



# Temple Times

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## Rabbi's Message: Our People Lives

On October 7, we were stunned by Hamas's horrific invasion of Israel. On October 15, we launched Project Amichai at Temple Emanu-El.

Since that day, we have stood together to connect with and support Israel and each other. Since that day, we have prayed, fasted, meditated, engaged in ritual, counseled, advocated, researched, read, created, encouraged, learned, discussed, comforted, fund-raised, written, and donated. Since that day, we have felt fear, rage, and grief; but we have also experienced courage, determination, and hope. We have cried out but also spoken out; we have anguished but also acted.

As I write these words, we have just welcomed the new year of 2024, and there are rumors of further hostage

releases. By the time you read this message, another month will have passed. Although I pray for good news and for peace, I do not know what has happened in Israel during those intervening weeks. But I know what has happened here at Temple Emanu-El:

Support and meditation. Daily prayer for Israel. Weekly challah-making to amplify these prayers. Exploring, recommending, and contributing to charities that aid and uplift our people in Israel. Advocating for Israel with government officials, on university campuses, and in the media. Combating disinformation and spreading truth. Crafting and selling bracelets to feed hungry Israelis. Supporting members of the Israel Defense Forces and consoling the families of those who gave their lives for the Jewish State.

And the continuation of our special monthly Project Amichai events: This

month will bring Amichai Kids on Sunday, February 11, at noon – a Gaga (Israeli dodgeball) tournament and hands-on Israel activity stations especially for families. Amichai Kids will be an age-appropriate, meaningful, and enjoyable way for our children to deepen their connections to Israel, and a wonderful complement to November's Faith in Israel Blood Drive, December's Amichai Reads book discussion group and letter-writing to displaced Israeli tweens and teens, and January's Challah Bake. (Watch your inbox for details about Amichai Kids

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*Jaime Wolfson, Susan Meisel, and Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman*



Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman

and about Project Amichai events to come in future months!)

What do all of these Project Amichai initiatives have in common? The answer actually lies in the name Amichai.

Amichai is a compound word, composed of *Ami* and *Chai*. *Ami* means “my people” – the people Israel, and the Jewish people. Every initiative is created to support *ami* – our people.

And the second part of Amichai – “*Chai*” – means “life.” With every initiative, we affirm action over passivity, strength over acquiescence, hope over despair – life over death.

I do not know what has happened between the time I wrote these words and you read them. We do not know what will happen in the days, weeks, and months ahead. But we do know this: We are the people Israel. We are a people of action, of strength, of hope – of life.

Our people lives. Am Yisrael Chai!

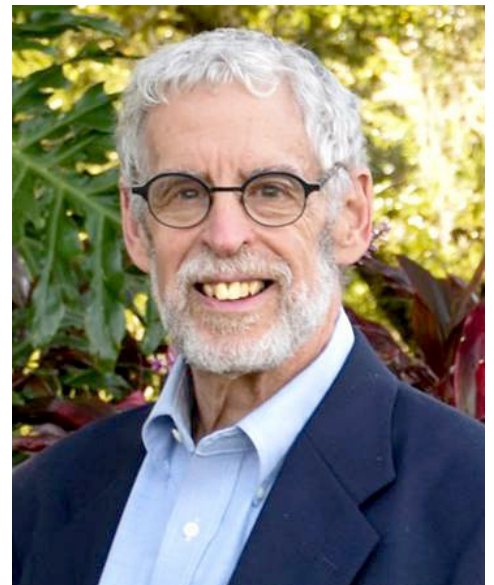
**Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman**

## President’s Message: Engagement

Lately, it seems that a lot of people have been talking to me about engagement – at board meetings, at onegs, and with the Membership Committee. So, I thought it might be nice to talk about it here. To be sure we are all talking about the same thing, I looked up the definition of engagement. While there are many different meanings of the word, the context for us is involvement.

We experience fantastic involvement when there is a major event, either positive or negative. When Hurricane Ian hit around the High Holidays in 2022, our congregation mobilized. Every household was called by a phone squad of over 60 people, houses were opened up to those who needed to evacuate, and assistance was given to those who needed it. When the horrific attack in Israel occurred on October 7, hundreds gathered in solidarity, and even more participated – and continue to participate – in the quickly launched Project Amichai. On the positive side, look at Mitzvah Day. That annual event currently attracts over 400 people leading and participating in meaningful projects.

So, I think when people express concern or question about engagement, they are asking how to keep people involved on a routine or ongoing basis, especially in light of our increased membership. Looking at Temple Emanu-El, there is certainly no lack of opportunity. Religious services, study sessions, classes, social events – they are all there, in abundance. And there are several ways to know what’s coming up. Check out the articles and flyers in the *Temple Times* (after you finish reading this article 😊). Or go to the temple website and look at the Events list or the calendar.



Bob Meisel

Getting people involved is a two-way street – we need to draw new members in, and new members need to find their niche. Many long-standing members attend services and events routinely. They know lots of temple members and are comfortable being there. I would encourage those members to look around at an oneg, or a class, or a program, and see if there is someone you don’t know, maybe standing alone. Go over and introduce yourself, ask them to join you, introduce them to others. I actually have a similar suggestion for our newer members. Try several different venues – attend events, join a committee, lead a project. See what appeals to you. And when there, introduce yourself to others. Not so comfortable breaking into a small group of friends? Find someone else standing alone and strike up a conversation, learn a little about each other. Your network and your participation will grow.

Why did I focus on engagement? Because being involved will make your temple membership so much more rewarding. Trust me, I speak from experience.

**Bob Meisel**  
**Temple President**



## Executive Director's Message: Staff Corner - Getting to Know Chelsea Rose

Chelsea joined our team in August 2023, and we are thrilled she did! With the temple's growth, more office support was needed to help with daily operations and a new role was created to fulfill this need. Ideally, the new position would provide more office support and help with our online presence, including the website. It was a challenging endeavor to find someone with this range of skill sets, so we hit the golden ticket when we found Chelsea. Chelsea has a background working in an office, is an ace with technology, is a professional photographer, and delivers top customer service. These core elements have been an incredible gift to our office staff and members. Chelsea greets everyone with a smile and works with a friendly determination to solve any task presented to her.

Chelsea shared the information below so we can all get to know her more.

### Personally

I'm a proud mom of two wonderful kids (9 & 11), and our family recently embarked on a new chapter by moving from my hometown Williamsburg, VA to Sarasota in 2021. This change has brought a refreshing start to our lives! In addition to being a mom, I enjoy



spending time at the beach, cheering for my son at soccer games, eating tasty tacos, and capturing special moments through my love for photography.

### Professionally

Before moving to Sarasota, I operated a full-time family and newborn photography studio. However, in 2020, due to the pandemic, I made the decision to close the studio to prioritize schooling for my children. Since relocating, I now pursue photography part-time and as a hobby, predominantly outdoors.

At TEE, my role is Office and Web Support. I'm the liaison for event flyers and the Temple Times, but you may also find me answering phones or filling in at the front desk. I'm also involved with the temple's online presence, working on the website, organizing events on ShulCloud, and promoting the temple's social media pages.

## What I enjoy about working at TEE

In our vibrant and expanding community at the temple, there's always a lively buzz of activity, providing a dynamic and engaging work environment. I find great satisfaction in staying busy and am particularly fond of the meaningful social interactions within our diverse congregation, where members (old and new) have generously shared valuable insights with me. Moreover, the dedicated staff at TEE has fostered an atmosphere of honesty and trustworthiness, a quality that I truly value in my workplace.

Please say hello and introduce yourself to Chelsea when you come in.

Shalom,

**Christine Elliott**  
Executive Director



Christine Elliott



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941-366-1244

#### Venice Arthritis Center

411 Commercial Ct, Suite D  
Venice, FL 34292  
941-484-4409

The December 17 classical musical event was really special this year. Two Violins Encore, featuring Chung Von (Cy) Hong and Anne Chandra, violinists with Sarasota Orchestra, performed music of Charles Auguste de Beriot with an array of music by The Beatles. One hundred ten congregants and community attendees enjoyed the concert. Their performance in the sanctuary was exceptional. The music, given our current world situation, was extremely moving and emotional and was received with a standing ovation.

