

# Bulletin

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An adventure of the spirit

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### From Rabbi Hayon



Before leaving Houston to spend time traveling with this summer's cohort of high school participants in our Shirley Barish Memorial Israel Experience, I harbored one concern about our itinerary. The trip began with destinations in Warsaw and Kraków, through which participants had the opportunity to view the remnants of the vanished world of Jewish Eastern Europe. Traveling through Poland's cities, synagogues

and cemeteries, our students had the chance to experience first-hand the places which exist today only as whispered eulogies to the souls vaporized by the Holocaust.

And so I worried, both for pedagogical reasons and for spiritual ones. Were we unwittingly encouraging our students to conclude that Zionism arose only in response to the destruction of the Second World War? Were we narrowing their acquaintance with world Jewry, occluding from their vision the massive population and extraordinary influence of Jews from the Sephardic world and the nations of the Near East? Was the

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### Dedication Scheduled for August 26th for Newar and Lipper Confirmation/Consecration Photo Gallery

Congregation Emanu El will celebrate the enhanced look and modifications to the Parkans Administrative Hallway on **Friday, August 26th** with a dedication to be held during 6:00 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat. Following services, a celebratory Oneg will be held throughout the Parkans Administrative Hallway.

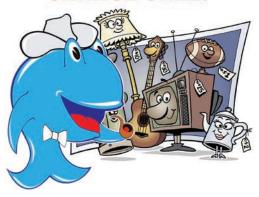
The campaign was launched over a year ago to improve the Parkans Administrative Hallway where the Consecration/Confirmation Photo Gallery has historically been housed.

Individuals, families, classes, and generations came together to help enhance a space in the Temple that really is part of the heart and soul of the congregation.

With special thanks to Emanu El congregants Buz Marvins and Dennis Murland, the pictures were restored and the frames redesigned to create not only an aesthetic that matched the rest of the Temple spaces, but an opportunity to fix class and name errors that hung on the walls for years.

A special culminating gift was given by Adam Newar continued on page 3

# A Whale of a GARAGE SALE!



### **Brotherhood Garage Sale Set for August 14th & 21st**

The Brotherhood of Congregation Emanu El will host its annual Garage Sale on **Sundays, August 14th & 21st from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** at 8620 Stella Link (in the old Sellers Brothers location). The garage sale is open to all members of the community.

Pick-ups for this year's event will continue through Saturday, August 6th. To schedule a pick-up or arrange a drop off, call or email Steve Moskowitz at moskose@swbell.net or (281) 495-7795.

Any items left at the end of the sale are given to non-profit organizations within our community. Proceeds from the garage sale benefit the Brotherhood, enabling the organization to make a difference at Emanu El and in the community.

### WORSHIP SERVICES

### Daily

6:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday

### Shabbat Matot – Mas-ei, Numbers 30:2-36:13 Friday, August 5th

5:45 p.m., Tot Shabbat Kickoff Dinner 6:00 p.m., Kabbalat Shabbat, Proler Chapel

6:30 p.m., Tot Shabbat, Oshman Multi-Purpose Room

### Saturday, August 6th

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

### Shabbat D'varim, Deuteronomy 1:1-3:22 Friday, August 12th

6:00 p.m., Kabbalat Shabbat, Proler Chapel

### Saturday, August 13th

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

### Shabbat Va-et'chanan, Deuteronomy 3:23-7:11 Friday, August 19th

5:45 p.m., Shabbat & Play 6:00 p.m., Kabbalat Shabbat, Proler Chapel

### Saturday, August 20th

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Proler Chapel 10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Barish Sanctuary Bat Mitzvah of **Julia Paull**, daughter of Crista & **Jonathan Paull** 

### Shabbat Eikev, Deuteronomy 7:12-11:25 Friday, August 26th

6:00 p.m., Kabbalat Shabbat, Proler Chapel 6:00 p.m., Kabbalat Shabbat, Barish Sanctuary B'not Mitzvah of **Soliel Caouette**, daughter of Dawn Arouty and **Norah Feldman**, daughter of Jeri Amundsen & Arthur Feldman

### Saturday, August 27th

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Proler Chapel 10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Barish Sanctuary B'not Mitzvah of Soliel Caouette and Norah Feldman

### Shabbat R'eih, Deuteronomy 11:26-16:17 Friday, September 2nd

6:00 p.m., Tot Shabbat, Oshman Multi-Purpose Room 6:00 p.m., Kabbalat Shabbat, Proler Chapel

### Saturday, September 3rd

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

### Shabbat Shof'tim, Deuteronomy 16:18-21:9 Friday, September 9th

6:00 p.m., Kabbalat Shabbat, Proler Chapel

### Saturday, September 10th

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Proler Chapel 10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Barish Sanctuary Bar Mitzvah of **Spencer Levitt**, son of Ilisa Reichek & Danny Levitt

**Reminder:** All Friday night Shabbat services are video streamed on EmanuElHouston.org. Saturday morning services featuring a B'nai Mitzvah are also streamed.

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trip's educational arc contributing to a "lachrymose conception of Jewish history," as historian Salo Baron disparagingly described the tendency for educators to emphasize Jewish suffering over and above Jewish triumph, imagination or innovation?

As it turns out, I needn't have worried.

While we did plenty of time traveling through sites of Jewish suffering, the students returned home with exactly the conclusions I had hoped they would: that the lessons of Jewish history are not about who oppressed whom, but about who valued what. What were the values important enough for our predecessors to risk their lives? What principles led the generations of the Shoah toward the choices they made, whether they lived or died, fought, fled, or collaborated? And our students realized, too, the ways in which those millions of Jews continue to live on today – through the words and wisdom they passed to their descendants, the role they played in establishing the foundation for a Jewish state in Palestine, and the myriad ways in which the lessons of their lives were transformed into acts of heroism, creativity, political advocacy and philanthropy.

The most reassuring outcome of this focused understanding of Jewish history is the reminder that we are not only the recipients of the things our parents' and grandparents' cherished most highly; we are powerful and effective transmitters of our own most precious values as well.

That is why I take great pride in the fact that our congregation has been designated as an official partner organization of the Houston Jewish Community Foundation's "Create A Legacy" project. As one of the Foundation's organizational partners, Congregation Emanu El will receive guidance and material support from the Harold Grinspoon Foundation as it undertakes an extraordinary nationwide initiative to promote legacy giving in the Jewish community.

Together with Elyse Spector Kalmans, who has stepped forward to chair this initiative, I look forward to sharing with you, in the weeks and months ahead, some ways in which your family can ensure that your values will endure beyond your lifetime. Thanks to the expertise and vision of the foundations with which we are working, it has become attainable for all of us to give tzedakah with a long-lasting impact. I was pleasantly surprised to learn how remarkably easy it is to support our congregational home through charitable bequests, gifts of retirement assets or life insurance funds without compromising the resources on which we and our families rely during our lives.

