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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### NOAM KATZ WEEKEND

Musician, composer, Rabbi, storyteller, and Jewish educator.



#### **OCTOBER 13**

6:00 pm Friday Night One Shabbat Service 8:30 pm Friday Late Shabbat Service

#### **OCTOBER 14**

7:00 pm Saturday Evening, West Coast album premiere launch with private in-house concert, including Havdalah, dessert, and wine

Registration for this event is limited and required in advance.

#### **OCTOBER 15**

11:00 – 11:45 am Sunday morning, Community Family Concert at Emanu-El

This event is sponsored by the Ingrid D. Tauber Fund.

#### FRIDAY, OCT. 27 AT 6:00 PM

One Shabbat Service: Can you Waze it? Going toward the Unknown. What Modern Jews Think

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27

Special dinner with Dr. Hochman immediately following Shabbat service, 7:30 – 9:00 pm. Discussion

**Pre-registration required.** \$20 for members, \$25 for nonmembers

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28

Torah Study 9:15 – 10:15 am Beauty in Judaism: Aesthetics, Religion, and Jews (Lech Lecha)

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29

9:30 – 11:00 am Lecture: Developing Your Own Theology

**Open to the public!** Learn more: emanuelsf.org/learning/adult-education/

### **EMANU-EL GUEST SPEAKER**

#### CHARLES MICHAEL ENDOWMENT SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE

## PROFESSOR LEAH HOCHMAN OF



Dr. Leah Hochman directs the Louchheim School for Judaic Studies at the University of Southern California and is associate professor of Jewish Thought at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Los Angeles.

## FROM THE RABBI

## TALMUDIC THOUGHTS

By Richard and Rhoda Goldman Senior Rabbi Beth Singer

The Talmud is an extraordinary body of work that consists of over 40 volumes of Jewish civil and ceremonial law and legend. The Talmud is not just read; it is STUDIED. The volumes of the Talmud include the Gemara, a rabbinical commentary on the Mishna and related Tannaitic writings, of different periods throughout Jewish history. What is remarkable about the Talmud is that it is not exclusively written law, but rather an ongoing conversation between rabbis throughout the ages.

And why is the Talmud so voluminous? Because its compilers made an editorial decision to preserve ALL of the arguments—not just those that became law, but also the ones that were rejected. One example is the decision that one candle should be lit on the first night of Chanukah, and then another candle added on each successive night until the entire menorah is illuminated. Another first-century rabbi had made a powerful argument for lighting all eight candles on the first night of Chanukah, then diminishing by one each successive night (although that argument was lost, we study the unpopular opinion to this day).

Talmudic scholar Rabbi Benay Lappe will be at Congregation Emanu-El next February (February 23-25, 2018). Rabbi Lappe—who "installed" Cantor Attie—is a remarkable scholar and teacher, so mark your calendar now!

I mention the Talmud with its fierce arguments and disagreements to remind us that the Jewish people-since day one—have represented manifold viewpoints about everything under the sun. "Two Jews, three opinions," goes the saying. So, it is no surprise that, periodically, we invite speakers to Congregation Emanu-El that leave some congregants either scratching their heads or furious at us. "How could the temple possibly invite so and so!," we hear. We have congregants who would like us to ban AIPAC and others who wish we would prohibit J Street. Some of our congregants feel our speakers are too liberal while others believe our speakers are not progressive enough. We receive letters from all sides saying that we should not have allowed a particular speaker into our building. Occasionally, some even smear Emanu-El over our choice of speakers in public posts on Facebook. And we sometimes even have speakers that unnerve our clergy!

Here are a few things you should know about our speaker selections:

- 1) We do have parameters. For example, we do not invite speakers who are white supremacists, Nazis, or members of any group that disavows the right of Israel to exist. There is no place for hate-based thinking within the walls of this congregation.
- 2) Over the course of a year, we strive to bring in speakers from left, right, and center. Your friends mostly agree with you. Why not hear a viewpoint that makes you uncomfortable?

#### SIMCHAT TORAH – CZECH TORAH MARCH, CONSECRATION, & DINNER

#### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2017

6:00 pm, Little Sisters of the Poor at 300 Lake St (with a march towards the Temple for the remainder of the event)

With klezmer music and candy tossed in the air, we will march the new Torah that survived the Holocaust down Lake Street through our original entrance. At the foot of the Main Sanctuary, we will consecrate the Torah, bless our new incoming students and give them their own little Torah scrolls. Then we will dance joyously in Guild Hall, with a special bar for adults as is Chasidic custom, as we do the seven hakafot (circles) and unfurl the entire scroll. We will have a live band, food, and then conclude and begin again the reading for this annual cycle. Please register so we know how much food to order: www.emanuelsf.org/ register. You won't want to miss this!



3) Congregant committees are largely responsible for our speakers. Rarely does a rabbi single-handedly procure a speaker without validation from a group. More often, our Israel Action Group, Tzedek Council, and Adult Salon congregants propose the speakers who come to Emanu-El.

There are times when we will get it wrong. We will invite someone who, in retrospect, should not have been invited; or, vice versa, we will decide not to invite someone whose differing opinion would have been worth hearing. And of course no one is forced to attend any of our lectures or conversations. But I do encourage you to attend the events with speakers that are in opposition to your beliefs, just as the rabbis of the Talmud engaged in vigorous debate and disagreement, all in the name of Jewish vitality.

I once gave a Friday night talk that I knew would be unpopular. So I reminded the congregants, "If you don't like what the rabbi says on one Friday night, just come back next week!"

## SHABBAT CALENDAR

## SHABBAT SCHEDULE:

#### OCTOBER

#### Friday, October 6

**FIRST FRIDAY SHABBAT SERVICES!** 5:30 pm, First Friday Under Five Service (MMS) 6:00 pm, Classic Shabbat Service (Main)

#### Saturday, October 7

10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service (MMS)10:30 am, Shabbat Morning Service (Main)

#### Friday, October 13

6:00 pm, One Shabbat Service (MMS) 8:30 pm, Young Adult Late Shabbat

#### Saturday, October 14

10:30 am, Shabbat Morning Service (MMS) 10:30 am, Shabbat Morning Service (Main)

#### Friday, October 20

6:00 pm, One Shabbat Service (MMS)

#### Saturday, October 21

10:30 am, Shabbat Morning Service (MMS)

#### Friday, October 27

6:00 pm, One Shabbat Service (MMS)

#### Saturday, October 28

10:30 am, Shabbat Morning Service (MMS) 10:30 am, Shabbat Morning Service (Main)

## SPONSOR AN ONEG SHABBAT

Sponsoring an Oneg Shabbat for Friday evening is a lovely way to honor or remember a loved one or to celebrate a *Simcha*. When you sponsor an Oneg Shabbat, you help us welcome Shabbat with the warmth and community that are characteristic of our congregation. For more details, please contact Svetlana Leykin at sleykin@emanuelsf.org or (415) 751-2541 x123.

