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From Rabbi Hayon



Most of us assume that the Jewish calendar has a single dramatic peak: the solemn and holy climax of the year which occurs in the autumn. This understanding of Jewish time is correct, to a point: nearly all of the major holidays we observe in the synagogue – Rosh HaShanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot and Simchat Torah – fall during the autumn months.

However, it is probably more accurate to imagine the Jewish year as having two religious climaxes, which face one another from opposite sides of the calendar, six months apart from one another. On the other pole of the Jewish year, exactly opposite the High Holy Days, comes another tight cluster of holy days. Consider all of the Jewish observances which fall during the month of May this year:

Shavuot, which commemorates the revelation of the commandments at Sinai, and the beginning of Israel's intellectual and moral covenant with God's Torah;

Lag BaOmer, rooted in mystical traditions about the sudden cessation of a deadly epidemic that devastated the ancient academy led by the great Rabbi Akiva;

Yom HaAtzma'ut, Israel's Independence Day, whose exuberant celebrations follow immediately after Yom

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Leadership Shabbat and Farewell To Rabbi Samantha Kahn

On **Friday, May 5th at 6:00 p.m.**, Congregation Emanu El will celebrate the beginning of a new year of lay leadership while also wishing farewell to Rabbi Samantha Kahn.

Leadership Shabbat has annually served as the Congregation's opportunity to install the Board of Trustees and those volunteers who serve as lay leaders of the temple's auxiliaries. The Board of Trustees will have been elected at the Annual Meeting held on Tuesday, April 18th at 6:30 p.m.

Over the years, this special Shabbat also served as opportunity as congregants to recognize our school faculty members from the Becker Early Childhood Center and Helfman Religious School who have reached special milestones.

Adding to the festivities this year, the Shabbat will also serve as an official farewell ceremony for Rabbi Kahn, who along with her family has relocated to San Francisco as husband Matt recently took the helm of the San Francisco regional office of the AJC.

Rabbi Kahn has devotedly served our community since 2011, and has provided a wonderful rabbinic presence to pastoral care, programmatic innovation and worship leadership. We are especially grateful for



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Myra Lipper To Be Honored as Congregant of the Year On Wednesday, May 17th

The Brotherhood of Congregation Emanu El is proud to celebrate Myra Lipper as the 2017 Ernest Krautkopf Congregant of the Year, an event which will be held at Congregation Emanu El (1500 Sunset Blvd.) on **Wednesday, May 17th at 6:30 p.m.**

Although Myra is best known for her years of service to Emanu El as its program director, she has also quietly volunteered her time, expertise, and energy at Emanu El and in the community.

Myra has served in a number of roles within Emanu El's Sisterhood, including two years as its president. She also co-wrote and often directed numerous shows that

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WORSHIP SERVICES

Daily

6:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday

Shabbat Acharei Mot/Kedoshim, Leviticus 16:1-20:27

Friday, May 5th

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

Leadership Shabbat &

Farewell to Rabbi Samantha Kahn

Saturday, May 6th

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Proler Chapel
Bar Mitzvah of **Micah Bozeman**, son of Lindsey Bozeman

Shabbat Emor, Leviticus 21:1-24:23

Friday, May 12th

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

Saturday, May 13th

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Proler Chapel
10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Barish Sanctuary
B'not Mitzvah of **Maya Credeur**, daughter of Corey & Brian Credeur and **Leah Lynch**, daughter of Amy & Erik Kolflat and Russell Ditto

Shabbat B'har – B'chukotai, Leviticus 25:1-26:2/26:3-27:34

Friday, May 19th

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

Saturday, May 20th

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Proler Chapel
10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Barish Sanctuary
B'nei Mitzvah of **Jonah & Joshua Weber**, sons of Monica Weber & Michael Weber

Shabbat B'midbar, Numbers 1:1-4:20

Friday, May 26th

6:00 p.m., Kabbalat Shabbat, Barish Sanctuary
Bat Mitzvah of **Talia Kalmans**, daughter of Elyse & Lewis Kalmans

Saturday, May 27th

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Proler Chapel
10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Barish Sanctuary
Bat Mitzvah of Talia Kalmans

Tuesday, May 30th

7:00 p.m., Shavuot Evening Service, Barish Sanctuary
Confirmation Service

Wednesday, May 31st

10:30 a.m. Shavuot Yizkor Service, Proler Chapel

Shabbat Naso, Numbers 4:21-7:89

Friday, June 2nd

5:45 p.m., **Tot Shabbat Dinner**, Feld Hall
6:00 p.m., Kabbalat Shabbat, Proler Chapel
6:30 p.m., Tot Shabbat, Oshman Multi-Purpose Room

Saturday, June 3rd

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

Shabbat B'haalot'cha, Numbers 8:1-12:16

Friday, June 9th

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

Saturday, June 10th

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Proler Chapel
10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Barish Sanctuary
Bat Mitzvah of **Emma Berk**, daughter of Pennie & Adam Berk

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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HaZikaron, the solemn day of memory dedicated to the valor of those who have fallen in battle defending the nation of Israel. Yom HaAtzma'ut is quickly followed by Yom Yerushalayim, the holiday celebrating the reunification of Jerusalem in 1967, the military triumph that placed official access to our holiest sites back into Jewish hands for the first time in millennia.

