



Rabbi's Message — Marc Ekstrand

Friends,

On April 8, many of us witnessed the eclipse as it traversed a swathe of North America. For those of us in Connecticut, it was a partial eclipse of about 90%. If you could travel as Polly, Nava, Ilan, and I were, perhaps you witnessed totality. What an amazing sight. Thanks to a wonderful friend, we were invited to spend a long weekend around Lake Placid, New York (thanks to Claire, Cy, Micki, and David for a beautiful weekend). On the morning of the eclipse, we went for a short hike along the lakeshore. On our hike, Polly observed a place that seemed perfect for viewing the eclipse.

The place she picked was on a golf course, away from the condos and homes nestled along the shoreline. She predicted that not many people, if any, would be there and we could experience all the changes in nature as the moon transited the sun. About half an hour before the beginning of the eclipse, we returned to this spot, and we were the only people around. Nava and Ilan played with sticks and stones because what else do kids really need to have a good time (cell phones are only a sad replacement for those kids not lucky enough to have plenty of sticks and stones around). Polly and I sat on the gravel cart path to soak up the sun's warmth and waited. We all put on our special eclipse glasses in time, and the most amazing show on earth began. We started naming what the sun looked like as the moon crossed – a cookie with a bite, a fat banana, a skinny banana, a golden taco, a frowny face. Every few minutes, we would look around and notice the qualities of the light, sounds, and temperature. Just before totality, the birds started calling uncharacteristically; the light began to soften to a twilight blue-gray, and the air became colder. When totality began, there was an odd kind of darkness. The snowcapped mountains in the distance were still light, yet we were in darkness. We took off our glasses. Jupiter and Venus were visible as the sun was now the moon's black disk with white light

casting out all around and an amber solar prominence peeking around the edge; in an instant, totality ended with a brilliant diamond flash of light.

I am still in awe of what I witnessed. Generations before us were awed as well. There are many biblical and Talmudic references to eclipses. For the most part, eclipses were associated with catastrophic events during the times of the Prophets (most notably Amos, Isaiah, and Ezekiel) and deemed to be bad omens in the Talmud (see BT Sukkah 29a), even though the rabbis understood that these were predictable periodic natural events. Indeed, there was a solar eclipse in the Middle East in 763 BCE, and the kingdoms of Israel and Judah would have experienced about 90% of totality, just like in Connecticut. Amos and Isaiah would have experienced something like many of us.

Polly and I had agreed before the eclipse that we wouldn't try to take pictures, say prayers, or do anything else during the eclipse. We just wanted to experience a fantastic event that Polly and I may never see again. Also, we wanted Nava and Ilan to have a lasting memory to carry with them through their lives. Reflecting on the eclipse, I am not filled with dread of catastrophic events to come. Instead, I am given a new respect for my place in the unfolding of God's creation, the universe, and its grandeur. Pictures, videos, or NASA animations could not capture this grandeur. You just had to be there. I pray for this sense of grandeur to be a light guiding us through our brief yet spectacular lives on this amazing planet. Our existence is undoubtedly a Divine gift.

L'shalom,

Rabbi Marc



President's Message - Armi Rowe

Yesterday, at our Temple's April Writers Circle, our group discussed how poetry communicates ideas and emotions through the essence of word economy. Lately we have been inspired to each write a poem based on the same writing prompt. We found it remarkable that we each reflected and presented such unique perspectives on the same concept. That is the beauty of writing as art. We are grateful to have formed this connection over our shared interest in writing.

We also talked about how we appreciate how Rabbi Marc not only recites poetry with appropriate pacing and impactful intensity at Shabbat and other occasions, but also the fact that he always chooses just the right reading for the occasion. That demonstrates the richness of our Temple's form of spiritual and prayer practice. There is room for art and music. We allow ideas and the history of the Jewish people to float around our minds, hearts, and souls.

This month, it's time to recognize significant contributors to our Temple life. Please join us at the last Share Shabbat service on Friday, May 3 when we recognize all of our dedicated religious school director Lisa Marcus, her assistant director Amy Orce, all of our educators and school staff. The following week on May 10, please attend Shabbat so we can celebrate the recipients of this year's Howard Ilson Memorial Temple Emanu-El Distinguished Service Award: Erica and Rich McCaffrey and Jennifer and Scott Zettler. There are many worker bees in our community who quietly do so much behind the scenes and we are so grateful to all of them for all of their help. Thank you to all of you.

