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Time to build the Sukkah



This year's Sukkah construction will engage the teens from ETC Mitzvah on **Sunday, October 6 at 9:00 a.m.**

Adult help and supervision is ALWAYS welcome!

We hope you can join us.

The Sukkah deconstruction will be **Sunday, October 20 at 11:00 a.m.**

The teens will be on a field trip that day, so we will NEED HELP from adult volunteers.

Please mark your calendars.

We look forward to seeing everyone!

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Message From the Rabbi

On Yom Kippur we will hear a High Holy Day appeal. In keeping with Temple Emeth tradition, the appeal will not benefit our own congregation, but instead another Jewish organization that shares our values.

The beneficiary of this year's appeal is a new office of the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism (RAC) dedicated to advocacy here in New Jersey. Known as RAC-NJ, it is the culmination of years of preparation and lobbying on the part of Reform rabbis and lay leaders throughout the state.

The precursor of the RAC-NJ is called the Reform Jewish Voice of New Jersey (RJVNJ). In the last year, I attended two events sponsored by RJVNJ. The first was an advocacy day in Trenton focusing on three major issues: immigrant rights, criminal justice reform, and the environment. After hearing some amazing guest speakers, our Temple Emeth delegation went to the Capitol to speak to Assemblyman Gordon Johnson about three legislative "asks" that had been vetted by RJVNJ.

The second event was a training session with First Friends, an organization that aids immigrants in ICE detention by sending volunteers to visit them in county jails every two weeks for at least three months. For detainees who have no family in the area, the chance to speak to someone outside of the jail system is an important social and emotional lifeline. Both of these events were organized by volunteers from RJVNJ, but their time is limited and the potential for Reform synagogues in our state is greater than volunteers alone are

able to manage.

With a professional organizer as part of the RAC-NJ staff, we will be able to broaden and deepen connections between congregations, with legislators, and with partner advocacy organizations. We will be able to increase turnout for events and actions, share best practices between synagogues, and help develop a true

network across the state. Crucially, an organizer will give RAC-NJ a more visible presence in Trenton, meeting with state legislators and other advocates. We will also be able to strategize on a deeper level, drawing on the organizer's training and skill to understand what unique contribution RAC-NJ can add to our partners' efforts.

I'm pleased to announce that RAC-NJ is scheduled to open early next year. Our High Holy Day appeal is timed to give one last fundraising push to ensure that the launch of this initiative has the resources to make its first year an outstanding success. To my knowledge,

Temple Emeth is the only congregation engaging in grassroots fundraising for RAC-NJ this holiday season. It is exciting to be on the ground floor of this new organization that has so much potential in implementing our vision for a just society in the Garden State.

You will hear more details at services on Yom Kippur morning. If you share this vision I hope you will donate by going to <https://donate.reformjudaism.org/templemeth>.

L'shanah Tovah. May this be a sweet and happy year for us all.

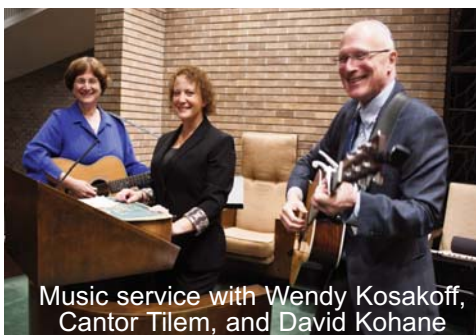


Rabbi Steven Sirbu



EMETH TEEN COMMUNITY

Our Temple Emeth teens attended a screening of "Heading Home: The Tale of Team Israel" in Tenafly on September 8, 2019. The film's director, Seth Kramer (far left), was there too, along with Rabbi Sirbu and Emeth Teen Community assistant director Amanda Eastman (third from left).



Music service with Wendy Kosakoff, Cantor Tilem, and David Kohane



B'yachad breakfast with Marc Dollinger



Cantor Tilem, Rabbi Uri Regev, and Rabbi Sirbu

From the Religious School

“Z'man Simchateinu – The Season of Our Joy”

The opening day of Religious School was a glorious communal gathering (a *Kehilla*) of students and their families, faculty, and other Temple Emeth members joining together in multiple programs: Religious School first day welcome service, parent “Meet & Greet,” harvest celebration, and park clean-up.

Rabbi Sirbu and Cantor Tilem led a beautiful *Tfila* and *Shira* (prayer and song) service that was an inspiring beginning for our new year. It afforded all of us at Temple Emeth Religious School a unique opportunity to experience the sights, sounds, and flavors of this joyous holiday season.



We thank our returning faculty, Rabbi Sirbu, Cantor Tilem, Wendy Filowitz, Allyson Gur-Aryeh, Shoshana Ishayik, Naomi Klein, Jill Kravitz, Marla Levine, and Nancy Lederman-Scher for their continued hard work, inspiration, and commitment to our school. Our experienced and creative educators are committed to provide a vibrant Jewish education that engages the heart, the mind, and the soul. Our students experience Jewish traditions and heritage

Dora Geld Friedman

through learning of Torah text, tasting the sweetness of apples and honey, and seeing the beautiful stars through the Sukkah roof.

Todah Rabah to our specialists Marc Klausner and Idajean Fisher for providing Religious School support wherever and whenever it is needed. Their knowledge, dedication, and kindness enrich all of the students and Temple Emeth families. Thank you to Barbara Shater, Religious School Administrator, for her tireless efforts and special talent in coordinating all the elements of our busy school. We also thank Danielle Feuer and Tammy Hecht, our Religious School Committee co-chairs, for enriching our school with special events, creative ideas, and assistance whenever needed.

