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Rabbi's Message



Rabbi Michael Shefrin

What are you a slave to?

The story of Israelite freedom from Egyptian bondage is central to Passover. According to our sages, each of us is obligated to see ourselves as though we had personally come out of slavery. To do this, one must ask “what are you a slave to?”

If we are honest, we are likely enslaved to more things in our modern lives than we expect.

One form of slavery that the

Jewish community could discuss more openly is alcoholism and addiction. This Passover season, along with eating matzah and attending or hosting a Seder, I invite you to attend a unique and special performance in our sanctuary.

“Freedom Song” is a live, on-stage musical that brilliantly interweaves a Passover Seder with personal stories of addiction. The cast of *Freedom Song* is not a cast of actors; they are actual addicts in recovery that have broken free from the shackles of drugs, alcohol, gambling, and other destructive behaviors. Using song and dance, tears and laughter, and an intimate post-show discussion with the cast, *Freedom Song* will open your eyes to the real-life struggle against the disease of addiction that is being fought every day in our world and in the Jewish

community.

Temple Emanu-El is grateful to partner with the Jewish Federation of Sarasota-Manatee in sponsoring this important and compelling performance. The national touring show comes from Los Angeles’s Beit T’Shuvah (House of Return), a residential treatment center and spiritual community that integrates Jewish spirituality, psychotherapy, the Twelve Steps, and creative arts.

Freedom Song will be performed on Sunday, April 14th at 2:00 pm in the temple sanctuary. It is free and open to the community. Please bring friends. The performance is appropriate for ages 13 and up and teens are strongly encouraged to attend.

May this Passover help you find freedom from whatever enslaves you.

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Brotherhood

It's that time of year again. We're approaching Passover, one of my favorite holidays. We read the story of the exodus from Egypt into the Promised Land. The word "exodus" comes from the Greek and means departure, generally used to describe the departure of a large mass of people. On a much smaller scale, many of us had our own exodus, moving from a home where we lived for many years. Our destination was sunny Florida, and here we found our place in Sarasota, at Temple Emanu-El, and, for many of us, in Brotherhood.

As is always the case "in season", this is a particularly busy time of year. Brotherhood sponsored a host of activities in March. We had a lecture by Professor Robert Lieber at the beginning of the month. Our thanks to Alvan Morris for linking us up with Professor Lieber last year. Shortly thereafter we had our first ever softball game for some of the temple men. Thanks to Neil Klaber for organizing it. The following day Brotherhood once again provided food for the Purim carnival. This was coordinated by David Steinbach and Michael Lauber, assisted by other Brotherhood members. Toward the end of the month, we made our annual appearance at



Guest Ringmaster, Rabbi Brenner Glickman

an Orioles spring training game. We tried something new this year—attending an evening game on a Fireworks Night. Once again this was a sell-out, ably handled by Steve Leavitt.

Early in March, we had our first ever Night at the Circus. The evening was the brainchild of our program director extraordinaire, Don Malawsky. What an event! The evening started with a dinner catered by Michael Lauber, assisted by daughter Miranda along with David Steinbach and daughter Becca. After schmoozing, noshing, and dining, we moved into the arena for the main show. Much to the delight of all, the show was kicked off by none other than guest ringmaster Rabbi Brenner Glickman. He did an amazing job, delighting all with a Talmudic story, welcoming children of all ages, and blowing the whistle to officially start the show. Temple Emanu-El filled an entire section of the arena and went on to enjoy some wonderful international acts.

On Sunday, March 17, we had the last of our breakfast programs for the season. Our own Gary Rosenbaum talked about his amazing journey from heart failure to heart transplant and finally to a life-changing "new beginning." An avid cyclist who participates in the Transplant Games in the US and abroad, Gary described his experience as well as his volunteering with the LifeLink Foundation. He did an outstanding job, and we all certainly appreciate his willingness to share with us.

Looking ahead, Brotherhood is sponsoring a bus trip to the Edison-Ford Museum in Fort Myers. The trip will take place on Sunday, April 14. After riding on a comfortable air-conditioned bus with your temple friends, you'll have the opportunity to have lunch. At 2 pm we will have the unique opportunity for docent-led tours of the estate, including the inside of the houses, something not usually offered to the general public. Flyers with reservation forms are available in the temple lobby and office.

For those into long-term planning, our annual Brotherhood Shabbat is being held on Friday, May 24. This includes dinner, free to Brotherhood members and one guest. On Saturday, June 1 we have our annual picnic at Turtle Beach, co-sponsored with Sisterhood, also free for members. In the meantime, Happy Pesach to all!

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Hadashot (News) from the Israel Committee

What an exciting month it has been for the Israel Committee! February featured an intriguing, successful and very well-attended adult education class focused on modern Israeli short stories, facilitated by Rabbi Brenner Glickman. The stories proved so popular that collections by the authors have been purchased by our Temple library! All are encouraged to read these works and to explore some of Israel's best contemporary short fiction. Many thanks—*todah rabbah*—to the Adult Education Committee for partnering with the Israel Committee on this terrific event.

February also brought two long-awaited Israeli cooking demonstrations, facilitated by Evie Shen-Tal.

Participants learned how to make a variety of delicious, fresh Israeli foods—from tabouleh salad and beet borscht to tahini cookies—while exploring the cultures and history of the various ethnic groups who call Israel home. Evie's expertise as a chef and as an educator made these Israeli cooking demonstrations very special indeed!

As February turned to March, the Israel Committee turned to celebration—celebrating the happy month of Adar, to be exact. The Israel Committee's March 5 meeting was highlighted by an Adar Party

as committee members enjoyed Israeli wine, homemade salad prepared with Evie's recipe, delicious almond cookies, nuts directly from Israel, and more, and studied the Hebrew poem "Tikvatenu," "Our Hope," on which Israel's national anthem, Hatikvah, is based.