## **ISRAEL PROGRAMMING**

#### Sponsored by the Israel Action Committee

Sunday, November 5, 1:30 - 3:30 pm New Israel Fund Cafe Dilemma: The Ambivalence We Feel at 50: A Discussion about Israelis, Palestinians, Conflict, and Insecurity

Thursday, November 16, 7:00 - 9:00 pm An evening with Natan Sharansky





Sunday, December 10, 3:00 - 5:00 pm "The Way Forward; The Case for Israel: Right vs. Left" Dennis Prager in conversation with Alan Elsner of JStreet

**FEBRUARY 2018** Gilad Kariv, Executive Director of the Israel Movement for Reform and Progressive Judaism

Learn more about our Israel Programs and Trips at: www.emanuelsf.org/learning/israel-experiences

## Thank you to the following for recently sponsoring an Oneg Shabbat reception:

Wendy Brauner and Patrick Dippery, in honor of Jonathan Whitman Brauner Dippery

The Cohen Family, in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Jaxi Cohen Susie and Joel Litman, and Wendy and Paul Goldman, in honor of the wedding of Carly Litman and Scott Goldman

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20 6:00 PM



## SPECIAL SHABBAT GUEST SPEAKER: IsraAID CEO, YOTAM POLIZER

Yoram Polizer is the Co-CEO of IsraAID - Israel's biggest humanitarian NGO. Following the September 2015 refugee crisis in Europe, he led IsraAID's humanitarian mission in Lesbos, Greece, to support Syrian refugees on the island and also established IsraAID Germany, which provide long-term support for Yazidi and Syrian refugees in Germany. His presentation will draw from these experiences.

#### Free and open to the public!

## YOUTH AND FAMILY EDUCATION

In our second month of YFE, we are grateful that the High Holy Days came late enough in September to allow for meaningful learning experiences around thought provoking themes. Peeking through one classroom window provided a glimpse of children measuring their height with string (to be saved and compared with their end-of-the-year height) and then getting into small groups to discuss the importance of measuring themselves on the inside as the New Year begins. In another class' morning meeting, each student shared with a partner how they could make someone feel better or what they could do to make someone smile. Joining the congregation's holiday observances and celebrations will present YFE families with an additional level of engagement in Emanu-El's community and values. All students new to our education program will be consecrated at our Simchat Torah celebration on Oct. 11. First we'll march our new Torah down Lake Street and into the temple where it will be dedicated. Our new students will gather under a giant Tallit in the Main Sanctuary where they will be consecrated and receive small Torah scrolls. The celebration will continue with dinner and dancing and Torah reading. We invite everyone to this joyous event.



## SUKKOT 2017 Wednesday, October 4 - Wednesday, October 11

Throughout Sukkot, bring a lunch or dinner (check our schedule online to make sure we're open) and come shake the lulav! Join us in the Courtyard with your meal and participate in the Sukkot ritual.

#### EREV SUKKOT

Wednesday, October 4, 2017, 5:30 pm, MMS

Celebrate Sukkot at the temple! A festive service will begin at 5:45 pm, including a blessing in the Sukkah then it's off for a scrumptious dinner to be served under the Sukkah in our courtyard. Reservations are required for the dinner.

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#### SERVICE FOR THE FIRST DAY OF SUKKOT

Thursday, October 5, 2017

8:00 am, Chapel 9:15 am, Emanu-El Sukkah

Join us on the first morning of Sukkot for the festival service. Freshly brewed coffee will be served at 8:00 am, followed by the service in the chapel. You are invited to stay for a delicious breakfast in the Sukkah.

#### SHAKE YOUR LULAV - SUKKOT HAPPY HOUR

Thursday, October 5, 2017, 6:30 pm, Emanu-El Sukkah

Join us and other young adults to shake your lulav and celebrate sukkot! The night will feature live music from StringQuake, beer and cider tasting, and fantastic appetizers. Celebrate the fall harvest and the changing seasons Jewish style, with us, right here in San Francisco in Congregation Emanu-El's courtyard sukkah. We can't wait to see you! Don't forget to register online for your discounted cost!

#### FAMILY SERVICE WITH ANNUAL BABY BLESSING

Friday, October 6, 2017

5:00 pm, Pre-Oneg 5:30 pm, Martin Meyer Sanctuary 6:15 pm, Simchat Shabbat Dinner

We invite all babies born during the past year to bring their parents up to the bima for a special blessing! It is a spiritual gesture between parents and their children and contributes to a special feeling of closeness between you and your baby. As we celebrate the harvest, we will dine on delicious Mediterranean food. Please register in advance for the dinner, as we expect a large crowd and won't be able to accommodate walk-ins.

#### CLASSIC SHABBAT SERVICE

Friday, October 6, 2017

5:30 pm, Pre-Oneg 6:00 pm, Main Sanctuary 7:00 pm, Emanu-El Sukkah

Our Senior Cantor Emerita Roslyn Barak will lead this evening's Classic Shabbat service. Re-experience Roslyn's operatic vocal harmonies and impeccable pitch and tone. You don't want to miss this rare appearance!

Following the service, we will quench our thirst with a mixture of bold and silky grapes from the vine (this won't be your Manischewitz!). A blessing will follow.

#### OCTOBER

## **SUKKOT 2017**



#### YOUNG FAMILIES SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE IN THE SUKKAH

Saturday, October 7, 2017

10:00 am, Offsite

We invite families with children under age 5 for a Shabbat morning service in the sukkah at Rabbi Carla Fenves and Cantor David Frommer's home. Please join us for an outdoor service and activities for the little ones.

Space is limited so please register (address will be provided upon registration).

## SUKKOT DINNER: THE TRIBE FOR WOMEN & WOMEN'S GROUP

Tuesday, October 10, 2017

7:00 pm, Emanu-El Sukkah

We invite all the women in our community to come together and enjoy good food with a great group of women at our annual Sukkot gathering in the Emanu-El sukkah. The evening's discussion will focus on gossip and provide an opportunity for us to reflect together on the role it plays in our lives. We will be outside in the sukkah so remember to dress warmly! After you register and pay, we ask that you click the link in your confirmation email to choose your contribution of wine, a side dish, or a dessert. This will accompany our delectable main dishes from Bi-Rite Market.

Please register in advance for the dinner.

#### YIZKOR SERVICE

Wednesday, October 11, 2017

8:30 am, Breakfast 9:15 am, Service

Have you experienced the loss of someone you love? Join us to honor and remember them at our beautiful Yizkor service with Rabbi Beth Singer and Cantor Marsha Attie.

