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HAPPY NEW YEAR

High Holidays September 2018 Worship Calendar

Selichot - Saturday, September 1 7:30 Selichot Program and Service Rosh Hashanah Eve - Sunday, September 9 8:00 Erev Rosh Hashanah Service Rosh Hashanah First Day - Monday, September 10 10:00 Morning Service 10:00 K-7 Junior Congregation 11:15 Teen Activity 3:00 Family and Tot Service 4:00 Tashlich Rosh Hashanah Second Day - Tuesday, September 11 10:00 Morning Service with Shofar Healing Service Yom Kippur Eve - Tuesday, September 18 8:00 Kol Nidre Service

Yom Kippur Day - Wednesday, September 19

10:00 Morning Service (Junior Congregation at the same time)

11:15 Teen Activity

1:00 Discussion

2:30 Family and Tot Service

3:45 Afternoon Service

5:30 (approx.) Yizkor

6:00 (approx.) Neilah Concluding Service

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From the Editor - In order to ensure that everyone's articles are published in the Bulletin please limit them to half a page. Remember, flyers are for the Mid-month mailing and should be sent to Rochelle Rudnick at rrudnick@emeth.org cc: ehanan@emeth.org

Material for the Bulletin is welcome and essential for the success of the publication; however, it is necessary to honor the deadlines as listed.

For the Bulletin mailings, all material **must** be submitted by **8:00** p.m. on the date of the deadline. Please submit all material by email to Barbara Balkin at bulletin@emeth.org and use **Times New Roman** font, **12 pt**. in a Word document file.

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Message From the Rabbi

Rosh Hashanah is also known as *Yom Harat Olam*, the birthday of the world. It is a reminder that God's work of creation deserves acknowledgment, and that the world we live in was carefully planned by God to nurture us.

Rosh Hashanah, therefore, is also an opportunity to

renew our relationship with creation and to express gratitude for all of the things the earth gives us. One of these gifts is food. Living in the United States, we have plentiful food on our grocery shelves. Living in the Garden State, we have the chance to visit farms and farmers' markets to get the freshest produce. Living in the greater New York area, we have the opportunity to eat food at restaurants representing every kind of cuisine on earth.

This kind of abundance—both in quantity and variety—can lead us to take food for granted. We buy more than we can

cook. We order more than we can eat. Because we generally don't worry about where our next meal is coming from, we also don't worry about throwing food away.

But food waste is a growing problem in our society. Not only does discarded food accumulate in our landfills, but the gases emitted from many foods as they decompose also pollute the air. The cost to throw away uneaten food is estimated to be one billion dollars annually. The trucks required to haul our trash away often emit greenhouse gases too.

Camp Harlam, where I spent two weeks this summer, has a sustainability policy posted on the outside of its dining hall. It is an ideal which is not easy to uphold. Because of laws that restrict the re-use of food that has already moved from the kitchen to the dining area, a lot of good food goes to waste. Nonetheless, the camp's policy, posted on the dining hall door, teaches young people to understand that food and its relationship to the environment is not something to be taken for granted.

Being mindful of the way we eat is important. Many of us think about what we eat, whether it is healthy and how to make choices that reflect our personal food ethic. There is a tradition in the Talmud that when one



Rabbi Steven Sirbu

eats food without offering a blessing to God, it is akin to stealing from the altar. That is one kind of mindfulness. I'd like to offer a parallel interpretation, reflecting a different kind of mindfulness: When we waste food, it is akin to stealing from those who do not know where their next meal is coming from.

> I will be speaking about this more on the weekend between Yom Kippur and Sukkot as part of Food Waste Weekend. It will be perfectly timed, as on Yom Kippur we commit to being our best selves in the year ahead, and on Sukkot we offer gratitude for the bounty of the harvest.

As we prepare for a new year, I ask you to expand the scope of your personal food ethic beyond what you eat and where it comes from. Ask yourself—at the grocery store, at your favorite restaurant, and while you are in your own kitchen—whether you have prepared the

right quantity of food for the occasion. To do so will be to understand your role in sustaining the creation that God lovingly established for us so many centuries ago.

Shanah tovah—may this be a sweet new year for you!



This sign is posted on the door to URJ Camp Harlam's dining hall. It is an opportunity to remind campers and staff alike that Jewish values teach us not to waste.