On a more serious note, please plan on joining Rich McCaffrey and the Security Committee on Sunday, May

5 at 10:00 a.m. for an important presentation about security. It will include the viewing of a documentary about the Tree of Life Synagogue tragedy and we will discuss lessons learned. Thank you to Brotherhood for providing refreshments.

Please schedule your portrait for the 65th Anniversary Temple Directory. Many thanks to Sue Fornara, Brian Alpert and the Directory Committee organizing this valuable publication that will help us all recognize each other and network better. Check out the additional dates, schedule your session and consider placing a celebratory ad.

Please SAVE THE DATE for June 2, when we'll be having our Deli Day event featuring Jewish Storyteller Anna Sobel, yummy pastrami and corned beef sandwiches from Rein's Deli, and a delicious array of Jewish festival foods!

It has been a whirlwind lately, as we fast approach the conclusion of our religious school calendar this month and our Temple's fiscal year in June. Our Board of Trustees has been busy preparing the Annual Report we will soon share with the congregation. We will look back on all that we have accomplished this year and look forward to continuing important work.

Top Board of Trustees Highlights

The Board of Trustees approved:

- o the proposed 2024-2025 annual budget.
- o the proposed 2024-2025 slate of nominated candidates
- o the proposed annual meeting agenda

See you at our Spring festivities,

Armi

Notes from Sherry Barnes

"And if, when it is all over, I'm asked what I did with my life, I want to be able to say 'I offered love.'"

Terri St. Cloud

If there is anything my dad did and did well, he offered love. He was a good hearted person and a great role model. My father gave tzedakah to those in need. He wanted to help make other people's lives better. He would also do that with a helping hand, a good joke, with just his smile, and with his generosity

to those who needed it. The Torah teaches us to feed the poor, clothe the naked, take care of the widow and the orphan, and to give tzedakah, and not to treat anyone in a way that we would not want to be treated. I think my dad did a great job following those teachings. He was a mensch and my family and I were really blessed.

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Temple Emanu-El 65th Anniversary Directory

Temple Emanu-El is putting together a new *printed* congregational directory for our current & future members!

It will include updated membership contact information, professional photography, and celebratory ads and messages. Congratulate our Temple on 65 years! Use this directory to recognize people, send a card, or give someone a call. Join our directory to help make Temple Emanu-El a vibrant, close-knit community.

Please fill out the front & back of this form and submit it via mail or e-mail:
 Temple Emanu-El Directory • P.O. Box 288 • Waterford, CT 06385
 Or communications@tewaterford.org • Subject: Temple Directory

Names of Family Members (one per line, check box if an adult):

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Primary Phone Number: _____

E-mail: _____

Mailing Address: _____

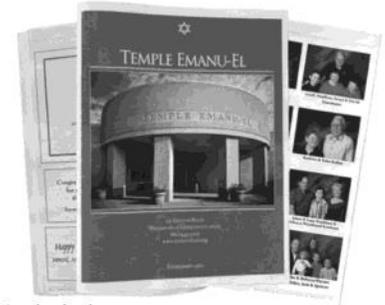


Photo of Directory from 50th Anniversary

Check if you do not want your address included in directory. Phone and email will be included.
 Please note this directory will **only** be printed, it will **not** be available or distributed digitally.

Sunday, April 21
12:00 – 2:30 PM

Sunday, April 28
9:00 – 11:30 AM

Wednesday, May 1
6 – 8 PM

Sunday, May 19
12:00 – 3:00 PM

Wednesday, May 29
6:30 – 9 PM

Sunday, June 9
1:30 – 4 PM

I cannot make any of these. Please contact me.

More dates added! To have a free professional photo featured in the directory, please circle *one* of the following photo session dates:

A photo for the directory is free. If you would like a printed photo or photo package, you can choose one at the time of photography. Pricing ranges from \$18 – \$36 and payment by cash or check is due at time of photo session.

Photo packages and ad purchases help cover the cost of printing the directory. Want to put a congratulatory message in the directory? See the back of this page to learn more!

Full Page Size:
7.5" w by 10" h

Temple Directory Personal Message Submission Form

Please *print* your message here:

Please choose an ad size:

Half Page Size:
7.5" w by 4.875" h

- Full Page** (7.5" w × 10" h)
\$180
- Half Page** (7.5" w × 4.875" h)
\$100
- Quarter Page** (3.625" w × 4.875" h)
\$60
- Eighth Page** (3.625" w × 2.312" h)
\$36

- Include a Photo**
\$15

Quarter Page Size:
3.625" w by 4.875"

Eighth Page Size:
3.625" w by 2.312"

Please note there is a different ad form for businesses. Please contact the Temple office if you would like the form for a business ad.

