



Temple Times

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Rabbi's Message: B"H What About God?

This past summer, I was invited to introduce a panel at a national conference for Reform Jewish leaders. I was extremely excited, extremely flattered – and extremely intimidated. My fellow speakers were a professor who had authored a ten-book series on Jewish liturgy; the senior clergy of the oldest synagogue in Toronto, which has over 7,000 members; and a rabbi soon to receive a Ph.D. in *halachah*, Jewish law.

The four of us met with the conference organizers via Zoom. In a lively, wonderful conversation, the panelists discussed the history of the Ethical Culture Society, a non-essentialist definition of synagogue, and the curation of Jewish identity in a digital age. I tried to keep up – until, suddenly, these brilliant rabbis and scholars abruptly fell silent.

This was the question that silenced them: What about God?

What about God?

If this question silences you, you're clearly not alone. Jews have a hard time talking about God. We speak of the beauty of Judaism, its values and teachings, its history and holidays. We speak of persecution and suffering, of triumph and hope, of art and start-ups and cuisine. We speak of Torah and prayer, family and community, continuity, and pride.

These are beautiful things of which to speak. These are beautiful parts of being Jewish. But maybe it would be even more beautiful if we talked about

God. If, even, we talked to God.

That's what I told my fellow panelists, and what I told the conference of two hundred Reform Jewish leaders. And if I've ever counseled you, or studied with you, I may well have told you the same thing. And if I haven't already, well, I'm doing it now.

Talking to God is easier than it sounds. We don't need to understand God, or explain God, or even be one hundred percent certain that we believe in God. We just have to be willing to try.

How do we try? Start small. While I definitely encourage you to go to Temple and talk to God there, you can actually talk to God anytime and anywhere. When you're stressed or scared, try whispering those feelings to God. When you're grateful or happy, try whispering those feelings to God. When you're wondering and uncertain, try whispering those feelings to God.

It might feel strange at first. But after a while, it might also feel sort of wonderful. It might even feel like a gift – a gift of believing that there's a Presence in this world greater than ourselves. That there's a Presence that cares about us, that wants to hear from us. That there's a God who loves us.

In the words of Rabbi Nachman of Breslov: ...You will be able to express yourself before God in the same way that a person speaks to a friend. You should get into the habit of talking to God like this. As if you were speaking to your teacher or your friend. For God is close by. God can be found everywhere. The whole earth is full of God's glory.

Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman



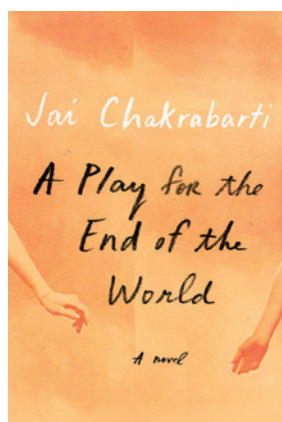
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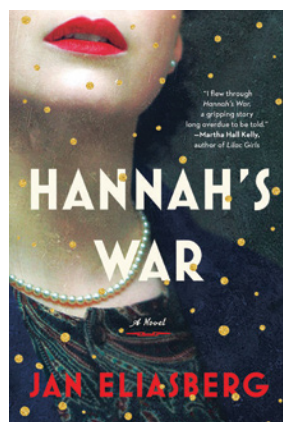
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Sisterhood Book Club

2023 Fall Collection



Tuesday
Oct 3 @ 1:30 pm



Tuesday
Nov 7 @ 1:30 pm



Tuesday
Dec 5 @ 1:30 pm

All Meetings
will take place in
Benderson Family Hall.

For More
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President's Message: Tzedakah

“Put a penny in the pushke.” How many of us heard that as kids, perhaps our first introduction to the concept of tzedakah? Tzedakah refers to the religious obligation to do what is right and just, but is commonly viewed as the act of giving charity. And that is the focus of this month's article.

For the year 5784 this may have started with the Yom Kippur Appeal which I made at the Kol Nidre service. Hopefully we are doing well with that, and there is still opportunity to contribute.

But charity goes well beyond the High Holy Days. Tzedakah – charity – is a mitzvah, a commandment or a good deed. And there are many opportunities to perform that mitzvah. Recognize a life cycle event – yours or a friend's – by making a donation to Temple Emanu-El. The gift can go into the general operating fund, or to a named fund designated for a specific purpose. Donations can be made in memory of someone, either a recent loss or a Yahrtzeit. Or thank someone for an act of kindness. The amount you donate is entirely up to you, and we will be grateful for your generosity.

In 2023 we were very fortunate to have received three large donations. The first of these was an anonymous donation of \$3,250,000 from “Papa Joe” to substantially offset dues payment for families with children in the religious school. Known as “Our Jewish Future”, this donation encourages and enables parents and children to experience Jewish learning, Jewish life, Jewish community, and Jewish joy. The second was a gift of \$208,000 to create the Diane and Norman Cohen Endowed Israel Fund. The money will be expended over many years for Israel-related activities, such as speakers, scholars, and Israel celebrations. The



Bob Meisel

third is a commitment for \$10,000 per year for the next five years from Barbara and Larry Newman to establish the NEFESH initiative. This gift will be used to expand and develop programs to keep kids interested and engaged in Jewish activities through their high school years and beyond. We are grateful to Papa Joe, the Cohens, and the Newmans for their extreme generosity.

Another opportunity to contribute is the fundraising gala currently in the works. This year we will be honoring Barbara Brizzle. Barbara has been a member of Temple Emanu-El for several years and has been instrumental in supporting leadership development. Her donations have supported conference attendance and board retreats. Beyond that, Barbara has been instrumental in supporting many local organizations, including Ringling College of Art and Design, Jewish Family and Children's Services, Nate's Honor Animal Rescue, and Planned Parenthood. The gala will consist of a brunch on Sunday, February 4, 2024. I hope you will be able to join us.

Bob Meisel
Temple President



WELCOME!

TEMPLE EMANU-EL WELCOMES THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS

Baltodano, Alexandra “Ali”
& Erick & Family

Berman, Jason &
Mary Gordon & Family

Bornstein, Elizabeth &
Hinckley, Scott & Family

Cordier, Deborah “Deb”

Dennis, Stephan & Abra

Drexler, Geraldine “Geri”
& Leonard “Lenny”

Fischberg, Jill & Child

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Victoria “Vicky” & Family

Jacob, Barbara

Kozloff, Eileen

Lafer, Max & Michelle & Family

Lederman, Abraham “Abe”

Mann, Merri

Marco, David & Jaime & Family

Phillipes, Peter & Tova

Polivy, Howard & Judith “Judy”

Resnick, Mark & Shayna & Family

Rothbaum, Stuart “Stu” & Ellen

Salmore, Evan & Natalie

Silva, Naomi & Bhandari,
Aseem & Family

Stoddard, Melissa &
Christopher “Chris” & Family

WELCOME BACK!

Frank, Dr. Marshall
& Andrea & Family

While seated in the Sanctuary participating in Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services, I reflected on family, friends and community. We are extremely blessed to have all three of these groups working together to improve our daily life and the world. Having traveled in Europe this summer, my wife, Susan & I gained a deeper appreciation of the freedoms we enjoy in the US. While visiting of Prague, Budapest, Vienna, Cologne and Amsterdam, we heard firsthand of the 20th century - tyranny, hatred, and religious persecution. We should always cherish and protect our freedoms, especially our religious freedom.

