonderful kids attend this year Hatikvah Kallah, double from last year. They had a blast seeing camp friends, meeting new people and having a



meaningful Jewish experience.

The Tie-Dye at Temple event was great fun. Each person let their creativity out when tie-dyeing their own shirts. STEEMY members enjoyed catching up with their friends before the holidays started.

We hope you will join us for our coming events in January. FIRE & ICE will be held at Ellenton Ice Rink on the evening of Saturday the 12th. What could be better than Havdalah and ice-skating? And we will host a game night at the temple on Wednesday, January 23 at 6 pm.



For more information or to RSVP, Email Steemyadvisor@gmail.com.

Confirmation Families Study Organ Donation

Our Temple Emanu-El teens weren't the only ones engaging in fascinating and important study on Sunday, December 9! That morning, the Confirmation class met to discuss the subject of organ donation, and to see how ancient Jewish text and teaching illuminate this very modern topic. And for the final hour of class, Confirmation parents had the opportunity to examine these same texts, and to explore the topic as well!

The subject of organ donation was made all the more immediate, mean-

ingful, and significant as new Temple member Gary Rosenbaum shared his story of receiving a donated heart three years ago. He explained that 22 people die daily waiting for an organ, and that while 6,000 donated hearts are needed per year, only 2,000 are available. He also dispelled the false myths that people known to be organ donors are less likely to receive lifesaving medical care, and talked about how harmful that myth has been, especially in minority communities. Finally, he shared his



Gary and Susan Rosenbaum with (center) Sandra Liederman, a Confirmation parent who also received a cornea transplant



Confirmation parents Stuart Bayer, Michelle Pearson, Dr. Alec Ruben, Rabbi Brenner Glickman, and Jon Herz-Midler

inspirational experience participating in the Transplant Games, including how he medaled in two events when the Games were held stateside! While students and parents had already learned that organ donation is an essential Jewish value, his story made all the more clear why Judaism—with its value of life and saving lives—commands us to be organ donors.

The Confirmation parent study sessions have become a signature educational program, and serve as a wonderful complement to the monthly Confirmation classes for our teens.

The next parent study session will take place during January's Confirmation class on Sunday morning, January 13. Confirmation families are encouraged to stay tuned for more details, and to join Rabbi Brenner Glickman and fellow Confirmation parents for another enriching and enjoyable morning of learning!



**Adult Education Update
Upcoming Courses & Events
Adult Education Catalog Fall
and Winter 2018-2019**

Look for our new winter and spring catalog which includes descriptions and registration forms for a variety of upcoming courses and events. Pick up the catalog in the temple lobby or view it online and register using the attached forms.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for the following upcoming courses and events:

Saturday Morning Worship and Torah Study—Come for worship and Torah study with the Rabbis. The service begins at 10:30 am followed by Torah Study at 11 am. More information is available in the catalog or contact Harold Zabin: hpzabin@aol.com

Hebrew Language for Beginners I In this course for students with little or no knowledge of Hebrew, Susie Konicov introduces you to the study of the Hebrew alphabet and has you reading and writing words in the first few lessons. **Thursdays at 5 pm, Temple library:** \$60.00 for members, \$70.00 for non-members.

Hebrew Language for Beginners II In this course for those already familiar with the Hebrew alphabet, Susie Konicov helps students learn key words and build vocabulary and expressions. **Thursdays at 4 pm,**

Temple library: \$60.00 for members, \$70.00 for non-members

Conversational Hebrew I In this class, for those with little or no experience conversing in Hebrew, Ms. Evie Shen-Tal, who lived in Israel for many years, helps students build the vocabulary and structures they need to communicate in Modern Hebrew.

Thursdays at 9:30 am, Temple library: \$50.00 for members, \$60 for non-members.

Conversational Hebrew II This class is for those who have taken Hebrew Conversation for Beginners I or II, or who already have some experience speaking Hebrew. Ms. Evie Shen-Tal who has taught Hebrew for 15 years has her students communicate with her help and through engaging classroom interactions. **Tuesdays at 9:30 am, Temple library:** \$50.00 for members and \$60.00 for non-members.