The Israel Committee will gather again Tuesday, April 2, at 3:30 p.m. for a very special presentation by Philip Meltzer about the upcoming Israeli elections and an insider's view of Israel's political parties and political system. All are warmly invited.

L'hitraot and Shalom from the Temple Emanu-El Israel Committee

Susan Schwaid Early Learning Center

Tif Taf our Hebrew class with Religious School Director, Sabrina Silverberg, has been very busy. This month the children worked on their numbers, the Aleph Bet (Hebrew Alphabet) and practiced many action words. The action words were incorporated with learning the various body parts. The students also learned about the holiday of Purim and sang a very lively song titled Hag Purim. Ask your children to sing it for you! For the holiday, the children made hamantaschen, groggers, and decorated crowns to wear for the annual Purim parade.

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you will go."

While honoring Dr. Seuss' birthday the children at the Susan Schwaid Early Learning Center celebrated the joy and importance of reading. The teachers scheduled a week of theme days that included crazy sock day

and read Fox in Socks. In addition, the children wore red and blue and did some fishy activities for Red Fish, Blue Fish. We all know that one of the children's favorite stories is The Cat in the Hat, and the children wore their favorite crazy hat to school. The week ended with children bringing "Wockets in their Pockets". At the end of the week, the children were asked what they liked about the Dr. Seuss books (i.e.: "I like how Dr. Seuss dresses." "I like the details he puts into it," and "I like that the books are really silly and really funny.") The staff and children truly enjoyed celebrating reading.

Registration for our fall 2019-2020 year is open and, if you would like any information, please give us a call at (941) 377-8074.

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Endowment

A friend of mine asked, "Can someone with limited savings PLEDGE to the endowment?" YES!!

As my friend found out anyone who wishes to help the Temple can do so without major change to their estate. Your endowment pledge is not payable until your passing. You will not notice any change in your daily bank account. So you will not have any change in your living status. You can still provide for your family, just a slight bit less. You do not need a lawyer to handle your bequest. There are many ways to make your impact. For example, local attorney James Essenson, a temple member, has graciously provided help to many at no charge. Consider your impact as we aim to sustain the heritage that your parents, your grandad, and all those who came before us loved!

Do you see your friends on this list? We hope that you do.

Alterman, Dr. Hal & Mary
Arch, Barbara
Arch, Martin
Barnet, Laurence G. & Wendy
Behrenfeld, William & Nancy
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Benson-Steenbarger, Susan
Bernstein, Donald & Barbara
Bernstein, Thomas & Karen
Bick, Louise
Bick, Norbert
Blum, Joan
Brizdle, Barbara
Broh, Irwin & Sybil
Browne-Sterdt, Diane
Cahn, Judy
Camens, Jerry
Chechik-Temple, Diane
Cohen, Eunice
Cohen, Jeff & Wendy
Cotman, Alice
Cutler, Shirley
Davis, Helene
Dreyfuss, Phyllis

Ernst, Albert & Meredith
Feuerstein, David
Forgotson, Jay & Janis Reader Forgotson
Friedman, Michael & Lynn H.
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Glickman, Brenner & Elaine
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Goldberg, Howard & Sandra
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Perlmutter, Betty J.
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Kritzer, Jane
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Mallitz, Susan & Randy
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Meier, Jari
Meltzer, Philip & Barbara
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Pinkus, Stan
Popp, Douglas
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Sterne, Judilee
Tanner, Sylvan
Timmins, Arthur
Udell, Bruce & Janet
Vorchheimer, Neal
Wachs, Eleanor
Weed, Gloria & Bill
Weiss, Linda
Wells, Joan & Peter
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Sisterhood

This is a busy time of year for Sisterhood. Molly Sernau arranged for Sisterhood members to tour the Southeastern Guide Dogs facility in Palmetto. Due to space limitations, two dates were set for the tour—February 14 and February 22. Members were able to see the progression of the dogs' training from newborns to puppy kindergarten to home placements and graduation. The puppies were adorable, and the tour was truly educational.

On March 21 Sisterhood members gathered in the TEE kitchen to bake hundreds of Hamantashen for the Mishloach Manot bags and Oneg. Thank you to Lanie Klein who prepared all of the dough ahead of time. Kathy Docks gathered the rest of the contents for the Mishloach Manot, and the bags were decorated by our own TEERS students.

Our cookbook, *M'Dor L'Dor in the Kitchen*, is underway. We are now in the



process of collecting recipes. Recipe forms are available online as well as in the office. Hand written recipes can be returned to a box near the mailboxes in the office while interactive forms filled out online can be emailed to Sisterhoodteerecipes@gmail.com. Recipes will be collected through April 30. We invite men, women and children to submit recipes. Sisterhood would like to make this a true TEE community cookbook, so gather your recipes from your grandmothers and mothers as well as your own favorites and share them with your TEE family. More details are provided on the forms. Know that depending on the response and number of submissions, it may not be possible to include all recipes. If a family or individual submits several recipes, we will do our best to include at least one.

By the time you read this article, the April 7 Golf Tournament will be only days away. Linda Weiss and Molly Sernau, with help of their solicitation team, have collected

wonderful items for the silent auction. We thank them for a job well done. They have been collecting items since last summer and their time and perseverance is truly appreciated.

Don't forget to visit our gift shop. Thanks to Alice Cotman, the inventory is constantly changing. It is the perfect place to buy gifts as well as to treat yourself to wonderful Judaic items. You can also purchase pew plaques, gold leaves, and \$10 Starfish Initiative donation certificates. A little something for everyone!

We welcome members, new and old, to attend our board meetings on the second Wednesday of each month at 10:30 am in the board room. We would love to hear your ideas for possible future Sisterhood activities and projects.


Shalom,
Judy Levy and *Kathy Docks*
Sisterhood Co-Presidents

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New College Re-Dedicates Dr. Helen N. Fagin Holocaust Collection.