It is undeniable that legacy giving from our members will be vital if we are to ensure a sustainable, long-term financial future our congregation. I believe that in the future, I will look back on our designation as a key partner of the "Create A Legacy" project as one of the proudest outcomes of my first year at Emanu El, and one of the most important steps toward a future for our synagogue distinguished by financial well-being. I look forward to discussing the ways in which your family can invest in the persistence of your values for future generations, and I hope you will join my family in making an enduring commitment to

### **Dedication Scheduled for for Newar and Lipper**

to rename the gallery as the Sheila Newar and Myra Lipper Confirmation/Consecration Photo Gallery.

"When Garey Marks approached me about supporting the historical preservation of the Temple's consecration and confirmation photography and architecturally restoring the interior hall and corridor, I was struck by how central these photos and this corridor are to Emanu El," said Adam Newar. "Walking along the photos, one quickly senses the soul of the congregation. The bright young faces in the consecration classes and the promising young adults in confirmation are us 'back when'. The classes grow. The photos migrate from black and white to color. The backgrounds change as the pulpit and Temple expand. Hairstyles and clothing change. The religious clothing and ornaments change. And, our rabbis and teachers change. Through the changes, the soul, history, and legacy of Emanu El come through."

"These photos are us – whether we are in them or just curious about them. Watch on the high holidays; the corridor is filled. People mill about looking for their year; children and grandchildren try to find a parent or relative; we look for a friend or schoolmate. Young or experienced, new congregant or visitor, we all enjoy the humanizing of this history together. The looking and the curiosity make this corridor and these photos

relevant and present," Adam continued.

The photo gallery in the Parkans Administrative Hallway is named for Adam's mother Sheila Newar and Myra Lipper, the iconic former Program Director of Congregation Emanu El, who were the best of friends.

"They were willful, energetic, creative, positive and dynamic," said Adam on naming the gallery after his mother and Myra. "Before 'leaning in'", these women knew how to tilt, turn over, upend and convince people to do wonderful deeds and projects and have everyone smiling. They loved each other and loved working with one another. And, they were both committed to their families, friends and Congregation Emanu El. They wanted Emanu El to be a welcoming, inclusive place for anyone seeking quiet restoration, faith, healing, solace, teaching or comfort. They represent the energy and strength of Emanu El's history and, in my opinion, our hope for the future."

This celebration is open to the community at-large and will serve as an opportunity for all to reflect on cherished memories in the life of the Congregation.

### Tot Shabbat Kickoff with Rabbi Hayon Friday, August 5th



The kickoff to our 2016-17 year of Tot Shabbats begins on **Friday, August 5th at 5:45 p.m.** with a dinner before we

head into the Oshman Multi-Purpose Room at 6:30 p.m. for a Tot Shabbat service with Rabbi Oren Hayon. The dinner will feature Chicken Kitchen and is just \$5 for children, \$10 for adults. Registration for dinner is open on the Emanu El website.

### **OUR TEMPLE FAMILY**

### - IN THE COMMUNITY -

**Steve Moskowitz** was named 'Veteran Team Captain of the Year' and **Jerry Meyerson** received the 'Above and Beyond' Award for their involvement in the BP MS150 which continues to set records for amount of monies raised for multiple sclerosis.

**Rabbi Daniel Septimus**, son of Susan and Ed Septimus, has been named new Chief Executive Officer of Shalom Austin. Shalom Austin, the Jewish community's central organization, encompasses the Jewish Federation, Jewish Community Center, Jewish Family Service and Jewish Foundation, manages the Dell Jewish Community Campus and publishes The Jewish Outlook.

**Philip Tenenbaum** was named a 'Top 25 Consultant' for 2016 for Excellence in Energy by *Consulting Magazine*.

### -BIRTHS-

**Remy Adams**, son of Mindy & Nick Adams; grandson of Marlene Rubin, Judy & John 'J.D.' Green; great grandson of Elaine V. Plotkin

**Yehuda Moshe Balkin**, son of Andy & Shana Balkin; grandson of Elizabeth & Matt Krohn, Barry Balkin, Marilyn & Larry Guzick; great grandson of Marianne & Larry Greenfield, Mathilde Mimun

**Alex Dylan Frieden**, son of Blake & Alysha Frieden; brother of Evan and Jonah Frieden; grandson of Sandy Frieden & Bob Kelly and Larry Frieden & Sue Pfeffer, and Lindy & Sandy Kahn; great grandson of Yvonne Davidson.

**Travis Evan Taylor**, son of Julie Atlas Taylor & Jeremy Evan Taylor; grandson of Cindy & Brian Atlas, Marilyn & Bob Taylor; great grandson of Helene Atlas

### -DEATHS-

**Sue Baird**, wife of Harry Baird, mother of Susan Baird & Leah Lax, Brittney & Craig Baird

**Matvey Cherches**, father of Gisela & Igor Cherches, Denise & Mark Cherches

**Shirley Cohen**, mother of Amy & Jerry Shannon, Farryl Bernell, Ronald Cohen, Laurie Fickman; grandmother of Andrew, Benjamin, Michael and Philip Bernell, David, Gregory, Lisa and Steve Shannon

**Estelle Kass**, mother of Frances Harlow, Rhoda Mann, Suzanne & Alan Kass; grandmother of Mahssa & Michael Clark, Faith & Alon Erlichman, Christina & Kyle Clark, Christina & Leslie Harlow, John Kass, Matthew Mann

**Cami Knowler**, daughter of Arlyne & Herb Weiss; mother of Austen and Cameron Knowler

**Amy Schwartz**, sister of Carolyn Schwartz Putterman & Leland Putterman, Laura Schwartz Hall & Bill Hall

**Joseph Segel**, husband of Adele Segel; father of Beverly & Dave Roe, Jennifer Segel, and Amy & Martin Segel; step-father of Elise & Marc Passy and Cimin & Ed Cohen; grandfather of Brielle and Emily Roe, and Danielle and Jake Segel; step-grandfather of Avi, Adina and Yael Passy; brother of Esme & Nathan Segel and Mary Segel

### **BOARD NOTES - JULY 2016**

The Board of Trustees met on July 12, 2016, where Rabbi Hayon shared with the Board his recent experience traveling to Poland and Israel with the Helfman Religious School students on the Shirley Barish Memorial Israel Experience trip. He spoke of the power of tzedakah and what generosity can do in regards to the Barish family's gift. He shared that what this program does for the students' Jewish identity is immense. Rabbi Kahn shared that the Young Professionals group had a meeting where they decided to refocus their mission as a committee. She asked that if any Board member has thoughts to share about what the mission of the Young Professionals Committee should be, to please contact her. Lewis Kalmans gave a reminder that Brotherhood is picking up items for the Garage Sale that will take place on August 14th and 21st. The Brotherhood is also looking for volunteers.