It is truly a blessing to see all the happy and eager students enjoying and learning all about Jewish life. We wish you a year filled with blessings and peace!

B'vracha,
Dora Geld Friedman



Temple Emeth invites you to **THE RABBI JOSHUA TRACHTENBERG MEMORIAL LECTURE** Friday, October 25 at 7:30 p.m.

Guest Lecturer is **Rabbi Mary Zamore** who will speak about
“Creating a Just World: Tzedaka and Judaism’s Giving Mindset”

Rabbi Mary L. Zamore is the Executive Director of the Women’s Rabbinic Network. As part of her work supporting and advocating for Reform women rabbis, Rabbi Zamore is co-leading the Reform Pay Equity Initiative to narrow the wage gap for all female employees of the Reform Movement, creating a replicable model to address all employment interactions.

Judaism has much to teach concerning our spiritual understanding of money, including the financial imperative to help others, Tzedaka starts with a giving mindset, in which even the poor are instructed to give to others and wealth is defined by “being content with our lot,” and yet we also appreciate financial security and prosperity. Living in a modern culture that promotes acquisition over giving, how do we return to our Jewish values to create a just world through giving.



A kosher Shabbat dinner will precede the service at 6:00 p.m.
Reservations for the dinner must be sent to the Temple office by October 15.

For additional information, please contact:
Elaine Pollack
ecpollack33@gmail.com

RSVP for Shabbat dinner on October 25th

Name(s): _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Number attending at \$30 per person _____

Total enclosed: \$ _____

____ I/we will help set-up on Friday morning, Oct. 25th.

Message from President Nickie Falk

Why Did You Join Temple Emeth?

One of the highlights for me of each Board of Trustees meeting is our final agenda item: Good and Welfare. In the past, it's been a time for each of us to brag about our children (my eldest just got married this summer!) or tell about our adventures during the past month.

This year, however, Good and Welfare has taken a different turn, with questions I pose so that we can get to know each other on a deeper level.

At our September Board meeting, I questioned Board members about why they joined Temple Emeth. Several trustees reported that they were members of other Bergen County synagogues before they came to us. Those synagogues didn't have the warmth and friendliness of Temple Emeth, or a dynamic Religious School program that met the needs of their children. One member had no place to go for a Passover seder and saw an advertisement for Temple Emeth. Another was looking for a place to go for festival services and reported that he has been to every festival service at Temple Emeth since 2003! Yet another was invited by a friend to come to Torah Study on Saturday mornings; he's been coming ever since. One past president found us through the babysitters he and his wife hired to watch their two young girls. "The friendly and creative ones all belong to Temple Emeth."

There was a common theme among the responses: We came for our children, but we stayed for us. Thanks to Marilyn Shapiro who so succinctly summarized this! Marilyn also made another wonderful comment: "We could choose a synagogue based on the best deal, or we could choose one based on our hearts."

As we dive into a new year of programming, of films

and continuing education courses, of new exhibits in our museum, of new books in our library, of new speakers at services, there are hundreds of ways for us to explore Judaism with our minds—and with our hearts.

Let your mind be stimulated through one of our many education programs, including the Wednesday's Lunch and Learn. Led by Rabbi Sirbu this year the group will explore the book *Pirkei Avot: A Social Justice Commentary*, by Rabbi Dr. Shmuly Yanklowitz. Or take a class with our Tuesday night mini-university.

Want to learn an old language that's new again? A Yiddish class is offered on Monday mornings. Or come to hear our Rabbi Joshua Trachtenberg Memorial Lecture, where guest speaker Rabbi Mary Zamore will be talking about how we can return to our Jewish values to create a just world through giving.

Let your heart be moved at one of our Shabbat services. Our monthly Family service includes lots of singing, a story for the children, and child-friendly desserts that the adults seem to love as well. Our Shabbat music services are held the third Friday of the

month, and feature live music performed by our wonderful Temple Emeth Band. Photographs by Barbara Balkin of the Temple's trip to Alabama this past spring are on exhibit. Join the Social Action Committee, which carries on various activities that reflect our Jewish values and help us to work toward repairing the world.

These are but a few of the offerings for this New Year. Check out the calendar on our website (www.emeth.org) and watch your email for more information.

We all came for one reason, but we stayed for hundreds of others. Why did you join Temple Emeth?



Nickie Falk



URJ BIENNIAL 2019
DECEMBER 11 - 15 • CHICAGO, IL

Come to the 2019 URJ Biennial

The URJ Biennial takes place in Chicago on December 11 - 15. It is the place for Jews from around the world while helping shape the future of the Reform Movement. Over the course of 5 days, more than 5,000 participants study ancient texts with leading Jewish minds; share ideas on strengthening congregational life; explore critical social justice issues; and dance, sing, and pray with diverse clergy and song leaders from around the world. Among the presenters and musicians are: Rabbi Mary Zamore, Rabbi Jonah Pesner, Rabbi Rick Jacobs, United States Ambassador to Israel Daniel Shapiro, journalist Jodi Kantor, Dan Nichols, and Cantor Ellen Dreskin.

For details go to <https://www.urjbiennial.org/>



Guest speaker Lian Najami,
Torah cover replacement at Selichot



ETHNIC JEWISH FOOD FESTIVAL

Join us for Dinner, Services, and Oneg
on Friday night, November 1st, 2019
at 6:00 p.m. when
"WOMEN COOK"



Shabbat dinner cooked by the non-profit group "Women Cook," who will share their stories with us and present Festive Israeli Dancing during the Oneg.

