



# Bulletin

## FROM RABBI HAYON



*In Judaism a man can plant his roots deep in the soil of the past and be fruitful for the society of tomorrow.*

RABBI ROBERT I. KAHN,  
*Why Remain Jews?*  
1965

### Welcome to Congregation Emanu El's new look!

The results you see here are the final product of many months of research, evaluation, and testing by our lay leadership, clergy and staff, and the hard work of a team of outstanding professionals with whom we partnered to lead this process.

Principle, the award-winning branding and design firm which undertook the design of our new look, was charged with assembling new visual elements in order to articulate clearly Emanu El's historic cultural and spiritual legacy, our current communal identity, and our aspirations about what we offer our world as we guide it toward visionary new plateaus. To arrive at the finished product, Principle's consultants and designers spent hundreds of hours on various stages of research: interviewing clergy, congregants and staff, poring through stacks of historical materials in our archives, and studying closely the papers and sermons of Rabbi Robert I. Kahn, whose vision for Emanu El charted our congregation's course.

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### Kol Nidre To Start at 7:15 p.m. on Friday, September 29th

An error on the High Holy Day passes sent out to the Congregation in mid-August referenced an incorrect time of 8:15 a.m. for Kol Nidre. Please note this service will take place at **7:15 p.m. on Friday, September 29th** in our Barish Sanctuary. Additionally, satellite parking for Rosh Hashanah Day will be at Rice University in West Lot #5. All other satellite parking will be located at the Medical Clinic (1701 Sunset Blvd.). More High Holy Day schedule information can be found within this edition of the Temple *Bulletin*.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT



Jeff Basen Engquist  
Board President

What stands the test of time? What messages are communicated or suggested by change? For us, as always, our Jewish calendar points to a way to explore this.

Internal change is a process

with which we as Reform Jews are familiar. We have reached the time of year when we are called to reflect, challenge ourselves, and to turn. The process of organizational change can have similar markers and tests.

For example, gathering information. We look back at past practices and the beliefs that led to their adoption. How has our environment changed and what does that tell us? What can we learn from other times when we reevaluated and made changes? Further, does change imply past choices were mistakes, something to be hidden away or necessarily forgotten? I would argue that would be disingenuous and unproductive.

One of the first *Bulletin* pieces I submitted for your consideration also addressed this theme. Fifteen months later, while even more optimistic about the road ahead for our congregation, I would amend my earlier remarks to include this: Adopting something new does not necessarily imply judgement of that which preceded it. And respect for what has been should not impede needed transformation.

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## WORSHIP SERVICES

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### Daily

6:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday

### Friday, September 8th

Shabbat Ki Tavo, Deuteronomy 26:1 – 29:8

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

### Saturday, September 9th

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

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, *Barish Sanctuary*

B'nei Mitzvah of **Joshua Pierce**, son of Stefani & Tami Pierce and **Marlon Spiwak**, son of Lorena & Warren Spiwak

### Friday, September 15th

Shabbat Nitzvavim – Vayeilech, Deuteronomy 29:9-30:20, 31:1-30

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

### Saturday, September 16th

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

9:00 p.m., Selichot, *Proler Chapel*

(preceded by an 8:30 p.m. reception)

### Wednesday, September 20th

Rosh Hashanah

6:00 p.m., Erev Rosh Hashanah, *Barish Sanctuary*

SERMON BY RABBI HAYON: *The Unpainted Corner*

### Thursday, September 21st

9:00 a.m., Young Children's Service, *Barish Sanctuary*

STORY BY RABBI HAYON: *Apples & Mayonnaise*

10:30 a.m., Rosh Hashanah Morning Service, *Barish Sanctuary*

SERMON BY RABBI FIXLER: *Bracing for Impact: Cultivating Resilience in These High Holy Days*

10:30 a.m., Rosh Hashanah Morning Service,

*Bayou City Event Center*

SERMON BY RABBI SILK: *Against the Bottom*

5:00 p.m., Tashlich, *Braes Bayou (across from JCC)*

### Friday, September 22nd

Shabbat Haazinu, Deuteronomy 32:1-52

6:00 p.m., Kabbalat Shabbat, *Barish Sanctuary*

Shabbat Shuvah Message by Keith Remels

### Saturday, September 23rd

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

### Sunday, September 24th

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

SERMON BY RABBI HAYON: *Listening to the Dead*

### Friday, September 29th

Yom Kippur, Deuteronomy 29:9-14, 30:11-20 (Morning);

Leviticus 19:1-4, 9-18, 32-37 (Afternoon)

7:15 p.m., Kol Nidre, *Barish Sanctuary*

SERMON BY RABBI HAYON: *Hear, O Israel*

### Saturday, September 30th

8:15 a.m., Youth & Family Service, *Barish Sanctuary*

9:45 a.m., Young Children's Service, *Barish Sanctuary*

STORY BY RABBI SILK: *The Jewel*

11:00 a.m., Morning Service, *Barish Sanctuary*

SERMON BY RABBI SILK: *Words Said and Not Said*

1:30 p.m., Afternoon Service, *Barish Sanctuary*

3:00 p.m., A Yom Kippur Creative Service Featuring the Alley Theatre, *Barish Sanctuary*

3:00 p.m., A Service of Healing & Restoration, *Proler Chapel*

4:30 p.m., Yizkor & Neilah, *Barish Sanctuary*

Immediately following Neilah, Break the Fast (Bagels & Schmears), *Oshman Multi-Purpose Room*;

Graciously given by Greta & Alexander Pliskin

### Wednesday, October 4th

6:00 p.m., Erev Sukkot Service,

*Sukkah (or Proler Chapel, pending weather)*

### Thursday, October 5th

10:30 a.m., Sukkot Morning Service,

*Sukkah (or Proler Chapel, pending weather)*

### Friday, October 6th

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

6:00 p.m., Tot Shabbat, *Sukkah*

(or *Oshman Multi-Purpose Room, pending weather*)

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

### Saturday, October 7th

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

### Wednesday, October 11th

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

### Thursday, October 12th

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

### Friday, October 13th

Shabbat B'reishit, Genesis 1:1 – 6:8

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

### Saturday, October 14th

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

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, *Barish Sanctuary*

B'nei Mitzvah of **Jack Bray**, son of Rachel & Collin Bray and **Collin Bray**, son of Victor & Sharon Graff and Douglas Bray

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



## URJ BIENNIAL 2017

DECEMBER 6-10 • BOSTON, MA

UNION for REFORM JUDAISM

## Interested in Attending URJ Biennial In Boston this December?

The Union for Reform Judaism will host its Biennial in Boston this December! Congregation Emanu El is hoping to have a delegation of staff and lay leaders in attendance. If you are considering going or would like more information, contact Jason Plotkin at (713) 535-6414 or JasonP@emanuelhouston.org.

[URJ.org/Biennial](http://URJ.org/Biennial) #URJBiennial

### IN THE COMMUNITY

**Paul Cordova** was recently sworn in as Assistant Police Chief with the Houston Independent School District (HISD). Paul has played a vital role in overseeing our High Holy Day security for more than a decade.

