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FROM RABBI HAYON



I believe that the collective joy and celebration of Yom HaAtzma'ut is possible only because it emerges so swiftly from the darkness and grief of Yom HaShoah and Yom HaZikaron.

This month the Jewish community observes the days that have become known as “the new High Holy Days” in Israel: *Yom HaShoah* (Holocaust Memorial Day), *Yom HaZikaron* (Memorial Day for Israel’s fallen soldiers and victims of terror), and *Yom HaAtzma’ut* (Israel Independence Day).

The observance of these days in Israel’s national life is certainly different from the way in which military remembrance and national independence are celebrated in our country.

Here in America, the Fourth of July is celebrated most often with cookouts and fireworks and Memorial Day is a time for families to get away for a carefree vacation on the beach. In Israel, however, these tightly-clustered holidays (all three days are observed within the span of a single week) produces an emotional and patriotic intensity which is, to my knowledge, unparalleled in any other modern nation.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT



Jeff Basen-Engquist
Board President

My predecessor, Rebecca Lunstroth, a mentor whom I hold in high regard, challenged us in her final *Bulletin* column “... to rethink how we go about becoming a stronger, more vibrant community.” Upon completion of my two years as Emanu El President, I challenge you to go a step beyond those considerations and increase your participation, join in, as we continue to refine our concept of community. Wonders and rewards await.

My leadership experience at Emanu El began with Helfman classroom and then-PTA involvement. As I received

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**Annual Meeting
Tuesday, April 17th
6:30 p.m.**

**Dinner begins at
6:00 p.m.**

We look forward to seeing you on **Tuesday, April 17th at 6:30 p.m.** for our annual meeting.

Help us have a “BBQuorum” for our annual meeting, which will feature reports from President Jeff Basen-Engquist and Rabbi Oren Hayon. Congregants will also have an opportunity to vote on the budget, the 2018-19 Board of Trustees and a new set of bylaws. Information on the budget, nominating slate and by-laws were sent to the Congregation in late March.

The evening will begin with a free BBQ dinner beginning at 6:00 p.m. followed by our annual meeting promptly at 6:30 p.m. RSVPs are needed for the dinner so that we have an adequate amount of food. Please **RSVP** by visiting www.EmanuElHouston.org or calling (713) 529-5771 **by Thursday, April 12th.**

Childcare will be available for those between the ages of two months and eight years by contacting Evon Zions at EvonZ@emanuelhouston.org with a **deadline of Thursday, April 12th.**

WORSHIP SERVICES

Daily

6:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday

Thursday, April 5th

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

Friday, April 6th

10:30 a.m., Passover Yizkor, Proler Chapel

Shabbat Sh'mini, Leviticus 9:1 – 10:11

Friday, April 6th

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

Saturday, April 7th

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

Shabbat Sh'mini II, Leviticus 10:12 -11:47

Friday, April 13th

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

Saturday, April 14th

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

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Barish Sanctuary
B'nei Mitzvah of **Katherine & Jonathan De Leef**,
children of Dawn & Peter De Leef

Shabbat Tazria – M'tzora, Leviticus 12:1 – 15:33

Friday, April 20th

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

Helfman High School Graduation

Saturday, April 21st

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

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Barish Sanctuary
B'nei Mitzvah of **Jacob Bronicki**, son of Katie & Ron
Bronicki & **Riley Greene**, son of Heather Thompson &
Spencer Greene

Shabbat Acharei Mot-K'doshim, Leviticus 16:1 – 20:27

Friday, April 27th

6:00 p.m., **Family Shabbat Experience**, Sculpture Garden

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

Saturday, April 28th

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

10:30 a.m., Morning Service, Barish Sanctuary
Bar Mitzvah of **Ethan Chaikin**, son of Erica & Daniel
Chaikin

Shabbat Emor, Leviticus 21:1 – 24:23

Friday, May 4th

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

Saturday, May 5th

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

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

Friday, May 11th

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

Saturday, May 12th

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.

FROM RABBI HAYON *continued from page 1*

The emotional potency of these weighty days comes in part from Israel's relative youth among the community of nations; unlike America's, Israel's attainment of national independence was an event that remains in the memory of those still living. But it is also a result of the way in which all three are nestled closely against each other in the calendar.

I believe that the collective joy and celebration of *Yom HaAtzma'ut* is possible only because it emerges so swiftly from the darkness and grief of *Yom HaShoah* and *Yom HaZikaron*. This experience was of course not accidental; the decisions by the Chief Rabbinate and Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion to establish these days of national mourning were undertaken as a way to address the raw and overpowering emotions of Israel's citizens following the tumultuous events of the 1940s – and their choices proved to be strongly resonant with a seasonal pattern already well-established in Jewish life.

The cathartic experience of moving swiftly from national grief to collective celebration is one echoed by countless stories from Jewish history, not just in modern Zionist history. Our people has experienced the dissolution and subsequent reunion of the patriarchs' and matriarchs' families; the transition from Egyptian slavery to autonomy in the Promised Land; the psalmist's assurance that "those who sow in tears will reap in joy" [Psalm 126:5], and many others.