"Jewish food is about a whole lot more than just bagels and lox. It's Bukharian peraskhi, it's Ethiopian injera, and it's Moroccan stew" (from The Forward, 11/12/18 article).

"Women Cook" is an Israeli Women's Social Initiative made up of women from towns and cities throughout Israel, and coming from different culinary traditions; Moroccan, Tunisian, Ethiopian and more. The initiative was created to empower women and give them an opportunity to be economically independent and preserve their rich cultural traditions.

Please fill out this RSVP form and return it to Temple Emeth with \$18 per adult and \$10 per child by October 15th for the "Women Cook" dinner. If you do not RSVP, you are welcome to attend the event, but not the dinner.

RSVP for "Women Cook" Dinner on November 1st
Name(s) _____

Number attending: Adults ____ Children (under age 18) ____
Telephone _____
Email _____
Total enclosed _____

"MOVIES THAT MATTERED" A Film Series Follow-Up to "The Jewish Experience Through Cinema"



The next MOVIE THAT MATTERED:
The Jazz Singer

Tuesday, October 15th at 7:30 p.m.

"The Jazz Singer" is a 1980 American drama and remake of the 1927 film starring Neil Diamond, Laurence Olivier, and Lucie Arnaz. Three of Diamond's hit songs, "America," "Love on the Rocks," and "Hello Again" were on the soundtrack.

Coming up on Saturday, December 14th at 7:30 p.m. will be "Crossing Delancey."

Social Action in Action

Mitzvah of the Month – The food collected during the High Holy Day food drive will be sorted and packed on Sunday, October 13 at 9 a.m. and will be led by Peggy Gerber and Eva Sandrof.

Bergen County Jail Tour - The tour was very professional and included a discussion with the County Sheriff, Anthony Cureton. This was not a political program, but a tour of the facilities. Fifteen of us participated. The jail holds approximately 700 people, both inmates and immigrants. It includes a courthouse, a law library, regular library, drug detox program and more. They do seem open to cultural programs. Next steps tbd.

Park Cleanup - On Sunday, Sept 8, SAC implemented the annual cleanup of Windsor Park, across from the Temple. It was also the opening day of Religious School and children and their parents were the major participants. Our grant application has been accepted, and we will be receiving money from the County in compensation for the cleanup.

Meadowlands Power Plant - The developers of the Meadowlands Power Plant which we have been fighting against so vigorously have temporarily withdrawn their application; however, they will re-submit it, so we need to keep fighting. Paul Kaufman was at a meeting recently where Governor Murphy spoke, and he again evaded the issue of if/when he will impose a moratorium on new fossil fuel infrastructure construction in New Jersey, so we have to keep the pressure on him.

The Haiti Packathon is coming up on Saturday, November 9, 2019, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Everyone can participate. It doesn't take much time and it's fun. Grace Lutheran Church on River Road in Teaneck. Hate Has No Place - This event takes place on October 29 at the JCC in Tenafly.

Next meeting: **Thursday, October 10** at 7:00 p.m.
AGENDA: A DISCUSSION WITH RABBI MARY ZAMORE ABOUT FOOD WASTE. (via video). Rabbi Zamore has graciously agreed to help us with finding a starting place to work on food waste. It's a broad subject and she is an expert. There is a lot of information online.

MUSEUM NEWS

The current exhibit in the Temple Museum is a selection of photographs from the Temple Emeth 2019 Civil Rights Tour to Atlanta, Birmingham, Selma, and Montgomery.



NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

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L'SHANA TOVAH

FROM YOUR TEMPLE FAMILY



Ruth, Peter, Susan, and Ellen Adler
 Barbara Balkin & Bill Helfman
 Susan and Richard Barnett
 Teri Binder
 Stan & Barbara Blumenfeld
 Joseph Boonin
 Susan and Marty Breznick and Family
 Elinor Buchbinder
 Fran Butensky
 Barbara and Richard Chittum
 Judy and Walter Distler
 Rachel, Mike & Amanda Eastman
 Sandra Ebinger & Family
 Madelyn & Richard Eichen
 Judy and Bob Eichinger
 Fran Einiger
 Nickie & Douglas Falk and Family
 Marian & Rubin Ferziger
 The Fink Family
 Dan & Joy Firshein, Jenna, Jess, Kerry,
 Zev & Rafi
 Carlene Fleishman and Family
 Mr. & Mrs. Joel Friedman & Family
 Stephen Friedman and Julie Weisman,
 Ariel and Naomi
 Sharon Friedson & Edrich Family
 Michael, Gayle, and Sarah Goldberg
 The Gronners
 Micki & Mike Grunstein and Family
 Vera Horowytz
 Jane Kalfus
 Laurel & Seth Kane
 Barry, Jill & Rachael Kantor
 Rebecca, Sabrina & Art Lerman
 Ann & Robert Levenstein
 Robbie Liblit
 Howard Lieberman, Jaime Rubin & Family
 Bea Podorefsky & Family
 Elaine & Joe Pollack
 Mr. & Mrs. Joel M. Price
 Dr. & Mrs. Ronald Primas and Family
 Risa Rosenberg & Family
 Harvey & Barbara Rosenfeld
 Jonathan Ross & Merri Adler-Ross
 Joel & Meryl Sachs
 Robin Rolfe & Arnold Saltzman
 Marilyn & Carl Shapiro
 Carla & Larry Silver & Family
 Ina & Michael Silverstein & Family
 Shirley & David Soslund
 Rachael P. Sugarman
 Mary Jane Tucker
 Deborah and James Veach
 Naomi and Jerry Weber
 Senator Loretta Weinberg
 The Wertheimer & Wertheimer-Lopez Family
 Sydel Yegelow
 Barbara and Irwin Yellowitz



Temple Emeth

A Caring Community



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YOU CAN COUNT ON ME!



