



## Rabbi's Message - Marc Ekstrand

Friends,

The month of Adar is here, Purim is right around the corner, and everything is upside down the

way it's supposed to be, but it's not supposed to be. At the beginning of the month of Adar, we begin signing joyously, *Mishenichnas Adar, Marbine b'simcha* – When Adar arrives, our joy increases. Our joy is symbolized by the story of Esther, who, with Mordechai's mentoring, saves the Jews from the plotting of evil Haman. In our remembrance of this victory, our sages instructed that we should become intoxicated to the point we can no longer distinguish between 'cursed is Haman' and 'blessed is Mordechai.' But don't get too drunk. Because of a tragic incident between Rabba and Rabbi Zeira the mitzvah is understood to be only to drink a little more than usual. These two celebrated Purim together and became so drunk that Rabba killed Rabbi Zeira. No worries, though. The next day Rabba asked God for mercy and he miraculously revived Rabbi Zeira (BT Megillah 7b). The next year, Rabba invited Rabbi Zeira to celebrate Purim with him again. Rabbi Zeira replied, 'Miracles don't happen on every occasion.' Even when talking about celebrating Purim, things get a little turned around and upside down.

Right now, things do seem upside down and turned around. As I am writing this article, war rages on in Ukraine, earthquakes have killed tens of thousands in Turkey and Syria, most seem to be just ignoring the

pandemic that just won't end, the new government in Israel appears to have lost its mind, our economy may not be in recession, but it sure feels like it, and Republicans and Democrats disagree about everything, including balloons. And these are just a few of the crazy things going on in the world! So we need a good laugh together.

By the time you receive this bulletin in your mailbox (assuming the mail doesn't get any slower – thanks, Louis DeJoy!), we'll be just a few days away from Purim. We've had our Purim fun on Zoom for the last two years, thanks to Covid-19. This year, we've had enough of Zoom. So, we are back in person for Purim. Our community celebration will be Monday evening, March 6<sup>th</sup>, at Temple Emanu-El. It will begin with a full Megillah reading in the Sanctuary organized by Rabbi Kideckel and Rabbi Rabinowitz. After we drown out Haman's name, we'll enjoy a spiel directed by Sherry Barnes, music by Roz Etra, and a cast including myself, Rabbi Alter, and many others. We will have a zoom link, but you will want to come in person if you can. During the spiel, we'll enjoy Hamentaschein, thanks to Beth El and Barbara Senges, and refreshments. Bring your own drink additives. Just remember the lesson of Rabba and Rabbi Zeira – if you find yourself looking for the unmute button, you've had way too much! I imagine Rabbi Zeira didn't get so drunk on Purim after the incident with Rabba. He also came to understand that 'cursed is Haman' and 'blessed is Mordechai' aren't so different. Whether cursing Hamans or blessing Mordechais, both lead to our redemption, both are necessary for peace in the world.

Chag Sameach Purim,

**Rabbi Marc**

## President's Message - Andy Parad

A few hopeful things happened to me just today, and will hopefully be closer in vision as you read this. Today I walked by my seedling table – folded in the corner of the basement – and I realized it wouldn't be long before I would be using it. Tomatoes, ground cherries, peppers, lettuce. Grow lights hanging, seed mats plugged in. Preparing for the outdoors. Also,

somehow my basil plants are still partially alive from last year by the window. I was able to take some seeds off and sprinkle them by the base of the plants and am already generating new seedlings. The last bit is the mulberry cutting by my window that dropped its

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leaves in the fall, after 1 day of strong sun, now has the start of a leaf. So I feel like things are starting to look up, even though Punxsatawny Phil would disagree with me.

This month the Board is planning on undertaking a strategic planning initiative. Hopefully you were able to take part in at least 1 of the coffeehouse meetings. The point of these meetings was to gain insights that would help with our strategic planning. While we are in a good place, we are always looking to get to a better

place. We would rather be proactive than reactive. So even though this initiative may have caught you by surprise, know that it was done with good reasoning and purpose and to help lead the Temple into the future.

So, here's to spring and seeing people outside again. Not that I mind sitting indoors and eating bagels, but it's nice to chat outside, let the kids run around the yard for more than just a few minutes, and enjoy the warm sun. Hopefully see you all outside soon.