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#### CALLING ALL NEW MEMBERS! Saturday, October 21, 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Join us for a New Member Havdalah Reception, hosted by a fellow congregant. To learn more, register by logging into your member portal, MyEmanu-El, near the top right of the home page (navigate to October 21 on the events calendar). Plan to have a great time meeting clergy, staff, and your fellow new members!



## HAVE YOU REMEMBERED THE TEMPLE IN YOUR ESTATE PLAN?

We invite you to become a member of the Emanu-El Legacy Circle. If you have included Congregation Emanu-El in your estate planning through a bequest, or as a beneficiary of an insurance or retirement plan, you already qualify as a member of our Legacy Circle. Just let us know that you have done so.

As a member of this esteemed circle of supporters, you will join others in proclaiming your commitment to the life and mission of Congregation Emanu-El. If you have made a provision for Congregation Emanu-El in your will, or would like to speak with someone at the Temple about the Emanu-El Legacy Circle, please contact Senior Development Director Lani Zinn at (415) 750-7557.

## **MY JEWISH JOURNEY RESTORING A LIVING TORAH**

By Byron Gordon, Communications/Marketing

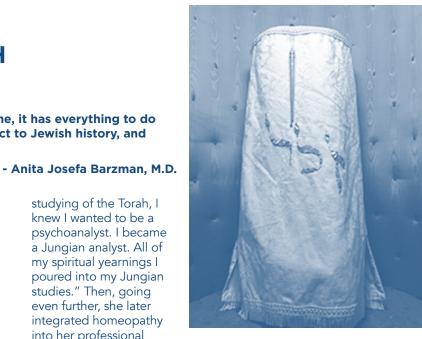
"People ask me. Why am I doing this? For me, it has everything to do with being Jewish, and being able to connect to Jewish history, and above all, the Torah."

It's impossible to know just how you will react when faced with a personal tragedy. After navigating past the raw grief, is it possible to find greater meaning behind what transpired? Might it serve as a catalyst for personal growth—as a human being and as a Jew? If we desire a closer relationship with a force greater than ourselves, including our own Jewish faith, what we learn from personal loss can only serve to help us. For Emanu-El member Anita Barzman, that experience came later in her life, and eventually it ushered in a whole new level of Jewish fulfillment with her unique experience of transporting Czech Torah scroll (MST #221) from the Memorial Scrolls Trust in London all the way to Temple Emanu-El (where it is now housed in our Rinder Chapel).

Born in 1954 on the East Side of Manhattan in the neighborhood of Stuyvesant Town, Barzman was the product of a Communist father, Sol Barzman, whose parents hailed from Belarus and a mother, Bella Prostakov, whose parents were from the Ukraine. Growing up, Anita's parents would send her to Jewish summer camp and Yiddish school. But these were isolated Jewish moments in young Anita's life. Neither of her parents were observant Jews. "I think because of my father's politics, secular Jews like him adhered to other forms of thought," said Barzman. "Since their passing, I've only been able to speculate why they didn't want to join a shul. But there was such a pervasive feeling of being culturally Jewish living in Manhattan that I knew I was a Jew. In my own quiet way, I would observe Yom Kippur but for the most part, I was sort of lost to my Jewishness."

Upon graduating from Hunter College High School, Barzman attended Tufts University, outside of Boston. Largely secular at this time of her life, Barzman continued to develop a very strong social justice component to her life. Over the years, her social consciousness led to a split between her inclination to be observant and concerns about some of the domestic policies in Israel. "I know it's all very complicated. But policies enacted by Israel against its Palestinian neighbors deeply troubled me. I kept wondering. How can I affiliate myself with a synagogue because of my concerns about the State of Israel?"

While at Tufts, Barzman studied drama and English, with thoughts of pursuing a career in theater; however, the wave of modern feminism in the 1970s pulled her more toward women's health and history. This awakening led Barzman to completely change direction and gravitate to the field of medicine. She attended Columbia University's post-baccalaureate pre-med program, and in 1981 was admitted to UCSF here in San Francisco. Barzman completed her medical school studies in 1985, and then-because her spiritual journey continued to attract her to the study of human nature-she went on to complete a psychiatry residency in 1989. "Absent any



Czech Torah scroll (MST #221)

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knew I wanted to be a

psychoanalyst. I became

a Jungian analyst. All of

my spiritual yearnings I

poured into my Jungian

studies." Then, going

even further, she later integrated homeopathy

into her professional

practice.

Barzman's relationship to Judaism remained fairly dormant up to this stage of her life, consisting mainly of attending Passover Seders, lighting Chanukah candles, and observing the yahrzeits of her father and maternal grandmother. Then, on March 22, 2015, her 92-year old mother Bella died. "My mother died in a Methodist nursing home in upstate New York. There was no chaplaincy to help my sister and me with my mother's dying process. It was another moment of awakening for me."

Barzman contacted a rabbi who knew her mother in upstate New York. The rabbi chanted El Maleh Rachamim (meaning "God full of compassion") and counseled Barzman. "I was so lost at the time. But I remember the rabbi saying to me that sometimes what people do after the death of a parent is to take something up to study. Being a perennial student, I told myself I had to learn Hebrew and join a Reform congregation."

Just a couple months later, during Pesach in 2015, Barzman contacted Emanu-El Membership Director Terry Krauss, who encouraged Barzman to attend a Yizkor service. Barzman eventually met with Senior Rabbi Jonathan Singer, and then made the decision to join Emanu-El. She took it upon herself to begin learning Hebrew and also started attending Friday night Shabbat services. "I told Rabbi Jonathan about my previous obstacles in joining a shul. He responded that this was a very big congregation with members who have all different kinds of feelings and ideas. I started regularly observing Shabbat and took Rabbi Kushner's Hebrew grammar class. Kushner said he was teaching people Hebrew so they can read the Torah. I said to myself, "You mean I can really read the Torah?"

For Barzman, studying the Torah became a serious endeavor in the pursuit of human knowledge. Within a year of joining Congregation Emanu-El, she found her way to shifting her work life from her previous solo private practice of psychiatry, Jungian psychoanalysis and homeopathy, to joining the staff of HealthRight360/Haight Ashbury Free Medical Clinics as their psychiatrist. To actively and explicitly engage in Tikkun Olam by helping underserved and marginalized people coincided with her study of Torah. "I felt I was led to my new work because of this arc of becoming involved in my own Jewishness. Now I'm feeling like every hour I'm doing something meaningful by spending time with these traumatized patients and in so doing am helping to repair our world."



Memorial Scrolls Trustee/Chairman Jeffrey Ohreinstein with Anita Barzman

Coupled with a powerful Hebrew/English software translator recommended by Rabbi Kushner (called Davka), Barzman is now on her third journey through the Torah; she studies Torah every day. She looks forward to eventually becoming Batmitzvah and being able to chant Torah during services.