I want to make a difference.

☐ I would like to join the **PAUL S. LAZAR CARING COMMITTEE**

☐ I WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT TEMPLE EMETH'S
 CARING COMMITTEE A FEW TIMES A YEAR BY

- ☐ Calling a house-bound or ill congregant
- ☐ Visiting a congregant at home, at a hospital or rehab center
- ☐ Providing and delivering a meal (homemade or store bought) to a congregant
- ☐ Driving a congregant to services or a Temple Emeth event
- ☐ Lending medical equipment to a congregant in need (specify type):
- ☐ Assisting at a house of mourning:
- ☐ Helping at a Minyan ☐ Set up before ☐ Clean up after
- ☐ Attending a Minyan
- ☐ Baking or buying a cake for Shiva

☐ SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

- ☐ I would like to join the Social Action Committee
- ☐ I would like to participate in Temple Emeth's community outreach:
- When the Temple becomes a family homeless shelter (specify)
- ☐ Cook for ☐ Shop for ☐ Sleep over

☐ I WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN
 TEMPLE EMETH'S OTHER ACTIVITIES

- ☐ Serve on a Temple committee
- Help with a Temple event: Bazaar ☐ Shalach Manot ☐ Gala: ☐
- Other: _____

NAME: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

Please place your completed card in the Caring Committee Box in the lobby
 or mail it to:

Temple Emeth, 1666 Windsor Road, Teaneck, NJ 07666 Attn Caring Community

Questions? Contact Karen Wertheimer • kwtheimer@verizon.net

Services and S'machot

2nd of Tishrei 5780 Tuesday, October 1st	Rosh Hashanah Second Day Morning Service with Shofar Healing Service at 10:00 a.m.
6th of Tishrei 5780 Friday, October 4th Saturday, October 5th <i>Torah Portion - Vayeilech: Deut. 31:1-30</i>	Shabbat Shuva Shabbat Service at 8:00 p.m. Torah Study at 9:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service at 10:30 a.m. <i>Haftarah - Hos. 14:2-10, Mic. 7:18-20, Joel 2:15-27</i>
10th of Tishrei 5780 Tuesday, October 8th Wednesday, October 9th	Erev Yom Kippur Kol Nidre Service at 8:00 p.m. K-7 Junior Congregation at 10:00 a.m. Yom Kippur Morning Service at 10:00 a.m. Teen Activity 11:15 a.m. Discussion at 1:00 p.m. Family and Tot Service at 2:30 p.m. Afternoon Service at 3:45 p.m. Yizkor at 5:30 p.m. (approximately) Neilah Concluding Service at 6:00 p.m.
13th of Tishrei 5780 Friday, October 11th Saturday, October 12th <i>Torah Portion - Haazinu: Deut. 32:1-52</i>	Shabbat Haazinu Shabbat Service at 8:00 p.m. Torah Study at 9:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service at 10:30 a.m. Aufruf for Zachary Veach and Jenna Koonin Kiddush lunch to follow <i>Haftarah - II Sam. 22:1-51</i>
14th of Tishrei 5780 Sunday, October 13th Monday, October 14th	Erev Sukkot B'reishit Beginnings and Kabbalat Siddur Ceremony at 6:15 p.m. Collaborative Sukkot Morning Service at 10:30 a.m. followed by Festival Lunch
20th of Tishrei 5780 Friday, October 18th Saturday, October 19th <i>Torah Portion - Chol HaMo-eid Sukkot: Ex. 33:12-34:26</i>	Shabbat Chol HaMo-eid Sukkot Music Service at 8:00 p.m. Farewell service for Lynne and Bill Graizel Torah Study at 9:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service at 10:30 a.m. <i>Haftarah - Eze. 38:18-39:7 (39:16)/Ecclesiastes</i>
22nd of Tishrei 5780 Sunday, October 20th Monday, October 21st	Erev Simchat Torah Erev Simchat and Torah Hakafot at 6:30 p.m. Simchat Torah Morning Service with Yizkor at 10:30 a.m.
27th of Tishrei 5780 Friday, October 25th Saturday, October 26th <i>Torah Portion - B'reishit: Gen. 1:1-6:8</i>	Shabbat B'reishit Shabbat Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Shabbat Service at 7:30 p.m. Trachtenberg Lecture with Rabbi Mary Zamore Torah Study at 9:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service at 10:30 a.m. <i>Haftarah - Isa. 42:5-43:10</i>