**Andy**

## Notes from Sherry Barnes



I'll start this email with a big thank you to everyone that performed in our Cabaret evening last month. We are so blessed to have so much talent in our Jewish community. I loved that we had so many different acts with new and returning

players. For myself, I enjoyed singing, One Voice, with Armi and Jonathan Rowe. I had always wanted to sing it and they made it happen. To those that helped set up and clean up for this event, thank you so much. It was a hectic evening and your help made sure that we were ready when people came in the door. Many thanks to our Sound and AV people who helped make us sound good and able to share the evening with those at home. To those that came to be our audience, we appreciate your support of the Cabaret and hope you enjoyed the evening. Everyone had a part to play that evening and we are so grateful that you were there! Armi and I enjoyed the evening's entertainment and all the positive energy in the room. I wish I had more time to schmooze with everyone. It was so uplifting to see everyone there and so glad that we could

have this event live! To Armi Rowe, thank you from the bottom of my heart for jumping on the Cabaret "band wagon" and helping to make the idea of Cabaret become reality! It's been 8 years of fun and I'm looking forward to next year. If you want to be a part of this amazing event next year, start thinking about what it is that you would like to do! You have time to find the perfect song, act, poem, or dance.

A plug for Purim! This year we will be celebrating with the Jewish Community on Monday, March 6, beginning with Ma'ariv and Megillah reading at 5:45, Purim Spiel at 7:00, and of course Hamentashen for noshin! It's another wonderful community event that I hope you will attend in-person or on Zoom.

Thank you to all those who signed up to participate in our Purim Spiel and Megillah reading!

Thank you to Pat Sher for chanting Torah this month at our March 31, Shabbat Service.

If you are interested in reading from the Torah, please contact me and we can pick a date!

B'shir,

**Sherry**



## Sisterhood -- Barbara Senges, President

Dear Ladies,

As I write this article, we are half-way through our February activities (Congratulations to the team of Jo Michelson, Karen Bloustine, Leslie Spees and Merrill Mazzella, who each won a gift certificate to the Judaica Shop as a reward for their victory at our February 7 Trivia Night), and am looking forward to all the great things we have planned for the month of March and beyond.

Hopefully, you will receive this bulletin prior to most of our March activities (which I described in detail in my February article) and you will still have time to add these to your calendar and RSVP where needed.

- **Wednesday, March 1 at 12 noon at the synagogue - Assembly of Purim Bags for Friendly Visitors Program**
- **Tuesday, March 7 at 6:45PM on ZOOM - Ellie Presents, Speaking of Unmentionables, The Rise and Fall of Ladies' Underwear.**
- **Sunday, March 12 at 2:00PM on Zoom - Book Club, "Rockaway Riptides" by Harriet Grayson**
- **Wednesday, March 15 - Dinner Club**
- **Friday, March 17 - Deadline to send in your check for \$66 for your seat to see "Gypsy" at the Goodspeed on June 7.**
- **Monday, March 27 at 10:00AM at the synagogue - Assembly of Passover Bags for Friendly Visitors Program**
- **Thursday, March 30 - Movie Night**

Below you will find a list (not yet all inclusive) of upcoming activities that we are planning for the spring. In my April bulletin article, I will provide a more detailed description of our April and May events as we finalize the details. Of course, as always, you will receive emails and flyers from me prior to all events.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Tuesday, April 18 at 7:00PM - Yom Hashoah Presentation and Discussion of the book *Black Earth* by**

**Timothy Snyder with Rabbi Marc at the Synagogue**

- **Tuesday, April 25 - Smith's Acres (Tentative Date)**
- **Saturday, April 29 at 6:30PM - Havdalah, Sue Horowitz and Kyra Goldman Zoom Concert and Hors D'Oeuvres** (Check out Sue's music at suehorowitz.com and Kyra's music at kyragoldman.com)
- **Friday, May 12 at 6:30PM - Sisterhood Service**
- **Wednesday, June 7 at 2:00PM - "Gypsy" at Goodspeed**

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of our **Sisterhood Board** for their dedication and hard work. Sisterhood is strong because of them!

A big thank you to **Iris Freeman** for all her efforts to raise funds for Sisterhood through Mahjongg. Coming all the way from Massachusetts is a real mitzvah!

I'd also like to thank **Barbara Wolfe, Janine Sitko and Amy Perry** for all their hard work in organizing and running the **Purim Mishloach Manot Fundraiser**. The funds raised go directly to the Temple's Essential Services Fund.

**Happy Purim!**

**Hope to see all of you at our upcoming events!**

**Barbara Senges**

Sisterhood President



### TEMPLE EMANU-EL GIFT SHOP

Anne & Lisa continue to grow the selections offered by our gift shop. B'Nai Mitzvot gifts and Passover items will be in stock before we know it. Reach out

to either of us to make an appointment during Temple office hours. We will be offering regular shop hours again very soon.