And so, as we travel together through the emotional peaks and valleys of this season's spiritual landscape, a primal emotional experience is awakened within us anew. The tragedy and triumph of Israel's history therefore, in literal and figurative ways, belongs to us personally as well. As we mourn and celebrate these days together, our observances are at once modern and ancient, national and personal; I look forward to sharing these holy days with you again this year.

*Houston's community-wide observance of Yom HaShoah will be hosted by our congregation and will take place in the Barish Sanctuary on **Sunday, April 15th, beginning at 3:00 p.m.** Please join us for this solemn opportunity to mourn the victims of the Holocaust and pay tribute to those who fought for liberation.*

Are You Moving? Have You Just Moved? Are You Not Receiving Synagogue Communications?

Are you moving? Have you just moved? Don't forget to let the synagogue know so there's no disruption in receiving synagogue communications in your mailbox.

Are you not receiving the Wednesday email communication highlighting upcoming events? Have you not received recent notices about congregants' deaths? Do we not have an e-mail on file for you and/or your spouse?

A simple phone call to the synagogue at (713) 529-5771 or email to Jill Patir at jillp@emanuelhouston.org can lead to your information being quickly updated in our membership system, ensuring all information.

Changes to High Holy Day Schedule; Full Schedule to Be Announced in Upcoming Bulletins

At the Board of Trustees' January meeting, the Board elected to move all Rosh Hashanah services to Congregation Emanu El. In previous years, one of the two Rosh Hashanah morning services had been offered at the Bayou Center.

At a subsequent meeting in March, the Board approved the Ritual & Music committee's recommendation to add a contemporary service on Erev Rosh Hashanah to the current liturgical offerings.

In addition, a modified Rosh Hashanah morning service will feature elements of both "A Time to Pray" and the morning service from *Mishkan HaNefesh*, the new High Holy Day prayer book introduced at Emanu El last year. Many of the popular readings from 'A Time to Pray' are part of *Mishkan HaNefesh*.

A full High Holy Day worship schedule will be shared in upcoming editions of the *Bulletin*.

Memorial Plaques

Our vendor has indicated that they anticipate a turnaround time of as long as three months for memorial plaques due to the influx of memorial plaque requests that they receive prior to the High Holy Days from synagogues across the country.

In order to ensure that your loved ones' plaque is placed

on the walls of the Barish Sanctuary in time for this year's High Holy Days, which begin in early September, we are asking that you purchase a plaque by the close of business on Friday, June 8th. For more information, contact Alisha Klapholz at (713) 529-5771, ext. 213.

Book of Memory

Those seeking to participate in this year's *Book of Memory* should anticipate seeing the *Book of Memory* form in the *Bulletin* issued in May, June and July. In conjunction with the *Book of Memory* being available in the May edition of the *Bulletin*, sign-up will also be available **online beginning on Tuesday, May 1st** (if not before).

This year's deadline for the *Book of Memory* for the Congregation will be on **Wednesday, August 2nd**.

High Holy Day Book Nameplates

This coming year will be the second in which we have utilized *Mishkan NaNefesh*, the Reform Movement's new prayer books for the High Holy Days. The books based on the post-High Holy Day survey were very well received.

Congregants have an opportunity to dedicate individual volumes (or sets) in honor or in memory of those who are dear to us. Information on purchasing nameplates can be found online at EmanuElHouston.org or by calling the synagogue at (713) 529-5771. To insure that the nameplates are in the books ahead of the High Holy Days, we ask that you return your form or fill it out **online by Friday, August 17th**.

Exciting New Advertising Opportunity!

Looking for a new way to get the word out about your business? Beginning this May, the Temple *Bulletin* will host ads in a tasteful way, displayed at the rear of our monthly communication.

The Temple *Bulletin* is sent to over 1,750 families, to our various partner organizations in the community, displayed on our Emanu El website and available in our facility to the many guests who frequent our building.

Companies and organizations can purchase a one-time ad or find savings in their purchase by committing to multiple months. The proceeds of these ads will help off-set the cost of the Temple *Bulletin* and other synagogue communications.

Interested in purchasing an ad or acquiring a rate sheet? Contact David Lamden at (713) 529-5771, ext. 221 or DavidL@emanuelhouston.org.

Our clergy want to know . . .

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

Contact the synagogue at (713) 529-5771, so that our rabbis can reach out and visit and be a source of strength and support.

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

FROM THE PRESIDENT *continued from page 1*

encouragement, I was granted greater responsibility. Lessons learned from other leaders proved invaluable. I urge you to find your niche among our volunteers. A large organization such as ours requires all kinds of support, from financial, to intellectual, to sweat equity. High Holy Day ushering, tikkun olam actions, budgeting, welcoming, planning, teaching and grieving are experiences we share as a faith community. Each of us has talents and gifts to contribute. If our experiences compare, you will receive in return more than you gave and your gift to the community will lead to others.

Inspired by our rabbis and in preparing for this moment, I researched gratitude and found, in the Mishneh Torah, three types of blessing described: for deriving benefit, for fulfilling a mitzvah, and the blessing of thanks.