On January 14, Brotherhood co-sponsored with Social Action Committee and Sisterhood, our 10th annual Martin Luther King Tribute. This event, celebrating the 60th Anniversary of his "I Have a Dream" speech enabled the community to recognize the valuable contributions of this outstanding leader.

On January 27, the Temple Emanu-El annual Bocce Ball tournament vs. the Cascade Ballers Supreme was held. Sorry to report that we lost once again, our 10th consecutive defeat but fun was had by all, and the pizza and camaraderie were excellent.

Our interest groups continue to flourish and expand. The travel interest group and the temple community are invited to attend a complimentary travel seminar on February 6 from 3 pm-7 pm at Palm Aire County Club. Registration link is <https://www.bookthatescape.com/form/SLTF%202024>. Over 20 vendors will be presenting their unique offerings and holding individual sessions for those interested.

Brotherhood Sports Nite on February 25 at 6 pm will provide insights into the Super Bowl with guest speakers Aaron & Jake Jacobson from morning sports talk show on Tampa radio.



*Ken Simon*

On March 2, Brotherhood is sponsoring a temple outing to the circus – TEE's "A Night at the Circus". Come see internationally acclaimed performances including a variety of talent and awe-inspiring acts for families and boys and girls of all ages. We have been able to obtain special pricing for families (approximately 33% off) and excellent seats for this amazing event!

March 10 Brotherhood is co-sponsoring with Sisterhood and the Israeli committee a bus trip to the Holocaust Museum. There will be a docent-led tour of this small but extraordinary museum. The Museum's core exhibition is History, Heritage and Hope featuring original artifacts, video, and photos. It presents the history of the Holocaust beginning with the history of anti-Semitism and life before World War II, followed by the rise of Hitler and the Nazis and anti-Jewish legislation.

Brotherhood looks forward to a rich schedule of events throughout the year, partnering with Sisterhood, Israel committee, the religious school, and the community.

On a personal note, Susan and I will be out of the country most of February. We will be traveling on a cruise from Singapore to Hong Kong with land extensions as we check off another bucket list item in our quest to see the world.

**Ken Simon**  
Brotherhood President

It is February 2024 and Sisterhood activities are well under way. On January 2, we began a new year with a book discussion hosted by our popular Book Club. Discussions will continue each month on the first Tuesday at 1:30 pm in Benderson. For more information, email [teebookclub@gmail.com](mailto:teebookclub@gmail.com). Our other interest groups are alive and well. Canasta meets on the third Friday of each month at the temple and Let's Do Lunch meets monthly at various restaurants. For more information email [judygteee@gmail.com](mailto:judygteee@gmail.com).

January was highlighted by two major celebrations. The Martin Luther King tribute, an event co-sponsored with Brotherhood and the Social Action committee, featured music by Greatness Beyond Measure and several inspiring speeches. The program celebrated the 60th anniversary of Dr. King's "I Have A Dream" speech and was received by an enthusiastic audience.

Additionally in January, we held this year's Sisterhood's Paid-Up Member luncheon. After we enjoyed a lovely lunch, we were treated to a fashion show presented by Evelyn & Arthur, with outfits modeled by our own TEE sisters. The event was successfully chaired by Membership Vice-President, Betty Perlmutter, and Judy Handleman, Sisterhood Trustee. The food was terrific. The fashions were beautiful. Kim Sheintal's centerpieces exquisitely enhanced the tables. All in all, quite a successful event!

We look forward this month to our final Lunch & Learn of the year on Monday, February 12 at 11:30 am. Join us to hear Carrie Seidman share her thoughts on available mental health services in Sarasota – how far we have come in the past decade and what is still missing. We miss her column in





*Susan Simon and Judy Fine*

the Herald-Tribune and look forward to hearing from her once again.

Save the date:

March 4 for our annual visit to the Embracing Our Differences exhibit at Bayfront Park. We join with ORT members for a docent led tour (Sarah Wertheimer is a fabulous guide!) followed by an optional lunch together.

March 10 we will be joining Brotherhood and the Israel Committee on a visit to St. Petersburg and tour of the Holocaust Museum. Reservations are limited due to the capacity of the museum, so please register early. The bus will leave Temple Emanu-El promptly at 8:15 am.

A gentle reminder: your purchases at the Sisterhood Gift Shop help make a substantial contribution to the end of year gift we make to the Religious School. Alice Cotman maintains a beautiful selection of Judaica and we encourage you to patronize the shop. It is open before and after services and temple events or by appointment with Alice.

We look forward to seeing you at our next event.

**Judy Fine and Susan Simon**  
**Sisterhood Co-Presidents**



**WELCOME!**

**TEMPLE EMANU-EL  
WELCOMES THE  
FOLLOWING MEMBERS**

Arnold, Dr. Laura  
& Dr. George  
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& Russell "Bucky"  
Goldberg, Karen  
Gordon, Deborah "Debbie"  
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& Laurel "Laurie"  
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## Inspiration and Optimism in 2024

The objectives of this article are to help you with two challenges. The first challenge is to deliver focus and clarity to the endless choices we have for philanthropy. The second challenge is to highlight how generosity may be directed specifically to help current and future beneficiaries.

A remedy for the exhausting feeling of “choice overload” can be delivered by identifying (1) causes that you value (2) causes that appreciate your support (3) causes that you want to flourish. Once you have answered the three questions, exhaustion subsides and is replaced by inspiration and optimism. However, the last question is the most powerful. The last question is (4) what are the other sources of support? Overwhelmingly, Jewish organizations receive most of their support from Jews. Temple Emanu-El is a self-sustaining entity because of the support and generosity of its members.

There is a saying in Judaism, *L'dor Va-Dor*, which means from generation to generation. Typically, it is understood to mean the transmission of values, rituals, traditions, and history to the next generation.

What if we expanded the definition to include the successful continuity of Temple Emanu-El? Shouldn't future generations in Sarasota, FL, enjoy the congregation which has provided all of us with an innovative and engaging Jewish community?

The second goal of this article is to highlight how generosity can be directed specifically to help the fam-



Joseph M. Feldman

ilies of Temple Emanu-El in 2024 and beyond 2024. Let us start with a question, “Will your gift be endowed or expendable?”

An endowed gift supports a permanent, self-sustaining source of funding. Endowment assets are invested for potential growth. In this way, an endowment can increase and provide support for its designated purpose. An expendable gift is money given by a donor that is to be deployed immediately for a current priority.

It is logical to ask, “How do I know which type of gift is right for me?” Making a charitable gift is a very personal decision. Temple needs both endowed and expendable gifts to support its mission now and in the future. Determining the impact you hope to have may lead you toward one gift type versus the other. I would be happy to have a conversation with you to help you explore your options.

**Joseph M. Feldman,**  
CFP®  
**Endowment Board**  
**of Trustees**

## Philanthropy Committee: News

Temple Emanu-El over the past year has seen significant growth. Our total membership has increased from 669 to 742 units representing a healthy 11% growth rate. For the same period, the Cornerstone Society has grown from 109 to 119 representing a 9% increase. Both are significant for the future of this temple. With interest in our temple, and the exciting plans being discussed for the expansion of our outdoor green space, the Philanthropy Committee gladly has accepted two new members to the committee. They are Meredith Ernst and Judith Koziol. Let me introduce you to them.

### Meredith Ernst

Meredith Grew up in Pacific Palisades, California. She and her husband, Al raised their family in East Lansing, Michigan. They have a daughter, son-in law and three grandchildren living in Ann Arbor, Michigan and a son, daughter in-law and



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three grandchildren in Chevy Chase, Md. Meredith moved to Sarasota in 2006 and has been involved in the Jewish community, volunteering with ORT, Aviva, Hadassah, Women's Giving Circle and the Jewish Film Festival. She and Al, impressed with the rabbis and the temple, joined and immediately became members of the Cornerstone Society.

Meredith is delighted to serve on the Temple's Philanthropy Committee. Her professional background and strong desire to help others are a perfect fit for this committee and for establishing a culture of philanthropy. She plans to focus her efforts on cultivating relationships with prospective donors within the congregation to help maintain Temple Emanu-El's financial stability.