On the Julian calendar, summer has ended, but 2023 was different from previous years and the summer has been hot in many ways - temperature and activities with exciting with fun & diverse events. The brotherhood & sisterhood hosted Trivia night (73 attendees) and Bingo (64 attendees). Baseball was in the air, Brotherhood organized two trips to the "Trop" for games between the hometown Rays and Orioles (July 23) and Yankees (August 27). Both games were sellouts for our group seats and special thanks goes to Howard Shapiro and his team for orchestrating these trips.

Our interest groups, investment, travel, cycling, book club, poker and sports were active throughout the summer as we now view the activities across the entire calendar year. A travel seminar is scheduled for early February; watch this column for further details. The theatre group has new leadership, really exciting.

On September 24th the Brotherhood along with parents of religious school youngsters helped to build the Sukkot in record time. Despite the hot weather, seeing the joy of our religious school students decorate the Sukkot was a special "cool" gift to all.

Brotherhood is very proud to have new temple members joining us, getting active and bring a fresh perspective to our activities with innovative suggestions.. We also welcome Jim Germer to the board as a Director. He will be a great addition to an already strong and dedicated group.

Our annual Brotherhood Sukkot dinner (cosponsored by sisterhood) will be on October 3rd.

The Brotherhood breakfast speaker program launches with Brian Hersh, CEO Arts & Cultural Alliance of Sarasota on October 22nd.

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

Check the temple web site, bulletin, flyers by the gift shop for more details. All are welcome.

Susan & I want to wish everyone a happy, healthy, safe, and peaceful New Year.

**Ken Simon
Brotherhood President**



Ken Simon



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We hope everyone had a good fast and enjoyed the temple's annual Break the Fast on Yom Kippur evening. Our thanks go to the many Sisterhood volunteers, led by Helene Stone and Susan Meisel, who worked hard to present the feast that was offered to our congregants. Their efforts allowed us to relieve our hunger in the company of our good friends and Temple Emanu-El family.

As fall approaches, we look forward to a year of robust programming. Sisterhood and Brotherhood are again co-sponsoring a Sukkot dinner and visit to the sukkah on October 3. The first of our 3-event series of Lunch & Learns will take place on October 5 at 11:30 am. Robyn Faucy, Chief Executive Officer and Co-Owner of Results 1st, will guide us to think and act more intentionally about how we connect with others regarding our work with Sisterhood and other parts of our lives. For a preview, please watch TEDx "Helping Others Active Access to Social Capital – an actionable three-step approach to help others increase their social capital".

Mark your calendars for our other Lunch & Learn speakers: Michael Katzer will speak on November 13 on "DNA and The Courts: A behind-the-scenes look at the 1987 murder and 1989 trial which resulted in the historic ruling admitting DNA evidence" and Carrie Seidman will speak on mental health issues in our community on February 12.

Our annual New Member Meet & Greet will take place on October 15. This is an opportunity for us to welcome members new to Sisterhood this year and to help them to get involved in our many activities. These activities include several ongoing interest groups that our members have been enjoying. The most popular interest group is our Book Club, which meets at the temple on the first Tuesday of



Susan Simon and Judy Fine

each month. The book to be discussed in October is [A Play for the End of the World](#) by Chai Chakvabarti. For more information,

contact teebookclub@gmail.com. We have a "Let's Do Lunch" group, which meets every 4-6 weeks at a local restaurant. For more information, contact hkras@comcast.net. Our Canasta interest group meets on the third Friday of the month at the temple. We are looking for additional members and are working on having a session or two for people new to the game or looking for a refresher. Please contact judygfttee@gmail.com if you are interested in attending a "Learn Canasta" mini-course.

Please save the date for Sisterhood's annual fundraiser, which promises to be an evening of great entertainment. On Sunday, November 5 from 7:00 – 9:00 pm, Karen Michelle Tanner will be starring in her one-woman show, "An Evening At The Speakeasy". Karen was featured in the August 24th Sarasota Observer. This promises to be a fun evening and profits will go toward supporting the religious school.

Speaking of profits benefiting Temple Emanu-El Religious School, please support the Sisterhood Gift Shop. Its profits supplement our other fundraising efforts and substantially increase our annual donation to the religious school. The Gift Shop is open before and after services and temple events and by appointment with Alice Cotman (alimaecot@gmail.com).

Judy Fine and Susan Simon
Sisterhood Co-Presidents



"Lunch with the Rabbis,"

Temple Emanu-El's Popular Monthly Program.

The next lunch will be Wednesday, October 6 at Noon

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 (We'll provide homemade dessert!)

We look forward to sharing "Lunch with the Rabbis" – and with you!



Create Your Jewish Legacy - How Do I Begin?

The answer is different for everyone. Whether you already have a will or are just getting started, it's always good to think of how you want to be remembered. First, reflect on your Jewish passions. What is important to you about your faith and people? What work in the community do you want to support? Will your children miss a small percentage of your estate if you leave it to your synagogue community? As you shape what you want your legacy to be, keep in mind what you value now.

Your Legacy Gift can be directed to specific programs and can be funded during your lifetime or distributed from your estate.

Do I Need a Will?

If you have a current will, just a few additional sentences in the form of a codicil are enough to create a legacy gift. You should not assume that your family knows your wishes, so preparing a bequest with your attorney is important. While the impact of your legacy gift will be most clearly felt by the community, once you are gone your heirs may experience tax advantages.

Other Charitable Giving Options

Everyone has a unique family and financial situation. Your legacy gift of any size can be designed to match

your personal circumstances. Popular options include:

- Charitable bequest
- Life Insurance
- IRA or qualified retirement plan
- Gift of real estate or business interests

These are just a few of the options available. Depending on your personal situation, it is possible there are many others. To further explore your options, you may contact me at teeendowment@gmail.com or call me at 941-320-4091.

Doris Ross
Endowment Fund Chair

Sundae with the Rabbis Open House

What do you get when you put 20 speakers (two of which are Temple Emanu-El Rabbis), 18 new members, 19 prospective members, with an additional 5 families (consisting of 6 adults and 8 children) and 2 more tenured members in the Benderson Family Social Hall for an Open House? The answer is enthusiasm, fun, and friendship. The Sundae with the Rabbis Open House on August 20, chaired by Beverly Austgen and Lynn Sacks, was outstanding. As we write this article just one week after the Open House, many of the prospective members who came to the Open House are now members!

Leslie Podolsky and Kim Sheintal Membership Committee Co-Chairs

*Howard Schapiro (Board Member),
Sandy Schapiro (Social Action Chair),
Lynn Sacks (Open House Co-Chair),
Beverly Austgen (Open House Co-Chair),
Geri Drexler (new member),
Leonard Drexler (new member),
Eileen Kozloff (prospective member)*



*William Friedman,
Eloise Friedman,
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Dylan Gates,
Brody Gates*



Susan Schwaid Early Learning Center

Every year the children at Susan Schwaid Early Learning Center look forward to observing Rosh Hashanah. Each classroom adds its own unique touch to the celebration. They indulge in baking honey cakes, savoring the sweetness of apples and honey, conducting taste tests with various apple varieties, and engaging in discussions about bees, honey, and new beginnings. But perhaps the most exhilarating moment is when they join the rabbis in sounding the shofar. For Yom Kippur, the children take part in planting seeds and discussing the concept of cultivating kindness. They explore the idea of sowing seeds of compassion by warmly greeting one another and extending a warm welcome to new students. The teacher emphasizes the importance of treating everyone with kindness and saying sorry when a friend is hurt.

The Ear Research Foundation, established by Dr. Herbert Silverstein, provides free hearing screenings to all pre-kindergarten children in Sarasota County. Families of students at Susan Schwaid Early Learning Center have an opportunity to register for this important screening. If you are interested in learning more about the Ear Research Foundation, information can be found by following this link. <https://www.earrf.org/>

Happy New Year!