October 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 2nd of Tishri, Rosh HaShanah 10:00am - 12:00pm Rosh Hashanah Second Day Morning Service with Shofar Healing Service	2 3rd of Tishri 5780 4:00pm - 6:00pm Religious School Classes 7:00pm - 9:30pm Kol Emet Rehearsal	3 4th of Tishri 5780 7:30pm - 8:30pm Officers' Meeting	4 5th of Tishri 5780 6:14pm Candle Lighting 8:00pm - 9:00pm Shabbat Service	5 6th of Tishri 5780 9:00am - 10:15am Torah Study 10:30am - 12:00pm Shabbat Morning Service
6 7th of Tishri 5780 9:00am - 1:30pm ETC Mitzvah Sukkah Building 9:00am - 11:00am Religious School Classes 9:30am - 11:30am Caring Committee Basket Project 10:00am - 11:00am Viewpoints Short Film Series with Rabbi Sirbu, featuring "Black Hat"	7 8th of Tishri 5780 10:30am - 12:00pm Yiddish Class	8 9th of Tishri, Erev Yom Kippur Office Closes at 1:00pm 8:00pm - 10:00pm Kol Nidre Service	9 10th of Tishri, Yom Kippur 10:00am - 12:30pm K-7 Junior Congregation 10:00am - 12:30pm Yom Kippur Morning Service 11:15am - 12:00pm Teen Activity 1:00pm - 2:00pm Discussion 2:30pm - 3:30pm Family and Tot Service 3:45pm - 5:30pm Afternoon Service 5:30pm - 6:00pm Yizkor (approximately) 6:00pm - 7:00pm Neilah Concluding Service	10 11th of Tishri 5780 7:15pm - 8:45pm Social Action Committee Meeting 7:45pm - 9:15pm Board of Trustees Meeting	11 12th of Tishri 5780 6:03pm Candle Lighting 8:00pm - 9:00pm Shabbat Service	12 13th of Tishri 5780 9:00am - 10:15am Torah Study 10:30am - 12:00pm Shabbat Morning Service
13 14th of Tishri, Erev Sukkot 9:00am - 11:00am HHD Food Sorting 9:00am - 11:00am Religious School Classes 5:30pm - 6:15pm Pizza in the Hut 6:15pm - 7:00pm B'reishit Beginnings and Kabbalat Siddur Ceremony	14 15th of Tishri, Sukkot Columbus Day 10:30am - 12:00pm Collaborative Sukkot Morning Service 12:00pm - 2:00pm Festival Lunch	15 16th of Tishri, Sukkot 7:30pm - 9:30pm Movies that Mattered	16 17th of Tishri, Sukkot 4:00pm - 6:00pm Religious School Classes 7:45pm - 9:15pm Kol Emet Rehearsal	17 18th of Tishri, Sukkot 7:30pm - 9:00pm Book Group: "A God in Ruins"	18 19th of Tishri, Sukkot 5:52pm Candle Lighting 8:00pm - 9:00pm Music Service - Farewell to Lynne and Bill Graizel	19 20th of Tishri, Sukkot 9:00am - 10:15am Torah Study 10:30am - 12:00pm Shabbat Morning Service
20 21st of Tishri, Erev Simchat Torah Sukkot 9:00am - 11:00am Religious School Classes 11:00am - 2:00pm Taking Down the Sukkah 12:00pm - 5:00pm ETC on the Road at NIFTY-GER 6:30pm - 7:30pm Erev Simchat Torah and Hakafot	21 22nd of Tishri, Simchat Torah 10:30am - 12:00pm Simchat Torah Morning Service with Yizkor	22 23rd of Tishri 5780 7:30pm - 8:30pm Stories from a Jewish Perspective 8:40pm - 9:40pm "Please Rise (to the Occasion)" with Rabbi Steven Sirbu	23 24th of Tishri 5780 12:00pm - 1:00pm Lunch and Learn 4:00pm - 6:00pm Religious School Classes 7:45pm - 9:15pm Kol Emet Rehearsal	24 25th of Tishri 5780	25 26th of Tishri 5780 5:42pm Candle Lighting 6:00pm - 7:30pm Trachtenberg Dinner 7:30pm - 9:00pm Shabbat Service - Trachtenberg Lecture with Rabbi Mary Zamore	26 27th of Tishri 5780 9:00am - 10:15am Torah Study 10:30am - 12:00pm Shabbat Morning Service
27 28th of Tishri 5780 9:00am - 11:00am Religious School Classes 9:00am - 10:00am Viewpoints Short Film Series with Rabbi Sirbu, featuring "What We Left Behind" and "The Outer Circle"	28 29th of Tishri 5780 10:30am - 12:00pm Yiddish Class	29 30th of Tishri 5780 7:30pm - 9:30pm "Hate Has No Place" Community- Wide Forum at the JCC on the Palisades	30 1st of Heshvan 5780 12:00pm - 1:00pm Lunch and Learn 4:00pm - 6:00pm Religious School Classes 7:45pm - 9:15pm Kol Emet Rehearsal	31 2nd of Heshvan 5780 7:30pm - 9:00pm Ritual Committee Meeting		

For up-to-the-minute event information, additions, cancellations, or make-up classes go to www.emeth.org
A version of the calendar is online at <http://www.emeth.org/monthly-calendar>

Good & Welfare

The congregation mourns the loss of member **Irwin Polishook** and sends condolences to his wife, **Sheila**.

Condolences to...

Junior Youth Group Advisor Lauren Blitz Kessler on the loss of her dear uncle, **Howard Jeffreys**.

Cindy Simon on the loss of her father, **Alan Simon**.

Paul Wilson on the loss of his mother, **Roslyn Wilson**.

Mazel Tov to...

Deborah and James Veach on the wedding of their son, **Zachary**, to **Jenna Koonin**.

Sheila Polishook on the Bat Mitzvah of her granddaughter, **Aliza Sapiro Polishook**, daughter of **Lewis Polishook** and **Susan Sapiro**.

Get Well Wishes to...

Fran LaBarbera

Rachael Sugarman

Harry Filowitz

Johanna Sturm

Welcome New Members...

