



Rabbi's Message - Marc Ekstrand

On the day I am writing this bulletin article, it is mid-February, a little cold and a little rainy. On our windowsill in the kitchen are two plastic cups filled with dirt. One says Nava, the other, Ilan. I

thought perhaps they were filled only with dirt. When Nava and Ilan brought them home from their preschool program with Monica Goldstein, the report from Polly was that the dirt had spilled out and maybe the parsley seeds didn't make it back into the cup.

Terry Goldsmith did this project a couple of years ago with her class. It was very special at Passover to eat the greens we had planted around Tu b'Shevat. I had a bit of faith in the project. So I watered the soil and checked them every day to see if anything was sprouting.

Yesterday, I looked and still nothing. I mentioned to Polly that perhaps she was right; all we had were cups of dirt. But this morning...behold! Green sprouts were coming up in both cups.

The day before this horticultural miracle, I had the honor of doing a baby naming. Nicole and John Arruda added a third child to their growing family. Now Emma and Gwenyth have a baby brother, Harrison Howard.

A small group of family and friends came together to welcome Harrison and give him the name he will now be known by among the Jewish people, Ari. Harrison is a beautiful, healthy baby, and we welcomed him into a loving community.

Harrison's is the third baby naming I've had the honor of officiating in for our congregation in about a year. He falls in behind Ophelia Williams, daughter of Amanda and Dylan Williams, and Ella, daughter of Samantha and Andrew Ve-nooker.

It is often too easy, especially in the darkness of winter, to be a little down. The national and international news often fuels my despair. But small events like the little sprouts on the windowsill, and big, amazing events like the naming of new little people in our community help remind me that there is hope for a bright future.

I am reminded of the story from the Babylonian Talmud of Honi the Circle Drawer. Honi's story has many facets but I'll give you just one small part. Honi was traveling and saw a man planting a carob tree. Honi asks, "How long does it take for this tree to bear fruit?" The man replies, "About 70 years." Honi asks, "Are you certain you will live that long?" The man replies, "I see all around me the trees my ancestors planted for me, so I plant these trees for my children."

Sometimes everyday activities might seem bereft of meaning. Life is complicated. We often do things simply for immediate reward rather than thinking about the long run. But, there are opportunities each day to do something more lasting.

We can plant all kinds of seeds: seeds of peace, justice, righteousness, compassion, and loving-kindness; seeds tak-

ing care of the sick, the poor, and the stranger. I choose to plant seeds I may never see sprout. But Harrison, Ophelia, and Ella, sprout with such great fanfare that I am reminded of our purpose. I am one small part of helping them grow.

We need you to be planting seeds too—seeds that help our school educate our children in

Jewish values that will heal and sustain our world; seeds that will help our congregation spread our light to the nations; seeds that will give comfort, nourishment, and shelter to those in need; seeds that will make our house a house of prayer for all people.

By the grace of God, may the seeds we plant today bear fruit for our children tomorrow.

Rabbi Marc



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Giving In The Era of the New Tax Code

In seventh grade, my Social Studies teacher had us do a segment where we learned how to fill out Income Tax forms. No, really! Looking back, we may have actually been doing his taxes for him, but ever since then, I've been kind of a tax wonk, and I kind of look forward to the annual exercise. With the changes in the tax code in 2018, this year promised to be interesting.

I went through my normal accounting exercise to fill out my Schedule A Itemized Deductions... State Income Tax... check. Mortgage Interest... check. United Way... check. American Heart Association... check. JFEC... check. Temple Emanu-El... check. In the past, I'd add all of these up and pat myself on the back for exceeding the standard deduction. This year... well... looks like I wasted my time with all of the accounting. I'm taking the new higher standard deduction.

I'm not disappointed though. My taxes look a lot more like they used to when I only had an after-school job. My overall tax liability for the year went down, and I enjoyed having more take-home pay throughout the year. Still, I had to think about what my charitable contributions are worth to me since they're no longer a realistic tax deduction. I bet many of you are wondering the same thing.

