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FROM RABBI HAYON



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Happy New Year to all!

Renewed by Rosh Hashanah and purified by Yom Kippur, we are ripe for new beginnings and new possibilities. The holidays help us envision the ways in which we hope to grow and improve over this brand-new year, which will also bring new opportunities to broaden and deepen our connections to the sacred community here at Emanu El.

Over the course of this whole year, we have looked gratefully back at our 75 years of history and heritage, and now, as we move into the concluding months of 2019, it is time for us to look forward as well: to brand-new ways to engage with Jewish prayer, education, and communal togetherness in the year ahead.

Our worship opportunities in the year ahead will be enriched by a blend of familiar and innovative music under the guidance of Cantor Simmons. Our clergy team is also eager to begin exploring the use of "Visual T'filah" – which includes digitally-projected images as a way of augmenting our worship – in selected services this year. (Keep your eyes open for Visual T'filah experiences in November and January.)

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Sukkot on Sunset Sunday, October 13, 4:00 p.m.

Chaired by Ivy Frank and Alana Pulaski, this year's Sukkot on Sunset will feature all the favorites, including our rock-climbing wall, hayrides and crafts with the Sisterhood. The musical entertainment will be the Larry Glass Band.



Part of Emanu El 75th anniversary celebration, this year's event has been enhanced to include something

for everyone. The evening will end with our Erev Sukkot service in the Sukkah with s'mores!

While there is no charge for this event, we ask that you register so that we can provide a proper headcount. Registration is available online by visiting our website or by calling the synagogue at 713.529.5771.



Congregation Emanu El & AIPAC Partnering to Host SpaceIL Founder Yonatan Winetraub Wednesday, October 23, 7:00 p.m.

Congregation Emanu El will be teaming with AIPAC in October as part of AIPAC's synagogue series.

Join us to hear from Emanu El's own Rabbi Oren Hayon about his week in Israel with 16 other rabbis from across the US with AIPAC's American Israel Education Foundation.

Our keynote speaker is Yonatan Winetraub, Co-Founder of SpaceIL (the Israel Space Agency), the Israeli non-profit organization that attempted to land an unmanned spacecraft on the Moon. A key goal of their mission is to inspire the next generation of space researchers while promoting education and scientific exploration.

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WORSHIP SERVICES

Shabbat Vayeilech, Deuteronomy 31:1 – 30

Friday, October 4

6:00 p.m., Shabbat Shuvah, Barish Sanctuary
D'var Torah by Barbara Loeser

Saturday, October 5

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Proler Chapel

Cemetery Service

Sunday, October 6

5:00 p.m., Cemetery Service, Emanu El Memorial Park
Sermon by Rabbi Hayon

Kol Nidre

Tuesday, October 8

7:30 p.m., Evening Service, Barish Sanctuary
Sermon by Rabbi Hayon: *The Golden Door*

Yom Kippur

Wednesday, October 9

9:00 a.m., Yom Kippur Children's Service,
Barish Sanctuary
Story by Rabbi Fixler: *The Always Tallit*
11:00 a.m., Yom Kippur Morning Service,
Barish Sanctuary
Sermon by Rabbi Silk: *The Trying*
1:45 p.m. & 2:45 p.m., Yom Kippur Afternoon Experience
4:30 p.m., Yizkor & N'ilah, Barish Sanctuary
Sermon by Rabbi Hayon: *What's Left Behind*
Immediately following N'ilah, Break the Fast,
Oshman Multi-Purpose Room

Shabbat Haazinu, Deuteronomy 32:1 – 52

Friday, October 11

6:00 p.m., Evening Service, Proler Chapel

Saturday, October 12

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Proler Chapel

Erev Sukkot

Sunday, October 13

6:30 p.m., Erev Sukkot Festival Service, Sukkah

Shabbat Chol HaMo-eid Sukkot, Exodus 33:12 – 34:26

Friday, October 18

6:00 p.m., Evening Service, Proler Chapel

Saturday, October 19

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Proler Chapel

Simchat Torah

Sunday, October 20

6:00 p.m., Simchat Torah & Consecration,
Barish Sanctuary

Monday, October 21

10:30 a.m., Simchat Torah Festival Service & Yizkor,
Proler Chapel

Shabbat B'reishit, Genesis 1:1 – 6:8

Friday, October 25

6:00 p.m., Evening Service, Proler Chapel

Saturday, October 26

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Proler Chapel
10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Barish Sanctuary
B'nei Mitzvah of **Zachary Dylan Robinson** &
Lexi Robinson, children of Rebecca Robinson

Shabbat Noach, Genesis 6:9 – 11:32

Friday, November 1

5:45 p.m., Tot Shabbat Dinner, Oshman Multi-Purpose
Room
6:00 p.m., Evening Service, Barish Sanctuary
6:30 p.m., Tot Shabbat, Proler Chapel

Saturday, November 2

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Proler Chapel
10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Barish Sanctuary
B'nei Mitzvah of **Daniel Jacob Curl** & **Jonathan Ryan**
Curl, sons of Sheila & David Curl

Shabbat Lech L'cha, Genesis 12:1 – 17:27

Friday, November 8

6:00 p.m., Evening Service, Proler Chapel

Saturday, November 9

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Proler Chapel
10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Barish Sanctuary
Bar Mitzvah of **Rowan Fredson**, son of Jessica
& Armyn Fredson

Shabbat Vayeira, Genesis 18:1 – 22:24

Friday, November 15

6:00 p.m., Evening Service, Barish Sanctuary

Saturday, November 16

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Board Room
10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Barish Sanctuary
B'not Mitzvah of **Alexis Burger** & **Elizabeth Burger**,
daughters of Courtney & Charles Burger

REMINDER: All Friday night Shabbat services are video
streamed on our website as well as our Emanu El Facebook
page and Roku channel. Saturday morning services featuring a
B'nai Mitzvah are streamed on our website and Roku channel.

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The upcoming program calendar also includes a wealth of learning opportunities, and I am especially proud that a series of educational offerings from nationally-renowned women will feature prominently in our lineup. In addition to the deep and insightful sessions led by Rabbi Dr. Andrea Weiss during last month's Rozelle & Robert I. Kahn lecture series, we can look forward to lectures and programs with a pair of notable women whose work is improving and transforming communities in January and March.

Many more reasons for gratitude and celebration lie ahead of us as well. Stefani Carlson, our Director of Congregational Learning, along with the members of our Israel Committee, are already hard at work planning the itinerary for this summer's Shirley Barish Memorial Israel Experience in Poland and Israel. And, as the 50th anniversary of Rabbi Walter's rabbinic ordination nears, we are especially mindful – and thankful – of the sensitive, wise, and devoted leadership with which he has graced our congregation for so long.