From the Religious School

"First become a blessing to yourself, so that you may be a blessing to others" From our tradition

Welcome to our school year 2018 - 2019/5779. A new Religious School year at Temple Emeth is September 16th as we celebrate the beginning of our always an exciting and challenging journey.

As we begin the new school year, we affirm our commitment to Torah, Avodah, and Gemilut Chasadim, i.e. Torah, Worship, and Acts of loving-kindness. Our students will learn that mitzvot and midot (values) are opportunities for all of us to get closer to God and to each other. The students will explore Jewish values through Torah study and our

holiday traditions and stories. The 6th and 7th Dora Geld Friedman grades will continue to be part of Kehilla, an

innovative learning program. This program includes students from Reform and Conservative congregations in Bergen County.

We continue to enrich our Religious School program with an exciting new component - Cantor Tilem will be teaching "Music & Mitzvah" to all of our students from 5:00 to 5:30 every Wednesday. Our overall goal this year is for all of our students to explore, discover, and strengthen their personal ties to Torah and acts of loving-kindness as pathways to living a good and just life.

SUKKOT & SIMCHAT TORAH FAMILY FUN

Saturday, September 29th 9:30 - 10:45 a.m.

Activities for children ages 3 - 6 with a parent or grandparent Join us for a morning of music, stories, dancing, crafts, and snacks.



The program is free and everyone is welcome, but reservations are required. **RSVP** to the Religious School Office 201-833-8466



Rabbi Sirbu with Temple Emeth campers at URJ Camp Harlam this summer.

Please join us at our opening service on Sunday, Religious School year. On behalf of our faculty and



staff, and from my family to yours, may the coming year be a time of inspiration and renewal, of discovery and learning, of good health and joy.



B'vracha, Dora Geld Friedman

"Bruchim Habaim" (Welcome Back) First Day Schedule

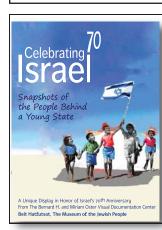
Sunday, September 16, 2018 - 7th Day of Tishri 5779

9:00 - 9:30 a.m.: All students and parents will assemble in the Sanctuary for a special T'fila & Shira, Welcome Back Service with Rabbi Sirbu, Cantor Tilem, Mora Dora, and faculty. Class assignments will be given at the conclusion of the service.

9:30 a.m.: Students go to class. All parents are invited to the youth lounge for a "Meet & Greet" with our school co-chairs and Rabbi Sirbu.



July 13th Barbecue, and a Concert by Eric Clark



New Museum Exhibit

Posters celebrating Israel's 70th Anniversary provided by Beit Hatfutsot. The Museum of the Jewish People in Tel Aviv.

This comprehensive exhibit showcases a selection of historical moments that embody the great endeavor that was the establishment of the State of Israel, as seen through the eyes of its people.

Message from President Amy Abrams

Walking my dog on a lovely summer morning in August, I found myself thinking about how much pleasure I took in the beauty of the day. That made me think about what else brings me joy. Natural beauty of all kinds, sure; time spent with good friends; the kindnesses of people to other people; beautiful artwork; the pleasure of creating something by hand, whether cooking or artwork or writing or knitting.

Since I was looking for a Bulletin topic, this all led me to think about why I get so much satisfaction from being a member of Temple Emeth. The fact is that I get a great deal of pleasure from Temple in all sorts of

ways. I am not an extraordinarily religious person, but I do gain spiritual serenity from participating in services. I love having a place where I know so many people when I walk in the door, and where those I don't know are interested in meeting me. I enjoy the process of working with others to plan and implement ideas. I also love being able to attend programs that I didn't have to plan myself but that address issues and interests I find fascinating. I even, somewhat perversely, enjoy the daily problem solving that comes with serving as the president.

Coincidentally, after I finished walking the

dog, I ran across a discussion on the URJ website by Amy Asin, Vice President of Strengthening Congregations for the URJ, encouraging congregations to begin their self-analysis with looking at their *raison d'etre*, the reason for being. They call it "Start with Why." This being an introspective time of year, I thought I might devote this column to what we have identified as our "Why."