Anne Cohn (860-508-6084) & Lisa Marcus (860-908-2113)

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2023 Mahj Cards have been ordered!



Thank you to all who helped with the 2023 Mah Jongg Card sale this year. I can't tell you how much I appreciate those who collected orders from their friends and fellow mahj players. This

effort helps us to exponentially increase our sales and grow every year. During the first few years when I started this, I recall buying cards for relatives and friends who didn't even play Mah Jongg, just to beef

up our anemic order. It has been so rewarding to watch this grow over the years as we've expanded our loyal sales force and supporters, many of whom are not temple members. I appreciate you all! If the National Mah Jongg League is on schedule, cards will be mailed from them at the end of March. Let me know if you have any questions.

Iris • ifreegang@aol.com or 860.460.3081

P.S. Watch out for a date for a Spring Mah Jongg Tournament, when you can try out your new cards!

## Temple Emanu-El Religious School (TERS)- Rachel O'Brien

It was once again a joy to gather with our religious school families during the First Friday Family Share Shabbat on Friday, February 3rd. **We hope to see you all again at our next Share Shabbat on Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 p.m.** Parts of the service will be available to choose two weeks prior to every First Friday Family Shabbat. Please check your email or reach out to myself or Rabbi Marc for the link, marcckstrand@gmail.com.

On February 5th, TERS had a wonderful Tu BiShvat celebration. The Denison Pequot Nature Center led an interesting program on trees that was fun, engaging and very informative and a great way to celebrate this day of ecological awareness.

On Saturday, February 25th, TERS had their second Havdalah in Pajamas. After a short but sweet Havdalah service families enjoyed a dinner followed by much needed down time as parents got to know each other better and students played their favorite board game with their classmates. **A BIG thank you to Mikayla O'Brien & Cam Marcus for helping make the evening successful for all the students!** Students had a great evening and our next Havdalah in Pajamas will be on April 29th.

**What to look forward to...**

**On Sunday, March 5h, in lieu of regular class lessons,**



**TERS will have our schoolwide Purim Celebration.** Students are invited to wear costumes and participate in our traditional Purim costume parade and contest (categories: best Purim themed, funniest costume, most creative, best group, and most original).

Students are also invited to bring

their own groggers as they listen for Haman's name in a Purim spiel called "The Brave Queen Esther" presented by our own Faculty Assistants. Afterwards, students will compete in a grogger contest (categories: loudest/most obnoxious, and most creative). Prizes will be awarded at the end. We will wrap up the day's celebrations with Hamentashen from New York City and Mishloach Manot bags. **Thank you to Barbara Senges-Murphy for coordinating this special treat on behalf of Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.**

Mark your calendars, **Sunday Family Funday is March 12th at RoseGarden Ice Rink.** We had an AMAZING turnout last year with many TERS students and families hitting the ice and coming together in a private party room to connect and enjoy some hot chocolate and snacks. I am sure this year will be just as exciting and will be another great opportunity for our community to spend time together and have fun. **Our LAST Sunday Family Funday will tentatively be held on the last day of religious school May 21st.** Please keep an

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eye out for the details.

TERS is also leading a mitzvah project led by **Barbara Senges-Murphy, our Kitah Chet teacher**. Barbara is organizing all of our TERS students in creating Purim cards to be distributed to Jewish seniors of resident care facilities and homebound Jewish seniors through

JFEC's Friendly Visitors Program. The goal is to reach as many Jewish seniors as they can in hopes of bringing a smile to their face during Purim.

Chag Purim Sameach,

**Rachel**

### Special Tu B'Shevat Program at TERS

*Kim Hargrave, Education Director at Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center gave a special presentation about trees as part of Temple Emanu-El Religious School's Tu B'Shevat celebration on Sunday, February 5, 2023. For example, students learned about tree age by studying a tree pool plate. Young Israeli Emissaries Omer and Uma also gave a special Tu B'Shevat presentation to the children.*



*Emissaries Omer & Uma also presented a program about how Tu B'Shevat is celebrated in Israel.*

## March Birthdays

Doug Barnes  
Minerva Beard  
Jennifer Beatty  
Anne Bendick  
Jordan Bentley  
Stanley A. Bloustine  
Tracy Colsen Schaperow  
Heidi Cordray  
Susan D. Cramer  
April D'Amato  
Debra Eichler Elliott  
Janet Garson  
Daniel Goldstein