And so, friends, as I wish you all a *shana tova*, a good year, I know that this greeting is not merely an empty wish, but an expression of deepest confidence that the year 5780 will be a good one for us all.

CONGREGATION EMANU EL & AIPAC PARTNERING TO HOST SPACEIL FOUNDER YONATAN WINETRAUB

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To date, SpaceIL has reached over 300,000 children across Israel and the United States.

Weintraub is currently a PhD candidate at Stanford in Biophysics, studying a method to interpret and intercept cancer cell communication. He was also part of the International Space University Program at NASA Ames, studying how we can create Martian colonies utilizing shelter and water from Martian lava caves. Weintraub studied Electrical Engineering and Computational Neuroscience at Tel Aviv University focusing on how regions in the brain collaborate to create our emotions.

The event will begin with light refreshments at 6:15 p.m. prior to the 7:00 p.m. program. We kindly ask that RSVPs are made by visiting www.aipac.org/EmanuEl.

More information will be shared about this event in upcoming publications. For all other inquiries, please contact Hayley Rosenberg at 832.380.7710 or hrosenberg@aipac.org.

Update Your Addresses with the Synagogue

Have you recently moved? Are you not getting synagogue communications? Please remember to update your addresses – both mailing and email – with the synagogue so that you can stay up to date on all the happenings at Emanu El! Call us at 713.529.5771 or email Elizabeth Townsend at elizabetht@emanuelhouston.org.

LIFECYCLE EVENTS

IN THE COMMUNITY

Benjamin Moser, son of our members Jane and Bert Moser has published *Sontag: Her Life and Work*, a biography of American writer, filmmaker, philosopher, teacher and political activist Susan Sontag.

BIRTH

Simon Merle Goldman, son of Julia & Daniel Goldman

WEDDING

Jill Lindquist & Kenneth Odle

DEATHS

Nancy Coben, mother of Rabbi Amy Weiss and Rabbi Kenny Weiss; grandmother of Eli and Joshua Weiss

Kathryn Gale Elder, mother of Sarah & Adam Williams, Jennifer & Liviu Ignat, Taylor & Blake Allday; grandmother of Emily Williams, Lois Williams, Ruby Williams, Luka Ignat, Alistair Ignat, Augie Allday; sister of Tammy & Danny Oldham

Sally Politzer Fuchs, mother of Roslyn & Ricky Haikin, Steven Fuchs, Terry & Edward Fuchs; grandmother of Ellyn & Adam Josef, Jennifer & Ron Zach, Mae Fuchs, Rochel & Joseph Fuchs, Ester & Zev Kellerman, Tova & Avraham Abeles, Mindee & Yitzchok Younger, Mashi & Yitzchok Fuchs, Chava & Moshe Yagen, Malka & Yaakov Lichtenstein, Mimi Fuchs; great-grandmother of 32

Louis Silverman, husband of Bailey Silverman; father of Jennifer & Jeffrey Ross, Mana Yegani & Jed Silverman, Daphne & Norman Silverman, Sam Silverman; brother of Maxine & Marvin Winer; brother-in-law of Talya Fishman & Max Apple; grandfather of Ella Silverman

A Notice About Bereavement Communications

Bereavement notices for Our Temple Family are distributed with the permission of the deceased's family, and the timing of these notices is dictated by the family's request. Of course, each family grieves in its own way, and we are grateful for our congregation's patience and understanding with different families' preferences about how their loss is publicized.

HIGH HOLY DAY INFORMATION

Our complete High Holy Day schedule including sermon titles and worship opportunities for Sukkot and Simchat Torah can be found on page 2 of this edition of the *Bulletin*.

HIGH HOLY DAY PASSES

High Holy Day passes are sent to our membership by mail. We accept passes from other congregations and also welcome military personnel, college students with ID, and out-of-town patients receiving treatment in the Texas Medical Center along with their families. If you know someone who has moved to Houston within the last six months, please contact Elizabeth Townsend at 713.529.5771, ext. 222 or elizabethht@emanuelhouston.org to arrange for a newcomer pass.

Each member in good standing is entitled to invite up to two guests to one worship service during the High Holy Days, excluding Kol Nidre. For security reasons, we ask for contact information of each guest ahead of the holidays. The request form is available online and should be completed by the member of Emanu El. Passes will be available for pick-up at the rotunda prior to the High Holy Days or at the will-call table on the day(s) of. To submit the request form for guest passes, visit emanuelhouston.org/hhdworship.

PARKING

Only individuals with High Holy Days passes or handicap placards will be permitted entry to the Emanu El campus.

All parking on Floors 1 and 2 of the Gaylor Parking Facility will be reserved for handicap-accessible use. The West Lot is reserved for Rabbi's Circle members with a required pass. Because there is limited garage parking on Floors 3 and 4, we encourage you to park at the satellite locations. Buses will run continually from the satellite parking lots to and from Emanu El.

For Kol Nidre, park at the Medical Clinic of Houston at 1707 Sunset Blvd. The parking garage entrance is located on Rice Blvd.

On Yom Kippur Day, park at Rice University. Due to construction on the west side of the Rice campus, we will use the Rice South Stadium Lot (with overflow in the Greenbriar Lot). A special entrance to the South Stadium Lot will be open between Gates 8 and 9, specifically for our Emanu El guests. This entry point is located on University Blvd. between Montclair and Stockton.

CLOSED CAPTIONING

The synagogue will provide American Sign Language (ASL) during Kol Nidre. The Brotherhood provides closed captioning for all on-site Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur services, with the exception of the children's services.

CHILDCARE

Childcare for children ages 15 months to 8 years is available during all High Holy Day services, with the exception of the children's services. Registration in advance **MUST** be received in order to prepare for the appropriate number of caregivers. The cost is \$10 per child, per service. A light snack will be provided; however, children with allergies are encouraged to bring their own snacks.

The Yom Kippur registration deadline is **Thursday, October 3**.

Visit us online to register, or contact Evon Zions at 713.529.5771, ext. 255 or evonz@emanuelhouston.org.

LIVE STREAMING

You can watch all High Holy Day services live-streamed three ways:

1. Emanu El website: emanuelhouston.org
2. Facebook: facebook.com/emanuelhouston
3. Roku device: search for the Congregation Emanu El Houston channel

Archived videos of services and sermons will be available following services at the same digital locations.

ACCESSIBILITY

For wheelchair or accessibility accommodation, submit a request form online at emanuelhouston.org/hhdworship, or contact Elizabeth at elizabethht@emanuelhouston.org, and be sure to include the services you plan to attend. Preferred seating will be provided to those who give advance notice.