#### Judith Koziol

Judith grew up in Brooklyn, NY. She and her husband Ike moved from

Richmond, Va to Sarasota in 2019. They have a son and daughter in law with four grandchildren in Henniker, NH and a son and daughter in-law and one grandchild in New York City. They joined TEE in September 2020 during the pandemic. After quickly adapting to her new temple, in July 2021 Judith accepted the position of Chair of the Adult Education Committee and held that position for two years.

Judith has brought her experiences as chair of the Adult Activities Committee from Richmond where she participated in a Russian settlement program and served on the board of Federation and Jewish Family Services. Her experiences led her to be chair of the Women's Campaign of Federation and in addition she chaired the board of the Jewish Nursing Home and led the expansion campaign that helped potential donors to see the importance of the project. With care, vision and

good planning the assisted living facilities were successful. Judith chooses to be part of this important committee to work towards defining goals and helping to see that these are achieved. TEE is a temple that I truly love and want to see it continue to flourish.


The committee is so fortunate to have these fine women as committee members. Please join me in welcoming them!!

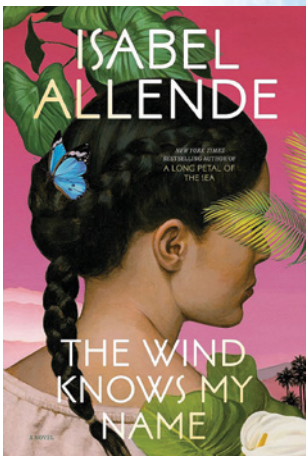
**Barry Gerber**

**Philanthropy Committee Chair**



Barry Gerber





*"The story of a child sent to England to escape 1938 Nazi-occupied Austria is intertwined with the 2019 story of a refugee from El Salvador separated from her parents."*

—The L.A. Times

**Tuesday, February 6 @ 1:30 pm**  
Benderson Family Hall

**Contact Karen Androphy For More Information**  
at [TEEBookClub@gmail.com](mailto:TEEBookClub@gmail.com)

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# BUILDING COMMUNITY

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**Barbara Brizdle**

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11 A.M.  
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**SARASOTA YACHT CLUB**  
**1100 JOHN RINGLING BLVD, SARASOTA**

Sponsorships and tickets are available at [www.sarasotatemple.org](http://www.sarasotatemple.org)  
For more information, contact Denise Cotler at [gala@sarasotatemple.org](mailto:gala@sarasotatemple.org)



Proceeds will further Temple Emanu-El's efforts to build a safe and thriving community.

## Membership Committee: You Are Appreciated Here

“You belong here” is the Temple Emanu-El tagline, but at the Appreciation Shabbat on December 1, the tagline “You are appreciated here” was more appropriate. Appreciation Shabbat was a special evening abundant with gratitude and appreciation extending thanks to our members and friends for making Temple Emanu-El the amazing place it has become. Adrienne Cohen, Appreciation Shabbat Chair, decorated several tables with numerous framed collages highlighting our rabbis, veterans, pets, committee chairs, board members, Our Jewish Future families, Sisterhood, Brotherhood, and much more. In February, the Membership Committee will be hosting a reception for all those who have been Temple Emanu-El members 25 years or more and for those members who joined within the last 12 months. We appreciate all our members and that is a lot of appreciating since we now have over 1,500 members if you include all of the individual members.

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



*Appreciation Shabbat was a Shabbat of thankfulness, appreciation, and gratitude filled with photos, food, and friendly people*



## CONVERSATIONAL HEBREW I & II

### CONVERSATIONAL HEBREW I

9:45 am – 10:45 am

### CONVERSATIONAL HEBREW II

11:00 am – 12:00 pm

#### LOCATION

Temple Emanu-El Conference Room

### QUESTIONS?

Contact Cheryl Cohen  
941-355-2870  
sarasotaclrc@yahoo.com

Classes will be ongoing on Mondays and taught by Cheryl Cohen, who lived in Israel and has 30 years of experience teaching languages. Hebrew I begins at 9:45am and introduces basic vocabulary including greetings, family, weather and food. Accommodations will be made for those who need to learn the alef-bet. Hebrew II is at 11:00am and builds upon this vocabulary and includes short readings.

**Classes are open to temple members and the community.**

### ADVANCE REGISTRATION REQUIRED:

[SarasotaTemple.org](http://SarasotaTemple.org)



# Adult Education Update

2024 is rapidly speeding by and The Adult Education Committee started the year with a very successful 4-part series, “Kings, Conquerors, Cunning Women.” A huge thank you to Rabbi Brenner Glickman for leading us through the Great Bible Stories from the Prophetic Narratives. We have plenty of programs to look forward to in the months ahead.



## Upcoming Programs

**On-going Mondays: Conversational Hebrew I & II** Classes are taught by Cheryl Cohen who lived in Israel. Hebrew I introduces basic vocabulary including greetings, weather and food. Accommodations will be made for those who need to learn the Alef-Bet. Hebrew II builds upon this vocabulary. For questions call Cheryl at 941-355-2870 or email her at [sarasotaclrc@yahoo.com](mailto:sarasotaclrc@yahoo.com).

**Three up-coming classes - February 5/March 11/April 15, 10:30 am, Benderson: Ageless Grace with Judith Koziol.** Co-sponsored with the Membership Committee Register online at [SarasotaTemple.org](http://SarasotaTemple.org)

**February 21, 10:30 am, Benderson: “The History & Purpose of Jewish Theater in Sarasota”** Presented by Carole Kleinberg, Artistic Director of Sarasota Jewish Theatre, retired Director of Education and Outreach for the Aso-lo Rep and Artistic Director of the Banyan Theatre. Ms. Kleinberg will also reminisce about the general history of Sarasota’s Jewish community.

**March 17, 1:00pm, Benderson: Sunday at The Movies “Waldheim Waltz”.** Co-sponsored with the Israel Committee. A biographical drama film about Kurt Josef Waldheim, former UN Secretary General and the controversy of his participation and role in the Nazi regime during WWII. Admission: \$5.00 p/p for members; \$10.00 p/p for non-members. Register online at [SarasotaTemple.org](http://SarasotaTemple.org).

**March 19, 10:30 am, Benderson: “Our Constitution in the News”** by Judge Judith Barzilay. Co-sponsoring with the Social Justice Committee. Judge Barzilay is a retired Senior United States Judge of the US Court of International Trade. This timely class will review the structure of our Constitution, the materials covered by the seven articles of our Constitution, the first ten amendments and a general review of the Bill of Rights.

**April 8, 10:30 am Benderson: “Aging with Jewish Wisdom Part 2”** by Rabbi Mimi Weisel. This program is a follow-up to the immensely popular program Rabbi Mimi presented in July 2023.

We hope to see you at these exciting programs. For further information or questions, please contact [Sharon.G.Miles@gmail.com](mailto:Sharon.G.Miles@gmail.com) or [SaraWeinberg28@gmail.com](mailto:SaraWeinberg28@gmail.com).

**Sharon Miles & Sara Weinberg**  
**Adult Education Committee Co-Chairs**



Sara Weinberg and Sharon Miles



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# TORAH STUDY

SATURDAYS AT 11:00 AM VIA ZOOM

Date	Torah Portion	Presenter
Dec. 2	Vayishlach	Rabbi Brenner Glickman
Dec. 9	Vayeishev/Shabbat Chanukah	Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman
Dec. 16	Mikeitz	Rabbi Mimi Weisel
Dec. 23	Vayigash	Dan Aminoff
Dec. 30	Va-y'chi	Sabrina Silverberg
Jan. 6	Shemot	Rabbi Michael Shefrin
Jan. 13	Va-eira	Rabbi Mimi Weisel
Jan. 20	Bo	Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman
Jan. 27	B'shalach	Rabbi Brenner Glickman
Feb. 3	Yitro	Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman
Feb. 10	Mishpatim	Rabbi Michael Shefrin
Feb. 17	Trumah	Rabbi Mimi Weisel
Feb. 24	Scholar in Residence	(No Torah Study)



Instructor subject to change. [www.sarasotateemple.org](http://www.sarasotateemple.org)

## Social Action Committee: News

Social Action is pleased to welcome Carol Chafetz, Rachel Sesser, and Francine Shogel as new members of the Social Action Committee. Our committee is stronger than ever but are still looking for more men! If you want to join in our effort, please contact Susan Rosenbaum, [srosenbaum28@gmail.com](mailto:srosenbaum28@gmail.com).