Notes from Sherry Barnes—continued from page 2

Many of you know that it is not easy to lose a parent or someone you love. When it happens, it's hard to think about the next thing you need to do and sometimes you feel like your brain has become a giant cotton ball. You walk between mourning and life that keeps moving. This community held me and my family up with its love, your love. From the beautiful services to your kind words, stories, cooking, and bringing delicious foods for the meal after the funeral and shiva. All the work that went on in the kitchen to make sure everything went smoothly. Heartfelt gratitude goes out to all of you. Looking out at everyone who came, filled my heart with such love. My Temple Emanu-El family

and the extended family of the greater Jewish community helped to ease the pain of loss. I only felt love for my father and those who reached out to comfort me and my family. We will forever be grateful for your outpouring of love and caring. We are so blessed to have all of you in our lives.

With much love,

Sherry



New Temple Directory to Celebrate 65 Years

We would like **everyone** in the congregation to be listed in the new Temple Directory, celebrating 65 years! It will help us stay connected as a community.

Please fill out and return the Directory Form included in this Bulletin or on the Temple website to the Temple office by either dropping it off, mailing it (Temple Emanu-El, PO Box 288, Waterford, CT 06385), or emailing it to communications@tewaterford.org.

Please note that this directory will **ONLY** be printed and distributed to our congregation, it will **NOT** be available electronically or online.

You will be listed if you return your form and do not take a photo, but a directory photo is free and helps others to recognize people within our congregation. More photo session dates have been added.

Also, please consider a personal ad to help offset the cost of printing the directory, and to help celebrate our 65th anniversary. If interested in a business ad, or if you have questions, please contact me at communications@tewaterford.org.

Thank you,

Sue Fornara

Temple Emanu-El Religious School (TERS) - Lisa Marcus, Administrator

May. Our last month of religious school. So hard to believe I have been in this role for a full year now. And a full year it has been! We have offered so many wonderful programs this year, and there are so many people to thank for making them all possible.

Firstly, I would like to thank our incredible teachers and wonderful staff, without whom none of this would be possible. Secondly, I would like to thank the Religious School Committee, headed by Jennifer Zettler. Parent volunteers include Emma



Zelken, Michelle Pievsky, and Liz Hall. These parents, along with Adrienne Parad, never hesitate to chip in and help our religious school, whatever the needs may be.

I would like to thank the Sisterhood and Rabbi Marc for continuously supporting our programming and some very special operational needs. I would like to thank Roberta Winograd and Hazzan Sherry Barnes for being constant sources of mentorship as well as administrative support.

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I would like to thank Jennifer Zettler—and especially Barbara Senges—for their tremendous monetary contributions to our special programming. Our special programming probably wouldn't exist without their significant donations. And of course, I would like to thank them for their mentorship as well.

At the end of the day, however, I would not have succeeded in my first year without my assistant, Amy Orce. Amy has been a worker bee, a volunteer, a donation machine, and a true mentor in every sense of the word. She has been the perfect combination of experi-

enced TERS administrator and parent partner. The best guide to have by my side along this journey.

Lastly, I would like to thank the parents for sharing their children with us every week, entrusting that we have a higher purpose in mind and are driven to fulfill our mission completely. Your children are gifts from God, and we cherish everyone. It is a blessing to teach them!

Shalom,

Miss Lisa

Sisterhood -- Barbara Senges, President

Ladies,

The month of April was a busy month. Thank you to **Tammy Kaye** for leading a lively Book Club discussion of Toni Morrison's "Beloved" at her home in Old Lyme. Thank you to **Sue Fornara, Sheri Pascal, Suzanne Crawford, Debra Wool, Jo Michaelson, Linda Barnett, Michele Kessel, Jamie Stavropoulos, Michele Snitkin, Lois Steinman, and Amy Greenberg** for assisting **Eileen Shapiro** to assemble 120 Passover Bags and 23 Decoupage vases with flowers for the **Friendly Visitor Program**. **Thanks to all of you who participated in and/or attended the Sisterhood Service where we**

honored our Sisterhood Board, Iris Freeman and Robbin Alpert (for being our Mahjongg Gurus and raising significant funds to support our good works) **and all the women of Temple Emanu-El**. We ended the month with 19 women making herb gardens at Smith's Acres. Thank you to **Merrill Mazzella** for organizing and providing us with pizza and beverages. Thanks to **Pam Fox** for treating us to crudit  and hummus.