**Rabbi Oren Hayon** was recently published in the book *Seven Days, Many Voices* published by the CCAR Press. The Rabbi's article within the book is about the first day of creation in the Genesis story and entitled, "Cosmic Disorder." The book is available for sale in the New Traditions Gift Shop.

Texas Lawyer has honored **Amanda Eichenbaum** with its 2017 Professional Excellence Award for being a 'Lawyer on the Rise'. The award recognizes attorneys who have noteworthy contributions to the legal community in Texas.

### BIRTHS

**Kyle Aaron Burke**, son of Leah & Jason Burke, grandson of Jeanne & Matt Pasternak

**George Ryan Selber**, son of Audrey & Peter Selber; grandson of Ronna & Mandy Selber, Sara Speer Selber, Martha & John Ausburn; great-grandson of Marvin Speer, Pat & Jim Buggs, Edith & Mack Ausburn, Mary Ausburn

### WEDDINGS

**Cathy Shelley & Bradley Borden**

**Stephanie Elyse Van & Tommy Joe Walker**

### DEATHS

**Rachel Kristin Biton**, mother of Batsheba & Gabriel Perry; grandmother of Arie and Ron Perry

**Toba Gertz Buxbaum**, mother of Kerry & Steven Buxbaum, Ruth & Eric Gross, Sonia & Robert Buxbaum, Harriet & David Pinansky; grandmother of Karen & Michael Buxbaum, Jennie & Richard Buxbaum, Deborah & Jon Blumberg, Tiffany & Jonathan Blumberg, Evan Buxbaum, Sam Pinansky, Sarah Pinansky; great-grandmother of Joshua and Rachel Buxbaum, Sadie and Hannah Buxbaum, Sadie and Lilah Adler and Scarlett Blumberg

**Christine Cheng**, wife of Grant Scheiner; mother of Gavin

**Fredell Lack Eichhorn**, mother of Ardis Eichhorn and Eric Eichhorn; grandmother of Marco Rosenthal, David Eichhorn, Rachel Eichhorn, Tyler Calderon, Lauren Jenkins, Hannah Jenkins, Sarah Eichhorn; great-grandmother of Dylan, Siboney and Maya Rosenthal

**Sofia Kapusta**, mother of Janet & Mario Kapusta, Marta & Sergio Kapusta, Silvia & Isidoro Kapusta; grandmother of Marcela & Steve Movit, Alison & Pablo Kapusta, Chana & Ari Kapusta, Liliana & Diego Laham, Geraldine & Claudio Kapusta, Alyssa Kapusta, Nicholas Kapusta; great-grandmother of Ilan and Iara Laham, Boaz and Calia Movit, Gavi Kapusta

**Edward Karash**, husband of Ivetta Karash; father of Rena & Oskar Karash, Svetlana & Igor Karash; grandfather of Ilya, Alla, Sofya and Boris; great-grandfather of Michael, Daniel, Samuel and Ezra

**Marjorie Katz**, mother of Terri & Todd Bender, Jill Goodman; grandmother of Chris Gebben; great-grandmother of Mackenzie and Cameron Gebben; sister of Lois Trembot

**Eric Kleiman**, husband of Amelia Ribnick Kleiman, father of Brett Kleiman and Jacklyn Kleiman; son of Marcie & Normal Kleiman, Gloria Ribnick; brother of Carolyn Kleiman, Pam Kleiman, Stephanie Kleiman-Robinson & Jerry Robinson; brother-in-law of Debra Greenstein Sober Ribnick & Greg Ribnick

**Anita Lewis**, mother of our members Felice & Ed Klein, Rhonda & Randy Hardaway; grandmother of Marlee and Janelle Klein and Lauren Hardaway

**Stanley Neuger**, father Lindy & Samuel Dorn, Judith Neuger & Daniel Wolf; grandfather of Lanelle & Danny Meidan, Amy & Brian Dorn, Adam Polen, Dawn Silver; great-grandfather of Isabelle, David, Leo, Talia, Michael and Sky-Lynn; brother of Sanford Neuger, Joseph Neuger and Harold Neuger

**Edis Lewis Parkans**, mother of Dana & Marc Katz, Cindy Parkans & Gary Morgan; sister of Dean Lewis; and sister-in-law of Lloyd Parkans

**Lisa Kurtz Schield**, wife of Rodney Schield; mother of James Schield ; daughter of Barry Kurtz; sister of Julie Kurtz Fox & Andy Fox, Michael Kurtz

**Robert Schnitzer**, son of Ruth Schnitzer; brother of Judy Schnitzer Myers; husband of Judy Kay Schnitzer; father of Joel Schnitzer, Ari Schnitzer

**Hal Myron Zimmerman**, father of Cindy & Harry Zimmerman, Nancy & Bruce Zimmerman, Linda & Keith Zimmerman, Felice & Pat Carmichael; grandfather of Amy & Bryan Winslow, Eric Zimmerman, Adam Zimmerman, Brett Zimmerman, Cole Woods, Ryan Zimmerman, Tracy Zimmerman, Julian Woods and Stella Woods; great-grandfather of Charlie Winslow; and brother of Marlene & Fred Zimmerman

It was inspiring and gratifying to see how the Principle team arrived at their findings, having clearly understood Emanu El's values, priorities, and culture. Their report to our Board of Trustees demonstrated that the new visual vocabulary they had constructed for us was a faithful and joyful reflection of what Emanu El stands for. They recognized the hospitality which lies at the core of our identity, and our unfailing commitment to keep Emanu El's doors, arms and hearts open at all times to those who seek a spiritual home, a sense of purpose, and a deep feeling of belonging. And they observed the bold and audacious spiritual convictions that animate our congregation and those who lead it; being a part of Emanu El means believing that spiritual community has the potential to transform humanity through moral conscience, cultural progress, and meaningful, positive action inspired by the principles of modern Judaism.

In the final phase of the project, all of the critical components of our identity – faith and justice, openness and culture, wisdom and conscience – converged in the design of our congregation's new logo. To create the new one, Principle's visual design specialists were inspired by all of Emanu El's previous logos, which evolved over the years from a photograph, to a pen-and-ink illustration, to a linear rendering, and finally to the most recent one, a symbolic representation of the dramatic angular lines of our historic building's façade. Having been guided by these elements of Emanu El's visual past, and also by our vision for the future, the new logo was born.

Its bold, ambitious lines reflect our modern and uncompromising commitment to Jewish ideas and social conscience, while its classic architectural angles evoke our building's inimitable midcentury style. The logo's branching lines stretch upward and outward, underscoring our commitment to outreach and ambition, and subtly nestled in the center of the design is the pentagonal shape of the Tablets of the Law which are displayed prominently over the grand entrance doors on Sunset Boulevard. Finally, if one looks closely, one can also identify a forking linear design inside the logo in the shape of the Hebrew letter ayin, which is the first letter of "Emanu El," meaning "God be with us."