A Jewish Princess Movie Night, Havdalah-Ween, and Tot Shabbat – Oh My!

Fall is off to a happy Jewish start for Temple Emanu-El's Tot Shabbat families! In August, young Jewish and interfaith families donned pajamas and ate pizza while watching *Wreck-It Ralph* (featuring Disney's first Jewish princess!) on the big screen at a cozy Tot Shabbat movie night, in September got into the Rosh Hashanah spirit with the much-anticipated annual New Years (Shofar) Blowout (pictures coming next month!) – and this month will put a Jewish twist on Halloween on Saturday, October 28, at 4 p.m. as we celebrate Havdalah-Ween!

Known as the spookiest Tot Shabbat of the year, Havdalah-Ween is a festive (and not-actually-scary) evening designed especially for Jewish and interfaith families with children up to age 6. Parents, grandparents, and children are invited to wear their favorite costumes and enjoy a pizza dinner, indoor and outdoor playtime, crafts, a Jewish ghost story, and a beautiful, musical havdalah service and blessings



Friends celebrated the first HavdalahWeen together

as we say goodbye to Shabbat and hello to the week ahead. There will be no tricks – only treats!

Temple Emanu-El's Tot Shabbat is held monthly, and this year's wonderful events will include Shabbat mornings at Temple, our annual Strawberry Fields Tot Shabbat at Hunsader Farms, special holiday Tot Shabbats, and much more. For more information, or to receive monthly invitations to Tot Shabbat, please contact Rabbi Elaine. And new friends and guests are always welcome – thanks to the generosity of an anonymous “angel” donor, Temple Emanu-El's Tot Shabbat is free and open to the community!

(Tot) Shabbat Shalom!



Rabbi Shefrin and young families got ready for the movie

AN ANNUAL
Sukkot
CELEBRATION

Tuesday, Oct. 3

@ 6:00PM
Benderson Family Hall

Dinner, Dessert
& Discussion
Led By Rabbi Michael Shefrin

Celebrate Sukkot with your Temple family.
Fabulous buffet including brisket, stuffed cabbage
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\$15: Brotherhood & Sisterhood Members
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Questions? Contact
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2023-2024 Schedule

In-Person Classes
Thursdays at 10 AM
Oct 5 & 19, Nov 2 & 16, Dec 14 & 28,
Jan 4, Feb 1, Mar 7, Apr 4, May 2,
June 6*

*Note: additional dates in
2024 may be scheduled



Questions? Email lindajoffe534@gmail.com or call 941-376-5162

HAVURAH KICK-OFF



Wednesday, **OCTOBER 11, 2023** @ 7:00 pm

TEMPLE EMANU-EL

Benderson Family Hall, 151 McIntosh Road, Sarasota
enter through the sanctuary building

**All TEE members interested in Havurah groups
are welcome!** You're invited whether a new member,
long-standing member, or any member in between, to
learn more about Havurot. Havurah means friendship.
Celebrate shared interests - from Jewish study, to
movies, to dinners and more.

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QUESTIONS? CONTACT NIKKI QUEEN
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and physical attacks and talk about how
we can counteract them.

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Yael Lerman

NOV 27, 2023
7:00 PM

TEMPLE EMANU-EL
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REGISTRATION REQUIRED: SarasotaTemple.org - Click on Events
Questions? Contact Nina Levitt at nina.g.levitt@gmail.com

A Great School Year Is Starting at TEERS!

August was a busy month at Temple Emanu-El Religious School (TEERS), full of preparations together with our staff, teachers, and madrichim.

We are delighted to welcome four excellent new teachers into our team, as well as fourteen vibrant madrichim who are excited about joining our program. In August, the madrichim teens spent a fun night bonding over dinner and exploring two escape rooms, and the teachers gathered with in Religious School Director Morah Snait Ben-Herut and Rabbi Michael Shefrin for orientation Morah Snait's house.

On August 27, we celebrated the TEERS kickoff event for the year: the TEERS Open House, which was a fun and joyful event for everyone, most of all the families! We started at 10 a.m. by gathering in the sanctuary. Temple leaders, teachers, staff, parents, and students joined in the joyful singing of "Hineh Mah Tov," and, indeed, it felt so good to be together again as a community.

Rabbi Elaine presented our Junior Sisterhood members and talked about the wonderful gift that Papa Joe gave us with the Our Jewish Future fund. We blessed *Shehecheyanu* as we started another great year at TEERS. Morah Snait presented the theme of the year, *HINENI*, which translates to: *Here I am*, I am here and present, and we all joined in a beautiful song chosen for this theme.

Bob Meisel, the president of our Temple board, gave his blessing for the school year, and Megan Heller, our board liaison of education, shared with the community her last six years in Temple and the meaningful experience of having both her children, Jordan and Zach, becoming B'nai Mitzvah at our Temple. Our new families introduced themselves, and we were all amazed to see how many of them were in the room, which was packed.

From the sanctuary, we all walked over to the school building. Parents and students entered the classrooms, met with teachers, and browsed the curriculum materials. This was a great time for the new families to mingle, meet, and socialize with our returning parents. A light breakfast was served to everyone, with two ice cream trucks outside, ready to serve a special dessert!

This was a fun and engaging day. We are looking forward to a sweet new year at TEERS. Shanah Tova!



Ziva Sheslow, Abner and Josie Beck, and Vivian Kindred



Religious School Director Morah Snait Ben-Herut welcomes everyone to TEERS



Morah Snait Ben-Herut and the TEERS madrichim enjoyed an evening of bonding over dinner and an escape room

Adult Education Update

Shana Tova! Wishing our Temple Family a happy and healthy 5784. The Adult Ed Committee is looking forward to bringing you exciting and informative programs this fall. Below is a preview of what's to come.



Upcoming Courses & Events

October 17, 10:30 am, Benderson: **"Who Are the Jews of India?"** Where did the Jews of India come from? How do their synagogues and customs differ from ours? What role have they played in India's history and development? What is their life like today? Lots of questions! To find the answers, come and enjoy a multi-media presentation by Sue Spector and enjoy a "cool" Indian treat! Ms. Spector holds a bachelor's degree in education, a master's degree in Jewish studies, and has spent her life as a Jewish educator. Be sure to register by October 10 to make sure you get your treat. We cannot promise you a treat if you register after Oct. 10, but you are still welcome to attend! Register Online at SarasotaTemple.org.

November 6, 10:30 am, Benderson: **"Ageless Grace with Judith."** In conjunction with the Membership Committee, Adult Ed is pleased to welcome back Judith Koziol's mind-body fitness class. The class uses 21 simple tools one needs for aging gracefully and youthfully. The movements are done in a chair so that anyone can participate. All ages, body types and fitness levels are welcomed! Register Online at SarasotaTemple.org.

November 9, 10:30 am, Benderson: **"The Spiritual Journeys of Rabbis Michael Shefrin & Mimi Weisel."** You don't want to miss this program! TEE is fortunate to be home to several beloved Rabbis. On November 9, Rabbi Michael and Rabbi Mimi will share with us what inspired them to become Rabbis. Register Online at SarasotaTemple.org.

Conversational Hebrew I & II Classes are taught by Cheryl Cohen and begin **October 2nd**. Cheryl has lived in Israel and has 30 years of experience teaching languages. Classes are ongoing and are offered at no cost. 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 and includes short readings. For questions call Cheryl at 941-355-2870 or email her at sarasotaclrc@yahoo.com. Register Online at SarasotaTemple.org

Sunday at The Movies continues! **December 10 at 3:00 pm** (new start time for this date only) in Benderson Hall. Visit the Temple website for upcoming movies.

