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FROM RABBI HAYON



You will have received this month's *Bulletin* right around Election Day for this year's midterm elections. It is still too early for any solidly verifiable numbers, but it seems clear (even as I write these words in October) that voter turnout this year will far surpass that of other years in recent memory.

One can make the case that Jews are compelled by our tradition to participate actively in the work of democracy – even though we are not compelled by American law to do so.

Voter-turnout records are unusual for a midterm election, and are especially notable here in Texas, where the percentage of eligible voters who show up at their local polling place is traditionally very low.

Of course, voter apathy is not endemic only to Texas; America in general struggles with sluggish turnout at the polls. In the 2018 presidential election, a meager 55% of voting-eligible Americans cast their ballot (and presidential elections are when turnout rates are highest!). This rate places our country near the bottom of all industrialized democratic nations. The voter-turnout ranking list is topped by countries like Belgium (where 87% of eligible adults cast their vote) and Australia (79%), where nationwide voting is compulsory under the law.

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Congregation Emanu El Begins Countdown to 75th Anniversary



Thursday, October 18th may not have been a holiday, but it was a special day nonetheless for Congregation Emanu El.

On this date, Rabbi Oren Hayon via a video message to the congregation

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Heritage Shabbat: Kristallnacht

Friday, November 9
6:00 p.m.

Join us on **Friday, November 9th at 6:00 p.m.**, for our first Heritage Shabbat of the new year. We will come together as a community to remember the 80th anniversary of Kristallnacht, also known as The Night of Broken Glass.

Through moving music and words, we will commemorate the night that foreshadowed the atrocities of the Holocaust. This selection will include the piece, *Even When God is Silent*, written by our very own Michael Horvit, commissioned on the 50th anniversary of Kristallnacht in 1988 from words scrawled on a wall in Germany at the end of World War II.

The music will include our choirs and organ alongside Cantor Simmons, and will feature melodic treasures that have been beloved by generations of worshippers at Emanu El.

WORSHIP SERVICES

Shabbat Tol'dot, Genesis 25:19 – 28:9

Friday, November 9th

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

Saturday, November 10th

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Proler Chapel
10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Barish Sanctuary
Bar Mitzvah of **Ethan Canfield**, son of Cara Foldes & Steven Canfield

Shabbat Yayeitzei, Genesis 28:10 – 32:3

Friday, November 16th

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

Saturday, November 17th

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Proler Chapel
10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Barish Sanctuary
B'not Mitzvah of **Lilly Cyprow**, daughter of Laura Mayer & Jarrod Cyprow and **Mia Hirshfeld**, daughter of Betsy & Elliott Hirshfeld

Shabbat Vayishlach, Genesis 32:4 – 36:43

Friday, November 23rd

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

Saturday, November 24th

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Proler Chapel
Shabbat Vayeishev, Genesis 37:1 – 40:23

Friday, November 30th

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

Saturday, December 1st

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

Shabbat Mikeitz, Genesis 41:1 – 44:17

Friday, December 7th

6:00 p.m., Chanukah Latke Supper, Feld Hall
7:00 p.m., Chanukah Service, Barish Sanctuary

Saturday, December 8th

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

REMINDER: All Friday night Shabbat services are video streamed on EmanuElHouston.org in addition to our Emanu El Facebook page and Roku channel. Saturday morning services featuring a B'nai Mitzvah are streamed on the Emanu El website and Roku channel.

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Interestingly, Israel also lands very close to the top of the list; in the Jewish state, 76% of eligible voters make their voices heard by casting a ballot for the party of their choice. But voting is not mandatory for Israelis, so why would this be the case? How can we explain the fact that Israelis are so engaged and enthusiastic about voting while Americans are not?

It is possible that the roots of Jewish democratic engagement lie deep in the layers of Jewish text and tradition. Deuteronomy 16:18 commands: "You shall appoint magistrates and officials for your tribes, in all the settlements that the Eternal your God is giving you, and they shall govern the people justly." The rabbinic commentators derive from this verse that the people themselves ("You shall appoint...") are responsible to actively participate in the selection of their leaders; the responsibility should not be abrogated to prophet or kings. Moreover, the Israelites are instructed to choose officials who will best represent the interests and priorities of their local home communities ("...for your tribes"), so they will be represented faithfully in the highest levels of government.

Hence, one can make the case that Jews are compelled by our tradition to participate actively in the work of democracy – even though we are not compelled by American law to do so. A national population of engaged citizens and enthusiastic voters is always healthier and more sustainable than one which suffers from apathy and disinterest, and it is reassuring to know that this lesson – which is deeply-seated among our brothers and sisters in Israel may indeed have Jewish roots – may have begun at last to make its way into our national culture in America at large. This, after all, is the best way for all of us to ensure that our elected officials "shall govern the people justly." May it be so.

