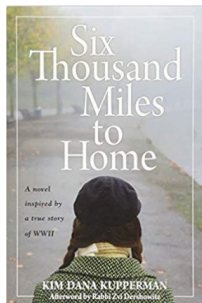


KRISTALLNACHT COMMEMORATION WITH GUEST SPEAKER ED COHEN

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 7:30PM



Westchester resident Ed Cohen will share his family's remarkable story of loss, perseverance, survival, and ultimately, hope. The story, as conveyed in *Six Thousand Miles to Home: A Novel Inspired by a True Story of WWII*, was one of the most eye-opening Holocaust books that Rabbi Goldsmith has ever read. Ed's family from Poland ended up ensnared in Stalin's

Gulag and then remarkably escaped to Iran. This is a story that you will not hear in Holocaust museums, it is a story from which we can all learn a great deal. Each attendee will receive a free copy of this compelling and important book.

SCREENING OF FOUR SEASONS LODGE WITH GUEST SPEAKER ESTHER GEIZHALS & DIRECTOR ANDREW JACOBS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 4:00PM



Every summer, some Holocaust survivors, mostly Polish Jews, gather at the Four Seasons Lodge in the Catskill Mountains. Moving to America after the war, the survivors sought each

other out to create a large family to help fill the void left by those they lost. Though many of them are well into their 90s, at the Four Seasons Lodge they play poker, cook, dance and tell jokes, creating for one another a loving experience that is the antithesis of the nightmare they survived. Followed by a discussion with Holocaust survivor Esther Geizhals and director Andrew Jacobs.

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



MARK YOUR CALENDARS: 2019 SPRING BENEFIT HONORING RABBI HOWARD J. GOLDSMITH

In celebration of his 10th anniversary at Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester, we will honor Rabbi Goldsmith with this year's Emanu-El Prize, celebrating all he has done for us and our community. Our Annual Spring Benefit is the perfect way to support the congregation while having a fun evening with great food and drinks, good music, and temple friends.

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SHABBAT DINNER, FAMILY LEARNING SHABBAT & CONSECRATION WITH MUSICAL GUEST SHIRA KLINE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

6:00PM DINNER/6:30PM FAMILY LEARNING

7:00PM SHABBAT SERVICE



Classroom Hebrew school comes to life during our musical, innovative, family learning Shabbat. As part of our new curriculum and re-envisioned family learning, all 1st through 7th grade

students and their families are expected to attend dinner (6:00pm), learning (6:30pm), and our Shabbat service (7:00pm), bringing together all that our students are learning as we celebrate our newest students and Shabbat with family and friends.

RSVP to Tal at tdrori@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x12. Dinner is on us!

GALLERY OPENING: CHARLIE COOPER

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 6:30PM



Young congregant Charlie Cooper started taking photos in November 2017 when his aunt and uncle bought him a camera for becoming Bar Mitzvah. Since then, he has taken stunning photos in various different

places he visits. His favorite part of photography is the experiences he has trying to get the best shots. From hiking in the mountains of Texas, to wading through the Louisiana Bayou, his photographs are reflections of those amazing experiences of those amazing travels.

WJC NIGHT OF JEWISH LEARNING AT BETH EL SYNAGOGUE IN NEW ROCHELLE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 7:30PM

Join Rabbi Goldsmith and rabbis from around the county for this biennial event. Individual sessions taught by rabbis from across the ideological spectrum make this a unique opportunity to learn and celebrate the incredible spirit of pluralism that pervades our Westchester Jewish community. Don't miss it!

Register at www.wjcouncil.org. Cost: \$20/person by November 8, or \$25/person starting November 9. Beth El is located at 1324 North Avenue in New Rochelle.

Contact Donna Bartell at WJC at 914-328-7001 x103 or donna@WJCouncil.org for more information.

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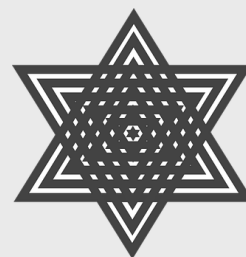
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B'NEI MITZVAH MAZEL TOV!

We would like to honor the following students
who are celebrating their B'nei Mitzvah ceremonies
in November and December:

**OWEN BLAINE
ELLA GRANN
MADELINE HIRSCH
ABBY MERON
SAM POTKIN**



AN ALTERNATIVE GIFT

I'm an eight-nights-of-presents kind of guy. I know, I know, Chanukah is the least important holiday on the Jewish calendar. The present giving is a just a pale imitation of Christmas. We should emphasize the messages of the holiday rather than gifts. Believe me: I went to rabbinical school. I'm friends with LOTS of rabbis. I know what I'm supposed to think. But I can't help it. I love exchanging gifts on Chanukah – even silly little ones. Sorry. (Not sorry.)



