FAMILY SHABBAT DINNER & SAMBA SHABBAT WITH PERCUSSIONIST JOHN ARRUCCI
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3
6:30PM DINNER/7:30PM SERVICE

A truly interactive Shabbat experience for the whole family to enjoy!
While experiencing the joy of making music together, congregants will play traditional Brazilian Samba rhythms on Agogo Bells, Tamborim, Ganza, and Reco-Reco.

When we create music together, we rediscover our responsibility to each other, our courage to reach beyond our comfort zone and the importance of teamwork and listening...and we have a great time doing it!

Dinner: $20/Adult, $15/Child, $60/Family Maximum
RSVP to Tal at tdrori@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x12.

YOUNG FAMILIES CONCERT: JOANIE LEEDS & THE NIGHTLIGHTS
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 10:45AM


This musical extravaganza for families with kids ages 8 and under will get you and your whole family dancing and grooving! Visit Joanie & the Nightlights online at www.joanieleeds.com.

Free and open to the community. RSVP to Jane at jdubro@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x21.

BAGEL BRUNCH WITH KYRA DARNTON: THE IMPORTANCE OF UNDERSTANDING NEWS EVENTS IN THE CONTEXT OF HISTORY
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 9:30AM

Nosh on bagels and take part in a discussion with congregant Kyra Darnton, the Executive Producer of Retro Report (distributed by the New York Times), a digital-first documentary news organization dedicated to examining stories after their headlines fade. In a culture focused on trending news and Twitter-sized sound bites, Retro Report is there to pick up the story after everyone has moved on.

Bagels and refreshments will be served.
RSVP to Jane at jdubro@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x21.

SUNDAY FILM SERIES: STATELESS, Q & A WITH FILMMAKER/DIRECTOR MICHAEL DROB
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 7:00PM

Stateless shares the accounts of the Soviet Jews who were finally able to escape the Soviet Union on the brink of its collapse in the 1980s. However, the United States would no longer welcome them. This documentary captures a unique slice of history from the perspectives of the emigres as well as expert accounts from the influential Jewish leaders involved in the immigration process.


Free and open to the community. RSVP to Jane at jdubro@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x21.
SNAPSHOT

ROSH HASHANAH NATURE WALK AND TASHLICH

Teacher and congregant Sharon Aiuvalasit welcomed Nadia Claire Aiuvalasit into the world on September 3, 2017. Grandparents Tony & Marcie Aiuvalasit couldn’t be happier!

All are invited to her baby naming at Pride Shabbat on Friday, November 17.

WELCOME NADIA!

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP SUPPER IN THE SUKKAH

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B’NEI MITZVAH MAZEL TOV!

We would like to honor the following students who are celebrating their B’nei Mitzvah ceremonies in November and December. It is a pleasure and a joy to welcome them as full members of our congregation!

DARIUS COHEN
SEBASTIAN COHEN
CHARLIE COOPER
MICHAEL GENETRINI
LUKE MONTONE

B’NEI MITZVAH MAZEL TOV!
A TIME FOR SABBATICAL AND A TIME FOR...

On Saturday of Sukkot, an 80 year old member of our congregation climbed a ladder in my back yard and sailed down the zipline. Hair flying behind her, a big grin on her face, she flew past the sukkah, past the waiting children, past the lulav shakers and let out a cry of delight. As everyone watched her soar, there wasn’t a person there who did not smile.

On Sunday of Sukkot, Jen and I drove to Washington, D.C. and back in one day for a funeral. The mother of a girl that Jen grew up with had died quickly from cancer. The hug that Jen got from her friend for coming made the whole day worth it. Over 400 people filled the sanctuary. As we recited the memorial prayer, there wasn’t a person there who did not cry.

That’s sukkot for you. Our most festive holiday, the rabbis called it zman simchateinu, time of our rejoicing. But it takes place as summer’s green fades to brown with one last yelp of color. And then the green dies, nature quiets, and winter comes. It is, perhaps, why we read the book of Ecclesiastes during this festival:

To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven
A time to be born, and a time to die
A time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted
A time to kill, and a time to heal
A time to break down, and a time to build up
A time to weep, and a time to laugh
A time to mourn, and a time to dance;
No time of year highlights the truth of Ecclesiastes more than autumn and my weekend of ziplines and funerals seemed to hold out this truth in sharp relief. And yet, it is a truth that I also experienced in a profound way over the past year with the blessed gift of a sabbatical.