Rabbi Hayon – Winter Adult Ed Series *Love, Sex & Marriage: Jewish law and ethics about our most intimate relationships*

Join Rabbi Oren Hayon for a six-session educational series entitled, *Love, Sex and Marriage*. The class will offer an exploration of some of the most fascinating texts from the Talmud texts about love, intimacy and commitment. The class will begin on Sunday, January 13 with additional sessions held on **January 27th, February 3rd, February 10th, February 24th and March 3rd**. Class will take place **from 10:30 - 11:45 a.m.**

There are no fees or previous experience needed to attend the class, but please indicate your interest so that we can plan accordingly. To RSVP, call the synagogue at (713) 529-5771 or visit www.EmanuElHouston.org.

CONGREGATION EMANU EL BEGINS COUNTDOWN TO 75TH ANNIVERSARY

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formally launched a 75-day count-down to the 75th anniversary of the synagogue, which will be celebrated in 2019.

During the 75-day countdown, which is underway, Emanu El will share videos, photos, trivia and exciting announcements pertaining to the celebration on tap for 2019.

This multimedia will be showcased on a page commemorating the 75th anniversary on the Emanu El website, in addition to the various social media platforms (Facebook, Instagram and YouTube).

Highlights to date include the announcement of the 75th Anniversary logo which ties in Emanu El's original logo to that of its present-day branding. The synagogue also announced a song commissioned by the synagogue by artist Noah Aronson with contributions by Cantor Rollin Simmons, the Emanu El Youth Choir and Rabbi Hayon to help bring it to fruition.

To offer your assistance to the year of celebrations, please contact 75th Anniversary programming chairs Elyse Kalmans & Cheryl Levy at ee75@emanuelhouston.org.



The programming chairs for the 75th anniversary Cheryl Levy and Elyse Kalmans at the doors to the synagogue. The theme for the 75th anniversary is “Ever Open”, which references our Congregation’s core belief to be a place with arms outstretched in a wide welcome to all.

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.

Jeff Baron & Elizabeth Hufnagel, daughter Isabelle

Sam & Ivy Davis, daughters McKinsey & Shelby

Linda Hayon

Recca Gibson & Colin Baker

Mark & Christine Laskin, son Jared & daughter Sarah

Maggie & Neil Manus

Laurie Silver

Jeff & Sara Stein, sons Zachary & Brycen

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 Kaplan at (713) 529-5771, ext. 262 or JillP@emanuelhouston.org.

Coming in November: Your New ShulCloud Online Portal Account

We are pleased to be providing access for all members to the new ShulCloud Online Portal. Around the middle of November, you can expect an email from Emanu El that will include a link to create your password to your own account.

We hope that you will take the opportunity to create your password, login and look around at all of the new features available to you. You will have access to the member directory and be able to see all of your financial transactions. You can also choose to pay any outstanding balances via credit card (3% fee still applies) through the portal, any time you would like. Lastly, if you register for upcoming events via forms on the Emanu El website, while logged into your account, your charges appear immediately.

If you have questions about how to use the portal, once you have created your password, please feel free to call us at the synagogue at (713) 529-5771 for assistance!

EMANU EL AT A GLANCE THROUGH DECEMBER 21st

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

NOVEMBER

- 11/6** – Emanu Elders, 11:30 a.m.
- 11/7** – Becker Open House, 9:30 a.m.
- 11/8** – Work of Our Hands, 10:00 a.m.
- 11/8** – Book Review: *All the Rivers: A Novel*, 12:30 p.m.
- 11/9** – Heritage Shabbat: Kristallnacht, 6:00 p.m.
- 11/12** – Gathering Place, 10:00 a.m.
- 11/14** – Sisterhood Women's Day, 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
- 11/15** – Becker School Book Fair, 3:00-7:00 p.m.
(at Barnes & Noble, 3003 W. Holcombe)
- 11/15** – Interfaith Ministries, "Faith in our City,"
6-7:30 p.m.
- 11/19** – Mahj with Friends, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
- 11/20** – Kids Meals, 9:30 a.m.
- 11/26** – Classic Connections' The Monday After,
6:00 p.m. (at Star Pizza)
- 11/27** – Sack Lunches for SEARCH, 9:30 a.m.
- 11/28** – Kindergarten Bridge Preview, 9:15 a.m.
- 11/29** – Interfaith Homeless Memorial Service, 5:30 p.m.