I have benefitted and am most grateful for your trust, patience and guidance during the last two years. In the quiet moments after becoming President there was this, "Flying by the seat of your pants precedes crashing by the seat of your pants." (Bill Walsh) Preparation precedes inspiration. I have drawn on the knowledge acquired in a lifetime as part of a variety of organizations and on the participatory leadership skills developed in formal and unconventional groups. Like a good quarterback, I have tried to keep my eyes downfield, even as the daily crush closed in. It is exhilarating to see our recent accomplishments and plans and humbling to know I was a part of the leadership in this journey together.

I have witnessed innumerable good deeds performed by and for this congregation. I will spend time at the Annual Meeting thanking my friends and colleagues more specifically. From the rather unique perch I have occupied, the commitment of clergy, staff, and congregants of all stripes has been awe-inspiring to observe. Each day there are those who spend time unobserved and those who go beyond their job descriptions for us. Leadership at any level attracts criticism, sometimes undeserved. To each of you who has seen beyond those moments to elevate the dialogue and stay the course, thank you.

And I have received more than my share of thanks. Don't get me wrong. Sometimes they lit the path. However, behind each occasion or decision drawing appreciation, there was a team of volunteers and staff who did most of the heavy lifting. As you encounter them, please express your appreciation to them.

At Shabbat services, Rabbi Fixler frequently suggests that one way to fill the moment of silent prayer is to list five things for which one is grateful, noting "I guarantee it will change your life." This lesson, reflecting teachings from the Mussar, stems from the term gratitude, hakarat hatov, "recognizing the good." These days, Rabbi, my list is much longer than five. I have been blessed and honored to observe the good as your President. It has changed my life. I look forward to continuing to build our future together.

Seeking Archival Photos, Documents Ahead of 75th Anniversary

Did you know that Congregation Emanu El has a robust archives?

Under the direction of archivist Maxine Reingold, Emanu El has quite the collection – some of which has been used for displays around the building, as part of the congregation's social media efforts and in various mementos over the years. As part of our planning for Emanu El's 75th anniversary celebration in 2019, we are looking to enhance these archives.

Do you have an old photo or document laying around that you would be willing to donate to the synagogue? Please let us know! You can contact Jason Plotkin at (713) 535-6414 or JasonP@emanuelhouston.org or Maxine Reingold at archives@emanuelhouston.org. We'd be happy to learn more about your piece of Emanu El history.

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 or if you are already a member, find us at @emanuelhouston.

 **LIKE US ON FACEBOOK**
www.facebook.com/emanuelhouston

Many Ways to Follow Worship, Special Events at Emanu El

Congregation Emanu El is working hard to make its services and special events accessible beyond the walls of our synagogue's building.

All Friday night services are available on the synagogue website, www.emanuelhouston.org), in addition to our Facebook page, www.Facebook.com/emanuelhouston and on one of two Roku channels ("Emanu El Houston Proler Chapel" for events from the Chapel and "Emanu El Houston" for events from the Barish Sanctuary).

Any Saturday morning services featuring a B'nei Mitzvah can be found on both our website or the respective Roku channel.

In addition to these regular Shabbat offerings, select special events are also broadcast on the synagogue web site and Roku channels and often times on Facebook.

For verification of what events can be found online or if you have any additional questions, please contact Jason Plotkin at (713) 535-6414 or JasonP@emanuelhouston.org.



EMANU EL AT A GLANCE THROUGH MAY 17th

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 on our Facebook page.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(through May 19, 2018)

APRIL

- 4/3 – Emanu Elders, 11:30 a.m.
- 4/4 – Emanu El Lunch & Learn Series – “Developing Gratitude through Jewish text and tradition”, 12:00 p.m.
- 4/4 – Emanu El Proposed Bylaws Informational Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 4/8 – Chicken Soup Cookoff, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- 4/8 – Joe Buchanan in Concert, 2:15 p.m.
- 4/9 – Gathering Place, 10:00 a.m.
- 4/11 – Becker Transportation Fair, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- 4/11 – Sisterhood Tour of GRB & Discovery Green, 10:00 a.m.
- 4/12 – Work of Our Hands, 9:30 a.m.
- 4/12 – JED Talks, 6:30 p.m. (dinner) & 7:00 p.m. (presentation)
- 4/15 – Emanu El Proposed Bylaws Informational Meeting, 10:30 a.m.
- 4/15 – Yom Ha’Shoah, 3:00 p.m.
- 4/17 – Kids Meals, 9:30 a.m.
- 4/17 – Annual Meeting, 6:00 p.m. (dinner) & 6:30 p.m. (Annual Meeting)
- 4/19 – Houston Celebrates Israel at 70, 4:30-8:30 p.m. (at the Merfish Teen Center)
- 4/20 – Helfman HS Graduation (during Shabbat services), 6:00 p.m.
- 4/24 – Sack Lunches for SEARCH, 9:30 a.m.
- 4/27 – The Middle – Women’s Breakfast, 7:30 a.m. (location TBD)
- 4/27 – Family Shabbat Experience, 6:00 p.m.