The rush of Jewish holidays occurring this month is made even more dramatic by the fact that, while the fall holidays encourage us to acknowledge our human failings and vulnerability, these springtime holidays recognize and celebrate the luminous moments when miraculous experiences burst into human history. (It is especially interesting that so many of the holidays

that fall this month are rooted in the history of the modern State of Israel, and the seemingly-miraculous circumstances that gave birth to, and sustained, the modern Jewish State. It seems that David Ben-Gurion was right when he wryly proclaimed: "In Israel, in order to be a realist, one must believe in miracles.")

In Jewish thought, a miracle is not, strictly speaking, an experience in which the order of nature is overturned. Instead, Jewish miracles are times when human beings become more than we thought we could have been, when we exceed our own presumptions about what we are capable of doing or becoming. While Jewish miracles are imbued with spiritual character, they also depend upon human accomplishments which come about when we are inspired and motivated by the enduring values and eternal presence of the divine.

This, then, is a month of miracles: a time when our tradition calls us to greatness. May all of us find renewed inspiration and courage this month, so that we may achieve even more than we thought possible, and may the realization of our nearly boundless human potential bring fulfillment to us and honor to our people.

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Myra To Be Honored

raised funds for the Sisterhood and raised the profile of Congregation Emanu El in the community.

Recently, Myra has played a part in Emanu El's legacy efforts, serving as a member of the Emanu El "Create a Legacy" team and organizing a reception for families who had established endowment funds with the congregation. She also played an integral part in raising funds for the consecration/confirmation photo gallery which bears her name and that of Sheila Newar in the synagogue's Parkans Administrative Hallway.

Over the years, Myra has also lent her time and expertise to numerous organizations throughout the city, including heavy involvement with the Anti-Defamation League, the Jewish Federation of Greater Houston and Second Servings of Houston. Nationally, Myra was one of the founders and leaders of the Program Directors of Reform Judaism (now known as the Program & Engagement Professionals of Reform Judaism), a professional organization that provides resources and tools for programming professionals in the Reform Movement.

Named for Ernest Krautkopf, a longtime member of Emanu El who served this congregation and the community for decades without concern for recognition, this award is given each year to a congregant who has devoted years of hands-on volunteer service to the Emanu El community and to the community at large.

The Brotherhood hopes that you will join us at the **Congregant of the Year Dinner on Wednesday, May 17th**. Those interested in being a part of the evening can register at www.EmanuElHouston.org by the **Wednesday, May 10th deadline**.



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her strong vision for youth and young professionals programming, and the guidance she has offered our Helfman Religious School students and youth group participants. She has shown great leadership in adult learning and social justice work; we will miss her warm presence and her passion for Jewish social advocacy.

A festive Oneg Shabbat in honor of all those being recognized will follow the service.

Helfman & Becker Faculty/Staff Honorees

Helfman: Rabbi Samantha Kahn & Sarah Kronman – 6 years; Sophi Zimmerman – 18 years; Cantor David Axelrad, Ellie Morse & Judy Ney – 24 years

Becker: Gila Cohen - 6 years; Tracey Blumrosen & Leslie Strug - 12 years; Cindy Dohner & Mimi Weinberg – 18 years

OUR TEMPLE FAMILY

IN THE COMMUNITY

Several members of Emanu El were elected to the National Council of Jewish Women – Houston Section slate of officers. This group includes **Kristina Boshernitzan & Jody Sweed** (Presidents), **Bari Fishel & Aliza Plotkin** (VP of Community Service), **Nicole Longnecker** (VP of Programming), **Arlene Karchmer** (Financial Secretary), **Libby Marvin** (Recording Secretary), **Sandy Harris** (Director at Large) and **Jeanette Nestvold** (alternate).

Dick Brooks was awarded a second place medal in the national championships of the Giant Slalom in the 75-79 age group in Steamboat Springs, Colorado. Dick started racing upon retirement at the age of 60.

David Bozarth just released the first volume of the *Into The Balance* series where he compares 10 fundamental teachings of Christianity and Judaism.

Marlene and **Bob z'l Rubin** were recognized at the Houston Hillel Chai Notes event earlier in April for their contributions to Jewish student life on college campuses in the greater Houston area.

Ed Wulfe was named a Distinguished Alumnus of Texas A&M University, an honor that has been bestowed upon only 270 alumni out of the 459,000 graduates since the program began 55 years ago.

DEATHS

Lisa Clark, wife of Arthur Ludlow Clark, II; mother of Thurston Booth Clark, Lara & Perrin Washington Clark, Nimia & Arthur Ludlow Clark, III; grandmother of Bruce, Brian, Jacqueline, Isabella and Alexa Clark

Samuel Ellis Dunnam, IV, husband of Valerie Dunnam; father of Ruth & Jeffrey Dunnam, Virginia & Lee Lahourcade, Kate & Russell Dunnam; brother of Robert Dunnam

Doris Mintz Leaman, mother of Loretta Leaman Hawkins & Don Hawkins, Diane & E. Stacy Crumley; grandmother of Dana & Jonathan Frances, Lynda Goltzman & Terry Hallmark, Leslie & Eitan Suez, Marc Sposeep; step-grandmother of Anissa & David Paddock, Lisbeth & Dan Ganninger; great grandmother of Jordan, Jason, BJ and Jeremy Frances, Maia, Arik and Ezra Suez Caitlin Sposeep; step-great-grandmother of Harper and Lawton Paddock, Garrett and Kate Ganninger