Woody Allen: Seriously Funny—Ami Amitai will describe how Woody Allen’s Jewishness inspired his creativity and humor and how he was transformed from a comedian to a film-maker. **January 10, 2019—10:30 am**

Just for the Health of It—Update—Stephen Hiller M.D. will discuss the benefits of a plant-based lifestyle. This is an update of last year’s talk and includes new developments in heart disease, diabetes, cancer and dementia. **January 24, 2019—10:30 am**

ELI Talks—Rabbi Michael Shefrin will present several of these popular talks about thought provoking Jewish themes and lead a stimulating discussion following each one. **February 11th and February 27th—10:30 am**

Israeli Short Stories and Coffee—Rabbi Brenner Glickman will present readings and lead a discussion of Israeli short stories. Come learn about Israel through literature. This presentation is co-sponsored by the Israel Committee. **February 19, 2019—4:00 pm**

Jewish Folklore—Dr. Eleanor Wachs will present a **Lunch & Learn** series, beginning at 12 pm, on Jewish folklore: **Presentation 1:** Legends, Folktales and Personal Narratives.—**March 18th**
Presentation 2: Jokes, Curses and Beliefs.—**March 25th**
Presentation 3: Folk Songs, Folk Art, and Folk Craft.—**April 1st.**

Sundays at the Movies—Films with Jewish themes have been chosen for your viewing pleasure. A brief discussion will follow each screening. Our next film is: **“Deli Man”**—“The Story of the men behind the food behind the tradition.”—**February 24, 2019—2:00 pm.**

If you would like more information on any of these courses or events, please contact Co-Chairs: Ellen Zipin, ezipin2@comcast.net or Dr. Janet Hiller, juanitaph@aol.com

Temple Library

By the time you read this, Hanukkah will be in the past, and Tu B’Shevat, the New Year of the Trees, will almost be here. In keeping with the holiday, I thought about four books in the Temple Emanuel Library.

The first two are anthologies: *Ecology and The Jewish Spirit, Where Nature and the Sacred Meet*, edited by Ellen Bernstein. The other is *Judaism and Ecology*.

Both books demonstrate how and where Judaism and ecology intersect.

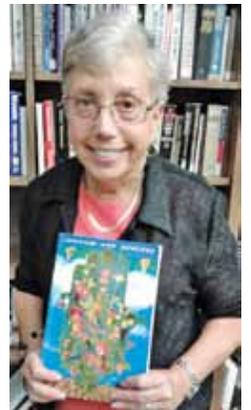
The next book is Thomas L. Friedman’s *Hot, Flat and Crowded*. It describes why we need a green revolution.

The last book I want to mention is *The Jewish Year* by Stephen M. Wylen. The book has an excellent section on Tu B’Shevat. So take out a book and set a table with wine and fruit and enjoy.

We will be holding a book club meeting on the second Monday of each month at 11:00 am in the Temple Emanuel

Library. Everyone is welcome. Look in your e-mail for the book selection in the temple blast. Come to the meeting and help us select the next book.

Rosalind Lieberman,
Librarian



In Celebration of Temple Emanu-El's Cornerstone Members

This listing is to give visibility to Temple Emanu-El's 94 cornerstone members who, together with Temple Emanu-El dues paying members are responsible for the longterm financial viability of our beloved temple. In addition to periodic listing in the temple times, we celebrate these cornerstone members on a large, framed poster at the entrance to the sanctuary. Many toda rabahs.

Gerri Aaron & Marvin Albert
Dr. Bruce & Helane Abramowitz
Barbara & Gary Ackerman
Dr. Harold & Mary Alterman
Barbara Arch
Chuck & Margie Barancik
Laurence G. & Wendy Barnet
Randall & Lori Benderson
Shaun & Gina Benderson
Susan Benson-Steenbarger &
Jack Steenbarger
Donald & Barbara Bernstein
Thomas & Karen Bernstein
Barbara Brizdle
Irwin & Sybil Broh
Pam & Dr. Richard Brown
Judy Cahn
Jeff & Wendy Cohen
Dr. Douglas & Karen Constant
Dr. Bruce & Lori Dorman
Phyllis Dreyfuss