We don't talk about our mission statement often, but it is a summary of our Why. We created our mission statement as part of a three-year Strategic Leadership Planning process that culminated in 2005 with a Mission, a Vision, Core Values, and a lengthy list of goals and projects. That was long enough ago that many of our members wouldn't have participated, which normally would mean we should be revisiting it. However, we have accomplished much of the same work in the last few years, through the Listen and Hear conversations we held during the two-year decision to adopt the Voluntary Commitment Model of financing our synagogue.

Our mission statement reads as follows:

The mission of Temple Emeth is to create and sustain a welcoming, caring Reform Jewish congregation that supports the diverse spiritual, educational, and social needs of its members. The congregation inspires its members to pray, study and practice our Jewish heritage, to engage in acts of tikkun olam (repair of the world), and to address the needs of our greater community. In her analysis of mission statements in today's world, Ms. Asin distinguishes between two major types of traditional congregational mission statements, those that "exist for the sake of existing" and those that "exist to provide programming." The former tend to serve their local Jewish congregants by simply offering a place to be Jewish, and the latter serve members by offering religious education, worship, community, and social justice opportunities. Ms. Asin suggests that neither of these approaches is sufficient; instead, we need to look more closely at what truly matters to congregants. That was precisely the focus of some of our Listen and Hear sessions.

> Looking back through the comments made during those sessions, I find the same remarks repeated in every group. Our members want Temple Emeth to be a gathering place for social activities, for programs, and for religious services. They want educational programs for both children and adults, and they want a Jewish spiritual community. They want to participate in tikkun olam projects. They want down-to-earth people and clergy who help the members find their own spiritual path. Our mission statement still addresses these goals.

Our mission statement requires action. We do not merely exist to be a passive Jewish resource. We strive to "create and sustain," we "support," we "inspire." We embrace the diversity of our congregation, and we try to anticipate and satisfy that great variety of needs. In this context, diversity means not only physical and socially identified diversity like race, class, color, ability, gender, and gender preference, but also Judaic diversity. We offer a place to be Jewish, and we offer programming, but we endeavor to offer more: a place to discover the Jewish involvement that is right for all of us.

Our mission statement looks both inward and outward. We are encouraged to look within ourselves with prayer and introspection to ground ourselves in our Jewish heritage, and also to look outwards to work within the greater community. These are fundamental tenets of Reform Judaism. Our Jewish journeys take place in the context of the wider world, where we measure our success by how we implement our Jewish values in our everyday life.

In her example of a mission statement developed from "Why," Ms. Asin proposes one where the Temple tries to help you be the best person you can be, by using Torah, avodah (prayer), and g'milut chasadim (acts of lovingkindness), and says, "We help you find your place – the part of Jewish life that resonates most for you."

I believe that is truly the mission of Temple Emeth.

I look forward to a New Year of working together to discover how Temple Emeth can help each of us find the best role for Judaism in our lives. L'Shana Tovah.



Amy Abrams



Social Action in Action

Approximately 70 Temple Emeth members participated in June 30th Families Belong Together rallies! Temple Emeth Social Action Committee has a longtime association with the Northern New Jersey Sanctuary Coalition, as well as a more recent relationship with HIAS (formerly Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society). So it was a natural that we participate in the Families Belong Together rallies, protesting the treatment of families and children at our south-Approximately 50 congregants and ern border. friends made up the Temple Emeth contingent to the Glen Rock rally, held in early evening. We met at the Temple and heard from the Rabbi about the Jewish concept of welcoming the stranger. We also heard from special guest, Rabbi Rachel Kahn-

Troster, Deputy Director of T'ruah: The Rabbinic Call for Human Rights. Rabbi Kahn-Troster was going to Tijuana within the next week, touring the centers with the help of HIAS.





A last-minute decision added another local rally in Englewood, and approximately 20 of our congregants decided to attend.

Greenfaith invited us to "Trek to the Turbines" on August 27th - This was a day trip to the nation's only functioning off-shore wind farm off the coast of Rhode Island.

Future events:

- Next Social Action meeting: Tuesday, Sept. 4th at 7:15 p.m. in the Temple Library
- Food Drive over the High Holidays
- Food Drive packing Sunday, September 23
- Windsor Park Clean Up Sunday, September 30



Every vote matters. What's your plan to vote 11.06.18?