Susan Rosenbaum

SAC will once again have a donation drive during the month of February for SPARCC - Safe Place and Rape Crisis Center. SPARCC offers a 24/7 shelter, 365 days a year, along with support services for women and children in Sarasota and surrounding counties. The clientele are victims of domestic abuse and sexual violence.

Our "Spread the Love" drive seeks donations of: sponges and dish cloths, spray disinfectants and cleaners, anti-bacterial wipes, paper plates and cups (no styrofoam, please), paper towels and gift cards for Walmart, Target, or Publix. A carton will be placed in the front office lobby for the collection. The women and children are so appreciative to know they are not forgotten by their community. Program information: Contact Lita Katzer at [litakatzer@gmail.com](mailto:litakatzer@gmail.com).

Please remember that the money collected in the Temple's Tzedakah Box goes to the Social Action Committee who are working with Project Amichai to donate it to charities in Israel.

**Susan Rosenbaum**  
Social Action Committee Chair

### OUR MEMBERSHIP EXTENDS DEEPEST SYMPATHY

to Betty & Fred Crane, Rivka Drago, Kenna Gluzman, Felice Hedge, Gail & Ben Klein, Naomi Margolick, Tova Phillippe, Ellen Rothbaum, Fran Shapiro-Darby, Louise Werbelow and their families on the death of a loved one so precious and dear.

Our membership mourns the loss of Lucy Aker and Jud Werbelow.

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

## AGELESS GRACE with JUDITH

### MIND-BODY FITNESS CLASSES

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:

Feb. 05, 2024  
Mar. 11, 2024  
April 15, 2024

#### TIME:

10:30 - 11:30am

#### WHERE:

Benderson Family Hall

#### INSTRUCTOR:

Judith Koziol

#### REGISTER ONLINE:

[SarasotaTemple.org](http://SarasotaTemple.org)

#### QUESTIONS?

Contact Judith Koziol  
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Jan 4 & 25  
Feb 1 & 22  
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# Avi Singh Shalev Bar Mitzvah

Avi will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on February 17, 2024, and we are so excited for this joyous milestone in Avi's life. Avi is a 7th grader at Community Day School in Sarasota. As a transplant from Chicago in 2021, when his family came to Sarasota on vacation and decided to stay, Avi has embraced all the joys of outdoor living in Florida. He enjoys swimming, running, biking, and everything in between.

Avi is an avid soccer player and currently plays for FC Sarasota Competitive Team. In addition, he plays for his school soccer team, in the neighborhood, inside the house, and anywhere he can.

Avi spent the last two summers at Camp Tavor in Michigan, and this summer he's going closer to home at Camp URJ Coleman in Georgia. He loves and lives for his summer camp where he can be free to explore his Jewish identity as well as his individuality.

For his Mitzvah project, Avi volunteered for FC Top Soccer as a buddy to children with different abilities. He enjoyed playing with kids of all ages and sharing his passion



Avi Singh Shalev

for soccer. In addition, following in his parents' footsteps working with seniors, Avi also volunteers at a Sarabel-la Senior Center for a weekly Scrabble game with his new friend, Bill.

Avi is our sporty spice who can't sit still for long, so we enjoy staying on the go with him. We've traveled to soccer tournaments far and wide. Avi is also on the debate team at school and he's a natural at making and countering an argument. We've enjoyed his growth on the debate floor as a change from watching him in action on the soccer field. Avi also plays piano because his mom makes him. He's quite adept at learning and playing new songs.

Avi is very social and enjoys flying to visit friends and family near and far. Along with younger brother (Jai), parents (Jaspreet & Itay), and grandparents (Matti, Drora, Ravinder, and Manjeet), we are so proud of Avi's hard work leading up to his Bar Mitzvah and the amazing young man he's becoming in front of our eyes. Mazel Tov, Avi!

**Jaspreet Bindra & Itay Shalev**

## Israeli Games for Confirmation

The new afternoon schedule for Confirmation Class has opened up worlds of possibilities. The principal reason for the later meeting time was to allow our teenagers to serve as *madrichim* aides in the Religious School and still be able to attend confirmation. But an equally pleasant outcome is that the new time that allows our superstar school director to participate. (Call the Religious Schools for the new time.) Morah Snait joined our teenagers for the first time in December, bringing with her several games popular among Israelis. The kids had a ball playing together, and it established one more connection with our people living in Israel. The teens are excited for the next session which Snait entitled "Learning Torah with Taylor Swift."



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Friday, February 16

Friday, April 19



Junior Shabbat is a project of Temple Emanu-El's Junior Sisterhood.  
For more information, please contact Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman.



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**Temple Emanu-El's Popular Monthly Program,  
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# SPORTS NITE MANIA!

**SUNDAY  
FEB 25, 2024  
5:30 PM**



Sports Mavens, Aaron and Jake Jacobson, will schmooze and cruise on all sports stuff including the recent Super Bowl game and the Tampa Bay sports scene. Aaron, host of the highly popular weekday radio sports show "Pat and Aaron" on station WDAE (95.3 FM, 620 AM-Tampa), alongside his dad Jake, will be taking questions on the **BUCS, RAYS, LIGHTNING, TAMPA BAY SUN FC** (a new women's pro soccer team), college sports, and any other sports team or activity.

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

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

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## Opher Library: Yiddish is Making a Comback!

Between 1880 and 1914, around 2 million Yiddish-speaking Jews immigrated to the United States from Eastern Europe, bringing not only their language but also their culture. This influx gave rise to Yiddish newspapers, theaters, and various political and cultural groups. Following World War II and the establishment of the state of Israel, the use of Yiddish declined in the broader community, but it persisted within many Jewish households. Adults, especially, would resort to Yiddish when discussing juicy gossip or telling jokes without the kids catching on.

In recent years, there has been a revival of interest in Yiddish as people seek a connection to their Jewish heritage. Its rich cultural expressions, humor, philosophy, and distinctive idioms set it apart among languages, offering a lively and unique experience. Interested individuals can even take Yiddish lessons online!

Our TEE library is fortunate to have a selection of instructive and fun Yiddish-themed books that are sure to delight, regardless of your ability to speak Yiddish.

*The New Joys of Yiddish* by Leo Rosten is considered the true classic dictionary of the Yiddish language in America. Containing Yiddish, Hebrew and Yinglish words combined with wit, jokes, and cultural history, it literally exemplifies the vibrancy of Jewish life in America.

*Meshuggenary* by Payson R. Stevens, *et al*, is an introduction to the influence of the Yiddish language and culture in America. It offers a wealth of expressions (and insults) and highlights the effect that Yiddish has had on American life.



Michael Wex, in *Born To Kvetch*, explores how Yiddish, with its distinct phrases, idioms and expressions, played a crucial role in helping European Jews endure persecution, as they never ceased to “kvetch”. In *Just Say Nu*, Wex instructs the reader how to use Yiddish to spice up daily conversation, because “Sometimes English will just not do!” This book tells us there is nothing in this world that can’t be improved by being translated into Yiddish!

*Yiddish with Dick and Jane*, by Ellis Weiner and Barbara Davilman, is hysterical! With the classic Dick and Jane characters, readers learn to express their feelings and attitudes in ways that only Yiddish can. Dick “schmoozes” and Jane “schleps”.

We hope this month you’ll visit the library to enjoy the spirit of Yiddish themed books.

Anyone with a TEE library card may borrow books from our library. Questions? Contact Rosalind Lieberman, 941-922-4517 – Simone9@comcast.net, or Cindy Aminoff, 847-433-0153-cinamino@gmail.com

*“Aoyb ir faln gold aun bikher, klaybn ershter di bikher, demot di gold.” Translation: “If you drop gold and books, pick up the books first, then the gold.”*

**Cindy Aminoff**  
Librarian

## Junior Sisterhood: News

Junior Sisterhood is continuing to grow as Temple Emanu-El membership grows! Junior Shabbat has been a fantastic success for our Jewish and interfaith families; the oneg offers a chance to socialize with old and new friends while welcoming Shabbat together with candle lighting, kiddush, a blessing for the children, and delicious homemade challah – and the service that follows is interactive, musical, spiritual, and fun, helping our kids to practice sanctuary behavior in a warm and loving atmosphere. We are looking forward to our next Junior Shabbat on Friday, February 16. Many thanks to Junior Shabbat chair Elise Ramer, Rabbi Shefrin, Morah Snait, and Morah Sarah for making this such an important and wonderful experience!