While Chanukah is, technically, a minor festival, it has taken on huge importance in American Jewish culture.

Okay, that's how I feel, but now I want to tell you what I think. While Chanukah is, technically, a minor festival, it has taken on huge importance in American Jewish culture. We can therefore use it to express Jewish values for our neighbors, our friends, and, most of all, our children. To that end, I humbly suggest that you add the following word-gifts to the other presents you'll be giving your children or grandchildren this year. I immediately saw the Jewish values when I first read these simple statements from award-winning speaker and author Josh Shipp:

1. "I love you" – As the V'ahvata tells us, love is at the center of our most important relationships. If our children do not hear this from us, who will they hear it from?
2. "I am proud of you" – We should say this not only for achievement, but for effort. As I tell all my b'nei mitzvah families, it is not the number of Torah verses you read, it is how hard you work along the way to the bimah.
3. "I'm sorry" – We just said this during the High Holy Days. It can only help to say it throughout the year. By modeling sincere contrition, we teach our kids the value of humility and how to take responsibility for their actions.
4. "I forgive you" – The ancient rabbi, Maimonides, taught the importance not only of saying, "I'm sorry" but also of forgiving those who have harmed us. If we want our children to say, "I'm sorry," they need to know that we will forgive them.

5. "I'm listening" – The first word of the shema says "Hear!" One of the greatest ways to show our love is to put down our phones, be present, and actively listen to what our kids have to say.

6. "This is your responsibility" – God took the Israelites out of Egypt. But, once they were in the desert, they prepared to enter the Promised Land by taking responsibility for their actions. The same goes for our kids. Sometimes we need to part seas for them. But most of the time, we can let them take responsibility and realize that they can succeed on their own.

7. "You've got what it takes" – On Yom Kippur we read the Torah's promise that success was not in the heavens or across the seas, but "very close...in our hearts so that we can" succeed. We can help our children realize that they possess everything they need to succeed and lead meaningful lives.

8. "No" – Judaism is about blessings. Some of those blessings we achieve through the discipline of saying "no" to ourselves, to agreeing on boundaries that can bring us holiness. Sometimes what our kids need most is a "no" from those of us who love them most.

And so, this coming Chanukah you'll see me sharing these word-gifts with my kids, spinning dreidels, eating latkes and...unwrapping presents. Happy Chanukah!



Howard J. Goldsmith, Rabbi

CANTOR STONE'S MESSAGE

A HIGH HOLY DAY PLAYBILL

What would our High Holy Days be without our extraordinary musicians? Our exceptional vocal quartet, some of whom have sung with us for over 20 years, as well as other talented musicians who are integral to our High Holy Day services, are featured below:



James Bassi, tenor, is also a composer, pianist, and music director. His compositions are published by Oxford University Press. His works have been performed at Lincoln Center and Carnegie Hall. As pianist, he has played concerts with Deborah Voigt, Ute Lemper, Tovah Feldshuh, and Jessye Norman. He is frequently engaged as rehearsal pianist with the New York Philharmonic. He has music directed productions at Lincoln Center Theater and various Off-Broadway and regional venues. He has sung in the High Holy Days quartet at Congregation Emanu-El for the past ten years, and this year also played some piano accompaniments.



Michael Grill Genitrini is 14-years old and lives in Rye Brook. When he's not blowing the Shofar, he enjoys digital photography, boxing, and track and field. He is in his third year as a Madrich (teaching assistant) for Jane Dubro and the Hineini class and also attends Monday night Confirmation class with Rabbi Goldsmith.



Wanda Glowacka, who has enhanced our services as cellist for close to 20 years, was a child prodigy in Poland who debuted as a soloist in an orchestra at age 11. She came to the US on a scholarship from Juilliard and was recipient of many awards and honors including first prizes in Concertino Prague and Danczowski International Competitions, Fulbright Scholarship, Juilliard School Grants, Boston University Faculty Awards, and The Hammer Rostropovich Award. Ms. Glowacka has recorded for Czech, Polish and French radio and television as well as KUSC in Los Angeles. It wasn't until her twenties that her mother revealed her own Jewish heritage to Wanda, and the fact that her grandfather had died in the Vilna ghetto.



Peggy Helman is currently a senior at Rye Country Day School, where she is an active member of the drama and dance department, participating in numerous productions throughout the year. She is also passionate about social justice and environmental policy and recently organized a march for climate action in Rye. Peggy is honored to have had the opportunity to sing at the High Holy Days for the past four years.