Barbara Moss, wife of Philip Moss; mother of Stuart, Daniel, Ilene and Abigail & Marble; grandmother of Cole, Serafina and Elijah; sister of Madgelyn & Richard Pesin, Charles Pesin

Marcia Goldenberg Sloan, mother of Michelle & Lee Jacobson, Susan & Todd Goldberg; grandmother of Sara and Andrew Jacobson, Max and Benjamin Goldberg; sister of Nelda & Bob Meyers, Judy & Steve Loebel, Devy & Jerry Goldenberg

President's 2017 Annual Meeting Message



The past year was marked by completion of many items and the beginning of others, while maintaining traditional activities. Brotherhood and Sisterhood continue providing interesting programming while keeping their charity focus.

Brotherhood provided over \$10,000 to Houston Food Bank and the Emergency Aid Coalition from last year's Chicken Soup Cookoff. Garage Sale, hot dog lunch for

Helfman's kickoff, Car Show and chocolate matzah events touch many. Sisterhood attached a charitable cause to their events, recently holding a successful annual fundraiser. Thanks to Lewis Kalmans and Marci Weinstein for their leadership.

Additional opportunities for community were nurtured this year by Program Director, Jason Plotkin and Membership and Outreach Coordinator Jill Patir. Our Young Families and Young Professionals groups are vibrant. Mitzvah Day had new energy with the participation of our Religious School and their families. Jason nimbly organized the Holiday Shuk which contributed over \$7,000 shared between Becker, Helfman and the Temple.

We reached a milestone with the completion of our Senior Staff. We finalized our agreement with Cantor Rollin Simmons in May. Following two well-received visits this year, she joins us July 1st. Rabbi Kahn resigned effective in May, joining Matt as he starts his position in California. Her sense of justice and positive energy will be sorely missed. I appointed Helen Dreyfus to lead our Open Tent Committee that assisted Rabbi Hayon in identifying our next Assistant Rabbi. Josh Fixler, who will be ordained in May, rose above the other candidates we met and will join us in mid-June, with his wife Annie. Thank you, Helen and the committee, for a job well done.

Our Executive Director position opened when Steve Freidman took a similar position in his beloved Ohio. Co-Chairs Greta Pliskin and Pam Kutner led our search team that included Past President Haran Levy, resulting in our hiring David Lamden in July and his arrival in November. Thank you to all who ensured proper Board oversight in eighteen operational areas in the interim.

With Helfman Director of Education Marna Meyer's resignation in August, the Board deliberated on how best to support Helfman this year. We entered a three-year agreement with Goldring/Woldenberg Institute of Southern Jewish Life for curricular and staff support. Kudos to Matthew Silverman, Gail Shapiro, B'nei Mitzvah Coordinator Rabbi Dan Aronson, teachers and TA's for serving over 400 Helfman students well. A new Senior Staff position, Director of Congregational Learning, will be filled by Stefani Carlson July 1st. With her focus on Helfman in her first year, Rabbi Hayon envisions her creating a unified approach to learning across ages and stages as she oversees the educational vision and experiences of our diverse congregational family. Finally, Jamie Aarons, Experiential Education Coordinator, joined us last August, engaging our students in new ways.

Another Helfman tradition continued with the generous support of the Barish family and Committee Chair Joe Williams leadership. Last summer's Shirley Barish Memorial Israel Experience trip succeeded in strengthening the bonds with Israel of our students and our congregation.

I am grateful for Paula Katz's leadership. Becker Early Childhood Center provides one of Houston's best pre-school experiences while supporting the temple with an entrée to membership and funding. Becker is doing well as enrollment remains strong, continually meeting all financial obligations, including a profit shared with the congregation.

Our Building, Grounds and Security Committee and Security Task Force are working with staff to repair, maintain and improve our physical plant. They are revising staff procedures, emergency planning and High Holy day preparations. The Parkans/Lipper Administrative Hallway Dedication was held in August -acknowledgements to Garey Marks, Myra Lipper, Beau Pollock, Pam Lewis, Buz Marvins and Dennis Murland.

Long-term, reliable financial support is key to any nonprofits success. Senior Vice President Rodney Roth brought new energy to our Endowment Fund Board. The beautiful marketing piece describing the funds was completed. Thanks to Steven Fenberg for the detailed analysis of funds and to staff member Stephanie Kamion for the brochure's design. The endowment provides over \$350,000 annually, primarily to our programming budget. A reception was held at Julie and Drew Alexander's home for those families who have established funds at Emanu El to update them on their continued support of the congregation and to say thank you. Myra Lipper and Dawn Blitz led planning for that event. Three new members were welcomed to the Endowment Board: Gordon Goodman, Dora Klaff and Annie Stein.

On a related note, we joined Houston Jewish Community Foundation's Create a Legacy Program, a capacity building partnership of HCJF and Harold Grinspoon Foundation that provides training, support and monetary incentives to move organizations to secure after-lifetime Legacy Gifts. Building upon years of work by Rabbi Walter and Myra Lipper, our Committee is a call or email away from receiving your commitment to Emanu El's future. Aply led by Elyse Kalmans, and including Rabbi Walter, Myra, Jeri Amundsen, and Michael Rubenstein, we have 33 new commitments this first year, including all clergy and Executive Committee members. We will receive a \$5,000 incentive for reaching 18 commitments. Legacy gifts can be as small as \$1,000 and as large as your imagination.