On February 26, New College of Florida re-dedicated the Dr. Helen N. Fagin Holocaust, Genocide and Human Rights Collection in the Jane Bancroft Cook Library. Originally named the Holocaust, Genocide and Humanitarian Collection when it opened in 2008, the collection includes books, documentaries, audio recordings and other materials pertaining to the Holocaust.

A temple member, **Dr. Helen Fagin** is a Holocaust survivor and retired University of Miami professor. She endorsed the new name for the collection to draw attention to



Fagin family (L-R): Helen Fagin, Judith Fagin, Terry Dolgov, Marvin Dolgov, Gary Fagin, Douglas Dolgov, and Mona Dolgov.

the persistent threat to human rights around the world. She was introduced by **Susan Marks**, professor of religion and Judaic studies at New College, an ordained rabbi and TEE member.

In announcing the new name for the collection, New College President **Donal O'Shea** said, "The study of human rights is inextricably linked to studies of the Holocaust and genocide. For to speak of what ought to be, one must, as Dr. Fagin has taught us, have the courage to speak of the unspeakable."

O'Shea also announced the creation of the Dr. Helen N. Fagin



Helen Fagin speaking at Rededication

Student Prize, which will recognize the best undergraduate paper in the Holocaust, genocide and human rights studies. The winning essay and up to two honorable mentions will be added to the collection. The \$500 annual prize will be funded by an endowment established by the late **Sidney Fagin** in honor of his wife.



New College president Don O'Shea and Helen Fagin



New College Professor Susan Marks at Fagin Rededication

During her remarks, Dr. Fagin read to the audience a portion of her testimony that she called “Our Legacy: “We, the surviving victims of the Holocaust, bequeath to you our legacy born of suffering, pain, dehumanization, and the loss of our loved ones, in hopes that from this depth of darkness a new light will emerge in your world—a light of hope, of peace, of tolerance, and of understanding. We pass to you a symbolic torch that carries the flame of responsibility of and obligation to vouchsafe integrity, justice, and reverence for life and human dignity for all men, women, and children of the world. This is my legacy and a fitting fulfillment giving meaning to my survival.”

Rabbi Brenner Glickman was invited to present a community perspective. Speaking of the importance of the Fagin collection, he said: “The devastation and the horror of the Holocaust have spurred in all of us the most fervent desire to make sure that this never happens again. It is so important to have the witness and testimony so that future generations will know what hatred can lead to, what xenophobia and tribalism can lead to. To know that humanity,

which is capable of so much love, is also capable of unspeakable horror.”

Several of Dr. Fagin’s family members were present, including her sister, **Terry Dolgov**, also a Holocaust survivor, and **Judith E. Fagin**, representing the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C., where she serves as national chair of the museum’s planned giving society. Judith Fagin also served on the planning committee for the event.

Attending the ceremony was Temple member **Barbara Arch**, whose husband, **Marty Arch**, was instrumental in establishing the collection with initial gifts from the Sarasota-Manatee Holocaust Survivors Group. Many books from the former Sarasota-Manatee Arch Family Holocaust Education Center are in the permanent collection. Guests also included retired TEE **Rabbi Howard Simon** and his wife, Rona.

Helen Fagin was born in Poland. In 1939, World War II interrupted her studies at the Jagiellonian University in Krakow. She and her family endured unspeakable conditions in a Polish ghetto, where she ran a clandestine school for Jewish children. Dr. Fagin and her two sisters were eventually able to escape and lived under false identities until liberation by the Russian army, but her parents perished in Treblinka.

After arriving in the United States in 1946, she concentrated on learning English and pursuing her education, eventually earning her B.A. and M.A. in English from the University of Miami, where she then was on the faculty for many years. She earned her Ph.D. while teaching full time. The idea of being involved in Holocaust education was initially too painful, but Dr. Fagin reluctantly agreed to teach an evening course on the subject in the early 1970s. She found it to be exhausting and vowed



Rabbi Brenner Glickman at Fagin Rededication

not to do it again—until she met future Nobel prize winner **Elie Wiesel** at a faculty reception.

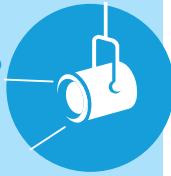
“I asked him if he had nightmares,” she recalls, “and he looked straight into my eyes and said, ‘If you and I, who are survivors of the Holocaust, don’t speak about it and teach it, then other people will approach it with their own imagination.’ I knew at that moment that this was my calling.”

The Dr. Helen N. Fagin Holocaust, Genocide and Human Rights Collection serves as a resource for students as well as residents and scholars from throughout Florida. To visit the collection, contact the Jane Bancroft Cook Library at 941-487-4305.

Located in northern Sarasota County, New College is the honors college of the State of Florida. The small liberal arts college has been educating intellectually curious students for lives of great achievement since 1960. For more information, visit ncf.edu.

Linda Joffe

Staff Spotlight:



Judy Dean,

Our Administrative Assistant

When you walk into temple, who could ask to be greeted with a brighter smile? Members and guests are immediately welcomed with Judy greeting them. Bonnie Clarke, Office Administrator, shared, "When I first read Judy's resume, I knew she was the one. I interviewed Judy, along with Renee Gold and Lynn Sacks. We were all impressed with her knowledge, poise and personality. We were unanimous in our decision - she was definitely the one. She has proven this over and over again. The temple, and particularly I, am truly blessed to have her." Toby Halpern, Immediate Past President, summed it up, "Judy is such an extraordinary employee. Her "can do" attitude, her competence, her willingness to undertake new challenges and her caring manner combine to make her a huge asset to the temple."