Taken as a whole, the powerful new design of our congregation's public face – our logo, color and lettering standards, and an elegant, sleek and functional new website which will be unveiled soon – speaks eloquently about who we are and what we stand for. We are, and always have been, a community which honors and respects its past because we know that the timeless lessons of Jewish faith, justice and wisdom are our greatest tools for creating a good, compassionate and upright future. The elements of our new look represent Emanu El's commitment to excellence and sophistication, and its bold, uncompromising design amplifies Emanu El's confident faith that – as our name has always asserted – God will be with us in our work, in our prayer and our study, and in our undying promise to the world that we will build together. 📖

## SYMBOLIC COMPONENTS OF OUR LOGO



Commandment Tablets



Emanu El Architecture



Hebrew Letter "Ayin"



Reaching Upward  
and Outward

## The Launch of our New Look

This edition of the Temple *Bulletin* whether you are receiving the printed edition or via email represents the launch of our new look. Over the coming weeks, this new look and our Emanu El logo will become a visible part of our digital and printed communications. A new website to reflect the changes will be launched shortly and other changes around the building will occur over the next few years in order to present a consistent look to our campus.



## FROM THE PRESIDENT *continued from page 1*

If you look around, starting with this bulletin, you will see planned changes coming to fruition. Across many significant aspects of our congregational life, committees, task forces, and focus groups have been grappling with assessing the need for change and, if deemed appropriate, how best to incorporate our institutional knowledge into a new direction. We sought out information and opinions from the congregation and moved forward with well-grounded choices. As I have noted before, our communication tools will look and feel different. With the continuing implementation of the Governance Plan adopted by the Board two years ago, certain committees have new or additional goals and short-term task forces have become more common. Related bylaws modifications are being prepared for your review and consideration. Further, security concerns and procedures are continually being scrutinized. Opportunities for leadership development are under consideration.

For some, the pace will seem too rapid, the changes unnecessary or extreme. It may seem a part of the acceleration we all experience of innovation and information overload. Alternatively, adapting to a changing milieu and constituency should provide fresh opportunities for engagement with others in the Temple's work.

Each year we take stock, building on what we have learned, identifying our insufficiencies and committing to a future of progress. May we arrive together, allied and strong.

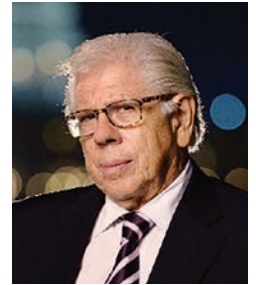
**POSTSCRIPT:** I have struggled framing this article. There is an important national dialogue, reinvigorated by recent events, about history and how it is represented today. I did not want to trivialize that conversation by metaphor and clever references. As quickly as things change, I cannot know the context in which this will be read (at least a few weeks from this writing). In a piece written by Alan Zimmerman (President of Congregation Beth Israel in Charlottesville, VA), he described how history, Judaism and current events converged on their doorstep. "Several times, parades of Nazis passed our building, shouting, 'There's the synagogue!' followed by chants of 'Seig Heil' and other anti-Semitic language. Some carried flags with swastikas and other Nazi symbols . . . **A frail, elderly woman approached me Saturday morning as I stood on the steps in front of our sanctuary, crying, to tell me that while she was Roman Catholic, she wanted to stay and watch over the synagogue with us. At one point, she asked, 'Why do they hate you?' I had no answer to the question we've been asking ourselves for thousands of years.**" Throughout the coming year, I will include in my prayers their community, those harmed by racism, sexism and prejudice in Charlottesville and Charleston and throughout our country's troubled history. And, with an eye on the rights of all, I will act and encourage others to do so. 📖

**Jeff Basen Engquist**  
Board President

## SAVE THE DATE:

### Endowment Fund Speaker Carl Bernstein Wednesday, January 24, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.

Congregation Emanu El's featured Endowment Fund Speaker in 2017-2018 is renown journalist Carl Bernstein, who will speak about "Evolving Role of the Media in Dealing with Washington."



Carl Bernstein

No stranger to the grind of Washington, Bernstein began part-time work at the *Washington Star* at the age of 16 and later dropped out of the University of Maryland to work full-time as a reporter. Bernstein made a historic name for himself when along with Bob Woodward, he uncovered the Watergate scandal which led to the resignation of U.S. President Richard Nixon.

Bernstein shared a Pulitzer Prize with Woodward for their coverage of Watergate for *The Washington Post*. Bernstein's most recent book is the acclaimed biography, *A Woman in Charge: The Life of Hillary Rodham Clinton*. He is the author, with Woodward, of *All the President's Men* and *The Final Days*, and, with Marco Politi, of *His Holiness: John Paul II and the History of Our Time*.

He is also the author of *Loyalties*, a memoir about his parents during McCarthy-era Washington. He has written for *Vanity Fair* (he is also a contributing editor), *Time*, *USA Today*, *Rolling Stone*, and *The New Republic*. He was a Washington bureau chief and correspondent for ABC News. At *The Washington Post*, Bernstein also was a part-time rock critic, and he still occasionally writes about music.

This program is underwritten by the Congregation Emanu El Endowment Fund through grants from the Caplovitz Lectureship Fund, Eleanor & Frank Freed Lectureship Fund, Helen & Harry Reichel Lectureship Fund, Rabbi Roy A. Walter Legacy Fund and the Friends of the Endowment Fund.

Arrangements for the appearance of Carl Bernstein made through Greater Talent Network, Inc., New York, NY.

Information about joining the 'Friends of the Endowment Series' will be forthcoming.

# High Holy Days at Emanu El

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.

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## WHAT TO EXPECT FOR HIGH HOLY DAYS 2017

The 2017 High Holy Day season will feature the beautiful and inspiring new machzor, *Mishkan HaNefesh*. Presented in the familiar form of our Shabbat prayer book *Mishkan T'filah*, our community will have an opportunity to worship with powerful liturgical readings, graceful translations, full transliteration for all Hebrew text to encourage more accessible participation in all parts of the service, stirring and inspiring poetry, interesting art, traditional and meaningful Torah readings, marvelous new content as well as the meaningful and traditional prayers you are familiar with. The music will include favorite and timeless melodies complemented by expressive and stunning musical selections to elevate our prayer experience.

### **Please make note of important service start time information for Kol Nidre and Yom Kippur Day.**

With the board's approval in late 2016 following a recommendation from the Ritual & Music Committee, we will gather and pray as one unified community at a single Kol Nidre service at 7:15 p.m. On Yom Kippur Day, all services will be held on-site in our beautiful Barish Sanctuary. Yom Kippur morning will begin with an innovative Youth & Family service at 8:15 a.m. intended for our second through sixth graders and their families. Our regular service for young children featuring our beloved prayer book *It's Better to Be Better* will begin at 9:45 a.m.

## PASSES

All members received High Holy Day passes in the mail in mid-to-late August. Minors do not need passes. Each member family received two yellow guest passes to give to unaffiliated members of the community. Please note that the yellow guest passes are not available for use on Kol Nidre.

As has been a long-standing policy of the synagogue, if you have family from out of town or know someone new to town within the last six months, call the synagogue at (713) 529-5771 or email Jill Patir at [JillP@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:JillP@emanuelhouston.org) to arrange for these passes. We do 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.

## 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 2018. Those interested should contact Jill Patir at (713) 529-5771, ext. 262 or [JillP@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:JillP@emanuelhouston.org).