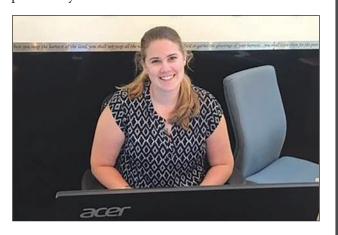
Jason Plotkin shared that Rabbi Kahn's sermon on the tragedy in Orlando received over 4000 views on Facebook. He also shared that the service in which Rabbi Kahn gave a sermon following the events of Dallas was watched live on our web streaming by over 80 people with both serving our outreach mission very well.

- Submitted by Rachel Gutow-Ellis, Secretary

### Elizabeth Townsend Joins Congregation Emanu El Staff

We'd like to announce the addition of Elizabeth Townsend to our team at Emanu El! Elizabeth will be serving as our Emanu El receptionist, taking over the duties of Bethany Boucher, who joined the team at Interfaith Ministries.

Elizabeth's warm and welcoming personality will be present as guests come to our Congregation. For our Helfman Religious School at Congregation Emanu El & Becker Early Childhood Center families, Elizabeth may be a familiar face as she has served as a teacher for both of our schools previously. Welcome Elizabeth!



### Congregation Emanu El To Celebrate 10 Years of Kids Meals On Tuesday, August 16th

This last month, another 1000+ sack lunches were made by our group of volunteers for Kids' Meals. On **Tuesday, August 16th at 9:30 a.m.**, this dedicated group of volunteers will celebrate its 10th year of partnership with Kids' Meals.

Emanu El's participation which is funded through the Ed Wayne Hunger Fund is part of an effort to help curb bunger among children in the greater Houston area. The volunteers meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. and make roughly 1,000 sack lunches at each gathering.

For more information, contact Barry and Carol Goodfriend at cfgbhg@aol.com.



### Flu Shots at Emanu El

The Texas Vaccine Institute will be at Emanu El to give flu shots in the Oshman Multi-Purpose Room, from **9:00 – 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 20th**. The price is \$25 for the flu shot. Those with Medicare as a primary insurance do not have to pay anything. Others will be given a receipt to claim reimbursement with their insurance provider.



### Cantor Richard Cohn, 'Visiting Cantor' During the Upcoming High Holy Days

Congregation Emanu El is excited to announce that Cantor Richard Cohn, Director of the Debbie Friedman School of Sacred Music at HUC-JIR in New York will serve as the Congregation's 'visiting Cantor' during the upcoming High Holy Days. Cantor Cohn will be helping Emanu El as it continues the transition prior to the arrival of full-time Cantor Rollin Simmons in the summer of 2017.

Cantor Cohn will make his first appearance with the Emanu El clergy team during Selichot on **Saturday**, **September 24th at 9:00 p.m.** He will then remain with our Congregation from the start of Erev Rosh Hashanah through the conclusion of Yom Kippur.

Cantor Cohn is currently engaged with the clergy team in all facets of High Holy Day preparation and will make several visits to Houston to meet with the clergy and the Emanu El Professional Choir in the coming weeks.

"I am very excited to be joining the Emanu El community for the High Holy Day season and I look forward to meeting the Congregants during my visits to Houston," said Cantor Cohn. "It is great to be reunited with Rabbi Hayon, with whom I've had such a wonderful friendship and partnership over many years, and to build new relationships with the clergy, staff and lay leaders of the congregation. "

"I also have a close association with Cantor (Rollin) Simmons, having originally welcomed her to Texas as student cantor in my Dallas congregation – she is an outstanding choice! Finally, it will be a real privilege to collaborate with organist Ann Frohbieter and the Emanu El professional choir. I hope the music we share will inspire and uplift as we experience the transformative impact of the Holy Days together."

Following High Holy Days, Cantor Cohn will return to Emanu El on **Thursday**, **December 8th at 7:30 p.m.** as a guest scholar in the Temple's annual Endowment Fund Speaker Series. His speaking engagement entitled, "Music For Prayer: Inspiration & Innovation" will speak to the Reform Movement's ability to sustain a diverse and vibrant musical culture. The appearance is one of a three-part series that will help prepare Emanu El for the introduction in 2017 of the new High Holy Day Machzor (prayer book) Mishkan HaNefesh.

### **Cantor Richard Cohn**



Cantor Richard Cohn became Director of the Debbie Friedman School of Sacred Music in July of 2015, following thirty-four years of service to Reform communities. He was most recently Cantor of Temple Emanu-El in Dallas, where he was influential in helping to integrate traditional and contemporary aspects of congregational life, while sustaining a diverse and vibrant musical culture. For nineteen years he was Cantor of North Shore Congregation Israel in Glencoe, Illinois, where his areas of specialization included programming for teens and for adult learning. He previously served Oak Park Temple – B'nai Abraham Zion in suburban Chicago, where he developed personalized approaches to b'nai mitzvah studies. He has been vibrantly involved in worship transformation, and he has had an innovative impact on Jewish choral music as

a conductor, arranger and composer.

Cantor Cohn has often been featured as the soloist in Ernest Bloch's Avodath Hakodesh ("Sacred Service"), including performances in Israel with the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra, at Chicago's Grant Park Concerts and at the Berkshire Choral Festival. While living in the Chicago area, he appeared as a soloist with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra under such conductors as Claudio Abbado, Daniel Barenboim, James Levine and Sir Georg Solti. He was the founding conductor of Kol Zimrah, the Jewish Community Singers of Greater Chicago, which he led for nine seasons, and he has been a frequent principal conductor at the North American Jewish Choral Festival. He has also conducted HaZamir: The International Jewish High School Choir, in concert at Lincoln Center.

From 2001 to 2007, Cantor Cohn was president of the American Conference of Cantors (ACC), the professional organization of the Reform cantorate. He was co-leader of the Shabbat morning service at the Biennial Convention of the Union of Reform Judaism (URJ) in 1997, and he led the URJ Biennial Choir in 2003. He was an active member of the URJ Board and of the URJ Commission on Music, Worship and Religious Living. He has appeared as soloist and conductor in Jewish music programming throughout the United States and abroad, including the concert to celebrate the opening of the cantorial program at the Abraham Geiger College in Berlin, and a special concert presented by the ACC in Rome under the auspices of the Vatican.

Cantor Cohn is involved in the work of the Institute for Jewish Spirituality (IJS), which seeks to cultivate practices of contemplative Judaism as portals to spiritual growth. Having participated in the first cantorial cohort of the Institute, he is now an IJS Fellow, as well as a faculty member of its Clergy Leadership Program. He was a member of the IJS Prayer Project Working Group, and he has taken particular interest in the integration of spiritual practice with areas of prayer, music and education.