Share a little about yourself. I was born and raised in Waterloo, Upstate New York. While in High School, I worked for my Parish Priest on weekends, producing the Sunday program, along with many other duties. I also taught Catechism to younger children. After graduating from DeSales High School at the age of 17, I began my first paid job at Eastman Kodak in Rochester. I've been a widow for almost 25 years and still miss my Michael. I am the proud mother of two daughters, one who serves in the Navy, stationed in Sicily. My younger daughter, who bore my four grown grandchildren, lives with me. I also have two beautiful great-granddaughters.



Judy Dean, Administrative Assistant at TEE

What led you to work for Temple Emanu-El? From NY, I moved to Nashville, Tennessee where I worked at Vanderbilt University. In 1977 I followed my parents to Florida where I began working at the Manatee Council on Aging as Assistant Director. After ten years great years, I opened my own consulting business where I worked with a myriad of non-profit organizations. My focus was on grant writing, production of special events, public relations/marketing, systems analysis, and strategic planning. One of my proudest achievements during this time was the conceptualization and implementation of a multi-cultural event, Our Cultural Connections. This three-day event was filled with sights, sounds, and savory flavors from around the World, celebrating Sarasota's diversity. Mary Jean Eisenhower, granddaughter of Dwight D. Eisenhower and President of People to People International, was the keynote speaker. With the downward spiral of the economy in 2008/2009, my non-profit clients could no longer afford to pay for my services. I worked in retail for a couple of years, all the while

searching for just the right position in the non-profit sector. I saw a listing for Temple Emanu-El, interviewed on a Friday and began work the following Monday almost 7 years ago.

How do you enjoy working at Temple Emanu-El? I enjoy employing much of the skillset given to me by God and honed over my career. What I find most delightful about Temple Emanu-El is the warmth, generosity, and true compassion of our temple members, clergy and leadership. They have sustained me through some difficult times! I am touched by the acceptance of diversity and openness to everyone who walks through our doors. I sometimes smile to myself when I look back upon my life's journey – how ironic that I began working for my Parish Priest as a teenager and now do many of the same tasks here at Temple Emanu-El so many years later. As they say, life comes full circle, abundant with twists and turns.

What do you like to do outside of work? I spend time doing Yoga, Pilates, and meditation, although not as much as I did previously. I have two cats – Joshlyn and Celine – and spend a lot of time with them, relaxing on the lanai. I also have a 2nd job working from home for the Association of Retired Attorneys of Sarasota. I spend 20+ hours a month publishing their monthly newsletter, maintaining their website, directory and databases. I write biographies on a member every month. My life is full and Temple Emanu-El helps to make it so!

Christine Elliott
Executive Director

Have You Made Your Reservations for Seder?

Let all who are hungry come and eat! We hope you are planning to join your Temple Emanu-El family for a meaningful, festive, and delicious Passover Seder in Benderson Family Hall on Friday, April 19, at 6 pm. Senior Rabbi Brenner Glickman will return this year as our Seder leader using Temple Emanu-El's signature *Sarasota Haggadah*, and Michael's on East will cater a traditional Passover meal for all ages with all the trimmings. Please call the Temple office for more information about the Seder!

"I am looking forward to another fantastic Seder this year," commented Temple Emanu-El Ritual Committee Chair Marian Raupp. As are we all!

Thank you so much to the Ritual Committee for overseeing this beautiful Seder. We wish you a joyous Passover holiday and every blessing at this season of redemption!



These beautiful tables are set for the Temple Emanu-El Seder!

Membership Committee Coordinates Neighborhood Gatherings

Everyone was pleased to be with Rabbi Brenner Glickman and their temple neighbors.

Remember the days when you would stay in a hotel on a vacation and would take a peek at the local phone book just so you could see how many people in that phone book have your last name? If you enjoyed that, then try looking in the Temple Emanu-El Directory and see how many temple members live in your zip code. Take 34238 for example. At Temple Emanu-



El, there are almost 50 family units living in 34238. On March 5, the Goldners graciously hosted a 34238-neighborhood gathering at their home for all temple members living in 34238. Besides

homes, neighborhood gatherings are held in restaurants, parks, and clubhouses. If you would like to coordinate a gathering in your neighborhood, contact Dana Rubin at danatee2018@aol.com.

Family Shabbat Dinner

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Welcoming Shabbat with pizza, salad, wine, family, and friends? Yes, please! Our March 1 family Shabbat service was preceded by a festive Shabbat dinner, especially for religious school families. Family-style seating, children's crafts, and coloring, and a relaxed, friendly atmosphere set a happy, celebratory tone for Shabbat. Many thanks to Director of Education Sabrina Silverberg, MARE, Religious School Assistant Lynne Pewterbaugh, and Religious School Chair Alicia Zoller for making this such a special Shabbat!



Shira and Brad Johnson and Rabbi Brenner Glickman



Sasha, Bryce, and Andrew Rosin



Pippa, Sydney, and Leo Schwimmer



Sienna, Ariana, and Ada enjoyed the crafts area



Jeff and Nicole Silverstein



Ryan Ackerman, Steven Fineman, Sepi Ackerman, Rabbi Michael Shefrin, Emily Stroud, and Rob Stroud

A Very Special Weekend at Temple Emanu-El

A *Shabbat Alive!* service dedicated to the memory of Debbie Friedman, the dedication of a new solar array, and a book talk by a globally-recognized photographer made February 15-17 an incredibly special weekend at Temple Emanu-El!

The weekend began with the winter installment of Temple Emanu-El's signature and much-anticipated *Shabbat Alive!* service. Featuring the music and spirit of beloved composer and liturgist Debbie Friedman, this wonderful all-musical Shabbat worship experience delighted, inspired, moved, and exhilarated the packed sanctuary. Much gratitude was expressed not only to the talented *Shabbat Alive!* band but especially to our wonderful Temple member Phyllis Dreyfuss for generously sponsoring *Shabbat Alive!* and joining the service leaders on the bima. Thank you, Phyllis!