DECEMBER

- 12/4** – Emanu Elders, 11:30 a.m.
- 12/6** – Emanu El Mahj Night, 5:30 p.m.
- 12/7** – Chanukah Latke Supper, 6:00 p.m.
(followed by 7:00 p.m. services)
- 12/10** – Gathering Place, 10:00 a.m.
- 12/13** – Work of Our Hands, 10:00 a.m.
- 12/13** – Young Professionals' Cooking Class, 7:00 p.m.
- 12/14** – Classic Connections Dinner & White Elephant
Gift Exchange, following 6:00 p.m. services
- 12/16** – Emanu El Platelet Drive at MD Anderson,
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- 12/16** – Emanu El's Choir Presents, *Broadway & More*,
plus supper, 4:30 p.m.
- 12/18** – Kids Meals, 9:30 a.m.
- 12/21** – Egg Foo Shabbos – Community Shabbat Dinner,
following 6:00 p.m. services

**NEXT BULLETIN TO BE ISSUED:
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4th**

Emanu El Responds to Pittsburgh Tragedy

The below text from Rabbi Oren Hayon was e-mailed to the congregation on Saturday, October 27th following the tragedy at Tree of Life Congregation in Pennsylvania.

Today was a dark and heart-rending day for all of us. Our community has been shaken to its core by this morning's unthinkable murders in Pittsburgh. Both as Jews and as Americans, we are sadly well-acquainted with violence and bigotry, but the horror of this crime is especially shocking. For an anti-Semitic terrorist to take the lives of innocent people at prayer, during the tranquility and sweetness of Shabbat, is an unprecedented event in our nation which must be grieved with seriousness and intention.

This evening, our entire congregational community is united in our desire for comfort and healing. We mourn alongside the victims' families and loved ones, and we hope to share with you very soon about how our Jewish community will be responding to the spiritual needs of our congregational family during this very dark time. Until then, we take comfort from the words of the Kaddish, which reassures us that God, who is the Maker of Peace on high, will in time bring peace and wholeness to this suffering and fragmented world.

As always, our congregation's leadership is working quickly and in close collaboration with our security and law enforcement partners to ensure our safety and peace of mind, and our full clergy team stands ready to offer emotional and pastoral care as needed. Tonight, the entire Jewish community remains strongly united to our vision of peace and goodwill, even as we share these bitter tears of grief and loss.

May God grant peace to those who mourn and comfort the bereaved among us. Amen.

Rabbi Oren J. Hayon

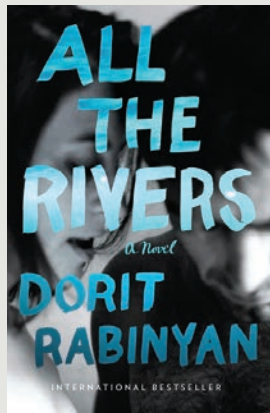
Cantor Simmons at the Community Candlelight Vigil

Cantor Simmons (second from left) was one of a group of clergy that led the crowd at the recently held community candlelight vigil for Pittsburgh in song. Emanu El was well represented with staff, clergy and congregants at the vigil held at the Evelyn Rubenstein Jewish Community Center.



Sisterhood News & Happenings

November-December
2018



BOOK REVIEW:

All the Rivers: A Novel,
by Dorit Rabinyan
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH
12:30 PM

Reviewed by Shelly Cyprus. Originally banned from classrooms by Israel's Ministry of Education, *All the Rivers* is a story about a passionate – but untenable – affair between an Israeli woman and a Palestinian man, who meet and fall in love in New York City, knowing their relationship has finite boundaries when they return to their respective homes in the Middle East. “The land is the same land . . . In the end all the rivers flow into the same sea.”

Book reviews are free and open to the public. Guests are invited to bring their lunch. Desserts will be served.



2018 WOMEN'S DAY Compelling Women



Sisterhood Women's Day

Wednesday, November 14th from 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

What do a plumber, a chef and a writer have in common? To find out, join Congregation Emanu El Sisterhood for Women's Day and listen to their riveting stories.

This “Compelling Women” program is **Wednesday, November 14th** with registration and coffee beginning at 9:00 a.m.

At **9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**, **MONICA RYAN**, owner and president of Village Plumbing, will inspire you with her amazing business journey.

At **10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.**, **IRMA GALVÁN**, founding owner and James Beard award-winning chef of Irma's restaurant, shares her delicious story.

At **11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**, Lunch, catered by our Sisterhood chefs.

At **12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.**, **MIMI SWARTZ**, executive editor of *Texas Monthly Magazine* and two-time National Magazine Award winner, will engage you with insider information from her best seller, *Power Failure*, about the collapse of Enron, and her newest, spellbinding book, *Ticker, The Quest to Create an Artificial Heart*.

For tickets, contact the Sisterhood office at (713) 529-5771, ext. 233 or via email at Sishood@emanuelhouston.org. The covert is \$20.

A Starry Night Downtown with the Sisterhood

Wednesday, December 12th at 5:00 p.m.

Join Sisterhood for a starry night on **Wednesday, December 12th at 5:00 p.m.** We will begin the evening with an early dinner at Grotto, followed by a tour of the art and sculptures that are adorned by the magnificent light and motion display at Discovery Green and the George R. Brown Convention Center. Enjoy looking at the sparkle of the beautiful lights while admiring the splendor of nighttime sights in our city.