MAY

- 5/1 – Emanu Elders, 11:30 a.m.
- 5/4 – Leadership Shabbat, 6:00 p.m.
- 5/9 – Lunch & Learn: “Developing Hope Through Jewish Text & Tradition”, 12:00 p.m.
- 5/10 – Work of Our Hands, 9:30 a.m.
- 5/10 – Book Review: *The Two-Family House*, by Lynda Cohen Loigman, 12:30 p.m.
- 5/10 – Congregant of the Year, 6:30 p.m.
- 5/11 – Houston Jewish Singles’ Shabbat Dinner, immediately following services
- 5/14 – Gathering Place, 10:00 a.m.
- 5/15 – Kids Meals, 9:30 a.m.
- 5/19 – Shavuot/Confirmation, 7:00 p.m.

NEXT BULLETIN TO BE ISSUED: TUESDAY, MAY 1ST

OUR TEMPLE FAMILY

IN THE COMMUNITY

Leanne Kolnick Jackson recently published the children’s book entitled *Best Friends*, celebrating the power within us and the good we can do.

Carl Josehart will be honored with the Albert Schweitzer Fellowship Humanitarian of the Year award in recognition of his work and celebrate compassionate service in Houston.

Stephanie Wittels Wachs recently published her memoir entitled *Everything Is Horrible and Wonderful: A Tragicomic Memoir of Genius, Heroin, Love, and Loss*.

Rabbi Kenny Weiss was named an ‘Ally of AIPAC’ at the AIPAC Policy Conference this past March. Rabbi Weiss has brought dozens of local college students over the years to the AIPAC conference.

BIRTHS

Harrison Liam Hemley, son of Brettne & Andrew Hemley; grandson of Gayle & Richard Rockoff, Becky & Steve Hemley, Patty & Milt Faigen; great grandson of Marilyn Halpin

WEDDINGS

Megan Breitenwischer & Stephen Goldfarb
Sarah Leisten & Ethan Miller
Margy Newman & Paul Kaplan
Lauren Weingarten & Oren Marouni

DEATHS

Dorothy Berg, step-mother of Linda Todar, Kathryn & David Berg; grandmother of 8; great grandmother of 8

Shirley Fish, mother of Douglas & Sheryl Fish, Andrea Thyssen & Scott Fish, Marsha Fish Sweeney & Greg Bennett; grandmother of Jamie & Aaron Fish, Miriam & Adam Fish, Stacie & David Lenzen, Heather & Brian Hix, Harrison Sweeney, Annie Sweeney, Sarah Fish, Lindsay Fish; great-grandmother of 8

Jeanette Getz, wife of Philip Getz; mother of Sharon & Michael Znilek, Janice & Bruce Smith and Debi & Glenn Pfitzenmaier; grandmother of many

Joan Hoffmann, mother of our members Karin & Loren Hoffmann and Jaime Hoffmann; grandmother of Rebeccah, Leah and Abigail Hoffmann

Clarence Ketchum, husband of Roberta Ketchum; father of Allison & Ian Perry, Lindsay & Brett Ketchum; grandfather of Cole and Dean Ketchum, Amelia, Annabel and Jack Perry; brother of Jackie Davis

Adele Sandler, wife of Robert Sandler; mother of Kathi & Mark Sandler, Stephanie Sandler & Austin Sarat; grandmother of Joshua and Matthew Sandler, Benjamin, Lauren Sarat and Emily Sarat; sister of Leona Odensky; sister-in-law of Rose Sandler

Jenet Segall, wife of Chaim Segall; mother of Marna & Steven Meyer, Angie & Ivor Segall; grandmother of Ayli Meyer-Uri & Roy Uri, Darren Meyer, Joshua and Alex Segall; great-grandmother of Noam



KIDDUSH CUP CHAMPIONS

Champions Crowned at 7th Annual Kiddush Cup Classic



The team of Abe Goren, Bob Orkin, Jeffrey Fript and Phillip Brace won the 2018 edition of the Kiddush Cup.

Congregation Emanu El hosted its 7th annual Kiddush Cup on Monday, March 12th at Braeburn Country Club – one week later than originally planned due to inclement weather.

This year's championship team consisted of Abe Goren, Bob Orkin, Jeffrey Fript and Phillip Brace. The team posted a score of 50, one stroke better than the foursome

of Sandy Beckman, Robert Magner, Cathy Irby and Michael Wilk.

Congregation Emanu El's primary fundraiser is the Kiddush Cup and we are thankful to all individuals, agencies and corporations that have continued to support this great day of community. The Kiddush Cup will take a one-year hiatus in 2019 due to plans surrounding the Congregation's 75th Anniversary before returning in 2020.

A list of sponsors for this year's Kiddush Cup can be found below:

Silver Sponsor: Holmes Smokehouse

Bronze Sponsors: Absolute Marble & Granite, Butler-Cohen Design & Build, Emanu El Brotherhood, Origin Bank, Philip Tenenbaum, UBS Financial Services, Wilson Cribbs & Goren Law Firm

Closest-to-the-Pin Sponsor: Waldman Funeral Care

Hat Sponsor: Distinctive Life/Houston Jewish Funerals

Hole Sponsors: All Campus Security, Hirsch Westheimer PC, Houston IVF, Mark Brookner, M. Penner, Medical Technology Associates

Hole-in-One Sponsor: Westside Lexus

Long Drive Sponsor: Judge Bob Schaffer

In-Kind Sponsors: 8th Wonder Brewery, Belden's, Dolphin Graphics, Kenny & Ziggy's, Helfman River Oaks Chrysler Jeep Dodge, Prefco, Mark Katz Photo, Michael Klein's Fine Jewelers, Sisterhood of Congregation Emanu El

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.

