

# **Temple Times**

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## Rabbi's Message: A Passover Tale

About 15 years ago, I created a new haggadah for our temple. We needed a unified text for the seder, and people wanted something new for their home observance. I spent a great deal of time creating new translations for the traditional text. When it came time to design the cover, I wanted it to be special. My vision for the cover was a colorful illustration of the seashore. I thought that this would be a nice way to link the story of redemption at the Red Sea with the setting of our seder here in Sarasota.

I scoured the internet searching for just the right image. I found many paintings of the shore, but none that would do. The problem was that all the beachside paintings had a sailboat on the horizon, or a child playing in the sand, or some other detail that did not resonate with the Exodus.

And then I found it – the perfect painting! It was called "Seashore," by the artist Basil Wynbergen. He lived in London. I tracked down his email address to ask his permission to use the image for our haggadah cover. In a formal request, I explained that I was a rabbi in America, that we have a holiday called Passover, and that it was customary to use a colorful prayer book called a haggadah for the occasion, and so on.

He replied immediately. Of course he was Jewish. He was thrilled. He had been an amateur painter all his life. Recently, one of his grandchildren had created a website for him so he could



Rabbi Brenner Glickman

display and sell his paintings online. The painting that I had selected had been created nearly 60 years ago, but its image had been put on the web just months before. We both marveled at the innovation of the world-wide web. It had just linked two Jews thousands of miles and one vast ocean apart.

Basil and I became friends and pen pals. He was adorable. He peppered his notes with little "Britishisms." He concluded one with these words: "Finally for now, I trust that you and family are all in fine fettles. Cheerio for now ... Toodle pip ... Basil."

I sent him a copy of our haggadah with his painting on the cover. It got there in time for him to show his children and grandchildren at the seder.

It seemed fitting that such a connection would be made at the time of Passover. This is the holiday that emphasizes our connection to one another as Jews. Where other holidays are more personal, Passover is about the collective. We speak in the first-person plural, "when we were slaves in Egypt." We link ourselves to all Jews in all lands in all ages. We are one people.

Basil and I certainly felt this con-

nection. We had a common bond as Jews even though we were of different generations and lived on different continents. One could even say we spoke different languages. Toodle pip!



Copies of The Sarasota Haggadah are for sale in the Sisterhood gift shop

Rabbi Brenner Glickman

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## President's Message: Name Badges

Frequently I receive suggestions and requests from congregants. I'm always happy to hear what's on people's minds, and glad to know that people are thinking of better ways for us to do things. We give serious thought to everyone's comments and try to accommodate when feasible.

A suggestion I have heard repeatedly in the last few months, from both newer and long-standing members, is to provide permanent name badges again for our members.

As a reminder, we used to have them before the pandemic. They were handed out on Friday night before services, and returned as people left. Once in-person services resumed, we started using peel-off badges. This eliminated the burdensome process of searching for people's badges before services, and the especially onerous task of re-alphabetizing the badges when they were returned. And while the peel-off badges serve the purpose, many people believe a more permanent name badge would be nicer.

Working with the Membership Committee, we are moving forward to make this happen. The benefits are numerous. Requiring people to wear badges is a good security measure. They are definitely essential at Shabbat services. Another plus is as temple membership has grown; it can be challenging to remember everyone's name. To help with that, people would be encouraged to wear their name badge at all temple events, not just services. The permanent name badges not only eliminate the need (and time) for the peel-off badges, but they also guarantee readability! Another benefit falls in the category of brand identity. Temple Emanu-El has an outstanding



**Bob Meisel** 

logo – colorful, vibrant, and modern. Our logo identifies the temple, and people can wear their badge with pride, having an affiliation with such a great temple.

While I can tell you we are planning to provide the badges, I can't tell you when. There are a lot of steps to the process, all of which need to be carefully defined. The first step is to contract with a supplier who can produce quality name badges at a reasonable cost. The badges will be made for all adult members of the congregation, so we need to generate a list of "preferred" names. When the badges are ready, we need to find an efficient way to distribute them. They will NOT be given out weekly at Shabbat services - that would be a challenging, time-consuming job. People will keep their badges and bring them to services and events. And last, we need a process to generate badges for new temple members.

Please be on the lookout for more information on how you can help the process go smoothly.

Sometime in the next few months you can expect to receive your Temple Emanu-El name badge, and I hope you will wear it with great pride!

Bob Meisel Temple President

# Executive Director's Message: Work For It, Don't Wish For It

Last month, President Bob Meisel wrote about the steady growth in Temple Emanu-El's membership. Due to the importance of this topic, I wanted to build upon his message from a different lens. Temple membership is crucial to sustain and to be able to thrive in the ever-changing landscape of organized religion. It is also multifaceted. Temple leadership makes building and retaining members a priority. So much so, a few years ago, a Strategic Planning Group (SPG) was developed under Ken Marsh's presidency. When the SPG was developed, it was a result of proactive thinking and enlisted forward thinkers from diverse professional backgrounds to closely examine the temple's operations. This proactive approach is how the temple chooses to operate, meaning we evaluate what we are doing, how we are doing it, and how we could be doing better.

There is not a steadfast rule book to follow that guarantees a synagogue is going to operate successfully. There are certainly helpful resources and basic business acumen to follow that helps to carve out a plan, but people also have to be willing to try new things, take chances, listen, be willing to change course when something is not working, and put in a lot of hard work. Heaps of energy is put into building a welcoming, energized synagogue that attracts people of all ages and backgrounds.

Carefully selecting members for the Board of Trustees, leadership roles, and staff all makes an immense impact on being successful. Gratefully, Rabbis Brenner and Elaine Rose Glickman arrived almost 17 years ago, and Rabbi Shefrin joined the rabbinical team almost seven years ago. Temple presidents have strategically guided the future of

the temple and continue to do so. The Membership Committee led by Kimberly Sheintal and Leslie Podolsky is an integral part of the success, so are the committees, Brotherhood and Sisterhood, volunteers, Cornerstone members, and temple staff. Some people share their time, others help support us financially, and some do a little bit of



Christine Elliott

everything. It takes a village to build and sustain the type of synagogue Temple Emanu-El is. Our campus is an oasis, a place to worship, have fun, learn, and seek solace.