LIFECYCLE EVENTS

WEDDINGS

Michelle Solomon & Grant Shackelford

DEATHS

Sonia Bloom, mother of Rachel & David Burgan and Donna & Michael Clairfield; grandmother of Josh Clairfield, Stephanie Clairfield, Brianna Burgan and Braden Burgan; great-grandmother of Madysen, Caitlin, and Catherine Clairfield

Marvin Cohen, brother of Renee Gugenheim Dorothy Freedman, mother of Sharon Rance, Naomi Rance & Nate McMullen; mother-in-law of Anne Rance; grandmother of Rochelle & James Cabe, Barbara & Eric Hammer, Stephanie & Daniel Helfman, Sarah McMullen; great-grandmother of Alana and Ethan Hammer, Benjamin and Olivia Helfman, Miccah and Brynn Cabe

Marvin Gerber, husband of Renee Gerber; father of Andrea Gerber, Howie & Teri Gerber and Gail & Norman Stalarow; grandfather of Micah and Logan Stalarow and Sammy and Jason Gerber; brother of Toby Feinstock

Gary Levy, husband of Joan Levy; father of Jennifer Levy & Joseph Cowart; grandfather of Lily & Ruby; brother of Jo Rose Cohn; son-in-law of Marion Levy Mendel; brother-in-law of Margie & B.H. Levy, Jr.

Selma Mantel, mother of Jessica & Matthew Mantel, Marissa Mantel; mother-in-law of Karen Mantel; sister-in-law of Diana Flaster; grandmother of seven Danny Savitzky, husband of Helen Savitzky; son of Amy & Yehuda Savitzky; brother of Eve & David Savitzky, Leah & Ira Davidson

Sallye Waldman, wife of Carl Waldman; mother of Suzi & Elliot Gerstenhaber, Gayle & Steve Waldman; sister of Elaine Helfman; grandmother of Brooke & Jonathan Reichek, Jaffray & Chris Getz, Emily & Joshua Mintz, Alix & Greg Wren, Farin & Andy Gerstenhaber, Matthew Waldman, Amanda & Logan Sherman; great-grandmother of Ellie and Lauren Getz, Benson and Alec Mintz, Avery, Lainey and Davis Wren, Ethan, Reese and Reagan Reichek, Hailey and April Gerstenhaber, Aimee Sherman

Edward Herman Zissman, husband of Deborah Greenfield Zissman; father of Heather & Douglas Fishman, Eric Zissman, Suzie & Jonathon Reckles, Meredith & Seth Bleiler; grandfather of Hannah and Justin Fishman; brother of Rhea Dinesman; son-in-law of Marianne & Larry Greenfield; brother-in-law of Tevia & Joel Friedman, Elizabeth & Matt Krohn, Michelle & Howard Stone

Sisterhood Membership Reminder

It is not too late to join Sisterhood for the spectacular celebration of 75 sensational years. If you have not yet joined or renewed your membership for 2018-2019, we invite you to be a member in this special year of exciting events.

You will want to be included in the wonderful programs planned for the coming year. We value your friendship and would greatly appreciate your support. Your membership is the foundation that enables Sisterhood to fulfill its commitments and responsibilities to the congregation and the community. To join or renew your membership, visit www.EmanuElHouston.org or call (713) 529-5771, ext. 233.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Sincerely,
Diane Puschett, Sisterhood President
Judi Levy & Jan Rose, Membership Vice presidents

New Traditions Gift Shop Announces November Sale

The month of November will be a jewelry extravaganza! All jewelry will be 25% off. We have a remarkable selection of necklaces, bracelets and earrings. Your purchases at the New Traditions Gift Shop help Sisterhood in fulfilling its commitment to the support of our congregation and the community.

Start planning now: **Chanukah begins Sunday, December 2nd**. The gift shop is open **Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. and Sundays from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.** when Helfman Religious School is in session. For more information, please call (713) 529-5771, ext. 234.

Sisterhood Selling 2019 Mah Jongg Cards



Believe it or not . . . It's time to purchase your 2019 Mah Jongg cards. The standard size is \$8, and the large size is \$9. Sisterhood benefits by your purchase. Please make your check payable to Sylvia Brody and mail to 2004 Vermont, Houston, TX 77019. For more information, contact the Sisterhood office at (713) 529-5771, ext. 233.

Emanu El Hosting 'Faith in Our City' Program

Various Faith Participants to Visit Emanu El on **Thursday, November 15th from 6:00-7:30 p.m.**

Come and discover the diversity of Greater Houston through Faith in Our City, a program that increases awareness of the variety of faith traditions we have in our community.

Each month, Interfaith Ministries (IM) is hosting, in partnership with Hines Center for Spirituality and Prayer, two separate opportunities to learn about and engage with a particular faith: a Lunch & Learn and a guided tour of a house of worship representative of that faith.

To register for the guided tour, the Lunch & Learn, or both, visit: <https://bit.ly/2lUqzIm>. For more information or to view the full 2018-2019 schedule, visit: <https://www.imgh.org/faith-in-our-city/>.