# HOLY DAY INFORMATION

Let's gather together in our spiritual home and welcome the New Year with Shofar blasts, prayer and song. Our Holy Day services offer a diverse style, blending the traditional with the contemporary in song and prayer.

Information pertaining to what guests can expect at our services, in addition to information on handicap accessibility, web streaming, how to become an usher and more will be shared in future Temple *Bulletins*.

### **Passes**

All members will receive High Holy Day passes in the mail in late August. Minors do not need passes. Each member family will also receive two guest passes. As always, we accept passes from other congregations, welcome armed service personnel, college students with ID and out of town patients in the Medical Center and their families. Know someone new to town within last six months? They can call the Temple Office to arrange for newcomer passes.

### A Taste Of Emanu El - Membership Campaign

Our annual *Taste of Emanu El* campaign has kicked off! Have unaffiliated friends and relatives who are interested in establishing themselves with a synagogue? Perhaps you know someone that is new to the city of Houston? They can become a member of Emanu El for a year at an affordable membership rate of \$72. This membership is good through April 2017. Those interested should contact Jill Patir at (713) 529-5771, ext. 262 or JillP@emanuelhouston.org.

### **Emanu El Seeks Baby Names To Be Blessed At Rosh Hashanah**

This year, we will be continuing our tradition of offering a blessing for all the babies born in our community over the past year. If you have a child or grandchild (or great-grandchild!) that has been born since last Rosh Hashanah and you would like to make sure their name is read aloud, please contact Alisha Klapholz by **Friday, September 23rd** at alishak@ emanuelhouston.org or (713) 529-5771, ext. 213.

### **Book Of Memory**

The *Book of Memory* for our Yom Kippur Yizkor Service is among our most treasured traditions. It is printed outside the Temple and because of printing deadlines, **all information and donations MUST be in Wednesday, August 31st**. Donations received after this date will be printed to the Temple *Bulletin*. A *Book of Memory* form can be found in this edition of the *Bulletin* and on our website.

### **Flower Fund**

We are always grateful for your donations in honor and in memory of loved ones on the High Holy Days. These donations printed in the programs and because they are printed outside the Temple Office, the deadlines are published here. The deadline for Rosh Hashanah is **Tuesday**, **September 13th** and the deadline for Yom Kippur is by **Tuesday**, **September 20th**. Submissions are due to Donna Fraley at DonnaF@emanuelhouston.org.

### **NEW OFFERINGS ON YOM KIPPUR AFTERNOON**

### **Confession & Forgiveness**

Our Yom Kippur afternoon service will be drawn from the contemplative, inspiring liturgy in *Mishkan HaNefesh*, the Reform Movement's new High Holy Day prayerbook. The *Confession & Forgiveness* service will include familiar prayers, music and our annual reading of the *Book of Jonah*.

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### Healing & Restoration (Proler Chapel) Inside the Rabbi's Study

(Barish Sanctuary)

We are pleased to offer two opportunities for learning and meditation on Yom Kippur afternoon. These two tracks will run concurrently; you may choose whichever option speaks to you most powerfully. A new, intimate, gathering of *Faith, Hope and Healing* will be held in the Proler Chapel, including music and sacred text in a quiet, reverential atmosphere. Participants may choose to use this time for quiet, private prayer or to spend a few moments before the restorative presence of the Holy Ark. *Inside the Rabbi's Study* builds on Emanu El's tradition of exploring, in creative and innovative ways, the relevance of the themes of Yom Kippur to our contemporary challenges in today's world.

### **Service Locations**

Our off-site locations remain the same for 2017. Rosh Hashanah Morning Alternative Service (A Time to Pray) will be held at the Bayou City Event Center located at 9401 Knight Road. Our Yom Kippur Youth Service will be held at South Main Baptist Church, 4100 Main Street.

As a reminder, the best method to enter the Bayou City Event Center is going south Fannin Dr., making a left on Holmes Rd. and then a right on Knight Rd.

### **ReJEWvenate Makes An Encore in 2016!**

Join us for a day of learning or a restful break for your soul. We are back at the Houston Arboretum this year from **9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 24th**. All are invited to join us for an amazing morning as we prepare for the High Holy Days. For the first time, we will be offering two different tracks for adults – Adult Learner and Adult Spiritual – as well as a special kids track and babysitting for the youngest attendees. For more information, contact Rabbi Samantha Kahn at RabbiSOK@emanuelhouston.org or (713) 529-5771, ext. 203.

### Bagels & Schmears – 'Break the Fast' As A Community After Yom Kippur

For a second straight year, we will celebrate the end of Yom Kippur with a 'Break Fast' in the Oshman Multi-Purpose Room following the closing service. Provided through the generosity of our members Greta & Alexander Pliskin, our 'Break Fast' at Emanu El will feature bagels and schmears. All are invited to come together at the end of Yom Kippur for a nosh!

# High Holy Day Information In September Bulletin

More High Holy Day information will be coming in the September *Bulletin* including information on wheelchair/handicap accessibility, web streaming access, sermon/story titles from our clergy, babysitting registration information, explanations of our worship services.

### **SERVICE SCHEDULE**

### Selichot Saturday, September 24th

ReJEWvenate at Houston Arboretum, 9:00 a.m. Selichot Service, 9:00 p.m.

### Rosh Hashanah Sunday, October 2nd

Evening Services, 6:00 p.m.

### Monday, October 3rd

Children's Service, 9:00 a.m. Morning Service, 10:30 a.m. at Temple Morning Service, 10:30 a.m. at Bayou City Event Center

Tashlich, 5:00 p.m. (across from the JCC)

### Shabbat Shuvah Friday, October 7th

Shabbat Evening Services, 6:00 p.m.

### Sunday, October 9th

Cemetery Service, 5:00 p.m. at Emanu El Memorial Park

### Yom Kippur Tuesday, October 11th

Kol Nidre First Service, 6:00 p.m. Kol Nidre Second Service, 8:45 p.m.

### Wednesday, October 12th

Children's Service, 9:00 a.m. Morning Service, 10:30 a.m.

Youth Service at South Main Baptist Church, 10:30 a.m. *Confession & Forgiveness* – Afternoon Service, 1:15 p.m. *Inside the Rabbi's Studio*, 3:00 p.m.

Healing & Restoration Service (Proler Chapel), 3:00 p.m. Yizkor, 4:30 p.m.

Neilah, 5:30 p.m.

'Break Fast' at Emanu El – *Bagels & Schmears* (following the conclusion of Neilah)

# +++++ ACH Payment Now Available

Congregation Emanu El is pleased to announce that members can pay their Temple annual dues and fees through the use of ACH (Automated Clearing House) payments.

In contrast to a credit or debit card payments, there are no fees associated with ACH payments. The amount and frequency of each withdrawal or debit is determined by payee. ACH payments can be structured so that your account balance is paid off in equal monthly installments. Withdrawals can be made from either a checking or savings account.