Join us for these exciting programs. For further information or questions please contact Sharon.G.Miles@gmail.com or SaraWeinberg28@gmail.com. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to serve you. We look forward to seeing you at TEE!

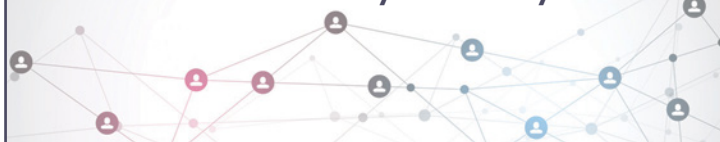
Sharon Miles & Sara Weinberg
Adult Education Committee Co-Chairs



Sara Weinberg and Sharon Miles

Lunch & Learn

With Robyn Faucy



October 5, 2023 / 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm
Benderson Family Hall

Robyn is Chief Executive Officer and Co-Owner of Results 1st. We are excited to have Robyn lead us in a workshop "designed to guide individuals and teams to achieve more by defining, tracking, verifying and communicating their results." For a preview please watch TEDx "Helping Others Active Access to Social Capital - actionable three-step approach to help others increase their social capital."

12:00 pm - Lunch (bring your own)

12:30 pm - Robyn Speaks

Desserts & Coffee Available / Free Admission

RSVP by October 3:
SarasotaTemple.org

Questions? Contact Susan Lerman
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Philanthropy Committee Corner

In July, 2022 I assumed the Chair of the Philanthropy Committee. One of my immediate goals was to start building a Culture of Philanthropy at Temple Emanu-El. An organization's culture dramatically affects its effectiveness. Culture is pervasive, affecting all areas of the temple, including fund development.

Over the past few months the temple has been blessed with a few very large gifts. Each of these donations will be featured separately in the temple times over the next few editions. The temple respects and honors all our donors but the following deserve their recent respective recognition:



Barry Gerber

OUR JEWISH FUTURE FUND

An anonymous donor made a one-time gift of \$3,250,000 (three million two hundred fifty thousand dollars) to help Temple Emanu-El encourage young families, especially interfaith families, to raise their children as Reform Jews, and inspire other congregations nationally. The fund's plan is to assist Temple Emanu-El in lowering the financial bar of temple membership and school tuition. Thanks to Rabbi Brenner Glickman for shepherding this awesome record-breaking gift!

DIANE AND NORMAN COHEN ENDOWED ISRAEL FUND

Diane and Norman Cohen generously endowed a gift of \$208,000 (two hundred eight thousand dollars) to the Endowment Fund in establishing this fund. Distributions from the restricted fund will be paid to the temple for Israel related activities such as, speakers, scholars, Israeli celebrations, Israel shabbat and co-sponsored events with organizations that support Israel. Full details of the gift are found in the donor gift agreement. Rabbi Brenner Glickman was instrumental in getting this gift off the ground. Thank you RBG.

THE NEFESH INITIATIVE

Barbara and Laurance Newman supported this initiative by providing a gift of \$50,000 (fifty thousand dollars). This gift will be used to expand the 4th and 7th grade students Jewish experiences and enhance their Jewish journey. In addition, the gift expects to expand and broaden the Madrichim program which will develop more and better trained leaders working with our kids in the 4th to 7th grades. Thanks to Rabbi Michael Shefrin for working with the Newmans and bringing this exciting gift to fruition.

Some define philanthropy as voluntary action for the common good. The donors above are extraordinary examples of this concept. If you have a passion and wish to fund an effort, please contact Rabbis Glickman or Shefrin or myself at 941-228-7459 for further discussion. Our Rabbi's Dream List is a good place to start for ideas. On behalf of the Philanthropy Committee, I wish all a healthy and bountiful New Year.

Shalom.

Barry Gerber
Philanthropy Committee Chair

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Art Committee News

The Art Committee continued to meet over the summer to plan our upcoming Youth Art Show, and has held several engaging workshops and excursions for adults, with more to come.

Youth Art Show

Registration is now open for the temple's first-ever Youth Art Show, which will take place in Benderson Family Hall on December 3, 2023 from 11 am to 3 pm. It is open to any child from Kindergarten to 12th grade who attends TEE Religious School or is a child of temple members. Several hands-on workshops will be offered during the show for that age group.

Following the highly successful adult art show last December, the committee decided to focus on young people this year. The plan is to host another adult art show in 2025.

Promotion for the event at the Religious School began last spring with distribution of flyers, poster display, and a brief talk given by committee co-chairs Linda Joffe and Helene Davis prior to the summer hiatus. Committee member Marni Mount, whose daughters attended religious school and who currently holds the position of B'nai Mitzvah Coordinator, is the main liaison with the school for questions and coordination with Snait Ben-Herut, MJED, director. (marnismitzvahs@yahoo.com)

On Saturday evening, December 2, there will be a special opening reception for the participants and their families, and for other temple members who would like to celebrate their creativity. Reservation information will be forthcoming.

"Given the wide age range of potential participants, we are encouraging an equally wide range of art mediums for the kids," says co-chair Linda Joffe. "From finger paints, crayons, clay and Legos to mosaics, jewelry, photography and sophisticated digital art, the possibilities for creativity are endless. The only caveat is that all submitted art must be 'original,' as opposed to from a kit." It is a non-juried show and there is no charge to participate.

Deadline to register is November 15! To register your child (or self-register, if over 18), call the temple and ask for a registration form, or register online at sarasotatemple.org/events/upcoming-events. All forms should be returned to the temple office or submitted online.

Art Workshops

Following the positive response to art workshops held during last year's show, the committee recently offered two adult art workshops for temple members: scarf-painting in May, and jewelry-making in August. The scarf painting workshop was conducted by Jamie Kirkell at his home studio and the jewelry workshop took place at Knot Awl



Jewelry Making Workshop

Clyde Butcher,
Florida Bay



Beads in Lakewood Ranch. A good time was had by all, with creativity in abundance! More adult workshops will take place in 2024.

Art Excursions Group

Under the capable leadership of co-chairs Lynn Sacks, Rookie Shifrin and Joan Blum, the art excursions group continues to find interesting places to visit and be creative in our community. Recent excursions have included the Art Ovation Hotel in August, the studio of Andrea Dasha Reich in July, and Creative Liberties Artist Studios in June. Because of the demand and space limitations, these excursions are open only to temple members.

The next excursion will be held on Tuesday, October 10 and includes a docent tour of the Ringling Museum of Art at 10 am. The cost is \$30 and includes the private tour and all-day admission. Participants will tour the exhibit of Lorna Bieber, "Natural World," as well as the Chao Center for Asian Art, which currently features "Art Deco Lacquer and Textiles from Japan."

On Wednesday, November 15 at 10 am, the excursion will be the Clyde Butcher Gallery and Studio at 237 Warfield Avenue S. in Venice. It will feature a docent tour of both the gallery and the darkroom of this legendary photographer, who has been called "the next Ansel Adams" by Popular Photography. Butcher composes his works at pristine and untarnished locations, creating arresting compositions that distinctly mark him as the foremost landscape photographer in America today. There is a \$10 charge to secure your spot. Optional lunch will be at a restaurant on Venice Avenue.

Reservations for October (space permitting) and November can be made via email to Rookie Shifrin at rookies@me.com. She can also add you to the committee's growing email list for advance notification of upcoming events.

Linda Joffe
Art Committee Co-Chair



TEMPLE EMANU-EL YOUTH ART SHOW



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2023

KIDS! SHOW US YOUR ARTISTIC TALENT!