The final area to review involves activities of and significant decisions by our Board of Trustees. Robert Goodfriend again led our committee through the annual financial audit by Blazek and Vetterling, an annual milestone ensuring methods, procedures, checks and balances are working, as this year's audit indicated. We have a professional, active Personnel Committee, with Todd Slobin as Chair, that is reviewing, updating, and codifying manuals, tools, and procedures. They are completing thorough performance evaluations of our Senior Rabbi and Executive Director, with a report to the Board expected in May. They also provide critical support to the staff, Executive Committee and Board in personnel matters.

Rabbi Silk and Jason Plotkin initiated a review of our catering services. Their research and formal bid process resulted in November Board approval of a contract with Smirnov Catering. They cater all Temple-sponsored events and are available to congregants for special events, e.g., weddings and B'nei mitzvah receptions. In December, the Board recognized and honored retiring caterers Anne Joachim, Inez Taylor and Rita

Wilkenfeld for their 40 years of service.

At our August Board retreat, Rabbi Hayon presented his vision for Emanu El. After discussion, the Board enthusiastically endorsed it and will work in partnership with him to achieve the following: Congregation Emanu El will have a visible and consequential impact on Houston's moral and spiritual, cultural and intellectual life. We will use this as a touchstone for planning, budgeting, and programming.

Rick Oshman and Elizabeth Krohn conducted a comprehensive analysis of our bylaws. The Board reviewed parts of their recommendations and the Executive Committee their complete rewrite. Richard Schecter volunteered to lead a process geared toward a final revision. Members will have opportunities to review and comment on any recommendations prior to a vote at our next Annual Meeting.

In September Allyson Lack, founder of the local firm Principle, presented the Board with her initial observations about our lack of unified branding. The Board voted to contract with Principle for a branding audit. Following a December progress report, in March Principle and Bruce Lessey and Laurie Lee from the Board presented the audit's results. Using imagery and quotes from founders, rabbis, and others, from the 1940s to today, they skillfully captured our story. They presented preliminary recommendations from typeface to logos, with final recommendations expected shortly. The Board affirmed moving ahead with Principle within responsible financial boundaries, designating funds to begin implementing their recommendations in priority areas.

In January, I appointed a Task Force to review the 2012 Revenue Task Force Report. That earlier group, led by Mark Brookner, researched dues options at similar synagogues, concluding we should move from Fair Share to a Standard Contribution Model. While the Board supported that move in 2012, they adopted the new approach only for new members, postponing full implementation. Stuart Gaylor chaired this year's Task Force. Their February report and recommendation led the Board to adopt the new model for the entire congregation. I will appoint a representative Task Force to develop an implementation plan. Once reviewed by the Board, a thorough congregant education plan, including materials, articles, and discussions, will be rolled out. The plan will be implemented May 1, 2018. Be assured, the Emanu El cultural approach to dues collection will not change. We will continue to serve all congregants, regardless of their dues contribution, and will continue to work with congregants, without judgement, as needed, in making a dues plan.

Finally, I thank the Executive Committee and Board of Trustees for their dedication and hard work throughout the year. With their leadership, and through the efforts of clergy, staff and countless volunteers, we had an eventful and productive year, highlighted by meaningful worship, study, programming and community building. Thank you to Past Presidents who willingly advised me, as there is nothing quite like this experience. And special thanks to my mentor, Past President Rebecca Lunstroth, and to Senior Vice President Rodney Roth, who unfailingly stepped in when I could not be there and who graciously allowed his Emanu El portfolio to expand this year. I am lucky to call you friends.

Thank you all for honoring me with this responsibility and opportunity. With your blessing, I will continue to do my best to lead and serve the congregation in this position.

– Jeff Basen Engquist, Board President

EMANU EL – AT A GLANCE THROUGH MID-JUNE

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 and/or on our Facebook page.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS THROUGH JUNE 16TH

MAY

- 2nd** – Emanu Elders, 11:30 a.m.
- 4th** – Widow to Widow Planning Meeting, 2:00 p.m.
- 5th** – Leadership Shabbat & Rabbi Kahn Farewell, 6:00 p.m.
- 11th** – Work of Our Hands, 10:00 a.m.
- 11th** – Book Review: *The Beautiful Possible*, 12:30 p.m.
- 12th** – Family Shabbat Experience, Cancelled
- 16th** – Kid Meals, 9:30 a.m.
- 17th** – Ernest Krautkopf Congregant of the Year, 6:30 p.m.
- 19th** – Becker Graduation, 9:30 a.m.
- 23rd** – Sack Lunches for SEARCH, 9:30 a.m.
- 23rd** – Houston Storytellers Guild, 7 p.m.