## SERVICE LOCATIONS

Our only off-site service location will be in use for the Rosh Hashanah Morning Alternative Service, "A Time to Pray," as we will once again utilize the Bayou City Event Center located at 9401 Knight Road. As a reminder, the best method to enter the Bayou City Event Center is by going south on Fannin Dr., making a left on Holmes Rd. and then a right on Knight Rd.

## BAGELS & SCHMEARS – 'BREAK THE FAST' AS A COMMUNITY AFTER YOM KIPPUR

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

## BABYSITTING

During High Holy Days, we offer babysitting services for those between the ages of 15 months and eight years old. It is important that all interested participants RSVP as we are unable to accommodate walk-ups on the days of service and so that we can assure ample staff is provided. Babysitting registration and the \$10 payment per service can be found on the Emanu El web site. A light snack will be provided though those with allergies are encouraged to bring their own snacks. For additional assistance, contact Evon Zions at (713) 529-5771, ext. 255 or [EvonZ@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:EvonZ@emanuelhouston.org).

## WHEELCHAIR & DISABLED ACCESSIBILITY

For wheelchair or disability accessibility, please contact Stephanie Kamion (713) 529-5771, ext. 217 or [StephanieK@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:StephanieK@emanuelhouston.org). The deadline for request Rosh Hashanah is Friday, September 15 and the deadline for Yom Kippur requests is **Tuesday, September 26th**.

When you call or leave a message, please include the services you plan to attend. All efforts will be made to provide preferred seating to those who give advanced notice. Those requesting handicap seating are only granted up to four additional seats for family members. Wheelchair seating will be released 15 minutes prior to the beginning of services.

## PARKING

All individuals entering our campus in vehicles must present their High Holy Day passes or handicap placard to the officers in order to gain access to the Emanu El campus. Anyone without a pass or placard will be directed to off-site parking.

Throughout the High Holy Days, floors 1 & 2 of our parking facility are reserved for the handicapped. Floors 3 & 4 are available for parking on a first-come, first-served basis. Our West Lot is restricted to Rabbi's Circle members with an appropriate pass.

We have made arrangements for parking for our evening services and Yom Kippur Day at the Medical Clinic of Houston, 1707 Sunset. Their garage entry is on Rice Blvd. For Rosh Hashanah Day, you may park at Rice University in 'West Lot 5'. A special entrance flanked by signage will be open between gates 8 & 9 just for our Emanu El guests. This entry point is located off of University Blvd between Montclair & Stockton.

Due to our adequate parking arrangements, Congregation Emanu El will not be responsible for any cars that choose to park in the neighborhoods surrounding the synagogue.

Congregants may park on these streets at their own risk of citation.

**NOTE:** There is ample parking at the Bayou City Event Center, therefore there is no bus transportation for these alternative locations.

### Streaming Video

During High Holy Day services, we offer live streaming video from the Barish Sanctuary and the Proler Chapel. To access the live streaming video, visit the front page of EmanuElHouston.org and please make sure you are clicking on the appropriate locale of the service. Services will be archived on the EmanuElHouston.org site within minutes of their completion.

### SERVICES OVER THE PHONE

We offer our High Holy Day Services over the phone and encourage those who cannot attend the services to dial in five minutes prior to the service's start time and join us by phone. After dialing the number at the appropriate time, you will be prompted to enter a code.

**Dial-In Number:** 1-888-537-7715

**Passcode:** 14640426#

### CLOSED CAPTIONING

Brotherhood provides closed captioning for our High Holy Day worshipers who are hearing impaired. The Brotherhood provides this service at Erev Rosh

Hashanah, Rosh Hashanah morning, Kol Nidre and all Yom Kippur services on-site at Emanu El. The exceptions are the young children's service and the youth & family service.

### 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.

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## Service Schedule

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Selichot

### Saturday, September 16th

Selichot Service, 9:00 p.m.

Rosh Hashanah

### Wednesday, September 20th

Erev Rosh Hashanah, 6:00 p.m.

### Thursday, September 21st

Young Children's Service, 9:00 a.m.

Morning @ Temple, 10:30 a.m.

Morning @ Bayou City Event Center, 10:30 a.m.

Tashlich @ Braes Bayou (across from JCC), 5:00 p.m.

Shabbat Shuvah

### Friday, September 22nd

Shabbat Shuvah Service, 6:00 p.m.

### Sunday, September 24th

Cemetery Memorial Service

(at Emanu El Memorial Park), 5:00 p.m.

Yom Kippur

### Friday, September 29th

Kol Nidre, 7:15 p.m.

### Saturday, September 30th

Youth & Family Service, 8:15 a.m.

Young Children's Service, 9:45 a.m.

Morning Service, 11:00 a.m.

Afternoon Service, 1:30 p.m.

A Yom Kippur Creative Service Featuring the Alley Theatre, Barish Sanctuary, 3:00 p.m.

Service of Healing & Restoration, Proler Chapel, 3:00 p.m.

Yizkor & Neilah, 4:30 p.m.

"Break The Fast" (Bagels & Schmears),

Immediately following Neilah

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## Sukkot on Sunset Registration Has Opened!

Come join us for Sukkot on Sunset – our annual Sukkot Celebration. The fun begins at **4:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 8th** for our annual Sukkot Celebration! Family entertainment abounds – BBQ supper – music and lots of fun for every age and stage. Hayrides, bounce houses, ponies and a rock wall! Dee Dee, Mike & The Moondance Band will perform. There's no charge for this event, but reservations are a must! Reserve by calling the Temple at (713) 529-5771 or by registering on EmanuElHouston.org.



## ABOUT OUR YONTIF SERVICES

We gather in our spiritual home on the High Holy Days to seek God's presence, to share our lives as Jews and to be part of the community of Israel. We take great pride in our services which offer a diversity of style while blending the traditional with the contemporary in prayer and song.

**Selichot:** This is the perfect opportunity to open your heart and mind to the spirit of the holidays. This late night service comes at a time of evening quiet to better enable us to enjoy the beauty of the liturgy and music focused on penitence and preparing our souls for the holiest season of the year.

**Evening Services:** We offer a regal and festive celebratory single evening service on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur conducted by our Rabbis with music by our Cantor and Professional Choir.

**Rosh Hashanah Morning:** Congregants can choose from our two inspiring and uplifting morning services. At the Temple, we use *Mishkan HaNefesh*, the Reform prayer book, featuring traditional music by our Cantor and Professional Choir. At the Bayou City Event Center located at 9401 Knight Road, we have a creative service. Our musical ensemble and vocal group Shir Magic will provide a blend of contemporary melodies complimenting traditional tunes.

**Young Children's Services:** To provide the youngest members of our congregation family with a meaningful and engaging holiday experience, we offer two exciting creative services "A New Beginning on Rosh Hashanah" and "It's Better to Be Better on Yom Kippur." And it's a thrilling moment for everyone when the children are invited to the pulpit to blow Shofar on Rosh Hashanah.

**Tashlich:** We gather on Braes Bayou across from the Jewish Community Center to engage in the traditional ceremony of symbolically casting our sins adrift in the water while singing traditional melodies and reflecting on beautiful poetry.