Mezzo-soprano Barbara Rearick hails from central Pennsylvania and has performed throughout the U.S. and abroad. She has performed at such venues as Carnegie Hall, Avery Fisher Hall, Zankel Hall and in recital at London's Wigmore Hall. A frequent performer of Bach she has appeared at Winter Park, Northwest and Shenandoah Bach Festivals as well as with Voices of Ascension in NYC. This November she performs Mozart and Berlioz with the Louisiana Philharmonic under Carlos Miguel Prieto. She is on the voice faculty at Princeton University and resides with her husband and son in Hamilton, NJ.



Paul Rhodes, baritone, is so loyal to our vocal quartet that he travels from Mississippi each fall to sing with us. Not only is he an accomplished opera singer, but his versatility extends to a keen interest in Gregorian chant and Early Music. In his zeal for religious studies, he learned Tibetan as it relates to Tibetan Buddhism and continually strives to improve his Hebrew. He has authored two books and his latest pursuit is to learn the chanting of the Book of Psalms in the ancient style of Aleppo, Syria.



Ellen Taylor Sisson, soprano, is a freelance professional singer and soloist in the New York metropolitan area who has sung in our quartet for 15 years. She regularly records and performs at Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center. She performed in Israel under Zubin Mehta with the Israel Philharmonic and has appeared at the Salzburg, Verbier and Aldeburgh Festivals. She regularly sings with the professional opera chorus at the Bard SummerScape festival. She has sung back up for Andrea Bocelli and participated in the US Premier of a piece by Sir Paul McCartney with the composer in attendance. She teaches voice to students of all ages.



Kevin Walters is in his 25th year as organist and accompanist at our synagogue. He served as music director and organist for many years at Rye Presbyterian Church, and previous director of music appointments include Marble Collegiate Church, Fifth Avenue. With degrees in organ, piano and composition he was on the faculty of the Manhattan School of Music, and pursued graduate study at Union Theological Seminary and the Royal College of Music in London. We are honored that Kevin has been a part of our temple family for so many years.

CHANUKAH: WE KINDLE HOPE

In the year 168 B.C.E., the Syrian tyrant Antiochus Epiphanes sent his soldiers to Jerusalem. The Syrians desecrated the Temple, the holiest place for Jews at that time. Antiochus also abolished Judaism and outlawed Jewish observance. Altars and idols were set up for the worship of Greek gods and he offered Jews two options: conversion or death.



When I use the flame of my faith to light a candle in someone else's life, my Jewishness is not diminished, it grows because there is now more hopeful light in the world.

A resistance movement - led by a priestly family known as the Hasmoneans, or Maccabees, developed against the cruelty of Antiochus. A man known as Judah HaMacabi (the hammer, in Hebrew) became the chief strategist and military leader of the resistance. Though outnumbered, Judah Maccabee and his fighters miraculously won two major battles, defeating the Syrians decisively. Although historians debate the causes and outcomes of this war, there is no doubt that the holiday of Chanukah evokes stirring images of Jewish valor against overwhelming odds.

Originally, the eight-day holiday was intended to parallel the eight-day festival of Sukkot, which the Maccabees missed out on celebrating due to the war with the Syrians. The Books of the Maccabees, the apocryphal texts from which we learn the war story of Chanukah, made no mention of the legend concerning a small one-day supply of oil, used to light the ner tamid (the eternal light) in the Temple, that unexpectedly lasted for eight days. Only centuries after the Maccabees' defeat of the Syrians did the story of the miracle of the oil appear in the Talmud.

Chanukah, which means "dedication," is the festival that commemorates the repurification and rededication of the Temple. Today, inspired by the miracle of this oil, the holiday reminds us to rededicate ourselves to keeping alive the flame not only of Judaism, but also of our most deeply held Jewish values.

There is a fascinating argument in the Talmud. Can you use one Chanukah candle to light another? Usually, we take an extra candle, the shamash, and use it to light all of the candles. But suppose we do not have a shamash, can we light the first candle and then use it to light the others? Rav says no and Shmuel says yes.

Rav said, "No, you may not take one Chanukah candle to light the others, because you will diminish the first candle - inevitably you will spill some of the wax. Do not do anything that would diminish the light of the first candle."

But Shmuel disagrees, and the rabbis of the Talmud ruled that Shmuel is correct. Shmuel says, "The best way of answering this question is to think of two Jews: both religious, both committed, both living Jewish lives. One says, 'I must not get involved with Jews who are less religious than me, because if I do, my own standards will fall. I'll keep less. My light will be diminished.' This is the view of Rav. The other Jew says, 'When I use the flame of my faith to light a candle in someone else's life, my Jewishness is not diminished, it grows because there is now more hopeful light in the world. The more I share, the more I have. If I share my knowledge, or faith, or love with others, I will not have less; I may even have more. That's the view of Shmuel.'"