Jennifer & Andy Aronson, son Alex

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.

Annual Commitment Forms

Annual Commitment forms for 2018-19 arrived in congregant mailboxes in mid-to-late March. Congregants are encouraged to fill out the form and return it.

Individuals who have questions, needing assistance in filling out the form or needing another form are encouraged to call the synagogue office at (713) 529-5771.

Thanks to those congregants whom have already responded to date!

Membership Portal Currently Unavailable

We apologize for the inconvenience, but our membership portal is currently unavailable as we transition to a new membership database software for the first time in over a decade. Our staff is currently in the process of familiarizing themselves with our new software so that they can better serve you upon launch.

Stay tuned for information on how you can access the member portal as part of a new website in the coming months.

Emanu El's Award-Winning JED Talks to Feature Stephanie Wittels Wachs

Thursday, April 12th – 6:30 p.m. (dinner),
7:00 p.m. (program)



Join Emanu El Young Professionals on **Thursday, April 12th** for the next installment of our award winning JED Talks series. We are so pleased to be featuring Stephanie Wittels Wachs, Owner and Executive Director of Rec Room Houston, actress, and most recently author of *Everything Is Horrible and Wonderful: A Tragicomic Memoir of Genius, Heroin, Love, and Loss*.

Heroin, Love, and Loss.

All are invited to come enjoy dinner (on us!) and drinks as we share in Stephanie's journey. **Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m.** if you'd like to join us early and the program will begin at 7:00 p.m. There is no cost for this event.

About the book: The space between life and death is a

moment. But it will remain alive in me for hundreds of thousands of future moments.

One phone call. That's all it took to change Stephanie Wittels Wachs' life forever.

Her younger brother Harris, a star in the comedy world known for his work on shows like *Parks and Recreation*, had died of a heroin overdose. How do you make sense of such a tragic end to a life of so much hilarious brilliance?

In beautiful, unsentimental, and surprisingly funny prose, Stephanie Wittels Wachs alternates between her brother's struggle with addiction, which she learned about three days before her wedding, and the first year after his death, in all its emotional devastation. This compelling portrait of a comedic genius and a profound exploration of the love between siblings is *A Year of Magical Thinking* for a new generation of readers.

A heartbreaking but hopeful memoir of addiction, grief, and family, *Everything is Horrible and Wonderful* will make you laugh, cry, and wonder if that possum on the fence is really your brother's spirit animal.

YOUTH CORNER

Family Shabbat Experience

Friday, April 27th at 6:00 p.m.

Emanu El will host its annual 'Family Shabbat Experience' on **Friday, April 27th at 6:00 p.m.** Bring your picnic blankets and lawn chairs for an outside Shabbat experience in the Emanu El sculpture garden led by Rabbi Silk and Cathy Borden. We'll have burgers and tots with vegetarian options available.

Registration for the dinner is \$5 for children, \$10 for adults. **Please register by Wednesday, April 25th.**

Calling Young Families! Emanu El Seeks Tot Shabbat Hosts

Are you looking for a way to get more involved? Do your kids want to lead blessings at Friday night services? Is your son or daughter having a birthday and you'd like to honor them in a unique way? The first Friday of each month we are pleased to have a special Tot Shabbat service, geared towards families with little ones ages 0-6.

Each Tot Shabbat presents a rare opportunity for families to interact with each other and get to know our clergy on a more personal level.

Each month, Emanu El extends the privilege of hosting a Tot Shabbat to our Young Families who may be interested in becoming more involved. We also invite you to pair up with other families and host as a cohort if that's what you'd prefer.

For more information on hosting responsibilities and what this may entail, contact Jill Patir at (713) 529-5771, ext. 262.

Rabbi Hayon Attends AIPAC Policy Conference

Rabbi Oren Hayon (middle) pictured with Emanu El congregants Ilana Vines (left) and Aerin Kalmans (right) at the AIPAC Policy Conference in Washington DC. The trio spent time learning how to lobby their elected officials at the conference.



Clergy Team Clowns Around at Rodeo Tot Shabbat

Cantor Rollin Simmons, Rabbi Josh Fixler and Rabbi Pam Silk are joined by “Flames” (Richard Gruen) prior to Rodeo Tot Shabbat. ‘Flames’ greeted Rodeo Tot Shabbat attendees at the dinner held prior to Rodeo Tot Shabbat.

Program Director Jason Plotkin Participates in ‘Protecting Houses of Worship’

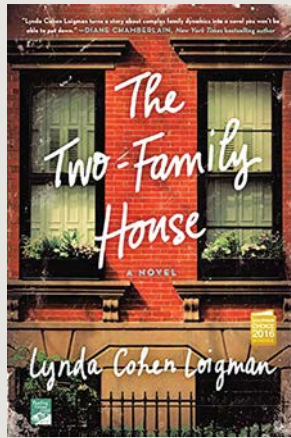
Our program director Jason Plotkin (third from left) with colleagues from across the faith & security communities as the Boniuk Institute for Religious Tolerance at Rice University and the Department of Justice hosted “Protecting Places of Worship.”