I am most thankful to be a part of the daily happenings here. Witnessing the dedication and hard work of our staff-our directors, our key office support, our teachers, and our event staff- and our temple members is a bubble of goodness in our world that I value and do not take advantage of. What's the secret to our growth? We don't wish for it; we work for it.

Christine Elliott Executive Director





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Contact Jeff Kessler at jkessler203@gmail.com or (508) 451-8594







# A Special Date for Lunch with the Rabbis!! Temple Emanu-El's Popular Monthly Program Continues Monday, April 3, at Noon

Usually, the first Wednesday of the month means that it's time to bring a brown-bag lunch and join Senior Rabbi Brenner Glickman and Associate Rabbi Michael Shefrin for lunch, discussion of current events and topics of Jewish interest, and conversation and mingling with old and new friends – plus, of course, homemade dessert!

But due to Passover, April's Lunch with the Rabbis will be held on the first Monday of the month – and we hope you'll be there! We look forward to sharing "Lunch with the Rabbis" – and with you!

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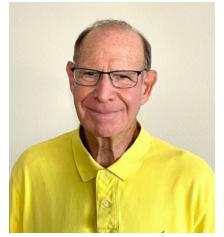


Let's look at recent activities and upcoming exciting milestone 2023 events.

February 17th was a special treat—a joint Brotherhood/Sisterhood Shabbat Espanola attended by 97 temple members and guests. It was a great dinner coupled with rabbinical perspective of the history of Jewish ancestors in Spain and how it influenced our history. A special treat was the performance by two wonderful flamenco dancers who shared their cultural heritage.

On February 23rd, Dr. Michael April, took a combined Brotherhood & Israel Committee audience through the Maccabiah Games Now and Then. As a participant in fast pitch softball and later a staff doctor, Mike fascinated the audience with pictures, videos, and history of the games including a who's who of participants. As a special treat, we were honored to have a congregant who was a four-time track medal winner from 1953 (not a typo). Stan Levinson won 4 medals as a middle-distance runner 70 years ago. If you want to see the original article describing the achievement in his hometown newspaper, please contact me for the link.

In the last several months of post-Covid, the neighborhood zip code dinners are back. Sara Weinberg hosted a lovely dinner on February 25th for 24 temple members along with



Ken Simon

Rabbi Shefrin. It was great meeting for "neighbors" who are temple members. A special thanks to Sara for hosting and opening her lovely home to our temple community.

On Sunday morning, February 26th we held another fabulous Brotherhood Breakfast! Brotherhood member Ernest "Doc" Werlin educated 68 temple members and guests on "The Looming Financial Crisis." Doc retired after spending 35 years with top Wall Street firms. He was such a wizard with Corporate Bonds, he developed the nickname, "Doctor of Bonds." His insight into our country's current financial situation was educational and fascinating.

The traditional Sports Sunday usually held the week after the Super Bowl was rescheduled to a breakfast on April 23rd and will include a delicious breakfast of bagels, lox, and cream cheese. Our featured speaker is Doug Fernandes, Sports Editor of the *Sarasota Herald Tribune*. He will review the

recent Super Bowl, one of the most exciting finishes in years, and answer questions regarding the hockey playoffs and the upcoming baseball season.

Alert: There are still donation opportunities available for the March 26th golf tournament temple fund raiser for All Faith's Food Bank and temple outreach programs.

Additional details for all upcoming events are available on the temple website, mentioned in Temple Times, the weekly Tuesday email and flyers in the temple entrance.

Ken Simon Brotherhood President



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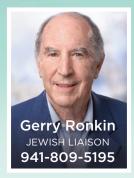
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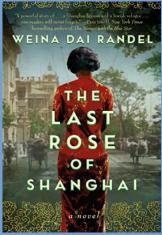
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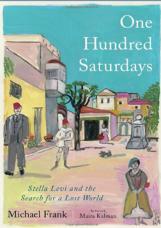
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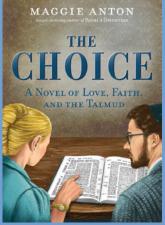




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Stop the presses! We've just received photo highlights of several of our recent events. See if you recognize anyone in the pictures on this page taken at the Shabbat Espanola dinner, Lunch and Learn event, and Embracing Our Differences tour. In future editions of this newsletter, look for photos from our major fundraiser, the Golf Tournament, held with Brotherhood. Many members have worked diligently to raise large sums of money by obtaining corporate or individual sponsorships. The results of these efforts will benefit several programs at our temple as well as All Faiths Food Bank. At the Temple's annual meeting on April 16, we will unveil Sisterhood's 2023 contribution to the Religious School, enriched by the monies earned by the golf tournament and other projects as well as the profits from our gift shop. This leads us to remind you that Alice Cotman has wonderful items for your seders, though it is almost impossible to walk past in either direction and ignore the temptation! By the way this includes not only the merchandise, but the friendly smiling faces of Alice and her staff.

Looking forward to early May are two events not to be missed. On Saturday, May 6, we're off to the races! Our Derby de Mayo event blends Cinco de Mayo and the Kentucky





Judy Fine and Harriette Krasnoff

Derby. We're having a fajita and taco bar, homemade desserts, wine and mint juleps. It wouldn't be Kentucky Derby without mint juleps. It wouldn't be Cinco de Mayo without fajitas and tacos. A \$5 donation gets you a chance to win a pail of goodies from Tampa Bay Downs, valued at \$240, including lunch for four from the Skye Terrace Dining Room. Dress for the Derby and maybe you will win a prize for best hat. If all this isn't enough, Temple member, Michael Katzer, a horse racing expert, will give an informative and amusing presentation on horse racing, followed by watching the race on the big screen. If you put some skin in the game and are lucky, you may come out ahead for the evening!