In addition to Junior Shabbat, Junior Sisterhood made Hanukkah extra delicious with a Hanukkah cookie decorating afternoon for young families on December 10. Event chair Cheryl Kindred, baker Shari Vermulen, icing maven Shera Friedman, and Shayna Resnick did a great job planning this special day. Junior Sisterhood moms



*Kids and families had a fantastic afternoon at the Junior Sisterhood Hanukkah cookie decorating event*





*Cookie decorating chair Cheryl Kindred was interviewed about Hanukkah for ABC 7 news*

also enjoyed a night out at Board and Brush and are looking forward to another event for adults on February 24. Social chairs Helene Zukas and Brittany Gates are in charge of these terrific activities.

Junior Sisterhood is also excited to be making an impact in the wider community. Under the guidance of Temple trustee and Junior Sisterhood member Megan Heller, Junior Sisterhood filled tables at the December 6 Unity Dinner at Temple Emanu-El that raised almost \$100,000 for Leket Israel and at the January 17 National Council of Jewish Women's Women in Power luncheon honoring Rabbi Elaine.

Information about Junior Sisterhood and all the programs and events we will be having can be found on the TEE website. Please email [teejuniorsisterhood@gmail.com](mailto:teejuniorsisterhood@gmail.com) with any questions or to get involved!

**Shera Friedman,  
Junior Sisterhood Co-Chair  
and Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman**

## The Temple Emanu-El Singers

Our wonderful volunteer choir was started over 12 years ago. The size, composition, and skill level of the group changes year to year; however, the spirit of the singers is always strong and heartfelt. Our singers have developed a caring and supportive environment with each other, and we love being a part of our congregation in this way.

The group is always evolving, and we welcome new people to join the TEE Singers. We are currently in need of more singers, especially female voices. We currently rehearse during the day, which does not work for everyone, so we are looking for a way to include everyone who wants to sing.

Want to get to know the TEE Singers better?

- We are a group of about 20 people who love to sing all types of music, with a focus on liturgical or Jewish music. Typically, 8 – 10 people sing at any one event.
- We sing at 2 – 3 Friday night services per year.
- We meet weekly to practice, even during the summer.
- We have sung two concerts at Aviva for the past two years for Mitzvah Day.
- We have presented the Purim Spiel for the past ten years for our congregation and have sung for Sisterhood events.
- We usually present Hanukah sing-a-longs for temple and for local retirement communities.

If you are interested in singing with us on a regular basis or just for specific events, please call Kathy Rance at 941-223-6503. All are welcome.

**Kathy Rance  
TEE Singers Choir Director**





# Hanukkah “Pops Up” with Temple Emanu-El

During covid, Temple Emanu-El initiated gatherings that we called “Pop-Up Hanukkah” – small, outdoor menorah lightings with socially-distanced song sessions; single-serve sufganiyot snacks, and plenty of Purell. Three years later, these “Pop-Up Hanukkah” celebrations have become some of our most anticipated signature programs and continue to bring our Temple family together for festive holiday fun!

In addition to special Hanukkah events for Tot Shabbat families, Members in the Middle, Junior Sisterhood, Social Singles, and more, Temple Emanu-El was excited to host four Pop-Up Hanukkahs this year! The first and seventh nights of Hanukkah brought participants to Temple for the Menorah Lighting on the Green, as members of all ages gathered to recite the Hanukkah blessings, sing Hanukkah songs, nosh on sufganiyot – and kindle the giant, custom-built

tiki torch menorah crafted by our own Steve Weinberger. On the sixth night, Morton’s Market was the site of a Pop-Up Hanukkah expertly hosted by Judy and Alan Wertheimer and Rita and Barry Mazer. Attendees enjoyed delicious fruit plates from Morton’s served by Rabbi Brenner Glickman and they socialized with old and new friends. Before lighting the menorah, Rita Mazer led Hanukkah songs. And – undeterred by the overcast evening and high winds – a surprisingly large and enthusiastic group gathered to celebrate the eighth and final night of Hanukkah at the Pop-Up Hanukkah at Lido Beach. It was too cloudy to see the sunset and too gusty to light the candles – but we made do with an electric menorah, blue-and-white frosted doughnuts, and the bright, fun company of old and new friends! Irv and Doris Ross and Jimmy and Betsy Granite chaired this great evening.



*Rita Mazer led attendees in Hanukkah songs at the Morton’s Market Pop-Up Hanukkah*



*Rabbis Mimi Weisel, Michael Shefrin, Elaine Rose Glickman, and Brenner Glickman enjoyed the bright Hanukkah lights at the Menorah Lighting on the Green*



*As the sun set, Rabbi Brenner Glickman kindled the menorah while Rabbi Shefrin led a spirited song session*



*New and old friends enjoyed the Pop-Up Hanukkah at Morton’s Market*



## Introducing Kaplan Scholar-in-Residence Deborah Dash Moore, Ph.D.

The Kaplan Scholar-in-Residence Committee is proud to invite the community to learn from Deborah Dash Moore, Ph.D. on Friday evening, February 23, and Saturday morning, February 24. The Frederick G.L. Huetwell Professor of History and Professor of Judaic Studies at the University of Michigan, Dr. Dash Moore is an expert on American Jewish history, twentieth century urbanization, and documentary photography. She serves as editor-in-chief of the ten-volume Posen Library of Jewish Culture and Civilization and is the award-winning author of many books and publications, including *GI Jews: How World War II Changed a Generation*; *To the Golden Cities: Pursuing the American Jewish Dream in Miami and L.A.*; and *Urban Origins of American Judaism*. Dr. Dash Moore received her Ph.D. from Columbia University and has taught at Vassar College, the University of Pennsylvania, and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

"The committee decided to build on last year's topic, which focused on the role of Yiddish in the lives of early Jewish immigrants as well as the scholars of Jewish ghettos in Eastern Europe," explained Scholar-in-Residence Committee co-chair Ellen Klein. "This year's scholar will share the development of American Judaism in more recent times."

"This is a very personal story for many of us with families that started in the large urban centers up north," added Scholar-in-Residence Committee co-chair Wendy Wicks. "It explains the migration across this vast country."

Dr. Dash Moore will join our rabbis on the bima during Shabbat services on Friday, February 23, at 7:15 p.m. to speak on "GI Jews: How World War II Changed a Generation."

This fascinating and timely presentation will chart the lives of fifteen young Jewish men as they faced military service and tried to make sense of its demands, simultaneously wrestling with what it meant to be an American and a Jew. She will speak again on Saturday, February 24, at 10:30 a.m., addressing the topic "From Ghetto to Suburbs: Transforming Jewish Life."

"Immigrants from Europe came to cities of U.S.," Dr. Dash Moore stated. "No sooner did they settle, they picked up and moved inland to seek their fortunes." This presentation will demonstrate how the children of East European immigrants both preserved and reshaped their parents' ethnic consciousness in the new world.

Serving on the Scholar-in-Residence Committee are Cindy and Dan Aminoff, Rita Feder, Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman, Toby Halpern, Dr. Janet Hiller, Arnold Kaplan, Dr. Ike and Judith Koziol, Philip Meltzer, Esther Rose, and Ellen Zipin. The Scholar-in-Residence weekend is made possible by generous support from Arny and Dee Kaplan.

For more information about, and to register for, this wonderful program, please visit [www.sarasotateemple.org](http://www.sarasotateemple.org).



Deborah Dash Moore, Ph.D., will serve as this year's Kaplan Scholar-in-Residence

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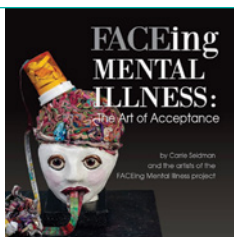
Carrie Seidman, opinion columnist for the Sarasota Herald-Tribune and founder of the FACEing Mental Illness project, podcast and blog, will share her thoughts on available mental health services in Sarasota – how far we've come in the past decade and what's still missing. Join us for this very important topic.