Those requesting special-needs seating may be granted a maximum of four additional seats for family members. These seats will be held for up to 15 minutes prior to the beginning of services. The Yom Kippur deadline is **Thursday, October 3**.

HEARING LOOP

The Barish Sanctuary is equipped with an Induction Loop System which transmits audio signals directly to one's telecoil (T-coil)-equipped hearing aid.

EMANU EL AT A GLANCE THROUGH NOVEMBER 26

The below information contains a listing of events at Emanu El exclusive of our worship and Shabbat schedule, which can be found monthly on page 2.

As a congregation, we communicate in many different ways. This calendar is supplemented by information that can be found throughout this edition of the *Bulletin*, the weekly Shabbat program, the weekly eLetter, on our website, and on our Facebook page.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER

- 10/1 – Flu Shots, 9:00 – 11:30 a.m.
- 10/10 – Work of Our Hands, 10:00 a.m.
- 10/13 – Sukkot on Sunset, 4:00 p.m.
- 10/16 – Kids Meals, 9:30 a.m.
(off-cycle date due to Sukkot)
- 10/17 – Kindergarten Panel, 9:15 a.m.
- 10/17 – Axe Night, 6:45 p.m. (at Houston Axe Throwing)
- 10/18 – Classics Shabbat Dinner, following 6:00 p.m. Shabbat services
- 10/20 – Helfman Parent Engagement at DEFINE West University, 10:00 – 12:30 a.m.
- 10/22 – Sack Lunches for SEARCH, 9:30 a.m.
- 10/23 – SpaceIL Founder Yonatan Winetraub, 7:00 p.m.
- 10/24 – HISD Facts for Kindergarten, 9:15 a.m.
- 10/27 – EE75 Social Action: Emergency Aid Coalition, off-site project at 10:00 a.m.; on-site at 12:30 p.m.
- 10/29 – Knead Out Breast Cancer with the Sisterhood, 6:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER

- 11/1 – Tot Shabbat, 5:45 p.m. dinner, 6:30 p.m. service
- 11/3 – Tailgate at the Temple, 8:00 a.m.
- 11/5 – Emanu Elders, 11:30 a.m.
- 11/5 – Emanu El Mahj Night, 5:30 p.m.
(off-cycle due to Gloria Steinem event)
- 11/7 – Sisterhood Women's Day, 9:30 a.m.
- 11/7 – Gloria Steinem at Emanu El, 7:00 p.m.
- 11/8 – Warehouse Shabbat, 7:30 p.m. (doors open), 8:00 p.m. (service)
- 11/11 – Gathering Place, 10:00 a.m.
- 11/14 – Work of Our Hands, 10:00 a.m.
- 11/14 – Sisterhood Book Review: *The Girl from Berlin* by Ronald H. Balson, 12:30 p.m.
- 11/16 – EE75: Ever Forward, 7:00 p.m.
- 11/19 – Kids Meals, 9:30 a.m.
- 11/20 – Power Breakfast with Houston Police Chief Art Acevedo, 7:30 a.m.
- 11/26 – Sack Lunches for SEARCH, 9:30 a.m.

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Get Social With Us!

Did you know Congregation Emanu El is on Instagram? In addition to our active Facebook pages, be sure to follow us on Instagram to catch snap shots of happenings around the synagogue. From camel sightings to social action, a thriving youth group to clergy in action and more!

Find us on Instagram at www.instagram.com/emanel-houston or if you are already a member, find us at @emanuelhouston. And yes, please feel free to “check-in” at Emanu El when you are here for events and happenings!

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Welcome Our Newest Members

We are pleased to welcome the newest members to our congregational family. Please be sure to introduce yourself to our newcomers as they become a part of our community.

**Bailey Dalton-Binion & Greg Binion, son Jackson
Aaron & Risa Braun, children Mason & Zoey
Jill Carasso
Yuri & Mayra Gelfand, son Ethan
Howard & Diane Haberman
Kristian Harper
Kevin & Alissa Lawson, children Haylee and Nolan
Debbie & Rodney Lerner
Herbert Levine
Lauren & Russell Libby, sons Nathan and Shaun
Jessica Liftman
Rebecca Loeb
Jeffrey Miller
Ronald & Cindy Moore
Emily Moses & Ben Boskoff
Marla Peirce & Joe Touzel, son Isaac
Ryan Penner & Elizabeth Santos
Adam & Alana Putterman
Noah Reich
Ashley Ross
Cory & Nicole Schloss, son Asher
Aaron & Joyce Schneider
Rebecca Sheinbaum
Sam & Amanda Sitzer, daughter Hannah
Terry & Esther Treistman**

New members will be shared in the *Bulletin* regularly. Know someone interested in becoming a part of our community? New to town? Or looking to find a way to connect with Emanu El? Contact Elizabeth Townsend at 713.529.5771, ext. 222 or elizabethth@emanuelhouston.org.

Our clergy want to know . . .

If you or a loved one is sick or hospitalized please let us know.

Contact the synagogue at 713.529.5771, so that our rabbis can reach out and visit and be a source of strength and support.

Visiting the sick and praying for those who are ill are important and meaningful mitzvot.



Melton & More Adult Jewish Learning Classes at Emanu El

Mondays from 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Congregation Emanu El will once again serve as home to a series of courses offered in collaboration with the Evelyn Rubenstein Jewish Community Center of Houston and created by the Florence Melton School of Adult Jewish Learning as well as local Houston faculty.

Information about Melton & More at the J, specifics about the cost of registration and how you can register for this class at Congregation Emanu El can be found online at erjcchouston.org/cjll.

MELTON! Jewish Medical Ethics: A 21st Century Discussion with Ms. Nancy Pryzant Picus January 27 – May 11 (15 sessions)

While contemporary medical knowledge preserves life, modern advances have raised moral and ethical dilemmas related to the sanctity and dignity of life – issues whose scope was unimaginable a generation ago.

Written by Rabbi Elliot Dorff, PhD, this course explores Jewish approaches to several 21st century ethical issues including human cloning, surrogate motherhood, transsexual surgery, assisted suicide and genetic manipulation.

Rabbi Andrea Weiss Visits Emanu El as Kahn Scholar-in-Residence



Rabbi Oren Hayon (left) and Rabbi Andrea Weiss, the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Provost of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion pictured following a meeting at Congregation Emanu El.

Rabbi Weiss visited the synagogue from September 13-15 as part of the Rozelle & Rabbi Robert I. Kahn Scholar-in-Residence weekend. A series of programs were held throughout the weekend and Rabbi Weiss delivered the D'var Torah during Friday night's Shabbat worship.