I'm here this month to encourage you to continue to support your favorite charities; of course, I hope that Temple Emanu-El is still your favorite! My friends at CreditKar-ma.com offer the following reasons to keep making charitable contributions as we head into 2019...

1. Your donation can make a difference.

There are more than 1 million public charities and over 105,000 private foundations in the U.S. That's a lot of need — and a lot of giving from generous Americans. In 2014, individuals, foundations and businesses gave more than \$358 billion to charity. Charitable donations help nonprofit organizations make a difference in the lives of countless people in their communities.

2. You can feel good about it.

Does doing something good make you feel good? For many people the answer is "yes." A survey by the Charities Aid Foundation found the top motivating factors for charitable giving are all positive ones. Ninety-seven percent of donors say their personal values motivate them to give, 96% cite their sense of ethics, and 75% note their belief in a specific cause. And 42% agreed the positive feeling they got from donating was a key factor in their decisions to give.

3. You can learn a new skill.

Tax-deductible donations aren't always money, and charitable giving doesn't always have to be cash. You can donate your time (although that's not tax deductible) to an organization and learn some new skills — like homebuilding, landscaping, organizing and financial management — while you're at it.

4. You can teach your children to be kind.

You don't need any kind of scientific study or survey to know that children learn from their parents. Donating to charity and volunteering can help model generosity and social responsibility.

Please accept my best wishes to all of you for an easy tax season and a successful 2019!

Sean

Notes from Sherry Barnes



Be happy! It's still Adar! Because we are in a leap year, we are given a double scoop of happiness this year with two months of Adar. This is in order to keep the Lunar Jewish calendar in sync with the solar calendar and also keeps our agricultural holidays in the correct

season. We celebrate Purim in Adar II, which falls on Wednesday, March 20. I hope you will come and have fun celebrating this holiday with your Temple Emanu-El family. Costumes encouraged. There will be, of course, noshes and dessert. :)

Speaking of food, my interesting food tradition from MyJewishLearning.com for Purim is:

Esther was a vegetarian (or at least a flexitarian; vegetables with occasional meat). According to Midrash, while Queen Esther lived in the court of King Ahasuerus, she followed a vegetarian diet consisting largely of legumes so that she would not break the laws of kashrut (dietary laws). For this reason, there is a tradition of eating beans and peas on Purim.

I didn't know about this tradition and ended up following a thread that ended up giving me a recipe for Fassoulyeh b'Chuderah, a vegetarian bean stew made with cinnamon and tomato. It's a Syrian-Jewish recipe that sounds delicious. I'm looking forward to preparing it on my next day off. However, since most people are more familiar with eating hamantaschen on Purim, there are recipes for Cannoli Hamantaschen, Rocky Road Hamantaschen, Chocolate and Sprinkles Dipped Hamantaschen, Triple Chocolate Haman-

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taschen, Rosewater and Pistachio Hamantaschen, Chocolate Hamantaschen with Irish Creme Filling, and more! If any of those peaked your curiosity, you can find the recipes at: <https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/purim-foods/>

Even more happiness in Adar! The Temple Emanu-El Band will be playing at Shabbat Services on Friday, March 29. Thank you TE Band!

Thank you to Pat Sher for chanting Torah in February and March.

Thank you to Jonathan Rowe for helping me lead Shabbat Services while Rabbi Marc was with our Confirmation Class.

Sherry

Religious School 860-439-0406 | religiousschool@tewaterford.org

How lovely to have our third graders participating at our Shir Shabbat service on Friday, March 1. Thank you to all the families who contributed to the oneg. Shabbat dinner and service every first Friday of the month is a wonderful way for the children to see what they are learning at Tefillah assemblies on Sundays come to life at Shabbat.

On Wednesdays, our emphasis has been Hebrew reading practice with the students, whether it's going over aleph bet and vowel sounds or encountering new words by sight reading each syllable or practicing key words or lines of Hebrew prayers. We are also building on conversational words and expressions introduced by our emissaries Liron and Roy. Sometimes these words are incorporated into games, movement or food, like the day Roy and the students learned the words for the vegetables in the salad that they made together.