Sunday, May 7 is Mitzvah Day. This year Sisterhood will initiate its own project, Kugel Kindness, which is intended to be a symbol of support for congregants in times of celebration as well as need. The project will be done in cooperation with the Caring Committee whose role will be to suggest members that want a kugel delivered with a warm smile and words of encouragement. On Mitzvah Day we will be making kugels and storing them in the freezer to be used as needed.

We wish you a very Happy Passover. May your matzah be extra crispy and tasty!

#### Judy Fine & Harriette Krasnoff Sisterhood Co-Presidents







## What Will Your Legacy Be?

In February, the Temple's Scholar-In-Residence, Jonathan Brent, gave inspiring talks and shared several amazing stories. He is the Executive Director & CEO of the YIVO Institute for Iewish Research. YIVO's mission is to preserve and study the history of Eastern European and Russian Jewish life and culture before, during, and after the Holocaust. He shared that when he first became involved, YIVO was on the verge of going out of business because of a lack of funds. Through his tireless efforts, YIVO now has a formidable endowment thus assuring it will continue to educate the public into the future.

As I listened to his stories, I thought about the Endowment Fund Board's efforts to provide long term sustainability and financial stability for Temple Emanu-El in perpetuity. The questions that came to me revolved around how to assure that the Temple will continue to serve future genera-

tions. What steps will we take? What level of success will we experience? I quickly realized that is exactly what the Endowment Fund Board is attempting to accomplish.

The Endowment Fund of Temple Emanu-el was formed in 1994. Gifts from Temple members grew very slowly over the next ten years. Then, as Rabbi Glickman shared, the Temple experienced extreme financial difficulty and the Endowment's funds were totally expended to help keep its doors open; the Endowment Fund then became dormant. Thanks to the tireless efforts of Howard Goldberg, the Fund was rejuvenated. Since that time, the Endowment Board has worked diligently to rebuild the Fund balance.

The Endowment Board plays an important role in the overall financial future of our Temple. Its mission is to provide financial stability during threatening times, as well as to help provide capital for future needs of the Temple. Temple Emanu-El has experienced dramatic growth during the past few years, however, there is no assurance that such growth will continue.

Our efforts are primarily directed toward obtaining Planned Gifts from members through cash gifts, donations of appreciated securities, estates, trusts and life insurance. During the past nine years, we have received donations of approximately \$1.4 million dollars and another



Doris Ross

\$3.0 million in promised planned gifts. Industry standards indicate that to provide sufficient future funding, the Endowment Fund will need \$14 million in today's dollars by 2030 The Fund is responsibly invested and the investment objective is to grow the fund to supplement the operations of our congregation.

As you can see, we need more generous members to commit to help achieve this important goal. By making either a planned or cash gift, you will be helping us preserve the Temple and its programs for today and for our future generations. What will your Legacy be?

Doris Ross Endowment Committee Chair



### Mikai Bridges Bar Mitzvah

It is with great pride and joy that Mikai Bridges will be called to the Torah on Saturday, April 29th, 2023. This celebration will be shared by Mikai's beloved family and friends. Mikai is a bright, witty and athletic 7th grade student at Community Day School. When Mikai is not busy preparing for his Bar Mitzvah, he can be found on the field. Mikai plays varsity flag football and soccer for his school, as well as soccer for FC Sarasota. When he is not running around with a ball,

he can be found making homemade acai bowls, happily taste testing his mom's creations in the kitchen, attending sporting events and musical theater, spending time with his friends and family, FaceTiming with his camp friends as they countdown the days until summer, and overall being an awesome, loving and supportive son to his mom and sibling, little brother Paxton, at home. We are all so very proud of Mikai's hard work and determination and can't wait to see him shine on his special day!

**Amy Diamond** 

## **Special Passover Seders for the TEE Family**

Passover is coming and Temple Emanu-El is ready to celebrate with three special holiday experiences!

The first night of Passover brings our signature Seder -a meaningful, festive, and delicious Passover Seder at Michael's on East on Wednesday, April 5, at 6 p.m. Senior Rabbi Brenner Glickman will serve as our Seder leader using Temple Emanu-El's signature Sarasota Haggadah, and Michael's on East will cater a traditional Passover meal including gefilte fish; matzah ball soup; main course options including brisket, chicken, and Mediterranean stuffed cabbage rolls; smashed tzimmes; roasted vegetables; and dairy-free dark chocolate mousse. We are especially grateful to the Ritual Committee for overseeing this beautiful Seder, which is always a beautiful way to welcome Passover together. Let all who are hungry come and eat!

By popular demand, Temple Emanu-El will also host the second annual Young Family Seder on Saturday, April 8, at 5:30 p.m. Jewish and interfaith families are warmly invited to celebrate Passover with this Seder created especially for them! The special evening features a delicious Seder meal with all the trimmings, a meaningful and interactive retelling of the story of the Exodus from Egypt, costumes, songs, crafts, and more. Last year's inaugural Young Family Seder was a sensation, and we can't wait to celebrate together again!

Finally, Temple Emanu-El is excited to partner with our friends at University Town Center for a new, innovative, and magical Passover celebration: A Chocolate Seder on the Green at UTC! As the sun sets over the Green on Thursday, April 13, from 6-8 p.m., attendees will enjoy a unique and wonderful Seder experience featuring chocolate and other delicious treats, followed by a festive mix and mingle that includes music, socializing with old and new friends, wine for the adults, and a chocolate milk bar for the kids. A special night will be had by all!



The tables will be set for Temple Emanu-El's wonderful first-night Seder at Michael's on East on Wednesday evening, April 5

Advance paid reservations are required for all of these Seders and may be made on our website. If you or anyone you know might need financial assistance at this Passover season, please let our rabbis know. No one should feel left out or worried about missing a Seder meal.

We wish our Temple Emanu-El family a joyous Passover holiday, and every blessing at this season of redemption!