I know few people who receive this gift in our busy, ever moving world. There seems to be a contest to see who works harder and longer, who spends more time away from home, who logs the most time at the office. And so I told people about the gift of time that I received from Emanu-El a bit sheepishly, a bit like I was getting away with something, that I was not conforming to the expectations of a society constantly on the go.

And then the words of Ecclesiastes would come to mind – a season for this and a season for that – and I’d quiet my doubts and rejoice in the gift:

To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven
A time to learn, and a time to teach
A time to write, and a time to preach
A time to go, and a time to stay home
A time for self-care, and a time to take care
A time for family, and a time for work
A time for my spirit, and a time to be pastor
A time for myself, and a time for my beloved congregation.

The months flew by filled with these times and seasons.

At the end of a 14 hour day in Israel, I realized that few things fill my soul like helping nearly thirty congregants awaken to our ancient connection with our homeland – fresh pita and cucumbers, Jews and Arabs, deserts and verdant fields, Tel Aviv and Jerusalem.

On a beach in Mexico, I realized how blessed we are with our long-time and gifted Cantor Stone who took care of a bereaved family’s funeral. She did it with aplomb, with as much grace and heart as she shares on the bimah.

At my desk at home, I found humility in the power of my writing as people from around the world sent messages about some of the many pieces I penned for The Forward, a Jewish newspaper over 100-years old.

Back here at Emanu-El, I felt intense gratitude for the moments I came back to celebrate b’nei mitzvah, to celebrate Purim, to see Student Rabbi Jade Sank thrive, to consult on this matter or that, to just be a dad in the religious school, and then to come back for three months of a job that I love in the midst of this time for myself. To everything there is a season.

While in Jerusalem in July, I learned once more what it means to learn. With colleagues from here and there, from every continent, we plumbed the depths of our ancient texts to find meaning in modern Israel’s conception and birth, her wars and her peace, her reality and her possibility.

On The Golan Heights with Jen, Lev and Talia, I marveled at the IDF’s commitment to humanity and security, I laughed with my children in the Jordan (continued on next page)
River, I screamed with them on the river’s one rapid, and I gazed at the milky way in a moment of solitude and felt just how small we all really are. A sense of awe that I carry with me into our sanctuary each time we pray. When you see me close my eyes, I’m seeing those stars and feeling small – and blessed.

On my bike and at my table in New Rochelle, I found my body once again. Changing the way I eat and move meshed well with an August replete with simple childhood sickness that kept me from writing and reading as planned. “Humans plan and God laughs” goes the old Yiddish proverb. So instead of wisdom from books and more articles in The Forward, I took care of my kids and myself and I hope to live a bit longer for the effort.

Back at work, back to the daily details of running a synagogue. I could not feel more content to come back; the sabbatical now like a good dream slowly fading but leaving an imprint on the day. My mind has expanded. My soul has deepened. My colleagues here at Emanu-El carried the synagogue effortlessly during my absence, now even more empowered to take us forward. And you, so many of you, you know who you are, took on more than your fair share so that I could live fully in this gift of time and space.

To every thing there is a season and the season of sabbatical has passed. The time reverberates within me as accomplishments, as plans unfulfilled, as surprising experiences that have shaped me in ways small and profound, literal and metaphorical. I am changed for the better which can only change my rabbinate for the better, my relationships for the better, and our congregation for the better.

To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:

A time for ziplines, and a time for funerals
A time to learn, and a time to teach
A time to write, and a time to preach
A time for sabbatical, and a time for work.

Thank you all so very much.

Howard J. Goldsmith, Rabbi

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND HARD WORK DURING THE HIGH HOLY DAYS

High Holy Day preparation, like so much at our congregation, is a team effort. Clergy join with staff, lay leaders and committed members to ensure that our High Holy Day observances are meaningful and run smoothly. Thank you to everyone who organized, ushered, sang, read, lit candles, ran receptions, helped plan, and in every other way imaginable, made the High Holy Days so beautiful this year!