Diane Fremon and David Conford

Robbie and Yael Morris

Myra and Jay Kelinson

Jody Eskenazi and Mark Pobutkiewicz

Lois and Bob Goldstein

Ali Weiselberg and Jason Hochstadt

Sue Ann and Martin Kogan

Alissa Zenack and Todd Snyder

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We're packing hot lunches for school children in a remote area of Haiti. This is sometimes the only nutritious meal these kids get each day. This full lunch program boosts school attendance and it is becoming normal to advance each year to the next grade. The process is working. This is the fifth year Temple Emeth has participated in this project, which is coordinated by St. Anastasia Church in Teaneck. Come pack on November 9 from 6-8 p.m. as we join with a diverse group of people sharing in this mitzvah. We will meet in the back gym of Grace Lutheran Church, 1200 River Road in Teaneck. This is a rare opportunity to help others and to do something worthwhile in these trying times. Questions?

Email Sandy Loft at sandy1360@gmail.com

Book Group Selections 2019-2020

October 17th: **A God in Ruins**

by Kate Atkinson

November 21st: **Red Notice**

by Bill Browder

December 19th: **Devil in the Grove**

by Gilbert King

January 16th: **Educated: A Memoir**

by Tara Westover

February 20th: **Ways to Disappear** by

by Idra Novey

March 19th: **There, There** by Tommy Orange

April 16th: **The Ministry of Special Cases**

by Nathan Englander

May 14th: **Circe** by Madeline Miller

June 18th: Planning Meeting



Save the dates: **November 14-17**

www.teaneckfilmfestival.org

TIFF 2019 at Temple Emeth

Once again, thanks to the artistry and hard work of Jason Kooistra, Temple Emeth will become a wonderful venue for the Teaneck International Film Festival. The excitement begins with the Centerpiece event Saturday night, November 16, 7:30 p.m., when food, wine, and fellowship, plus music by the renowned Emeth duo, Kohane and Kosakoff, will be followed by a screening of the heartwarming documentary *Fiddler: A Miracle of Miracles*. The film, which includes many who have appeared in *Fiddler on the Roof* all over the world, focuses on the universality of the themes that affect and inspire all people (you don't have to be Jewish to love *Fiddler*!). The talkback will include folks who have been associated with *Fiddler* productions and Broadway theater. **The event is by invitation only, and admission requires a contribution of at least \$25 to TIFF in advance.**

Also at Temple Emeth: *It Must Swing – The Blue Note Story*, about two Jewish men who fled Nazi Germany and founded a record company that made jazz a household word and gave black musicians the recognition and money that they deserved; *Be Natural – The Untold Story of Alice Guy Blache*, one of the first women to write, direct, and produce motion pictures – first in Fort Lee and then Hollywood (AND – Jodie Foster will be there for the talkback!); and the feature: *Ask for Jane*, at which WOW (Wise Older Women) will present Women of the Year awards to Emeth's own Eva Tobias, and posthumously to Jane Abraham, who was a co-president of National Council of Jewish Women, Bergen County Section. The film is about a student group at the University of Chicago that referred women to doctors who would perform safe abortions at a time when abortion was illegal. The talkback panel will include the director, one of the original "Janes," and award-winning author and journalist Angela Bonavoglia. Sandi Klein will moderate.

Three more very important films to add to your must see list are *A Night at the Garden*, a powerful short about an American Nazi rally and *Always in Season*, about a modern day lynching and the injustice of our justice system – both sponsored by the Social Action Committee; and *Carl Laemmle*, about the German-Jewish immigrant who founded Universal Pictures and saved over 300 Jewish families from Nazi Germany, sponsored by the Jewish Community Council of Greater Teaneck and Senator Loretta Weinberg.

Save the dates – November 14-17 – and check out the entire schedule at www.teaneckfilmfestival.org.

Rabbi Joshua Trachtenberg Memorial Library

Monthly News Update: Israeli Connections

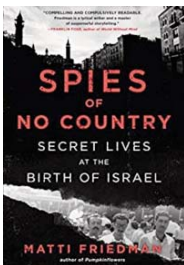
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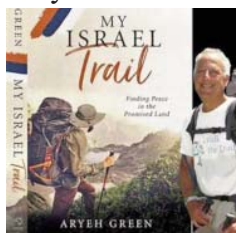


Three new books in the Rabbi Joshua Trachtenberg Memorial Library all have a connection to Israel. The first book tells real-life spy adventures from 1948-49, when the efforts of four Jews from Arab lands help to establish the new state. In the second book, a man searches for inner peace as he hikes the 600-mile Israel Trail. The last book is a novel in which a man's spiritual quest ultimately leads him from Brooklyn to Jerusalem.

Journalist Matti Friedman is the award-winning author of Spies of No Country: Secret Lives at the Birth of Israel. Though it reads like a thrilling espionage novel, the tale it tells is true. Friedman writes about four young spies who are part of a unit called the Arab Section. They assume Arab identities and go undercover in Beirut, where they collect intelligence they send back to Israel. Eventually this Arab section becomes the nucleus of the Mossad. Judith Shulevitz says, "This book sure looks like a rollicking spy story. It's got all the necessary parts: a high stakes war for a new state's existence, double identities, suspense, betrayal." The spies' all-but-forgotten experiences shed light on contemporary Israel's complicated identity.



Aryeh Green explores modern-day Israel in My Israel Trail: Finding Peace in the Promised Land. Green is devastated when his wife of 28 years tells him she



wants a divorce. He decides that he will walk the Israel Trail—42 days of solo hiking!—and he will heal. Along the way, he strengthens his relationship with Israel and discovers the value of humility, acceptance, gratitude, forgiveness, and purpose. My Israel Trail is part travelogue and part self-help book, packed with anecdotes, reflections, and time-honored wisdom.