**DEADLINE FOR PARTICIPATION
IS NOVEMBER 15**

Open to any child from Kindergarten to 12th Grade who attends TEE Religious School or is a child of temple members.

Use registration form on reverse or register online.*

Non-juried show.

No charge to participate.
Up to 4 submissions per child.
Original artwork only (no kits).
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QUESTIONS?

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marnismitzvahs@yahoo.com

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digital art • woodworking • textiles/weaving/quilting • decorated tiles • mosaics • glass
jewelry/beading • jewish-themed art

*Register online at sarasotatemple.org
under "events/upcoming events."



“Lunch with the Rabbis” – and the Lulav!

Give yourself a Sukkot treat this year by packing a brown-bag lunch, getting ready for stimulating conversation, and heading to Benderson Family Hall for “Lunch with the Rabbis” on Wednesday, October 4, at noon! This signature event draws so many interesting, friendly people for socializing, companionship, learning, and sharing – and this month’s event has the extra special feature of coming during the Festival of Sukkot. In addition to engaging and

spirited discussion of current events and topics of Jewish interest, two fantastic rabbis, and a terrific atmosphere, attendees will also enjoy an opportunity to fulfill the mitzvah of dwelling in the sukkah, shake the lulav and smell the etrog, rejoice in the holiday – and, of course, savor delicious homemade desserts.

We sincerely hope you can join us – we’ll save you a seat!



Be like Nina Rose, and enjoy sukkah time with Rabbi Michael Shefrin at “Lunch with the Rabbis”



Be like Denise Shereff, Barry Mazer, and Rita Mazer, and shake the lulav with Rabbi Brenner Glickman at “Lunch with the Rabbis”

IN SEARCH OF *Israeli Cuisine*

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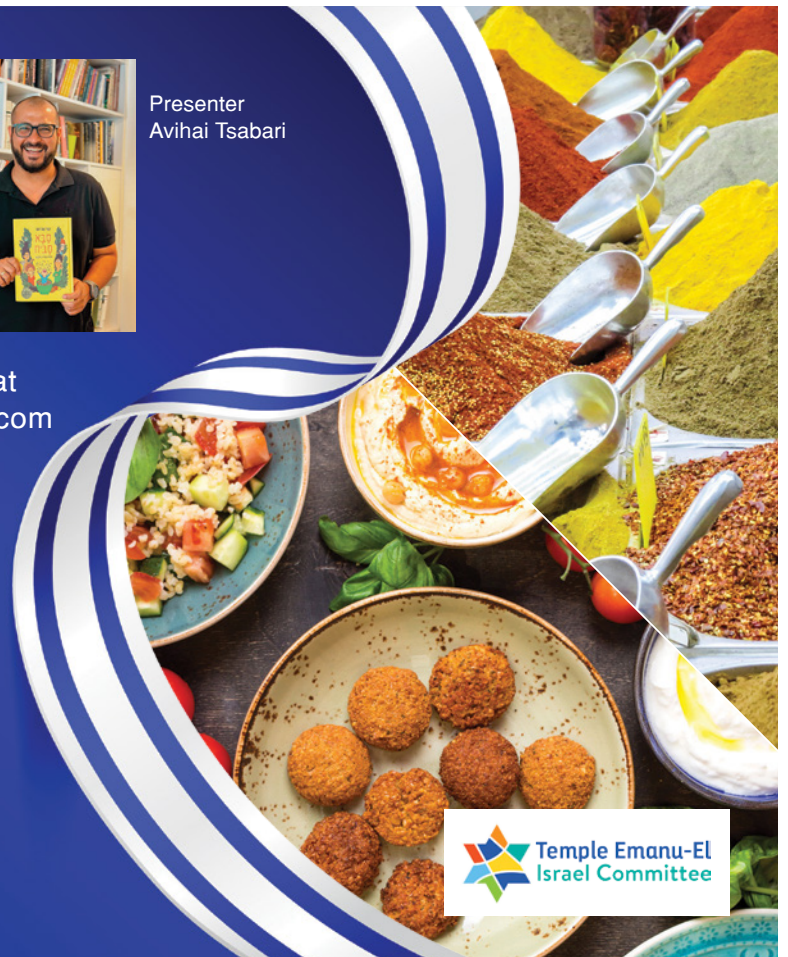
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Presenter
Avihai Tsabari

IS THERE AN ISRAELI CUISINE? IF SO, WHAT IS IT?

Together with Avihai Tsabari, a restaurateur and sommelier at leading Israeli restaurants and founder of Via Sabra, we will explore the evolution of Israeli cuisine and the factors that have influenced what has become an international sensation. Discuss what is local to the area and how immigration to Israel changed the culinary landscape today, do we have a melting pot or a tossed salad? Review food trends in Israel and touch upon the world of Israeli wine as well.



 Temple Emanu-El
Israel Committee

Confirmation Class Begins This Month

The first day of October also brings the first day of Temple Emanu-El's Confirmation classes! Monthly Confirmation class is a special opportunity for post-B'nai Mitzvah students to meet other Jewish teens; to be engaged, educated, and inspired by Jewish texts and teachings, and to connect with a wonderful Temple community!

Taught by Senior Rabbi Brenner Glickman and Associate Rabbi Michael Shefrin, Temple Emanu-El's Confirmation experience enables and encourages teens to explore Jewish topics of their choosing, deepen their relationships with our wonderful rabbis and educator, strengthen bonds with old friends and make new ones, and enjoy discussions, hands-on learning opportunities (including the much-anticipated challah-making workshop), and social and community service projects together. With so many of our Confirmation students serving as madrichim in the religious school, we have scheduled Confirmation class to begin at noon this year; students and rabbis will enjoy lunch and socializing, before diving into their studies.

"I am so excited for the new format this year," Rabbi Glickman commented. "Lunch together will be really fun, and we will have Morah Snait with us.

"Best of all," he added, "the new time allows our madrichim to volunteer at the religious school for the kids and also participate in Confirmation for themselves."

Confirmation class continues to enroll and welcome new students. Parents of Confirmation students are invited to join the Temple as Our Jewish Future or Parent Pillars members, and generous scholarships for Confirmation class tuition are available. For more information or to register to become part of this special experience, please call 378-5567.



Jake Maggard, Maxine Mintz, and Lucy Familant displayed their challah dough at last year's Confirmation challah-making workshop

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

OCTOBER 2023

Friday, October 6

Last Day of Sukkot
Service with Yizkor
10:30 am

Simchat Torah Shabbat
7:15 pm

Sunday, October 8

Simchat Torah
TEERS Consecration
9:30 am

Friday, October 13

Erev Shabbat
7:15 pm

Friday, October 20

Erev Shabbat
7:15 pm

Friday, October 27

Erev Shabbat
7:15 pm



Jacob Feldman, Ethan Hankin, and Sam Schwartz enjoyed last year's Confirmation challah-making workshop

Maccabi

I have competed as a lacrosse player since I was 6 years old. Most recently, I was a starting defenseman for the Varsity Lacrosse team at Riverview High School in Sarasota, FL. I have had a few Jewish teammates in prior seasons; however, the Maccabi Games provides a unique environment where both your teammates and all your competitors are Jewish. I explored the possibilities to participate and discovered an opportunity to play on the team sponsored by the Fort Lauderdale delegation.

The Maccabi Games is an annual Olympic style event for young Jewish Athletes. The host cities change annually, and the 2023 Maccabi Games were hosted by the David Posnack JCC in Fort Lauderdale, Florida from August 6th through August 11th. The event attracts delegations from all over the United States and includes international delegations from Israel, Europe, and South America. It was humbling to see a delegation from Ukraine participate in this year's games.