This Chanukah, in remembering the fight of the Hasmoneans (Maccabees) to keep the Jewish faith alive, we keep alive, not just the flame of Judaism, but also the flame of hope for a better world. Our candles burn for eight days to remind us that hate must not be allowed to overcome us. Our candles burn for spreading light and hope. What better year to demonstrate the miracle and hope of Chanukah? This Chanukah we rededicate ourselves to hope. This Chanukah we share our light to bring more light into the world. This Chanukah, we kindle hope.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jade".

Jade Ross, Assistant Rabbi

HOLOCAUST PROGRAMMING AT EMANU-EL

"Never Forget" and "Never Again" are the words that express our feelings when remembering the Holocaust. Yet a recent survey commissioned seventy years post-Holocaust by the Conference on Jewish Material Claims against Germany, found that the Holocaust is "fading from memory". Sadly, Holocaust denial and anti-Semitism are on the rise in America and around the world. That being said, we know that the Holocaust must remain a contemporary issue and it cannot be relegated to history.



Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester offers many opportunities to learn about the Holocaust and commemorate the lives of the six million Jews murdered by the Nazis. It is our responsibility to continue teaching the lessons of the Holocaust and to ensure that Holocaust education and commemoration remain relevant for future generations.

We have a plethora of programs that we hope will deepen your connection and understanding of the Holocaust.

Museum of Jewish Heritage Trip:
Auschwitz. Not long ago. Not far away.
Thursday, November 7, 12:00pm
We will have a private tour of the groundbreaking Auschwitz exhibit.

Kristallnacht Commemoration with
Guest Speaker Ed Cohen
Friday, November 8, 7:30pm
Commemorate Kristallnacht with guest speaker Ed Cohen as he shares his family's remarkable story as conveyed in *Six Thousand Miles to Home: A Novel Inspired by a True Story of WWII*. Each attendee will receive a free copy of this compelling and important book.

Screening of *Four Seasons Lodge* with
Guest Esther Geizhals & Director Andrew Jacobs
Sunday, November 17, 4:00pm
Four Seasons Lodge tells the story of an aging group of Holocaust survivors that gather each summer at an idyllic hideaway in the Catskills, where they savor tightly bonded friendships, find new love and celebrate their survival. The screening will be followed by a Q & A with Andrew Jacobs, film director and New York Times reporter and Esther Geizhals, who will share her story of survival.

International Holocaust Remembrance Day
with Author Jack Hersch
Wednesday, January 29, 7:00pm

We will commemorate International Holocaust Remembrance Day with Jack Hersch, author of *Death March Escape*. The book details his father's unbelievable escape from two different death marches and his survival against all odds.

Sunday Film Series: *Above and Beyond*
Sunday, February 2, 7:00pm

In 1948, just three years after the liberation of Nazi death camps, a group of Jewish American pilots answered a call for help. In secret and at great personal risk, they smuggled planes out of the U.S., trained behind the Iron Curtain in Czechoslovakia, and flew for Israel in its War of Independence.

Holocaust Survivor Dr. Moshe Avital
Sunday, April 19, 9:45am

Meet Holocaust survivor Dr. Moshe Avital who annually comes to speak to our students and community.

Community Yom HaShoah Service at Emanu-El
Monday, April 20, 7:30pm

Emanu-El hosts the annual Community Yom HaShoah Service. Together with Jewish Community Center of Harrison, Community Synagogue of Rye, and Congregation KTI we will fulfill the sacred obligation to "Never Forget".

Join us to commemorate those who perished, honor those who survived and recommit ourselves to preserving the lessons of the Holocaust for future generations.

For additional information call 914 -967- 4382 x21 or email jdubro@c-e-w.org. All programs are open to the community.

Shalom,



Jane Dubro, Youth Activities & Program Director

These Holocaust programs are generously supported by Lilian Sicular in memory of Dr. Robert L. Segal.



CHANUKAH SERVICES & CELEBRATIONS

PRE-K & K CHANUKAH CLASS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 9:30 - 10:45AM

Your little maccabees will celebrate Chanukah, the festival of lights, through crafts, games, and the story of Judah Maccabee. RSVP to Tal at tdrori@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x12. Free and open to the community. Followed by Young Families Committee Chanukah Celebration.

YOUNG FAMILIES COMMITTEE CHANUKAH CELEBRATION

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 10:45 - 11:45AM

Latkes, games, crafts, and music! After a fun, musical service we'll light the Chanukah candles in celebration of the festival. RSVP to Jane at jdubro@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x21. Free and open to the community.



WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP CHANUKAH DINNER

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 6:30PM

Celebrate Chanukah at our annual Women's Study Group dinner. An evening of delicious food, warm companionship, learning and light! RSVP to Tal at tdrori@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x12.

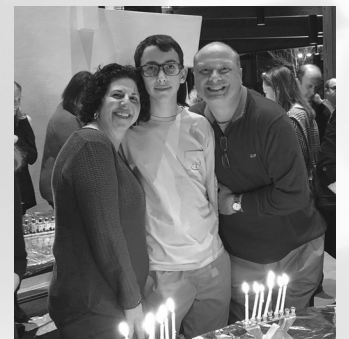
SHABBAT DINNER & CHANUKAH SERVICE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20

6:00PM DINNER/7:00PM SERVICE

B.Y.O.M. (Bring Your Own Menorah) for our annual Shabbat celebration of Chanukah. Enjoy a festive latke dinner followed by a Shabbat service featuring our 1st - 6th grade students leading us in joyful Chanukah songs, honoring our teachers and madrichim and lighting menorahs together on the bima. Don't forget to bring your family menorah!

Dinner: \$20/adult, \$15/child, \$60/family maximum
RSVP to Tal at tdrori@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x12.



RITUAL CORNER: WHAT IS THE BIBLE?

The Hebrew **Bible**, also called the TaNaKh, consists of:

Torah (Torah) - the first five books of the Bible (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy). Current form finalized 500-450 BCE. The stories of creation, Abraham's family, Moses and the exodus from Egypt, wandering in the desert.

Prophets (Nevi'im) - 4 "historical" books, 3 major prophets and 12 minor ones. Current form finalized at time of Alexander the Great, around 332 BCE. Content includes: narratives of the Israelite conquest

and settling in Canaan, the period of the judges (early rulers), the rise of King David and the ultimate Babylonian exile. Also includes sections of prophetic poetry exhorting the Israelites to act justly and follow God's laws.

Writing (Ketuvim) - 11 books include, for example: Psalms, Proverbs, Esther, Job, Chronicles, etc. Current form finalized around 70 CE when the Temple in Jerusalem was destroyed. Contents vary widely and include: "history", religious poetry, narrative, love poetry, proverbs, and theology.

STEP-UP & GIVE BACK



INTERGENERATIONAL SOCIAL ACTION PROGRAMS & EVENTS

We live in turbulent times. Rather than sit and worry, we can go out in our community and counter the turbulence with acts of tikkun olam, acts that make our world a better place. Let's join together as a temple community!

Each one of these social action programs is an opportunity to make a meaningful difference in our community, the kind of action that creates ripples of hope and goodness. The time is now to take your good intentions and act on them with congregants of all ages.

RSVP for any of these events to Jane at jdubro@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x21.

DOROT Passover Package Delivery

Sunday, March 29, 10:00am

Brunch Run

Sunday, May 3, 7:30am

Mitzvah Shabbat & Pizza Truck Dinner

Friday, May 8, 5:30pm

SOCIAL ACTION DRIVES & COLLECTIONS

We are committed to tikkun olam, the repair of our world. Help make our community a better place and participate in the important drives scheduled throughout the year.

For more information, contact Hedy Cardozo at hedozo@aol.com.

Have A Heart Gift Drive for WJCS

November (details below)

Kids' Kloset Drive

December (details below)

Afya Collection

January

Hope Community Food Pantry Drive

March

Mitzvah Shabbat Book & Pajama Drive

April

Gently Used Backpack Collection for Midnight Run

June

HAVE A HEART GIFT DRIVE FOR WJCS NOVEMBER

Give the thrill of opening a holiday gift this season to children in underserved communities in Westchester by donating to the WJCS Have A Heart Gift Drive.

Donate a new, unwrapped, gender neutral toy for children ages infant through age 9 and/or a \$25 Target gift card. For more information, contact Hedy Cardozo at hedozo@aol.com.

KIDS' KLOSET: UNDERWEAR, PULL-UPS AND DIAPER DRIVE DECEMBER

Kids' Kloset is seeking donations of new underwear (toddler to adult sizes), pull-ups, and packages of diapers as part of their winter drive to help local families in need. For more information, contact Hedy Cardozo at hedozo@aol.com.

STEP-UP & GIVE BACK

ONGOING SOCIAL ACTION OPPORTUNITIES

BABY BANK WESTCHESTER COLLECTION OF NEW BABY ITEMS

Through an ongoing donation drive and monthly opportunities to visit the site, we will help make sure that all new parents in Westchester have the supplies they need to help keep their babies clean, healthy, and happy. This is one of several meaningful intergenerational efforts, one in which long-time members, religious school parents, and our students themselves can all make a difference.

Did you know?