JUNE

- 2nd** – Tot Shabbat & Dinner, 5:45 p.m. (6:30 p.m. service)
- 6th** – Emanu Elders, 11:30 a.m.
- 8th** – Work of Our Hands, 10 a.m.
- 9th** – Young Professionals' Shabbat Shalom Y'all, 6:00 p.m. service (event post-service)
- 12th** – Gathering Place, 10 a.m.
- 12th** – My Generation at Jones Hall, 10:30 a.m. Tour & 11:30 a.m. Lunch
- 16th** – Community Shabbat Dinner (following services)

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SUMMER PROGRAM SCHEDULE AT EMANU EL

Tot Shabbat & Dinner **Friday, June 2nd at 5:45 p.m.** **(Tot Shabbat at 6:30 p.m.)**

Emanu El will host a Tot Shabbat dinner featuring burgers and tots on **Friday, June 2nd at 5:45 p.m.** Vegetarian options available. The cost is \$5 for children and \$10 for adults. Register at www.EmanuElHouston.org. Please note: this dinner replaces our previously scheduled Family Shabbat Experience on **Friday, May 13th.**



Shabbat Shalom Y'all!



Emanu El Young Professionals Hosting "Shabbat Shalom Y'all!" – **Friday, June 9th at 6:00 p.m.** (followed by trivia night & dinner post-services)

On June 9th, Emanu El Young Professionals will partner with the Jerome Robinson Family Young Adult Division (YAD) of the Jewish Federation of Greater Houston for "Shabbat Shalom Y'all!" during and after our Shabbat services. Emanu El is the latest synagogue to take part in this series. Attendees will participate in traditional Friday night services followed by dinner and a trivia night sponsored by the Young Professional and Young Family committees. The trivia will be hosted by "Geeks Who Drink," a trivia company you have seen at popular Houston bar trivia nights. Questions will cover topics from pop culture and entertainment to sports and popular decades throw-

back trivia. Teams will be eligible to win prizes. Prepare to laugh, test your knowledge, and hopefully go home a winner!



My Generation Tours Jones Hall Backstage **Monday, June 12th**

Are you 65 or older? Then My Generation is for you! We're a social club sponsored by Emanu El for singles and couples. Everyone's welcome! Join us **Monday, June 12th from 10:30-11:30 am.**

We'll meet just inside the entrance of Jones Hall, 615 Louisiana. Congregant Steven Fenberg, author of *Unprecedented Power: Jesse Jones, Capitalism and the Common Good*, will give us a private, historical backstage tour of our impressive Jones Hall. Lunch will follow at nearby Birraporetti's (500 Louisiana), next to the Alley Theatre.

Space is limited to the first 50 people who register at www.EmanuElHouston.org. The tour is free and the lunch, which features a small salad and a choice of one of three entrees, is \$25 per person, including gratuity. You can choose just the tour, just the lunch or both.

Jones Hall parking is \$15, with credit cards accepted, at the Theater District Underground Garage: Entrances are on Capitol Avenue and Texas Avenue, between Smith Street & Louisiana Street. Accessible parking is on Green Level 1. A map will be sent to all registered participants via e-mail prior to the event.

The **deadline for registration is Thursday, June 1st, or upon sellout.** For more information, please contact Jason Plotkin at (713) 535-6414 or JasonP@emanuelhouston.org.



Congregation Emanu El's Annual Community Shabbat Dinners Friday, June 16th & Friday, July 21st

For a third straight summer, Emanu El will host community Shabbat dinners – this year on **Friday, June 16th and Friday, July 21st** following services. Please note that RSVPs are required and Emanu El will not be able to accommodate walk-ups. The cost of the dinner is \$5 per person, with the cost subsidized by the synagogue.



50th Anniversary Celebration of Ann Frohbieter Friday, June 23rd at 6:00 p.m.



Attend Shabbat services at Congregation Emanu El on **Friday, June 23rd, at 6:00 p.m.** to celebrate Dr. Ann Frohbieter's 50th anniversary of providing magnificent and inspiring music to our congregation and community.

Rabbi Robert I. Kahn and Emanu El's music director, composer Michael Horvit, hired Ann as organist in 1967. In 1992, Ann, who received her doctorate of music from Rice University, succeeded Horvit, and she has held the positions of Emanu El's organist and choir director ever since.

Please join us in the Barish Sanctuary for a special service that will feature Ann and the volunteer and professional choirs in a celebration of the musical gifts Ann has provided to our congregation for 50 years. An Oneg Shabbat will follow services so everyone has an opportunity to greet and congratulate Ann.

For more information, please contact Jason Plotkin at (713) 535-6414 or at jasonp@emanuelhouston.org.



3rd Annual Food Trucks & Fireworks: An Emanu El Fourth of July Celebration

Join us at Congregation Emanu El on **Tuesday, July 4th at 7:00 p.m.** for food and fun!

Congregants and community members alike are invited to purchase dinner from a food truck and then enjoy a free ice cream social inside the Oshman Multi-Purpose Room. We'll show a kid-friendly movie and have popcorn in Feld Hall while the adults socialize.

Bring your lawn chairs and we'll then head upstairs to the fourth level of the Gaylor Parking Facility where as a community, we will enjoy the fireworks from Southwest Airlines Freedom Over Texas at Eleanor Tinsley Park which are anticipated to begin between just after 9:30 p.m. before the 'main event' when the fireworks from the Houston Symphony's 'Star-Spangled Salute' at Miller Outdoor Theatre light up the sky around 10:15 p.m.