*Bring your lunch. Dessert and coffee, tea and water will be served.*

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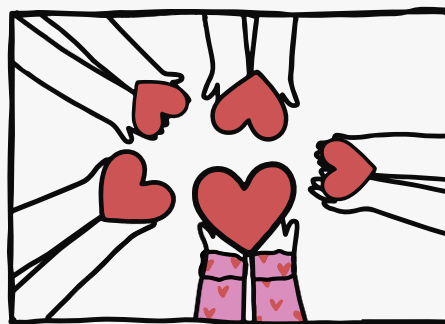
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Carrie Seidman

Seidman has previously been on the staffs of the New York Times, the Los Angeles Herald-Examiner and the Albuquerque Journal and Albuquerque Tribune. Her professional career as an author and award-winning journalist turned toward mental health writing after her adult son was diagnosed with a chronic mental health condition in 2010.

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**February**

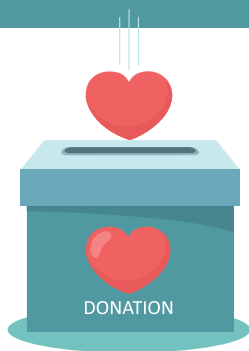
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## THE HISTORY & PURPOSE OF SARASOTA JEWISH THEATRE

With Speaker  
**Carole Kleinberg**

**Wed. Feb. 21, 2024**

10:30 am - 11:45 am

**Benderson  
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Admission is free

Carole Kleinberg is the Artistic Director of Sarasota Jewish Theatre. She is the retired Director of Education and Outreach for the Asolo Rep as well as the former Artistic Director of the Banyan Theatre. Ms. Kleinberg will also reminisce about the general history of Sarasota's Jewish community.



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## TEE STARFISH INITIATIVE



### TEE Starfish Volunteers Team with All Faiths Food Pantry for Food Insecure Families

When we first began the Temple Emanuel-El (TEE) Starfish Initiative seven years ago, we designed the initiative for Kindergarten students and teachers at Wilkinson Elementary School, a Title I (high poverty) school in the Sarasota County School District, to close the vocabulary gap, which often compounds the achievement gap between these at-risk students and their peers from other socioeconomic groups; inspire a love of reading and increase reading readiness skills; support integration of hands-on science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics (STEAM) learning programs/activities; and increase the students' life skills, self-esteem, and confidence through intergenerational mentoring. But when on the school campus that first Starfish year, Larry Barnett, one of the Starfish founders, could not ignore the fact that school personnel could no longer staff the on-campus All Faiths Food Pantry (AFFP) and sprang into action to create a Starfish Food Pantry volunteer team to continue the collaboration with All Faiths Food Bank. This was a natural addition to Starfish, given the synagogue's longtime support for All Faiths. Larry knew that food insecurity and hunger can negatively affect children's school performance.

In a research survey, more than 60% of children interviewed from low-income homes reported coming

to school hungry. Hunger can negatively affect children's cognitive development, concentration, memory, mood, motor skills, ability to build social-emotional skills, form friendships, maintain self-control, and listen to instructions (Share Our Strength. [2023, December 28]. *How does hunger affect learning?* No Kid Hungry. <https://www.nokidhungry.org/blog/how-does-hunger-affect-learning#:~:text=Beyond%20academic%20achievement%2C%20hunger%20can,child's%20social%20interactions%20and%20behavior.>) Importantly, AFFP estimates that without pantries 45,000 children in Sarasota County will go hungry over the summer when they do not get fed at school. Therefore, adding the food pantry program to the Starfish Initiative was a natural move.

When Larry and his wife Wendy moved from Sarasota to be closer to family, Susan Meisel aptly took over for Larry, and when Susan and her team expanded their efforts to another community location, Marc Halman stepped in, and continues to



look for ways to expand the services provided. Marc and the team serve an average of thirty-six families every other week. Before Thanksgiving AFFP supplied turkeys with all the fixings. After a lot of internal marketing by Marc, the Starfish Pantry served ninety families.

Starfish Food Pantry Volunteers include Dave Burke, Geoff Gold, Janis Weinberg Gold, Ken Gold, Jill Halman, Marc Halman, Ike Koziol, Carol MacPhee, Anita Manchester, Brian Miller, Judy Polivy, Stanley Ross, Jeff Schlachter, Linda Schlachter, Judy Thibault, and Kary Wortman.

**Tanice Knopp**  
TEE Starfish Initiative Chair





# Unity Dinner Raises Nearly \$100,000 for Leket Israel

On December 6, Temple Emanu-El was honored to host a Unity Dinner that raised nearly \$100,000 for Leket Israel's emergency relief campaign for displaced Israelis. The dinner was the most recent event in a long partnership between Leket – Israel's national food bank, whose name means "gleaning" in Hebrew – and Temple Emanu-El. Senior Rabbi Brenner Glickman serves on the national board of American Friends of Leket. The organization's executive, Lauren Yoked, was the speaker at Temple Emanu-El's inaugural Israel Shabbat. The Unity Dinner's generous lead sponsor was the Jewish Federation of Sarasota-Manatee, one of the first Jewish Federations in the country to support Leket.

Originally conceived as a celebratory party to honor the twentieth anniversary of Leket, the event became a solemn fundraising opportunity after October 7th.

"From that moment on, we have been wholly consumed with providing emergency humanitarian aid to tens of thousands of Israelis under fire – families living in bomb shelters, evacuees, the elderly, farmers whose land has been destroyed and many more," Yoked stated. "This is in addition to the normal work that we do, providing 234,000 Israelis in need with fresh, rescued produce and cooked meals each week."

The centerpiece of the Unity Dinner was a high-level briefing from Leket founder and chairman Joseph Gitler, who had planned to travel to Sarasota for the event but decided to remain in Israel to continue coordinating Leket's on-the-ground efforts. A question-and-answer opportunity followed moderated by Rabbi Glickman. "The war has significantly impacted all the citizens of Israel, regardless of religion or ethnicity," Gitler related, "both on an emotional level and in

their day-to-day lives. Farmers are unable to harvest their crops, causing a produce shortage and rising prices in the supermarkets. It has become increasingly difficult for families to purchase fresh food, and unfortunately, the need will only continue to grow. "It is Leket's obligation to leverage our years of experience in the field, our logistical knowledge, and our resources to aid as many people as we can," he added. "Countless people across the nation have suffered the loss of their loved ones, homes, and their sense of safety, and Leket Israel is committed to guaranteeing that no one will experience hunger during this critical time" he remarked.

Funds raised at the Unity Dinner have enabled tens of thousands of pounds of fresh produce, cooked meals, essentials for babies and toddlers, direct aid, and much more to reach families, the elderly, evacuees, and farmers across the country. Additional funds are sought to expand Leket's operations; each \$180, Yoked noted, provides cooked meals for 30 families in need.

We are proud of Temple Emanu-El's deep support of the Unity Dinner and of Leket Israel. Speaking on behalf of the Federation was Temple member Tommy Bernstein, and among the Host Committee were Rabbis Elaine and Brenner Glickman, Trustee Megan

and Dr. Adam Heller, and NEFESH benefactors Barbara and Laurance Newman. Many other Temple members were in attendance and the Junior Sisterhood also purchased a table.

Leket Israel was one of the first charities highlighted by Project Amichai's Tzedakah Initiative; and following the Unity Dinner, Amichai's Bracelet-Making Initiative designated Leket Israel as its next beneficiary.

For more information, please visit [www.leket.org/en](http://www.leket.org/en).



*Temple Trustee and Host Committee member Megan Heller and American Friends of Leket Executive Director Lauren Yoked*



*Temple members and Leket supporters Sybil and Irv Broh, and Barbara and Laurance Newman*



*Senior Rabbi and American Friends of Leket board member Brenner Glickman held a conversation via Zoom with Leket founder and chairman Joseph Gitler, who remained in Israel to continue leading Leket's on-the-ground operations throughout the country*



# PARENT AND ME



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# Death Café with Risa Marlen



Join us for coffee, snacks and an open conversation about death.