We are pleased to report that since the beginning of the school year, we have welcomed 8 new students. This reflects about a 14% increase in our school registrations. Class sizes are larger in the younger grades, hopefully signaling a growth trend for our community. It is a pleasure for us to see the kids getting along so well with each other when they are with us. Positive connections inspire budding friendships to blossom.

On SUNDAY MARCH 17 WE INVITE ALL FAMILIES TO JOIN OUR SCHOOL DURING OUR PURIM CELEBRATION DURING SCHOOL FROM 9:30-12:00 NOON. We encourage all to come dressed in costume. Feel free to bring in a unique grogger from home. We also need volunteer



hamantaschen bakers to help us make sure that we have

enough for all in attendance. Please be on the lookout for a message from your child's classroom parent.

Last week the children brought home **MISS CHOCOLATE PASSOVER ORDER PACKETS**. This is a fundraiser that benefits religious school's programming efforts. **Thank you to Thea Johnson for coordinating this effort. Orders are due by March 24.**



Throughout the month of March we will also **BEGIN TO COLLECT RAFFLE BASKET DONATIONS FOR THE END OF YEAR BASKET BONANZA FAMILY EVENT ON MAY 5**. Students will vote on the theme of their classroom basket. Donations are due by March 31. To make this event extra

special for the kids, we are planning a special sockhop type dance party as part of this afternoon event. More details to follow. Please let us know if you can help serve as part of the planning committee.

Warm regards,

Armi and Jennifer

Co-Administrators

Adult Education 2018-19 / 5779

Introduction to Judaism Course

Want to know more about Judaism because...

You're considering conversion? Someone you love is Jewish?

Your kids ask lots of questions? You didn't pay attention in religious school?

Whatever your reason, come join Rabbi Marc for a 13-Week Intro to Judaism Course

1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month, October through March – 8 P.M.

RSVP or inquiries to Rabbi Marc at rabbi@tewaterford.org.

Introductory Hebrew

Join Rabbi Marc for an introduction to Hebrew class

Kitah Aleph 6:30 P.M. (Tues. March 5, 19, & 26)

Kitah Bet 7:30 P.M. (Tues. Feb. 12, 19, & 26)

The class is taught primarily from the perspective of Biblical Hebrew and builds on whatever prior knowledge you have.

Contact Rabbi Marc at rabbi@tewaterford.org to determine which session is right for you.

Torah and Haftarah Cantillation

Our Sacred texts come alive through musical codes. Come learn

this sacred tradition with Cantorial Soloist Sherry Barnes, exploring Shabbat, High Holy Days, Magillot, and Haftarah cantillation.

Tuesdays 11:00 A.M. - December through June RSVP to Sherry Barnes at cantorialsoloist@tewaterford.org

Food for Thought

Join in on this once-a-month open discussion of where our Jewish heritage, identity, and values intersect with our modern world. Conversation facilitated by Rabbi Marc.

Second Thursday of the month, 12 noon – March 14. Bring your own brown bag lunch. We'll have a plate and some drinks available for you. No RSVP necessary.

Bible Study Group

The Temple Emanu-El Adult Education Group has been meeting on Sunday mornings at the Temple for 24 years. Although we do study the Torah, we have also delved into the Talmud, Josephus, Apocrypha, Quran, and New Testament. No prior knowledge required, and we don't take ourselves too seriously. If you want to learn more, come and join us from 11 to 12:30 in the sanctuary during the school year.

Pre-School



Preschool takes place on **Sunday, March. 3 and 17 at 10:30 A.M.** Monica Goldstein is the teacher.

The program includes music with Cantorial Soloist Sherry Barnes, and special

programming for holidays with k-2. Additional dates for 2018-2019: April 7 and 28, May 5 and 19. If you are interested in signing your child up for class, please contact the office at 860-443-3005.

Gift Cards



Please consider donating Stop and Shop, Shop Rite, Big Y, Walmart or other gift cards for people in need.