Join us for our Sunday morning Breakfast and Discussion on October 14th at 10:30 a.m.

MARTY SCHNEIT will discuss the HISTORY of THE BORSCHT BELT and what caused its decline

Marty wants to bring back to life a remarkable time, place, and people. What survives of the Borscht Belt is the memory. Marty details the history of the Borscht Belt hotels, sites, and comedians. Just about all comedians back then got



their start in Grossingers, the Concord, or Kutsher's. Marty will talk about Red Buttons, George Burns, Rodney Dangerfield, Sid Caesar, Henny Youngman, and Milton Berle. Some of the sites that Marty will discuss are Old Route 17, the Red Apple Rest Stop, and the Bungalow Colonies. Marty Schneit, is a born and bred New Yorker and Historian. Marty has lectured at the New York Public Library, National Council of Jewish Women, JCC, The 92nd Street Y, The Health Outreach Program of New York Presbyterian Hospital, Hebrew Home for the Aged at Riverdale, and the Ziegfeld Society of New York.

This RSVP form must be filled out and returned with the \$6 fee per person by October 7, 2018 for the breakfast. If you RSVP after that date, the charge is \$8 per person.

If you do not RSVP, you are welcome to attend the discussion, but not the breakfast.

Please return this form to the Temple office.

RSVP for the October 14th B'yachad Breakfast

Name(s):

Number Attending:

Phone Number:

E-mail Address:____

Amount Enclosed (\$6 per person):_



Rabbi Golan Ben-Chorin spoke and Eva Sandrof and Elaine Bergman were honored at services on July 20th.

Services and S'machot			
21st of Elul 5778 Friday, August 31	Shabbat Ki Tavo Shabbat Service at 8:00 p.m.		
Saturday, September 1	Torah Study at 9:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service at 10:30 a.m. Selichot Program and Service at 7:30 p.m.		
Torah Portion - Ki Tavo: Deut. 26:1-29:8	Haftarah - Isaiah 60:1-22		
28th of Elul 5778 Friday, September 7	Shabbat Nitzavim Family Shabbat Service at 7:30 p.m.		
Saturday, September 8	Torah Study at 9:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service at 10:30 a.m.		
Torah Portion - Nitzavim: 29:9-30:20	Haftarah - Isaiah 61:10–63:9		
1st of Tishrei 5778 Sunday, September 9 Monday, September 10	Erev Rosh Hashanah Erev Rosh Hashanah Service at 8:00 p.m. First Day of Rosh Hashanah (see Bulletin Cover for Full Schedule)		
2nd of Tishrei 5778 Tuesday, September 11	Second Day of Rosh Hashanah Rosh Hashanah and Shofar Healing Service at 10:00 a.m.		
6th of Tishrei 5779 Friday, September 14	Shabbat Shuva Shabbat Service at 8:00 p.m.		
Saturday, September 15	Torah Study at 9:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service at 10:30 a.m.		
Torah Portion - Vayeilech: Deut. 31:1-30	Hos. 14:2–10, Mic.7:18–20, Joel 2:15–27		
10th of Tishrei 5779 Tuesday, September 18 Wednesday, September 19	Erev Yom Kippur Kol Nidre Service at 8:00 p.m. Yom Kippur (see Bulletin Cover for Full Schedule)		
13th of Tishrei 5779 Friday, September 21	Shabbat Haazinu Music Service at 8:00 p.m.		
Saturday, September 22	Torah Study at 9:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service at 10:30 a.m.		
Torah: Portion - Haazinu: Deut. 32:1-52	Haftarah - II Samuel 22:1-51		
15th of Tishrei 5779 Sunday, September 23	First Day of Sukkot Erev Sukkot Program and Discussion of the Film "Ushpizin" at 7:00 p.m.		
Monday, September 24	Collaborative Sukkot Morning Service at 10:30 a.m.		
20th of Tishrei 5779 Friday, September 28	Shabbat Chol HaMo-eid Sukkot Shabbat Service at 8:00 p.m.		
Saturday, September 29	Torah Study at 9:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service at 10:30 a.m.		
Chol HaMo-eid Sukkot: Ex. 33:12–34:26	Haftarah - Eze. 38:18–39:7 (39:16)/Ecclesiastes		
22nd of Tishrei 5779 Sunday, September 30	Shmini Atzeret - Simchat Torah Erev Simchat Torah and Hakafot at 6:30 p.m.		
Monday, October 1	Simchat Torah Morning Service with Yizkor at 10:30 a.m.		