Susan Goldstein  
Ellen Gottfried  
Geoff Hausmann  
Spencer Haynes  
Rebecca Haynes  
Joel Holwitt  
Alexandra Holwitt  
Joshua Johnson  
Regan Kaye  
Martin Lazarus  
Kaylyn Levine  
Joan Levine  
Steven Lewellyn  
Jeremy Linden  
Todd Linden

Erica McCaffrey  
Ryan Novick  
Chris Rock  
Ellen Schiller  
Paige Schneider  
Lindsay Schneider  
Stephanie Seeman  
David Senges-Murphy  
John Patrick Silsby  
Harvey Snitkin  
John Stavropoulos  
Sheldon Stricker  
Amy Stricker  
Stephanie Thorp  
Margaret Trehub  
Lauren Trostler

Caroline C. Walz  
Gail Weber  
Shoshanna Weiss  
Hannah Winograd



## Anniversaries

Andrew and Donna  
Goldman

Jeffrey P. Elkin and  
Jean Lasser

Mark and Dianne Rubin

## Yahrzeits

### March 3

Benjamin Angert  
Joseph Bloustine  
Irwin Braverman  
Louis Brensilver  
Terri Goldsmith  
Ruth Lasser  
Alex Lazarus  
Miriam Massman  
Waldo Larry Miner  
Gail Piotrkowski  
Irwin Sayet  
Norma Selwyn  
Phyllis Weiss  
Priscilla Young

### March 10

Gordon Adams  
Audrey Cohen  
Ruth Doukas  
Harry Eidensohn  
Morse Engelman  
Charlotte Fox  
Howard Franklin

Iona Fridman  
Fuzzy Gipstein  
Esther Goodstein  
Sarah N. Herbert  
Burton Miller  
Selma Misch  
William "Bill" Perry  
Mary Schnader  
Dr. Samuel David  
Schupack  
Marian Senges  
Walter Senges  
Claudia Shapiro  
Joseph Shapiro  
John Shiers  
Bernard Simon  
Harold Stein  
Louis Trostler  
Melvin Zablotsky  
Louis Zeldis  
Sylvia Zeldis

### March 17

Sheppard Fox  
Nathan Goodman  
Bethany Hillsberg  
Risa Hillsberg  
Nathan Hytone  
Ruth Kilbey  
Morris Kraimer

## March Yahrzeits

Benjamin Linden  
George Mettler  
Stella Murphy  
Ray Brooks Prokesch  
Charles Reisner  
Irving Ressler  
Marvin Rovner  
Louis Schlissel  
Sidney Shanbrom  
Barbara Sherman  
Leon Speevak  
Anne Steinman

### March 24

Suzanne Bloom  
Bessie Brody  
Larry Freeman  
Philip Goldblatt  
Josephine Hovey  
Sadie Lazev  
George Mikulka  
Cookie Parry  
Florence Rosenstein  
Jerome Schwartz  
Stanley Sedransk  
Rose Shedroff  
Mary Shleffar  
Donald Shulman  
Marlene Simon  
Sol Solomon

Harry Stoner  
Rose Pearlman  
Tulman  
Corrinne Willins

### March 31

Michael Bloom  
Scott Bloom  
Maria Cordero  
Joseph Fernandez  
Pauline Frank  
Henry Green  
Howard Greenhouse  
Charles Gregory  
Harvey Krasney  
Benjamin Lazev  
Sheldon Levine  
Samuel Liebowitz  
William "Bill"  
Mandelbaum  
Helen Mazza  
Gloria Miller  
Sally Miller  
Jean Morea  
Janice Reisner  
Jerome Rosen  
Zermina Senges  
Florence Shafner  
Allen Shedroff  
Bennett Werner  
Deeda Wharton

## Condolences to . . .

Adam Kaufman and  
Rebecca Woodward and family,  
on the passing of Adam's mother,  
Phyllis Kaufman.



## Social Action Committee — Karen Bloustine & Sybil Nassau, Co-Chairs



All our disbursements have been delivered to several community agencies designated by the committee in 2022. We will be looking at a weekday build for Habitat for Humanity in the Spring. We are planning to participate in the Women's Build scheduled on International Women's Day, March 8.

If you are interested in participating in the Women's Build contact Karen Bloustine, [bloustinek@gmail.com](mailto:bloustinek@gmail.com) or Sybil Nassau, [sybil.nassau@yahoo.com](mailto:sybil.nassau@yahoo.com). Please also contact us if you would like to join our committee.