Thank you to the following congregants for all the collaboration and planning done for our congregation:

Phyllis Alexander
Tim Alexander
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Michael Baruch
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Greg Berger
Janelle Berger
Sarah Bimbaum
Josh Blaine
Adam Blinderman
Loren Canell
Hedy Cardozo
John Carton
Patty Chernick
Larry Cohen
Debra Cohen
Richard Cohen
Emily Cohen
Arlene Cole
Bill Colish
Megan Cross
Stacey Cross
Harison Fliegenspan
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Michael Genitrini
Cliff Gevirtz
Andrew Gitkind
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Lorri Goldstein
Ryan Goldstein
Liz Grill
Lawrence Griff
Scott Hirsch
Rosane Hirszman
Joan Kass
Steve Kass
Sheryl Kaye
Gina Klebanoff
Sarah Kovacs
Neil Kozek
Doreen Kushel
Fran Lerner
Mark Lerner
Barbara Mann
Margie McCabe
Jane Meryl
Simon Modica
Jaime Morris
Audrey Nathanson
Bruce Nathanson
Gene Resnick
Joelle Resnick
Jonathan Resnick
Randi Robinowitz
Michael Rosenblut
Wendy Rowden
Ginny Rowen
Larry Rutkovsky
Terry Schwarz
Peter Schweitzer
Bonnie Shyer
Todd Siegel
Deborah Sindell
Ann Spindel
Ben Stein
Stuart Sternberg
John Tanenbaum
Amy Tanenbaum
Ginny Weisman
Martin Winter
Jackie Wyman
Kevin Wyman
The new, critically acclaimed Broadway musical, *The Band’s Visit*, at the Ethel Barrymore Theater, is a must-see show, full of beautiful music, soulful characters, longing for love and searching for meaning. It is unprecedented to see a Broadway show that is set in Israel, with a number of Israeli and Arab actors and musicians in the cast.

Based on the award winning 2007 film of the same title, *The Band’s Visit* features music and lyrics by Tony Award nominee and Drama Desk award winner, David Yazbek, and a book by N.Y. Drama Critics Circle, Lortel and Outer Critics awards winner, Itamar Moses.

*The Band’s Visit* “follows the unlikely meeting of an Egyptian police band and a group of locals in a small Israeli town.” In the words of Jesse Green (New York Magazine), “It doesn’t feel like any musical ever; it doesn’t sound like anything else you have heard. Perfect is the wrong word for such an unusual musical but it will just have to do.”

My family and I are particularly excited about this show because among the cast – forgive my shameless kvelling – is my nephew, my sister’s son Etai Benson (nee Benshlomo). Etai began his Broadway career shortly after graduating from the University of Michigan’s acclaimed BFA musical theater department, as the loveable munchkin “Boq” in *Wicked*, which he played from 2010-12. He recently returned from the first national tour of *An American in Paris*, in which he played Adam Hochberg, a cynical American Jewish composer coming to grips with the war wounds he suffered.

While the original film version of *An American in Paris* does not portray this character as a Jew, Etai helped bring an important Jewish dimension to the Broadway version, in which the Jewish post war experience is essential to the journey of the characters.

Another one of his roles was the title character in *My Name is Asher Lev* (GableStage), about a young Hasidic boy in Brooklyn who discovers he is an artistic prodigy. Etai’s performance was hailed as “revelatory,” “deeply felt and compassionate, rich in nuance.”

Etai never expected his Judaism to play a part in his theatrical career, but as an Israeli-American actor who lived in Israel for 3 years as a child, he brings the language and culture he understands so well to the multiple Jewish roles he has played.

Meredith Stone, Cantor
Our Words Matter

The Psalms have always stood out to me.

The words from the Psalms that we find in our prayer book like “Adonai s’fatai tiftach - God, open my lips,” which we say before the Avoi prayer, and “y’hiyu l’ratzon imrei ji - May the words of my mouth,” which we say after the silent prayer, have always been two of my favorite moments in services.

We see psalms during Friday night Shabbat services, during our morning services, celebrations of the beginning of each month, and holiday services. We also see psalms in blessings after eating a meal, and in our funeral and remembrance services.

Not only do we find psalms in our liturgy, they also pop up occasionally in everyday life. Many people who have survived very difficult situations have famously credited the psalms in particular. For example, Natan Sharansky recited the psalms while he was imprisoned, and credits them with his survival. On October 13, 2010, thirty-three Chilean miners were rescued after being trapped underground. Following the meticulous operation that led to their rescue, the miners wore shirts with a verse from Psalm 95, “In His hand are the depths of the Earth and the mountain peaks belong to Him.” In June 2013, a Salvation Army store collapsed in Philadelphia and during the collapse, inside the building, shopper Linda “Kelly” Bell recited Psalm 23, which she attributed with her survival.