Two upcoming Sisterhood events are highlighted with flyers in this month's bulletin. The first of these events was also highlighted in the April Bulletin. In fact, several of you have already RSVP'd. Keep them coming!



It's Spring! That means it's time for the Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood End-of-Year Membership Dinner

All Sisterhood members* are invited to join us!
Thursday, May 30th • 6 pm • Temple Emanu-El in Waterford

This will be a sit-down dinner catered by Cloud Nine Catering. Reconnect with Sisterhood friends and meet some new friends.

\$18 per person
Make check payable to Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood
Mail a check in advance (or bring a check with you that evening) to:
Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood
Attn: Jennifer Zettler
PO Box 288
Waterford, CT 06385

RSVP
to Jennifer at sjzettler95@gmail.com **no later than Sunday, May 19th.**

*Contact Jennifer if you are not sure if you're a member. Membership is \$36 per year.

On Thursday, May 30 at 6:00PM at Temple Emanu-El, we will be celebrating our Sisterhood End-Of-Year Membership Dinner.

The evening will include a sit-down dinner catered by Cloud Nine. The menu is extra special! The evening will be a great opportunity to reconnect with sisterhood friends and meet some new friends. The cost for the evening is \$18. Checks made out to "Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood" can be sent to the synagogue to the attention of Jennifer Zettler or brought with you the evening of the event. **It is essential that you RSVP to Jennifer at sjzettler95@gmail.com no later than Sunday, May 19.**

On Tuesday, June 4, a very special outing

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to the Audubon Society and the Florence Griswold Museum in Old Lyme has been planned by Board member, Debra Wool.

Here are the details of this wonderful day:

- **10:30AM – 11:30AM:** “Backyard Birding” presentation at the Roger Tory Peterson Estuary of the Audubon Society. The cost of this program is being covered by Sisterhood.
- **11:30AM – 1:00PM:** Lunch at Cafe Flo at Florence Griswold Museum.
- **1:00PM – 3:30PM** Approximately: Guided Tour of

the exhibition in the Kringle Gallery, *Impressionism 150: From Paris to Connecticut*. The cost of the tour is \$18 per person.

This event is limited to 25 Sisterhood Members.

Therefore, it is vital that you RSVP by dropping off or sending a check made out to “Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood”, with Sisterhood Museum Trip on memo line, to the Temple Office by Tuesday, May 24.

Looking Forward to seeing ALL OF YOU at our End of the Year Dinner at the Temple on May 30 at 6:00PM!!!!

Barbara



BIRDING,
LUNCH,
ART...

YES
PLEASE!

Join Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood for an interesting and fun day!

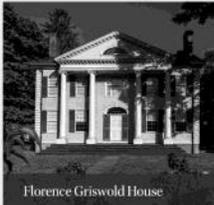
Date: Tuesday, June 4th

10:30 AM – 11:30 AM
“Backyard Birding” presentation at the Roger Tory Peterson Estuary of the Audubon Society
100 Lyme Street, Old Lyme

11:30AM – Approximately 3:30PM
Florence Griswold Museum
94 Lyme Street, Old Lyme

11:30 – 1:00
Lunch at Cafe Flo

1:00
Guided Tour of the exhibition in the Kringle Gallery, Impressionism 150: From Paris to Connecticut and Beyond.
Following the tour, we can visit the Griswold Boardinghouse for Artists, circa 1910.



Florence Griswold House

COST: \$18.00 per person for museum admission/ docent-guided tour

Please note: We will pay for our own lunches at Cafe Flo.
Sisterhood is assuming the cost of the Backyard Birding presentation at the Audubon Society.

Please RSVP by dropping off or sending a check with Sisterhood Museum Trip on memo line to the Temple Office by Tuesday, May 24.

Temple Emanu-El
PO Box 288, Waterford, CT 06385

We can only bring 25 women to this event. Please get your check in early to reserve your spot!
Due to limited space, this event is open to Sisterhood members only.

Temple Emanu-El Gift Shop



I hope everyone had a happy Passover. We are coming to the end of the year and that means our Sidewalk Sale. Email or text me any time and I'll be happy to meet you at the synagogue.

Pictured is a recent, very unusual, donation. This is a mezuzah that is hand made in glass. Inserted in the mezuzah is a fragment from a Ketubah from the 1800's. It could make a very special gift

to a bride & groom or a new homeowner. The price is \$50.