Congregation Emanu El will host its 'House of Worship' tour as part of this series on the evening of Thursday, November 15th. The series is sponsored by IM's Multi-Faith Council and The Freed Foundation in partnership with Hines Center for Spirituality and Prayer.

Second Annual Interfaith Memorial Service for the Homeless to Be Held at Emanu El

Interfaith Coalition to Take Part in Service to be Held **Thursday, November 29th**

The community is invited to take part in the second annual Interfaith Memorial Service for the Homeless which will take place at **5:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 29th** at Congregation Emanu El.

This year's memorial service comes on the heels of the 2017 event hosted at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart and is one of nearly 100 events across the country in which advocacy groups come together to honor the lives of the homeless people who died in the last year.

Rabbi Oren Hayon will preside over the service, which will include leaders from multiple faith communities. Each of these clergy members will share a brief reflection on their faith traditions' teaching on the sanctity of human life.

The names of those homeless people who passed over the last year will also be read aloud. At the conclusion of the service, a simple vegetarian meal will be served.

This year's memorial service is sponsored by Congregation Emanu El, The Donald S. Nesti CSSP Center of Faith and Culture, Healthcare for the Homeless, and the Ignatian Spirituality Project.

Though reservations are not required, we are asking participants to register for the event by calling Emanu El at (713) 529-5771 or by visiting the Emanu El website at www.emanuelhouston.org in order to assist in preparations for the post-event dinner.

Those unable to attend the service will be able to watch on the aforementioned Emanu El web site or on the Emanu El Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/emanuelhouston/>).

To volunteer or for more information, contact Jason Plotkin at jasonp@emanuelhouston.org or (713) 535-6414.

Calling All Latke Makers! Sunday, December 2nd, from 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Share your time and talent as we fry up the famous Emanu El latkes for our congregation's annual Latke Supper & Chanukah celebration on **Friday, December 7th**. Sign up for one of three shifts. There will be two 90-minute latke frying shift to begin at **either 9:00 or 10:30 a.m.**

There will also be a **12:00 – 1:30 p.m.** "counting, packing & close out" shift. Please contact Gail Shapiro in the Religious School office to reserve your spot at (713) 535-6400, ext. 261 or gails@emanuelhouston.org. You can also register online at www.EmanuElHouston.org. Special thanks to Terry Cominsky for once again leading this effort!

Light the Lights, Celebrate Chanukah with Congregation Emanu El Friday, December 7th

Latke Supper at 6:00 p.m.; followed by Chanukah Service & Shabbat at 7:00 p.m.

On **Friday, December 7th at 6:00 p.m.**, our annual Chanukah tradition resumes with the congregation's Chanukah Latke Supper.

A brisket dinner in Feld Hall including the popular latkes made by our Religious School Community will lead off our night with a special Chanukah service featuring our clergy and youth choir in the Barish Sanctuary to follow.

Congregants and community members are encouraged to BYOM (Bring Your Own Menorah) with candles as we come together during the Chanukah service to light our menorahs to brighten the Sanctuary on this special night.

RSVPs are a must for the Chanukah Supper with costs of \$6 for a child, \$12 for an adult or \$36 for a family of four. Registrations can be handled on the www.EmanuElHouston.org website.

Broadway & More: The Volunteer Choir Celebrates Emanu El's 75th Anniversary

You will surely want to sing along as Emanu El's volunteer choir presents musical numbers from Annie Get Your Gun, Oklahoma, Cole Porter and more celebrating the best of Broadway on **Sunday, December 16th at 4:30 p.m.**

The cost of the performance which includes a post-show supper is just \$5 and can be purchased by visiting www.EmanuElHouston.org or by sending a check to the synagogue, 1500 Sunset Blvd, Houston, TX 77005.

Reserve your tickets now as seats are limited!

Egg Foo Shabbos – Community Shabbat Dinner

**Friday, December 21st following
6:00 p.m. services**

What's the holiday season without some Chinese inspired food? This year, we're changing the format of our annual 'Egg Foo Shabbos' celebration and styling the

post-Shabbat meal similar to our popular community Shabbat dinners instead of an Oneg.

Following services, join our community for a \$5 per person meal featuring Chinese classics, fortune cookies and more. Register online or by sending a check to Congregation Emanu El by **Wednesday, December 19th** so that we can plan accordingly.

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

Jewish-Muslim Christmas Conversations

Monday, December 24th at 2:00 p.m.

Congregation Emanu El is partnering with Beth Israel and HCRJ on Christmas Eve to partake in a thoughtful conversation and explore commonalities between Jews and Muslims. Details were still coming together as of press time. More information will be shared in our weekly eLetter and *Bulletin*.

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

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

Contact Jill Kaplan or Jason Plotkin at the synagogue. Jill can be reached at (713) 529-5771, ext. 262 or JillK@emanuelhouston.org and Jason can be reached at (713) 535-6414 or jasonp@emanuelhouston.org.