- Over 12% of children in Westchester live in poverty.
- 1 in 3 families in Westchester struggles to provide diapers for their children.
- There is no State or Federal assistance for the purchase of diapers, diaper rash cream, baby shampoo/soap, strollers, car seats or other basic infant necessities.

How can you help? Order supplies and equipment directly from the Baby Bank's wish list located on their website (<https://www.914cares.org/baby-bank>), or drop off new items and gift cards in the pack-and-play located in the temple lobby.

If you are interested in participating in these monthly visits or want more information regarding Baby Bank Westchester contact Jane Dubro at 914-967-4382 x21.

DOROT WESTCHESTER

Through personal contact with seniors, our volunteers help deliver vital services to the frail elderly and forge loving bonds between the generations. In the process, they reap a rich harvest of friendship, wisdom, and mutual appreciation. DOROT alleviates social isolation among the elderly and provides services to help them live independently as valued members of the community. Contact Emily Cohen at emilydcohen@gmail.com for more information.

HOPE HOUSE

Adults recovering from behavioral health conditions find the support and resources they need to pursue their goals and dreams at HOPE House. For over 20 years, congregants have participated in holidays, Mitzvah Day activities, and special events with HOPE House members and staff. To learn more about HOPE House and how you can get involved, contact Emily Cohen at emilydcohen@gmail.com.

TEACH ESL AT DON BOSCO CENTER

With all the opportunities to learn, we also take time to teach ESL English at the Don Bosco Community Center in Port Chester. This wonderful opportunity to share our love of learning with others takes place on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9:30 - 11:00am. Contact Jaime Morris at jaime-morris@hotmail.com for more information.

MIX & MINGLE/SEEK & DISCOVER

MAH JONGG & CANASTA

MONDAYS, NOVEMBER 4, 18, 25
& DECEMBER 2, 9, 16, 6:45PM

From the tenements of New York City to the bungalows of the Catskills and the vast American suburbs, Jewish women have kept Mah Jongg alive enjoying the betting and matching of tiles into Rummy-like patterns. Speaking of Rummy, did you know that Canasta is the only member of the family of Rummy games to achieve the status of a classic?

All levels of players are welcome! Contact Robin Herko at rherko@rmfriedland.com if you are interested in playing. Friends welcome!

AUSCHWITZ. NOT LONG AGO. NOT FAR AWAY. EXHIBIT AT THE MUSEUM OF JEWISH HERITAGE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 12:00PM

A private tour of the most comprehensive exhibit dedicated to the history of Auschwitz and its place in the Holocaust ever presented in North America, and an unparalleled opportunity to confront the singular face of human evil - one that arose not long ago and not far away. Following the docent tour we will have lunch.

RSVP to Jane at 914 -967- 4382 x21 or jdubro@c-e-w.org.

MIX & MINGLE/SEEK & DISCOVER

CHALLAH BAKING

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 11:00AM

Learn how to bake delicious challah from start to finish with congregant Debra Cohen. \$36/person.

RSVP to Jane at 914 -967- 4382 x21
or jdubro@c-e-w.org.

BEIT MIDRASH

In Beit Midrash (which means House of Study) we will take an in-depth approach to Jewish Study using the Statement of Principles for Reform Judaism to examine the theologies, practices, and notions of peoplehood that define us as American Reform Jews.

Taught by Rabbi Goldsmith, Rabbi Ross, Cantor Stone, and a special guest or two, the course will meet approximately twice a month on Saturday and Sunday mornings. On Sundays, we will look at these issues through historical, sociological, and demographic lenses. On Shabbat mornings, we will strive to understand these ideas through study of our sacred texts – continuing the tradition of Shabbat morning Torah study at Emanu-El. Each session will stand on its own – thus attendance at every session is not required. But of course, attending more sessions will help you acquire greater depth of understanding and breadth of context.

To learn more about Beit Midrash, contact either Rabbi Ross (x15) or Rabbi Goldsmith (x13) at 914-967-4382.

NOVEMBER & DECEMBER SESSIONS

THEODICY: THE PROBLEM OF EVIL

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 9:00AM

MITZVAH: WE ARE COMMANDED

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 10:15AM

DIVINE/HUMAN PARTNERSHIP

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 9:00AM

BOOKS & BITES

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 6:30PM

Meet with fellow congregants at North Street Tavern in White Plains for dinner and discussion about *The Rothschilds* by Frederick Morton.

North Street Tavern is located at 1128 North Street in White Plains.

RSVP to Marcie at maiuvalasit@c-e-w.org
or 914-967-4382 x12.

SINGLE MALT TORAH

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 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!

RSVP to Rabbi Goldsmith at 914-967-4382 x13 or
hgoldsmith@c-e-w.org.