Contact me for a look at the bargains in the gift shop. Looking forward to hearing from you.

Anne

annecohn@gmail.com

We have only 2 weeks before the Spring Mah Jongg Tournament

It's coming on Wednesday, May 15th, so if you haven't registered yet, you may get shut out. At least that's what I'm hoping as I write this in early April. **See the enclosed Registration Form.**



Wednesday afternoon.
(\$30 for a full tray and \$15 for a half.)

We welcome volunteers for food prep and set-up on Tuesday, May 14th and

Wednesday, May 15th.

Contact me if available or need more information.

Hope to see you then!

Iris Freeman

860-460-3081 Text or call

ifreegang@aol.com

We will again be offering our Relaxed tables for those who are newer to the game or want the flexibility of a shorter day of mahjongg. And then there are the Tournament tables for a full day of competitive (but still fun) play. Both options include full luncheon, plus continental breakfast and afternoon desserts.

Our full day includes 6 rounds of MahJongg. If you don't want to play a full day but want tournament style play, we may be able to arrange for someone to sub in for part of the day for you. We try to accommodate our guests in any way we can!

We will have a 50/50 Raffle which is open to Tournament attendees and non-participants. You need not be present to win, so contact me if you'd like to purchase tickets (\$5 each; 3 for \$10).

Also, we will be taking pre-orders for homemade dessert dairy kugel. Contact me if you want to pick one up

***Please join us Friday night,
May 10, 6:30 P.M. at a
special Shabbat service
to congratulate this year's
Howard Ilson Award Winners,
Jennifer and Scott Zettler and
Erica and Richard McCaffrey.***

Annual Meeting — Sunday, June 9 at 10 A.M.

It is time for our Annual Congregational Meeting where we reflect upon our past year at our Temple, look forward to our future as a congregation, celebrate our successes and tackle our challenges.

Make your voice heard; vote on a new budget and a new Board of Trustees.

Look for a special mailing in May which will have additional details.



Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood
 29 Dayton Road (Mail registration to: P.O. Box 288)
 Waterford, CT 06385
 (860) 443-3005

FULL DAY MAH JONGG TOURNAMENT
Wednesday, May 15, 2024 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM

Registration/Breakfast 8:30 – 9:00; Tournament begins at 9:00

- Continental Breakfast & “Home-made” Buffet Lunch including our delicious kugel
- 6 Rounds of Mahjongg
- Cash prizes for top scores
- Bonus prizes for special hands



Your Choice:

Tournament Play: 15 min game max, rotate tables for the full tournament experience
 OR

Relaxed Tables: An option if you can't be with us the whole day, not ready for time-limited games, or don't want to rotate tables. Come with a group of friends or we'll find some for you!

Cost: \$50 per person – includes everything above!

To register: Mail tear-off below with \$50 check to Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.
Deadline: Friday, May 10 or when we reach capacity. Register early to ensure a spot! **No refunds.**

50/50 CASH RAFFLE: PRE-PAY FOR RAFFLE TICKETS: \$5 EACH, 3 FOR \$10.
 If you include payment now, your tickets will be waiting for you.

For more information contact Iris Freeman at ifreegang@aol.com or 860-460-3081

Name: _____ **Email: Required** _____

Address: _____ **TOURNAMENT RULES EMAILED PRIOR TO 5/15**
 Phone: _____

Check any that apply:

- _____ I can bring a mah jongg set and be East (you don't rotate)
- _____ Seat me at Novice/Relaxed table only (no time limits)
- _____ I am including payment for _____ 50/50 Cash Raffle tickets

Temple Emanu-El Endowment Fund

The Temple Emanu-El Endowment was established in 2007. The Endowment Fund invests the assets it has been entrusted with to support the mission and vision of Temple Emanu-El for present and future generations. Over the 17 years of the Endowment, the fund has grown an average of 3.3% and has provided the Temple with approximately \$230,000. All of this was accomplished with only one small stock donation added to the initial \$500,000.

This coming year the Temple's Endowment Committee plans to educate you on ways you can help us to grow the Endowment Fund and encourage you to make Legacy Giving a part of your financial planning.

Some ways you can make a planned gift to Temple Emanuel's Endowment Fund:

- Gifts of Cash for one-time gifts or recurring gifts can be made via check or credit card.
- Gifts of stock.
- Gifts of some or all your Charitable IRA Rollover (if you are 70 1/2 or older) also known as the Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) and popularly called the Charitable IRA Rollover. You pay no income tax on your QCD when you give it to a charity.
- Create a legacy in your will by making a provision in your will or revocable living trust.