The Temple office receives calls for help purchasing food throughout the year. **Please help replenish the supply.**



Sisterhood — Janine Sitko & Merrill Mazzella, Co-Presidents



Hamantaschen Baking ~ Saturday, March 2 - All hands-on deck! It's a fun time in the kitchen during the baking of the hamantaschen which will go into the mishloach manot gift bags as part of the temple's Purim fund-raiser! Shifts for baking are 10 A.M.-12 P.M. and 12 P.M. -2

P.M. Contact Deb Linder to sign up for a shift: debo-rahlander29@yahoo.com.

Movie Night ~ Wednesday, March 6 at Niantic Cinema, Movie and time TBD

Sisterhood-sponsored Oneg ~ Friday, March 8, please sign up to bring something for a delicious oneg and join us in welcoming Shabbat!

Dinner Club ~ Thursday, March 28 at Panera in Waterford as part of the Fund-raising Committee's event (from 4:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.) benefitting the temple's Essential Fund. We'll meet at 6:30 for dinner. Please bring the flyer from your bulletin or be able to show the flyer on your phone and Temple Emanu-El will receive 20% of the proceeds from those supporting the Temple.

Looking ahead. . .



Sisterhood & Hadassah Joint Book Club ~ Tuesday, April 2, at 7:00 P.M. at Temple Emanu-El –Eternal Life by Dara Horn, available at Otis Library and at [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com). (It is available in hardcover, paperback, Kindle and audiobook.)

Drunken Palette Night ~ Tuesday, April 9, 7-9 P.M. - A night to let your inner artist come out! Sisterhood and Hadassah ladies will meet in New London (259 State Street) for wine, snacks, and painting. Sure to be a fun night! More details to follow.



Our Spring Mah Jongg Tournament is scheduled for Monday, June 3.

We look forward to seeing our seasoned and newer players! This will be fun for all! Watch for registration forms soon! lfreegang@aol.com

Temple Emanu-El Gift Shop

I need your help! I get comments from congregants that the gift shop does not carry merchandise that they want. I always ask what do they want? Now I am asking the congregation for suggestions on products that they want to see in the gift shop. Please visit me on Sunday mornings or e-mail me. Passover starts on April 19. Let me know if there are items that you would like to see. The gift shop also carries a wide variety of cards. There are cards for almost any occasion and most cost \$1.



You can always reach me at judaicashop@tewaterford.org or 860-625-6618.

Thanks, Susan Hausmann

Brotherhood

Jonathan Rowe, President / bioconsultants@yahoo.com

Last month, the Brotherhood speaker series focused on the topic of Caretaking as related to planning for decisions later in life. The events covered probate, Title 19, and senior resources. The events were well attended, and the discussion was robust. Thanks to the Brotherhood for providing breakfast, and thank you, Michelle Snitkin, for coming up with the idea and making arrangements for the speakers.

The third session, **SENIOR RESOURCES**, will present Joan Marshall of the Area Agency on Aging in Norwich on **Sunday, March 3, from 10-11:30AM at the Temple**. She will explore information and resources in this geographical area for the various needs of the senior population. Questions from the audience are encouraged.

Mark your calendars, **March 24, Brotherhood Italian Nite.**

Chef Mike Reinhard and his crew of merry men (were merry men Italian?) will serve up their delectable Eggplant Parmesan and all the sides. There might be entertainment, or maybe not. There may even be an announcement, or not. But the company is always good. I hope to see you there.



February Service & Oneg Thank Yous!

Erva Beard
Flossie and Mike Betten
Susan Cramer
Golda Doyle and David
Blustein
Elsa Freeman
Harriet Lesko
Pete and Lisa Marcus

Jo Michaelson
Sam and Tracy Schaperow
Russell Sheikowitz
Milton and Alisa Sheriff
Edee and Howard Smith
Leah Stillman
Claire Warren



Condolences to...

Mazel Tov to...



Steve and Gail Weber
are thrilled to announce
the engagement of their son

Aaron to Jess Mayer,
daughter of Leisa and Michael Mayer
of Lake City, Iowa.

Elsa Freedman on the passing of her brother,
Paul Wharton

Lester and Claudia Shapiro on the passing of Lester's brother
Harold Shapiro.