Emanu El recently reestablished the Scholar-in-Residence as part of its 75th anniversary celebration. Originally established by Rabbi Roy Walter on the occasion of the Kahns' 35th wedding anniversary and the 65th birthday of Rabbi Kahn in the 1970s, the lectureship has brought significant Reform scholars to the synagogue over the years.

The weekend of events was chaired by Eddie and Al Kahn and funded by the Rozelle & Rabbi Robert I. Kahn Lectureship Fund at Emanu El. The congregation aims to host a Kahn scholar every other year going forward.



5,075 Sandwiches Made for Kids' Meals as Emanu El Celebrates 75th Anniversary with Social Action

As part of Emanu El's 75th anniversary celebration, the congregation is doing social action projects throughout the year. On Tuesday, August 20, Emanu El made 5,075 lunches in honor of not only the congregation's 75th anniversary, but it's 12 years of participation with Kids' Meals and preparing more than 100,000 lunches.

Pictured are from left to right, Emanu El 75th social action chair Melissa Rubenstein Levin, Emanu El Kids' Meals event co-chair Julie Price, Kids' Meals CEO Beth Harp, Emanu El Kids' Meals event co-chair Carol Goodfriend, Emanu El Kids' Meals event co-chair Barry Goodfriend and Rabbi Oren Hayon. The Goodfriends have been the lead lay leaders on Emanu El's involvement with Kids' Meals for all 12 years. The project is funded by the Ed Wayne Hunger Fund.

Emanu El Hosts Annual Night at the Ballpark

Over 150 congregants headed to Minute Maid Park for the 5th Annual Night at the Ballpark as the Houston Astros defeated the Detroit Tigers 6-3. Pictured are in the top row (left to right) Andrew Gass, Susan Waldman, Fredi Bleeker Franks and Syd Waldman; bottom row: Raymond Kalmans and Barbara Kalmans.

The 6th Annual Night at the Ballpark is tentatively slated for August 18, 2020, against the Seattle Mariners. Information will become available in spring 2020 about this opportunity to join Emanu El back at Minute Maid Park.



Volunteers Assemble Survival Kits for SEARCH Homeless Services

Under the direction of Sandy Harris (far left), a team of volunteers assembled survival kits for SEARCH Homeless Services in early September. Our congregants and guests are quick to claim these survival kits, which they keep in their cars to distribute to the homeless. The kits include basic needs as well as informational resources available to Houston's homeless population.

Sisterhood News & Happenings

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BOOK REVIEW:

The Girl from Berlin,
by Ronald H. Balson

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14
12:30 PM

The next book review in the Sisterhood's series will feature *The Girl from Berlin*, as our congregant Shelly Cyprus serves as our book reviewer.

The synopsis: Ada Baumgarten, the girl from Berlin, is the daughter of the first violinist and concert-master of the prestigious Berlin Philharmonic; she is a gifted violinist in her own right. As a Jewish girl growing up in Berlin in the 1930s, Ada's extraordinary talent carries her family from one tenuous situation to another. Ultimately, the family flees to Bologna, Italy, where, years later, attorney Catherine Lockhart and her spouse, detective Liam Taggart, unravel and trace the validity of deed transfers to Ada's Italian property, culminating with an outcome that affirms the triumph of legal finesse over lingering evil.

Book reviews are free and open to the public. Guests are encouraged to bring a lunch or bite to eat. Desserts are provided. To help us plan accordingly, please RSVP online at www.emmanuelhouston.org or by calling the Sisterhood at 713.529.5771, ext. 233.

Knead Out Breast Cancer with the Sisterhood

Tuesday, October 29, 6:30 p.m.

Put your culinary skills to good use and join Sisterhood as we learn to make challah! Enjoy a fun-filled evening baking and dining with friends. No challah-making experience is necessary.

In conjunction with Breast Cancer Awareness month, our featured speaker will be Dr. Judith Munoz, who will talk about women's health and breast cancer. Dr. Munoz practices at Kelsey-Seybold Clinic, where she has been one of the pioneer physicians at the Breast Diagnostic Center. As a community service project, a portion of the proceeds from this evening will go toward breast cancer research. Couvert is \$25 for Sisterhood members and \$30 for non-members. Dinner is included.

Please **RSVP by Monday, October 21** by contacting the Sisterhood office at 713.529.5771, ext. 233 or sishood@emmanuelhouston.org. Registration is also available at emmanuelhouston.org.



Hats Off to Sisterhood!

The Sisterhood hosted its opening dinner in late August. Susan Speer, Gail Levinson and Nancy Peskin got in the spirit of the evening by wearing these stylish hats. Many attendees wore hats to go with the theme.

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Sisterhood Women's Day

Thursday, November 7, 9:30 am. – 1:00 p.m.

Attend Women's Day at Emanu El to become informed about the dissemination of today's news, not only in the United States, but also worldwide.

OUR FEATURED SPEAKERS ARE:



RANDY CZARLINSKY, Executive Director of the American Jewish Committee, Houston Region, created Houston's statement of principles and values on diversity and inclusiveness. He will speak about the importance of receiving news immediately through social media.



SUSAN CARROLL, an investigative/projects reporter at the *Houston Chronicle*, was part of a team that was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize for coverage of Hurricane Harvey. She will speak about "Broken Trust," a series of articles she wrote about the mishandling of the trust that funds public education.



TOM KOCH, an anchor at the top-rated ABC 13 morning news for nearly 30 years, has traveled the world near and far – from Houston City Hall to Kazakhstan recording history. He will speak about the life of a television news anchor.

Come and be stimulated, educated and entertained. Enjoy a delicious lunch following the program.

Registration is at **9:30 a.m.** Program and lunch are from **10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** Couvert is \$20 for Sisterhood members and \$25 for non-members. Please **RSVP by Friday, November 1** contacting the Sisterhood office at (713) 529-5771, ext. 233 or via email at sishood@emanuelhouston.org.

Sisterhood Fundraiser: *Words Change the World*

Thursday, March 26, 2020

Sisterhood is excited to announce its annual fundraising event, *Words Change the World*. Invitations will be mailed in January. Until then, keep reading the Bulletin and our Facebook posts for hints about the special guest!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AT EMANU EL



Barbara Loeser to Address Congregation at Shabbat Shuvah Friday, October 4, 6:00 p.m.

Please join us during this special Shabbat service in the Barish Sanctuary between Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur, Barbara Loeser will deliver a message of inspiration.