**Youth & Family Service (Yom Kippur):** 2nd-6th graders and their families are invited to join us for this new Yom Kippur worship experience. Families will enjoy this engaging, inclusive and innovative service which will bring the themes of the High Holy Days to life with meaningful prayer, modern music, stirring stories and so much more. We will build a sense of communal connection as our young congregants seek answers to the question, "Who am I becoming?"

**Yom Kippur Morning:** At the Temple, we offer a traditional morning service with music by our Cantor and Professional Choir.

**Healing & Restoration (Proler Chapel) / An Alley Theatre Production (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. An 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 powerful presence of the Torah. A special production from the Alley Theatre will occur in the Barish Sanctuary, building 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.

**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. This service takes place after the morning service, before Healing and Restoration/Alley Theater production.

**Yizkor and Neilah:** As our day comes to a close, we pay loving tribute to the memory of loved ones. The holiest day of the Jewish New Year ends with the majesty of our closing service and the final blast of the Shofar.



## EMANU EL AT A GLANCE THROUGH MID-OCTOBER

The below information contains a listing of events at Emanu El 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](http://www.emanuelhouston.org), and on our Facebook page.

### September

- 9/5 – Emanu Elders, 11:30 a.m.
- 9/6 – *My Generation: Beyond Apples and Honey* with Julie Hayon, 10:00 a.m.
- 9/10 – Opening Day of Helfman Religious School, 9:00 a.m.
- 9/10 – Community-Wide Sisterhood Program: *Hungry Girl*, 10:30 a.m. (at Beth Yeshurun)
- 9/11 – Gathering Place, 10:00 a.m.
- 9/13 – Sisterhood/Mah Jongg, 1:30 p.m.
- 9/14 – Work of Our Hands, 10:00 a.m.
- 9/14 – Book Review: “Haven”, 12:30 p.m.
- 9/19 – Kids Meals, 9:30 a.m.
- 9/26 – Sack Lunches for SEARCH, 9:30 a.m.
- 9/28 – Brotherhood Supper Club, 6:00 p.m. (at Cyclone Anaya)

### October

- 10/6 – Tot Shabbat in the Sukkah, 6:00 p.m.
- 10/8 – Sukkot on Sunset, 4:00 p.m.
- 10/11 – Simchat Torah/Consecration, 6:00 p.m.
- 10/17 – Kids Meals, 9:30 a.m.
- 10/21 – Classic Connections Wine, Mineral Water & Cheese Tasting, 6:30-8:30 p.m. (at Nos Caves Vin)
- 10/22 – Collectors Car Show & Food Truck Event, 11:00 a.m. (rain date 10/29)

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## Emanu El Joins Instagram

Congregation Emanu El has joined the world of Instagram! 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/emanuelhouston](http://www.instagram.com/emanuelhouston) or if you are already a member, find us at @emanuelhouston.

 **LIKE US ON FACEBOOK**  
[www.facebook.com/emanuelhouston](http://www.facebook.com/emanuelhouston)

## 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.

**Harris Fendell**

**Greg and Laurel Gandler, daughter Daphne and son Lane**

**Michelle and William Hayes, daughter Sadie and son Billy**

**Gerald and Sherry Merfish**

**Paul Kaplan and Margy Newman**

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](mailto:JillP@emanuelhouston.org).

### Emanu El Available For Outside Rentals

Over the last two years, Emanu El has hosted several outside events ranging from an American Alzheimers Association workshop to a YMCA line dancing competition and a Texas Women's Hospital nurses' pinning ceremony. Are you a part of a non-profit or an organization that is looking to utilize a great space? Contact Jason Plotkin at (713) 535-6414 or [JasonP@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:JasonP@emanuelhouston.org).

## Our clergy want to know . . .

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

Contact Alisha Klapholz at 713-529-5771, ext. 213 or [AlishaK@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:AlishaK@emanuelhouston.org) 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.

### Cantor Simmons Sings National Anthem at Skeeters' Game

Emanu El headed to Constellation Field in Sugar Land in early August for a 'Night Out at the Ballpark'. Cantor Rollin Simmons had a chance to meet the Skeeters' mascot Swatson before the game and later performed the national anthem. The evening served as an opportunity for Emanu El's congregants and community members to meet some of the congregation's new staff and clergy.



### Emanu El Hosts Givat Haviva to Learn About 'Shared Society' in Israel

Congregation Emanu El teens Brianna Burgan (far left) and Madison Brewer (far right) had an opportunity to meet with Or Levi (second from left) and Zenh Abu Zarka (second from right) of Givat Haviva on August 10th. Or and Zenh visited Houston as part of a program co-sponsored by Emanu El, Temple Sinai and the Anti-Defamation League of Houston highlighting the 'shared society' between Arabs and Jewish Israelis.

### Brotherhood Scores Big at Annual Garage Sale

Ron Nodler is pictured working the register during the first weekend of the Brotherhood's annual garage sale. The Brotherhood took in over \$21,000 in sales over the two weeks. Remaining items following two weeks of garage sale activities were scheduled to be distributed to non-profits throughout the community.







## Mayor Sylvester Turner, Rabbi Joshua Fixler Stand United Against Hate, Bigotry

Rabbi Joshua Fixler represented Congregation Emanu El at a mid-August press conference led by Houston mayor Sylvester Turner in which faith, and civic leaders came together to stand united against hate, bigotry following the actions in Charlottesville, Virginia. Shortly after the Virginia event, Rabbi Oren Hayon penned a letter to the Congregation sharing his thoughts on what had occurred.

## Congregation Emanu El, Kids Meals Celebrates 10 Years of Making a Difference

Pictured from left to right: Rabbi Oren Hayon, Carol Goodfriend, Barry Goodfriend, Kids Meals Executive Director Beth Harp and Rabbi Roy Walter during a celebration of Emanu El's 10 years of partnership with Kids Meals. Emanu El volunteers under the leadership of the Goodfriends have made over 70,000 lunches during the last 10 years for the organization which combats childhood hunger in the greater Houston area. The group meets on the third Tuesday of each month at the Congregation at 9:30 a.m. The program is sponsored by the Ed Wayne Hunger Fund.



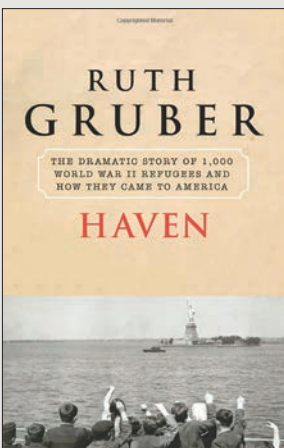
## Throwback Thursday: Emanu El's First Cub Scouts, 1949

Are you a 'fan' of the Emanu El Facebook page? Every Thursday, a "throwback" image from Emanu El's past is posted. Recent images include a copy of the 1992 address that Rabbi Roy Walter made to the Republican National Convention at the Astrodome, a 1961 photo of the Sisterhood 'getting into the spirit' of football and this photo, a 1949 photo of Emanu El's first Cub Scouts – Pack 900 – outside of the synagogue's north doors. Quite a few of the young men pictured below are still a part of our community. Got photos to submit from your own collection? Contact Jason Plotkin at (713) 535-6414 or [jasonp@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:jasonp@emanuelhouston.org).