The Psalms enable us to find a voice in times when we cannot string our words together into sentences. The Psalms enable us to speak, to call out to God in prayer, to express our sorrow in times of crisis and joy in times of great rejoicing. The Psalms are different from other prayers in our prayer book: they are poems. Poetry is written for public reading, and so are the psalms. Poetry gives voice to the words of our hearts, our prayers, and the Psalms, the ancient poems of our biblical ancestors, go even beyond expressing our inner yearnings; the Psalms continue to resonate with us today, and they connect us with the trials and triumphs of those who came before us.

For my rabbinic thesis, I have been working on a project on the Psalms. The project began with a full immersion into the entire book of Psalms. As I read each one, I marked the Psalms that stood out to me, including the two I mentioned earlier: Psalm 19 and Psalm 51. I soon discovered that, like these two examples from our prayer book, many of the Psalms I marked have a common theme; they speak about our speech, our ability to “open our lips,” to prevent using our speech in destructive ways, and instead to have the courage to speak praises and joyful words aloud. These psalms remind us that our words matter.

The book of Genesis teaches us that God spoke the world into being. Our gift of speech gives us the power to create new worlds for ourselves and for each other.

Jade Sank, Student Rabbi
INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE: CELEBRATING OUR DIVERSITY OF FAITHS
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 7:30PM
Join the Interfaith Congregational Laymen’s Committee, Rabbi Goldsmith, and other Harrison clergy to celebrate Thanksgiving together at St. Anthony of Padua Church. This year’s theme is “Celebrating Our Diversity of Faiths”.

St. Anthony of Padua Church is located at 85 Harrison Street in Harrison.
For more information, contact Elaine Losquadro at 914-761-4875.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:
SOCIAL JUSTICE SHABBAT FEATURING THE ISAAC MEMORIAL LECTURE WITH AUTHOR DAVID GRANN
FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 7:30PM

Competition for resources is as old as humanity itself – and sometimes it has deadly consequences.

With congregant and author David Grann we will discuss the social justice issues raised in his new book Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI, which deals with the Osage Indians, the complicity of the crimes to kill them for their oil money, and the struggle for justice.

RITUAL CORNER: LIGHTING SHABBAT CANDLES

When people would ask the great Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel how they could best observe Shabbat, he would tell them to start simply by lighting Shabbat candles. Taking five minutes on our own or with family to stop our routine and light the candles brings a real, authentic, meaningful sense of the holy into our lives in a simple and beautiful way.

With no major holidays on the calendar until Chanukah begins on December 12th, lighting Shabbat candles connects us with our Jewish heritage while giving us a way to transition from our busy week of work into the rest of Shabbat and the weekend.

ברוך אתה אדוני אלהים מלך העולם אשר קדשנו
במאותינו זומנו להדליק נר של שבת

Blessed are You, God, Ruler of the universe, who sanctified us with the commandment of lighting Shabbat candles.
CHANUKAH SERVICES AND CELEBRATIONS

**CHANUKAH SHABBAT DINNER**
**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 6:30PM**
Delicious chicken and homemade latkes fill up the tables of our beautiful Susan Schweitzer Family Learning Center for our annual Chanukah dinner. Bring your family to celebrate Chanukah with your extended Emanu-El family!

Dinner: $20/Adult, $15/Child, $60/Family Maximum
RSVP to Tal at tdrori@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x12.

**CHANUKAH SHABBAT SERVICE**
**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 7:30PM**
B.Y.O.M. (Bring Your Own Menorah) for our annual Shabbat celebration of Chanukah. We will get in the Chanukah spirit with our band and annual sing-a-long.

We will also honor teachers and madrachim in recognition for all that they do. Bring your menorah to help create a warm glow for all at this fun service.

Following the service, we will have our annual “Spinagogue” dreidel spinning competition.

**GRADES 3 & 4 LATKE MAKING**
**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 11:45AM**
Kids in grades 3 & 4 are invited to make the gluten free latkes being served at the Chanukah dinner in December (we’ll be freezing them). We start with a pizza lunch immediately after Religious School. BYOP - bring your own peeler!

RSVP to Marcie at 914-967-4382 x15 or maiuvalasit@c-e-w.org.