Albert & Meredith Ernst
Mickey Fine
Judy & Dr. Jerry Fleischer
Jay Forgotson & Janis Reader Forgotson
Leon & Patricia Gainsboro
Barry & Barbara Gerber
Judy Glickman Lauder & Leonard Lauder
Rabbis Brenner & Elaine Glickman
Dr. Bertram & Renee Gold
Howard & Sandra Goldberg
Dr. Jerry & Diana Goodman
Vivian Gordon
Dr. William & Joanne Haiby
Eugene & Toby Halpern
Dr. Adam & Megan Heller
Robert & Deborah Hendel
Arnold & Bette Hoffman
Clement & Rosalind Hopp
Rhea & Palmer Hughes
Dr. Gary Janko & Dr. Andrea Zucker
Arnold & Deanne Kaplan
Aaron & Meg Kestenbaum
Paul W. Klein & Betty J. Perlmutter
Paul & Rosalyn Kline
David & Donna Koffman
Sharon & Benjamin Kunkel
Dr. Lowell Lakritz & Linda Joffe
Dr. Brad & Melissa Lerner
Carol & William Levine
Scott & Jill Levine
Nina Levitt & John Hockenberry
Dr. Marc & Ronni Loundy
Annie Lowenthal
Susan & Randy Mallitz
Brad & Maggie Mandell
Joseph & Martha Marsh
Ken Marsh & Dr. Tanice Knopp

Susan McCart
Philip & Barbara Meltzer
Dr. Joe & Ora Mendels
Laurance & Barbara Newman
Steven Oppen
Douglas Popp & Sharon Linder
Michael Richker & Joan Blum
Esther Rose
Gary & Susan Rosenbaum
Sam & Susan Samelson
Dr. Elliott & Judy Sauertieg
Clare & Richard Segall
David & Robin Shapiro
Mark & Maggie Sharff
Noel & Toby Siegel
Alan & Cindy Silverglat
Allan & Isabel Silverman
Drs. Scott & Ronni Silverman
Harvey Steinberg
Judilee Sterne
Michael & Marsha Svirsky
Sylvan Tanner
Frederick & Judith Thibault
Arthur Timmins
Lenore Treiman
Bruce & Janet Udell
Anne Virag
Jane & Neal Vorchheimer
Gloria & Bill Weed
Judson & Louise Werbelow
Sara Werner
Michele & Frank Wieckowski
Dr. David Yamada
Harry & Dr. Gayle Yaverbaum
Debbie Yonker & Mark S. Freed
Drs. Richard & Phyllis Yonker
Bruce & Laura Zalkin

Lunch with the Rabbis:

**A Monthly Program at Temple Emanu-El
continuing Wednesday, January 2, at noon**

Are you looking for a lunch date? Mark your calendar and join Temple Emanu-El's wonderful Rabbis for lunch!

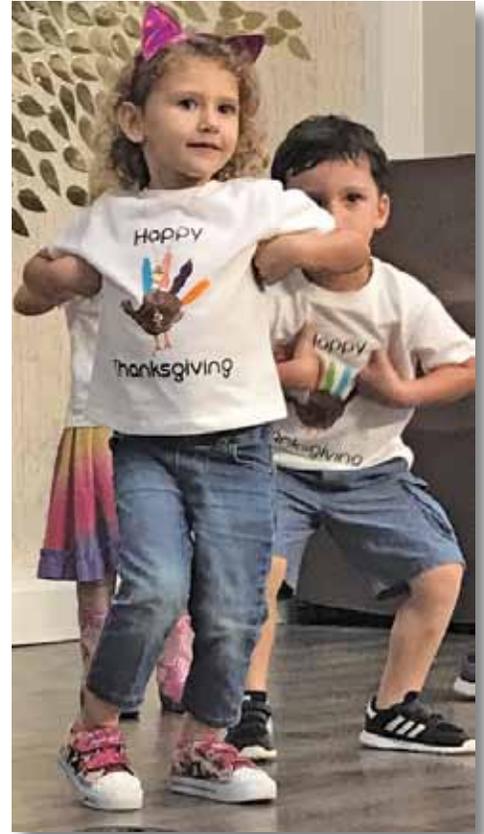
On Wednesday, January 2, at noon, Temple Emanu-El's lively "Lunch with the Rabbis" program continues. Bring a brown-bag lunch (we'll provide a delicious homemade dessert!) and join Senior Rabbi Brenner Glickman and Associate Rabbi Michael Shefrin in Temple Emanu-El's Benderson Family Hall for lunch and conversation. Feel free to bring a newspaper article or suggested topic for discussion, or just enjoy relaxed talk and get to know your lunch companions better. We look forward to seeing you!