Plotkin was part of a panel that includes faith leaders from the Sikh, Muslim and Christian communities. Speakers on the evening included representatives from the FBI, Interfaith Ministries for Greater Houston, the Department of Homeland Security and the Harris County District Attorney’s Office.



Sisterhood News & Happenings

Spring 2018



BOOK REVIEW:
The Two-Family House,
by Linda Cohen
THURSDAY, MAY 10TH
12:30 PM

Join us on **Thursday, May 10th at 12:30 p.m.** for a book review of, *The Two-Family House*, written by Lynda Cohen Loigman. The book will be reviewed by Marlene Rubin.

The fiction tells the story of two brothers and their respective families, who lived in a two-family brownstone, in Brooklyn, in the 1950s. The brothers work together in the family business, and their children play together, much as siblings would. Beneath this richly portrayed family dynamic, however, are circumstances, personalities, and secrets that forever change each family's fate.

Book reviews are open to the public. Attendees are encouraged to bring their lunch and a light dessert is served.

Dancers “Wow” at *Dancing with the Jewish Stars*

Michael Sprung, Dee Dee Dochen, Cantor Rollin Simmons and Rabbi Walter were the featured performers at the Sisterhood Donor Fundraiser entitled, *Dancing with the Jewish Stars*, held on Wednesday, March 21st.



Sisterhood Art Tour at George R. Brown & Discovery Green Wednesday, April 11th

Please join Sisterhood on an art tour at George R. Brown Convention Center, located at 1001 Avenida de las Americas, and the adjacent Discovery Green on **Wednesday, April 11th, beginning at 10:00 a.m.**, followed by lunch at a nearby restaurant.

The tour will begin in Discovery Green at the towering fiberglass sculpture, *Monument au Fantome*, by sculptor Jean Dubuffet, followed by *Synchronicity of Color*, the park's iconic multi-colored aluminum box structures by sculptor Margo Sawyer.

The next stops will include two recent public art commissions – *Wings Over Water*, a 70-foot long kinetic sculpture created by Tucson-based artist team Joe O'Connell and Creative Machines, and *Soaring in the Clouds*, a monumental hanging mobile by local sculptor Ed Wilson. Art pieces by local prominent Houston artists located throughout the George R. Brown Convention Center will also be featured in the tour. The tour will be led by Houston Arts Alliance staff members Matt Kubo and Alex Irrera.

A Dutch treat lunch at Grotto Restaurant, adjacent to the convention center, will follow the tour. There is no charge for the tour, but **reservations are required by April 6th.**

For more information or to RSVP, please contact the Sisterhood office at (713) 529-5771, ext. 233 or via email at sishood@emanuelhouston.org.



Congregation Emanu El Three-Part Lunch & Learn Series Continues Wednesday, April 4th

Nourish your mind and spirit as well as your body at Congregation Emanu El's monthly lunch and learn generously underwritten by the Brotherhood.

All are welcome for a stimulating hour of learning and text on **Wednesday, April 4th at 12:00 p.m.** as Rabbi Fixler teaches "Developing Gratitude through Jewish Text & Traditions." There is no charge for this event though **RSVPs are greatly appreciated** by visiting www.EmanuElHouston.org or by calling (713) 529-5771 to ensure we have enough food.

The final presentation will occur on **Wednesday, May 9th** when Rabbi Silk teaches "Developing Hope through Jewish text and tradition". For more information on the series, contact Jason Plotkin at (713) 529-5771, ext. 216 or JasonP@emanuelhouston.org.

Pair of Informational Meetings to Be Held on Proposed Changes to Bylaws Wednesday, April 4th & Sunday, April 15th

Included in the congregational announcement regarding the annual meeting was information about forthcoming bylaws changes.

A pair of informational meetings on the proposed bylaw changes will occur on **Wednesday, April 4th at 7:00 p.m.** and **Sunday, April 15th at 10:30 a.m.** To view the bylaw changes including copies of the current bylaws, the proposed bylaws and a side-by-side comparison, visit www.EmanuElHouston.org.

For more information on the proposed bylaws or to learn more about the meetings, contact David Lamden at (713) 529-5771, ext. 221 or DavidL@emanuelhouston.org.

Chicken Soup Cookoff Sunday, April 8th from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

The Brotherhood of Congregation Emanu El is gearing up for its 14th Chicken Soup Cookoff to be held on **Sunday, April 8th from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**



Over the years, the Chicken Soup Cookoff has featured dozens of Houston's top restaurants representing all cuisines including American, Italian, Japanese, Thai, Jewish deli and more.

Tickets are now on sale at www.ChickenSoupCookoff.com with all income from this event going to charities including the Houston Food Bank and the Emergency Aid Coalition.

Soup that is leftover at the end of the day will be given to Second Servings.