Barzman's love of Torah parallels her fascination with 20th century history, an interest that eventually led her to the Memorial Scrolls Trust. In late 2015, Barzman took a trip to England to visit her daughter Arianna who was studying abroad at the University of Sussex. While there, the closest Reform synagogue she could find to attend Shabbat services was Westminster Synagogue, near Hyde Park in London. In viewing the synagogue's website, she discovered a page devoted to the Czech scrolls; the museum at Westminster houses 1,564 Czech scrolls that had been saved from Nazi destruction in Prague and miraculously found their way. Excited by this discovery, Barzman scheduled a personal tour of the museum and was guided by Rabbi Ariel Friedlander whose father (also a rabbi) served at Westminster during the 1960s when the scrolls first arrived.

The Memorial Scrolls Trust has lent out these surviving scrolls to congregations around the world so they can remain an enduring, living document, a testament to their surviving the Holocaust and serving as a connection back to Europe before the Shoah. Barzman later spoke with the Memorial Scrolls Trustee/Chairman, Jeffrey Ohrenstein to inquire if any of these scrolls had ever come to San Francisco. Other congregations do serve as homes to Czech Torah scrolls (including Beth Shalom), but as it happened, Emanu-El did not have one of these scrolls.

"I wanted Emanu-El to become my Jewish and spiritual home," said Barzman. "We have three arks at Emanu-El and I felt compelled to bring up the idea of facilitating our congregation becoming home to one of these precious scrolls. I met with Executive David Goldman and Marketing Director Rob Freedman in January 2016. They were very supportive. I said I would be willing to pay the adoption fee and the annual fee for housing the Torah. I wanted to make this happen."

A few months later, Emanu-El announced a very special trip to Eastern Europe exploring the rebirth of Judaism in such cities as Prague and Warsaw. For Barzman, it was an ideal timeframe. At the trip's conclusion, she would stop in London and bring home MST #221 to Emanu-El. The scroll came from Ostrava, which is the Easternmost part of the Czech Republic. It was previously a coal-mining city that expanded in the late 19th century. At its height, six synagogues were in Ostrava, prior to their ruination by the Nazis. It is now the third-largest city in the Czech Republic.

There was one last-minute complication that had to be worked out before Barzman could bring Torah MST #221 to Emanu-El. Barzman was informed that the scroll could not be used because it wasn't officially approved, so a scribe was sought out who eventually was able to restore it. "When I finally got to Westminster synagogue and saw the Torah itself, I had a visceral reaction as if I already knew this Torah. It was very powerful." Barzman obtained a 40-inch-long duffel bag so the Torah could sit right next to her on the plane back to San Francisco. She made it through customs surprisingly with minimal hassle. "Customs agents were respective of this religious object," said Barzman.

Think of the kids who probably read from this Torah and who died at Terezin. I would want our kids to feel something about that today.

Barzman arrived back at Emanu-El with the Torah on the morning of Monday, May 15, and Fabian, one of Emanu-El's custodians, helped her put MST #221 into the ark. When she was about to leave, Fabian asked Barzman if she were a rabbi.

"I wish," I said to myself. But if I had to do this all over again, I would try to be a rabbi. There's definitely an overlap with

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what I do today. It's no accident that the person who invented psychoanalysis was Jewish. There is just so much wisdom and insight about human nature in the Torah, and in our relationship with the divine. One of my favorite passages is Moses's conversation with God in the Book of Exodus. When God is going to reveal his presence to Moses and he has to go to the cleft of the rock. And Moses can only see God's back and not the front. It's so thrilling when you read it in Hebrew! For me, this is even better than reading Freud or Jung. It's such an established heritage."

To be able to bring back a scroll that had escaped Nazi destruction and make it available on loan to Emanu-El was not only an emotional and spiritual peak for Barzman, but it also served as a bridge to her Jewish heritage with its focus on European Jewry and, in particular, the tragedy of the Holocaust. "As Jews of the post-WWII generation, it's absolutely part of our collective unconscious. As a young woman I had visited Dachau, and on the Eastern Europe trip I visited Auschwitz and Terezin. It's such a visceral experience. I felt that when I was carrying the Torah back to San Francisco, there was a particular need to take care of it because it was also taking care of me. I hope that its presence in our congregation will bring greater immediacy to it, especially for those who use it for their bar or bat mitzvah. Think of the kids who probably read from this Torah in Ostrava and who died at Terezin. I would want our kids to feel something about that today."

For Barzman, connecting back to her ancestors has served as an anchor for her Jewish journey. Growing up in the 1950s with parents who weren't religious created a spiritual disconnect for her. "I do think my parents' generation had this feeling of 'where is God' or 'maybe it's not safe to be Jewish,'" said Barzman. "Something was lost."

It took many decades of searching and wandering but eventually, Barzman found what she was looking for. "There was a lack in my life, in my health, both mental and spiritual. For most of my life, I've been homesick for something but didn't know exactly what I was homesick for. Often as a young adult, especially on those Friday nights, I felt I should be going out to celebrate. Now, upon reflection, I realize what I was looking for was Shabbat on Friday nights. If I had been experiencing Shabbat for all these years, I wonder if I would have had a better life? Now my life is beautiful. I look forward to Shabbat every week. It's feeding me. Spiritual health is so important and it's not something we think about enough of."

## Appreciated Stock Gifts to the Temple

Did you know that you can make charitable gifts—including your Emanu-El membership dues and an Impact Fund gift—by donating your appreciated stock? With the Dow continuing to break new records and year-end giving in mind, now is an excellent time to avoid potential capital gains taxes while generously supporting the Congregation. You may also reduce your taxable estate by donating stock.

If you are making a stock gift, please use the following information:

- First Republic Securities Co, LLC
- Account Name: Congregation Emanu-El
- For Further Credit to Account Number: 33L064574
- Clearing Firm: Pershing LLC
- Pershing LLC DTC# 0443

Also, please make the Development Office (tbrown@emanuelsf.org or 415-750-7554) aware of your stock gift before it is transferred so your donation can be tracked and appropriately directed as you wish. Don't let unexpected simchas, mitzvahs, and life-cycle events catch you off guard!

Donating online is a quick and easy way to honor friends and family while supporting your synagogue. Just go to our website (www.emanuelsf.org), select "Donate Now" and follow the steps to make a credit card gift over a secure server. Be sure to include all dedication information and let us know if we should notify someone. You will receive an electronic confirmation, followed by an acknowledgment letter in the mail. That's all there is to it! If you need assistance, contact Tyler Brown in the Development Department at tbrown@emanuelsf.org or call (415) 750-7554.