# Sisterhood News & Happenings

Fall 2017



## BOOK REVIEW:

*Haven*,  
by Ruth Gruber

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH  
12:30 PM

Reviewed by Diane Puschett

*Haven* is about legendary journalist Ruth Gruber's experiences with 1,000 WWII refugees who were permitted entry by FDR to the United States, on the condition that they would be returned to their respective countries of origin, at the end of the war. Gruber's remarkable reporting and persistent lobbying led to a heart-wrenching struggle with the Roosevelt administration, to allow these refugees to remain in the United States.

This book review is free and open to the community. Bring your lunch! We'll provide the desserts.



## Tallit on Sale in September at New Traditions Gift Shop

Having a Bar or Bat Mitzvah this year? Decided you need a new tallit for yontif? Come take advantage of a fabulous sale at New Traditions! ALL tallit on sale through the end of September at 25 percent off. The New Traditions Gift Shop is also selling *Mishkan HaNefesh*, the Union's new High Holy Day prayerbook.

For more information, contact the Sisterhood at (713) 529-5771, ext. 233 or email [sishood@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:sishood@emanuelhouston.org).

## Emanu El Sisterhood Participating in Community-Wide Program Sunday, September 10th

Congregation Emanu El's Sisterhood is partnering with other Sisterhoods from across the greater Houston area to take part in a visit by *New York Times* best-selling author Lisa Lillien.

The program takes place on **Sunday, September 10th at 10:30 a.m.** (check-in begins at 9:45 a.m.) at Congregation Beth Yeshurun. The cost of admission is \$36 which includes the program and a 'swag bag' with Lisa Lillien's latest book entitled *Hungry Girl Clean & Hungry Obsessed!*, *Hungry Girl's favorite snacks & more*.

To RSVP, visit [hungrygirlhouston.eventbrite.com](http://hungrygirlhouston.eventbrite.com).

## New Traditions Announces New Hours

The New Traditions gift shop will be changing its hours, effective **Sunday, September 11th** coinciding with the first day of Helfman Religious School.

Starting on that date, the gift shop will resume its 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. schedule on Sundays when Religious School is in session. During the week, the shop will be open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**NEW THIS FALL**, the New Traditions gift shop will open from 4:00-6:45 p.m. on Wednesdays and 4:45-6:45 p.m. on Thursdays.

For more information on New Traditions gift shop, contact the Sisterhood office at (713) 529-5771, ext. 233.

## Mah Jongg With Sisterhood Wednesday, September 13th, 1:30 p.m.

Mark your calendar. BAM! It all happens **Wednesday, September 13th at 1:30 p.m.**

Sisterhood invites you to a delightful afternoon of Mah Jongg on **Wednesday, September 13th at 1:30 p.m.** at Congregation Emanu El. Bring friends, cards, Mah Jongg sets and enjoy the fun with good company and plenty of snacks at no charge.

Crack open your Mah Jongg set and let the Winds blow Jokers your way. All are welcome. We hope you will join us.

**RSVP to Sisterhood by September 10th** at [sishood@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:sishood@emanuelhouston.org) or (713) 529-5771, ext. 233.



## Cleaning the Headstone of a Loved One

As the High Holy Days near, many of us plan visits to our loved ones who are no longer living, including during the Cemetery Memorial Service, **Sunday, September 24th at 5:00 p.m.** Before the service, or at any point throughout the year, you may want to take special care of your loved one's grave, particularly cleaning the headstone. Cleaning the headstone is fairly simple and straightforward, and just one of the ways that we fulfill the mitzvah of kavod hamet, respect for the dead. We've provided simple steps and explanations below to help guide you.

### EQUIPMENT NEEDED:

- Medium bristle brush for scrubbing
- Garden hose (stored at Emanu El Memorial Park – let us know before you plan to go out so we can make sure it's left for you)
- Spray bottle filled with 50/50 mix of bleach and water OR spray bottle with water only if anything is affixed to the stone (porcelain picture, Holocaust survivor medal, etc.)

**STEP 1: Soak headstone with garden hose.** If there is mud on the headstone, scrub it down with the brush.

**STEP 2: Spray with bleach mix and let sit for a few minutes.** Then scrub the stone softly with scrub brush.

**STEP 3: Rinse with garden hose.**

Bleach mix will likely splash, so keep that in mind and wear clothing that you don't mind if they get bleached or ruined.

If you have any questions, about this or anything else related to Emanu El Memorial Park, please contact Alisha Klapholz or [alishak@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:alishak@emanuelhouston.org), (713) 529-5771, ext. 213.

## Keith Remels to Deliver D'var Torah on Shabbat Shuvah

Keith Remels will serve as our special guest on the bimah during this year's Shabbat Shuvah service which will be held on **Friday, September 22nd at 6:00 p.m.** in the Barish Sanctuary.

Shabbat Shuvah has historically served as an opportunity for the congregation to learn from and with a member of our community. On this Shabbat, Remels will share his personal journey through loss towards a new relationship with personal spirituality and religious community.



Keith Remels

## You've got two options! Be a Friend, Bring a Friend

As we prepare for the High Holy Day season at Emanu El, I want to ask you to be mindful of two things. The first is that as you make your plans for services and such, be sure to include any friends who might be new to town or family members who may not have a place to spend the holidays. We would love to have them as a part of our congregational family during this season and hopefully beyond. Be sure to send their information to [JillP@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:JillP@emanuelhouston.org) so that we can get them proper guest passes and make sure they feel welcome.

On that note, we are excited to have so many new and visiting faces among our congregation during the High Holy Days. If you see an unfamiliar face, or someone who looks like they may need a little guidance, remember that a simple introduction goes a long way. This is the perfect opportunity to showcase the warm and inviting atmosphere we all know Emanu El is synonymous with.

Furthermore, if you happen to see a staff member and/or clergy, be sure to introduce your new friends to them! As we get deeper into the programming year, we want to reiterate that nonmember friends and family are always welcome to attend our events and programs, unless otherwise noted.

– Submitted by Jill Patir

Membership & Outreach Coordinator

**PARENTS' NIGHT OUT**

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2017  
6:00 PM - 9:30 PM  
\$30/CHILD

QUESTIONS?  
[jamiea@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:jamiaea@emanuelhouston.org)

**YOU'RE INVITED!**

**YOUNG PROFESSIONALS NEW MEMBER DINNER**

**ISLAND GRILL  
2365 RICE BLVD**

**FRIDAY 7:30 PM SEPT 8**

WE'LL HEAD OVER IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SHABBAT SERVICES

PLEASE RSVP TO [JILLP@EMANUELHOUSTON.ORG](mailto:JILLP@EMANUELHOUSTON.ORG)

Four opportunities for the fall are set with our Basic Judaism and Adult Hebrew classes, as well as Emanu El's hosting of two Melton classes.