To take advantage of this new, secure payment method, please go to our website: www.EmanuElHouston.org/payACH.

### EMANU EL – AT A GLANCE THROUGH MID-SEPTEMBER

As we transition to a once-a-month Temple *Bulletin*, a new feature will be our 'quick glance' calendar of upcoming events (exclusive of our Temple 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 Temple *Bulletin*, in the weekly Shabbat program, available in your weekly Wednesday eLetter, on the Emanu El website: www.emanuelhouston.org and/or on our Facebook page.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 11TH

**Ongoing through Saturday, August 6th**Brotherhood Garage Sale Pick-ups

### **AUGUST**

2th – Emanu Elders, 11:30 a.m. 4th - College Summer Lunch Gathering, 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. (at Freebirds) 4th - Jewish Lone Stars' Dance the Night Away Mingle, 8:30 p.m. (at Caps Piano Bar) 5th - Tot Shabbat Kickoff & Dinner, 5:45 p.m. (dinner), 6:30 p.m. (service) **11th** – Work of Our Hands, 10:00 a.m. **11th** – Book Review: Boys in the Boat, 6:45 p.m. **14th** – Brotherhood Garage Sale/First Weekend, 9:00 a.m. **14th** – Young Professionals Welcome Back BBQ, 5:00 p.m. **16th** – Kids' Meals, 9:30 a.m. **21st** – Brotherhood Garage Sale/Second Weekend, 9:00 a.m. 23rd – Sack Lunches for SEARCH, 9:30 a.m. **26th** – Dedication for Newar & Lipper Confirmation/ Consecration Photo Gallery, 6:00 p.m. **28th** – TEFTY Teen Foam Party (for 9th-12th graders), 11:00 a.m. **31st** – Sisterhood Opening Dinner, 6:30 p.m.

### **SEPTEMBER**

2nd – Tot Shabbat, 6:00 p.m.
6th – Emanu Elders, 11:30 a.m.
8th – Work of Our Hands, 10:00 a.m.
11th – Helfman Religious School Opening Day, 9:00 a.m.

Once-A-Month Bulletins; Have Content to Submit?

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This current *Bulletin* is the next in line of our "once a month" publications. Starting with this past June's edition and going forward, the Temple *Bulletin* will only be printed once a month.

If you would like to receive the *Bulletin* via email or make sure your information is up-to-date, contact Jason Plotkin at (713) 535-6414 or jasonp@emanuelhouston.org.

Congregants are strongly encouraged to help us share information with our community. If you have information or photos to submit, please reach out to Jason Plotkin at (713) 535-6414 or Jason P@emanuelhouston.org.

NEXT BULLETIN TO BE ISSUED: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6th

# **Emanu El Offering Bereavement Group, Starting Late August**

We are offering a support and process group for those who are mourning the loss of a loved one. The group will meet once a week, starting in late August, for an hour and a half at Emanu El and will end after six consecutive weeks. The group will foster support and the opportunity to process thoughts and feelings related



to grief and loss in an open and safe atmosphere. Participants will give and receive support to each other, identify and discuss coping strategies, and learn about the role of Judaism in mourning and grief. Please contact Rabbi Silk's office at (713) 529-5771, ext. 212 for more information and to help determine if the group is a good fit for you. The group is led by Mallory Mincberg LPC-Intern, M.Ed., who is supervised by Dr. Noel. C. Gonzalez, PhD, LPC.

Mincberg is a Licensed Professional Counselor Intern LPC-Intern under the supervision of Dr. Noel C. Gonzalez, LPC-Supervisor. Mallory grew up in Houston, Texas and completed her undergraduate work in human development and social relations at a small. liberal arts school- Earlham College. She earned her Master's degree in counseling from The University of Houston in 2014. She then completed her practicum at St. Thomas University in Houston, Texas, where she worked with young adult students on the campus in the counseling center. She currently works at Noel C. Gonzalez Psychotherapy and Consultation, located in The Heights. Mallory has worked with patients with presenting problems such as depression, relationship issues, social anxiety, grief and loss, family conflict, time management, academic/work pressure, and self-injury. She has also previously led group therapy sessions for the bereaved and caregivers. Mallory couples an empathetic relationship with a supportive

### **MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

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approach to help her clients.

### **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.

Jordan & Suzanna Astrich, son Elijah Maurice & Suzanne Leibman Miriam Selig Cantor Rollin Simmons & Rabbi David Segal, son Levi & daughter Bea Gary & Kimberlee Taylor, sons Ethan, Joshua & Zachary Elizabeth & Luke Townsend

New members will be shared in the Temple *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 Jill Patir at (713) 529-5771, ext. 262 or JillP@emanuelhouston.org.

# Congregation Emanu El BOOK OF MEMORY – 2016

The *Book of Memory* is printed outside the Temple and all names memorialized must be submitted on the form below **by Wednesday, August 31st. Names submitted after that date will be published in a future** *Bulletin***. We suggest a minimum donation of \$15 per name.** 

Please print the names carefully below in spaces given as you wish them to appear in the book.

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### **Shirley Barish Memorial Israel Experience**

In mid-July, our group of rising juniors and seniors from the Helfman Religious School returned from a memorable one-month trip to Poland and then Israel to partake in the 2nd Shirley Barish Memorial Israel Experience. This group's chaperones included religious school director Marna Meyer, Michael Duke, Elaine Lupovich and Matthew Silverman.

A glimpse into the trip can be found below. For those on Facebook, photos and testimonials from this past summer's experience can be found by searching for 'Shirley Barish Memorial Israel Experience'. The page will be updated routinely with 'Throwback Thursdays' and check-ins as the teens bring their experiences back to teach other youth, adults in our community.



# David Barish Speaks to Group at Hadassah Hospital

Participants on the trip listen to David Barish as he speaks to the group at the Hadassah Hospital Ein Karem. The hospital's declared mission is to extend a "hand to all, without regard for race, religion or ethnic origin."



### **Picking Eggplant As Part of Mitzvot**

The group participated in many mitzvot while in Israel including picking eggplant on Moshav Nahalal for Israel's national food bank, Leket, which provides meals for 175,000 people each week across the country.



### **Rabbi Hayon and The Participants**

Rabbi Oren Hayon pictured with participants on the Shirley Barish Memorial Israel Experience before taking off to return to the States. Rabbi Hayon spent just over a week with the teens, helping them make the transition from the experiences of visiting concentration camps in Poland to discovering Israel – many for the first time.



Selfies Throughout the Trip, From Beginning to Airport

Selfies were a popular part of the trip from the beginning to the end as participants took pictures of themselves at iconic spots they visited. If you visit the Facebook page, photos of our participants taking selfies at the market, with camels and more can be found relatively easily!