## FALL TRIMESTER COURSES:

Tuesday evenings, 7:00 - 9:00 pm October 17, 24, 31; Nov. 7, 14

#### ISLAM FOR JEWS WITH PROF. FRED ASTREN



Jews and Muslims have a long historical relationship that helped shape major aspects of Jewish identity. In recent history, this relationship has been mediated by Zionism,

the Arab-Israeli conflict, Arab nationalism, and Muslim fundamentalism. This course is designed to examine core features of the world's second largest and fastest growing religion.



#### DREAMS IN BABYLON: TALMUD STUDY WITH RABBI RODICH

Join Rabbi Rodich for an introductory level study of several texts from the Babylonian Talmud. The course will begin with an introduction to Talmud and subsequent sessions will focus on several passages that are interesting, funny, moving, alarming or all of the above.

#### ETHICAL FITNESS: MONEY MATTERS WITH RACHEL BRODIE

When it comes to business ethics even the smallest dilemmas can rapidly become overwhelmingly complex. Whether we manage a company or are assessing the accuracy of an online review, we are expected to make decisions without much guidance. This series offers participants an opportunity to engage in discussion and delve into Jewish wisdom developed over millennia around topics such as free



markets, intellectual property, and false advertising. Check our website for more details and to register: www.emanuelsf.org/learning/adult-education. Questions? Contact Ariana Estoque, Director of Adolescent and Adult Education at aestoque@emanuelsf.org or 415-751-2541 x307

#### PEOPLE OF THE BOOK - AMERICAN JEWISH AUTHORS BOOK GROUP

#### Free, Monthly Tuesday evening meetings at the Temple, 7:00 – 9:00 pm Oct 17; Nov 14; Dec 19; Jan 16; Feb 20; Mar 27; Apr 24 and May 15

What better time to start a book group than the start of the new Jewish Year?

Our focus will be on the fiction—novels and short stories of selected Jewish American writers of the 20th and 21st centuries as they explore the tension between assimilation and tradition and the poles of alienation and belonging. Every work will also be rich in character, story, and the exploration of the human condition—the stuff that makes for great and enjoyable fiction. Be prepared for familiar and less well-known works, humor and sadness, seriousness and whimsy, and all the passions of life.

Join Debby Bloch—author, professor, and avid lifelong reader—and Rabbi Jonathan Singer for the first meeting on October 17, 2017. We will get organized, begin to explore what we mean by "Jewish American" writers, and become enthused (we hope) about the works we will read and discuss this year.

#### CHARLES MICHAEL SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE WEEKEND WITH DR. LEAH HOCHMAN OCTOBER 27 - 29

Dr. Hochman directs the Louchheim School for Judaic Studies at the University of Southern California and serves as associate professor of Jewish Thought at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (HUCJIR) in Los Angeles. At HUC, she teaches classes in medieval and modern philosophy, American Judaism, modern history, and food ethics. At USC, she teaches classes on contemporary Jewish literature, Jewish identity and the academic study of Judaism.

#### Schedule of offerings:

Oct. 27, 6:00 pm Friday night sermon: Judaism and Beauty

Friday, Oct. 27, 7:30 - 9:00 pm Special Friday evening dinner with Dr. Hochman following Shabbat service

Oct. 28, 9:15 - 10:15 am Saturday morning Torah Study Beauty in Judaism: Aesthetics, Religion, and Jews (Lech Lecha)

Oct. 28, 5:00 - 7:00 pm Saturday evening Special Young Adult Event: Food, Faith, and Conflict: Eating Judaism

Oct. 29, 9:30 - 11:00 am Sunday morning lecture: Developing Your Own Theology

## DAYTIME PROGRAMS AT THE TEMPLE

Meet other congregants at these weekday opportunities at the temple! Questions? Contact Rebecca Reiner.

#### Cooking for Congregants Thursday, October 26, 9:00–11:00 am, Emanu-El Kitchen

Do you enjoy working in the kitchen and helping others at the same time? Sign up for Cooking for Congregants, led by two fellow Emanu-El members, where you will prepare meals for congregants facing either a recent illness, death, or birth.

When someone we know is going through a challenging time, our natural reaction is to help, although we may not always know what to do. For those in need, food frequently becomes a low priority, so the support provided by this program can make a huge difference! As volunteer Sari Swig says, "There is no better gift to yourself than to help others," while a recipient of meals expresses how "It is such a lovely gesture of community... I was most grateful."

Register now to fulfill this mitzvah! All menus, ingredients, and storage containers are provided. And if you know a congregant who would benefit from a few delivered meals, please let us know.

#### The Stories of Your Life: Guided Autobiography and Life Review Writing No charge; any skill level welcomed. Monday, October 2, 10:00 am – Noon

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Join this monthly group where you will share your unique life in writing while getting to know yourself and others better. All writing is done at home, then shared in class in a safe and structured way.

#### Scrabble

No charge; drop in; all ages & experience levels welcomed. *Mondays, October 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm* 

Do you enjoy the challenge of putting letters together to form words? Join the Scrabble group and play a rousing game or two! Expand your vocabulary along with your social circle. Bring a Scrabble set (optional) and, of course, your appreciation of words.

#### Mah Jongg

No charge; drop in; all levels welcomed. **Tuesday afternoons, October 3, and 31, 1:30 – 4:30 pm, Congregation Emanu-El Tuesday evenings, October 10 and 24, 6:00 – 9:00 pm, Congregation Emanu-El** 

Enjoy playing Mah Jongg? Join us! No teaching at this time; play time only.

#### **Bridge Club - Lessons and Game**

Drop in; Members \$15, Friends \$20. *Tuesdays, October 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31, 10:00 am – Noon,* Congregation Emanu-El

If you enjoy bridge and are beyond the level of beginner, join this very popular and lively group for duplicate-style bridge! Play while improving your game. No partner needed. Deborah Murphy is the instructor.

## COMMUNITY

## CONGREGANT GROUPS & GATHERINGS

Meet other congregants at these weekend and evening opportunities! Questions? Contact Rachel Schonwetter.

#### **MISHPACHA**

Programs for families with children under age 5.

#### Outdoor Shabbat Saturday, October 7, 10:00 – 11:30am

We invite families with children under age 5 for a Shabbat morning service in the sukkah and other outdoor activities at the home of Rabbi Carla Fenves and Cantor David Frommer.

#### WOMEN'S GROUP / THE TRIBE FOR WOMEN

The Women's Group is for all adult women of Congregation Emanu-El.

The Tribe for Women is for Emanu-El mothers with children up to 18 years old.

#### **Sukkot Gathering**

Tuesday, October 10, 7:00pm, Emanu-El Sukkah

We invite all adult women in our community to come together to enjoy good food with a great group of women at this annual Sukkot get-together. The evening's discussion will provide an opportunity for us to reflect together as we focus on gossip and the role it plays in our lives. We will be outside in the sukkah, so remember to dress warmly!