Nathan Englander's latest novel Kaddish.com begins on American soil but ultimately has a connection with Israel too. It opens with an adult brother and sister, Larry and Dina, mourning the loss of their father. Though raised Orthodox, Larry—now 30—wants nothing to do with religion. Dina, who is still observant, is afraid that her brother won't say Kaddish for their father three times a day for a year, and then what will happen to their father's soul? (As an Orthodox Jewish female, Dina is not supposed to recite Kaddish.) Larry finds a solution online at Kaddish.com; he hires a proxy at some Jerusalem yeshivah to say Kaddish in his stead. Flash forward 20 years, and Larry has returned to the religion of his youth! He now calls himself Shuli and teaches in the very yeshivah he once attended. He comes to regret his long-ago decision and goes to great lengths to right this wrong. Kaddish.com is funny and fascinating, a wild ride the reader will enjoy.



These books are all available in the Rabbi Joshua Trachtenberg Memorial Library: your Israeli connection awaits!

Summary of Minutes from the Board of Trustees Meeting, July 11, 2019

New Board member - Nickie Falk moved that Marion Wolf fill the vacancy left by Joel Sachs' resignation and join the Board until the next annual meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

The Rabbi's report - High Holiday preparations have begun. Rabbi met with Stephen Friedman, Ritual Committee chair, David Kohane, Amy Abrams, and Nickie Falk regarding High Holiday Honors, and with accompanist Steve Freides to go over musical cues for services. The High Holiday appeal this year will be in support of the Religious Action Center/New Jersey.

Financial report - Alan Winters gave an update on voluntary contributions. There are currently 352 households; \$472,000 was pledged, \$458,000 collected to date. Letters for voluntary commitment for the current year were sent on June 18. 87 members responded. 50 members increased, 10 decreased their pledges, Gary Richards will provide quarterly statements on the budget and monthly reporting on the funds accounts, providing more detail on how funds are spent.

Town Hall Task Forces - Nickie discussed plans to create task forces that will involve board members, committee members,

and other members of the congregation. The task force themes are envisioned as: 1-Membership: Recruiting, Welcoming and integrating new members, Retaining current members; 2-Religious School; 3-Financial Solvency (non-dues income). Board volunteers for these task forces include:

Membership – Marilyn Shapiro, Stacey Butler, Robert Kahn, Marion Wolf

Religious School - Danielle Feuer, Marc Chelemer, Michael Robinson

Finance – Ellen Buckwalter, Michael Goldberg, Alan Winters

Rules of Engagement - Nickie Falk led the Board in a group discussion on "rules of engagement," how we want to behave and carry on as a Board. The Board came up with 10 guidelines: *Treat each other with respect. Honesty. One conversation at a time. Active Listening. Try not to be redundant. A decision of the Board is a decision of the Board. Confidentiality as appropriate. Be prepared. Read emails. Everyone's opinion is equal.*

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Kahn
Secretary

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ADULT EDUCATION FUND

Gayle and Michael Goldberg send a Mazel Tov to Elaine Nissen and Linda Kochenburger on the birth of their granddaughter, Ariel Ellin Mperey

CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Nickie and Doug Falk send Mazel Tov to Cantor Ellen Tilem and Peter Tilem on the engagement of their daughter, Eve to Jared Fuller

June and Vic Cohen in memory of Julia Rubin, mother of David Rubin
in memory of Ronald Wilson, father of Cynthia Massarsky

EMETH TEEN COMMUNITY FUND

Gayle and Michael Goldberg send a Mazel Tov to Rihanna Hernandez on becoming a Bat Mitzvah
send a Mazel Tov to Olivia Reynolds on becoming a Bat Mitzvah

LIBRARY FUND

Teri Binder sending condolences to Cynthia Massarsky on the loss of her father, Ronald Wilson
sending condolences to Eva Tobias on the loss of her sister, Judith Garcia
sending condolences to Paula Dillon on the loss of her dear stepmother, Barbara Blumberg Krumholz
sending condolences to Rob Staffin on the loss of his mother, Lois Staffin
sending congratulations to Carlene Fleishman on the engagement of her grandson, Bryan to Allison

Linda and Jim Rothenberg in memory of Julia Rubin, mother of David Rubin

Carol L. Aerenson in honor of her aunt, Helen Gurwitt Saltzman
in honor of her mother, Marjorie Aerenson

PAUL S. LAZAR CARING COMMUNITY FUND

Janice Lipsitz in memory of her mother-in-law, Rae Quint

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Gayle and Michael Goldberg send a Mazel Tov to Nickie and Doug Falk on the wedding of their son Russell to Lauren Malinowski

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Lyle and Muriel Breitkopf in memory of Joyce Himelman, sister of Fran Butensky
in memory of Irwin Polishook, member and husband of Sheila Polishook

Pam and Jeff Etzin in gratitude to Rabbi Sirbu and his family for their kindness

RABBI LOUIS J. SIGEL

SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE FUND

Gayle and Michael Goldberg wish Mimi Sigel a Happy Birthday

Micki and Mike Grunstein in memory of their grandson, Zachary Scott Grunstein

SOCIAL ACTION FUND

Carla and Larry Silver in memory of Ronald Wilson, father of Cynthia Massarsky

Janice Lipsitz sends condolences to David Rubin on the loss of his mother, Julia Rubin

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sending condolences to Eva Sandrof on the loss of her sister, Barbara Wertheimer