**Book Review: *Saving Sophie*, by Ronald H. Balson
Thursday, July 13th at 6:45 p.m.**

Reviewed by Ed Septimus, *Saving Sophie*, is the second novel by Balson, the author of *Once We Were Brothers*. This novel, Balson's second, is described as "an action-packed, unforgettable journey of murder and deception, testing the bonds of family and love." The story delves into personal tragedies arising from the Israeli - Palestinian conflict in the West Bank. Sophie, the young daughter of an American father, Jack Sommers, and his deceased Palestinian wife, has been kidnapped by her Palestinian grandparents, who sequester Sophie and allow her no contact with her father. Characters from *Once We Were Brothers*, attorney Catherine Lockhart and her partner, Liam Taggart, join forces with a mysterious, female CIA operative, in order to launch a secret mission that aims to rescue Sophie and avert a major terrorist attack in Hebron. The book review is free and open to the public. A reception graciously sponsored by Susan & Ed Septimus follows the review.



3rd Annual Emanu El Night at the Ballpark – Wednesday, August 2nd

Congregation Emanu El will host its 3rd annual 'Night At the Ballpark' on **Wednesday, August 2nd** as the Sugar Land Skeeters face the Somerset Patriots at 7:05 p.m. at Constellation Field.



The \$18 tickets are subsidized by the Brotherhood and Emanu El.

Your tickets include an all-you-can-eat buffet featuring popular ballpark fare that will be open from 6:00-8:00 p.m., a shaded area to watch the game, a pool area to swim & a chance to schmooze with several of our Congregation's newest staff & clergy members.

Make sure to get to the ballpark early as Cantor Rollin Simmons will perform the national anthem pre-game!

This event has sold out both previous years and tickets are available on a first-come, first-serve basis and will be distributed starting in late June.

To register, visit www.EmanuElHouston.org. For more information, contact Jason Plotkin at (713) 535-6414 or JasonP@emanuelhouston.org.



**Tot Shabbat Kickoff with Cantor Simmons
Friday, August 4th**



The kickoff to our 2017-18 year of Tot Shabbats begins on **Friday, August 4th 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 Cantor Rollin Simmons. More information about the evening and how to register for dinner will be available in upcoming editions of the Temple Bulletin and other congregational communications.



Brotherhood Garage Sale Set for August 13th & 20th

The Brotherhood of Congregation Emanu El will host its annual Garage Sale on **Sundays, August 13th and 20th from 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** at a location to be announced. The garage sale is open to all members of the community.

Pick-ups for this year's event will begin in late June and will continue through **Saturday, August 5th**. Information on how to schedule a pick-up or arrange a drop off will be shared in forthcoming congregational communications.

Any items left at the end of the sale are given to nonprofit 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.



A Summer Sundaes Shabbat – Friday, August 18th

Save the date! The Shabbatoners will join our clergy in leading Shabbat services in the Proler Chapel at 6:00 p.m. and then we'll head into the Oshman Multi-Purpose Room following services to conclude our summer program schedule with the "ultimate sundae bar." Plenty of toppings and ice cream to go around for everyone!

HELFMAN RELIGIOUS SCHOOL



Helfman Celebrates Grandparent & Special Friends Day With 1st Graders

Music teacher Julie Sacks leads some grandparents and special friends in singing and dancing during the first grade's celebration of Grandparent and Special Friends Day in early April.



Helfman Religious School Registration

Helfman Religious School registration is still underway! All those families that registered by **Monday, July 31st** will receive a \$75 per child discount. To register, download registration forms and pay online at the Emanu El website, www.EmanuElHouston.org, by clicking through the '2017-2018 Registration' icon. You can select to pay the entire tuition or only the registration fee. You will need to complete forms and payments separately for each child.

Forms will be available from the Religious School office, if needed. Please bring \$50/child for registration fees with your completed forms.



Confirmation & Shavuout Service on Tuesday, May 30th at 7:00 p.m. Emanu El to Celebrate Confirmation on Tuesday, May 30th

A total of 25 Helfman Religious School 10th grade students will celebrate Confirmation on the evening of **Tuesday, May 30th at 7:00 p.m.** All in the community are welcome to join this group of students as they lead the entire congregation in a service celebrating the holiday of Shavuot, which marks the time when the Jewish people received the Torah at Mount Sinai. This service is an opportunity for our Confirmation students to stand together and affirm their connection to Judaism.

A listing can be found below. A class photo will run in a future edition of the Temple *Bulletin*.