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30 21stof Jishr, Erev Simchat Torah Sukkot 9:00am - 10:00am Adult Ed: "The Three Books of the Bible You've Never Heard Of" 9:00am - 11:00am Religious School Classes 10:00am - 11:30am Park Cleanup and Harvest Celebration 6:30pm - 7:30pm Erev Simchat Torah and Hakafot						

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

Condolences to...
Mike Grunstein on the loss of his uncle, Arthur Grunstein.
Meredith Alvaro Gebhart on the loss of her cousin, Eric Drucker.
Peter Gebhart on the loss of his grandfather, John Coringrato.
Nancy Wolinsky on the loss of her father, Charles Iannaccone.
Robert Kahn on the loss of his mother, Bertha Kahn.
Beatrice Friedman on the loss of her father, Frank Friedman.
Idajean Fisher on the loss of her brother-in-law, Robert Jaggi.
Ron Arams on the loss of his father, Frank Arams.

Mazel Tov to ...

Carla and Larry Silver on the marriage of their daughter, Deborah Silver to Andrew Beck. Art and Sharon Vatsky on the marriage of their son, Daniel to Juliet Strong.

Get Well Wishes to ...

Stan and Barbara Blumenfeld Carol Lucy Aerenson Barbara Chittum Florette Koffler Jackie Guttman

Welcome new members... Carol Aerenson Robert & Gail Levy Mona Rubin Elona Sofer

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



Due to the overwhelming response by the congregation, we are continuing the program. Refreshments will be served.

Here is our 2018-19 Movie schedule: Crossfire (1947) - Tuesday, September 25 The Stranger (1946) - Thursday, October 18 Cast a Giant Shadow (1966) - Tuesday, November 27 Avalon (1990) - Tuesday, December 18 The Apprenticeship of Duddy Kravitz (1974) -Saturday, January 19 White Palace (1990) - Tuesday, February 5 Liberty Heights (1990) - Tuesday, March 12 Keeping Up With The Steins (2006) - Tuesday, April 23 Defiance (2008) - Tuesday, May 28 Private Benjamin (1980) - Tuesday, June 18

Temple Emeth invites you to THE RABBI JOSHUA TRACHTENBERG MEMORIAL LECTURE

Friday, October 12 at 7:30 p.m. Guest Lecturer Rabbi Stanley M. Davids The "Fragile Dialogue" Among Those Who Love Israel



From the earliest days of the State of Israel, when the Reform Movement sent Rabbi Joshua Trachtenberg there as part of a fact-finding delegation, American Jews have been concerned about the nature and direction of Israeli society.

When "The Fragile Dialogue" was published by the CCAR Press last year, it showed a different set of concerns — primarily the inability of North American Jews to have civil, meaningful conversations about our profound differences regarding the contemporary State of Israel. The book respectfully examines liberal Zionist views that range from a One State Solution to a pro-BDS posture. But what was concerning before is rapidly becoming a crisis today. This lecture, presented by the co-editor of the book, will explore how together we can bridge gaps and heal wounds within our own community.

Copies of "The Fragile Dialogue" are available from the Temple office for \$12. A festive Shabbat dinner will precede the service at 6:00 p.m. Reservations for the dinner must be sent to the Temple office by **October 5**. For additional information, please contact: Elaine Pollack at ecpollack33@gmail.com

RSVP to attend the Shabbat Dinner on Friday, October 12th at 6:00 p.m.

Name(s):

Email:

Phone:

Number attending at \$30 per person _____ Total enclosed: \$

I/we will help set-up on Friday morning, Oct. 12.

Food program: Food for Friends



Cooking for your family? Make a little extra, and help

The Paul S. Lazar Caring Committee launch a new program called "Food for Friends," which will provide meals for Temple members who are ill, in mourning, or not able to prepare or get out to buy nutritious meals. Volunteers will be asked to provide a meal which can be homemade or bought. Please contact Karen Wertheimer or the Temple office at 201.833.1322, to make a request (give a few days' notice, please) or to volunteer to help with this new service. Contact Karen at kwertheimer@verizon.net.