**ADULT LATKE MAKING**
**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1:00PM**
Help prepare homemade latkes for our Chanukah Shabbat dinner at our our latke making workshop! Come peel, grate, and cook alongside fellow congregants and friends. BYOP - bring your own peeler!

RSVP to Marcie at 914-967-4382 x15 or maiuvalasit@c-e-w.org.

**PRE-K/K CHANUKAH CELEBRATION**
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 9:30 - 10:30AM**
Pre-k and kindergarten children experience the Chanukah story and rituals through art, music and storytelling before joining their families for our special Young Families Chanukah celebration.

**YOUNG FAMILIES COMMITTEE CHANUKAH CELEBRATION**
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 10:30AM**
Latkes, games, crafts, and music! After a fun, musical service we’ll light the Chanukah candles in anticipation of the coming festival.

RSVP to Jane at 914-967-4382 x21 or jdubro@c-e-w.org.
2017 - 18 SOCIAL ACTION CALENDAR

We are committed to tikkun olam, the repair of our world. Help make our community a better place! Whether it’s donating your time or providing items to those in need, there are so many ways to get involved. Interested in participating in any of these great efforts? Contact Social Action committee chair Hedy Cardozo at hedozo@aol.com.

**HIGH HOLY DAY FOOD DRIVE - DONE!**
**SEPTEMBER**

**COATS FOR HOPE - DONE!**
**OCTOBER**

**MIDNIGHT RUN WITH HINEINI - DONE!**
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8**

**MAKING STRIDES AGAINST BREAST CANCER: TEAM EMANU-EL - DONE!**
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15**

**HAVE A HEART GIFT DRIVE**
**NOW THROUGH DECEMBER 5 (SEE PG. 11)**

**CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION AT HOPE HOUSE**
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 25 (SEE BELOW)**

**FOOD PANTRY CEREAL DRIVE**
**JANUARY**

**HIGH HOLY DAY FOOD DRIVE: THANK YOU!**

We asked, you donated, and we delivered! Over 1,196 lbs. of food was collected during our High Holy Day Food Drive to benefit the Food Bank For Westchester! The Food Bank For Westchester provides a majority of the food that 230 active hunger-relief programs, including food pantries and soup kitchens, give to hungry people throughout Westchester.

**AFYA WITH THE YOUTH GROUP**
**MONDAY, JANUARY 15**

**KIDS’ KLOSET DIAPER AND UNDERWEAR COLLECTION**
**MARCH**

**BRUNCH RUN WITH HINEINI**
**SUNDAY, MAY 6**

**COLLECTION FOR AFYA**
**APRIL**

**DOROT PASSOVER PACKAGE DELIVERY**
**SUNDAY, MARCH 18**

**MITZVAH DAY: DAY OF LEARNING AND DOING**
**SUNDAY, APRIL 29**

**CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION AT HOPE HOUSE**
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 25, 11:00 - 2:00PM**

Help put together a joyous Christmas celebration for the members of HOPE House in Port Chester. Volunteers are needed to prepare food, serve and socialize.

If you’re interested in volunteering for this event, contact Emily Cohen at 914-414-0636 or emilydcohen@gmail.com.

**DOROT WESTCHESTER VISITING OPPORTUNITY**

There are lonely seniors in the neighboring towns waiting for a friendly visitor. Can you visit them?

Volunteers are matched with seniors for weekly home visits for a minimum of a year. DOROT social workers maintain a supportive presence for the duration of your relationship.

To sign up contact Emily Cohen at 914-381-1260 or emilydcohen@gmail.com.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ESL PROGRAM**
**MONDAYS, TUESDAYS, WEDNESDAYS**
**9:30 - 11:00AM**

Volunteers are needed to teach English as a Second Language to a very eager-to-learn immigrant community. No knowledge of Spanish or any other foreign language is necessary and you do not need a teaching background! Come one morning to observe other volunteers and see what a rewarding experience it is for both tutors and students.

You may volunteer any or all three mornings. Classes are held at the Don Bosco Community Center, 22 Don Bosco Place, Port Chester, NY (near Costco).

For more information or to volunteer, email Jaime Morris at jaime-morris@hotmail.com.
I encourage our entire congregation to be “Upstanders” by attending our Sacred Stories Pride Shabbat service Friday, November 17 at 7:30pm. The service is an excellent way to honor the movement for LGBTQ equality and inclusion. At our annual Pride Shabbat service, we celebrate LGBTQ Jews and allies, and we are proud of our own identities and those of our loved ones. We will recognize recent victories against discrimination and will recommit to the work ahead.