Annual Flu Shot Day at Emanu El Wednesday, October 2, 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

The Texas Vaccine Institute will be at Emanu El to give flu shots at the cost of \$25. Those with Medicare as their primary insurance do not have to pay; others will be given a receipt to claim reimbursement with their insurance provider. Please be prepared to present your insurance card. No RSVP is required.

Axe Night Thursday, October 17, 6:45 p.m.

Rescheduled from the spring, all men of the congregation are invited to Houston Axe Throwing, 734 Larkwood Dr., Suite B, to show off their skills!

Looking for something fun and different to do? If axe throwing is not on your bucket list, it should be! Invite your friends and see who wins bragging rights.

Dinner will be provided. We are asking all attendees to arrive at **6:45 p.m.** in order to begin the check-in process. To help expedite check-in, attendees can also fill out an adult waiver form at <https://mhnixdwr.paperform.co/>.

Everyone should wear comfortable clothing and closed toe shoes. All participants must bring a valid picture ID to be admitted to the facility.

To RSVP, visit our web calendar online or contact Jason Plotkin at jasonp@emanuelhouston.org or 713.535.6414. The chair of this event is Bruce Lessey.

Estate Planning of the Heart Sunday, October 20, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Join Jane Shapiro, Executive Planning Advisor at Houston Jewish Funerals, as she discusses how to make sensible decisions that are appropriate for you and your family. Learn how to protect your family from having to scramble at the time of need to make these necessary decisions while reducing stress, fatigue, emotional overload and financial burden for your loved ones.

This class is offered free of charge, however **RSVPs are requested**. Please register online at emanuelhouston.org or by calling 713.529.5771. Light refreshments will be

served. This is an informative discussion and not a sales presentation.

Tailgate at the Temple Sunday, November 3, 8:00 a.m.

For the first time in the history of our congregation, Emanu El will host a Tailgate at the Temple!

The Houston Texans will be facing their AFC South divisional opponent Jacksonville Jaguars at London's Wembley Stadium. With an **8:30 a.m. kickoff time** in Houston. What better way to start your morning than at Emanu El with fellow Texan fans?

Event chair Rodney Roth and Holmes Smokehouse, the official hot dog provider for the Houston Texans, has planned a phenomenal morning that will feature traditional tailgate fare along with breakfast items. Their world-famous mobile smokehouse will be smoking at the temple with tents, televisions, games, and lounge furniture to watch the game in comfort.

Helfman Religious School parents are encouraged to join us after dropping off their children. The game should be over by 12:00 p.m., just in time for pick-up.

While this event is free, we request RSVPs for an accurate headcount. Please RSVP online or by calling the synagogue at 713.529.5771.

For more information, contact Jason Plotkin at jasonp@emanuelhouston.org or 713.535.6414.



An Evening with Gloria Steinem Thursday, November 7, 7:00 p.m.

Presented by Brazos Bookstore, in partnership with Congregation Emanu El and the Evelyn Rubenstein Jewish Community Center, author Gloria Steinem will be speaking about her latest book, *The Truth Will Set You Free*.

As of press time, this event is sold out and we are unable to accommodate additional requests for tickets.

A collection of Steinem's lifetime of quotes – powerful and wise, funny and outrageous – beautifully illustrated, and with a new introduction and essays by the feminist writer and activist herself. From Steinem's early days as a journalist and feminist activist, up to today, her words have helped generations to empower themselves and work together. The book covers topics from relationships to patriarchy and activism.

A renowned writer, lecturer, editor and feminist activist, Steinem co-founded *Ms. Magazine* in 1972 and she

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remained one of its editors for fifteen years. In 1968, she helped found *New York Magazine*, for which she was a political columnist and wrote feature articles.

Her books include the bestsellers *Revolution from Within*, *Outrageous Acts* and *Everyday Rebellions*, *Moving Beyond Words*, *Marilyn: Norma Jeane*, and *As if Women Matter* (published in India).

Steinem has received the Penney-Missouri Journalism Award, the Front Page and Clarion awards, the National Magazine Award, the Women's Sports Journalism Award, the Lifetime Achievement in Journalism Award from the Society of Professional Journalists, the Society of Writers Award from the United Nations, the James Weldon Johnson Award for Journalism, and many others. In 2013, she received the Presidential Medal of Freedom from President Barack Obama.

There will be an ASL interpreter for the event and parking will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis in the Gaylor Parking Facility at the rear of Congregation Emanu El's campus. Once parking has reached capacity, off-site parking will be available at the Medical Clinic, 1701 Sunset Blvd., two blocks away. We ask that guests do not arrive prior to 5:00 p.m., and guests are strongly encouraged to use ride-sharing services to and from the event.

For more information, contact Brazos Bookstore directly at 713.523.0701.

Power Breakfast with Houston Police Chief Art Acevedo

Wednesday, November 20,

8:00 a.m.

(breakfast at 7:30 a.m.)



Rabbi Oren Hayon will host a conversation with Houston's top officer, during which the duo will engage in a dialogue about the role Chief Acevedo serves in the city of Houston, his approach to policing and concerns about security at places of worship. A brief question and answer session will follow.

This event is open to the public and the cost of breakfast is \$10. Registration is now open, and the deadline is **Monday, November 18.**

The Emanu El Power Breakfast series launched in the summer of 2019 with Houston Astros beat writer Chandler Rome. The goal of the program is to bring in topical speakers of interest throughout the year to the congregation and community.

For additional information, contact Jason Plotkin at jasonp@emanuelhouston.org or 713.535.6414.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2019

10:30 AM

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CONGREGATION EMANU EL

1500 SUNSET BOULEVARD, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77005

KINDLY RSVP ONLINE BY NOVEMBER 15

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An Update on Emanu El's 75th Anniversary

This year of programming features touches from social to education, social action to family gatherings. The full schedule of happenings can be found online at emanuelhouston.org/75thanniversary with Sukkot on Sunset and the EE75 Ever Forward Celebration featured throughout this Bulletin.

To contact the chairs, Cheryl Levy or Elyse Kalmans, email ee75@emanuelhouston.org. For all other inquiries, contact Jason Plotkin at jasonp@emanuelhouston.org or 713.535.6414.

EE75 Social Action: Emergency Aid Coalition

Sunday, October 27

(off-site project begins at 10:00 a.m.;
on-site project at 12:30 p.m.)

We will be offering both an off-site and an on-campus project to benefit the Emergency Aid Coalition (EAC). Founded in 1983 with Emanu El as one of its charter participants under the leadership of Rabbi Roy Walter, EAC is an interfaith organization that collaborates to provide temporary assistance in the form of clothing, food and other basic needs, with an emphasis on serving the working poor. Each year, they help more than 50,000 individuals living on the edge of poverty, serving those in need in Houston's inner city and Midtown neighborhoods.