ADULT EDUCATION FUND

- **ADULT EDUCATION FUND Linda Poskanzer** in honor of Susan Breznick and Sandy Loft Yashir Koach and Toda Rabah for all they have done to make Movies that Mattered a success at Temple Emeth
 Sabrina and Art Lerman in memory of Bertha Kahn, mother of Robert Kahn
 Sudal Vagelwel wishing Stap Plumonfold a guick
- Sydell Yegelwel wishing Stan Blumenfeld a quick and complete recovery wishing Barbara Blumenfeld a quick and complete recovery

BEAUTIFICATION FUND

Suzanne Keusch in memory of her father

<u>CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND</u> Sydell Yegelwel in honor of Cantor Tilem's 50th birthday

Paul Kaufman in appreciation of Cantor Tilem's help

Micki and Mike Grunstein in loving memory of Rita Wolfberg Crollick, Jeanette Grunstein, and Caroline Eisner
 Karen Dubois-Kahn and Bob Kahn in memory of Bob's mother, Bertha Kahn
 Jacki and Ron Arams in memory of Ron's father, Eronk Arams

Frank Arams

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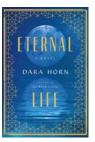
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How do you approach a buffet? Do you head straight for your favorite foods? Do you sample novel items? I imagine most of us enjoy a combination of the familiar and the new. The same is probably true of our reading habits. In the Rabbi Joshua Trachtenberg Memorial Library, we have acquired books by a well-

known writer and by a first-time author.

Dara Horn has a proven track record. She has received literary prizes and critical acclaim for her previous books, <u>A Guide for the Perplexed</u>, <u>All Other</u> <u>Nights, The World to Come</u>, and <u>In the</u> <u>Image</u>. Her newest book, <u>Eternal Life</u>,



has an almost mythical premise. The main character, Rachel, is a woman with a problem: she can't die. Back in Roman-occupied Jerusalem, 2,000 years ago, Rachel struck a spiritual bargain to save the life of her first son. Since then she has lived in dozens of countries, been in countless marriages, and borne hundreds of children. Only one other person understands and shares her fate—Elazar, whom she once loved passionately. Rachel has had enough and seeks a way out. The publisher says, "Gripping, hilarious, and profoundly moving, <u>Eternal Life</u> celebrates the bonds between generations, the power of faith, the purpose of death, and the reasons for being alive." Geraldine Brooks calls this book "an elegant musing on sacredness, history, and purpose that is, at the same time a deliciously romantic, highly suspenseful page-turner."

Suspense is also a feature of <u>Invisible</u> <u>City</u>, the debut novel of Julia Dahl. Set in New York City, this is the story of Rebekah, Roberts, a recent college graduate dreaming of a career in journalism. Rebekah's background is unusual. Soon after she was born, her



mother, a Hasidic Jew from Brooklyn, abandoned her Christian boyfriend and newborn baby to return to her religion. That was the last that Rebekah and her father heard of her. Now a newspaper stringer, Rebekah is covering the homicide of a Hasidic woman. The NYPD, heeding the wishes of the ultra-Orthodox community, has no autopsy performed. This means a killer may get away with murder. Rebekah gets caught up in the case and increasingly drawn into her mother's world. As she seeks justice and a greater understanding of her roots, she puts her own life in danger. Rebekah's narrative voice is blunt, and she vividly describes both life as a reporter and life among the Hasidim. Like her main character, Julia Dahl has a Christian father and Jewish mother; she has worked as a stringer for a tabloid too. Since this book's publication in 2014, Dahl has written two sequels.

The fiction of Dara Horn and Julia Dahl await you in the Rabbi Joshua Trachtenberg Memorial Library.

Temple Emeth Book Group Selections 2018-2019

September 27th: <u>The Ninth Hour</u> by Alice McDermott
October 25th: Less by Andrew Sean Greer
November 15th: Small Country by Gael Faye
December 20th: Among the Living
by Jonathan Raab
January 17th: The Plot Against America
by Philip Roth
February 21st: The Battle for Rome
by Robert Katz
March 21st: <u>Autumn</u> by Ali Smith
April TBD: Between the World and Me
by Ta Nahesi Coates
May 16th: Waking Lions by Ayelet Gundar-Goshen
June 20th: Planning Meeting

Garden News

The garden is blooming with lettuce, beans, and tomatoes. Garlic, picked three weeks ago,

is drying. Figs are beginning to peek out amongst their leaves. The Teaneck Food Pantry has received generous amounts of produce from the garden each week...including mint and oregano.