## Israeli Cooking Class Is a Delicious Hit

On February 6, the Israel Committee sponsored an Israeli Cooking Class. This special event was taught by Jodi O'Neill, assisted by Maris Tuite, both Temple Emanu-El members, for a soldout crowd of 20 attendees, who enjoyed a classic eggplant stew, Israeli couscous salad, and decadent date squares for dessert. The steps for each recipe were fully explained, with the addition of interesting tidbits about Israeli cuisine, helpful cooking techniques, and colorful handouts sharing the recipes. The three different dishes were easy to make and clearly a wonderful addition to anyone's collection. Everyone had the opportunity to taste the food, and all came away delighted with the experience. These extraordinary chefs will offer two Israeli Cooking Classes next

year; all are warmly invited to watch for the flyer and come join!

This month brings more exciting programs from the Israel Committee, including the much-anticipated Israel Shabbat Dinner and Service on Friday, April 21, at 5:30 p.m., and Temple Emanu-El's participation in the community-wide Israel@75 Yom HaAtzamaut celebration on Sunday, April 30, at the Van Wezel. Shalom and l'hitraot!





Chefs Jodi O'Neill and Maris Tuite display the delicious dishes featured at the Israeli Cooking Class

#### Temple Emanu-El Invites You To

# Passover Seder

Led by Rabbi Brenner Glickman

### Wednesday, April 5th at 6:00pm

Michael's On East, 1212 S. East Avenue, Sarasota, FL

Members: \$85

Non-Members: \$95

Children 12 & Under: \$45

RSVP at SarasotaTemple.org by Wednesday, March 29th

Menu

Gefilte Fish, Matzo Ball Soup & Choice of:

- Brisket (gluten free)
- Mediterranean Stuffed Cabbage Rolls (vegetarian, gluten free)
- Half-Roasted Chicken with Lemon, Garlic & Rosemary (gluten free)

All served with Smashed Tsimmes, Asparagus, Roasted Red Pepper, Patty Pan Squash & Dark Chocolate Mousse (dairy free).





Calling All Mitzvah-Minded Knitters and Crocheters! Do a KNITZVAH and use your talent to bring joy to others in Sarasota and Israel!

Who: Everyone who wants to participate - all are welcome!

<u>When and Where</u>: Thursday, April 20, at 10 a.m. at Temple Emanu-El. (Our group usually meets every first & third Thursday, but this month's schedule is unusual because of Passover)

<u>What</u>: Please bring yarn, needles, and your favorite pattern for a blanket, sweater, or more. We have extra yarn and patterns as well!

Why: We will spread love and joy by delivering our handmade creations to local organizations including JFCS, and will also send them to be enjoyed by expectant mothers and infants in Israel!

Please join us for knitting, socializing, good deeds, and sisterhood!

For more information, please email lklein98 @qmail.com or judyq704 @qmail.com

## AGELESS GRACE for TEMPLE EMANU-ELDERS

#### MIND-BODY FITNESS CLASS

This "timeless fitness class for the body and mind" uses 21 simple tools one needs for aging gracefully and youthfully. The class will help with mobility and brain health. The movements are done in a chair so that anyone can participate. All ages, body types and physical abilities will benefit from this fun class. **Try It!** 

#### WHEN:

Thurs, Apr 27, 2023 @ 10:30am

#### WHERE:

Benderson Family Hall

#### **INSTRUCTOR:**

Judith Koziol

#### REGISTER ONLINE BY APRIL 25:

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#### **QUESTIONS?**

Contact Kim Sheintal at 941-921-1433





### **Adult Education Update**

This has been a busy season for our committee. As you can see below, we have more great programs for your enjoyment.

#### **Upcoming Courses & Events**

April 19 & 26, 10:30 am-12:00 pm: Benderson. **Introduction to Writing a Legacy** 



Letter. Margaret Goldberger will be offering this two-session program. Legacy letters are written to close family or friends and shared with them while the person is living or after the person passes. These letters, also known as Jewish ethical wills, can include one's values, life lessons, regrets, meaningful life experiences and anything else the writer wishes to include. You will be able to begin to write your letter in this class. See flyer and register at TEE website.

June 12, 10:30 am-11:45 am: Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman will again delight us with a program. Topic to be announced soon.

**Sunday at the Movies.** This terrific series continues with the following films:

April 9, 1:00 pm: Benderson- Persona Non Grata.

April 23, 4:00 pm: Zoom, Shalom Taiwan.

May 21, 1:00 pm: Benderson, Speer Goes to Hollywood.

June 11, 4:00 pm: Zoom, Giraffada.

June 16, 1:00 pm: Benderson, A Lullaby for the Valley.

See flyer for additional info. Register at TEE website.

**Hebrew Classes.** Would you like to be able to read prayers in Hebrew? Learn conversational Hebrew? Prepare for a B'nai Mitzvah? Once again, Adult Education would like to provide Hebrew instruction classes. If interested, please email to jzdkoz1@gmail.com.

We welcome suggestions for future programs, and we are

eager to have TEE members join this valuable temple committee.

Judith Koziol Adult Education Committee Chair



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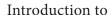
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March 4	Tetzaveh	Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman
March 11	Ki Tisa	Rabbi Mimi Weisel
March 18	Vayak'heil/P'kudei	Rabbi Michael Shefrin
March 25	Vayikra	Bruce Black
April 1	Tsav	Rabbi Brenner Glickman
April 8	Pesach Chol Hamoed	Rabbi Mimi Weisel
April 15	Sh'mini	Rabbi Aviva Berg
April 22	Tazria/M'tzora	Rabbi Brenner Glickman
April 29	Acharei Mot/K'doshim	Rabbi Brenner Glickman
May 6	Emor	Rabbi Mimi Weisel
May 13	B'har/B'chukotai	Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman
May 20	B'midbar	Dan Aminoff
May 27	Naso I	Rabbi Michael Shefrin

Virtual Sessions Via Zoom Instructor subject to change.