2017 Confirmands

Allie Michelle Bickart, *Hannah bat Jonah v'Sarah*, daughter of Stephanie & Jeffrey Bickart
Ethan David Boniuk, *Etan ben David v'Kayla*, son of Kelli & David Boniuk
Hanna Emily Boucher, *Hanna bat Clara Chaya*, daughter of Carol Laufer & Leo Boucher
Saige Broadwell, *Simcha ben Feige*, daughter of Felica Provada & Jim Broadwell
Lauryn Raquel Curl, *Leora Yosefa bat David v'Gittel*, daughter of Sheila & David Curl
Rachel Katz Feldman, *Rachel bat Yaacov Melech v'Keren Elisheva*, daughter of Karen & James Feldman
Mason Scott Freeman, *Melech ben Moshe v'Chava*, son of Eveta Weingarten & Michael Freeman
Samuel Jacob Gerber, *Shmuel Chaim ben Chaim Dov v' Chaiya Freda*, son of Teri & Howard Gerber
Allison Darcy Goodfriend, *Hannah Daniella bat Reuven Meyer v'Simcha*, daughter of Julie & Robert Goodfriend
Kendall Paula Kalmans, *Peninah bat Eliezer v'Chaya*, daughter of Elyse & Lewis Kalmans
Andie Helaine Kapiloff, *Alizah Havah bat Baruch v'Dinca*, daughter of Tracy & Brian Kapiloff
Claire Kathlyn Kardesch, *Tsiril Cavoda bat Mayer Shmuel*, daughter of Katherine & Matthew Kardesch
Carter Sheldon Kardesch, *Keter Tzvi ben Mayer Shmuel*, son of Katherine & Matthew Kardesch
Leah Rose Lewis, *Leah Shoshana Lazar v'Penina*, daughter of Pamela & Larry Lewis
Sara Claire Lichtarge, *Sarah bat Rachmiel*, daughter of Karen Urbani & Olivier Lichtarge
Evan Mendelovitz, *Eliezer ben Leiv Reuven v'Yahudit Eliana*, son of Judi & Roger Mendelovitz
Adam Myers, *Adam Tzedek ben Rena Soris*, son of Risa & Jeffrey Myers
Naomi Alena Pryzant, *Nachama Alizah bat Yosef v'Yocheved*, daughter of Gloria & Joseph Pryzant
Mitchell Scott Robbins, *Elan ben Schmuel v'Devorah*, son of Debbie & Samuel Robbins
Robin Harley Russell, *Tziporah bat Sarah Kayla*, daughter of Sarah Leva & Mike Russell
Adam Joseph Schoenberg, *Adam ben Rachme'el v'Elana*, son of Michelle & Richard Schoenberg
Lauren Ann Schwartz, *Gavriela bat Mordecai v'Carmit*, daughter of Catherine & Michael Schwartz
Ezra Samuel Serebrin, *Ezra Shmuel ben Ephriam v'Yitzchaka*, son of Lisa Brooks & Frank Serebrin
Harold Seth Weiser, *Herzel Shmuel ben Chaim v'Brina Esther*, son of Brenda & Charles Weiser
Frances Gail Zuckerbrod, *Tziporh Avigail bat Chaim Simcha*, daughter of Stewart Zuckerbrod

Becker Early Childhood Center

Becker Graduation Friday, May 19th

Becker Graduation is right around the corner! Our 2017 graduation class will be celebrating with a special ceremony at **9:30 a.m. on Friday, May 19th** in the Barish Sanctuary. Congrats to all of our graduates and their families! A listing of students can be found on page 11.



Becker Hosts Annual Transportation Fair

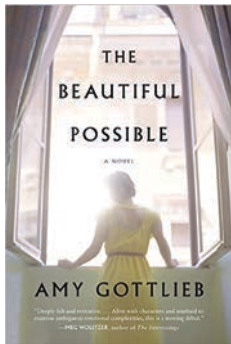
From fire trucks to art cars. From helicopters to trash trucks. Becker's annual Transportation Fair had it all! Our Becker students had an opportunity to learn about and explore the various vehicles of all shapes and sizes that parked along the east side of our campus. Thanks to Richard Buxsbaum and his team of volunteers for putting on an excellent day!



Becker Graduates

Emerson Allanbrook, son of Carol Lewis & Wesley Allanbrook
Madeleine Bell, daughter of Ranna & Mark Bell
Rayan Bhardwaj, son of Jyoti & Manoj Bhardwaj
Catherine Blackwell, daughter of Robin Holzer & Bill Blackwell
Samantha Blackwell, daughter of Robin Holzer & Bill Blackwell
Ozzie Bloom, son of Sara & Jeff Bloom
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Joshua Carter, son of Sarah & Jason Carter
Samuel De Llano, son of Yvonne Pham & Rod De Llano
William Dwan, son of Katie & John Dwan
Audrey Echo, daughter of Shari Liberman & Anthony Echo
Nora Feld, daughter of Miriam & Ilan Feld
Rory Fernandez, daughter of Michelle O'Donnell & Manny Fernandez
Charlee Frank, daughter of Ivy & Steven Frank
Josephine Furr, daughter of Grace & O'Neal Furr
Lilah Garner, daughter of Laura Nathan-Garner & Richard Garner
Liyana Hassan, daughter of Humeira Akbar & Saamir Hassan
Taylor Heil, daughter of Shauna Berliner & Steven Heil
Saryn Hemstad, daughter of Jennifer & Robert Hemstad
Lilia Jalali, daughter of Rose Khavari & Ali Jalali
Zahra Jimenez, daughter of Joohi & J. Ernesto Jimenez
Nikhil Kadia, son of Amy Hassan & Tapan Kadia
Finn Koenig, son of Mary Kay Koenig
Wiley Kolflat, son of Amy & Erik Kolflat
Joseph Kuruvila, son of Asha Kuruvila & Renju Jose
Ava Longo, daughter of Lara Colton & Eric Longo
Hannah Lurie, daughter of Sarah & Seth Lurie
Penelope Madof, daughter of Leah & Andrew Madof
Corvin Mallinson, son of Patricia Mallinson & George Joseph
Maria Maricevich, daughter of Renata & Marco Maricevich
Zayne Marom, son of Santhi Periasamy & Ronen Marom
Gabi Miller, daughter of Jessica Segal & Daniel Miller
James Mosbacher, son of Lucy & Peter Mosbacher
Marco Odisio, son of Erika & Bruno Odisio
Aavin Pandita, son of Rohini & Deepanshu Pandita
Sydney Pasternak, daughter of Rachel & Jeffrey Pasternak
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Alejandro Perez, son of Gilhen Rodriguez & William Perez
Myles Peskin, son of Hannah Brook & Jeffrey Peskin
Michael Pisarenko, son of Natalia Pisarenko
Coco Plummer, daughter of Allyson & Hugh Plummer
Joshua Pullara, son of Mirka Jalovcova & Michael Pullara
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Liv Umansky, daughter of Laura & Michael Umansky
Ryan Umansky, daughter of Laura & Michal Umansky
Edward Yoder, son of Leah Seewald & Drew Yoder