The Temple garden would not be here if not for the inspiration and resources of Jackie Guttman and the late Howard Guttman. Jackie remembered the victory garden that her father planted during World War II. Victory Gardens were planted all over the U.S. as fresh vegetables were scarce...most going to feed our troops. So here at Temple Emeth we carry on the tradition of using a portion of our land to help feed those without sufficient resources to buy fresh vegetables while simultaneously providing an intergenerational activity for our members. Come by any time and bring your children to see what's growing and perhaps to lend a hand. A member of the committee is usually at the garden every Tuesday (rain date Wednesday) at about 5:30 p.m. and Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. For more details contact Julie Weisman at julie@flavorganics.com.

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Shiva Minyan Committee

Did you know that you are a member of Temple Emeth's Shiva Minyan Committee?

Some people think of the Shiva Minyan Committee as a committee of one. That would be me.

I prefer to think of it as a committee of the whole. The whole congregation, that is. That would be you.

The Shiva Minyan Committee, working closely with the clergy, the Temple office, and the Paul S. Lazar Caring Community Committee, serves two functions. One is to ensure that there is a quorum of at least ten adult Jews at a prayer service at a house of mourning. The other is to train and provide leaders for minyan services when the clergy are not available.

Attending a minyan as a participant is one of the greatest mitzvot, or sacred obligations, that we as members of a synagogue can perform. The simple act of consoling mourners with our presence, and providing a ten-person quorum to allow them to say Kaddish, brings a tremendous sense of support and comfort to the bereaved. People tell us that they derive this sense of support even if the visitors are strangers to them; just knowing that they are part of the Temple community is enough. And it is equally satisfying for the participant, a true sense of fulfilling a communal responsibility by providing solace to individuals.

The Shiva Minyan Committee maintains a list of over seventy Temple members who are willing to be contacted when there is a need for minyan participants. Usually, I email the group, and whoever can attend lets me know. There is no obligation and no pressure, ever. If you wish to be added to this list, please contact me at jsfoxrk@aol.com. We will try to arrange rides for participants who need transportation to a minyan.

The Shiva Minyan Committee also has a "deep bench" of people who are trained to lead minyanim. From my own experience as a mourner I can tell you that, wonderful as it is to have our exceptional clergy lead services in our homes, it is also very fulfilling to have a community member conduct a service, bringing his/her own particular personality and interpretation to the prayers.

I am very proud of the work of the Shiva Minyan Committee. We hope not to be needed, but when the situation arises, we are ready. Only of simchas!

Judy Fox Shiva Minyan Chair

COLLEGE KIDS

Do you know about Temple Emeth's College Kids? Do you have any loved ones going away to college or graduate school this fall? Any sons, daughters, nephews, nieces, or grandkids? If so, Mazel Tov! Temple Emeth's College Kids is a fun way to help them remain connected, both with the Temple Emeth community and the Jewish community at large.

Through holiday gift packages, relevant opportunities and topics for Jewish college students, and our Temple Bulletin, (for Temple Emeth members' children only) your child or relative will be reminded of holidays on the Jewish calendar, e.g. Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Chanukah, Passover and Purim, throughout the academic year.

The feedback we've received has been that the College Kids really enjoy receiving these little tastes and touches of home while away at school, in their otherwise hectic academic schedules. Why not send a little love their way? All you need to do now is to sign up!

Please fill out the form below and return it with your payment to:

College Kids Committee Temple Emeth 1666 Windsor Road Teaneck, N.J. 07666

If you have any questions, or require additional information, please email the College Kids Committee Co-Chairs:

Marla Levine: JMJ13@aol.com and Beth Clarke: BGC125@aol.com

Temple Emeth's College Kids

College Kids cost to participate: All students: \$36 Is student travelling abroad? Yes No Which semester? Fall Spring (If so, cost will be half price!)

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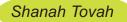
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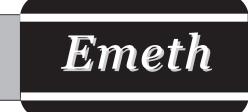




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