NEXT STEP

SUNDAYS, NOVEMBER 17

& DECEMBER 8, 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. Next Step is facilitated by congregant Paul Spindel (retired executive).

For more information, contact Paul at 914-632-1264.

BOOK CLUB

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 10:15AM

Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens
with guest facilitator Rabbi Wolk.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 10:15AM

The Girl from Foreign: A Memoir by Sadia Shepard

RSVP to Marcie at maiuvalasit@c-e-w.org
or 914-967-4382 x12.

ICLC INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 7:30PM

Join the Interfaith Congregational Laymen's Committee, Rabbis Goldsmith and Ross, Cantor Stone, and other Harrison clergy to celebrate Thanksgiving together at the Greek Orthodox Church of Our Savior located at 2195 Westchester Avenue East (two driveways down from the temple).

For more information, contact Elaine Losquadro at 914-761-4875.

REFLECTIONS WORKSHOP WITH CANTOR STONE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 12:00PM

In this workshop, we find out how our daily life experiences, observations and anecdotes can illuminate and give deeper meaning to our prayers. Through writing on various topics, learning about the themes of prayers, and sharing as a group, we will see prayer in a new light and strengthen connections to one another and our tradition.

RSVP to Cantor Stone at 914-967-4382 x19 or
mstone@c-e-w.org.

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP CHANUKAH DINNER

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 6:30PM

Celebrate Chanukah at our annual Women's Study Group dinner. An evening of delicious food, warm companionship, learning and light! RSVP to Tal at tdrori@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x12.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP RETREAT

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 5:00PM -

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 5:00PM

How often do you have the opportunity to take a weekend away for yourself? Join the women of Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester for our annual Women's Study Group Retreat.

Location to be announced shortly.

WESTCHESTER CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY SUNDAY CONCERT SERIES

Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester proudly hosts the Westchester Chamber Music Society, as it brings first-rate artists to Westchester. With many longtime subscribers and newer members, all enjoy the unique experience of listening to chamber music in a space similar in size to the ones in which Haydn, Mozart, and Beethoven originally performed.

THE ALEXANDER QUARTET

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 4:00PM

BRENTANO STRING QUARTET

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 4:00PM

THE AMERIGO TRIO

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 4:00PM

ESCHER QUARTET

SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 4:00PM

For information about subscriptions and tickets contact Shelley Lotter at 914-320-4168 or shelleylotter823@gmail.com. Students attend free.

ISRAEL 2021: ISRAEL THROUGH THE ARTS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 2021 - SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2021

This will be an Israel trip like no other.

We will explore the beauty and complexity of Israel through culture: fine art, film, food, TV, wine, dance, storytelling, and more. Each medium will highlight a different aspect of Israeli society.

By exploring Israel through the arts, we'll see how the issues of our ancient homeland shape the lives of all those who live between the Mediterranean and the Jordan River; how those issues move the heart, and touch the soul.

We'll transcend mere discussion to use all our senses to better understand - and enjoy - this wondrous land and the people who live there.

For more information, contact Rabbi Goldsmith at [hgoldsmit@c-e-w.org](mailto:hgoldsmith@c-e-w.org) or 914-967-4382 x13.



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL & YOUTH

THE BAUMAN-GREENE PRE-K & KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

Our pre-k & kindergarten classes are a wonderful introduction to the Religious School experience. Each class focuses on a Jewish holiday with a fun-filled program including music, storytelling and arts and crafts. *This program is funded by the generosity of congregant Dr. Caroline Bauman.*

Classes meet on occasional Sunday mornings during Religious School and are open to the community. For more information about this program contact Rabbi Ross at jross@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x15.

PRE-K & K CHANUKAH CLASS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 9:30 - 10:45AM



Your little maccabees will celebrate Chanukah, the festival of lights, through crafts, games, and the story of Judah Maccabee.

RSVP to Tal at tdrori@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x12. Followed by Young

Families Committee Chanukah Celebration (see right side of this page for information).

UPCOMING SESSIONS

Tu BiSh'vat, Sunday, February 2, 9:30 - 10:45am

Purim, Sunday, March 8, 9:30 - 10:45am

Passover, Sunday, March 29, 9:30 - 10:45am

Yom HaAtzmaut, Sunday, May 3, 9:30 - 10:45am

ISRAEL FELLOWS FOR GRADES 11 & 12: ISRAEL & US (FINAL SESSION)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 7:00PM

What is going on in Israel today? What questions do you have? Join together with teens, rabbis, educators and our shinshinit (Israeli Emissary), Ofir, to explore all of your questions about Israel, past, present and future.

Meet at Dig Inn in the Rye Ridge Shopping Center - dinner is included!