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## Writing a Legacy Letter

TEE member Margaret Goldberger will be offering a 2-session program *Introduction to Writing a Legacy Letter* on April 19th and 26th from 10:30 am - 12 noon. Legacy letters are written to one's closest family and friends and shared with them while the person is living or after the person passes. These letters, also known as Jewish ethical wills, often include one's values, life lessons, regrets, meaningful life experiences and anything else that the writer wishes to include.

Come prepared to begin writing your own letter. Whether you are an accomplished writer or not, this is a wonderful opportunity to reflect upon your life and offer what matters most to you to your loved ones.



Margaret Goldberger

### April 19 + April 26

10:30 am to 12:00 pm Benderson Family Hall

Register Online SarasotaTemple.org

Questions?

Contact Judith Koziol at judkoz1@gmail.com



## Art Committee Announces Youth Art Show for December 2023, Adult Workshop

The Art Committee is pleased to announce that it will host a Temple Emanu-El Youth Art Show in December 2023. The tentative dates are December 2 and 3, with a party on Saturday evening for Temple members and artists, and a show on Sunday open to the public.

"The committee really wanted to continue the momentum created by last December's adult showcase, but it's a tremendous amount of work to put on a show of this quality and depth every year," commented co-chair Helene Davis. "We also wanted to give our adult members more time to prepare art for the next show, which we hope will be in December 2024.

"At the same time, we had a great deal of interest from the religious school students who visited the recent show, as well as from parents and several young people, so we decided to present a youth art show this coming year. It's going to be an amazing family event!"

The Youth Art Show will be open to any child from Kindergarten through 12th grade who attends our Religious School, or is a child of temple members. (Grandchildren of temple members are not eligible for this show unless the child's family are also members.) The artwork must be "original" in nature (e.g., no art made from kits) and can be produced in a wide range of mediums in two or three dimensions, including digitally-created art.

Art Committee members will be working closely with Snait Ben-Herut, MJED, Religious School Director, to promote the program among the school's students. Details will be forthcoming over the coming months and next fall.

To keep the adults engaged, the committee will offer several interactive workshops beginning this spring, similar to the popular workshops offered during the Artist Showcase. Workshops will be open to temple members on a first-come, first-served basis; there may be a fee involved. Keep an eye on your weekly temple e-news for more details.

Questions can be directed to co-chairs Helene Davis or Linda Joffe – helenesdavis@aol.com or lfjoffe@aol.com.

Linda Joffe Art Committee Co-Chair

## Mitzvah Day 2023 Donation Drive



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Sunday, May 7, 2023 Beginning at Noon

#### **Items Needed**

- · New and Like-New Clothing for Foster Children and Teens
- · ChapSticks and Socks for Cancer Patients
- School Supplies for JFCS
- · Board Games for Boys & Girls Clubs
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- Diaper and Wipes for Second Chance Last Opportunity
- Underwear, Sheets, and Towels for Homeless Veterans
- · Pet Toys and Treats for Shelter Animals

Items may be placed in labeled boxes during business hours, before Friday night services, and on Mitzvah Day – Sunday, May 7 – at Temple Emanu-El.















For more information about Mitzvah Day please visit www. sarasotatemple.org

Thank you for being a part of the Mitzvah Day Donation Drive!

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## Priya Weiman-Parikh

Often, we have spoken with members who give a great deal of their time to TEE, not expecting recognition but simply giving from their heart. Meet Priya Weiman-Parikh; a member who has strived to live a life that demonstrates what kind of person she is, both personally and for others. She respected and followed her family in believing we are required to honor the act to give of oneself to help others, display kindness and make a commitment to one's role in making our world a better place.

Born in Mumbai but living in Cincinnati most of her life, Priya's parents gave her the flexibility to honor her Indian heritage and her faith while raising her in Ohio, where she was conscious of having skin of a different color as well as navigating cultural differences found in American society. Priya always met and handled these challenges.

Priya met her future husband, David, an Israeli, in high school in Cincinnati. Years later, their friendship became serious. Priya had to determine if the religious difference between them would work. David's mother said, "A marriage is like being in a boat and both people need to be rowing in the same direction." She then joined an Introduction to Judaism class with a rabbi who helped her understand that she would not have to forsake her own faith. Fully expecting to be the only one with a face of color, the warmth of everyone she met in the class during the process truly convinced her she was doing the right thing by converting. With the approval of both families, the wedding had it all. A three-day Indian wedding and celebration and Shabbat dinner and services for all guests the night before the Jewish ceremony. David's family was key in helping Priya achieve her desire to create a Jewish home which is filled with love and learning.



When she and David moved to Sarasota, she remained in commercial banking. They joined TEE after they went to a Tot Shabbat with their children and found a program and friends immediately. There was, however, another impact on Priya's life after taking a Federation Israel Momentum trip with other young moms. She had already visited Israel to meet David's family but the trip with the women was life altering... the Ethiopian Jews were commemorating a day when they had returned to Israel, after hundreds of years of exile! They were all of color, beautiful and inspiring...inclusive.

Priya is passionate about making the world a better place and TEE is where she can do it. Mitzvah Day, Tot Shabbat, being able to talk to Rabbi Michael, the Gala, onegs in honor of their children's birth dates, and currently assisting Mitzvah Day planning by developing and testing electronic registration documents with Rabbi Elaine. She quietly fills in the spots when she sees a need...her perspective is so helpful. Right now, she and David have just bought a new business, Anna Maria Rock, a highly regarded crystal stone store with an eye to the spiritual nature of certain stones. It involves lots of hours, but she tries to continue her time at TEE.

As a member, we honor her for a philosophy of kindness, valuing family and community, and a place where one can get and give personal attention to those in need. We thank her for her generosity, allowing us to learn about her life, telling us we are a welcoming family and bringing her adorable kids to outdoor services every week during the pandemic. You and your family really DO make the world a better place!!