Book Review: *Beautiful Possible* Thursday, May 11th at 12:30 p.m.



Reviewed by Rabbi Samantha Safran, this beautifully-imagined and written novel by Amy Gottlieb follows a post-WWII love triangle between an American rabbi, his wife, and a German-Jewish refugee. Spanning 70 years and several continents, the novel tells the “braided” love story of three unforgettable characters. In 1946, Walter Westhaus, a German Holocaust survivor who spent the war years at Tagore’s ashram in India, arrives at the Jewish Theological Seminary, in New York City. He meets Sol Kerem, a promising rabbinical student, who is engaged to the brilliant, passionate Rosalie, the daughter of a rabbi. The lives of Walter, Sol, and Rosalie are connected through love, passion, humanity, and Judaism.

This book review is free and open to the public. Attendees are invited to bring their lunches. Desserts are provided.



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Sisterhood gratefully acknowledges the following patrons to the Sisterhood fundraiser whose names were inadvertently omitted from the printed program. Their continued support of Sisterhood is greatly appreciated.

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Stefani Carlson Named Director of Congregational Learning



In mid-April, Congregation Emanu El announced the hiring of Stefani Carlson as its Director of Congregational Learning.

“During Stefani’s visits with our staff, all of us were consistently impressed with her vision for congregational education, her thoughtfulness and work ethic, and her deep commitment to student-

centered learning and the professional development of extraordinary Jewish teachers,” said Rabbi Oren Hayon. “I have every confidence that Stefani’s presence here will be transformative and inspirational, and will elevate Jewish education at Emanu El to inspiring new heights.”

Stefani is a lifelong Jewish learner, an experienced and innovative educator, leader and mentor. A Washington, DC area native, she has lived in the Cleveland area for the past nine years, where she has served Temple Beth Shalom as a Hebrew teacher, B’nai Mitzvah tutor, and, most recently, its Education Director. She is a 2017 graduate of the Mandel Teacher Educator Institute, and its partnership Graduate Certificate program in Jewish Education from the University of Cincinnati’s Center for the Study of Jewish Education. She is a member of the Network for Research in Jewish Edu-

cation, and was recognized as a 2016-17 Fellow of the Portraits of Jewish Learning Project of the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Center for Studies in Jewish Education of Brandeis University. In addition to her many years of experience as a Jewish educator, Stefani also has worked extensively with secular non-profit and social services organizations in the areas of fundraising and development.

“The scope of our new Director of Congregational Learning’s responsibility will be more extensive than in the past; she will play a vital role in sustaining and enriching our whole congregation as a site of engaging, stimulating, innovative Jewish learning,” continued Rabbi Hayon. “She will oversee the educational vision – and the educational experiences – of our entire diverse congregational family. In her new role, Stefani will identify and implement educational best practices for Jewish learning, while continuing to honor our proud national legacy as a home of excellent educational experiences and outstanding matriculation and graduation rates in our Helfman Religious School, which will be the primary object of her focus during her first year here at Emanu El.”

Stefani and her husband have two adult sons (one of whom met his fiancée when they were both campers at Greene Family Camp!). She will begin work at Emanu El on July 1st.

EMANU EL SCRAPBOOK

Kiddush Cup Classic Champions!

From left to right, Jeff Applebaum, Allen Applebaum, Jonathan Seiler and Ellis Tudzin lift the Kiddush Cup. The foursome captained by Tudzin won with a “team net score” of 52.5, just one tenth ahead of the second place team of Doug Aron, Danny Levitt, Steve Palmer and Mark Reichek. The Kiddush Cup was held in late March following a weather-induced postponement earlier in the month.



Cantor Simmons, Rabbi Hayon Help Dedicate Becker's New Playground

Cantor Rollin Simmons visited Emanu El in late March and joined with Becker Early Childhood Center director Paula Katz and Rabbi Hayon in dedicating Becker's new west-side playground on a beautiful Shabbat morning which also included music by Ms Julie Sacks.

Congregation Emanu El Successfully Negotiates for Afikomen at Second Night Seder

Emanu El's executive director David Lamden successfully negotiated for the afikomen on behalf of the Congregation at this last month's Second Night Seder. Over 250 attendees were in the crowd as Emanu El celebrated seder as a community this past April 11th. The seder was catered by Chef Smirnov Catering and led by Rabbi Hayon, Rabbi Silk, Rabbi Kahn and Barbara Loeser.



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