### **YOUTH NEWS & HAPPENINGS**

### **TEFTY to Host Annual Teen Foam Party - A program for 9th-12th graders**

Join us for the first teen event of the 2016-2017 season on **Sunday, August 28 from 11:00 a.m.** – **2:00 p.m.** A great way to start the year, hang out with friends and meet our new Experiential Education Coordinator, Jamie Aaron. We'll have a foam pit, water slide and balloon fight. You don't want to miss the fun! For more information, contact Rabbi Samantha Kahn at RabbiSOK@ emanuelhouston.org or (713) 529-5771.

A group photo of our participants from the 2015 TEFTY Foam Party. We look forward to having another great foam party again this year!



### **EMANU EL YOUNG PROFESSIONALS**



### Emanu El to Host Houston Jewish Federation's 'Jewish Baby University'

We are thrilled to announce that Emanu El will be the host for the next series of Jewish Baby University, beginning on **Wednesday**, **August 3rd**.

Jewish Baby University is an innovative program specially designed for expectant parents to help them prepare both physically and spiritually for the birth of their child. Parents-to-be will learn how to prepare for the childbirth experience as well as to bring their new baby home to a rich Jewish environment. Parents will learn Lamaze instruction, medical interventions and other techniques to help with the labor and delivery of the baby. Birthing options, care for the newborn, breast and bottle feeding and selecting a pediatrician are among the topics to be covered in the medical portion. The Judaic component includes the Jewish aspects of birthing, Brit Milah, Simchat Bat, baby naming, child rearing, participating in the Jewish community and general Jewish parenting information.

Jewish Baby University has been successful in Arizona for 18 years and their curriculum is now being shared with other selected Jewish Federations. **The Houston program will take place three times a year rotating at different synagogues, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Wednesdays for seven weeks.** The program includes a social component by including dinner at each session. Participants can sign up for Jewish Baby University in their second or third trimester of pregnancy. Participants will develop lasting friendships with other couples and have the opportunity to reunite after the babies are born. Any expectant parents who wish to raise their child in the Jewish religion are encouraged to attend.

For answers to questions or more information, contact Lisa Stanton at (713) 729-7000, ext. 319.



### Emanu El Young Professionals To Host Welcome Back BBQ On Sunday, August 14th

Calling all Young Professionals! Join us on the front lawn of Congregation Emanu El on **Sunday, August 14th from 5:00-7:00 p.m.** for our 'Welcome Back BBQ'. Come join your fellow YPs for good food and conversation! Rumor has it there will be an epic water balloon fight and tons of other fun activities. For more information, contact Alisha Klahpolz at (713) 529-5771, ext. 213 or AlishaK@emanuelhouston.org.

### **Executive Director Update**

This month I have an update on our Executive Director position. As has been shared in the previous *Bulletin*, Steve Friedman's last day as Executive Director was July 22nd. Steve has taken a similar position with a congregation in Columbus, Ohio to be near his family. We are grateful for how Steve built on the progress of his predecessors in overseeing our finances and operations and for his leadership.

Upon being informed of his resignation, I appointed Greta Pliskin, Executive Committee Liaison to our Personnel Committee, and Pam Kutner, current Board member and our former Executive Director, to lead the search for Steve's successor. Joining them were Senior Vice President Rodney Roth, Past President Haran Levy, Rabbis Hayon and Silk, and me. The job was posted on numerous sites and many applications were received. A few potentially qualified candidates were interviewed via Skype or in person. The review process will be further expanded to include Senior and relevant staff and clergy as the field is further narrowed. We expect to fill the position very soon.

The Executive Director leads all financial, human resources, facility, technology and administrative operations. In order to meet our Board's fiduciary responsibilities and to provide support to our staff until our next Executive Director is in place, I have put together a Board Oversight team. I will be working with Pam Kutner, Vice President Stuart Gaylor, Treasurer Richard Schechter, Past President Mark Brookner, Sandy Beckman and Rabbi Hayon. Steve Friedman and other staff have provided background about day-to-day, ongoing and upcoming operational items, including the management of High Holy Days events. The team has begun meeting and will continue to work with staff as long as necessary. We will seek additional assistance as tasks calling for particular expertise come to our attention. Additionally, when the position is filled, a group will assist the new Executive Director as they become familiar with Emanu El.

As I discussed in the June 7th *Bulletin*, change can provide opportunities for growth and new perspectives. The goal is to build on past successes, learn from our experience, and ensure stability. I am secure in the knowledge that our staff will rise to the occasion and continue in the outstanding performance of their duties. I appreciate their patience and invaluable assistance. Calls and requests can continue to go through the usual channels and will be routed as needed. Thank you to our oversight team and the committee chairs and volunteers who will be a little busier for now. Finally, I request your patience and good will.

- Jeff Basen-Engquist

### Sponsor an Oneg in Honor of a Simcha

Thanks to the generosity of member Igor Kliakhandler, we are able to offer post-Shabbat receptions on Friday nights, typically twice per month throughout the calendar year (with the exception of the summer). Congregants are also able to sponsor an Oneg in honor of a simcha by contacting the Sisterhood office at (713) 529-5771, ext. 233 or emailing sishood@emanuelhouston.org. Onegs are announced in the Wednesday eLetter.

### Upcoming Adult Learning Opportunities This Fall At Emanu El

**Adult Hebrew** – A pair of Adult Hebrew courses await you, available at both the beginning and intermediate levels. Taught by Nomi Barancik on **Sundays at 9:00 a.m.** (intermediate Hebrew) and **10:30 a.m.** (Beginner Hebrew), the Beginner class allows you to start fresh or you could continue improving your reading proficiency in our intermediate level class. For more information or to learn of this year's class schedule, contact Donna Fraley, Ritual Coordinator at donnaf@emanuel houston.org or (713) 529-5771, ext. 212. This year's fall session begins on **Sunday, September 18th**.

### **Basic Judaism**

This course takes is designed for Jews seeking to learn more about their religion as well as introducing Judaism to those wishing to find out more with the possible thought of conversion. The two-part class runs in the fall and spring on Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. For more information or to learn of this year's class schedule, contact Donna Fraley, Ritual Coordinator at donnaf@emanuelhouston.org or (713) 529-5771, ext. 212. This year's fall session begins on **Sunday**, **September 18th**.

### \*\*\* **NEW** \*\*\*

### **Raising A Mensch**

Rabbi Samantha Kahn will lead a meaningful discussion from **7:00-8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 21st** about the teen brain, how to parent it, and Jewish values in parenting. For more information, contact Rabbi Samantha Kahn at RabbiSOK@emanuelhouston.org or (713) 529-5771.