OFF-SITE ACTIVITY:

Families will have a chance to grocery shop and purchase food staples with their children (recommended for those 5 & under) at HEB to restock the EAC pantry. This is a beautiful lesson for our children about budgeting and sharing. We will meet at HEB with a designated grocery list and food voucher amount at 10 am – HEB. A store location will be sent to those who choose this option.

We will then caravan to EAC for food sorting and pantry re-stocking and help serve lunches to their clients at 5401 Fannin, enter off of San Jacinto, off of Calumet.

ON-SITE ACTIVITY:

We will meet at the synagogue at **12:30 p.m.** to:

- sort shoe & clothes donations by size and gender for the EAC to clothing closet
- assemble their letters for their Thanksgiving Annual Fund mailer
- package washcloth/soap packets for their clients & decorate with inspirational notes

Our men's shoe collection begins NOW. Please let us make your clean-outs and declutter sessions more convenient and meaningful. EAC also needs jackets/coats, men's pants, plus-sized women's clothes and blankets. We have collection tubs in the Rotunda.

To register, visit www.emanuelhouston.org or call 713-529-5771.

Founding Families & Past Presidents Shabbat

Friday, December 6, 6:00 p.m.

Please note that we have combined Founding Families Shabbat with Past Presidents Shabbat. Chaired by Sue Baum, Sara Brook, Kathy & Garey Marks and Judy Sax, special recognition will be given to founding families and Past Presidents of the congregation during this Shabbat service, which will also double as our final Heritage Shabbat experience of the 2019 calendar year.

The post-Shabbat Demi Oneg will feature a mix of heavy appetizers but also include some of the familiar items served at Emanu El Oneg Shabbats, including the popular pull-apart cakes and sherbet floats.

To help us ensure that we do not miss any founding families or descendants, please reach out to ee75@emanuelhouston.org if you or a family member were among the founders of Congregation Emanu El.

Chanukah Celebration: 75 Menorahs for 75 Years

Friday, December 27

Chaired by Brooke and Jonathan Reichek, this Chanukah Celebration will be unlike any you have ever seen, and we need your help! We are hoping to light up our Barish Sanctuary with 75-plus menorahs to honor each year of the synagogue's impact within the community. Mark the date and make plans to join us for a Chanukah supper followed by a sweet Chanukah Shabbat service.

Additional information will become available later this fall.

Volunteers Needed for 75th Anniversary Events

Are you interested in playing a role in the execution of our 75th anniversary events? Want to be a greeter or an usher? Address envelopes or volunteer at a station during one of the happenings throughout the 2019 calendar year as we celebrate the 75th anniversary? Please contact our volunteer coordinator Barbara Loeser at bloeser@sbcglobal.net.

Ever Forward

EMANUEL AT 75

CELEBRATE 75 YEARS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2019

7:00 PM - MIDNIGHT

1500 SUNSET BOULEVARD

- DRINKS • DINNER • DESSERT • DANCING •
- DAVID CACERES BIG BAND SWING ORCHESTRA • DIVISI STRINGS • DJ SENEGA •

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UPCOMING PROGRAMMING OFFERINGS FOR AFFINITY GROUPS & SPECIAL INTERESTS AT EMANU EL

Congregation Emanu El is actively seeking to create groups within our community that serve various ages, stages and interests. Are you interested in forming a group like the offerings listed below?

Contact Elizabeth Townsend at 713.529.5771, ext. 222 or elizabeth@emanuelhouston.org; or Jason Plotkin at 713.535.6414 or jasonp@emanuelhouston.org.

Classics Shabbat Dinner to Be Held Following Services Friday, October 18

Join the Classics, our congregation's social group for 50s and 60s couples and singles, at a dinner to kick off the New Year. We will gather at services before dinner and then enjoy a traditional Shabbat dinner at the synagogue. Service leaders on **October 18** will include the Shabbatoners and our Emanu El youth choir.

Reservations can be made online at www.emanuelhouston.org or by calling the synagogue at 713.529.5771. The cost will be \$15 per person. Please reserve your place early as registration will close **Tuesday, October 15th**. When registering, please note any dietary requirements.

Monthly Mahj at Emanu El – Two Opportunities to Play First Thursdays, 5:30 p.m. & Third Mondays, 1:00 p.m.

Our next first-Thursday evening group of Mahj players in the Stillman-Lack Library takes place on **Tuesday, November 5**. The date was changed to accommodate the Gloria Steinem program.

A nominal \$5 fee covers drinks and dinner. Novice and advanced players welcome! The October gathering was skipped due to High Holy Days and we are slated to resume on our regular Thursdays on **Thursday, December 5**.

For more information and to RSVP, please contact Elizabeth Townsend at elizabeth@emanuelhouston.org or 713.529.5771, ext. 222. RSVPs are also accepted online by visiting our website and finding Mahj on the calendar.

The third-Monday afternoon group of players skipped its October gathering due to Simchat Torah and resumes on **Monday, November 18**. Please RSVP to the Sisterhood at sishood@emanuelhouston.org or 713.529.5771, ext. 233.

Emanu El Young Professionals: Warehouse Shabbat Friday, November 8

Warehouse Shabbat Returns! Cantor Simmons and Rabbi

Fixler have worked over the past year to develop an innovative prayer experience, called Warehouse Shabbat. Hosted by our Young Professionals and The Middle social groups, we have designed this dynamic, lively and musical prayer experience to enliven your heart and uplift your spirit.

Join us for our next installment of this rocking, adults-only worship experience on **Friday, November 8** as we return to the Sawyer Yards Art District in Washington Heights and Love Dance Houston.

Enjoy local desserts and wine, or taste the great beers from Holler Brewery next door. Make a night of it: get a sitter, go to dinner then come pray! **Please RSVP online** at www.emanuelhouston.org or call 713.529.5771.

This event is partially underwritten by funding from the Houston Jewish Community Foundation.

Save the Date! My Generation Tour of the Museum of Fine Arts Wednesday, December 11, 10:15 a.m. (followed by optional lunch at the MFAH Cafe)

My Generation is the congregation's social club for those who are 65 and older. The next event will take place on **Wednesday, December 11 at 10:15 a.m.** as the group takes a guided tour of the museum's upcoming Impressionist exhibit: *Monet to Picasso: A Very Private Collection*, with a bonus tour of the new Berthe Morisot impressionist exhibit.

The tour will be followed by an optional lunch at the MFAH Cafe and the cost is \$22 per person for the tour (whether you are a member or non-member of the museum). Please **RSVP by Wednesday, December 4** by visiting www.emanuelhouston.org or calling the synagogue at 713.529.5771.