Early Learning

So very thankful, so incredibly grateful and so unbelievably blessed! There are three things that pop into our minds when we think of our wonderful preschool community at Susan Schwaid Early Learning Center. Last month we were fortunate enough to share a wonderful Thanksgiving lunch together and think about how thankful we are for each other. The children put on a wonderful little performance which included dances practiced during their music and movement class with Ms. Nicole, as well as songs that they worked long and hard to remember the words and get the tunes just right. After their performance we celebrated with a delicious lunch. The day was a great success! Part of this achievement was thanks to the hard-working volunteers who graciously offered their time to help serve the food. The saying “It takes a village” came into effect that day with all generations working together to pull off an amazing day and we are extremely lucky to be part of this “village”.

Registration for our fall classes will be opening this month. Please contact Elaine or Tammy at (941) 377-8074 for further information.



Mitzvah Knitting Group Helps Welcome New Baby to Temple Emanu-El Family

November 23 was a very special Shabbat for the Weiman family—and the entire Temple Emanu-El family!—as baby Kohav Weiman was welcomed to the pulpit with blessing and formally given her Hebrew name. Making the evening even more special was Temple Emanu-El’s Mitzvah Knitting Group, as knitter Elinor Greenberg presented Kohav with a beautiful handmade blanket. What a wonderful moment!

Temple Emnau-El’s Mitzvah Knitting Group meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month at 10 am to create beautiful handmade items for babies born into our Temple family as well as babies, children and adults served by Jewish Family & Children’s Service, Mothers Helping Mothers, and the Leo Baeck Education Center in Haifa, Israel. New members are always welcome to join this group of “knitzvah sisters.” For more information, please contact Mitzvah Knitting Group facilitator Susan Bernstein at susanhope22@comcast.net.

Temple Emnau-El joins the Mitzvah Knitting Group in wishing mazel tov and

every happiness to Kohav and her wonderful parents, Priya and David!



Kohav Weiman wrapped in her new blanket—and the warmth and love of the Mitzvah Knitting Group!

Endowment Members as of January 2019

A friend of mine asked, “Can someone with limited savings PLEDGE to the endowment?” **YES!!**

As my friend found out anyone who

wishes to help the temple can do so without major change to their estate.

Your endowment **pledge is not used until your passing. You will not notice any change in your daily bank account.** So you will not have any change in your living status. You can still provide for your family, just a

slight bit less. You do not need a lawyer to handle your request. There are many ways to make your impact. For example, local attorney James Essenson, a temple member, has graciously provided help to many at no charge. Consider your impact as we aim to sustain the heritage that your parents, your grandparents, and all those who came before us loved!

Do you **see your friends** on this list, we hope that you do. **Add YOUR name to the growing list.**

Endowment Committee:

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Maggie & Mark Sharff
Rona Shays (D)
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Wendy Wicks
Michele & Frank Wieckowski
Annabelle Wolter (D)
Alan Zuckerman

(D) = Of Blessed Memory

Men's Discussion Group Forming

What is a men's group? Quite simply it's a group of guys who meet regularly and privately to help each other be the best they can be in every area of their lives. A men's group challenges the myth that you and you alone are the only guy that has ever dealt with challenge x, y, or z. It is generally a small group of 5 to 12 members, focused on authenticity, connection and mutual support.

It's also important to understand what a men's group is not. It is not a

social group to sit around and kibitz. It is not a bunch of guys sitting around a fire singing Kumbaya. It is not group therapy, although it can be very therapeutic.

A men's group can be a great support when you are going through a tough time in your life and need support. It can also be a place you celebrate the victories in your life with great people and explore what is possible in your life. Ultimately, a men's group will challenge you to be who you are without hesitation, reservation or apology.

Temple Emanu-El is forming a men's group, under sponsorship of

Brotherhood and direction of Rabbi Glickman. It is open to all men in the temple. The kickoff meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 22 at 2 pm. Come and find out more about the group and how it will function, and then if you are interested in joining you can sign up after the meeting. If you are planning to attend the meeting, please RSVP to Bob Meisel at bob.meisel@gmail.com. Interested in joining but that time does not work for you? Send an email to Bob letting him know what times work best. Questions? Email Bob or call (585) 797-4255.

Staff Spotlight: Fatima Soriano, Our Kitchen Manager

While attending an event at Temple Emanu-El, one immediately feels welcomed by Fatima's gracious, warm smile. Fatima makes it her priority to ensure that our members and guests are happy. Recently I had the pleasure of sitting down with Fatima to learn more about her, what led her to becoming our Kitchen Manager.

Share a little about yourself.