After the service, attendees gathered in the lobby to dedicate a plaque marking the donation of an enormous solar array that will allow our synagogue and school to generate 70 percent of the power we need from the sun. The array was generously underwritten by Judy Glickman Lauder—mother of Senior Rabbi Brenner Glickman—and Leonard Lauder, and installed by local solar contractor *Brilliant Harvest*.

"The congregational leaders and rabbis got together two years ago and discussed our dreams for the temple," Rabbi Glickman recalled. "We dreamed of a solar-powered campus. We wanted to help in the fight against global warming. And we wanted to be a beacon to our members and the community, an example of environmental responsibility.

"My mom wanted to make a special gift to the Temple, and we discussed different ways she could make an impact," he continued. "When I suggested solar power, that was the end of the conversation. She loved the idea. She and Leonard have been wonderful supporters of our Temple and our mission."



Senior Rabbi Brenner Glickman and Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman and benefactors Judy Glickman Lauder and Leonard Lauder unveiled a plaque celebrating the Temple's enormous new solar array



Surrounding event sponsor Phyllis Dreyfuss are the talented musicians and vocalists of Temple Emanu-El's *Shabbat Alive!* band

The excitement continued Sunday afternoon as Temple members and community guests filled Benderson Family Hall for a book talk by Judy Glickman Lauder. In addition to being Rabbi Glickman's mother and a visionary philanthropist, she is also a globally-recognized photographer and the author of *Beyond the Shadows: The Holocaust and the Danish Exception*. The acclaimed photobook has received rave reviews from *The New York Times*, *BBC*, and even Sir Elton John! She presented an amazing selection of photographs, discussing her groundbreaking

photographic techniques, the history of the Holocaust, and her personal experience and growth as a result of traveling to and photographing concentration camps and Holocaust sites for the past 30 years. Everyone was entranced by her words and artistry and very moved by the presentation.

Temple Emanu-El is always a special place, and this was certainly a very special weekend. Many thanks were expressed to all who made it possible, and all who attended!



Mitzvah Day Donations Are Being Accepted

Mitzvah Day won't take place until Sunday, May 5—but some of our donation drives are starting early! Items for several of our drives to benefit local community members and organizations in need will be collected beginning this month.

The first item needed is sports equipment—new soccer balls, footballs, volleyballs, and the like. This equipment will be festively wrapped during Mitzvah Day and distributed as presents through Jewish Family and Children's Services of the Suncoast. For more information about donating these items, contact Linda Weiss and Barbara Gerber.

Also being accepted are new puzzles, crayons, small toys, flashcards, and coloring and activity books. In an ongoing partnership with Sarasota Memorial Hospital, these items are assembled into wonderful baskets to amuse and

comfort young patients who might be frightened by their time in the pediatrics unit. For more information about donating these items, contact Alvan and Suzy Morris.

If you have new cosmetics, new nail polish, perfume or makeup samples, hair accessories, or soaps and lotions, consider donating these so Mitzvah Day volunteers can fill gift bags for needy tween/teen girls and young women recently rescued from human traffickers. What a lovely way to bring support and consolation to this community. For more information about donating these items, contact Andi Lieberman and Lita Katzer.

For a new project this year, we are also collecting items to make birthdays special for homeless children! Donate paper party goods, packaged party favors, inflatable balloons, and small packs of birthday candles so we can fill festive Birthday Bags for these children. For more information about donating these items, contact Harriette Krasnoff.

Last but certainly not least is our signature Mitzvah Day children's book drive. While the bulk of this drive is underwritten by a generous grant from the Deanne and Arnold Kaplan Foundation, we will also be collecting gently-used

children's books for young students at local Title 1 elementary schools. Many of these children have never owned their own books! For more information, contact Jane and Steve Goldner or Rebecca Zion.

Donations of these items may be brought to the closet next to the gift shop in the lobby during business hours and before Friday night services, beginning April 1. If you need help dropping off a large number of donations or a heavy item, contact the donation drive chair in advance to make arrangements. Thank you so much!

Donations to offset the costs of Mitzvah Day are also gratefully accepted; if you wish to donate to a particular drive or project, or simply to Mitzvah Day in general, make a note on the memo line of your check. And if you have any questions about the Mitzvah Day donation drives, call Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman, Mitzvah Day 2019 chair, at 379-1997.

Temple Emanu-El's Mitzvah Day Planning Committee—and especially the many people who will benefit from your kind donations and care—express gratitude for your generosity! Thank you for being a part of Mitzvah Day 2019!

WELCOME!

Temple Emanu-El welcomes the following members:

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April 2019 Schedule of Services

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Friday, April 5
Erev Shabbat 7:15 pm

Saturday, April 6
Morning Service 10:30 am
Torah Study 11 am

Friday, April 12
Hospitality Shabbat 7:15 pm

Friday, April 19
Erev Passover—No Service

Friday, April 26
Last Day of Passover
Service with Yizkor 10:30 am
Erev Shabbat 7:15 pm
Samuel Howard Bar Mitzvah

Saturday, April 27
Samuel Howard Bar Mitzvah 10:30 am

Adult Education Update Upcoming Courses & Events Adult Education Catalog Winter and Spring 2018-2019

Check out our new February to June catalog which includes detailed descriptions and registration forms for a variety of upcoming courses and events. Pick up the catalog in the temple lobby or view it online and reserve your spot for the programs you choose.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for the following upcoming courses and events:

Saturday Morning Worship and Torah Study—Come for worship and Torah study with the Rabbis. The service begins at 10:30 AM followed by Torah Study at 11 am. For more information contact Harold Zabin: hpzabin@aol.com

Hebrew Language for Beginners I—In this course for students with little or no knowledge of Hebrew, Susie Konicov introduces you to the study of the Hebrew alphabet and has you reading and writing words in the first few lessons. **Thursdays at 5 pm, Temple library:** \$60.00 for members, \$70.00 for non-members.