However, the Maccabi Games are not just sporting events and competitions. The games provide an unforgettable environment for athletic, social, and cultural growth. Six official Maccabi midot (values) guide the JCC Maccabi program to help remind us of the greater mission for the games. I will share three of the six that I personally experienced.

The day before the games I attended my first practice and was immediately

welcomed by my teammates and coaches. This exemplified one of the six values of the games which is *"Lev Tov"* which means to be "Big Hearted."

We competed against teams with athletes from Boston, Baltimore, Philadelphia, and Houston. There were also athletes from other cities that found an outlet to compete with different delegations. We were victorious in our first two games. The evening of the first day is an enormous opening ceremony that is modeled after the Olympics. There were thousands of athletes and the only venue large enough was the hockey arena for the professional NHL Florida Panthers. This was easily the largest gathering of Jewish people that I had ever experienced. After a long day of competing, I was exhausted. However, the opening ceremonies grand scale delivered the message of *"Amiut Yehudit"* which means "Jewish Peoplehood." Amit

Yehudit is the awareness of the underlying unity that makes an individual Jew part of the Jewish people.

As the week progressed, I got to know my teammates. Two of my

teammates are cousins and they had an interesting trip that ended the day before the Maccabi Games started. The sport of lacrosse has grown rapidly in Israel with the help of generous benefactors and some Americans who have moved to Israel. They participated in a Service/Lacrosse trip to Israel in which they spent 3 weeks touring, coaching, playing, and gaining perspective on life in Israel. I was loosely aware of this program but had never met anybody who had completed the trip. At the Maccabi games, it is easier to make connections like these.

My team, Fort Lauderdale, continued to develop throughout the week and continued to win. The winning streak continued as we won the Gold Medal in the U16 Lacrosse championship. My teammates and coaches were overwhelmed with *"Rina"* which means "Joy." The commissioner presented us with our gold medals immediately after we shook hands with our opponents. It was a gratifying feeling.

I am thankful for all the volunteers who made the event possible. It was an enormous undertaking and I appreciate the effort and generosity.

Lastly, I encourage Jewish athletes to seek out opportunities to compete in the Maccabi games.

Jacob Feldman



Opher Library: News

In a few weeks, Rabbi Shefrin will guide members of our congregation on a journey through the historic sites of the civil rights movement. The journey will highlight the powerful Jewish response to the fight against racial segregation and discrimination in America.

Two Jewish leaders, Rabbi Joachim Prinz, and Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel played notable roles during the civil rights movement. Rabbi Prinz spoke before Dr. King's "I Have a Dream" speech, while Rabbi Heschel marched alongside Dr. King in the historic Selma to Montgomery march.

In *Shared Dreams: Martin Luther King, Jr. & the Jewish Community*, Rabbi Marc Schneier brings to life the impressive and surprising history of Dr. King's efforts in support of the Jewish community. Rabbi Schneier explores the relationship between Jewish



and Black communities and their shared struggle for justice and civil rights in the United States.

To Stand Aside or Stand Alone: Southern Reform Rabbis and the Civil Rights Movement by P. Allen Krause, is a compilation of interviews featuring twelve rabbis who reflect on their contributions to the civil rights movement. These rabbis, assured that their conversations would remain private for a quarter-century, candidly expressed their thoughts, perspectives, and involvement with the movement which at the time was a dangerous and volatile subject in the south.

Jack Nelson, author of *Terror in the Night*, recounts the 1960s Klu Klux Klan campaign against the Jews of

Mississippi for their support of the NAACP and the civil rights movement. The bombing of two synagogues and a rabbi's home led to the FBI and local law enforcement becoming involved in the capture of those responsible.

To gain a deeper insight into our Jewish participation in the fight for civil rights within our nation, we encourage you to visit the library to explore these books, as well as numerous others on this topic.

Anyone with a TEE library card may borrow books from our library. Questions? Contact Rosalind Lieberman, simon9@comcast.net, 941-922-4517 or Cindy Aminoff, cinamino@gmail.com, 847-433-0153.

"For many of us the march from Selma to Montgomery was about protest and prayer. Legs are not lips and walking is not kneeling. And yet our legs uttered songs. Even without words, our march was worship." -Abraham Joshua Heschel

Cindy Aminoff, Librarian

From Israel – and for Israel – with Love

We are happy and excited for our Temple Emanu-El members who have the wonderful opportunity to participate in locally-organized Israel trips, and who represent us all so beautifully in doing so! Enjoy this delightful photo of Gabrielle Meese, who traveled to Israel as a Jewish Federation of Sarasota-Manatee's Bob Malkin Young Ambassador – and found Temple Emanu-El featured in the ANU Museum's virtual tour of synagogues around the world! We also share inspiring photos of our own DJ Kramer, Alisha Leopold, and Heidi Lurie savoring their MOMentum trip to Israel, made possible by the Jewish Federation of Sarasota-Manatee and Temple Emanu-El.

As DJ recounted: "...Each new experience, each lesson, meal, song, and prayer we shared together was punctu-

ated by a sense of belonging in a place that I'd never felt before. Israel may be geographically far, and culturally different, but the feeling of closeness of the Jewish people united in a shared identity permeating the nation is something I will never forget. Sure, I was overwhelmed by the beauty of the land, the architecture, and people, but even more profound was the exuberant celebration of faith, of simply being Jewish, apparent throughout the nation."

Am Yisrael Chai!



Beautiful “Knitzvahs” Benefit JFCS

Temple Emanu-El’s wonderful Mitzvah Knitting Group continues to bring love and beauty into the lives of needy families in our community and in Israel through their “knitzvahs!” Meeting the first and third Thursday of every month at 10 a.m. to socialize while creating beautiful blankets, caps, booties, sweaters, and more, the Mitzvah Knitting Group then donates their remarkable work to organizations that help seniors, families, and children.

A wonderful shipment collection of hand-knit and hand-crocheted items was selected and sorted by Mitzvah Knitting Group members this past summer and delivered by Esther Rose to JFCS in August. The items were gratefully received and will brighten the days and lives of so many in our community – not only because of their beauty and high quality, but also because of the love and care that each one contains.

In addition to bringing joy and aid to those in need through their knitzvahs, the Mitzvah Knitting Group also brings joy and friendship to its participants. This close-knit and delightful group of “knitzvah sisters” always welcomes new members – for more information, please contact Mitzvah Knitting Group facilitator Lori Klein at lklein98@gmail.com.

Mitzvah Knitting Group members display the items to be donated to Jewish Family and Children’s Services of the Suncoast



Esther Rose presented beautiful handmade items created by the Mitzvah Knitting Group to Jewish Family and Children’s Services of the Suncoast



As an active member of Temple Emanu-El, I’m committed to providing you with the highest level of service. In addition, if you select me as your trusted advisor, or refer me, I’ll donate a portion of my proceeds back to the Temple in your name.



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Time to Rejoice: Sukkot and Simchat Torah Are Coming!

Did you know that the Torah commands us to rejoice on Sukkot? It's a fun and delightful mitzvah to fulfill – and Temple Emanu-El makes it easy with joyous and meaningful Sukkot observances! Whether it's the Brotherhood building the Temple sukkah, the religious school's sukkah-decorating marathon and all-school Sukkot celebration, the preschool's special morning in the sukkah, our first-ever Tot Shabbat Parents Night Out: Charcuterie in the Sukkah, the Brotherhood and Sisterhood's Sukkot Dinner and Learning, the New Member Meet and Greet, sukkah time for our Confirmation class and Lunch with the Rabbi attendees – or just finding a quiet moment to enjoy and reflect in the Temple sukkah by yourself or with family and friends, you will have plenty of opportunities to celebrate this wonderful holiday with your Temple family! Please watch your Tuesday email Message from the Temple and peruse the flyers in the lobby for information about these and other wonderful Sukkot events.