I was born in the Island of Tenerife; part of the Canary Islands in Spain. In 2004, I moved to Sarasota from Tenerife with my American husband, Bruce, and our two sons, Thomas and Daniel. My sons are currently 21 and 19 years old. Most people don't know but I am the youngest in my very large family. My parents had twelve children! We have always been a very close family; I am the only one of my siblings that lives outside Spain. For that reason, I try to visit them as often as possible."



Fatima Soriano

What led you to become a professional chef and kitchen manager?

Growing up in such a big family, we were always celebrating. From an early age, I have been passionate about cooking and planning parties for my large family. Some of my best childhood memories are of preparing food in the kitchen with my mother and sisters. Cooking has always been a part of who I am. Professionally, I have learned from the best Canary Island chefs. As I love to say, everything that I cook is made from scratch and I pour my heart and soul into it, just like my mother taught me. As my mother said, 'you can taste the love in my cooking'."

How do you enjoy working at Temple Emanu-El?

"Since I started working here three years ago, first as an Assistant Kitchen Manager, I have felt as if I am at home. Everybody treats me really well. I enjoy seeing all the friendships that are here between all of the temple families. Really enjoy being here and learning about the Jewish culture."

How do you spend your time outside of Temple Emanu-El?

"As my friends and family know, I have always been passionate about cooking, and when we moved here, my friends started asking me to cook for them or asked me to teach them about the real food from Spain. That was the reason I started, Tapas & Fun Catering, where I offer cooking classes, cooking parties and catering. Through my catering services, I bring the authentic food from Spain to your home. I share my love, knowledge and passion of the authentic food and flavors from Spain."

The Staff Spotlight series will highlight a different staff member to share the diversity, talents and experiences each member brings to Temple Emanu-El.

Christine Elliott
Executive Director

Temple Emanu-El College Freshmen Reflect on Jewish Campus Life

Over Thanksgiving break, Temple Emanu-El was delighted to welcome some of our wonderful college freshmen back to Sarasota and to Shabbat services on November 23. After enjoying Shabbat dinner and being honored with an aliyah to the Torah together, four Temple Emanu-El young adults reflected on Jewish campus life:

“Tulane has a substantial Jewish population, so finding other Jewish people or activities has been a piece of cake. Fall semester, I took Intro to Hebrew, which happened to be in the Hillel building, leading me to lots of opportunities. I’ve been to Shabbat and holiday dinners and I am joining a program called Tulane Jewish Leaders, where I will assist in creating programs for my peers! I have tons to look forward to.”—**Abigail Zion, Tulane University**

“Being Jewish in college has been wonderful for me. I met all of my friends at Hillel, and I have become closer with them than I could have ever imagined. Our combined faith brought us together. In Bradenton there are not a lot of Jewish people, and now that I am at UCF they surround me. I love being Jewish, and it has only strength-



Temple Emanu-El college freshmen Eliza Lipton, Moses Glickman, Abigail Zion, and Max Kunkel celebrated Shabbat by sharing Shabbat dinner and attending Shabbat services together during Thanksgiving vacation.

ened my bond with God to be around so many other Jews. It makes me feel understood.”—**Eliza Lipton, University of Central Florida**

“The Hillel chapter at FSU has provided me with a way to practice Judaism in a caring and safe environment. I have attended several services at Hillel, and I’m so grateful that they are on my campus.”—**Max Kunkel, Florida State University**

“Thanks to Hillel, being Jewish in college is surprisingly easy. They’ve been very good at event planning and creating a Jewish community. I don’t feel that coming to Rice has in any way

impeded the rich Jewish life I had in Sarasota, and it’s nice to be among so many young Jews. I go to their services and events, and I’m taking a trip to Israel through Hillel this summer – a combination of Jewish and non-Jewish students on a tour that’s meant to combat BDS.”—**Moses Glickman, Rice University**

For more information about Temple Emanu-El’s College Engagement Committee, and our outreach programs for college students and young adults, please call 371-2788.



"Give Thanks" Tot Shabbat Photo Gallery

The youngest members of the Temple Emanu-El family got into the Thanksgiving spirit at a special "Give Thanks" themed Tot Shabbat on Saturday morning, November 17. In addition to enjoying playground time, yummy snacks, and Shabbat songs and blessings with Associate Rabbi Michael Shefrin and Morah Nancy Bossov, families showed their creativity with a fun Thanksgiving craft and talked about what they felt thankful for. Among the precious responses: "My mom!" "Dolphins!" "Tot Shabbat!" and "Being alive today!"