Hebrew Language for Advanced Beginners II—In this course for those already familiar with the Hebrew alphabet, Susie Konicov helps students learn key words and build vo-

cabulary and expressions. **Thursdays at 4 pm, Temple library:** \$60.00 for members, \$70.00 for non-members

Conversational Hebrew I—In this class, for those with little or no experience conversing in Hebrew, Ms. Evie Shen-Tal, who lived in Israel for many years, helps students build the vocabulary and structures they need to communicate in Modern Hebrew. **Thursdays at 8:10 am, Temple library:** **FEE:** \$50.00 for members, \$60 for non-members.

Conversational Hebrew II—This class is for those who have taken Hebrew Conversation for Beginners I or II, or who already have some experience speaking Hebrew. Ms. Evie Shen-Tal who has taught Hebrew for 15 years has her students communicate through engaging classroom interactions. **Tuesdays at 9:30 am, Temple library:** **FEE:** \$50.00 for members and \$60.00 for non-members for 8 sessions.

Jewish Folklore with Dr. Eleanor Wachs—Presentation: 3: Folk Songs, Folk Art, and Folk Craft. Dr. Wachs will present sample Folk Songs, including lullabies, immigrant songs, children's songs, and humorous songs. She will also share samples of Jewish Folk Art and Craft related to lifecycle events and holidays.

Monday, April 1st—Lunch & Learn at 12:00 Noon **FEE:** Free for members \$10.00 for non-members

Living on a Prayer—Sabrina

Silverberg, M.A.R.E., will present an interactive 4 part course that will connect each student with their personal meaning of prayer. It will include the purpose and origin of each prayer, including Torah blessings, and how to chant them. This course will provide participants with skills they can apply right away. **Thursdays, April 4, 11, 18 and 25, 11:00 am, FEE:** \$30.00 for members and \$50.00 for non-members

Sundays at the Movies—Films with Jewish themes have been chosen for your viewing pleasure. Our next film is **BIG SONIA**. "In the last store in a defunct mall, 91 year old Sonia Warszawski, a great-grandmother, business woman, and Holocaust survivor runs the tailor shop she has owned for more than 30 years. When she's served an eviction notice, the idea of retirement prompts Sonia to recall her harrowing past. A laugh out loud funny portrait of the power of love to triumph over bigotry, and the power of truth-telling to heal us all." A brief discussion will follow the screening.

Sunday, May 19th—2:00 pm **FEE:** \$5.00 at the door.

If you would like more information on any of these courses or events, please contact Co-Chairs:

Ellen Zipin,
ezipin2@comcast.net or
Dr. Janet Hiller,
juanitaph@aol.com

Social Singles

Temple Emanu-El Social Singles is off to a great start! We are hosting a variety of monthly social gatherings both at temple and other locations in the area. Please join us!

For more information or to be added to the email list, contact Barbara Chertok at barbchert@gmail.com.



Philanthropy Committee April 2019

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

You may not realize it, but the Cornerstone Society, through the philanthropic vision of its 98 members, has provided Temple Emanu-El with critical, unrestricted resources that have reshaped much of the life of our congregation over the last 10 years. Without voluntarily increasing their annual dues Temple Emanu-El would not be able to provide all that it does.

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If you would like to join this exceptional list, give me a call. 941-355-5066.

Michael Richker
Chairperson, Philanthropy Committee



Sydney Chojnacki, Jayme Rudd, Jacob Carnes, and Lucas Podolsky with their challah dough

Confirmation Class Report

By Abby Alcock

On the 3rd of March, our Confirmation class had another great time making challah. We had a fun experience socializing and having a good laugh, as well as learning how to make the perfect challah dough. After that, we learned how to braid the challah in our own unique ways. When we were finished, we couldn't wait to bake it when we got home!



Confirmation instructor Rabbi Brenner Glickman made challah with Miriam Baram, Katelin Alcock, Abby Alcock, Russell Kramer, Owen Eiseman, and Noah Kunkel



Ben Baram, Sam Herz-Midler, Evan Rubin, Zachary Rubin, and Jake Pullam



Library

I didn't write an article for the newsletter last month because my father had passed away at that time. Many

family members sent me photos of my father. One of them was of my father in front of the candy store we owned in Brooklyn. You will understand my excitement and wave of nostalgia when I picked up *Jews of Brooklyn* edited by Ilana Abramovitch and Sean Galvin and turned to the chapter labeled "Candy Stores and Egg Creams". It brought back memories of my earliest childhood. The book is a collection of reminiscences about life in Brooklyn.

Another item that didn't get into the newsletter was the photo of the January book club. The March book club is reading *The Gilded Chamber* by Rebecca Kohn. This is an historical fiction imagining the life of Esther in the harem. We will be choosing the April book at the March 11 book club. Look for an announcement about it in the Temple Emanu-El news blasts.



“Our NFTY group, STEAMY, had a fun and memorable night out bowling recently. Our teens also participated in a beautiful Havdalah service with Rabbi Shefrin that Saturday night. For information about upcoming STEAMY events or other teen opportunities e-mail Rabbi Shefrin, mshefrin@sarasotatemple.org.”