Eva and Larry Tobias send congratulations to Laaren Brown and Lenny Hort on the marriage of their daughter, Irene Hort to Ryan Koven

Nancy Mednick in memory of her husband, Edward Mednick

Sandy and Herb Loft in memory of Joyce Himelman, sister of Fran Butensky

Rhona Herman and Eva Tobias in memory of Charlotte Alban

TEMPLE EMETH FUND

Claudie and David Rubin in memory of David's mother, Julia Rubin

Carlene Fleishman sends a Mazel Tov to Nickie and Doug Falk on the marriage of their son, Russell to Lauren Malinowski

YAHARZEIT FUND

Mary Jane Tucker in memory of her father, Harry Albert

Lee Rothenberg in memory of her father, David Grossman

Joan Rubenstein in memory of her father-in-law, Harry Rubenstein, and her mother-in-law, Lillian Rubenstein

Nancy and David Wolinsky in memory of their nephew, Jake Wolinsky

Carol Heischober in memory of her father, Irving Harris
Deborah and James Veach in memory of James' uncle, James Clinton Taylor

Rachael Sugarman in memory of her father, William Price

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Gwen and Marty Dubno in memory of Jeffrey Relles, brother of Abby Schlectman

Sabrina and Art Lerman in memory of Art's father, George Lerman

YOUTH COMMITTEE PROGRAM FUND

Brenda and Bill Weiss wish Mazel Tov to Jaimie Schoeffter-Reynolds and Mark Reynolds on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Olivia

TEMPLE EMETH VIEW POINTS

Sunday, October 6th at 10:00 a.m.
"Black Hat"

Join us for a "Short Film Series" with Rabbi Sirbu. Each session will begin with a short film selected by the Viewpoints Committee to depict Jewish life on the margins. Rabbi Sirbu will lead a discussion following each film. A perfect learning opportunity for Religious School parents. Bagels will be served.

"Black Hat" is a narrative drama about a seemingly pious Hasidic man who lives a secret double life. When he misplaces his black hat one night, his two separate lives collide in a way he never imagined. Shmuel (Adam Silver) leads a simple yet religious life. Every day he goes to pray at the synagogue before going to work as a dry cleaner. When his wife and daughters leave town for a few days, Shmuel enters the more complex world at night. The director has given us permission to screen this film at no cost!



Sunday, October 27th at 9:00 a.m.
"The Outer Circle"

In the film "The Outer Circle," midway through a grueling Orthodox conversion, Daniel and his fiancée Katherine are eager to gain the blessing of his intimidatingly large and loud Iraqi Jewish family. At their annual Rosh Hashanah feast, Katherine's natural elegance and 'English English' heritage immediately endears her to them, but it soon becomes apparent that beneath the warm and welcoming atmosphere some are not as ready as others to accept her.



These programs are free and open to the community. Just let us know that you're coming. RSVP your name to Viewpoints@emeth.org or call us at 201.833.1322

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"Immigration: Miracle of Miracles," in conjunction with the Teaneck International Film Festival's Centerpiece film, "Fiddler: Miracle of Miracles," on November 16. *And then - we want more!* The Museum Committee is planning to make this just the first of many exhibits that tell (rather, show) our stories. We hope you will participate in this exciting project by sharing family photos and documents related to one or more themes: immigration and survival, family trees, celebrations of life cycle events, holidays, unusual relatives (is there a skeleton in your closet?), ketubot (marriage contracts), and more. From September to November we will collect, scan, and return your treasures of the past for exhibits in the future. If you would like to participate in this celebration of Temple Emeth members and families, please contact Barbara Balkin to make arrangements at dkrm505@yahoo.com and put **Ancestry@Emeth** in the subject line.



Temple Emeth Intergenerational Community Garden



A core group of six Temple members tends our garden, working on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings from late March through mid-November. The fruits of our garden are distributed to the Helping

Hands Food Pantry throughout the summer. At Sukkot the vegetables we've harvested are offered to congregants, whose donations then fund the purchase of seeds and plants the following spring. Both the Religious School and the Emeth Teen Community have helped us this year—they've "put the garden to bed" in the fall and prepared the soil for planting in the spring.

Both the Emeth gardeners and Teen Community have participated in the world-wide Daffodil Project. The goal of this project is to plant 1.5 million daffodils in memory of the 1.5 million children who perished in the Holocaust. Last fall we planted 150 bulbs, which bloomed spectacularly in April in front of the Temple Emeth sign, and this fall we'll plant an additional bed near the entrance. Approximately 50 pounds of fresh Emeth-grown produce, including snow peas, green beans, tomatoes, cucumbers, and herbs, such as mint, oregano, basil, and rosemary, have been donated to the Helping Hands Food Pantry in Teaneck run by Temple Emeth's own Janice Preschel. The importance of the contribution of our fresh vegetables to this vital resource to the food-insecure in our own community cannot be underestimated.

At our Harvest Festival on September 8, Religious School families gathered near the garden gate, where David and Danny Kohane led them in singing. We installed signs labeling our crops and set up 15 open shopping bags to represent the donations made to the food pantry over the previous 15 weeks. We hope to offer beets with the last of the tomatoes at Sukkot services in October. Watch for our table in the front hallway.

Thanks to our gardeners: Elaine Bergman, Paul Kaufman, Nancy Miller Kozersky, Jaime Rubin, Paul Rubock, and Julie Weisman. Thanks to Ann Levenstein, who runs our bounty to the food pantry each week, to Howard Lieberman for rototilling and irrigating, and to Barry Kantor, who shares with us the produce of his own garden.

Julie Weisman



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