Classic Connections: The Monday after...

Join us for a glass of wine, beer and something to eat (other than leftovers) at Star Pizza, 2111 Norfolk, Houston 77098, on **Monday, November 26th starting at 6:00 p.m.**

Run your own tab and order the type and size pizza you want from an individual slice, an 8" personal pizza or a 14 incher to share. Star Pizza has New York (hand tossed) and Chicago (deep dish) style pizza as well as Gluten free pizza and desserts along with numerous beers and wines. Their menu can be found at www.starpizza.net.

Come join your old friends and acquaintances and make some new ones after work on Monday the 26th. While registration is not required, please **RSVP to Jason Plotkin** at jasonp@emanuelhouston.org or (713) 535-6414 or by visiting www.EmanuElHouston.org to let us know **by Tuesday, November 20th** if you are planning to attend so we can request the right amount of space at the venue.

Classic Connections is a group for members of our community who are in their 50s and 60s.

Young Professionals: Israel Cooking Class

Thursday, December 13th at 7:00 p.m.

Join fellow Emanu El Young Professionals along with Rabbi Fixler for an intimate cooking class led by the new community Shlichah, Hadas Levy. We'll join together for a great night of cooking Israeli dishes, get to know each other and enjoy a great dinner that we have just made from scratch. Using different Israeli cuisine, we will explore various Ashkenazi, Sephardic, and Mizrahi traditions with unique flavors you've never tasted before!

Space is limited, so please **RSVP to Jill Kaplan**, JillK@emanuelhouston.org **by December 6th**. Address will be provided upon receiving your RSVP.

Classic Connections December Dinner and White Elephant Gift Exchange

Friday, December 14th

Get together with Classic Connections for an evening of laughter, latkes, and libations on **Friday, December 14th** after Shabbat evening services. We will repeat last year's highly successful White Elephant Gift Exchange at which you can pick, pass or trade your ultimate re-gift!

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This is the perfect time to find a new home for that gift you have been longing to part with, a gag gift, or just something that strikes your fancy. Please keep the value under \$10. The more people who participate and bring something to exchange, the livelier the action. Remember, it's one gift per person!

A catered meal will be served, including wine. The cost will be \$15 per person. Advance registrations are a must. Please RSVP at www.EmanuElHouston.org to register, pay and indicate any dietary preferences. Contact Jason Plotkin at (713) 535-6414 or JasonP@emanuelhouston.org for additional information or assistance in registering.

Classic Connections is a group for members of our community who are in their 50s and 60s.

Two Monthly Mahj Opportunities for Congregation

First Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. & Third Mondays at 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Our "first Thursday" group of Mahj players gathers at 5:30 p.m. in the Stillman-Lack Library with a nominal \$5 fee to cover drinks and dinner. The December gathering is **Thursday, December 6th**. Novice and advanced players welcome! For more information and to RSVP, please email Elizabeth Townsend at ElizabethT@emanuelhouston.org or (713) 529-5771, ext. 222. RSVPs can also be handled on the Emanu El website at www.emanuelhouston.org.

Due to high demand, the Emanu El Jokers will host a fun afternoon of the **third Monday of each month**, starting on **Monday, November 19th from 1:00-4:00 p.m.** Bring your sets, cards and friends. Noshes and drinks will be provided. If you would like to play, please **RSVP to the Sisterhood office** at (713) 529-5771, ext. 233 or sishood@emanuelhouston.org.

Emanu El Seeking to Create Euchre Play Group



In response to a call out for congregants to inform the synagogue on what they would like to see, a member of our congregation is seeking to start a Euchre playgroup at Emanu El.

Euchre is a card game that is popular in the Midwest (Ohio,

Michigan) and similar to one played in South Africa, called Klaverjas. Euchre is a trick-taking card game most commonly played with four people in two partnerships

with a deck of 24 cards (Nine through Ace). Each player is dealt five cards. Similar to Bridge (but much, much simpler), there is at most two rounds of bidding to select a trump suit and play begins.

The one anomaly is that only in the trump suit, the jack of that suit is the highest card (the right Bower) and the jack of the other same-color suit is the second highest card (left Bower). Otherwise, cards are ranked as expected with an Ace being the highest and the 9 being the lowest. The object of each hand is for the team that selected the trump suit to take three "tricks" out of a possible five. The team gets one point for taking three or four ticks, two points for taking all five tricks. If the team is unsuccessful, the other team gets two points for "Euchring" them. The first team to reach ten points wins.

Already playing Euchre and looking to find others to join? Contact Jason Plotkin at (713) 535-6414 or JasonP@emanuelhouston.org to connect with other members of the congregation to start this new group.

Emanu El Volunteer Choir

The Emanu El Volunteer Choir has been active group this year, holding performances at various venues across town and taking part in the congregation's Purim Schpiel. An active fall and spring are in the works!