**Thursday, Feb. 29, 2024**

**2:00pm - 4:00pm**

**Benderson Family Hall**

On Thursday, February 29, 2024, Sisterhood will host a Death Café with facilitator Risa Marlen. A Death Café offers an open, friendly and informal space to engage in a respectful and life-affirming conversation about death and dying.

All temple members welcome.



Risa Marlen

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**SUNDAY  
MARCH 10, 2024**

55 Fifth Street South, St Petersburg, FL 33701  
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Docent Tour: 10:00am - 12:00pm

**\$40 Per Person**

*Includes bus transportation and admission to the museum*



The Israel Committee and the Brotherhood and Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El are proud to announce a tour of the Florida Holocaust Museum in St. Petersburg, Florida. There will be bus transportation from TEE and a docent tour of the museum.

After the tour, there will be an opportunity to have lunch on your own before the bus returns to Sarasota. There are many nearby restaurants and coffee shops - a list will be provided.

**QUESTIONS? Contact Nina Levitt / nina.g.levitt@gmail.com**

**REGISTER ONLINE BY MARCH 1ST  
SARASOTATEMPLE.ORG**

## “Parent and Me” Is Back!

“Parent and Me” is a sweet, special group of parents and their little ones, six weeks to 20 months. Our weekly Friday morning get-togethers concentrate on Shabbat and Shalom. Music, movement, parachutes, bubbles, and dinosaurs keep us busy for our hour together!

Several of our interfaith families are especially appreciative of the gentle and embracing approach we provide for them to begin exploring and living Jewishly. Parents in the group are so supportive of varying ideas and customs of both Jewish and interfaith families.

My favorite part of “Parent and Me” (besides just being with these adorable little ones) is sitting back having parents talk about the accomplishments and setbacks which affect every young family. Topics range from favorite books to crawling/walking, family dynamics, nap and sleep schedules – or lack thereof!

These engaging “Parent and Me” mornings are held Fridays from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in the youth group lounge in the school building. Please email me at [bnaimitzvah@sarasotateple.org](mailto:bnaimitzvah@sarasotateple.org) to learn more or to register. Looking forward to seeing you and your littles there!

**Marni Mount**  
Parent and Me Facilitator



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# Every Month Is a Celebration for Tot Shabbat

We have all heard people complain about the winter doldrums – but clearly, these people have never spent the winter months participating in Temple Emanu-El's wonderful Tot Shabbat program! From getting in the Hanukkah spirit in December to enjoying Tu B'Shevat at Hunsader Farms in January to putting a Jewish twist on Valentine's Day at this month's "Ahavah" (Love) Tot Shabbat, young Jewish and interfaith families have been celebrating all winter long!

Designed especially for families with children up to age 6 and offered free of charge thanks to an anonymous "angel" donor, Temple Emanu-El's Tot Shabbat is the most vibrant Jewish gathering for young families on the Suncoast. Held once a month, Tot Shabbat introduces young families to the joys of Jewish living, and helps both parents and children find a warm, happy, embracing community. Whether playing on the playground, doing a themed craft, noshing on grape juice, challah, and snacks, socializing with old and new friends, or enjoying blessings, songs, movement, and stories with Rabbi Michael Shefrin, Tot Shabbat is the place to be! And with the addition of Marni Mount to the Tot Shabbat team, these wonderful gatherings are better than ever.

Keep the winter doldrums away by marking your calendar for our "Ahavah" Tot Shabbat on Saturday, February 10, at 10 a.m. – and enjoy these adorable photos from our Hanukkah-themed Tot Shabbat from December 9 in the meantime. For more information, or to receive invitations to upcoming Temple Emanu-El Tot Shabbats, please contact Marni Mount or Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman.



Rabbi Shefrin and Penny Lesnick show off their Hanukkah style



June enjoys the playground at Tot Shabbat

Marni Mount and Tot Shabbat families decorated a special Hanukkah card to say thank you to Tot Shabbat's anonymous angel donor

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

### FEBRUARY 2024

**Friday, February 2**

Family Shabbat / 7:15 pm

**Friday, February 9**

Erev Shabbat / 7:15 pm

**Friday, February 16**

Shabbat Unplugged / 7:15 pm

**Friday, February 23**

New Members & 25+ Shabbat

Scholar-In-Residence, Deborah Dash Moore, PhD  
7:15 pm





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## KAPLAN SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE WEEKEND



### **SPEAKER:**

**DEBORAH DASH MOORE, PH.D.**

Dr. Deborah Dash Moore has written extensively on 20th century Jewish life in the US. Her work on GI Jews has focused on how military service transformed a generation of Jews who wrestled with what it meant to be a Jew and an American. Her book, "GI Jews: How WW II Changed A Generation" won the Washington Post Best Book of the Year award. Dr. Moore's talk on Saturday morning will focus on the suburbanization of American Jews as we spread across the country from the urban centers of the East Coast. Life was transformed dramatically in just one generation!



This program is made possible by generous support from  
**Army and Dee Kaplan**

**Friday, Feb 23, 2024**

Starts at 7:15pm

During Shabbat Service

**GI Jews: How World War II Changed a Generation**

**Saturday, Feb 24, 2024**

10:00-11:30am

Benderson Family Hall

**From Ghetto to Suburbs: Transforming Jewish Life**

**FORSATURDAY'S EVENT**

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**QUESTIONS?**

Contact the Temple  
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# Spreading Hanukkah Light and Joy with TEERS

It was a bright and happy Hanukkah for Temple Emanu-El Religious School (TEERS) – and the holiday was made even brighter and happier by sharing the joy with others! Whether supporting TEERS by Hanukkah shopping in the Sisterhood Gift Shop, performing their Hanukkah play and crafting Hanukkah decorations with residents of Aviva Senior Center, or throwing a fabulous, delicious sold-out Shabbat Hanukkah Dinner for the entire Temple Emanu-El family, TEERS staff, students, and parents made sure that everyone got to experience a meaningful, special, and fun Festival of Lights!

Many thanks to Religious School Director Morah Snait Ben-Herut, MJED, the wonderful TEERS staff, and the dedicated parent volunteers and incredible students who brought so much light to Hanukkah!



*Best Hanukkah Dressed with Michael Richker, Rabbi Shefrin, & Sepi Ackerman*



*Fifth grader Eloise made Hanukkah decorations with a new friend at Aviva Senior Center*

## Photo Gallery



*Remy Tesoriero, Jordana, and Lucas shared a smile over their menorah at Shabbat Hanukkah*



*Robert Seide enjoyed the Shabbat Hanukkah dinner with his daughter (and TEERS teacher) Laura and son-in-law Andrew Bishop*



*The Hanukkah play was a huge hit at Aviva Senior Center*



*TEERS sixth graders enjoyed their shopping time in the wonderful Sisterhood gift shop (gift shop volunteers Ethel Gross is not pictured)*



*Religious School Director Morah Snait Ben-Herut welcomed Jill Fischberg and Adam to the Shabbat Hanukkah dinner*



*With all the selection, it was hard to decide which dreidel to purchase!*



# Mazel Tov

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1 Judy Glickman Lauder	12 Hayden Stroud
1 Isaiah Cohen	12 Gerald Seigel
1 Paula Scheiner	12 Annie Greenblum
2 Pam Brown	13 Jonathan Geffre
2 David Chason	13 Shari Kaplan Paler
3 Roberta Leibowitz	13 Mary Myerson
3 Judith Polivy	14 Marvin Cohen
3 Bruce Udell	14 Gavan Anderson
4 Megan Heller	14 Taylor McCart
5 Isaac Azerad	15 Rabbi Edgar Weinsberg
5 Dr. Jason Wagner	15 Barry Furman
5 Gavin Schoenfeld	16 Mia Spiro
5 Nancy Bossov	16 Jordan Shifrin
6 Lynne Spencer	16 Richard Weissfeld
6 Paul Hamburg	16 Joel Eisenberg
6 Jordan Heller	16 Emily Duffy
6 Dr. Jeffrey Schlachter	16 Judy Sauertieg
7 Michael Katzer	16 Nanette Goldberg
7 Eli Hanan	16 Sophia LeRoy
7 Meredith Ernst	17 Dr. Martin Kline
7 Richard Fine	17 Doris Ross
7 Michelle Pearson	17 Helene Davis
7 John Gudelsky	17 Sloane Francoise Vermeulen
7 Alan Sachs	17 Bruce Gibbs
8 Ken Sheckler	18 Derek Dobson
8 Noe Ruth Hakim	18 Carter Hankin
8 Rhoda Friedman	18 Laura Kramer
8 Lanie Fineman	18 David Meese
9 Wes Rosenthal	19 Dion Roy
9 Marsha Bloomfield	19 Shari Vermeulen
9 Meadow Edoff	19 Dr. Judy Greenhill
9 Naomi Yamada	19 Brian Wides
10 Eliza Lipton	19 Hunter Premuto
10 Dr. Sara Simmons	19 Geraldine Newman
10 Bob Chapman	19 Amy Snetman
10 Anita Harris	19 Cindy Aminoff
10 Gregg Pead	19 Josie Beck
11 Eliana Lesnick	20 Francine Shogel
11 Alice Burd	20 Ishaan Bhandari
11 Benjamin Shereff	20 Maris Tuite
12 Gwen Murphy	21 Dr. Bernard Friedland
12 Judy Fogel	21 Paul Wax
	21 Xavier Koffman
	21 Dr. L. Arthur Safer
	21 Barby Comins