### \*\*\* **NEW** \*\*\*

# iEngage: Jewish Values and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict

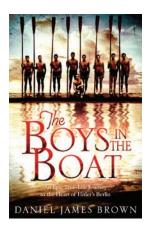
Taught by Rabbis Hayon and Kahn. Through the study of Jewish narratives about Israel and the unpacking of the complex meanings of peace in Jewish tradition, this 12-session course will explore the ideas and values that animate different attitudes toward the conflict and how these values shape our political understandings. Among the central themes that will be explored are; talking about Israel, the current discourse, attitudes towards the land, justice, self-preservation and compromise. A \$20 fee applies for the course book. The class will be held at 10:30 a.m. with classes taking place 10/23, 10/30, 11/6, 11/20, 12/4, 12/11, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2/19 (at Yom Limmud), 2/26.

### SISTERHOOD NEWS & HAPPENINGS

### August Book Review: Boys in the Boat

Come join us on **Thursday, August 11th at 6:45 p.m.**, as Rabbi Oren Hayon reviews *The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics*, by Daniel James.

This non-fiction account about beating the odds and finding hope in the most desperate of times tells the improbable, intimate history of how nine working-class boys from the American West showed the world at the 1936 Olympics in Berlin what true grit really meant. The University of Washington's eight-oar crew team, composed of the sons of loggers, shipyard workers and farmers, was never expected to defeat the elite teams of the East Coast and Great Britain. Yet they prevailed, shocking the world by defeating the German team rowing for Adolf Hitler. The emotional heart of the tale lies with Joe Rantz, a teenager without family or prospects, who rows not only to regain his shattered self-regard, but also to find a place for himself in the world. Drawing on the boys' own journals and vivid memories, Brown has created an unforgettable portrait of an era, a celebration of a remarkable achievement and a chronicle of one extraordinary young man's personal quest.



The reception following Rabbi Hayon's review will feature light hors d'oeuvres and wine and is sponsored by Susan and Ed Septimus, in honor of Emanu El's readers. **Please RSVP to Susan Septimus** at septlaw@aol.com or (713) 666-6734.

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### Sisterhood Begins The Year with a Celebration & Mitzvah Opportunity

Please join us as we celebrate the start of a new year of Sisterhood excitement and accomplishment by attending this year's opening membership dinner on **Wednesday**, **August 31st**, **at 6:30 p.m**.

The evening will celebrate Israel with delicious Israeli food and music! Event chairs Carol Sue Zionts and Linda Kates, along with Chef of the Day Cathy Jankovic, look forward to welcoming everyone to what is sure to be a fantastic opening to a wonderful year.

At many of this year's events, Sisterhood will be working with the various organizations in our community that benefit and deal with women's issues. At the opening Membership Dinner, you will have the opportunity to donate to Dress for Success, an organization dedicated to empowering women and allowing them to achieve economic independence by providing a network of support, professional attire, and developmental tools to help women thrive both in the workplace and home.

Dress for Success volunteers Lulu Kamin and Sandi Sheinberg are leading the effort to collect the necessary accessories for professional attire at this event. Please bring scarves, handbags, closed toe shoes, portfolios, unopened knee highs and panty hose. Please do not bring clothing. Monetary donations will be gladly accepted.

Couvert for the evening is \$18 for Sisterhood members and \$20 for guests. **Please RSVP by August 26th** with a call to the Sisterhood office or via email at sishood@emanuelhouston.org.



Congregation Emanu El would like to thank the following individuals who intend to leave a legacy gift to the temple:

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If you would like more information or if you intend to (or have) made a gift, please contact Elyse Kalmans at elysekalmans@gmail.com or Jason Plotkin at jasonp@emanuelhouston.org.

### **ACCESS FOR ALL**

To make Emanu El accessible for physically challenged people In Honor of

Lorraine Lessey's Birthday Paula & Lenny Holzband

### **BARBARA & MARK BROOKNER CAMP SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

To provide scholarships to send Helfman Religious School students to Greene Family Camp In Honor of

Sandy Herzstein Susan Anhalt

### **BECKER EARLY CHILDHOOD FUND**

To provide & enhance Becker Early Childhood Center programs In Memory of

**Howard Weinberg** Nancy Zeidman

### **BECKER SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

To provide Becker Early Childhood Center scholarships In Honor of

### Sharon & Herb Cohn's Anniversary

Judy & Allan Lazor

In Memory of **Sylvia Lorraine Cohen** Judy & Allan Lazor **Howard Weinberg** Judy & Allan Lazor Michael Pullara

### **CANTOR-STONE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

To provide Helfman Religious School scholarships In Honor of

### Lisa Stone's Birthday

Ashley Housten & Justin Eberlein fredi & Paul Franks Gloria Herman Kaplan-Christie Family The Owers Girls Susan & Ed Septimus Iudv & Richard Stein

### **Lisa Stone & Scott Cantor** Volunteers of the Year Award, Beth Israel

Susan & Ed Septimus

### **CERSONSKY CEMETERY BEAUTIFICATION FUND**

To maintain & enhance Emanu El Memorial Park In Memory of

**Rose & Morris Balasco** Sybil & Ralph Balasco

### Stephanie Fradkin **Marvin Ross**

Pat & Aaron Fradkin

### **CHESTER MARCUS CAMPERSHIP FUND**

To provide Greene Family Camp scholarships In Memory of

**Marvin Ross** 

Maxine Gertz

### **DOLORES & BUDDY** WILKENFELD **COMMUNICATION FUND**

To enhance Emanu El's communications with congregants In Memory of

Sylvia Lorraine Cohen Dolores Wilkenfeld

### **EDWARD WAYNE HUNGER FUND**

To feed the hungry of Houston In Memory of

**Sylvia Lorraine Cohen** 

Karen & Larry Feld

**Paul Rosenthal** Carol & Barry Goodfriend

Lois & Larry Greenberg

Lynn Lewis Webb Beatrice Lewis & Family

### **FARB COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND**

To support small & emerging organizations that improve life for underserved Houstonians In Honor of

Stewart Zuckerbrod Steven Fenberg

In Memory of

**Paul Rosenthal** 

Hillary & Matthew Rosenthal

**Marvin Ross** 

Ronna & Clay Spitz

Joseph Segel

Shelly Cyprus

### **FLORENCE & BEN BLUM LEADERSHIP FUND**

To send Emanu El leadership to URJ Biennials & underwrite leadership programs & speakers In Honor of