Ryan Novick Bar Mitzvah — March 29-30, 2019



Ryan Hunter Novick will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, March 30, 2019, 10:30 A.M., at Temple Emanu-El. He will assist Rabbi Marc Ekstrand and Cantorial Soloist Sherry Barnes in leading the service as well as chant both Torah and Haftorah. In addition, Ryan will participate in the Friday evening service on March 29, 2019.

Ryan is the son of Steven and Caryn Novick of East Lyme, and the brother of Ethan Novick. He also has two adoring cats named Sox and Tatum. Ryan is a seventh grade Faculty Commendation student at East Lyme Middle School. Ryan enjoys playing basketball and has a passion for soccer. He plays soccer on the East Lyme Classic U13 team as well as on the premier-level Southeast Soccer Club.

As an active member of this year's B'nai Mitzvah class at Temple Emanu-El, Ryan enjoys participating in events sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Eastern CT Junior Youth Group. He also enjoys spending time with his classmates outside of Hebrew school.

As part of his social action project for his Bar Mitzvah, Ryan has been volunteering at the Shoreline Food Pantry in Niantic on a weekly basis since September. He really enjoys interacting with the guests and assisting them with their groceries into their cars. He plans to continue volunteering his time here post Bar Mitzvah.



March Birthdays

Nathan Abraham
Jeffrey Arenson
Doug Barnes
Minerva Beard
Jennifer Beatty
Anne Bendick
Jordan Bentley
Stanley A. Bloustine
Steven Carlow
Tracy Colsen Schaperow
Jose' R. Cordero
Susan D. Cramer
Debra Eichler Elliott
Dr. Burton Gischner
Lawrence Goldman
Susan Goldman
Susan Goldstein
Daniel Goldstein

Ellen Gottfried
Geoff Hausmann
Rebecca Haynes
Spencer Haynes
Joel Holwitt
Alexandra Holwitt
Joshua Johnson
Regan Kaye
Martin Lazarus
Joan M. Levine
Kaylyn Levine
Jeremy Linden
Todd Linden
Erica McCaffrey
Ryan Novick
Lois Panikoff

Barbara Quaratella
Chris Rock
Ellen Schiller
Paige Schneider
Lindsay Schneider
Stephanie Seeman
David Senges-Murphy
Nancy Siegel
John Silsby
Harvey Snitkin
John Stavropoulos
Sheldon Stricker
Amy Stricker
Stephanie Thorp
Margaret Trehub
Lauren Trostler

Caroline C. Walz
Gail Weber
Hannah Winograd



March Anniversaries



Jeffrey P. Elkin and
Jean Lasser

Stuart and Marilyn
Fishbone

Andrew and Donna
Goldman

Mark and Dianne
Rubin



March 1

Benjamin Angert
Joseph Bloustine
Irwin Braverman
Louis Brensilver
Howard Helveston
Eva Kozek
Alex Lazarus
Harold Margolis
Waldo Larry Miner
Nathan Novar
Gail Piotrkowski
Charles Reisner
Irwin Sayet
Leon Speevak
Phyllis Weiss
Priscilla Young

March 8

Gordon Adams
Gerald Baker
Audrey Cohen
Ruth Doukas
Harry Eidensohn
Morse Engelman
Charlotte Fox
Howard Franklin
Fuzzy Gipstein
Sarah N. Herbert
Ruth Lasser
Miriam Massman

March Yahrzeits

Selma Misch
Marian Senges
Walter Senges
Joseph Shapiro
Bernard Simon
Louis Trostler
Melvin Zablotsky
Louis Zeldis

March 15

Lou Freeman
Marilyn Freeman
Nathan Goodman
Esther Goodstein
Bethany Hillsberg
Risa Hillsberg
Nathan Hytone
Ruth Kilbey
Burton Miller
Stella Murphy
Ray Brooks Prokesch
Irving Ressler
Marvin Rovner
Louis Schlissel
Mary Schnader
John Shiers
Harold Stein
Sylvia Zeldis

March 22

Sheppard Fox
Josephine Hovey

Benjamin Linden
George Mikulka
Cookie Parry
Florence Rosenstein
Stanley Sedransk
Rose Shedroff
Sol Solomon
Anne Steinman
Rose Pearlman Tulman
Corrinne Willins

March 29

Suzanne Bloom
Bessie Brody
Maria Cordero
Joseph Fenandez
Pauline Frank
Henry Green
Harvey Krasney
Benjamin Lazev
Gloria Miller
Jean Morea
Dr. Samuel David
Schupack
Jerome Schwartz
Zermina Senges
Florence Shafner
Allen Shedroff
Mary Shleffar
Harry Stoner
Deeda Wharton

We are eternally thankful for the support of those below. . .