21 Dr. Susan Beck  
 21 Dr. Tanice Knopp  
 21 Jacob Feldman  
 22 Helene Stone  
 22 Ellis Lasberg  
 22 Oliver Daniel  
 22 Karen Bastis  
 22 Andrew Bunin  
 22 Scott Levine  
 22 Adrienne Hutt  
 22 Louise Werbelow  
 22 Courtney Rosenthal  
 22 Kala Sheckler  
 23 Diana Goodman  
 23 Howard Berman  
 23 Norah Jawitz  
 23 Arthur Skop  
 24 Dr. Douglas Barton  
 24 Theodore Levey Baker  
 25 Kira Herman  
 26 Gail Eisenfeld  
 26 Noah Baltodano  
 26 Janis Reader Forgotson  
 27 Brooke Feldman  
 27 Elyse Diamond

27 Lisa Naiburg  
 27 Anne Bishop  
 27 Arthur Bernberg  
 28 Arthur Marx  
 28 Sara Weinberg  
 28 Susan Rosenbaum  
 28 Eloise Friedman  
 29 Keith Samuels  
 29 Eileen Kozloff

## FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

1 Jason & Faith Lipton  
 2 Allen & Rhoda Katz  
 6 Marni & Jay Abrams  
 6 Jonathan & Kimberly Sheintal  
 12 Dr. Marshall & Andrea Frank  
 14 Mark & Barbara Peltz  
 14 Marc & Amy Greene  
 17 Juliette & Andrew Grossman  
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**Jodi O'Neill**  
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 1-3:30 pm  
Middle Eastern Inspired Menu  
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 lentils, rice & caramelized onions  
 Green Bean & Bell Pepper Salad  
 Israeli Tomato Salad  
 Basbousa  
 semolina lemon cake



**Dalia Rosenthal**  
 February 11, 2024  
 1-3:30 pm  
Classic Israeli Menu  
 Shakshuka  
 eggs poached in a tomato and pepper sauce  
 Minted Watermelon Salad with Feta  
 Israeli Stuffed Dates  
 Oatmeal Power Balls

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Questions? Contact Don Malawsky at [dmalawsky@msn.com](mailto:dmalawsky@msn.com)

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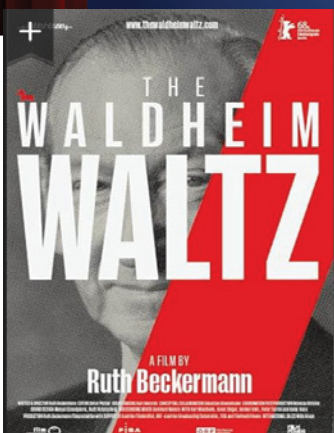


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### Questions?

Email Howard Kilman at  
[howardkilman@hotmail.com](mailto:howardkilman@hotmail.com)  
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## The Waldheim Waltz

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# MARK YOUR CALENDAR

*Calendar subject to change.*

## MARCH 2024

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| 1 Parent & Me .....10:30 am<br>Family Shabbat..... 7:15 pm  | 17 TEERS: Closed<br>Sunday At the Movies/Waldheim Waltz .1:00 pm   |
| 2 Tot Shabbat.....10:00 am<br>Virtual Torah Study ..... 11:00 am<br>A Night at the Circus ..... 7:00 pm   | 18 Conversational Hebrew 1.....9:45 am<br>Conversational Hebrew 2..... 11:00 am<br>Zoom Social Hour 5 pm<br>Board of Trustees Meeting..... 6:30 pm<br>Membership Committee Meeting: Zoom... 7:00 pm                                |
| 3 Brotherhood Board Meeting .....9:30 am<br>TEERS .....9:30 am<br>Confirmation Class .....12:00 pm  | 19 Adult Ed/Social Justice Program:<br>U.S. Constitution.....10:30 am  |
| 4 Conversational Hebrew 1.....9:45 am<br>Conversational Hebrew 2..... 11:00 am<br>Zoom Social Hour ..... 5:00 pm  | 20 TEE Photo Group.....10:30 am<br>TEERS .....5:30pm<br>10th Grade Parents Meeting ..... 5:30 pm   |
| 5 Sisterhood Book Club.....1:30 pm<br>Endowment Board Meeting..... 3:00 pm  | 21 Mitzvah Knitters 10 am<br>Brotherhood Book Club: Zoom..... 3:30 pm  |
| 6 Social Justice Meeting .....9:30 am<br>Starfish Thespians .....10:30 am<br>Lunch with the Rabbis.....12:00 pm<br>TEERS ..... 5:30 pm  | 22 SSEL C Purim Parade.....10:00 am<br>Parent and Me .....10:30 am<br>Erev Shabbat ..... 7:15 pm<br>Purim Celebration & Oneg ..... 8:15 pm   |
| 7 Mitzvah Knitters.....10:00 am<br>Fluid Dance.....10:00 am   | 23 Virtual Torah Study ..... 11:00 am<br>Logan Schwartz Bar Mitzvah ..... 4:30 pm  |
| 8 Parent and Me .....10:30 am<br>Erev Shabbat ..... 7:15 pm   | 24 TEERS .....9:30 am<br>Purim Carnival .....9:30 am   |
| 9 Virtual Torah.....Study 11:00 am<br>Klaber Classic Softball Game.....1:00 pm  | 25 Conversational Hebrew 1.....9:45 am<br>Conversational Hebrew 2..... 11:00 am<br>Zoom Social Hour ..... 5:00 pm  |
| 10 TEERS: Closed<br>Bus Trip to Holocaust Museum ..... 8:15 am  | 27 Caring Committee: Zoom .....10:00 am<br>Philanthropy Committee .....10:30 am<br>Mental Health Initiative .....12:00 pm<br>Social Action Committee.....1:30 pm<br>TEERS ..... 5:30 pm<br>New Member Meet and Greet ..... 5:30 pm |
| 11 SSEL C: Closed 3/11-3/15<br>Conversational Hebrew 1.....9:45 am<br>Ageless Grace w/Judith .....10:30 am<br>Conversational Hebrew 2..... 11:00 am<br>Zoom Social Hour ..... 5:00 pm | 28 Fluid Dance.....10:00 am<br>Mental Health Initiative .....12:00 pm  |
| 12 Social Justice Committee.....9:30 am<br>Adult Education Committee .....10:30 am<br>Blanket Bee.....1:00 pm   | 29 SSEL C: Closed<br>Parent and Me .....10:30 am<br>Israel Shabbat..... 7:15 pm  |
| 13 TEERS: Closed<br>Sisterhood Board Meeting.....10:30 am   | 30 Virtual Torah Study ..... 11:00 am  |
| 15 Parent & Me .....10:30 am<br>Erev Shabbat ..... 7:15 pm  | 31 TEERS .....9:30 am<br>Israel Committee Presentation -<br>The Arava Institute: Zoom .....10:30 am  |
| 16 Virtual Torah Study ..... 11:00 am<br>Ian Gluzman Bar Mitzvah ..... 4:30 pm  |  |

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