All members of the congregation are invited to join the choir by contacting Richard Zoll at Richard.Zoll@yahoo.com. The choir traditionally **rehearses on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.** at the synagogue. Please make sure to contact Richard to verify the rehearsal schedule for the month.

Houston Jewish Dog Play Group

Calling all pups . . . bring your humans to Houston Jewish Dog Play Group. The new Houston Jewish Dog Play Group. It's really cool. We get to play at the dog park (sometimes there is even water involved) and our humans kibbitz with each other. After, we even get to go for drinks. If you're interested, have your human give Pam Kutner a ring and she'll send the details when available. pamelaekutner@gmail.com.

Congregation Emanu El Seeks Blood Donors in Honor of Rabbi Walter, Loved Ones

Several Options of Involvement Available to Donate Blood, Platelets



Executive Director David Lamden is flanked by President Rodney Roth and MD Anderson's Shelly Schultz while giving blood for Rabbi Walter.

In response to congregants asking how they could help Rabbi Roy Walter in his battle with cancer, Congregation Emanu El is asking individuals to donate blood in honor of Rabbi Walter or a loved one.

Individuals who indicate that they are giving for Rabbi Walter will also enable the Rabbi to accrue 'credits' towards his needs for blood, which is a normal part of treatment and recovery.

To aid in this process, there are several options available:

1. Emanu El is partnering with MD Anderson to host a platelet drive for Rabbi Walter at MD Anderson's facility, 2555 Holly Hall on **Sunday, December 16th**. There are six spots available at each of the time slots – **10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.** – on a first-come, first-serve basis and registration can be done on EmanuElHouston.org. It takes approximately two hours to complete the process.
2. MD Anderson also advises individuals to think about scheduling an appointment at their MD Anderson Blood Donor Center located at 2555 Holly Hall St. Free parking is available at the Holly Hall location with hours of operation on **Tuesday – Thursday from 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. and Friday – Monday from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**
3. Lastly, a community-wide blood drive will be held in conjunction with Emanu El's annual Purim Carnival on **Sunday, March 24th**. More details to come.

Please note that platelets can be donated every 48 hours while 'whole blood' can be donated every 56 days. In order to give blood, once must be in good general health and feeling well. Individuals must be at least 17-years old, weight at least 110 lbs., have a photo ID and not be pregnant.

General information on giving blood with MD Anderson can be found online at www.mdanderson.org/bloodbank.

Medicare Part D – Volunteers Available to Assist

ATTENTION SENIORS: Your current PDP sponsor should provide you with an Annual Notice of Change about your current prescription drug plan. Review that Notice, which may describe changes in your Plan, including changes to the premium, co-pay, and the drugs covered. If you are satisfied with the changes and want to remain in that Drug Plan, you probably will be notified that you do not have to do anything to stay in that Plan for 2019. However, you might be advised that your current plan will be discontinued or merged with another plan for 2019. In such case, you may want to review your options before accepting that change.

If you want to change, or consider changing, to another Plan, the Emanu El Social Action Committee will provide a trained volunteer to assist your analysis of alternatives. To make an appointment between October 15th and December 7th, please call (713) 529-5771, ext. 212 and leave your name, phone number, and the day(s) and time(s) you would like to meet. One of our volunteers will call to help you and schedule an appointment. Do not wait until the last minute to make your call.

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

When you come for your appointment, please bring: your medicare card, your drug list (name, dosage, frequency of each) and benefit record from your current PDP plan or pharmacy print out of drugs purchased in 2018, if available.

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

Emanu El Heads to Eastern Europe – Congregational Trip Planned for June 2019

Congregation Emanu El is celebrating its 75th anniversary in many ways during the 2019 calendar year.

As part of this celebration, please plan to join Rabbi Hayon as he leads a group from our congregation to Prague, Vienna and Budapest. An informational meeting about this congregational trip was held in late October. The trip's dates are June 11th-21st with basic information available on the ARZA World website: www.ARZAWorld.com.

If you are interested in taking part in this trip and were unable to attend the meeting, please contact Jason Plotkin at (713) 535-6414 or jasonp@emanuelhouston.org.



Becker School Open House for Prospective Parents

Wednesday, November 7th, 9:30 a.m.

See what makes Becker School such a wonderful learning environment for young children. Join us on **Wednesday, November 7th at 9:30 a.m.** for an informative presentation followed by a tour of Becker. Current Becker parents will join with Becker staff on the tours to share their perspective and personal experiences. To RSVP for the Open House or if you have any questions, please contact Judy Lazor at judy1@emanuelhouston.org or call (713) 535-6400.

For more information about Becker or to apply for the 2019-2020 school year, check out our website at emanuelhouston.org/beckerschool.

Becker School Book Fair at Barnes & Noble, 3003 W. Holcombe

Thursday, November 15th, 3:00-7:00 p.m.