Building Fund

Lois and Stephen Panikoff
---for the repair of the circulator pump.

Cantor's Fund

Martin and Joanna Lazarus
---congratulations to Jay and Pat Hans in honor of the birth of their grandchild, Amelia Taylor Hans
Martin and Joanna Lazarus
---in loving memory of Lillian Miller on her yahrzeit
---in loving memory of Dorothy Benmaor on her yahrzeit
---in loving memory of David Hillsberg on his yahrzeit
---in loving memory of Murray Lazarus on his yahrzeit

Capital Improvements Fund

Adam Kaufman and Rebecca Woodward

Craig Blumsack Fund

Matthew and Florence Lewiss
---in loving memroy of Joseph Lewiss on his yahrzeit

Essential Services Fund

Lasser Family Philanthropic Fund
Barbara and Joesph C. Jr. Quaratella
---in loving memory of Ruth Fearer on her yahrzeit
Bethesda Lodge #30 I.O.O.F. on behalf of Neil Willins
---to aid Temple Emanu-El in our work, in friendship, love, and truth
Bob and Caren Linden
---wishes for Rabbi Aaron Rosenberg's good health
Claudia Shapiro
---Happy Valentine's Day to all my friends! I miss you and thank you for your continued kindness.
Gail and Steve Weber
---in loving memory of Henrietta Weber on her yahrzeit
---in loving memory of Herman Weber on his yahrzeit
---in loving memory of Harry Weber on his yahrzeit
---in loving memory of Rose Tobin on her yahrzeit
Jane and Marvin Schnur
---in loving memory of Norman Schnur on his yahrzeit
Karen Dinsfriend
---in loving memroy of George Mikulka on his yahrzeit
---wishing Gail Schor a full recovery
---in memory of Paul Wharton, brother of Elsa Freedman
Lois and Stephen Panikoff
---wishing Rabbi Aaron Rosenberg a speedy recovery
---wishing Terri Goldsmith well
Sandy and Abe Fisher
---deepest sympathy to Elsa Freedman on the loss of her brother Paul Wharton
Seymour and Pat Hendel
---in loving memory of Ray Cohen on his yahrzeit
---in loving memory of Phyllis Thall on her yahrzeit
---in loving memory of Morris Thall on his yahrzeit

---in honor of Rabbi Aaron and Karen Rosenberg's 50th anniversary

Goldsmith - Kallan Fund

Leslie and Harvey Orenstein
---with loving thoughts and wishes for healing to Terri Goldsmith
Robert and Caren Linden
---with wishes for healing to Terri Goldsmith

Isaaca Siegel Landscaping Fund

Golda Siegel Doyle
---in loving memory of Harriete Siegel on her yahrzeit
---in loving memory of Isaaca Siegel on his yahrzeit

Rabbi Aaron Rosenberg Tikkun Olam Scholarship Fund

Chic and Vicki Stein
---in loving memroy of Sheldon Schlissel on his yahrzeit
---in loving memory of Harold Stein on his yahrzeit
---in loving memory of Helen Stein on her yahrzeit
---in loving memory of Louis Schlissel on his yahrzeit
---in loving memory of Samuel Cohen on his yahrzeit
---in loving memory of Fannie Schlissel on her yahrzeit
Gail and Steve Weber
---in honor of Rabbi Aaron and Karen Rosenberg's 50th anniversary
Irma Flitt
---in loving memory of my mother Bessie Snitman
Karen Dinsfriend
---in honor of Rabbi and Mrs. Rosenberg's Anniversary
Karen and Stan Bloustine
---in loving memory of Gerald Baker on his yahrzeit
Leslie and Harvey Orenstein
---in honor of a beautiful couple, Rabbi Aaron and Karen on their 50th anniversary
Sam, Hannah, and Roberta Winograd
---wishing Rabbi Aaron Rosenberg a r'fuah Sh'leimah
---in honor of Rabbi Aaron and Karen Rosenberg's 50th anniversary
Stanley and Karen Bloustine
---in honor of Rabbi Aaron and Karen Rosenberg's 50th anniversary
The Reisner-Winograd Family
---in memory of Harry Winograd
---in memory of Charles Reisner on his yahrzeit