Some of the early committed restaurants and caterers include 535 Catering, Alexander the Greek, Ambassador Chinese, Catering to Your Taste Buds, Chef Ellen, Frank's Grill, Galiana's Bakery & Café, Geo's Catering, Ivy & James, Jonathan's the Rub, Kenny & Ziggy's, Lucy's Ethiopian, Marriott Marquis, Napoli Italian Restaurant, Patagonia Grill & Café, Post Oak Grill, Prima Pasta, Smirnov Catering, Twin Peaks, Villages of Meyerland and Walker Street Kitchen. A host of other restaurants and caterers will join by the time of the cookoff.

Committed judges include *Culture Map* food writer Ken Hoffman, KTRK-TV (ABC-13) traffic reporter Katherine Whaley, magician Robby Bennett and *Local Houston Magazine* food writer Carlos Brandon.

The Chicken Soup Cook Off will also be a site to register potential bone marrow donors to benefit patients suffering from diseases like leukemia and lymphoma whom are in need of a marrow transplant. With Jewish roots, the Gift of Life Marrow Registry is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that was established in 1991. Soup lovers between the ages of 18 and 45 and in general good health, are eligible to be screened and join the worldwide registry for patients in need. A simple easy and painless swab from the inside of your cheek is all it takes to determine if you are someone's life-saving match.

For more information about Gift of Life and saving lives through bone marrow donation, please visit www.giftoflife.org or call 1-800-9MARROW.

The event is organized by the Brotherhood of Congregation Emanu El and a team of volunteers from across the Congregation. For more information or to enter a restaurant or caterer, please contact Emanu El's program director Jason Plotkin at (713) 535-6414 or jasonp@emanuelhouston.org.

Concert With Joe Buchanan Sunday, April 8th at 2:15 p.m.

After you have had your filling of chicken soup, stick around as Congregation Emanu El welcomes touring Jewish Americana artist and Houston native Joe Buchanan on **Sunday, April 8th at 2:15 p.m.**

A blend of southern soul and country charm, Joe's music is rooted in the idea that there is always room at the table. Hear songs from his debut album, stories from the road and new music inspired by six years of choosing to be Chosen.



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Emanu El has had the honor of hosting Joe in the past, most recently as part of the talented group of musicians accompanying Rick Recht during the “Voices of Hope” concert after Hurricane Harvey.

We hope you will join us for this free concert and musical experience. For more on Joe’s music, visit his website at www.joebuchananmusic.com or on Facebook, search “Joe Buchanan Music.”

Emanu El Hosting Yom HaShoah Sunday, April 15 at 3 p.m.



Holocaust Museum Houston will sponsor a citywide commemoration of Yom HaShoah on **Sunday, April 15th** to be held at Congregation Emanu El.

The commemoration is being held in remembrance of the six million Jews who perished

during the Nazi atrocities of the Holocaust during World War II. An internationally recognized and respected event of solemn commemoration, the service will begin at 3:00 p.m. in the Barish Sanctuary. The service is free and open to the public.

The Yom HaShoah service is coordinated by the Yom HaShoah Steering Committee and Holocaust Museum Houston. As part of Emanu El’s hosting the event, the synagogue is represented by Cantor Rollin Simmons and program director Jason Plotkin on the committee.

Cantor Simmons is responsible for the musical direction of the service, which will feature cantors and choirs from across the Houston Jewish community.

Underwriting is provided by the Morgan Family Endowment Fund and other community sponsors. Emanu El is stepping up to host the event out of rotation due to the impact of Hurricane Harvey on our fellow synagogues.



Houston Celebrates Israel at 70 Thursday, April 19th from 4:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Congregation Emanu El is joining with other agencies led by the Evelyn Rubenstein JCC with generous funding from the Jewish Federation of Greater Houston and the Israel American Council to put on a community-wide Yom Ha’atzmaut celebration.

Join us as celebrate Israel’s independence from 4:30-8:30 p.m. at the Merfish Teen Center, 9000 S. Rice, with shuttles offered from the ERJCC, 5601 S. Braeswood Blvd. Highlights include fun and family-friendly games, crafts and activities. There are plenty of “pay as you eat” food options and a 45-minute concert with the band Capaim. For more information, visit <http://www.erjchouston.org/jewish-learning/yom-ha-atzmaut/>

Diane Puschett To Be Honored as Congregant of the Year Thursday, May 10th

Brotherhood is pleased to announce that Diane Puschett will be our 2018 Ernest Krautkopf Congregant of the Year. The acting President of the Sisterhood, Diane has served our congregation in various roles and assisted in many happenings since arriving to Houston post-Katrina. This year’s Congregant of the Year dinner will be held on Thursday, May 10th. Please save the date to join us in honoring Diane. Watch your mailbox for an invitation.



4th Annual Emanu El Night at the Ballpark Tuesday, June 5th

For the fourth straight year, Congregation Emanu El is heading out for a ‘Night At the Ballpark’.

Join members of the Emanu El clergy and staff on **Tuesday, June 5th** at Minute Maid Park as the defending world champion Houston Astros battle the Seattle Mariners at 7:10 p.m.