Phyllis Dreyfuss

## Membership Committee Celebrates New and 25+ Members

In January 2010, Howie Goldberg emailed Kim Sheintal saying: "I will be taking the photo in the social hall, not the sanctuary. But I do need the ladder. Howie." That month, there was a New Member Shabbat Dinner. Up to that point, there were New Member Breakfasts rather than dinners, and seldom was a photo taken. Howie Goldberg was up on a ladder again this year taking the two photos accompanying this article.

From 2010 thru 2014, Temple Emanu-El held an annual New Member Dinner. Since January 2015, TEE has devoted one Shabbat each year as a New Member/25+ Shabbat to celebrate our newest members with members who have belonged to tem-

ple for at least 25 years with a special pre-services dinner. Because of the pandemic, however, the last time we had an in-person New Member/25+ Dinner was in February 2020, chaired by Dana Rubin. In January 2021, new members received a boxed traditional Shabbat meal and special gift with services only available on Livestream. Then in January 2022, there was an in-person service without a meal and a special gift was given to all of the new members at the Shabbat service.

This year, on February 10, 2023, there was a New Member/25+ Shabbat Reception in Benderson Family Hall prior to services. Forty-six new members, ten members who have belonged to TEE for 25 years or more, greeters (Andi Lieberman and Nikki Queen), President Bob Meisel, Rabbi Brenner Glickman, and Rabbi Shefrin celebrated together with hors d'oeuvres and friendship. Each new member received a special gift and a New Member Packet. A special thanks goes to Adrienne Hutt for working on a New Member Packet explaining the many aspects of temple life, ways to participate, and contact information.

#### Leslie Podolsky and Kim Sheintal Membership Committee Co-Chairs

## Opher Library News: The Book Smugglers

As Cindy Aminoff said in last month's Temple Times, "In February Jonathan Brent, our Kaplan Scholar-in- Residence, spoke about the YIVO Archives, the archives of Eastern European, Yiddish speaking Jews."

This month I would like to talk about The Book Smugglers by David E. Fishman. The cover states in smaller print: "Partisans Poets and the Race to Save Jewish Treasures from the Nazis. The True Story of the Paper Brigade of Vilna." It sounds like an advertisement for a movie. Like many movies, consider this book the prequel to what YIVO is doing today.

The story begins in Vilna prior to the invasion of Lithuania by Germany. Germany wanted the Jewish books as a resource for the field of antisemitic Jewish studies. The rest they wanted to send to the pulp mill. The problem was that the Nazis couldn't read Hebrew and Yiddish. They put Johannes Pohl who was a Nazi in charge of this project. He needed help and forced the Jewish scholars to work as slave labor

on this project. The men and women he recruited had other ideas. Thus" the Paper Brigade" was born. They smuggled as many books, pamphlets, letters etc. as they possibly could to be hidden. This was done at no small risk to their own lives. Being caught could cost them their lives. The book follows this band of scholars throughout the war. It documented the fates of those who survived and those who didn't. The history continues to post war Vilna. Those members of "the Paper Brigade" who survived returned to retrieve the hidden documents. In some cases, the building where they were hidden had been destroyed. Other caches had been located. They were then shocked and disillusioned when the Soviet Union wanted to pick up where the Germans left off. The documents again had to be smuggled to safety.

Why had this group of scholars risked their lives for these books? Rachela Krinsky -Melezin answered this question, "I didn't believe at the time the time that my head belonged to me. We thought we could do something for the future".

We too have books, DVDs etc. on all parts of our religion and culture. Come to the Opher Library and discover parts of your heritage.

Any questions or suggestions contact either: Cindy Aminoff, 847-433-0153, cinamino@gmail.com or Rosalind Lieberman 941-922-4517, simone9@comcast.net.

Happy Reading,

Rosalind Lieberman Librarian



## Family Seder

## A Journey Out of Egypt An Interactive Night of Passover Experience

#### Fun Passover children's activities and crafts!

In the spirit of Passover this event is open to all who are seeking a fun and meaningful Passover experience.

## Saturday, April 8 5:30pm - 7:30pm

**Location:** Temple Emanu-El 151 McIntosh Rd, Sarasota, FL 34232

Adult / \$30 Child (5-13) / \$15

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Alice Cotman Sisterhood Gift Shop Buyer/Manager







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## Register Now for Mitzvah Day 2023!

The Mitzvah Day Committee happily announces that registration is open for Temple Emanu-El Mitzvah Day 2023! Slated for Sunday, May 7, beginning at noon, Mitzvah Day is a meaningful, inspiring, fun afternoon of hands-on community service and donation drives.

Temple Emanu-El's Mitzvah Day has grown larger and more exciting each year, and we are hoping that the energy continues in 2023. With many mitzvah projects - including the opportunity to decorate cards for soldiers, hospitalized patients, and nursing home residents; wrap books for disadvantaged schoolchildren; knit blankets and other items for needy infants; help with clerical work for local charities; host musical entertainment and socializing at a local senior center; volunteer at the food bank and animal sanctuaries; prepare bag lunches and hot meals for the homeless; assemble gift bags for disadvantaged girls, hygiene kits for homeless veterans, and comfort bags for chemotherapy patients and hospitalized children; make toys and treats for homeless animals; host an ice cream and crafts social for foster children and a picnic and musical walk for visually-impaired people; decorate cookies for firefighters; knot fleece blankets and make friendship bracelets for children; make kugels for those in need of support and cheer; prepare stakes to help Mote Marine mark sea turtle nests; and support our library – as well as donation drives for new and like-new clothing for children and teens; nail polish/cosmetics/ hair accessories/toiletries; diapers and wipes; board games; towels, sheets, and underwear for older veterans; school supplies; 100 tubes of ChapStick and 100 pairs of comfy warm socks; dental items; and pet food and toys, plus a blood drive, an opportunity to register for bone marrow matching, a chance to meet adoptable pets, and a youth group bake sale to benefit Camp Jenny, there is an opportunity for everyone to get involved and engage in tikkun olam - repairing the brokenness in our world. Goodwill Manasota's GivingMobile will also return this year, collecting clothes, shoes, household items, and electronics - enabling us to do good while also doing our spring cleaning! Brotherhood will once again generously sponsor a pizza lunch.