Ben Mosier's Birthday

Myra Lipper

In Memory of **Marvin Ross** 

### Myra Lipper

**CANTORS MUSIC FUND** To enhance musical programming In Honor of

FREDELL LACK EICHHORN

Kathy Parven's Birthday

Dee Dee Halpin & Linda Mendeloff

### GREENE FAMILY CAMP **FUND**

To support Greene Family Camp In Memory of

Sylvia Lorraine Cohen fredi & Paul Franks

### HAROLD REINGOLD RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND

To enhance Helfman Religious School programming In Honor of

Judy & Richard Stein's Anniversary

Eva & Mike Loeb

### **JASON & DAVID MARCUS** PLAYSPACE FUND

To maintain & enhance the playground In Honor of

### Morris Rosenthal's Birthday

Doreen & Benjamin Mosier

In Memory of

### Paul Rosenthal

Doreen & Benjamin Mosier

### **JEAN & JULIAN** GOLDBERG CHILDREN'S CREATIVE ARTS FUND

To provide arts programs for children

In Honor of

### Sylvia Mintzer's Birthday

Dottie & Kurt Berk Jean Goldberg

### Morris Rosenthal's Birthday Mr. & Mrs. Ted Roggen

In Memory of Marvin Ross Jean Goldberg

### **MORRIS & FRIEDA WOLFE FUND**

To support & improve Emanu El's operations & programming In Honor of

### The 2nd Bar Mitzvah of **Richard Plumb**

Sherry, Jason & Melissa Leva

### **NATHAN BERG LECTURE SERIES**

To present programs on political issues

In Memory of Ira Shepard

Sylvia & Steven Brody

### PRAYER BOOK FUND

To provide prayer books for worship In Honor of

### Lillian Putterman's Birthday

Sharon & Irvin Caplan

### RABBI ROY WALTER LEGACY FUND FOR **CREATIVE & SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT**

To support spiritual & cultural enrichment In Honor of

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### RABBIS' GOOD WORKS **FUND**

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

In Honor of **Carol & Barry Goodfriend** 

### Bernie Feld Sandy Herzstein's Birthday

Trudy & Jerry Jacobson Rabbi Samantha Kahn

Bernice Schnurr, Cindy & David Senior, Dory & Jason Taibel, Jamie & Matt Trahan

Rabbi Pamela Silk

### Dora Klaff The Speedy Recovery of

Tom Turpie Phyllis & Ållen Applebaum

**Danny Gerson** 

Susan & Richard Speer

In Memory of

### **Sylvia Lorraine Cohen** Irene Weingarten

Michael Fink

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**Ethel Goldberg Freeman** 

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Irv Kauffman

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Elaine Heller

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**Benjamin Soffar** 

Gail Shinbaum & William D. Soffar

### RICKY SCHNURR CAMPERSHIP FUND

To provide Greene Family Camp scholarships In Honor of

**Morris Rosenthal's Birthday** Gladys Schnurr

In Memory of

**Stephen Ganns** 

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# RIVA BURSTEN CARING CONGREGATION FUND

To support programs that assist people in the community In Honor of

Sandy Herzstein's Birthday

Sandy & Don Harris Libby & Buz Marvins Nancy Peskin Prissy & Tommy Roosth Carolyn & Dick Solar Susan & Richard Speer Marilyn Waldman

The Marriage of Daniel Weingarten & Whitney Rappaport

Pat & Aaron Fradkin

In Memory of **Shirley Cohen** 

Sara Astrich

**Sonia Dawidowicz** Freddie & Paul Croft

Joseph Segel

Susan & Ed Septimus

### ROBERT I. KAHN GALLERY FUND

To maintain & enhance the Robert I. Kahn Gallery In Honor of

The Speedy Recovery of Susan Kahn

Gail & Larry Levinson

In Memory of

Sylvia B. Kaufman

Pam Kaufman & Dennis Keierleber

## RONALD BROCHSTEIN PRE-SCHOOL AID FUND

*To enhance preschool education* In Honor of

**Sandy & Richard Brochstein** Marilyn & Rob Corn

In Memory of **Caryl Stella** 

Marilyn & Rob Corn

### SHIRLEY & MARVIN BARISH TEACHER ENRICHMENT FUND

To provide training programs for Emanu El teachers In Honor of

**Marvin Barish's Birthday** Jacquelyn Barish

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To support programs for families In Memory of

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### **TEMPLE FUND**

To support the needs of the Temple & to fulfill the mission of Congregation Emanu El.
In Honor of

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Ben Mosier's Birthday

Mickey & Noel Graubart Carole Spielberg

Lillian Putterman's Birthday

Renee & Brent Silber

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Beverly Katz **Edythe Westerman** 

Lynn & Barney Kogen

### **NEWS FOR OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS**

### College Summer Lunch Gathering – Thursday, August 4th

Join Rabbi Kahn, Marna and your friends from Emanu El for lunch before you head back to campus!

**Thursday, August 4th, 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.** at Freebirds' World Burrito, 3745 Greenbriar Dr. We look forward to seeing you there!

### Seeking Addresses of Our Emanu El College Students

Is your child away at college this year? We send care packages and organize student meet ups at various times through the year. Send us your child's contact information so we can help keep them connected to Emanu El! Please email Alisha Klapholz, alishak@ emanuelhouston.org, with your child's name and contact information.

### Jewish Lone Stars Hosting 'Dance the Night Away' Mingle On Thursday, August 4th

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The Jewish Lone Stars – a group for single members in their 40s to 60s of the Houston Jewish community – will be hosting a "Dance the Night Away" mingle on **Thursday, August 4th**.

The event begins at 8:30 p.m. at Caps Piano Bar, 2610 Briar Ridge Dr., Houston, TX 77057 and will feature a live band. There is no cover charge for entry and free parking is available. Appetizers for the event have been generously provided by Kenny & Ziggy's Delicatessen.

For more information on this event and other events hosted by the Jewish Lone Stars throughout the city of Houston, email JewishLoneStars@gmail.com or search for the "Jewish Lone Stars" group on Facebook. The synagogue's liaison to the Jewish Lone Stars is Jill Patir, who can be reached at JillP@emanuelhouston.org or (713) 529-5771, ext. 262.

# **Congregation Emanu El Heads To Israel In June 2017**

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At Israel Unity Shabbat in May, Rabbi Oren Hayon announced an inter-generational Congregational trip to Israel. A meeting for prospective families will be held on **Tuesday, September 20th,** 



**6:30 p.m.** with a formal information meeting in November. An itinerary is being crafted by the clergy in-conjunction with trip planner ARZA World and will become available soon.

As of press time, over 35 families or individuals have expressed an interest in attending this trip. To express your interest in the interim or to gather more information, contact Jason Plotkin at (713) 535-6414 or JasonP@emanuelhouston.org.



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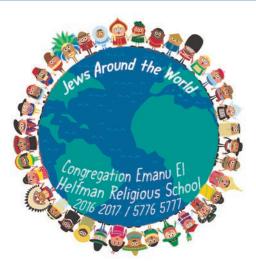
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# Go Around the World with Helfman Religious School

Helfman Religious School is going "Around the World" this school year. It is not too late to register and secure your spot for another exciting year in Helfman. The first day of Sunday School is **Sunday, September 11th**.

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