Emanu El Volunteer Choir Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.

Emanu El's Volunteer Choir has been an active group this year, performing at various venues across town and taking part in the congregation's Purim Schpiel. Following a busy fall, an active spring is on the docket!

All members of the congregation are invited to join the choir by contacting Richard Zoll at richard.zoll@yahoo.com. Please make sure to contact Richard to verify the rehearsal schedule for the month.



Becker School Admission Ready to Welcome Students for 2020-2021

Come see what makes the Becker School a wonderful learning environment for your preschool children.

The Becker School, rich in Jewish tradition and culture, is a diverse and welcoming community of children and families. We provide a positive, nurturing environment where children 15 months to 5 years of age love to learn. Extended care hours are available along with part time options.

Our child driven curriculum is rooted in the fundamentals of play. Classroom activities focus on the child's interest through sensory experiences, hands on learning, constructive play, communication with peers and social skills. Weekly music classes, creative movement and Kabbalat Shabbat services every Friday morning are part of our program.

Becker School admission applications are currently available on our website and priority registration for Emanu El members will begin in January of 2020. If you are interested in scheduling a tour and/or enrolling your child for the 2020-2021 school year, please contact Judy Lazor at judy1@emanuelhouston.org or call the school office at 713.535.6400.



Assistance Available with Medicare Prescription Drug Plan (PDP)

Appointments Available from
October 15 – December 7, 2019

ATTENTION SENIORS: Your current PDP sponsor should provide you with an Annual Notice of Change about your current prescription drug plan. Review that Notice, which may describe changes in your Plan, including changes to the premium, co-pay, and the drugs covered. If you are satisfied with the changes and want to remain in that Drug Plan, you probably will be notified that you do not have to do anything to stay in that Plan for 2020. However, you might be advised that your current plan will be discontinued or merged with another plan for 2020. In such case, you may want to review your options before accepting that change.

If you want to change or are considering changing to another plan, Emanu El's Social Action Committee will provide a trained volunteer to assist your analysis of alternatives. To make an appointment, please call 713.529.5771, ext. 212, and leave your name, phone number, and the day(s) and time(s) you would like to meet. One of our volunteers will call to schedule an appointment. Do not wait until the last minute to make your call.

To change your Prescription Drug Plan, **you must sign up by December 7, 2019**. The change will be effective January 1, 2020.

When you come for your appointment, please bring:

- Your New Medicare Card
- Your drug list: name, dosage and frequency of each
- Benefit record from your current PDP Plan or a pharmacy print out of drugs purchased in 2019, if available

If you want to sign up for a Medicare PDP for the first time, follow the same procedure, and a volunteer will return your call to schedule an appointment.

Appointments may be scheduled beginning no earlier than Tuesday, October 15, 2019.



Count Me In – Bags Become Available in October

Friday, October 18; Due Back by Sunday, November 10

Pick up a bag and fill it with gifts to help add brightness to a child's Chanukah! Congregation Emanu El is partner-

ing with Count Me In, and bags will be available for pick-up at the Rotunda or school desk.

The mission of Count Me In is to collect and distribute eight new and unused Chanukah gifts to children in the community from birth to 18 years old whose families are experiencing difficulties. Count Me In also provides gifts to patients undergoing medical treatment and to senior citizens in the community. In addition, instead of donating gifts, individuals and/or companies can make a financial donation towards the effort by visiting CountMeInInc.org.

Emanu El is proud of its partnership with Lonestar Region BBYO in making this project a success.

Congregation Brotherhood Garage Sale Benefits Community Organizations

The Brotherhood of Congregation Emanu El views their annual garage sale as a mitzvah in many ways.

For one, they help move things out of people's homes and businesses for no cost.

Secondly, they sell many of the items they collect at bargain basement prices, giving many in our community access to great treasures for a low cost. The proceeds of these sales also in turn go towards the Brotherhood's pursuit to make a difference both in the community and at the synagogue.

Lastly and the most unknown to the community is the effort in the days after the garage sale when items are given to non-profits and/or their clients.

Richard Stanley has spearheaded the operation which began in the 1980s to include groups such as the Emergency Aid Coalition, Seven Acres, Interfaith Ministries, SEARCH, Jewish Family Services and Dress for Success. Other groups including Healthcare for the Homeless Houston, David & Ivory Ministries, Family Support Services and VitaLiving were added over the following decades.



Brotherhood member Alford Bleeker loads up a vehicle with donations to give to one of the dozen non-profit organization that benefit from the Brotherhood's annual garage sale.

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“This was an unusual year, as we received at least double the quantity of clothing as any other year,” said Stanley of the clothing that was taken to the EAC, Healthcare for the Homeless Houston and Dress for Success, amongst other organizations.

Stanley continued, “Interfaith Ministries received furniture, electronics and kitchen items that filled up their stretch cargo van and Child Protective Services received luggage for packing up the removed children’s belongings from unsafe homes, instead of using large garbage sacks.”

New in 2019, after all the donations were picked up to the agencies – a call went out to the same agencies inviting their staffs to come after the sale to select items for their personal use.

“As we know, non-profits generally cannot afford the salary scale of for-profit businesses, so opening up our remaining items to their employees was really appreciated and obvious by their expressions of excitement,” said Stanley.

While there is no space to store things at the synagogue, congregants are strongly encouraged to start thinking in late spring about items that they may be able to drop off or have picked up at the garage sale as the more the Brotherhood has in its coffers, the more money it raises and the more it is able to help the organizations in need.



Congregation Emanu El is a founding partner of the Emergency Aid Coalition (EAC) which, since its founding in 1983, has helped thousands of families in our community meet their basic needs awhile promoting self-sufficiency through an interfaith association of congregations.

Items are routinely dropped off in the collection bins located in our Rotunda, then picked up by volunteers to help the EAC with their commitment to our community.

From time to time, EAC shares that they have a significant need. Presently, the greatest need is for men’s shoes and clothing. Other items that the EAC collects at Emanu El include belts, new underwear, children shoes, dresses, pants, women dresses and blouses. For more information on EAC, visit www.eachouston.org.



URJ BIENNIAL 2019
DECEMBER 11 - 15
CHICAGO, IL

Union for Reform Judaism Biennial Wednesday, December 11 – Sunday, December 15

Join thousands of Jews from across North America and around the world to learn, pray, share ideas, dance and sing, hear from inspiring speakers and the leaders

of our Movement, reunite with old friends, create new connections, and make decisions about the policies of the Reform Movement.

For a second straight Biennial, Congregation Emanu El’s leadership will be on display as Executive Director David Lamden, Program Director Jason Plotkin, board member fred Bleeker Franks and teen Madeline Canfield are amongst the presenters during the eight learning blocks offered.