On December 4, Hineini joins Monday Night Program for a special event “Being an LGBTQ Ally” with Mosaic of Westchester. Through the Jewish lens, our students will understand what it means to be an “Upstander.” They will learn and have tools to speak up and to be allies. I feel tremendous “pride” in our community.

Jane Dubro, Youth Activities and Program Director
MIX & MINGLE/SEEK & DISCOVER

WISE AGING SERIES
THURSDAYS, NOVEMBER 2, 9, 16, 30 & DECEMBER 7, 14, 7:00PM

In partnership with Westchester Jewish Community Services, Ruth Rosenblum, LCSW will facilitate a six-week series of discussions in November and December using Wise Aging by Rabbi Rachel Cowen and Dr. Linda Thal.

The workshop will help to identify and explore the many possibilities that this stage of life offers. For congregants 60 years and older.

For more information or to RSVP, contact Marcie at 914-967-4382 x15 or maiuvalasit@c-e-w.org.

WALK WITH THE RABBI
MONDAYS, NOVEMBER 6 & DECEMBER 4, 9:00AM

What better way is there to discuss a Torah portion than walking at Playland with our community of energetic congregants and our fearless walker, Rabbi Goldsmith?

Meet in the Oakland Beach parking lot.

MAH JONGG & CANASTA
MONDAYS, 7:00PM

All levels of players are welcome, friends are invited too! If you are interested in playing, contact Jane at 914-967-4382 x21 or jdubro@c-e-w.org.

ADULT HEBREW LESSONS
TUESDAYS, 1:30 - 2:30PM

Adults who are interested in learning or freshening up on their Hebrew are invited to our beginner and intermediate level classes.

Emphasis will be on prayer reading skills to enhance your worship experience.

To sign up for the classes contact Marcie at 914-967-4382 x15 or maiuvalasit@c-e-w.org.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS
DRINKS WITH THE RABBI IN NYC
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 7:00PM

Have a grown child living in Manhattan who wants to meet for drinks, food, old friends and new friends - and the opportunity to toast “L’Chayim” with Rabbi Goldsmith?

Let them know that drinks and bites are on us at The Crooked Knife, 29 E. 30th Street, New York.

RSVP to Dan at doconnor@c-e-w.org.

TORAH STUDY

Saturday morning. A time of rest. A time of study. A time for conversation. A time to discuss the Torah with Rabbi Goldsmith and other congregants. Our sessions include a brief worship service with an opportunity to recite Kaddish and celebrate the Sabbath. No need to sign up - just drop by!

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 9:00AM
CHAYEI SARAH
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 9:00AM
VAYISHLACH

CHAI MITZVAH
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 10:45AM & SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 9:30AM

A curriculum for the parents of 6th graders to help them deepen their own Jewish commitment and understanding in the year leading to their children’s b’nei mitzvah. This also provides a great opportunity to get to know Rabbi Goldsmith, the rest of the clergy and other parents in your child’s grade.

NEXT STEP
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 11:00AM

This group of men meet to discuss personal issues that they face in retirement. The bonds of friendship and a deep sense of trust have allowed this group to continue for many years.

The group is facilitated by congregant Paul Spindel (retired executive).
BOOK CLUB
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 10:15AM
All Who Go Do Not Return: A Memoir
by Shulem Deen

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 10:15AM
Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and
the Birth of the FBI by David Grann

BOOKS & BITES AT
NORTH STREET TAVERN
IN WHITE PLAINS
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 6:30PM
Killers of the Flower Moon by David Grann

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 6:30PM
All Who Go Do Not Return: A Memoir
by Shulem Deen

For more information, contact Marcie at
914-967-4382 x15 or maiuvalasit@c-e-w.org

SINGLE MALT TORAH
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 8:00PM
Men of the congregation gather in
Rabbi Goldsmith’s study for some
Torah learning and refreshments.
Explore the wisdom of our
tradition and enjoy some fine scotch.
Bring a friend!