We have moved to online registration for Mitzvah Day this year! Please watch your inbox and Messages from the Temple for the Mitzvah Day registration form; it is also available on our website at www.sarasotatemple. org – just click on the Mitzvah Day tab at the top right of the page. (And if you have trouble registering online, you can always contact Mitzvah Day chair Rabbi Elaine for help!) The registration deadline is April 24, although early registration is recommended as many projects fill early.

Mitzvah Day Chair Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman and the dedicated and wonderful Mitzvah Day Committee members all look forward to sharing Mitzvah Day 2023 with you!

## Social Action Committee: **News**

Rabbi Glickman, Bettianne Marcus and Lisa Phifer represented Temple Emanu-El at the All Faiths Food Bank awards celebration on February 24, 2023, where TEE was again recognized as the top fundraiser for the seventh year in a row.

I am pleased to announce that Temple Emanu-el is also being recognized for its service to Second Chance Last Opportunity this year and received the **Above and Beyond** award at their second annual Healing and Hope Gala on March 24, 2023.

Thank you to our generous congregants for supporting our February drive for SPARCC.

Check next month's Temple Times for information about our new Mental Health Initiative.

We welcome Brooke Belodoff as our newest SAC member.

Please remember that you can always bring food and clothing donations to the temple office year round for distribution to Second Chance Last Opportunity.

## Susan Rosenbaum Social Action Committee Chair



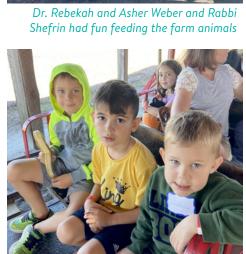
### Temple Emanu-El Tot Shabbat Returns to the Strawberry Fields

Saturday morning, February 4, marked one of Temple Emanu-El's signature annual events for young Jewish and interfaith families: "Strawberry Fields Tot Shabbat" at Hunsader Farms!

In partnership with PJ Library and with the generosity of an anonymous "angel" donor, we welcomed a vibrant capacity crowd of parents, grandparents, and little ones for a wonderful Shabbat morning celebrating the beauty of our natural world. Attendees enjoyed exploring the grounds of Hunsader Farms - playing on the playground, feeding the farm animals, having a picnic lunch, and participating in Shabbat prayers, songs, movement, birthday blessings, and a story with Associate Rabbi Michael Shefrin - and were treated to a wonderful ride throughout the farm on an oldfashioned train!

"Strawberry Fields Tot Shabbat is always a special time," Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman commented. "Our families love spending the morning at Hunsader and seeing the fun and natural beauty from a Jewish and Shabbat-centered perspective. The smiles and excitement are abundant!"

Temple Emanu-El Tot Shabbat programs are free, open to the community, and designed especially for families with children up to age 6. This month will bring an Israel at 75-themed Tot Shabbat to celebrate the Jewish State on Saturday, April 15, at 10 a.m., with special, meaningful, and fun activities for our youngest Zionists. For more information about Tot Shabbat, or to receive invitations to upcoming Tot Shabbat events, please contact Rabbi Elaine at 379-1997.



Tot Shabbat kids were (mostly) smiles on the Hunsader Farms train ride

### **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

**APRIL 2023** 

Friday, April 7

Shabbat Unplugged Under the Stars / 7:15 pm

Wednesday, April 12

Service with Yizkor / 10:30 am

Friday, April 14

Teers Family Shabbaton / 6:00 pm Erev Shabbat / 7:15 pm

Friday, April 21

Israeli Shabbat / 7:15 pm

Friday, April 28

Erev Shabbat / 7:15 pm

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Rabbi Mimi Weisel and their families
on the death of a loved one
so precious and dear.

Our membership mourns the loss of former congregant Flo Axelrod.

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

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## Kaplan Scholar-in-Residence Dr. Jonathan Brent Educates and Inspires

Temple Emanu-El was honored to welcome Dr. Jonathan Brent, Executive Director and CEO of YIVO, the Institute for Jewish Research, as this year's Kaplan Scholar-in-Residence on Friday, February 10, and Saturday, February 11.

An award-winning historian, translator, writer, teacher, and filmmaker, Brent captivated attendees with his brilliant, impassioned, and engaging presentations. His Friday evening talk explored the unknown but essential truths about Eastern European Jewry and emphasized the importance of learning about and knowing our own culture and history. On Saturday morning, Brent facilitated a fascinating multimedia discussion entitled "Raiders of the Lost Archives" that illuminated the origins of YIVO and related its past and ongoing missions and programs. The many Temple members and community guests present left inspired, uplifted, and enriched.

"My mind is still working to ponder all of the fascinating information that Jonathan Brent shared with us," Associate Rabbi Michael Shefrin commented. "He was bright and inspired, and I loved hearing from him. Our committee, led capably by the fabulous Wendy Wicks and Ellen Klein, are true visionaries! Our minds and our hearts have been opened

to another layer of Jewish history. Thanks to everyone who made the Kaplan Scholar-in-Residence Shabbat happen."

"What I want most from a Scholar-in-Residence is to bring something special to us, that we don't have here or cannot offer here," Senior Rabbi Brenner Glickman stated. "Jonathan Brent brought fresh scholarship and perspective to an important area of history and historiography that no one else could provide. It was riveting.

"I especially liked his presentation on Friday night," Rabbi Glickman added, "when he told us about how he came to encounter the vast Yiddish archive and what it meant to him and what it means to us.

"The committee picked another winner this year. How do they keep doing this?" he concluded. "Each year is totally different, but they are all wonderful."