## Melton & More Adult Jewish Learning Classes at Emanu El

This fall course is offered in collaboration with the Evelyn Rubenstein Jewish Community Center of Houston and were created by the Florence Melton School of Adult Jewish Learning as well as local Houston faculty. Information about Melton & More at the J or how you can register for this class at Congregation Emanu El can be found at [www.erjchouston/meltonandmore](http://www.erjchouston/meltonandmore).

### MELTON! Jews in America: Insiders and Outsiders, Parts 1 & 2

**Mondays at 9:30 a.m., beginning October 16th (18 sessions)**  
INSTRUCTOR: MS. NADA CHANDLER

This course considers the challenges of Jewish acculturation to American life, and the sacrifices as

well as the contributions that have been made over the past 200 years. Lessons will explore such topics as Anti-Semitism and the Holocaust, Zionism and the State of Israel, the Civil Rights Movement, and other issues that address American and Jewish culture and identity.

### Foundations of Jewish Family Living

**Wednesdays, October 18th – December 20th**

**from 9:30 – 10:45 a.m.**

INSTRUCTOR: JILL PATIR

What are the Jewish values you want to teach your child? This course brings to life ancient stories and modern commentaries through engaging class discussion. At a time when your child is experiencing his or her own Jewish education, Foundations equips parents with the confidence to practice the core teachings of Judaism at home as a family. The Foundations class was developed by the renowned Florence Melton School of Adult Jewish Learning and is offered in partnership with the Evelyn Rubenstein JCC. The cost is \$165 for Emanu El and/or J members.

## Adult Hebrew

**Sunday, September 17th**

Hebrew is for you! Whether you're an absolute beginner or seeking to improve your ability to read more proficiency, we have two great year-long Hebrew classes beginning in September. Learn the alef-bet and read simple words in the beginning level class on Sunday mornings from 10:30-12:00 p.m.

For those who know the Hebrew alphabet and are seeking to increase their reading fluency and ability to participate more actively in services, the intermediate level class meets on Sundays from 9:00-10:30 a.m. Both classes are taught by Nomi Barancik, a skillful and experienced instructor of adult Hebrew. Contact Donna in Rabbi Silk's office at (713) 529-5771, ext 212 or [DonnaF@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:DonnaF@emanuelhouston.org) for more information and to register. An \$180 fee applies.

## Basic Judaism

**Sunday, September 17th**

Ever wonder why we light two candles for Shabbat? Curious why the Hebrew bible is called the Tanach? Need a refresher in Jewish history, theology, or ritual practice? Join us for Basic Judaism, an engaging class taught by our clergy team for anyone seeking to learn more about Judaism **beginning Sunday, September 17th**.

For more information or to learn of this year's class schedule, contact Donna Fraley, Ritual Coordinator at [donnafr@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:donnafr@emanuelhouston.org) or (713) 529-5771, ext. 212.



## Helfman Religious School

### Celebrate “Israel@70” with Helfman Religious School

2017-2018

The Helfman Religious School faculty and staff are eagerly preparing for another terrific year of learning and growing together in our learning community. Our faculty, as well as our programming for the year, is a mix of beloved veterans and long-time favorites, with some new faces and creative additions.

Among the new offerings this year are *Hebrew through Movement* for grades PK-2, and Youth Choir for grades 3-7. Look for more details about these and other innovative programs in the months to come.

Classes for grades PK-7 begin on **Sunday, September 10th**. Midweek Hebrew for grades 4-6 and Upper School classes for grades 8-12 begin after the High Holy Days, on **Wednesday, October 18th**. It's not too late to register! Forms are available on the Emanu El website: [www.emanuelhouston.org](http://www.emanuelhouston.org), or by contacting Gail Shapiro at (713)535-6400 for more information.



All of the Helfman Religious School teachers and teacher-assistants participated in 'Yom Moreh', a community-wide day of in-service for religious school teachers and teacher assistants.

### YOUTH & COLLEGE STUDENT NEWS

#### Seeking Information on 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 Congregation Emanu El! Even if you have sent us your child's information in previous years, please send it again because we use new lists each year. You can send the contact information to Alisha Klapholz, [alishak@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:alishak@emanuelhouston.org).

#### Greene Family Camp Reunion Sunday, October 29th at 12 p.m.

Save the date! We're calling all first through fifth grade Greene Family Camp campers! Bring your parents and join us for a GFC Reunion to celebrate an awesome summer of 2017 with lunch and camp activities. More information forthcoming from the camp committee and GFC.



Parenting For Life presents . . .  
**What Did Your Child Learn Today?**  
Wednesday, September 13th at 9:15 a.m.



Join Congregation Emanu El's new Director of Congregational Learning, Stefani Carlson, as she discusses the common values we share, what your children are learning, and how to nurture and implement these ideas in your home.

**Brotherhood to Host Monthly Supper Club; First Gathering at Cyclone Anaya**  
Thursday, September 28th

The Brotherhood of Congregation Emanu El is excited to announce the formation of a monthly supper club to meet on the fourth Thursday of each month.

This is an opportunity for men of the congregation to gather for a social evening featuring a happy hour or a 'pay your way' dinner at a different restaurant each month. Most establishments will either be new, 'hole in the walls' and/or near the congregation.

The first gathering will happen at Cyclone Anaya (5214 Morningside) on **Thursday, September 28th at 6:00 p.m.** For more information, contact [brotherhoodemanuelhouston@gmail.com](mailto:brotherhoodemanuelhouston@gmail.com).



**Emanu El Seeks Collectors Cars for Fifth Annual Car Show**

Sunday, October 22nd, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

The process to begin finding car owners for Congregation Emanu El's fifth annual Collectors Car Show & Food Truck event started several months ago and many have already committed!

Emanu El will host this year's event on **Sunday, October 22, from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.**, with a rain date (if needed) on **Sunday, October 29th**.

Over the years, this event has doubled in the number of cars and participants with vehicles representing every era. For a second straight year, participants and guests are strongly encouraged to bring canned goods for the Houston Food Bank.

Food trucks for the event will be announced in forthcoming Temple communications.

If you are a member of the community interested in placing your car in the show or helping out on the day of as a volunteer, please contact event chair Lenny Holzband at [lenny.adventures@gmail.com](mailto:lenny.adventures@gmail.com).



**SAVE THE DATE – My Generation All Day Adventure to Galveston**

Tuesday, October 24th

Emanu El's social club for those 65 and older will have an all-day adventure! Third generation Galvestonian Buddy Herz and his lovely wife BJ will board our bus and entertain us with stories of Galveston's colorful past and the impact of the Jewish families who came there. Highlights to include: "The Galveston Story" exhibit (atop the American National Insurance Building), private tour of the Opera House, lunch, docent-led tour of the Bryan Museum, La King's Confectionary and much, much, more. Details to follow including how to sign-up in upcoming temple communications.





A SHOPPING EXTRAVAGANZA

Wednesday, October 25th  
4:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
&  
Thursday, October 26th  
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

## 2nd Annual Holiday Shuk Wednesday, October 25th & Thursday, October 26th Now in its second year!

On **Wednesday, October 25th** from 4:00-7:00 p.m. and on **Thursday, October 26th** from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Congregation Emanu El will transform into a holiday shuk (market) and become the perfect place to find a gift for family, friends, co-workers and yourself!