THE MANY FACETS OF TORAH
WITH STUDENT RABBI JADE SANK
FRIDAYS, DECEMBER 1, JANUARY 19,
MARCH 9, 12:00PM
Our morning liturgy reminds us, “eilu d’varim - these
are the things,” the many obligations that we have as
Jewish people. “V’talmud Torah k’neged kulam - But the
study of Torah is equal to the all.” From the history of
Reform Judaism, to the poetry of prayer, to Israel
today, join Jade to explore the many facets of Torah.
RSVP to Jade at jsank@c-e-w.org
or 914-967-4382 x11.

GOOD NEWS OR MITZVAHS
TO SHARE?
We would love to hear from you! If you have
something you’d like to share, contact Abbie at
alevitt@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x18
ANNUAL WOMEN’S STUDY GROUP
SHABBAT RETREAT
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 5:00PM -
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 5:30PM

If you have never come to one of our famous women’s
retreats, give yourself the gift of a unique winter escape
at the picturesque New England Blackberry River Inn in
Norfolk, CT. We promise you will be embraced by a warm
community of women and stimulated by new ideas, sharing,
learning and laughter.

The Blackberry River Inn is a historic Colonial home dating
back to 1763, situated on 27 acres in the beautiful Southern
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GO TO CAMP WITH
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There is no greater predictor of lifelong Jewish
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Camp. Whether your child would enjoy a cabin-based
program, a camper selected program, or a hands on
science and tech based program, the Union for
Reform Judaism has a camp that will meet you child’s
interest while reinforcing your child’s commitment to
our tradition.

Rabbi Goldsmith and his children will be at Camp
Eisner this summer - join them there!

Also, for first time campers at a Jewish camp, a needs
blind scholarship of up to $1,000 is available. Ask
Rabbi Goldsmith for more details.

You have committed to Jewish life at Emanu-El,
take the next step and immerse your children in
the joy of Jewish living at Eisner, Crane Lake, or
6 Points Sci-Tech!

For more information, contact Rabbi Goldsmith at
914-967-4382 x13.

Room rates:
$320/person double occupancy (includes 3 meals)
$370/person single occupancy (includes 3 meals)

For more information or to RSVP, contact Marcie
at 914-967-4382 x15 or maiuvalasit@c-e-w.org.
My life has changed dramatically since I last wrote an article for this bulletin – I AM A GRANDMOTHER! Baby Nadia was born on September 3rd and she is sweet, adorable and has brought so much joy to my husband Tony and me. We invite our temple family to join us on Friday, November 17th at our Pride Shabbat Service when she will be named on the bimah. Please join us for a festive oneg following the service.

Becoming a grandmother has reinforced my passion to transmit our Jewish values, heritage and history to the next generation. I credit the teachers and rabbis of Temple Sinai in Roslyn, N.Y. for connecting me to strong Jewish ethical precepts, historical role models and meaningful rituals that have made me proud to be a Reform Jew.

My thirty-one year involvement with our temple has provided my family with fertile ground in which to share, nurture and grow our Jewish roots. This year, 5778, is no exception. I know that so many of you agree with me when I say that this year’s High Holy Day worship was moving and meaningful. Beginning with a Selichot service around a fire pit in our parking lot and ending with a powerful N’ilah service and communal break fast in our beautiful Susan Schweitzer Family Learning Center, I experienced moments of inspiring worship, beautiful music and powerful/welcoming messages.

Both Rabbi Goldsmith and Rabbi Wolk courageously and eloquently shared deep and personal exhortations – the urgency to become an upstander during difficult times for our country and the need to look at our own lives through the lens of finite time – making sure to value and not squander it. The solemnity of our services and our warm and welcoming congregation exemplify the best of what Reform Judaism means to me.

Now that I have experienced the days of awe and introspection and the joyous celebrations of Sukkot and Simchat Torah, I am looking ahead to how I can make a difference between now and next Tishrei. Number one is to take the lessons of my rabbis and become an upstander who believes in the urgency of now – no time to waste. I will work with Leslie Mook and Patty Chernick to bring congregants together to participate in advocacy work on the local and state level and continue my leadership with the Religious Action Center for Reform Judaism and my involvement with our teens. As the Religious Educator, I will be working with my teachers, madrichim (teaching assistants) and parents to teach the Jewish values that will enable our students to be upstanders in their own lives.

Rabbi Tarfon taught that “We are not obligated to complete the task but neither are we free to desist from it.” Each generation will leave an imprint on defining who we are as a people and how we use our ethical precepts to do Tikkun Olam – make the world a better place for all to live. I am blessed to be part of a Jewish community that shares these values.