Many "thanks" were offered to event chair Nicole Silverstein for a meaningful and celebratory morning! For more information about Tot Shabbat, or to receive personal email invitations to our wonderful monthly Tot Shabbat events, please call Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman at 379-1997.



Asher Weber brought his cousin to Tot Shabbat



Tot Shabbat hostess Nicole Silverstein and daughter Katie



Ziva Sheslow and Abner and Josie Beck held play challah and cups of grape juice



Associate Rabbi Michael Shefrin with Kelly, Sloane (holding her Thanksgiving craft), and Josh Roberts

January 2019 Schedule of Services

Friday, January 4

Israel Shabbat 7:15 pm

Saturday, January 5

Morning Service 10:30 am

Torah Study 11 am

Friday, January 11

Family Shabbat 7:15 pm

Claire Opal-Levine Bat Mitzvah

Saturday, January 12

Claire Opal-Levine Bat Mitzvah 10:30 am

Friday, January 18

Erev Shabbat Unplugged 7:15 pm

Friday, January 25

Erev Shabbat 7:15 pm

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

February, 2019 / Shevat/Adar, 5779 Calendar Subject to Change

1 Family Shabbat 7:15 pm

2 Morning Shabbat Service 10:30 am

Torah Study 11 am

Tot Shabbat at Hunsader Farms 11 am

3 Super Bowl Sunday

Religious School 9:30 am

Brotherhood Board Meeting 9:40 am

5th Grade Kallah 10 am

4 Parent and Me Class 9:30 am

5 Parenting Workshop 11 am

6 Lunch with the Rabbis 12 Noon

Religious School 5:30 pm

7 Fluid Dance 10 am

8 Erev Shabbat 7:15 pm

Naomi Yamada Bat Mitzvah 7:15 pm

9 Naomi Yamada Bat Mitzvah 5 pm

10 Religious School 9:30 am

Confirmation Class 10 am

Brotherhood Youth Summit 12 Noon

11 Eli Talks with Rabbi Michael Shefrin 10:30 am

Book Club 11 am

12 Mitzvah Knitting 10 am

Adult Education Committee Meeting 10:30 am

Parenting Workshop 11 am

13 Sisterhood Board Meeting 10:30 am

Religious School 5:30 pm

14 Valentine's Day

15 Shabbat Alive! and Chocolate Shabbat 7:15 pm

17 Religious School Closed

18 Presidents Day

Israel Committee Meeting 9:30 am

Susan Schwaid Early Learning Center Closed

Philanthropy Committee Meeting 5 pm

Board of Trustees Meeting 7 pm

19 Parenting Workshop 11 am

Adult Ed. Program with Rabbi Brenner Glickman 4 pm

20 Religious School 5:30 pm

21 Fluid Dance 10 am

Havurah 12:30 pm

22 Erev Shabbat 7:15 pm

24 Religious School 9:30 am

Sunday at the Movies 2 pm

25 Israel Committee Meeting 6 pm

26 Mitzvah Knitting 10 am

Parenting Workshop 11 am

27 Social Action Committee Meeting 1:30 pm

Religious School 5:30 pm

28 Eli Talks with Rabbi Michael Shefrin 10:30 am

WELCOME!

Temple Emanu-El welcomes the following members:

Levine, Lucas & Sherri & Family

Roberts, Joshua & Kelly & Family

Our membership extends deepest sympathy to John D'Ambrosio, Dr. Gary Docks, Ellyn Ingalls, Joan Kaye, Pamela Lasko, Marcus Spiegel-

man, and their families on the death of a loved one so precious and dear.

Our membership mourns the loss of Marceline Decker and

Mary Herrman.

May God's strength and our support bring comfort to one and all.



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Sarah Benderson
- 1 Sherrie Eisenberg
- 1 Gary Lester Rosenbaum
- 2 Laney Rosenberg
- 3 Eliana Lasko-Scott
- 3 Rosalind Lieberman
- 4 Bruce Black
- 4 Jeremy Schwimmer
- 5 Jeannine Germer
- 5 Saithong Livshutz
- 5 Susan Mallitz
- 6 Dr. Lowell Lakritz
- 6 Judy Shapiro
- 6 Alexandra Zalkin
- 7 Aliyah Anderson
- 7 Rabbi Mark Goldman
- 7 Elaine Pipe
- 7 Ruth Skole
- 7 Neal Vorchheimer
- 8 Dr. Gary Docks
- 8 Dani Mallitz
- 8 Dillon Rosenthal
- 9 Sarah Leifer
- 11 Suzanne Freund
- 11 Dr. Marc Levy