## Cabaret! -- Sherry Barnes & Armi Rowe, Co-Chairs



Rowe, Rabbi Susan Schein, Marcia Reinhard, Rachel Levy and Rabbi Ken Alter.

Thank you to Dona Casey for her help in the kitchen and Don Kasper and Roberta Reiser-Winograd for their assistance with our plans. Thanks to our Cabaret Night volunteers who helped with the technical and prep aspects of our event: Sean Bendick, Chris Rock, Hunter Rock, Jonathan Rowe, Nathaniel Rowe, Jennifer Zettler, Scott Zettler and Omer Zohar. Thank you to Steve and Gail Weber and Minuteman Press for their

After a two-year hiatus, it was delightful for the community to be able to gather in person at Temple Emanu-El's 8th Annual Cabaret Night on Saturday, February 4, 2023. Over 60 attendees braved the frigid weather and enjoyed appetizers, Havdalah, a variety show and desserts. Thank you for the beautiful voices, soothing music, sentimental and dramatic spoken words, entertaining stories and comedy, not to mention an awe-inspiring Rabbinic juggling act! We are grateful to the following people for sharing their talent and support: Jonathan Rowe, Richard Simonson, Phyllis Holtzman, Barry Weiner, Marc Goldsmith, Sean Bendick, Matthew Barnes, Harvey Schiller, Rabbi Marc Ekstrand, Beca Reinhard, Chris Rock, Hunter Rock, Nathaniel Rowe, Judd Rosen, Jonathan

help printing the beautiful Cabaret Night reminder post-cards. We also appreciate everyone who pitched in to lend us a hand during the event: Kaitlyn and Ann Bendick, Marcia and Beca Reinhard, Bruce, Lori and Hilary Goldstein, Karen Rosenberg, Harvey Schiller and Barbara Senges. Thank you to Judy Mann for transporting the extra food to the New London Meal Center. And thank you to everyone who donated funds to this event which supports the Essential Services Fund. We appreciate being part of our vibrant community.

## ***We are eternally thankful for the support of those below***

### **Aaron and Pearl Parker Religious School Fund**

Leslie Spees

..... In memory of Caren Linden

### **Alter Fund**

Henry Dunkerly

..... In loving memory of Ruth Dunkerly on her yahrzeit

### **Cantor's Fund**

Henry Dunkerly

..... In loving memory of Ruth Dunkerly on her yahrzeit

### **Endowment**

Patricia Hendel

..... In loving memory of Phyllis Thall on her yahrzeit

..... In loving memory of Morris Thall on his yahrzeit

..... In loving memory of Ray Cohen on his yahrzeit

### **Essential Services**

Armi and Jonathan Rowe

..... In loving memory of Alita Sevilla on her yahrzeit

..... In memory of Katherine M. Thibault, mother of  
Robin Margolis Silsby

..... In memory of Caren Linden

..... Congrats to Violet & Gavier Greenmoor on the birth of  
their son Felix

..... In celebration of the birth of Asa Jane Williams

..... In celebration of the birth of Louise Effey

Chris Kelly

Peter Sacks

..... In loving memory of our dear friend, Caren Linden

Henry Dunkerly

..... In loving memory of Ruth Dunkerly on her yahrzeit

Irene Brickman Smith

..... In loving memory of Morris Brickman on his yahrzeit

..... In loving memory of Caren Linden

Jane Schnur

..... In loving memory of Norman Schnur on his yahrzeit

Karl and Jeanne Zirulli

..... In memory of Caren Linden

Kenn and Kim Fischburg

..... In loving memory of Howard Helveston on his yahrzeit

Martin and Joanna Lazarus

..... In loving memory of Dorothy Benmaor on her yahrzeit

..... In loving memory of Lillian Miller on her yahrzeit

..... In loving memory of David Hillsberg on his yahrzeit

..... In loving memory of Katherine Margolis Thibault Miller

Neil Willins

Bethesda Lodge #30 IOOF

Richard and Libby Cohen

..... In memory of Caren Linden

Shelley Weiss

..... In loving memory of my father Merton Goldstein on  
his yahrzeit

### **Goldsmith-Kallan Fund**

Lori Corah and Peter Marcus

..... In loving memory of Kitty Margolis

### **Mitzvah Fund**

Edith Ziegler

..... In loving memory of Sigmund Sol Rosenholtz

Hali and Gerry Keeler

..... Congratulations to Barbara & Scott Wolfe on the birth  
of their new grandchild, Louise Effey