Consult with your accountant for tax advice as to how to make a gift to the Temple's Endowment Fund.

Purim Bag Fundraiser — THANK YOU!!!!

The Purim Bag Fundraiser was a big success! We raised over \$7,000 for Temple Emanu-El. We could not have done this without the help of so many people!

The following is a list of people who donated money towards gifting everyone in the congregation a Purim bag:

- Brian and Robbin Alpert
- Sean and Anne Bendick
- Michael and Florence Betten
- Karen and Stan Bloustine
- Lynn and Jean Brown
- Karen Dinsfriend
- Henry Dunkerley, z'l
- Jeffrey Elkin and Jean Lasser
- Kenn and Kim Fischburg
- Marilyn Fishbone
- Iris and Gary Freeman
- Sue and Chris Fornara
- Myra and Rick Gipstein
- Andrew Goldman
- Bruce and Lori Goldstein
- Geoff, Susan David & Matthew Hausmann
- Paul and Andrea Kanfer
- Hali and Gerry Keeler
- Cynthia Lesser
- David and Kelley Levine
- Rachel and Eric Levine
- Robert Linden
- Benjamin and Courtney Miller
- Barbara Senges and John Murphy
- Andrew and Adriene Parad
- Michelle and Dan Pievsky
- Amy Perry and Bill Posage
- Michael & Marcia Reinhard
- Aaron and Karen Rosenberg
- Mark and Alexandra Rosenthal
- Moira Ross
- Armi and Jonathan Rowe
- Bart Sayet and Lori Lindfors
- Ira and Janine Sitko
- Donald and Lois Steinman
- Margaret and Martin Trehub
- Nancy and Robert Trostler
- Claire Warren
- Gail and Steve Weber
- Shelley and Nate Weiss
- Roberta Reisner-Winograd & Sam Winograd
- Barbara and Scott Wolfe
- Jennifer and Scott Zettler

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These are the people who got in their cars and delivered the Purim Bags to everyone in our congregation:

- Brian Alpert
- Anne and Sean Bendick
- Florence Betten
- Karen Bloustine
- Ian and Suzanne Crawford
- Jo-El Fernandez
- Sue Hausmann
- Deborah Linder
- Barbara Luftglass
- Jo Michaelson
- Sheri Pascal

- Amy Perry
- Sue Rosen
- Bill Seeman
- Janine Sitko
- Steve Weber
- Shoshana Weiss
- Thank you to Temple Emanu-El Religious School, Lisa Marcus, and Amy Orce

We appreciate the effort made by everyone to make this a very successful fundraiser.

Sincerely,

Barbara Wolfe, Janine Sitko and Amy Perry

Condolences to . . .

Julie, Jay, Deena, and Daria Snoke
and family on the passing of Julie's mother,
Shiela Raynes Kornstein

Hazzan Sherry and Matt Barnes and family
on the passing of Sherry's father,
Henry Dunkerley

Barry, Cécile, Jonah, Anna, David and family
on the passing of Barry's mother,
Shirley Feldman

May their memory be a blessing.

יהי זכרם ברוך.

Jewish Federation of Eastern Connecticut & Hadassah's Henny Simon Remembrance present

The Annual Community Yom HaShoah Program

Young Lives Lost to the Shoah: Promise of Hopes and Dreams Shattered

Sunday, May 5, 2024 at 2 pm
Temple Emanu-El - 29 Dayton Road, Waterford, CT







Community CIRCLES

Drop-In Mahjongg Circle
Wed. May 1, 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
RSVP: rbalpert@att.net

Monthly Writers Circle
Wednesday, May 1 at 2:00 p.m.
RSVP: armirowe@gmail.com

Each group is hosted by a Circle Leader.

Meet over refreshments in the social hall monthly or weekly.

Sundays between 9:30-12:00pm or Wednesdays between 10:30am-3:30pm.

SUBMIT YOUR IDEA TO TEMPLE OFFICE:
860-443-3005 or office@tewaterford.org

Join or Start One of Temple Emanu-El's Community Circles

GATHER WITH FELLOW CONGREGANTS WHO SHARE YOUR SPECIAL INTEREST!



Gift Cards — Please Donate

The Temple office continues to receive calls from people in need of help.

Donations of Gift Cards to ShopRite, Stop and Shop, and Walmart are appreciated.

Please drop them off in the box on the office door, whenever you have the opportunity. Thank you.