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

May, 2019 / Nissan-Iyar, 5779
Calendar Subject to Change

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| <p>1 Lunch with the Rabbis 12 Noon
Religious School 5:30 pm</p> <p>2 Yom Hashoah
Fluid Dance 10 am</p> <p>3 Teacher Appreciation/Family
Shabbat 7:15 pm
Alexandra & Madison Wither-
spoon B’not Mitzvah</p> <p>4 Saturday Morning Service 10:30
am
Torah Study 11 am
Alexandra & Madison Wither-
spoon B’not Mitzvah 5 pm</p> <p>5 Religious School 9:30 am
Brotherhood Board Meeting 9:40
am
Mitzvah Day 12 Noon</p> <p>7 Starfish Thespians 10 am</p> | <p>8 Sisterhood Board Meeting 10:30 am
Religious School 5:30 pm
Israeli Movie Night</p> <p>9 Yom Ha’atzmaut</p> <p>10 Sisterhood Shabbat 7:15 pm</p> <p>12 Mother’s Day
Religious School Closed</p> <p>13 Book Club 11 am</p> <p>14 Mitzvah Knitting 10 am
Starfish Thespians 10 am
Adult Education Committee Meeting
10:30 am</p> <p>15 Religious School 5:30 pm</p> <p>16 Fluid Dance 10 am
Belle’s Havurah 12:30 pm
Starfish Celebration 2:30 pm</p> <p>17 Confirmation Dinner 5:45 pm
Confirmation Shabbat 7:15 pm</p> <p>19 Religious School Last Day of School
9:30 am
Sunday at the Movies—Big Sonia
2 pm</p> | <p>20 Philanthropy Committee Meeting
5 pm
Board of Trustees Meeting 7 pm</p> <p>21 Starfish Thespians 10 am</p> <p>22 Social Action Committee Meeting
1:30 pm</p> <p>24 Susan Schwaid ELC Last Day of
School
Susan Schwaid ELC Graduation
11:30 am
Brotherhood Dinner 5:30 pm
Brotherhood Shabbat 7:15 pm</p> <p>27 Memorial Day
Office Closed
Susan Schwaid ELC Closed</p> <p>28 Mitzvah Knitting 10 am
Starfish Thespians 10 am</p> <p>31 Shabbat Alive! 7:15 pm
Tyler Ruben Bar Mitzvah
June 1 Tyler Ruben Bar Mitzvah
10:30 am</p> |
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Sisterhood Gift Shop

- ❑ Don't "Pass Over" the Sisterhood Gift Shop for all your Pesach needs. (Starts April 19th.)
- ❑ Seder Plates, Matzah plates, Charoset dishes, Matzah and Afikomen covers, plus children's items.
- ❑ Haggadahs by Rabbi Glickman. Members: purchase 10 and have them personalized.
- ❑ Create a Gift Registry for your B'nai

Mitzvot students and/or weddings. Select the items you would like for your Wish List for these wonderful occasions.

- ❑ Personalized Gift Certificates available. Many thanks to all the volunteers who help me make the Gift Shop so successful. Thanks to Paula Hayden, Bob and Susan Meisel for their help with the Brandeis shop. 100% of the proceeds go to Sisterhood



for the Religious School. The Gift Shop is open before and after services and for special events. Also, by appointment with Alice Cotman (call 941-302-3619).

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Questions? Contact Don Malawsky at dmalawsky@msn.com or 941-359-2890

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Register Now for Mitzvah Day 2019!

The Mitzvah Day Steering Committee is delighted to announce that registration has begun for Temple Emanu-El's 13th annual Mitzvah Day! Slated for Sunday, May 5, beginning at noon, Mitzvah Day is an incredibly meaningful, inspiring, and fun afternoon of hands-on community service and donation drives.

Temple Emanu-El's Mitzvah Day has grown larger and more exciting each year. With many mitzvah projects—including the opportunity to decorate cards for soldiers; prepare gift baskets for hospitalized children; wrap books for disadvantaged schoolchildren and sports equipment for needy kids; knit and assemble fleece blankets for needy infants; help with clerical work for local charities; host a sing-along, games, and tea at a local nursing home; volunteer at the food bank and a cat sanctuary; prepare lunches and hot meals for the homeless;

assemble gift bags for disadvantaged girls and Birthday Bags for homeless children; make toys and treats for homeless animals; host a garden party for foster children and festive lunch for families in transitional housing; decorate cookies for firefighters and enjoy a visit from the firetruck; help with the Federation's Israeli Independence Day celebration; wash cars to raise money for tzedakah and refurbish our library—as well as donation drives for food; nail polish/cosmetics/hair accessories; soaps and lotions; sports equipment; children's books; birthday paperware/party favors/candles/balloons, and coloring books/puzzles/crayons, plus a blood drive and voter registration table, there is an opportunity for everyone to get involved and engage in *tikkun olam*—repairing the brokenness in our world.

“Mitzvah Day is one of the best days of the year!” event chair Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman stated. “Participants come together in such a beautiful way. We do so much good, and feel so good about doing it.

“We are grateful to so many partners and benefactors,” she added, “especially the Deanne and Arnold Kaplan Foundation for generously underwriting our children's book drive, and Community

Day School's support with our new Birthday Bags project!”

Please look in this bulletin for the Mitzvah Day registration form! The registration deadline is April 19, although early registration is recommended as some projects fill early. For more information, please contact Rabbi Elaine Rose Glickman at 379-1997 or elaine-glickman@comcast.net.

Mitzvah Day Steering Committee members include Beverly Austgen, Susan Beck, Susan Bernstein, Joel Blumsack, Alice Cotman, Pamela D'Ambrosio, Sherrie Eisenberg, Rita Feder, Judy and Rich Fine, Barbara Gerber, Rabbi Brenner Glickman, Janis Gold, Renee Gold, Sandy Goldman, Jane and Steven Goldner, Bill Haiby, Linda Hoffberger, Nevin Hofing, Donna Jonas, Lita Katzer, Harriette Krasnoff, Sandy Krawetz, Judith Leader, Gail Leavitt, Steven Leavitt, Nina Levitt, Andi Lieberman, Roz Lieberman, Michelle Mallitz, David Mankowitz, Alvan and Suzy Morris, Lisa Phifer, Leslie Podolsky, Elise Ramer, Irv Ross, Susan and Sam Samelson, Cindy Silverglat, Sally Steele, Gina Tillman, Emilie Weil, Linda Weiss, Alex Zalkin, Rebecca Zion and Alicia Zoller—and they all look forward to sharing Mitzvah Day with you!