Marcie Aivalasit, Religious Educator
**2017-18 YOUNG FAMILIES EVENTS**

Celebrate Jewish life with your little ones at these holiday celebrations! These events are free and open to the public, friends are always welcome. For more information, contact Jane at jdubro@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x21.

- **JOANIE LEEDS & THE NIGHTLIGHTS**  
  Sunday, November 12, 10:45AM

- **2017-18 PRE-K & K DROP-OFF PROGRAMS**

  Our Pre-K and Kindergarten classes are a wonderful introduction to the Religious School experience. Classes focus on a Jewish holiday with a fun-filled program including cooking, music, storytelling and arts and crafts. Classes meet seven times this year on Sunday mornings from 9:30 - 11:45am during Religious School and are open to the public.

  For more information about this program or to enroll, contact Religious Educator Marcie Aiivalasit at maiuvalasit@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x15.

- **CHANUKAH CELEBRATION**  
  Sunday, December 17, 9:30 - 11:45AM

- **TU B’Shevat**  
  Sunday, January 28, 9:30 - 11:45AM

- **L’DOR V’DOR 5TH GRADE HERO’S BRUNCH**  
  Sunday, November 19, 10:00AM

  Parents invited to participate.

- **GRADES 1 & 2 SHABBAT CELEBRATION**  
  Sunday, November 19, 11:00AM

  Parents invited to participate.

- **GRADES 3 & 4 LATKE MAKING**  
  Sunday, November 19, 11:45AM

  Kids in grades 3 & 4 are invited to make the gluten free latkes being served at the Chanukah dinner. See page 11 for details.

- **GRADES 3 & 4 FAMILY EDUCATION MORNING**  
  Sunday, December 3, 9:30AM

  All the Jewish Holidays in one morning! That’s right, Rosh Hashanah through Shavuot in just over an hour. All the holiday highlights - with food!
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MIDNIGHT RUN & THE INTERFAITH ASSEMBLY ON HOMELESSNESS

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MNP AT THE SOUP KITCHEN

HINEINI LOWER EAST SIDE TRIP

MAKING STRIDES AGAINST BREAST CANCER WALK

ISRAELI DANCING (SIMCHAT TORAH)
NOVEMBER—DECEMBER SHABBAT SERVICES

November 3  Family Service: Samba Shabbat
    6:30  Shabbat Dinner
    7:30  Service ♩

November 10  Early Service
    6:00  Pre-neg
    6:30  Service

November 17  Sacred Stories Shabbat:
    Pride Shabbat
    7:30  Service

November 24  Lay Led Service
    6:30  Service

December 1  Annual Cantor Earl Rogers
    Tribute Sabbath
    7:30  Service

December 8  Lay Led Service
    6:30  Service

December 15  Family Service: Chanukah
    6:30  Shabbat Dinner
    7:30  Service ♩

December 22  Early Service
    6:00  Pre-neg
    6:30  Service

December 29  Lay Led Service
    6:30  Service

♫ Band  Handsfree/Prayers projected

SACRED STORIES: PRIDE SHABBAT
WELCOMING THE LGBTQ COMMUNITY
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 7:30PM

We are excited to partner once again with Mosaic of Westchester for this music-filled Shabbat service. Members of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning (LGBTQ) community, their families, friends, and allies are especially invited to join with our congregation in prayer, song, and learning.

As we live out our commitment to creating an open, welcoming space for all, including LGBTQ Jews of all ages and backgrounds, we will fulfill Isaiah’s prophecy: “My house shall be a house of prayer for all peoples.”

There will be a baby naming for Nadia Aiuvalasit at this Shabbat service. The Aiuvalasit family invites the congregation to join them for this joyous occasion, followed by a festive oneg.

ANNUAL CANTOR EARL ROGERS TRIBUTE SABBATH:
FIDDLER ON THE ROOF,
A PROGRAM OF JEWISH COMPOSERS
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 7:30PM

This year you don’t have to wait until spring for the Annual Cantor Earl Rogers Tribute Sabbath! Save the date in your calendar, then invite a few friends to spend Shabbat evening basking in some glorious music in our beautifully acoustic sanctuary.

Violinist Fiona Simon, accompanied by the accomplished pianist Ellen Farren, is taking the night off from the New York Philharmonic that night to play a special program by Jewish composers including Kreisler, Mendelssohn and Gershwin.