Cost: \$18 plus a contribution of wine, a side dish, or a dessert.

As a large congregation, we recognize the importance of small group connection, so we offer many opportunities for learning, socializing, and enjoying local culture within more intimate groups. These small group gatherings generally occur on weekday evenings or on weekends. Refer to the Community or Social Justice pages on our website for more information and staff contact information. Remember to register online in the MyEmanu-El portal for all of these programs (unless otherwise noted below) so we know to expect you.

Your Community Engagement Team: Terry Kraus (tkraus@ emanuelsf.org, ext. 111); Monica Pevzner (mpevzner@ emanuelsf.org, ext. 124); Rebecca Reiner (rreiner@emanuelsf. org, ext. 170); and Rachel Schonwetter (rschonwetter@ emanuelsf.org, ext. 171).

## ENGAGEMENT

## CONGREGANT GROUPS & GATHERINGS

#### **EMANU-EL IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD**

Building Emanu-El community in your neighborhood with neighborhood gatherings.

Do you love your local coffee shop or weekly farmers market? And does Emanu-El in your neighborhood sound good to you? If you are looking for a volunteer opportunity close to home, consider becoming a Neighborhood Liaison to reach out to congregants in need, coordinate neighborhood events, and welcome new congregants in the city. Interested? Let us know!

#### **FRONT PORCH**

This innovative program assembles congregants into groups and gives them the tools they need to build deep and meaningful relationships at home-hosted gatherings. The gatherings include short videos filmed by one of our rabbis and discussion questions on Jewish topics relevant to life today.

Would you like to join a Front Porch group? Fill out the interest form at https://www.emanuelsf.org/front-porch/.

## Stay tuned to future editions of the Chronicle for gatherings with our groups.

#### **INTERFAITH GROUP**

Gatherings for interfaith members and families of Emanu-El.

#### **MEN'S GROUP**

A group for men of Congregation Emanu-El focused on Torah study and socializing.

#### THE TRIBE FOR MEN / THE TRIBE FOR MEN 2.0

For active and committed Emanu-El fathers 30 to 50 years old. The Tribe for Men is for dads with children ages 5–12; the Tribe for Men 2.0 is for dads with children ages 0–5.

## TZEDEK COUNCIL

Meet your fellow congregants for these social justice opportunities! Questions? Contact Monica Pevzner.

#### What is the Tzedek Council?

The Congregation Emanu-El Tzedek Council was launched in August 2015 as a congregant, board, and clergy-run group, charged with the task of raising our participation and impact in the social justice arena. The Tzedek Council comprises four working groups, covering the following topics: Economic Justice, Education, Environment, and Human Rights.

#### **Human Rights:**

#### **Unity Group**

## Gatherings are on the second Thursdays of the month, 6:00 - 7:30 pm

African American Art and Culture Complex, 762 Fulton Street, San Francisco

Congregation Emanu-El works together with First African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Zion Church to sponsor an African American Jewish Unity Group that meets monthly.

This year, the Unity Group will partner with other organizations to push for bail reform legislation in California. We believe that this legislation, if passed, will make an enormous difference in the lives of many poor people and people of color. We would love to have you join us in this effort. You are welcome to come to meetings simply to learn more about the topic, after which you can decide how involved you'd like to be.

#### **Social Justice Programs:**

## Donate non-perishable food and other items to the needy in September.

For many children, wearing a costume on Halloween may be the biggest treat of all. But what about the kids whose families cannot afford to buy such a luxury? You can help children who would otherwise not be able to celebrate in costume, by donating either new costumes or your child's lightly used costume for another child to wear! All costumes will be given to families staying in The Hamilton Family transitional housing and shelters (www.hamiltonfamilycenter.org). Please put all costumes in individual ziplock bags and drop them off in the collection bin in Emanu-El's main office foyer.

#### **G-House**

Providing youth with the necessary tools to remove the obstacles that threaten their successful transition to independent living.

Run by Larkin Street Youth Center (www.larkinstreetyouth. org), G-House is a 20-bed housing program for San Francisco homeless young adults (ages 18-24) transitioning from adolescence to adulthood. Emanu-El has partnered with G-House, providing volunteers on Sunday evenings to cook, eat, and build meaningful relationships with one another. We hope you will join us for this special volunteer opportunity. Want to get involved? Contact Rebecca Reiner.

Please note that we are asking for a commitment of one Sunday per month for a six month period.

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Mr. Peter Yolles and	
Dr. Jill Einstein	In honor of Amanda Yolles' Bat Mitzvah

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Mrs. Eleanor Coffman	In honor of Marilyn and Mark Weiss' anniversary
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Futernick	In observance of Marylee Futernick's Yahrzeit
Mr. and Mrs. Scott Kay	In celebration of Andrew Kay's Bar Mitzvah
Mrs. Lisa and Mr. Brian Krim	In honor of Brandon Krim's Bar Mitzvah
Mrs. Barbara Marshall	In observance of Marcus Cohn's
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Family of James Carroll Marwell	In honor of Jamie's Bar Mitzvah
Mr. and Mrs. Alain Mayer	In celebration of Josh Mayer's Bar Mitzvah
Mittelman Family	In honor of Michael Mittelman's Bar Mitzvah
Mr. Peter Yolles and	
Dr. Jill Einstein	In honor of Amanda Yolles' Bat Mitzvah

#### HAROLD DOBBS' EARLY EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND -

supports the Temple Emanu-El Preschool and early childhood education program

Ms. Marilyn Higuera

In observance of Harold Dobbs' Yahrzeit

#### OCTOBER

#### **EMANU-EL COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND** - promotes and supports

social action and community service related programs

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bleadon (2	2)
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Mr. Richard Schram	In honor of Ella Potashner's Bat Mitzvah
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Mr. Richard Schram	Jackie Frey's marriage
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Mr. Richard Schram	In honor of Sandra Shorenstein's marriage

#### FOR THE ROOSEVELT FOOD PANTRY

Dr. Leslie Friedman and Mr. Jonathan Clark	In honor of Ruth Rubinstein Hacker's Yarhzeit
Ms. Meta Pasternak	
Mr. and Mrs. William Scott	In observance of Anna Bayard Ernst's Yahrzeit
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EMANU-EL LIFE-CYCLE FUND - enables all congregants to celebrate significant milestones, regardleess of economic circumstances

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Colvin	
Wendy and Paul Goldman	In honor of Carly Litman and
	Scott Goldman's marriage
Molly and William Jacobs	In memory of Liz Jacobs
Mr. and Mrs. Scott Kay	In honor of Rabbi Ryan Bauer and
	Cantor Marsha Attie
Susan and Joel Litman	In honor of Carly Litman and
	Scott Goldman's marriage
Mittelman Family	In honor of Michael Mittelman's
	Bar Mitzvah
Dr. Donna Wiggins	
Mr. Peter Yolles and	
Dr. Jill Einstein	In honor of Amanda Yolles' Bat Mitzvah