Shop for jewelry, accessories, gifts for the home, gifts for your pet, stationery, food, toys and much more! In 2016, we had over 40 vendors and anticipate more for 2017. To date, over 50 vendors have committed to this year's event (a list of services/items can be found below).

**Admission is free for guests and the event is open to the community.**

New in 2017 is a "Preview Night" which will feature a snowcone truck, musical performances and more! We will also have door prizes throughout both days and on the Thursday of the event, we will host Emanu El's annual community shred day from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Please note that businesses are not allowed to utilize this day as a shredding due to the non-profit status of the synagogue.

Vendors interested in signing up are encouraged to contact Jill Patir at [JillP@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:JillP@emanuelhouston.org) or (713) 529-5771, ext. 262. 2016 vendors were contacted earlier in the year and new vendors are being solicited regularly.

**A portion of proceeds from sales of all for-profit vendors go to Emanu El.**

A current listing of services and items that can be found at this year's Holiday Shuk. List is subject to change.

- Baked goods
- Bath Bombs
- Beauty products
- Casual clothing
- Chair massages
- Children's books & toys
- Chocolate
- Crochet hats, scarves, purses
- Embroidered gifts and custom favor tags
- Event accessories
- Eyeglasses
- Gemstone jewelry
- Gift baskets
- Green cleaning supplies
- Faux florals and decor
- Handbags
- Handmade afghans
- Handmade art glass designs
- Handmade cards
- Handmade jewelry
- Hannukah gifts
- Health screenings
- Jewelry & Accessories
- Judaica
- Mah Jongg items
- Lipsense cosmetics
- Lularoe clothing items
- Novelty gifts
- Photography
- Puppets
- Recycled clothing & hair ties
- Skin care and cosmetics
- Tupperware
- Vintage Bits
- Wedding maps
- Wooden goods
- Yoga inspired tanks, tees and sweatshirts
- Young living essential oils

## Classic Connections Reboots with Wine, Mineral Water & Cheese Tasting

Come join your friends for the 'reboot' of Classic Connections, our Congregation Emanu El social group for 50s and 60s.

The first event on **Saturday, October 21st from 6:30-8:30 p.m.** at Nos Caves Vin (2501 Wroxtton) will feature a wine, mineral water and cheese tasting. The evening will begin with a short Havdalah service led by Rabbi Oren Hayon.

Attendees will have an opportunity to sample 10-12 wines covering different varietals and geographies. Taste and compare old favorites from a Cabernet or Chardonnay to something you may not have had before from both the New and Old World.

The event will also have a "blind tasting" of 10-12 mineral waters from around the world as participants will be surprised how different water from different sources can

taste. The cheeses will include samples from different regions.

The cost is just \$18 per person and the **registration deadline is Friday, October 13th** (or upon the event reaching capacity). Space is limited to just 25 attendees. RSVP at [www.EmanuElHouston.org](http://www.EmanuElHouston.org) or by registering over the phone at (713) 529-5771.

The Classic Connections committee of Susan Waldman, Don Robins, Kate Fox Slater, Helen Dreyfus and Cindy & Steven Reiner will be soliciting ideas for future events for the group to host throughout the year. To submit ideas via email, contact staff liaison Jason Plotkin at [JasonP@emanuelhouston.org](mailto:JasonP@emanuelhouston.org).



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

**ABLON FUND FOR THE CREATIVE ARTS**

To provide creative arts programs

IN HONOR OF

**The Speedy Recovery of Jean Beckman**

Susan & Ed Septimus

**ACCESS FOR ALL**

To make Emanu El accessible for physically challenged people

IN MEMORY OF

**Donald Peaceman**

Sylvia & Steven Brody  
Celine Kaplan  
Barbara Loeser  
Shirley & Hy Warshaw

**Robert Schnitzer**

Caren & David Cowan

**AUBREY & SYLVIA FARB COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND**

To support small and emerging organizations that improve life for underserved Houston

IN HONOR OF

**Aubrey Farb's Birthday**

Roberta Farb Colton & Douglas J. Colton

**Helene Scolnick's Birthday**

Susan Farb Morris

IN MEMORY OF

**Marilyn Rabinowitz**

Arlyne & Maynard Gimble

**Rita Wise**

Barbara Loeser

**BECKER EARLY CHILDHOOD SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

To provide Becker Early Childhood Center scholarships

IN MEMORY OF

**Toba Buxbaum**

Sara Astrich

**Harper H. Henson**

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**Anniversary**

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To maintain and enhance Emanu El Memorial Park

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Sharon & Herb Cohn

**CONGREGATION EMANU EL BROTHERHOOD**

To support Brotherhood programming

IN HONOR OF

**Dick Brooks's Birthday**

Susie & David Askanase

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To provide programs and services for special needs children

IN HONOR OF

**Dick Brooks's Birthday**

Barbara & Steven Mayer

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To provide programs for Emanu Elders

IN HONOR OF

**Joyce & Alfred Goodman's**

**Birthdays and**

**Anniversary**

Doreen & Ben Mosier

IN MEMORY OF

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To feed the hungry of Houston

IN HONOR OF

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**The 2nd Bar Mitzvah of**

**Barry Goodfriend**

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& Eden Glickman

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Linda Lesser

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**Marsha Wallace**

Sherry & Bruce Wolfson

**The Speedy Recovery of**

**Gloria Pepper-Katz**

Jennis Kauffman

IN MEMORY OF

**Stanley Neuger**

Susie & David Askanase

**FLORENCE & BEN BLUM LEADERSHIP FUND**

To send Emanu El leadership to URJ Biennials and underwrite leadership programs and speakers

IN HONOR OF

**Julie Alexander's Birthday**

Myra Lipper

**Myra Lipper's Birthday**

Doreen & Ben Mosier

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**Jan Sander**

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To enhance musical programming

IN HONOR OF

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**Congregation Emanu**

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

IN HONOR OF

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**Anna Baylin**

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**Barry Goodfriend**

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To support Greene Family Camp

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To maintain and enhance the playground

IN HONOR OF

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**Susan Garber**

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*To enhance Helfman Religious School programs*

IN MEMORY OF

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**JULIUS NATHAN MUSIC FUND**

*To provide musical programs*

IN HONOR OF

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*To provide prayer books for worship*

IN HONOR OF

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IN APPRECIATION OF

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IN HONOR OF

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*To provide Helfman Religious School scholarships*

IN HONOR OF

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**Robert Schnitzer**  
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**ROSE GOODFRIEND ISRAEL PILGRIMAGE**

*To help send Confirmation students to Israel*

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*To provide training programs for Emanu El teachers*

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*To send Helfman Religious School high school students to Israel*

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*To support programs for families*

IN MEMORY OF

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Wednesday,  
October 11th  
at 6:00 p.m.

Celebrate the gift with  
Consecration of Torah!  
Dance with our Torahs to  
the music of T. Torah & The  
Scrolls. Witness children  
beginning their religious  
school education in our  
Helfman Religious School  
as they march into the  
Sanctuary adding their  
link to our synagogue's  
chain of tradition.



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