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Barry and Stephanie Thorp
---in loving memory of Philip Crystal on his yahrzeit
Edward Perry
---in loving memory of William Perry on his yahrzeit

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Ethel Chatkin
 --- in loving memory of Norma Selwyn on her yahrzeit
 Marlen Smith
 --- in loving memory of Bernard Simon on his yahrzeit

Stanley and Karen Bloustine
 --- in loving memory of Joseph Bloustine on his yahrzeit
 Thomas Smith and Irene Brickman-Smith
 --- in loving memory of Morris Brickman on his yahrzeit

Religious Practices

Please join the party on March 20 to celebrate Purim!! Feel free to dress in costume – or not – our Purim party is never a costume-only evening. This year we're looking forward to mini-spiels put on by our very own congregants!

No scripts or acting experience needed. We'll be doing improvisational short skits based on the Purim story. We'll provide suggestions for the skits and will leave it to the participants to take the skits in new and amusing directions. A variety of props will be provided.

Of course, food and beverages, including wine and beer will be a big part of the evening!

Shabbat Onegs

Recharging after a long work week is always a pleasure at our Friday night Shabbat services and we can meet new people and catch up with old friends at the onegs.

Thank you to Edee Smith, Elsa Freedman and Harriet Lesko who are now organizing the onegs. If you would like to bring refreshments or contribute money toward purchasing food, please contact **Edee at ejsmith1969@gmail.com** or Roberta at the office.

March Services & Schedule of Events

March 1	Fri.	5:30 P.M. 6:00 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	Shir Shabbat including Birthday Blessings Shabbat Dinner Shabbat Service including Birthday Blessings
March 3	Sun.	9:30 A.M. 9:30 A.M. 10:00 A.M.	Brotherhood Bagels Religious School Brotherhood Breakfast Speaker, Joan Marshall of the Area Agency on Aging in Norwich, will be discussing Senior Resources
		10:30 A.M. 11:00 A.M.	Preschool Bible Study
March 4	Mon.	12:30 P.M. 6:00 P.M.	Jewish Federation Senior Lunch Jewish Community High School
March 5	Tues.	11:00 A.M. 6:30 P.M. 7:30 P.M.	Cantillation Class Adult Hebrew: Kitah Aleph Religious Practices Committee
March 6	Wed.	4:30 P.M.	Hebrew School
March 7	Thur.	7:00 P.M.	Nar Anon
March 8	Fri.	7:30 P.M.	Kabbalat Shabbat – Guest Speaker, Deborah Monahan TVCCA, Thames Valley Council for Community Action
March 10	Sun.	9:30 A.M. 9:30 A.M. 11:00 A.M.	Brotherhood Bagels Religious School Bible Study
March 11	Mon.	12:30 P.M. 6:00 P.M.	Jewish Federation Senior Lunch Jewish Community High School
March 12	Tues.	11:00 A.M. 6:00 P.M. 7:30 P.M.	Cantillation Class Confirmation Class Adult Hebrew: Kitah Bet