The synagogue’s initial allotment of 150 tickets at a cost of \$15 – subsidized generously by the Brotherhood of Congregation Emanu El – has officially sold out. The synagogue is accepting names for those interested in purchasing \$20 tickets in the Emanu El section so that an additional order can be made.

The Tuesday night ball game is \$1 hot dog night.

Tickets will be distributed via mail or at the synagogue beginning in early May.

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

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

Classic Connections – Games Day Sunday, April 22nd from 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Come join your Classic Connections friends for an afternoon of games galore. We will have board games, card games, and others like Jeopardy, Pictionary, etc. Please plan to join us at Emanu El on **Sunday, April 22nd from 2:00-5:00 p.m.**

Emanu El's social group for members of the Jewish community in their 50s and 60s, everyone should bring the games that they would like to play. We will divide up into table groups, allowing you to choose your game(s).

There is no charge for this event. You are welcome to bring your own beverages and snacks. Coffee and tea will be provided.

Please RSVP to Jill Patir at JillP@emanuelhouston.org or (713) 529-5771, ext. 262. **by Thursday, April 19th** so that we have a good estimate of the number of people planning to attend.

The Middle (30s & 40s) Host Women's Breakfast Friday, April 27th at 7:30 a.m.

Emanu El is thrilled to be launching a new affinity group for those in their 30s-40s called "The Middle." This group will serve those who are beyond the age of Young Professionals but haven't quite aged into our Classic Connections group. The focus will be networking and a variety of interesting gatherings geared towards the specific age demographic described.

The first event will be an offsite women's breakfast on **Friday, April 27th at 7:30 a.m.** Details regarding a location and featured speaker will be forthcoming.

While this first event is geared specifically towards women, "The Middle" will be a coed group with mixed events, as well as gender specific activities. If you are interested in serving as a lay leader for The Middle or RSVPing for the initial breakfast, please contact Jill Patir at jillp@emanuelhouston.org or (713) 529-5771, ext. 262.

Emanu El Hosting Community-wide Jewish Singles Group for 50s and 60s Shabbat Dinner

Congregation Emanu El in tandem with Houston Congregation for Reform Judaism (HCRJ) is spearheading a community-wide Houston Jewish singles' initiative for those in their 50s and 60s.

On **Friday, May 11th**, following Shabbat services, the group will host a Shabbat dinner at Emanu El. The evening will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a pre-Shabbat schmooze and mixer before heading into services at 6:00 p.m. Following services, a dinner catered by Chef Smirnov will close the evening.

Registration for the dinner will be available on the www.EmanuElHouston.org website at a cost of \$12 per person.

For more information on the Houston Jewish Singles' group, contact Jill Patir at JillP@emanuelhouston.org or (713) 529-5771, ext. 262.

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. Email her at pamelaekutner@gmail.com.

Classic Connections Has Pre-Pesach Dinner at Star Pizza



Classic Connections – Emanu El's group for those in their 50s & 60s – met for dinner at Star Pizza just prior to Passover to enjoy a whole lot of chametz together. The group has a 'Game Day' planned for April. More information above.



Helfman Religious School

Camperships to Greene Family Camp Awarded

Several students in the Helfman Religious School were presented camperships to Greene Family Camp. These camperships are worth 1/2 the cost of attending summer camp. Presenting the camperships were Rabbi Oren Hayon and Director of Congregational Learning Stephanie Carlson.

The camperships awarded included: the Sisterhood Campership by acting Sisterhood president Diane Puschett – Ava Silk and Erin Bray; the Brotherhood Campership by acting Brotherhood president Lewis Kalmans – Halle Jacobs and Jacob Sacks; the Religious School Community Committee Campership by RSCC co-chair Melissa Carson – Benjamin Turner and Eryn Rudin; Connie Reischer Campership – Addison Rosenthal; Ricky Schnurr Campership – Ethan Canfield; the Chester Marcus Fund by Shirley Burkom – Larkin Boucher.



Several students in the Helfman Religious School were presented camperships to Greene Family Camp, selected based on anonymous entries into contests based on writing and/or art submissions.

Early Registration in Progress for 2018-19 Helfman School Year

Early registration is in progress for the 2018-2019 Helfman Religious School year. You will receive a \$75 discount on tuition per child.

School starts with an open house on **Sunday, August 26th**. The first Wednesday class for 4th – 6th grades (4:30-6:30 p.m.) and Upper School (8th – 12th grades, 7:30-9:00 p.m.) is **Wednesday, October 3rd**.

We have a great year planned and hope to have you with us. Registration forms and payment is available online. If you have any questions, please contact Gail Shapiro at gails@emanuelhouston.org or (713) 535-6400.

SAVE THE DATE – Helfman High School Graduation

Our annual Helfman High School graduation service will be held on **Friday, April 20th at 6:00 p.m.** in conjunction with Emanu El's regular Friday night Shabbat worship. Please join us as our 12th graders lead the service.



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

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Leadership Shabbat

On Friday, May 4th at 6:00 p.m., Congregation Emanu El will celebrate the beginning of a new year of lay leadership.

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 17th 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.

Please join us for this Shabbat and a festive Oneg Shabbat in honor of all those being recognized following the service.



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