Even after Sukkot has concluded, the rejoicing continues with Simchat Torah – which literally means “Rejoicing in the Torah” – as we mark the end of the cycle of Torah readings, and immediately begin again. This is also the season for welcoming our wonderful new religious school students with a beautiful and festive Consecration ceremony. What a joyful expression of our love and gratitude for the gift of Torah! Please watch your inbox for details and updates about our upcoming Shabbat and Simchat Torah celebrations.

Chag Sameach – Happy Sukkot and Happy Simchat Torah! We look forward to sharing these special days together.



The wonderful men of Brotherhood enthusiastically built last year's sukkah



We look forward to rejoicing in the Torah on Simchat Torah!

Social Action Committee

Many thanks to our congregation for their generosity in supporting our High Holiday Food Drive for the All Faiths Food Bank. Although it is too early to share the totals raised with you, we will do so when we have them next month. Our gratitude goes to Bettianne Marcus and Lisa Phifer who co-chaired this project for the second year and to all the volunteers who willingly gave their time to make this a success.

As part of our Mental Health Initiative, Temple Emanu-el is sponsoring the NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Walk which is scheduled for October 7 from 8 am -12 pm and will be held at Payne Park in downtown Sarasota. Temple members can register and/or make a donation to NAMI for this year's NAMI Walk on the Temple event website. This is the link for registration is: www.sarasotateemple.org/event/nami-walks.html. Many thanks to Janis Gold for spearheading our team.

Temple Emanu-el will also be forming a team to support the American Cancer Society at their annual Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk on Saturday, October 21st at Benderson Park. Ronni Loundy and Barbara Gerber will be the team leaders and are dedicating this year's walk in memory of Mona Salomon. Please look for registration and more information in your weekly emails.

Susan Rosenbaum
Social Action Chair

TEE Starfish Initiative Offers a Full Range of Volunteer Opportunities

When, in 2017, we conceived the idea for a temple volunteer community program, never in our wildest dreams did we think Starfish would be still going strongly today. However, given the generosity and talent of our congregation, we should not be surprised! Starfish continues in all K classrooms at Wilkinson Elementary School, our Starfish school, with eight programs listed below. Contact information is provided for program coordinators who are seeking additional volunteers.

★ Starfish Sensory Garden

Led by Dr. Jill Halman (jhalman@umich.edu), volunteers maintain an interactive garden created for students who plant, harvest, consume foods grown, and make sensory projects important for higher learning, exploration, and improved concentration.

★ Rockin' Readers

Trained Rockin' Readers read aloud 1:1 weekly on campus with a student throughout the year to instill the love of reading and close the student's vocabulary gap. Coordinator: Dr. Tanice Knopp (teestarfishinitiative@gmail.com).

★ Book Buddies

Coordinated by Kathy Docks (kdocks227@gmail.com), this program pairs a volunteer with a student to build the student's home library. Four times throughout the school year, the Book Buddy, in response to a themed drawing from their assigned student (e.g., *What I want to be when I grow up*), sends the student a book relevant to that drawing.

★ Dramatic Storytelling

Rita Mazer and her Venice Little Theatre colleagues, in full costume with props, conduct dramatic storytelling sessions based on books selected with the teacher. The eight books and supporting materials are gifted to all the children to develop their home library.

★ Literacy-Linked Art Experiences

Cheryl Parnes (chparnes1@gmail.com) leads this program of student art experiences linked to the *Dramatic Storytelling* books. Volunteers prepare materials for the art kits and help on campus to lead the children through the experiences.

TEE STARFISH INITIATIVE



★ TEE Starfish Initiative Food Pantry

A team led by Marc Halman (mhalman@umich.edu) coordinates with *All Faiths Food Bank* to provide a food distribution site at the school for food-insecure families.

★ Thespian Troupe: Storybooks Alive!

Dr. Adrienne Krouse (adriennekrouse0820@gmail.com) leads a troupe of volunteers using minimal costumes and props to present entertaining, engaging interpretative readings of children's books once a month throughout the school year to instill the love of reading.

★ Volunteer Donations

Those unable to participate actively can make donations in support of one or more of these programs.

Please join the Starfish team of volunteers. There is something for everyone!

Tanice Knopp
TEE Starfish Initiative Chair



MAKING STRIDES Against Breast Cancer®

One in eight women will be diagnosed with breast cancer. Research is now ongoing to find a cure. You could play a part in finding that cure!

Answer to Cancer SRQ is a Making Strides team founded by TEE member Ronni Loundy 5 years ago. The team has successfully raised enough funds to place number 1 in SW Florida and in the top 10 nationally of all Making Strides teams. Due to the team's success, we have been chosen by the American Cancer Society to fund a research project at Moffitt Cancer Center. The researcher, Dr. Ana Gomes, is studying breast cancer metastasis and aging.

Please consider walking with us at Benderson Park on Oct 21 and/or donating to our team to support this important research. Donate in memory of our beloved Mona Salomon, in memory of a family member or friend. Donate in honor of a survivor. Or donate because there is a chance that our researcher could play a key part in eradicating this disease.

ANSWER TO CANCER SRQ

OCTOBER 21, 2023

7:30 am: Registration Starts

8:30 am: Walk begins

BENDERSON PARK

QUESTIONS? CONTACT

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**TO REGISTER OR
DONATE VISIT**

AnswerToCancerSRQ.com

Ronni Loundy & Barbara Gerber

Shanah Tovah: A Meaningful Year Is Ahead for the Israel Committee

The upcoming Jewish year of 5784 will be especially meaningful for Temple Emanu El's Israel Committee. With profound gratitude to Norman and Diane Cohen, who so generously made a significant contribution to the temple for its Israel-related activities for this year and many years to come, I am proud and happy to announce that we are planning many more interesting and exciting presentations, events, and activities focused on Israel.

One of our most significant events will be an in-person presentation by the Legal Director of a leading non-partisan organization, Stand-With-Us, to discuss the terrible challenge of antisemitism on college campuses. Although we are devastated by this resurgence of hatred in too many universities, we are grateful for the

opportunity to hear from experts and to learn what we can do to address the growing issue. We also look forward to a presentation by the bipartisan American Israel Public Affairs Committee about the importance of educating members of Congress about Israel and what we can do to help as well as a co-sponsoring a panel discussion with Brotherhood and Sisterhood about the political crisis in Israel and whether Israel's democracy is threatened. Also in partnership with Brotherhood and Sisterhood, the Israel Committee will sponsor a docent tour of the Florida Holocaust Museum in St. Petersburg.

We are also hosting two wonderful Zoom presentations – one on the history of Israeli cuisine, and one on the Arava Institute, a leading research institute examining climate change

and other environmental issues in the Middle East.

In addition to these new programs, we are continuing some of our popular signature events! There will again be not one but two fantastic Israeli cooking demonstrations by experienced chefs, and the Peace Tile Project with TEERS will launch its final stage with the creation of a Peace Quilt Wall. And, as always, we anticipate the annual Israel Shabbat Dinner and Service and participation in the Federation's Yom HaAtzmaut celebration.

Watch for the flyers in the Temple Times, announcements in the weekly email and copies of the flyer by the Gift Shop – and register and join us for as many events and activities as you would like. We are excited to celebrate Israel together in 5784!