..... Congratulations to Andrea and Paul Kanfer on the birth  
of their new grandchild, Felix

..... Congratulations to Violet & Gavier Greenmoor on the  
birth of their new son, Felix

..... Condolences to the Margolis family on the passing of  
Kitty Thibault Miller

Judy and Stephen Mann

..... Mazel Tov to Barbara and Scott Wolfe on the birth of  
their grandchild, Louise Effey

..... Sincere sympathies to the Linden family on the passing  
of Caren Linden

..... Sincere sympathies to the Margolis family on the  
passing of Katherine Margolis Thibault Miller

### **Rabbi Aaron Rosenberg Tikkun Olam Scholarship**

Irma Flitt

..... In loving memory of Bessie Snitman on her yahrzeit

Matthew Lewiss

..... In loving memory of Joseph Lewiss on his yahrzeit

Natalie and Philip Stein

..... In loving memory of Sheldon Schlissel on his yahrzeit

..... In loving memory of Louis Schlissel on his yahrzeit

..... In loving memory of Fannie Schlissel on his yahrzeit

..... In loving memory of Samuel Cohen on his yahrzeit

..... In loving memory of Helen Stein on his yahrzeit

..... In loving memory of Harold Stein on his yahrzeit

### **Rabbi's Discretionary Fund**

..... Florence and Raphael Shafner Charitable Fund II  
Community Foundation of Eastern Connecticut, Inc.

Barry and Stephanie Thorp

..... In loving memory of Philip Crystal on his yahrzeit

Judith Glickstein

..... Congratulations Violet and Gavi on the birth of your son,  
Felix

..... Congratulations Paul and Andrea on the birth of your  
grandson, Felix

***Please make checks payable to Temple Emanu-El and remit to PO Box 288, Waterford, CT 06385***



## March Events & Service Schedule

Wed.	Mar. 1	12 Noon 4:30 P.M.	Friendly Visitors Program Purim Gift Bag Assembly Religious School
Fri.	Mar. 3	1-5 P.M. 6:30 P.M.	Purim Bag Pick-Up at Temple Share Shabbat Religious School providing Oneg
Sun.	Mar. 5	9:00 A.M. 9:30 A.M. 10:30 A.M.	Sunday Morning Cafe Religious School – School Purim Celebration Preschool
Mon.	Mar. 6	12 Noon 5:45 P.M.	JFEC Senior Lunch Erev Purim - Community Purim Program
Tues.	Mar. 7	6:45 P.M.	Sisterhood Ellie Presents – History of Unmentionables on Zoom
Wed.	Mar. 8	4:30 P.M. 7:30 P.M.	Religious School Board of Trustees Meeting
Fri.	Mar. 10	6:30 P.M.	Kabbalat Shabbat; Cathy Zall Guest from New London Homeless Hospitality Center
Sun.	Mar. 12	9:00 A.M. 9:30 A.M.  2:00 P.M.	Sunday Morning Café Religious School After Religious School: Sunday Funday – Skating Sisterhood Book Club – “Rockaway Riptides” by Harriet Grayson
Mon.	Mar. 13	12 Noon 6:00 P.M.	JFEC Senior Lunch Jewish Community High School
Tues.	Mar. 14	7:00 P.M.	Hadassah Speaker Book Review – Hybrid at Temple Emanu-El
Wed.	Mar. 15	4:30 P.M. Evening-TBD	Religious School Sisterhood Dinner Club
Fri.	Mar. 17	6:30 P.M.	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood and Baking Club Sponsoring Oneg
Sun.	Mar. 19	9:00 A.M. 9:30 A.M. 10:30 A.M. 5:00 P.M.	Sunday Morning Cafe Religious School Preschool Brotherhood Italian Night Dinner
Mon.	Mar. 20	12 Noon 6:00 P.M.	JFEC Senior Lunch Jewish Community High School
Wed.	Mar. 22	4:30 P.M.	Religious School
Fri.	Mar. 24	6:30 P.M.	Kabbalat Shabbat
Sat.	Mar. 25	10:30 A.M.	Bat Mitzvah of Sophia Selke
Sun.	Mar. 26	9:00 A.M. 9:30 A.M. 10:30 A.M. TBD	Sunday Morning Café Religious School Preschool Board of Trustees Leadership Retreat offsite
Mon.	Mar. 27	10:00 A.M. 12 Noon 6:00 P.M.	Friendly Visitors Program Passover Gift Bag Assembly JFEC Senior Lunch Jewish Community High School
Thur.	Mar. 30	Evening-TBD	Sisterhood Movie Night
Fri.	Mar. 31	6:30 P.M.	Kabbalat Shabbat

## Invitation by Karen Bloustine to Explore Our Shtetl Roots

Dear Friends and Family - Please Join Me!