- 12 Randall Benderson
- 12 Joy Finnimore
- 12 Judy Fleischer
- 12 Eden Glickman
- 12 Ann Graff
- 12 Jillian Leavitt
- 13 Ryan Chapman
- 13 Neil Klaber
- 13 Rabbi Susan Marks
- 14 Caroline Ceaser
- 14 Jeff Hoffman
- 15 Dr. Ryan Jawitz
- 15 Linda Joffe
- 15 Dana Rubin
- 15 Reese Stroud
- 16 Sasha Leopold
- 16 Tayla Rosenthal
- 17 Martha Kleinberg
- 17 Dr. Paul Kline
- 17 Sarah Link
- 17 Ken Raupp
- 17 Nancy Turner
- 18 Renee Gold
- 18 Ben Vieira
- 19 Alex Bloom
- 19 Ben Buurma
- 19 Dr. Frederick Crane
- 19 Jim Germer
- 20 Michael Adler
- 20 Stephanie Burger
- 20 Dr. Robert Goldschmidt
- 20 Fred Gosman
- 20 Joshua Steinbach
- 20 Daniel Weber
- 21 Fae Beloff
- 21 Max Kunkel
- 22 Sienna Ackerman
- 22 Daniel Carter

- 22 Dylan Mandell
- 23 Ashley Bloom
- 23 Paula Kaufman
- 24 David Feuerstein
- 24 Scott La Porta
- 24 Mia Rosenthal
- 24 Richard Simons
- 25 Nadine Anderson
- 25 Trevan Leavitt
- 25 Sydney Schwimmer
- 26 Jerry Finehirsh
- 26 Jacob Maggard
- 26 Vicky Sambursky
- 26 Anne Steinbach
- 26 Harlene Weiss
- 26 Dr. Arnold Yoskowitz
- 27 Dr. Stephen Altaker
- 27 Riley Bloom
- 27 Karen Constant
- 27 Joyce Paley
- 28 Gail Leavitt
- 28 Jonathan Sheintal
- 28 Joah Sigal-Verier
- 29 Moses Glickman
- 29 Sydney Koffman
- 29 Rebekah Spiegelman
- 30 Raena Endick Korenman
- 30 Albert Lerman
- 30 Claire Opal-Levine
- 30 Jaime Vieira
- 30 Samuel Lane Zoller
- 31 Gary Ackerman
- 31 Dr. Jerry Goodman
- 31 Cecilia Max
- 31 Terry Roth
- 31 Judith Thibault



JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Judy Glickman Lauder & Leonard Lauder

- 3 Charles & Shannon Greenblott
- 5 Dr. Kenneth & Janis Gold
- 5 Joseph & Ann Graff
- 6 Larry & Julie Fineberg
- 10 Denise Hyman-Powers & William Powers
- 12 Heidi Brown & David Lyles
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- 30 Jan & Larry Coleman
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mother** *by Alec Rubin*

**Clara Shuster, beloved
mother** *by Grace Goldberg*

**David B. Blum, beloved
husband** *by Joan Blum*

**David Max Whitehorn,
beloved great-uncle**

by Rochelle Harned

**David Stone, beloved
father**

by Barbara & Harry Lifsec

**Dora Spindler, beloved
mother-in-law**

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Edith Noosbond, beloved mother
by Debra Yonker
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by Steve & Amy Weinberger
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by Marvin Cohen
Emanuel Weil, beloved father-in-law *by Sheila Weil*
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by Anne M. Bishop
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by Ruth Feldman
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WELL, WINE NOT?

Temple Emanu-El's Social Singles Group is hosting a Wine & Cheese!

Bring an appetizer to share!

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 24
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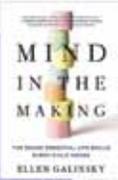
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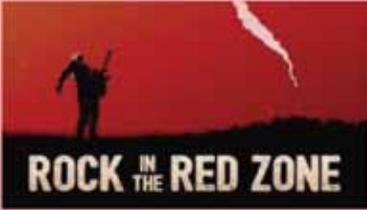
Mind in the Making - Team Ultra
TUESDAYS from 11 am to 1 pm
from January 8 through February 26



Rock in the Red Zone

Sunday, February 3, 9:30 am until noon—A joint program sponsored by The Jewish Federation of Sarasota-Manatee and the four *Dalet* congregations. See the film and participate in the interactive program that follows.