Lunch with the Rabbis:

A Monthly Program at Temple Emanu-El continuing Wednesday, April 10, at noon

Are you looking for a lunch date? Mark your calendar and join Temple Emanu-El's wonderful Rabbis for lunch!

On Wednesday, April 10, at noon, Temple Emanu-El's lively “Lunch with the Rabbis” program continues. Bring a brown-bag lunch (we'll provide a delicious homemade dessert!) and join Senior Rabbi Brenner Glickman and Associate Rabbi Michael Shefrin in Temple Emanu-El's Benderson Family Hall for lunch and conversation. Feel free to bring a newspaper article or suggested topic for discussion, or just enjoy relaxed talk and get to know your lunch companions better. We look forward to seeing you!



Our membership extends deepest sympathy to Marvin Albert, Phyllis Bertenthal, Ethel & Dick Gross, Ellen Klein and

their families on the death of a loved one so precious and dear. Our membership mourns the loss of Ruth Gutmann. May God's

strength and our support bring comfort to one and all.



Temple Emanu-El Mitzvah Day

Sunday, May 5, Noon

Mitzvah Day is a congregation-wide day of community service where Emanu-El reaches out to make a difference. From the youngest to the eldest, all join together on this special afternoon. We will visit the elderly, feed the hungry, and bring joy to children in need. In so many ways, we will touch the lives of others.

Starting Time

Please arrive at noon to participate in drives, write notes for American and Israeli soldiers, register to vote, and donate blood. Brotherhood will offer pizza. Mitzvah Day will take place rain or shine, though rain may affect some projects.

Donation Drives

- Food Soaps and Lotions
 - Nail Polish/Cosmetics/Hair Accessories
 - New Coloring Books, Puzzles, Crayons
 - Children's Birthday Party Supplies
 - Sports Equipment Children's Books*
- *Underwritten by the Deanne and Arnold Kaplan Foundation

Blood Drive 9:30-1:30

On-Site Projects

1. Assemble baskets for hospitalized children
2. Prepare bag lunches for the homeless
3. Alphabetize temple library collection
4. Clerical work for children's charities
5. Assemble gift bags for vulnerable girls and women
6. Gift-wrap books and sports equipment for children
7. Knit for needy infants - beginners welcome
8. Make toys and treats for shelter animals
9. Car wash (Confirmants and Youth Group Leaders)
10. Assemble fleece blankets for children
11. Pack Birthday Bags for homeless children
12. Set-up for Israel celebration at Federation
13. For Tots: Decorate cookies with firefighter visit

Off-Site Projects

14. Sing-along, games, and tea at Aviva
15. Garden & sports party with foster children
16. Prepare hot meals at Salvation Army
17. Festive lunch for families at Harvest House
18. Volunteer at Cat Depot
19. Sort food at All Faiths Food Bank

Registration Form: Please return to Temple Emanu-El by **April 19**. Questions? Call Rabbi Elaine at 379-1997

Names of Participants _____

Email _____ Phone _____

_____ Enclosed is my voluntary contribution to help defray the cost of Mitzvah Day.

Please write in the project numbers: First Choice #___ Second Choice #___ Third Choice #___

Blood Drive (circle a time to register) 9:30 9:45 10:00 10:15 10:30 11:00 11:15 11:30 11:45 noon 1:00 1:15 1:30

Temple Emanu-El Religious School Hosts Kindergarten Round-Up

Families with children who will enter kindergarten in 2019-20 were welcomed Sunday morning, February 24, to Temple Emanu-El Religious School's first-ever Kindergarten Round-Up.

The Kindergarten Round-Up was the brainchild of Alisha Leopold – a Temple Emanu-El Tot Shabbat leader whose daughter Sasha has grown up at Temple and will graduate from the Susan Schwaid Early Learning Center of Temple Emanu-El this spring—and was also organized by Associate Rabbi Michael Shefrin, Director of Education Sabrina Silverberg, MARE, and Membership Committee Chair Kim Sheintal.

With activities for both adults and children, the Kindergarten Round-Up introduced families to our religious school's vibrant learning community and warm, friendly atmosphere. A parent session enabled parents to meet with Temple leaders and other religious school parents, and to build bonds and friendships. Children had the opportunity to visit classrooms and to participate in the happy hands-on learning that is our school's hallmark. Less than 48 hours after the Kindergarten Round-Up, a new family had already joined the Temple in order to enroll their twins in religious school!

"The Kindergarten Round-Up was spectacular," Rabbi Shefrin stated. "The visiting children had so much fun meeting other kids and our fabulous teachers. They made Purim crafts along with the kindergarten class—and two kids did not want to leave when our program ended!

"My favorite part was watching

the parents interact with one another," he concluded, "talking about their Jewish hopes for their kids."

Temple Emanu-El Religious School is currently accepting enrollment for 2019-20 and invites prospective families to tour the school, participate in our welcoming "Religious School for Day" opportunity,

and learn more about our wonderful program. Please spread the word, and encourage prospective new families to speak with Director of Education Sabrina Silverberg, MARE, at teers@sarasotatemple.org or 378-5567.



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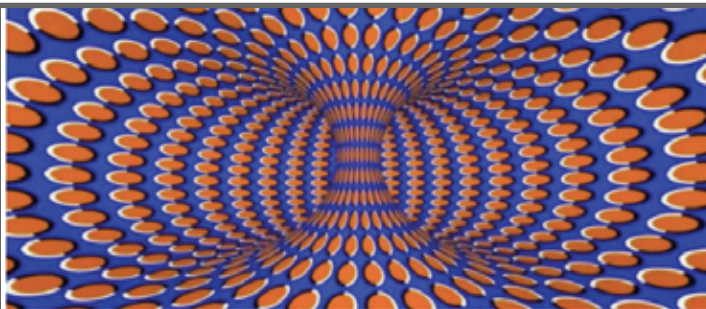
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