Temple Emanu-El's Scholar-in-Residence program is generously underwritten by Arny and Dee Kaplan. The committee is chaired by Ellen Klein and Wendy Wicks, with members Bob Meisel, Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman, Philip Meltzer, Ellen Zipin, Dr. Ike and Judith Koziol, Cindy and Dan Aminoff, Toby Halpern, Adrienne Hutt, Rita Feder, and Esther Rose.





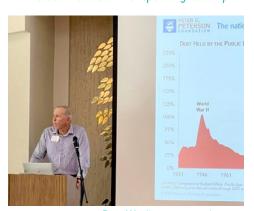
## Photo Gallery



Dr. Michael April speaking on Maccabiah Games Then & Now



Stan Levenson Maccabiah Games 1953 track medals winner speaking at temple



Doc Werlin presentation at Brotherhood Breakfast



Nikki Queen and Andi Lieberman were all smiles at the Havurah Kick Off held on January 30



Though she is 96 years old and no longer leaves her apartment, Lucy Aker likes to keep up with what is going on at temple



Don Malawsky and Neil Klaber advertising temple circus outing March 4th event sponsored by Brotherhood



Gourmet Dining Havurah on February 1 -Left side (front to back): Cindy Aminoff, Marjorie Goldstein, Bruce Goldstein; right side (front to back: Dan Aminoff, Keith Samuels, Christy Samuels



Movies and Food Havurah on February 26
- Foreground taking photo: Elwin Schwartz; seated: Bobby Duban, Ruth Taylor, Howard Taylor, Peter Intrator, Alan Miller, Charlotte Miller, Judy Intrator; standing: Ron Shapo, Marilyn Shapo, Cheryl Schwartz, Cindy Aminoff, Dan Aminoff, Lynne Pewterbaugh, Doug Pewterbaugh

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### Mah Jongg, Junior Shabbat, and More!

A wonderful new initiative undertaken by young moms at Temple Emanu-El Religious School (TEERS) has taken shape and brought exciting new programming to our community! A morning of learning to play mah jongg and the inaugural "Junior Shabbat" – a Shabbat celebration designed especially for families with children in kindergarten through third grade, featuring Shabbat blessings with Rabbi Brenner Glickman and a terrific interactive worship experience created by Rabbi Michael Shefrin, Religious School Director Snait Ben-Herut, MAJE, and music teacher Morah Sarah Michaels –



highlighted February, and more programs are planned for the months ahead. Please watch our Temple Emanu-El Facebook and Instagram pages for updates, or contact Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman for more details – and, in the meantime, please enjoy these photos showing the engagement and smiles of our children and parents!



Jessi and Ziva Sheslow and Elise and Arielle Ramer had a wonderful time at Junior Shabbat



Religious School Director Morah Snait Ben-Herut, MAJE, and songleader Sarah Michaels led wonderful music during Junior Shabbat



Brody Parker and Dylan Rose Gates and Elle Zukas joined Rabbi Elaine in the blessing over the challah



Junior Shabbat moms and children kindled the Shabbat candles together



Asher Weber decorated his prayer binder during Junior Shabbat



Junior Shabbat participants joined Rabbi Shefrin on the bima as the Ark was opened



Young Temple moms had a great morning learning to play mah jongg with volunteer instructor and Temple member Marni Mount



Volunteer instructor and Temple member Susan Schlossberg taught mah jongg to an appreciative and enthusiastic group of young Temple moms



Fane Sigal, Leah Verier-Dunn, and Avi and Joah Sigal-Verier led the kiddush at Junior Shabbat

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#### **ZOOM / WHEN: THURS, MAY 18, 10:30 AM**

We've explored the galleries of the Museum of the Southern Jewish Experience (MSJE), but many more stories remain to be told. Dive back into the MSJE's core exhibition for expanded conversations on the experiences of Jewish communities in the American South, some during pivotal times in American History.

Lizzi Meister, Public Programs Manager at the MSJE, returns to share further stories related to their museum holdings. Dive back into the MSJE's core exhibition to explore expanded conversations of the experiences of Jewish communities in the American South. Learn more about lesser known stories of southern Jewish experiences during pivotal aspects of American history. The MSJE team will walk us through the galleries and have a conversation about this unique yet universal story.

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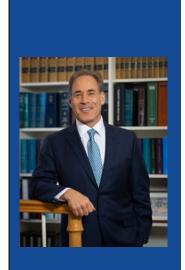


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1	Zoom Social Hour 5:00 pm	16	Social Justice Committee Meeting 7:00 pm
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3	Lunch With the Rabbis12:00 pm Religious School5:30 pm	18	Mitzvah Knitters
	Mitzvah Knitters	19	Brotherhood Book Club 3:30 pm  Sisterhood Meeting
6	Family Shabbat7:15 pmZachary Heller Bar Mitzvah10:30 amTorah Study11:00 am	20	Tot Shabbat – Giving Thanks10:00 am Torah Study
7	Sisterhood & Brotherhood Derby de Mayo 5:30 pm  Brotherhood Board Meeting 9:30 am  Religious School	21	Religious School Teacher Appreciation / End of Year Celebration9:30 am Movie Discussion: Speer Goes to Hollywood 1:00 pm
	Mitzvah Day12:00 pm	22	Zoom Social Hour 5:00 pm
8	Zoom Social Hour 5:00 pm	24	Social Action Committee Meeting 1:30 pm
9	Adult Education Committee Meeting10:30 am  Sisterhood Board Meeting	25	SSELC Graduation
11	Fluid Dance	26	Office Closed / SSELC Last Day of School Shavuot Festival Service with Yizkor10:30 am
12	Brotherhood Shabbat Dinner 5:30 pm Brotherhood Shabbat 7:15 pm	27	Confirmation Shabbat
13	Torah Study	27 29	Torah Study
14	Mother's Day / Religious School Closed		Zoom Social Hour 5:00 pm
15	Philanthropy Committee Meeting. 5:00 pm Zoom Social Hour 5:00 pm Board of Trustees Meeting 6:30 pm Membership Committee Meeting Zoom 7:00 pm	31	SSELC Summer Camp 18:30 am

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