**EMANU-EL PRESCHOOL FUND** - provides scholarships for children attending the Emanu-El Preschool and for staff development

Robert and Shirley Raymer In memory of Myrna Frankel

#### **HIGH HOLY DAYS**

Dr. Jill Einstein

Kathy Glatter Mr. Sanford Kingsley and Ms. Kathryn Ma Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rosenberg

**ONEG SHABBAT AND KIDDUSH FUND** - provides for the weekly Shabbat Oneg, Kiddush and other congregational receptions

Ms. Wendy Brauner and Mr. Patrick Dippery	In honor of Jonathan Whitman Brauner Dippery's Bar Mitzvah
Mr. Daniel Cohen and	
Mrs. Nancy Keizer Cohen	In honor of Jaxi Cohen's Bat Mitzvah
Wendy and Paul Goldman	In honor of Carly Littman and Scott Goldman's marriage
Mrs. Lisa and Mr. Brian Krim	In honor of Brandon Krim's Bar Mitzvah
Susan and Joel Litman	In honor of Carly Litman and Scott Goldman's marriage
Family of James Caroll Marwell	In honor of Jamie's Bar Mitzvah
Mittelman Family	In honor of Michael Mittelman's Bar Mitzvah
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Mr. Peter Yolles and	

**PAUL J. MATZGER YOUNG LEADERSHIP FUND** - supports programs

and leadership development for the Young Adult Community

Mrs. Lucia Matzger	In memory of Myrna Frankel
Mrs. Lucia Matzger	In celebration of Joan Green's birthday

#### **RABBIS' DISCRETIONARY FUND** - used by the Congregation's Rabbis for charitable giving

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In honor of Amanda Yolles' Bat Mitzvah

#### YOUTH AND FAMILY EDUCATION FUND - supports special programming and materials for the Youth and Family Education

program Mr. Martin and Dr. Deborah Bloch Ms. Gina Hill

> In honor of Igor Kopilenko's recovery from illness

In observance of Boris Rosinskiy's Yahrzeit In observance of Ida Rosinskiy's Yahrzeit

#### **OTHER GIFTS**

Ingrid D. Tauber Fund and Endowment Fund Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Hymowitz Mr. and Mrs. Mark Lehmann Ms. Sally and Mr. Jim Shapiro

In support of the Cantors' Concert Series Jewish Community Federation In support of the Temple's Senior Transportation Initiative In support of Israel Action Committee In support of Israel Action Committee In support of the Israel Action Committee

In honor of Amanda Yolles' Bat Mitzvah

## LIFECYCLES

#### **OCTOBER 2017 B'NEI MITZVAH**

Hayes Appel

Bar Mitzvah: October 7 Main Sanctuary Parents: Craig Appel & Kate Holcombe Torah Portion: *Hol Hamoed Succoth* 





#### James Marwell Bar Mitzvah: October 7 Martin Meyer Sanctuary Parents: Evan Marwell & Tracy Leeds Torah Portion: *Hol Hamoed Succoth*

**Skylar Goldberg** Bat Mitzvah: October 14 Main Sanctuary Parents: Mark & Ilene Goldberg Torah Portion: *Bereshith* 





Jonathan Dippery Bar Mitzvah: October 14 Martin Meyer Sanctuary Parents: Patrick Dippery & Wendy Brauner Torah Portion: Bereshith

Nate Yanowitch Bar Mitzvah: October 21 Main Sanctuary Parents: Richard & Wendy Yanowitch Torah Portion: Noah





**Rosie Yanowitch** Bat Mitzvah: October 21 Main Sanctuary Parents: Richard & Wendy Yanowitch Torah Portion: *Noah* 

Micah Uziel Bar Mitzvah: October 28 Main Sanctuary Parents: Jaime & Tara Uziel Torah Portion: Lech L'cha



#### CELEBRATING A SHEHECHEYANU MOMENT?

Congregation Emanu-El is an ever-present partner in the transitional moments of our members' lives. Be it a baby naming or brit milah, bar or bat mitzvah, conversion or wedding ceremony or a recovery from illness, the temple clergy and staff strive to ensure that each sacred 'Shehecheyanu Moment' is deeply fulfilling and personal. A donation to the Emanu-El Life-Cycle Fund is a lovely way to mark a personal life-cycle experience, to honor friends or family celebrating a happy milestone or in gratitude for the services the clergy provide during these profound moments.

Please donate online at www.emanuelsf.org or call the Development office at (415) 750-7554.

#### WOMEN IN TECHNOLOGY

How to be a Mensch and Still Succeed: A Conversation about Ethics in the Workplace

October 17, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Please join us in getting to know women in the Emanu-El community who work in the technology field. You're invited to a private congregant home for light bites and an informal evening to meet other women in the synagogue. Together we will dive in to a short introductory text study and then a moderated conversation about ethics in the workplace.

Registration required. No fee to attend! Questions? Please contact Jordana Stein at jorsari@gmail.com.



#### OCTOBER

## LIFECYCLES

#### MAZEL TOV TO OUR MEMBERS WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED JOY

Patsy Lurie on the marriage of her son, William Fay to Katherine Osher

Rachel and Efrem Bycer on the birth of their daughter, Shayna Lielle

#### CONDOLENCES TO OUR MEMBERS WHO HAVE SUFFERED RECENT LOSSES

Leslie Karren on the death of her mother, Beth Karren

David Sloan (Sandy) on the death of his mother, and Eleanor and Caroline Sloan on the death of their grandmother, Catharine Sloan

Friends and family of longtime member Henry Small

Janice Berman (Richard Nelson) on the death of her mother, and Laurel Nelson on the death of her grandmother, Catherine Berman

Nancy Fudem and Jonathan Fudem on the death of their cousin, Mark Miller

Jamin Seid (Deborah Jaffe) on the death of his mother, and Sasha and Gideon Seid on the death of their grandmother, Roberta Seid

Mark Searle (Mia Zuckerkandel) on the death of his mother, Dagmar Searle

Suzy Colvin (Andy) on the death of her uncle, and Michael and Matthew Colvin on the death of their greatuncle, Alan Robert Cerf

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MEMBERS ON THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS

Nersi Boussina on being named honoree of the year at the gala for the organization, Support for Families of Children with Disabilities