Lehetriot!

Nina Levitt
Israel Committee Chair

Mazel Tov

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1 Jay Gross	10 Phyllis Isaacs	20 Nicole Coleman
1 Dr. Janet Stern Solomon	11 Fran Berg	20 Dr. Toby Behar
1 Debra Silver Heller	11 Dr. Carl Levy	20 Ryan Stoddard
1 Dr. Myra Levine	11 Mary Gendler	21 Denise Foster
1 Philippe Schwimmer	12 Dr. Ronni Silverman	21 Eva Claire Hakim
1 Doris Mylinarski	12 Dr. David Greenblum	21 Bridgit Dowling
1 Dave Lowell	12 Ora Mendels	21 Felice Volosin
2 Melanie Murphy	13 Max Lafer	21 Nancy Behrenfeld
2 Lucas Nahon	13 Debra Schueler	21 Helen Rose
2 Ken Friedman	14 Brad Johnson	21 Colton Zukas
2 Alicia Zoller	14 Dr. Jeff Moscow	22 Jacob Weinberger
2 Richard Deuble	14 Ace Rosenthal	22 Vivian Masters
3 Robin Shainess	14 Ronald Shapo	23 Francine Rosenberg
3 Susan Childers	15 Callie Kramer	23 Carol Siegler
3 Lynn Sacks	15 Larry Fineberg	24 Barbara Gerber
3 Ava Rosin	15 Sandra Mardon	24 Dr. Michael Leibowitz
4 Sharon Linder	15 Joshua Belodoff	24 Nathaniel Cohen
4 Jacob Englander	15 Jason Lipton	24 Gary Kurnov
4 Dr. Dori Goldfarb	15 Janet Udell	25 Allison Cohen
4 Laura Burchett	15 Irving Ross	25 Dr. Paul Frederick
5 Cindy Silverglat	15 Josh Yunis	25 Lenore Treiman
5 Elaine Blum	16 Yvonne Weinsberg	26 Dr. Ike Koziol
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10 Mary Saily	19 Carole Fox	29 Dr. Joe Mendels
10 Linda Essenson	19 Ziva Sheslow	29 Persephone Grossman
	20 Ada Johnson	30 Jason Berman
	20 Manching Tom	31 Mia La Porta

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

1 Burgess Levin & Mary Saily
2 Judy & Bruce Gibbs
2 Joel & Sherrie Eisenberg
3 Missy & Dr. Ryan Jawitz
3 Jason & Shera Friedman
5 Carol & Robert MacPhee
5 Rebecca & Andy Zion
6 Dr. Marc & Martha Grinberg
7 Ellis & Bernice Lasberg
9 Jason & Mary Gordon Berman
9 Stuart & Antoinette Matlins
9 Richard Orenstein & Diana Vytell
9 Carrie & Eric Wolff
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15 Dr. Jordan & Ashley Sanderson
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Welcome Home Shabbat

Temple Emanu-El welcomed our young Jewish and interfaith families home from a busy summer of camp and travels, and celebrated the beginning of the school year and fall season, with the much-anticipated “Welcome Back Shabbat” on Friday, August 18.

The evening began with a festive Shabbat service led by Senior Rabbi Brenner Glickman, Associate Rabbi Michael Shefrin, and the Family Shabbat Band, with opportunities for children to ascend the pulpit to lead prayers and participate in the ceremonial march with the Torah scrolls. After worship, the many attendees enjoyed a wonderful Shabbat meal as well as carnival games, holiday crafts such as decorating their own kiddush cups for Shabbat and foam apples for Rosh Hashanah, and an ice cream sundae and brownie bar. This special event was expertly chaired by Religious School Director Snait Ben-Herut, MAJE, with delicious food provided by Michael Lauber and Brooklyn Catering.

“Welcome Home Shabbat is one of Temple Emanu-El’s favorite events,” Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman enthused. “It brings together all generations for a joyful Shabbat experience, and we just kvell to see so many adorable children on the pulpit and in the sanctuary.

“With so many new members, it’s important for us to maintain our warm, family feeling,” she added, “and there’s really no better way to do that than by celebrating Shabbat together!”

Photo Gallery



Religious School Director Morah Snait Ben-Herut, MJED, Ilanit Klang-Geffre, and Senior Rabbi Brenner Glickman



Andrew, Sasha, and Bryce Rosin



Temple Emanu-El moms and friends enjoyed a great evening together



Senior Rabbi Brenner Glickman and Associate



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Calendar subject to change.

NOVEMBER 2023

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| 1 Lunch with the Rabbis12:00 pm
Religious School 5:30 pm | 15 Starfish Thespians.10:30 am
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| 2 Fluid Dance10:00 am
Mitzvah Knitters10:00 am | 16 Mitzvah Knitters10:00 am
Fluid Fance10:00 am
Brotherhood Book Club 3:30 pm |
| 3 Family Shabbat 7:15 pm | 17 Junior Shabbat 5:00 pm
Erev Shabbat..... 7:15 pm |
| 4 Torah Study Zoom 11:00 am
Brooke Feldman Bat Mitzvah 4:30 pm | 18 Torah Study Zoom 11:00 am |
| 5 Religious School9:30 am
Brotherhood Board Meeting9:30 am
TEERS 6th Grade B'nai Mitzvah Kallah. .10:00 am
Sisterhood Fundraiser 7:00 pm | 19 Religious School Closed |
| 6 Ageless Grace with Judith10:30 am
Conversational Hebrew I9:45 am
Conversational Hebrew 2 11:00 am
Zoom Social Hour 5:00 pm | 20 SSELC Closed / Thanksgiving Break
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Zoom Social Hour 5:00 pm
Board of Trustees Meeting 6:30 pm
Membership Committee Meeting Zoom.. 7:00 pm |
| 7 Sisterhood Book Club Benderson Hall.. 1:30 pm | 21 SSELC Closed / Thanksgiving Break |
| 8 Sisterhood Board Meeting10:30 am
Religious School 5:30 pm
5th Grade Parent Meeting 5:30 pm | 22 SSELC Closed / Thanksgiving Break
Religious School Closed
Caring Committee Zoom10:00 am
Philanthropy Meeting10:30 am
Social Action Committee Meeting Zoom.. 1:30 pm |
| 9 AE Program: Rabbis Shefrin & Mimi
Weisel's Spiritual Journey10:30 am | 23 Office Closed / SSELC Closed / Thanksgiving Break |
| 10 SSELC Thanksgiving Feast 11:30 am
Veterans Shabbat 7:15 pm | 24 Office Closed / SSELC Closed / Thanksgiving Break
Erev Shabbat..... 7:15 pm |
| 11 Tot Shabbat - Veterans Day10:00 am
Torah Study Zoom 11:00 am
Benjamin & Estella Fairweather
B'nai Mitzvah..... 4:30 pm | 25 Torah Study Zoom 11:00 am |
| 12 Religious School9:30 am
Confirmation Class12:00 pm | 26 Religious School Closed / Thanksgiving Break |
| 13 Conversational Hebrew I9:45 am
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Sisterhood Lunch & Learn..... 11:30 am
Zoom Social Hour 5:00 pm | 27 Conversational Hebrew I9:45 am
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Social Hour Zoom 5:00 pm
Israel Committee – Yael Lerman
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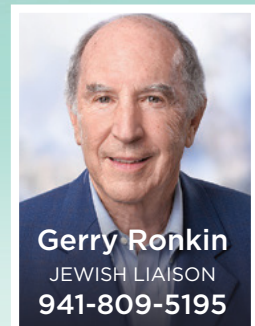
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