So many of us have family backgrounds in Eastern Europe, in the Pale of Settlement that was Ukraine, Belarus, Poland, and Lithuania. Some of us have roots in Germany and other lands.

I am excited to be part of a journey taking us back to our family roots and hope you will join me in learning about and sharing your family's history.

On March 14, at 7 p.m., JFEC and Hadassah are presenting a Zoom and In-person program at Temple Emanu-El entitled: "Are We Lantzmen? Exploring our Shtetl Roots". Our guest speaker, Lisa Brahin, has authored a book entitled "Tears over Russia" which chronicles her family's flight from the pogroms in Russia between 1917 and 1921. Besides sharing her family's story, Lisa will help us explore our "Shtetl" roots be they in Eastern Europe, Germany, or other lands from whence our families fled. She has the genealogical knowledge and tools to help you in your exploration.

After her initial program we will schedule an interactive program where we can all contribute.

How much do you know about your family's historical roots? We would love you to share that with us and tune in to our program to learn more. We are collecting the stories of our ancestors on whose shoulders we were able to make good and safe lives. Will we leave a legacy of knowledge and gratitude for our children and grandchildren?

So join me in our journey of exploration. Tell us what you know about your family history, send me any photos or information you may have, and stay tuned for our program and further information to help you explore further. The flyer for our program is below. Register for in-person or Zoom by emailing Karen Bloustine at [-bloustinek@gmail.com](mailto:bloustinek@gmail.com)

P.S. Book is available at the Groton Public Library



*JFEC & Hadassah present*

### Are We Lantzmen? Exploring our Shtetl Roots

Tuesday March 14, 2023  
at 7:00 p.m.

Temple Emanu-El  
29 Dayton Rd., Waterford CT

Join Hadassah and JFEC for a special hybrid program about our historical roots in the shtetlech (small towns) in the European Pale of Settlement from where so many of us descend. Author and genealogist, Lisa Brahin, will share insights from her book *Tears Over Russia*, which recounts her family's flight from the pogroms in Russia and will help you explore your own family's shtetl roots.

Please contact Karen Bloustine at [bloustinek@gmail.com](mailto:bloustinek@gmail.com) to reserve an in-person seat OR to register for the Zoom link.



# Baking Club & Rugelach — A Match Made in the Kitchen—Heaven!



From Baking Club - rugelach served at Temple Emanu-El oneg on 1/26/23 — YUM!!





## Brotherhood's Annual Italian Nite Dinner is Back!

Pasta, Eggplant Parmesan, Homemade Sauce, Salad, and  
Bread!

Sunday, March 19, @ 5:00 P.M.

Social Hall at Temple Emanu-El

**EVERYONE IN THE COMMUNITY IS WELCOME!**

Start the week off with good food, friends, and family.

**\$20 per person \*\*\*\*\* \$50 for three or more**

Please RSVP for planning by Monday, March 13.

**Paying at the door for either family or individual is \$5 more.**

Mail payment to Temple Emanu-El, P.O. Box 288 Waterford,  
CT 06385 or call 860-443-3005 to make reservations.

**For those attending, we will be  
conducting a 50/50 raffle!**



WATERFORD, CT

## Temple Emanu-El Seder 5783

**Langley's at  
Great Neck Country Club**

28 Lamphere Road  
Waterford, CT 06385

**Wednesday, April 5, 2023 • 6:00 pm**

**Menu:**

Matzo Ball Soup, Gefilte Fish, Chicken,  
Tzimmes, Vegetable, Kosher Wine

Please bring a Kosher-for-Passover  
dessert to share

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### RSVP for Passover Seder by March 27th

**Please note that all guests must be vaccinated.**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending: \_\_\_\_\_ at \$40 per Adult, \_\_\_\_\_ at \$20 per Child, ages 6–12,  
\_\_\_\_\_ Age 5 & under free      **Total Enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_

Number of vegan or vegetarian meals: \_\_\_\_\_

Seating will be pre-arranged. Please include requests for guests at your table. Dinner will be buffet style.