#### **NEW MEMBERS - Welcome!**

Dr. Adam Alban, Eliana Alban, Mrs. Tali Alban, Tuesday Alban • Sonny Stoe, Ruby Stoe, Mrs. Natasha Cooper • Ms. Alexandra Crane, Mr. Edward Landesberg • Mrs. Natalia Daniel, Mr. Oded Pelled, Oliver Seidel • Mr. Michael Dechert, Mrs. Caroline Dechert • Alexander Gurn, Lilia Dodd Gurn, Ms. Melissa Dodd • Ms. Sue Dresner, Mr. Mark Dresner, Cate Dresner, Brady Dresner • Chloe Dwares, Mrs. Leilani Aster Dwares, Peter Dwares • Ms. Gabrielle Lurie, Dr. Ethan Dyer • Mrs. Alexandra Fell, Nathan Fell, Sidney Fell, Mr. Samuel Fell • Dr. Mohita Mohan, Dr. Ethan Fingerman, Amartya Fingerman • Kaylin Franklin, Mr. Marc Franklin, Sadie Franklin, Mrs. Darleen Franklin • Ms. Melanie Freedland • Julie Greengard • Estelle Gross, Mr. Michael Gross, Livia Gross, Zoe Gross, Mrs. Amy Gross, Lynn Gross • Mr. Moran Hacmon, Mrs. Lina Lozano Hacmon • Ms. Nancy Heydemann • Mr. David Katznelson, Kaya Katznelson, Asher Katznelson, Mrs. Barbara Bersche • Ms. Kaili Kobylka • Mr. Matthew Lerner • Ms. Alison Littman • Mr. Alejandro Mills, Mrs. Erica Mills • Ms. Danielle Nemzer • Ms. Kim Patchen, Mr. David Patchen, Nicolai Patchen, Maya Patchen • Mrs. Marisa Pearl, Robert Kreamer, Carolina Kreamer, Sebastian Kreamer • Mr. Chris Prudhomme, Lydia Prudhomme, Ms. Janice Prudhomme • Eytan Ross, Mrs. Elizabeth Ross, Mr. Avidan Ross, Ezra Ross • Ms. Hope Schmeltzer, Isaac Grossnickle, Mr. Joshua Grossnickle • Ms. Laurel Schwartz • Ms. Rachel Seidman • Adam Sicklick, Mr. Jeremy Sicklick, Morgan Sicklick, Mrs. Jennifer Sicklick, Katelyn Sicklick • Shoshana Sturm, Ms. Marjorie Sturm, Ezra Sturm • Ms. Celine Tamir • Mr. David Tessler • Ms. Maria Urman • Emma Weiner, Mrs. Elaine Weiner, Mr. Steven Weiner • Ms. Helen Wen, Mr. Jason Zaler

#### **REJOINED MEMBERS -**Welcome Back!

Mason Holley, Georgia Holley, Mr. Michael Holley, Ms. Sharon Aretsky • Jackson Vanfleet Brown, Mr. Jeffrey Brown, Clarice Brown • Mr. Benjamin Lack, Ms. Valerie Fenchel • Mr. Harlan Friedman • Lyla Kahn, Mr. Jay Kahn, Ms. Lauren Kahn, Ryder Kahn • Mr. Louis Langlois • Sadie Lateiner, Sloane Lateiner, Mr. Jeremy Lateiner, Mrs. Molly Lateiner • Ms. Amanda Merriweather • Alexa Riseman, Aya Riseman, Mr. James Riseman, Mrs. Kathrine Riseman, Olivia Riseman • Elena McGahey, Robin McGahey, Simon McGahey, Dr. Wendye Robbins, Mr. Craig McGahey • Ms. Faryl Ury, Mr. Benjamin Sacks

## **OCTOBER CALENDAR**

For more information, please call us at (415) 751-2535 or visit www.emanuelsf.org. All events take place at Temple Emanu-El unless marked Not at Temple (NAT).

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 9:30 am Play Groups: Mazel Tots 10:00 am Stories of Your Life (5th floor) 11:00 am Scrabble (5th floor)	3 9:30 am Side By Side 10:00 am Morning Bridge 1:30 pm Mah Jongg (Rinder Chapel)	4 Noon Brown Bag 4:00 pm Limonata and Learning 5:30 pm Sukkot Celebration Dinner	5 8:00 am Sukkot Festival Service & Breakfast 6:30 pm Young Adults Sukkot Happy Hour – Shake Your Lulav!	6 9:30 am Bagels and Babies 5:30 pm Pre-Oneg (Foyer) FIRST FRIDAY SHABBAT SERVICES, INCLUDING SUKKOT/BABY BLESSING (MMS) 5:30 pm Classic Shabbat Service w/ Roslyn Barak 6:15 pm Simchat Shabbat Dinner	7 9:15 am Torah Study (Library) 9:15 am Torah Study with Rabbi Kushner (R55) 10:00 am Sukkot experience, Rabbi Fenves' Sukkah (w/Mimi Greisman) 10:00 am Young Families Shabbat Morning Service in the Sukkah (NAT) 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service - Hayes Appel (Main) & James Marwell (MMS)
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15 9:15 am Young Adults Volunteer at Glide Church	16 9:30 am Play Groups: Mazel Tots 11:00 am Scrabble (5th floor)	17 9:30 am Side By Side Jewish Learning Courses 7:00 pm - Introduction to Judaism - Ethical Fitness - Money Matters - Islam for Jews - Talmud Study with Rabbi Rodich - People of the Book: American Jewish Authors Book Group - Women in Technology	18 Noon At the Rabbi's Table (NAT)	19 9:30 am Side By Side	20 9:30 am Bagels and Babies 5:30 pm Pre-Oneg (MMR) 6:00 pm One Shabbat Service Guest Speaker: Co-CEO IsraAID Yotam Polizer (MMS)	21 9:15 am Torah Study (Library) 9:15 am Torah Study with Rabbi Kushner (R55) 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service - Nathaniel & Ariella Yanowitch (Main) 6:30 pm New Member Havdalah Reception
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29 9:30 am Dr. Leah Hochman Lecture: Food, Faith & Conflict: Eating Judaism (MS Balcony)	30 9:30 am Play Groups: Mazel Tots 11:00 am Scrabble (5th floor)	31 10:00 am Morning Bridge 6:00 pm Mah Jongg (Rinder Chapel)				

Eva Schloss, 86, is an Auschwitz survivor and the stepsister of Anne Frank. **Both Frank and Schloss** were Jewish refugees in Amsterdam together and the pair played together as children until their families were forced into hiding in 1942. After the war, Otto Frank (Anne's father) married Fritzi (Eva's mother). Eva Schloss is the co-founder of the Anne Frank Trust UK and the author of several books about her experiences during the Holocaust. Hear Eva tell of her personal journey through the Holocaust, her life after Auschwitz and the artwork that survived her brother's time in hiding during the war.



#### This is a program open to the community and appropriate for participants 11 years old and up.

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