Service & Event Schedule

May 1	Wed	4:30 PM	Religious School
		6:00 PM -8:00 PM	Directory Pictures
May 2	Thur.	7:00 PM	Federation Filmfest at Temple Emanu-El “The Goldman Case”
May 3	Fri.	6:30 PM	Share Shabbat
May 5	Sun.	9:30 AM	Religious School and Preschool
		10:00 AM	Temple Security Presentation open to the entire congregation
		2:00 PM	Community Yom HaShoah Program
May 6	Mon.	12:00 PM	Federation Senior Lunch
		6:00 PM	Jewish Community High School Graduation
May 7	Tues.	6:30 PM	Sisterhood Book Club meeting at the Feldman Residence <u>Boys in the Boat</u> , by Daniel James Brown
May 8	Wed.	4:30 PM	Religious School
May 9	Thur.	3:30 PM	Baking Club
May 10	Fri.	6:30 PM	Shabbat Evening Service including Howard Ilson Award Presentations
May 12	Sun.		R.S.V.P. Deadline for Shabbat Dinner on May 17
May 13	Mon.	12:00 PM	Federation Senior Lunch
May 14	Tues.	TBD	Community Yom Ha’atzmaut Program
May 15	Wed.	8:30 AM	Mah Jongg Tournament
		4:30 PM	Religious School
May 17	Fri.	6:00 PM	Shabbat Service
		6:30 PM	Shabbat Dinner
May 19	Sun.	9:30 AM	Religious School and Preschool
			Deadline to RSVP for Sisterhood Membership Dinner on May 30
			Deadline to Preorder sandwiches for Deli Day- Pastrami, Corned beef
May 13	Mon.	12:00 PM	Federation Senior Lunch
May 24	Fri.	7:30 PM	Shabbat Evening Service
May 30	Thur.	6:00 PM	Sisterhood End of Year Dinner
June 2	Sun.	11:00 AM	Jewish Food Festival – Talking Hands Theater Jewish Story Teller for all ages “Dreams and the Wind”
June 9	Sun.	10:00 AM	Congregation Annual Meeting

May Birthdays

Brianna Agnew-Weber
 Florence Betten
 Karen S. Bloustine
 Eric Blum
 Dianne Wilkomer Brody
 Rebecca Brody
 Ian Crawford
 Rhonda Daniels
 Harris Daniels
 Haley Flax

Jonathan Folstein
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 Richard Gipstein
 Lori Goldstein
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 Patricia Gruber
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 David Hausmann
 Mike Haynes
 Robert Hoffman
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 Vivienne Karl
 Merrill Katz
 Adam Kaufman

Isaac David Kaufman
 Gladys Kimmel
 Moss Kornblith
 Joshua Krasney
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 Justin Mazza
 Sierra McCaffrey
 Mikayla O'Brien
 Edward Perl
 Alexandra Rosenthal
 Casey Ryan
 David Sayet
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 Perry Anne Smizer
 Brendan Suroviak
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 Mark Tsai
 Barry Weiner
 Janet D. Weiss
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 Nathan Weiss
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Anniversaries

Stanley A. and Karen S. Bloustine
 Scott and Rhonda Daniels
 Bruce and Lisa Darling
 Leonard and Helen Goldstein
 Rick and Tammy Kaye
 Martin and Joanna Lazarus
 Richard and Sheri Pascal
 Mike and Marcia Reinhard
 Elwin Garth and Cheryl Susan Schwartz
 Nathan and Shelley Weiss



May Yahrzeits

Reginold Krasney
 Abraham Allie Lamchick
 Betty K. Lavender
 Philip Luner
 Stanley Sheikowitz
 Samuel Sher
 Esther Sutel
 Isaac Wessel
 Martin Yavener

Samuel Steckler
 Mark Wildstein

May 17
 Lena Epstein
 Milton Finkelstien
 Beatrice Fishbone
 Judy Flax
 Louis Friedman
 Glafira Gonzalez
 Beverly Keeler
 Anne Ressler
 David Rifkin
 Irving Shafner
 Leah Sher
 James Shleffar
 Ernest Jacob Shoor
 Sam Sitko
 Carl Stoner
 George Trehub
 Marion Vail
 Nathaniel Wharton

Michael Goodman
 Mason Marcus
 Mildred Orenstein
 Samuel Perlowitz
 Dr. Jeanne C. Prokesch
 Wendy Senges Ryder
 Raphael Shafner
 Yetta Solomon
 Alice Werner
 Rose Winter
 Barbara Zelken