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March 13	Wed.	4:30 P.M.	Hebrew School
		7:30 P.M.	Crohn's & Colitis Foundation Support Group
		7:30 P.M.	Broad of Trustees Meeting
March 14	Thur.	12:00 P.M.	Food for Thought
		7:00 P.M.	Nar Anon
		7:30 P.M.	Hope After Loss
March 15	Fri.	7:30 P.M.	Kabbalat Shabbat
			Anniversary Blessings
			Girl Scout Shabbat
March 17	Sun.	9:30 A.M.	Brotherhood Bagels
		9:30 A.M.	Religious School Purim Celebration
		10:30 A.M.	Preschool
		11:00 A.M.	Bible Study
		5:00 P.M.	Brotherhood Italian Nite
March 18	Mon.	12:30 P.M.	Jewish Federation Senior Lunch
		6:00 P.M.	Jewish Community High School
March 19	Tues.	11:00 A.M.	Cantillation Class
		6:30 P.M.	Adult Hebrew: Kitah Aleph
		7:30 P.M.	Adult Hebrew: Kitah Bet
March 20	Wed.	4:30 P.M.	Hebrew School
		7:00 P.M.	Adult Purim Celebration
March 21	Thur.	7:00 P.M.	Nar Anon
March 22	Fri.	7:30 P.M.	Kabbalat Shabbat
March 24	Sun.	9:30 A.M.	Brotherhood Bagels
		9:30 A.M.	Religious School
		11:00 A.M.	Bible Study
March 25	Mon.	12:30 P.M.	Jewish Federation Senior Lunch
		6:00 P.M.	Jewish Community High School
March 26	Tues.	11:00 A.M.	Cantillation Class
		6:30 P.M.	Adult Hebrew: Kitah Aleph
		7:30 P.M.	Adult Hebrew: Kitah Bet
March 27	Wed.	4:30 P.M.	Hebrew School
March 28	Thur.	7:00 P.M.	Nar Anon
March 29	Fri.	7:30 P.M.	Kabbalat Shabbat
March 30	Sat.	10:30 A.M.	Shabbat Morning Service
			Ryan Novick Bar Mitzvah
March 31	Sun.	9:30 A.M.	Brotherhood Bagels
		9:30 A.M.	Religious School
		11:00 A.M.	Bible Study



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Total: _____

_____ **\$180.00 to send a Purim gift bag to the entire local congregation**

_____ Check here if you would like to pick up your Purim bag at the temple

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**ALL ORDERS MUST BE PLACED BY March 15, 2019
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QUESTIONS? Contact Deborah Linder deborahlinder29@yahoo.com or call 860-877-4255.

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Annual Brotherhood 'Italian Nite' Dinner

Pasta, Eggplant parmesan. homemade sauce, salad, and bread, freshly made and served by the Temple Brotherhood

Sunday, March 17, 5:00 PM

Social Hall @ Temple Emanu-El

\$20 per Person* \$35 Couple*** \$40 for Family**

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\$15 per Person ** \$30 Couple ** \$35 Family

RSVP for planning by March 10

Early reservations are discounted and appreciated.

Call Temple Emanu-El at 443-3005 to make reservations.



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29 Dayton Road; Waterford, CT 06385

Friday, April 19, 2019, at 6:00 P.M.

Adults: \$36.00 per person

Children (Under 13): \$20.00 per child

Please Bring a Kosher-for-Passover Dessert to share.

Manischewitz wine will be provided; however, you may bring your own Kosher for Passover Wine.



Any questions, please call the Temple Office, 860-443-3005.

Respond including payment by Monday, April 8, 2019

Passover Seder, Friday, April 19, 2019

RSVP including payment by Monday, April 8, 2019

Family _____ Phone: _____
 Number Attending: _____ @ \$36/Person _____ @ \$20/Child
 Adults Children (under 13)
 Requests for vegan or vegetarian meals should be made when you RSVP # _____
 Total Cost: \$ _____

Please Bring a Kosher-for-Passover Dessert to Share.

Mail Payment to Temple Emanu-El P.O. Box 288 Waterford, CT 06385, by April 8, 2019



April 5, 2019

5:30 P.M. *Sfir Shabbat in song for all ages*

6:00 P.M. *Shabbat dinner*

7:00 P.M. *Shabbat service including birthday celebrations*

R.S.V.P. for April 5 dinner by Monday, March 25

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Number of Adults, Chicken Piccata: _____ (\$18 per person)

Number of Children, Chicken Fingers: _____ (\$5 per child)

Number of Adults, Vegan: _____ (\$18 per person)

Total enclosed: _____

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