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Return this form with payment to: Temple Emanu-El • PO Box 288 • Waterford, CT 06385

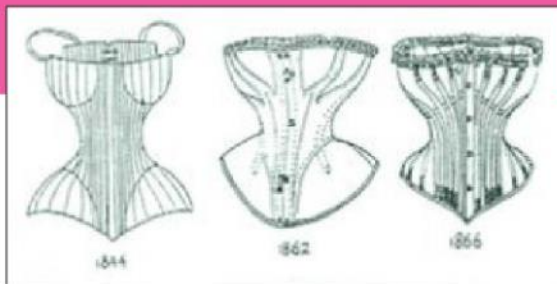
If you prefer to pay by credit card, please go to <http://www.tewaterford.org>, click the Donate button, and select "Passover Seder 2023" under Choose A Fund on the donation page.

**Questions?** Call Barbara Senges: 860-608-1187

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What did the brassiere say  
say to the hat?

"You go on a head  
while I give these  
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**The Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood  
presents**

well known Chicago performer

**Ellie of Ellie Presents**

on March 7 at 6:45 pm on Zoom

with her popular talk,

***Speaking of Unmentionables: The Rise & Fall of Ladies' Underwear***

This novel and at times slightly naughty presentation unveils facts and exposes myths about women's unmentionables. It includes stories from real women past and present and the amusing and sometimes uncomfortable relationship with their foundations. The talk takes the audience on a tour through the fashion timeline...underneath the dresses.

**Please note this program is free but registration is required.**

RSVP to Barbara Senges at [professeur38@me.com](mailto:professeur38@me.com) to receive the registration link.



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IN THE SOCIAL HALL

## *Sunday Morning Cafe*

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Catch up with friends or your e-mail,  
meet with a committee, read the newspaper,  
or meet some new people  
over bagels and coffee.



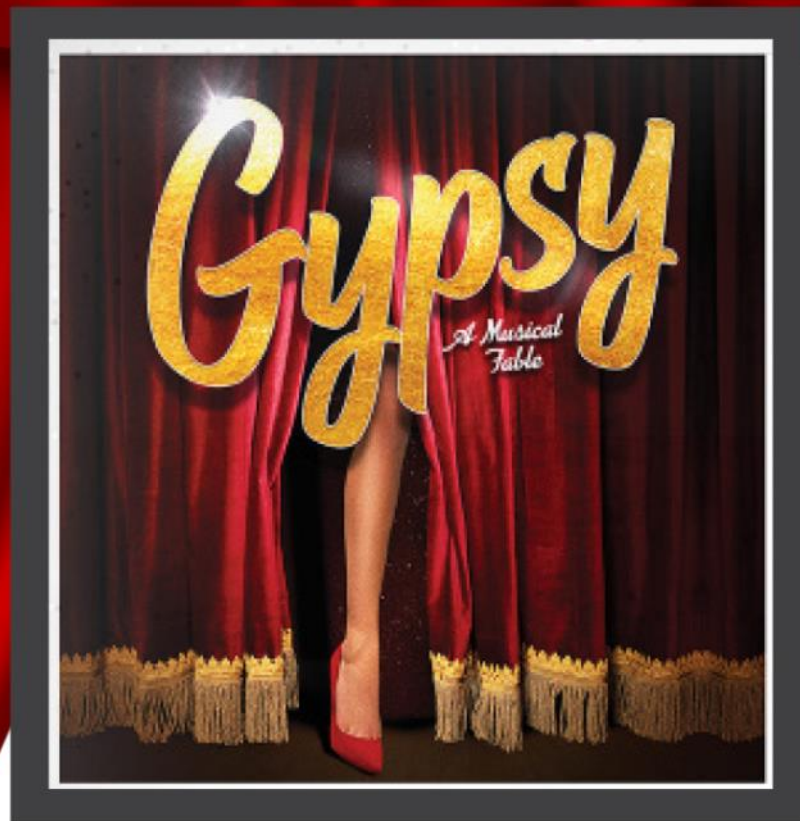
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Call 860.608.4835 or email [rmccaffrey@snet.net](mailto:rmccaffrey@snet.net)  
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Join the Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood for a performance of the Broadway musical



at the Goodspeed Opera House  
in East Haddam, CT  
Wednesday, June 7 • 2:00PM

**The cost is \$66.00 for a seat  
in the Center Orchestra.**

We will all be sitting together. In order to get this special group rate for tickets, **we need a minimum of 20 to attend.**

Payment of \$66.00 should be sent **by March 17** to:  
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Optional plans for lunch will be announced in advance of the show date.

**Questions?** Contact Merrill at [mazzellaa@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mazzellaa@sbcglobal.net).





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