Join us for a fun afternoon of choosing books, toys and more. Shop while the children are entertained by Honeydew the Clown, story time with Becker teachers and arts and crafts. This is a great time to buy holiday gifts for everyone on your list. Proceeds go to the Becker library. If you cannot make it to the book fair, you can buy your books and gifts online. Go to the Barnes & Noble website anytime **between November 15th and November 20th** and use the code 12359188.

After the Book Fair, grab dinner at Chick-fil-a for Becker Spirit Night. Be sure to tell them that you are with Becker and we will receive a portion of the proceeds.

Kindergarten Bridge Preview

Wednesday, November 28th, 9:15 a.m.
in Room 207

Meet the teacher and learn about this unique program for children turning five years of age that can benefit from another year in a small classroom environment before entering traditional school. This class provides children the opportunity to learn academics, social skills, and creative expression in a structured setting that supports the growth of independence and confidence. For more information or to **RSVP contact Judy Lazor** at judy1@emanuelhouston.org.

Sharing Simchat Torah with Becker



During Simchat Torah, Rabbi Josh Fixler spent some time on the Barish Sanctuary bimah teaching our children about the Torah. In the photo above, Rabbi Fixler shows the students a picture of a Torah scribe.

Peace, Love & Bingo



Becker hosted its second bingo night called Peace, Love and Bingo on October 20th. Thanks to generous sponsorships, donations to the silent auction, and our wonderful parents, it was a huge success. Event chairs Analie Durham, Kerry Gorelick and Meredith Kottler, supported by our PTO chairs Tewlyn Yoburn and Annie Stein planned this amazing event.

Becker parents dressed in their grooviest attire and played bingo called out by our parent emcees, Amy Davis and Joel Eisenbaum. Everyone had an amazing time and raised money for playground improvements and teacher training. Pictured from left to right are Alissa Gomez, Hannah Brook and Tewlyn Yoburn.



Helfman Religious School

On Sunday evening, September 30th, in front of their family and friends, our Kindergarten students and our new students in first, second and third grades, were Consecrated during Simchat Torah services.

The children sang songs and were blessed by Rabbi Hayon. "T-Torah and the Scrolls" provided spirited music for dancing with the Torah. After the service, a festive Oneg, graciously provided by our Consecration families, was enjoyed by all.

2018 Consecration Class



First row: (left-right): Penelope Liebman, Connor Marks, Theodore LeBlanc, Hayden Adams, Talya Patir, Sivan Funk, Gabriel Zamberk, Theodore Ropper, Josephine Kasner, Joshua Kass, Pearson Brynes and Indiana Newman; 2nd row: Jacob Bennett, Aniston Newman, Adeline Getschow, Sybil Pulaski, Julia Miller, Aliya Kottler, Holden Fraser, Hannah Fishman, Joshua Dickerman, Mia Dane and Owen Heinz; 3rd row: Sadie Hayes, Evelyn Krohn, Sammy de Llano, William Goldfarb, McKinsey Davis, Georgia Leiman, Maddy Pepper, Howard Roslyn, Wyatt Schaffer and Aaron Jacobs; 4th row: Max Widelitz, Claudia Chaudhary, Lawson Bieber, Leo Frenkel, Charlie Horan, Ezra Phillips, Annabel Turowsky, Alexandra Katz, Jacob Miller, Gabriel Goldman, Alexis Susman and Lane Gandler. Back row: Todd Weiss, Teacher, Rabbi Josh Fixler, Cantor Rollin Simmons, Rabbi Oren Hayon, Rabbi Pam Silk, Cathy Borden, Teacher, Stefani Carlson, Director of Congregational Learning and Evan Carlson, Teacher. Not pictured, Truman Yoder.



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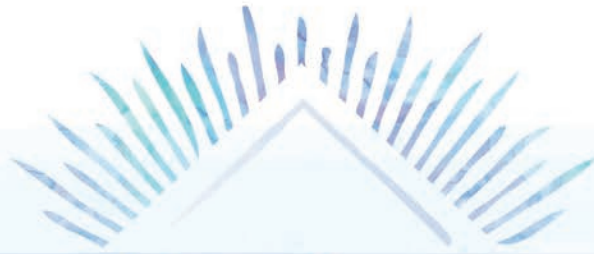
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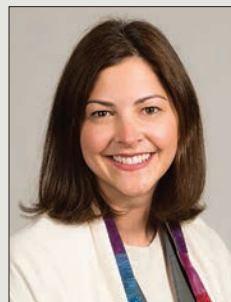
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Join us as we welcome in our 75th anniversary year with *Ever Open: A Musical Celebration*. **Cantor Rollin Simmons** will be joined by special guests Elana Arian and Noah Aronson as we sing songs inspired by the words on the wall of our sanctuary “Do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with your God.” (Micah 6:8).

Sunday, January 27th at 4:00 p.m. with a reception following. Open to all.



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