May 31
 Rose Cantor
 Toby Deckler
 Katherine Edgar
 Samson Engel
 Michael Green
 Jacob Hartman
 David Kornstein
 Edith Butler Kraimer
 David Levin
 George Orenstein
 Margaret Ratner
 Bernard Rosefeldt
 Lizabeth Love Ryan
 Eleanor Samuels
 Schnur
 Hazel Shaw
 Alfred Sunshine



Yahrzeits

May 3
 Ruth Alpert
 Donald Bendick
 Craig Blumsack
 Eileen Cohen
 Agnes Diamond
 Helen Dzurinin
 Anthony Freeman
 Martin Greenbaum
 Arnold Kaplan
 Barbara Kelco

May 10
 Dorothy Dolly Abrams
 Marcia Bentley
 Marion Chaet
 Sidney Chivian
 Aaron Goldblatt
 Paul Hans
 Kurt Hopfer
 Lillian Katz
 Joseph Kazin
 Max Kline
 Lothar Knobel
 Jerry Lavender
 William Miller
 Mary Louise Murphy
 Mary Rubin
 Bernard L. Ryack
 Anna Schlesinger
 Phillip Schlesinger
 David Schulman

May 24
 David Blustein
 Mary Ann Connell
 Stuart Fishbone
 Benjamin Fox
 Helen Friedman
 Belle Galvin

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Rich McCaffrey, Security Committee Chairperson at Temple Emanu-El will share a presentation about security with congregants. Included as part of this presentation will be a viewing of the 2022 documentary "A Tree of Life: the Pittsburgh Synagogue Shooting" presented by Good Docs which offers free films highlighting Jewish experiences, cultures, and encounters. The viewing will be followed by a discussion of the film and lessons we can learn as a community.

Please join us for a very important conversation we need to have about our community's safety.

**SUNDAY MAY 5, 10:00AM-12 NOON
TEMPLE EMANU-EL SOCIAL HALL**

Bagels & coffee will be served
Thank you to our Security Committee & Brotherhood



MENU

Watermelon Salad with Feta on the side

Pesto Chicken and/or Pasta Primavera

ADULTS: \$20 each
CHILDREN: \$12 each

May Shabbat Dinner

Friday, May 17 at 6:00 p.m.

A brief but meaningful service in the sanctuary

6:30 p.m. Shabbat Dinner in the Social Hall

RSVP by Sunday, May 12

* Please feel free to bring a dessert to share

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Temple Emanu-El

SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2024
11:00 A.M. SOCIAL HALL



Jewish Food Festival & Talking Hands Theatre Jewish Storyteller

Jewish Storyteller Anna Sobel will perform “Dreams and the Wind”



Storyteller Anna Sobel brings to life Jewish folktales of wonder and adventure, each of which centers on the theme of either dreams or the wind. You'll meet delightful characters including friendly giants, loyal princes, kindly kings, tough old ladies, and one very silly little boy, all embodied in Anna's uniquely engaging style. Maybe you'll even add some of your own character voices to the stories! She studied the art of Jewish storytelling, *maggidut*, with the late great Yitzhak Buxbaum and has performed Jewish stories for all ages, from the Jewish Museum in New York to the Yiddish Book Center stage in Western Massachusetts.

Thank you to the donors who contributed to the Meyer Goodman Fund to help sponsor this Jewish Storyteller program. Deli Day Food Festival proceeds will benefit the Essential Services Fund.

Pre-Order Deli Day Lunch from Rein's Deli in Vernon, CT

Send in this form with payment to: Temple Emanu-El, P.O. Box 288, Waterford, CT 06385. You can also **donate deli lunches to the New London Meal Center** (indicate number of donated meals below).

N.Y. Style Corned Beef or Pastrami on rye (with Kosher sour pickle, chips & 8 oz bottled water) - \$18 each # corned beef # pastrami # donated

Hebrew National Hot Dog (plus bag of chips & bottled water) \$5 x =

Falafel (with pita, salad and tahini sauce) \$15 x =

Name: Phone:

TOTAL ENCLOSED (Check to Temple Emanu-El):

To order online/pay with credit card, visit www.tewaterford.org for Deli Day order form. **Pre-order deadline: May 19, 2024.**

Mini Jewish Food Festival

Visit the Jewish Food Festival tables to purchase items (while supplies last):

Loaves of Challah

Matzah Ball Soup

Israeli Salad

Kasha

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