Breakfast and program: Adults \$5, Students free
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E-mail your required registration (space is limited) including name, e-mail address and phone number by Sunday, January 27 to teers@sarasotateemple.org.
(Payment will be collected at the door)



Woody Allen Seriously Funny

Temple Emanu-El's Adult Education Committee Presents
Amiram Amitai

Thursday, January 10 at 10:30 am

Benderson Family Hall
151 McIntosh Road
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Amiram Amitai is a retired college lecturer and filmmaker who has taught many film courses at colleges and universities. Aided by film clips, this presentation will focus on the evolution of Woody Allen from a brilliant comic to a great American filmmaker. Allen's career covered verbal parodies to visual dramas. His Jewish identity, perspective and intellectual and philosophical nature, his creativity and moral vision - all influences on his work - will be examined and discussed.

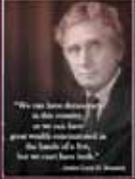
Free for Temple Emanu-El members
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For information contact Ellen Zippin
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The Brotherhood of Temple Emanu-El Speakers Program Presents

a lecture by esteemed Professor Robert Toplin
THE LIFE AND TIMES OF JUSTICE LOUIS BRANDEIS

Sunday, January 13, 2019
10 am (doors open at 9:30)
Temple Emanu-El
Benderson Family Hall
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Includes a superb Bagel & Lox Breakfast
\$10 per person at the door.

Professor Toplin will discuss the first Jew to be a U.S. Supreme Court Justice (1916-1939) who graduated Harvard Law School at age 20. He had a distinguished career defending the rights of workers and challenging corporate greed and monopolies. He was appointed to the Supreme Court by President Woodrow Wilson. Brandeis was an ardent Zionist who advised Jewish leaders regarding the eventual creation of a Jewish State, later to become Israel.



Professor ROBERT TOPLIN is a distinguished author, scholar, lecturer and historian who will provide a fascinating portrayal of Justice Brandeis who affirmed individual liberty, opposed unchecked government and corporate power and protected the "right of privacy".

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January 25-26



Preliminary Presentation
Friday Night Services at 7:15

*The Power to Confront Evil:
Moses Learns to Raise His Voice*

Saturday Program
Coffee with the Scholar 10:00 a.m.
Featured Presentation: 10:30

*Miriam and Moses:
The Female and Male Voice*

Dr. Norman Cohen is a professor emeritus of the Hebrew Union College, after serving many years as provost. He is a popular and lively lecturer, focusing on the modern interpretation of the Bible. His visit from the New York campus is made possible by generous support from the Peck Family, and Army and Dee Kaplan.



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Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood invites you to learn and laugh together as we hear how female Jewish authors expanded the role of women.

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 Bella Abzug



For more information contact Linda Weiss at 941-330-2006 or lwei6@aol.com

Join us for
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Temple Emanu-El invites you to a Shabbat Honoring Our New and 25+ Year Members

Friday, January 25, 2019
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 ~ Shabbat Services at 7:15 pm

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Please RSVP by January 14, 2019

Call Meryl Taback at 941-960-1762 or email tabackm@gmail.com for information
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**Present a Tribute to
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Relive the memories of Dr. King
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Sunday, January 20, 2019
 2:00 pm
 Temple Emanu-El
 151 McIntosh Road, Sarasota

Program and Music Presented by
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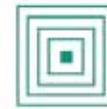
\$10 Contribution Light refreshments after program

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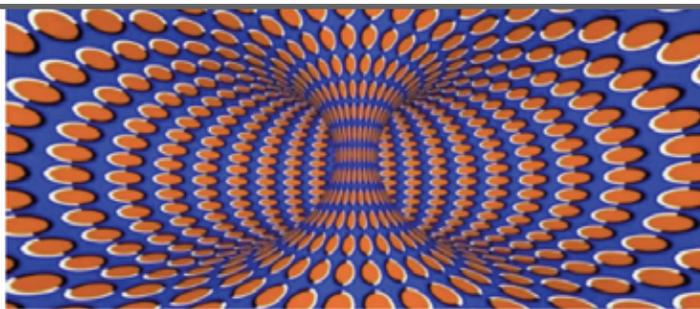
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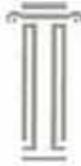
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