Additional information on the Biennial can be found at www.urjbiennial.org. Funds are available to help leadership attend the Biennial. For more information, contact Lamden at davidl@emanuelhouston.org or 713.529.5771, ext. 221.

Sisterhood New Traditions Gift Shop – Candle Sale in October

In this new year, have you thought about lighting Shabbat candles? During the month of October the Sisterhood gift shop, New Traditions, will offer 25% off all candlesticks.

Our selection varies from modern to traditional and everything in between. Crystal, silvertone, goldtone, and hammered metal. Names you know: Aram, Nambe, Godinger, etc. Your purchases at New Traditions help Sisterhood fulfill its commitment to the support of the congregation and the community.

New Traditions hours are: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. and Sundays from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (when Helfman Religious School is in session).

For more info please call the synagogue at 713.529.5771, ext. 234.





Helfman Religious School

Helfman Parent Engagement Event at DEFINE West University

Sunday, October 20, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Take a break from Sunday grocery shopping (it can wait!), your usual walk around the Rice loop (it's too hot anyway), sleeping in (and missing all the fun) . . . and come spin with your Emanu El family!

As part of the Helfman Religious School Committee's parent engagement initiative, we invite you to take a

break from your usual Sunday routine and join friends and fellow Helfman parents on a bike at DEFINE West University for a private spin class and socializing.

The event begins at **10:00 a.m.** with a pre-spin schmooze before the 45-minute spin class at **10:45 a.m.** The cost is just \$5 to reserve your bike. Space is limited to the first 32 registrants – and you better believe, these bikes will go fast – so sign up today!

For more information or to register visit emanuelhouston.org or call 713.529.5771.

YOUNG FAMILY NEWS

Tot Shabbat Resumes on Friday, November 1

(dinner 5:45 p.m. | service 6:30 p.m.)

Following a hiatus in October due to Shabbat Shuvah, our monthly Tot Shabbat resumes in November!

In an effort to emulate the Shabbat experience at home, we will begin each dinner by joining together as one big congregational family to recite the traditional Shabbat blessings over the challah, candles and juice.

Our November dinner will be highlighted by chicken tenders and mac and cheese. Vegetarian and gluten-free options will be available as well.

The cost for dinner is \$4 for children and \$8 for adults. Please visit us online to register.

While we will be serving kid-friendly food, we also welcome you to bring your own dinner if that better accommodates your family's specific dietary needs. A short and sweet dessert oneg will immediately follow the service.

Please note that our December Tot Shabbat will be held off-cycle, taking place on **Friday, December 13.**

For more information, contact Jason Plotkin at jasonp@emanuelhouston.org or 713.535.6414.

Kindergarten Panel Discussion

Thursday, October 17, 9:15 - 10:30 a.m.

This program provides information on a range of topics that will help you make the important decisions regarding kindergarten for your child.

The panelists are Julie Blumberg, M.S. Educational Consultant, Rob Wise, Director of Enrollment Management at the Joy School and Lynn McLean, LCSW-S.

They have many years of experience in the field and will review kindergarten readiness, the admission process for private schools, choosing private vs. public school, individual needs, and making the right match for your child and your family.

For more information, contact Leslie Strug at leslies@emanuelhouston.org.

HISD Facts for Kindergarten

Thursday, October 24, 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Learn from Todd Paulus, Vanguard Magnet Coordinator at Herod Elementary, about the many school options available for kindergarten, when you can tour or attend open house events. Information provided will help you as you begin the process of choosing a kindergarten. Mr. Paulus will explain the process for applying to public kindergarten including gifted and talented programs.

For more information, contact Leslie Strug at leslies@emanuelhouston.org.

Donations to the Sisterhood Flower Fund

For donations to the Sisterhood Flower Fund (for the Shabbat handout) please make checks payable to "Congregation Emanu El Sisterhood" and mail or drop off to Donna Fraley at the synagogue, 1500 Sunset Blvd, Houston, TX 77005. Donations can also be made online at www.EmanuElHouston.org. Please make sure to specify which Shabbat service(s) you would like your flower fund donation listed. **In order to ensure the donations are listed, we ask that they be at the synagogue no later than the Wednesday before Shabbat.**



We appreciate the thoughtfulness of those who remember and honor their friends and loved ones through their generous contributions through September 13, 2019.

ACCESS FOR ALL

To ensure Emanu El is a welcoming, accessible and inclusive community

A Donation

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In Honor of

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In Honor of

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To provide a scholarship to send an outstanding Confirmation student to a NFTY event

In Memory of

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To provide Emanu El's clergy with funds to help individuals in need and to support organizations that benefit the community

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To feed the hungry of Houston

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To enhance musical programming

In Honor of

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To provide for the general needs of Emanu El and its facilities

In Memory of

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To maintain and enhance the playground

In Memory of

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In Honor

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To maintain and enhance the Kagan Rudy Chapel at Emanu El Memorial Park

In Memory of

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To present programs on political issues

In Memory of

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To provide prayer books for worship

In Honor of

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Anniversary

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To support spiritual and cultural enrichment

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To provide Greene Family Camp scholarships

In Memory of

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To support programs that assist people in the community

In Honor of

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To maintain and enhance the Robert I. Kahn Gallery

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To send congregants to the Consultation on Conscience at the Religious Action Center

In Memory of

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In Honor of

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Joy & Nicholas Krohn

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Sandy & Richard

Brochstein

The Bat Mitzvah of

Natalie Tatar

The Marriage of Annette & Rick Sline

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To send Helfman Religious School high school students to Israel

In Memory of

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To enhance Sisterhood programming

In Memory of

Selene Gorel

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To support programs for families

In Honor of

Lila Rauch's Birthday

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To support the needs of the Temple and to fulfill the mission of Congregation Emanu El

A Donation

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In Honor of

Pat & Aaron Fradkin's

Wedding Anniversary

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Michael Ozer & Patricia

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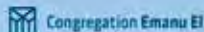
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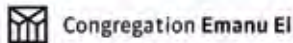


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Emanu El Announces Marlee Matlin as 2019-2020 Endowment Speaker

Congregation Emanu El in partnership with ReelAbilities Houston is excited to announce that Academy Award winning actress, author and activist Marlee Matlin will be our 2019-2020 Endowment Speaker.

The year 2020 represents the 30th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and Emanu El is excited to host Matlin as she presents *Nobody's Perfect: Achieving Inclusion, Diversity and Access* on **Thursday, January 30 at 7:30 p.m.**

More information on this opportunity to learn with Matlin will be shared in the coming weeks.



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