URJ SUMMER CAMPS PRESENTATION

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 10:45AM

Jewish summer camp is one of the best predictors of lifelong Jewish commitment. Considering sleepaway camp for your child next summer? Parents are invited to an information session at the temple about the Reform Movement's Eisner, Crane Lake, and 6-Points Sci-Tech Academy. Incredible scholarships available for first-time campers. Contact Rabbi Goldsmith at 914-967-4382 x13 for more information.

YOUNG FAMILIES COMMITTEE EVENTS

We are committed to helping young families begin their Jewish journeys. Bring your children, nieces, nephews, grandchildren... any little one who is special in your life. All Young Families Committee events are free and open to the community and are appropriate for ages 6 months through 2nd grade.

For more information or to RSVP for events, contact Jane at 914-967-4382 x21 or jdubro@c-e-w.org.

YOUNG FAMILIES COMMITTEE CHANUKAH CELEBRATION

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 10:45 - 11:45AM

Latkes, games, crafts, and music!

After a fun, musical service we'll light the Chanukah candles in celebration of the festival. Free and open to the community.

RSVP to Jane at jdubro@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x21.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Purim Celebration, Sunday, March 8, 10:45 - 11:45am

Passover Celebration, Sunday, March 29, 10:45 - 11:45am

Mitzvah Shabbat & Pizza Truck Dinner
Friday, May 8, 5:30pm

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL DINNER, FAMILY LEARNING SHABBAT & CONSECRATION WITH MUSICAL GUEST SHIRA KLINE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

6:00PM DINNER/6:30PM FAMILY LEARNING

7:00PM SHABBAT SERVICE

Classroom Hebrew school comes to life during our musical, innovative, family learning shabbat. As part of our new curriculum and re-envisioned family learning, all 1st through 7th grade students and their families are expected to attend dinner (6:00pm), learning (6:30pm), and our Shabbat service (7:00pm), bringing together all that our students are learning as we celebrate our newest students and Shabbat with family and friends.

RSVP to Tal at tdrori@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x12. Dinner is on us!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: RELIGIOUS SCHOOL DINNER & FAMILY LEARNING SHABBAT

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

6:00PM DINNER/6:30PM FAMILY LEARNING

7:00PM SHABBAT SERVICE

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 6:00pm Pre-Neg 6:30pm Early Service Have A Heart Gift Drive Begins	2 5:00pm Abby Meron Bat Mitzvah Ceremony
3 9:30 - 11:45am Religious School	4 6:45pm Mah Jongg & Canasta No Academy & Confirmation	5 3:50 - 5:45pm Hebrew School	6 7:00pm Israel Fellows: Israel and Us	7 12:00pm Museum of Jewish Heritage 6:30pm Committees in Community	8 11:00am Challah Baking 7:30pm Kristallnacht Commemoration with Guest Speaker Ed Cohen	9 9:00am Beit Midrash: Theodicy
10 9:30 - 11:45am Religious School 10:45am URJ Camp Presentation	11 No Academy & Confirmation	12 3:50 - 5:45pm Hebrew School 7:30pm Board Meeting	13	14 8:00pm Single Malt Torah	15 7:30pm Shabbat Service	16 11:00am Owen Blaine Bar Mitzvah Ceremony 5:00pm Sam Potkin Bar Mitzvah Ceremony
17 9:30 - 11:45am Religious School 10:15 - 11:45am Beit Midrash: Mitzvah 11:00am Next Step 4:00pm Sunday Film Series: Four Seasons Lodge with Guest Speaker Esther Geizhals and Director Andrew Jacobs 4:00pm Westchester Chamber Music Society	18 6:45pm Mah Jongg & Canasta 7:15pm Academy & Confirmation	19 3:50 - 5:45pm Hebrew School	20	21 10:15am Book Club 7:30pm ICLC Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at the Greek Orthodox Church	22 6:00/6:30pm Shabbat Dinner & Family Learning 6:30pm Gallery Opening: Charlie Cooper Photography 7:00pm Family Learning Shabbat & Consecration with Musical Guest Shira Kline	23 11:00am Madeline Hirsch Bat Mitzvah Ceremony 7:30pm Westchester Jewish Council Night of Jewish Learning & Celebration at Beth El Synagogue Center
24 9:30 - 11:45am Religious School	25 6:45pm Mah Jongg & Canasta No Academy & Confirmation	26 3:50 - 5:45pm Hebrew School	27	28 Temple Office Closed for Thanksgiving	29 6:30pm Lay Led Service Temple Office Closed for Thanksgiving	30

CALENDAR: DECEMBER 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 No Religious School Kids' Kloset Drive Begins	2 12:00pm Reflections Workshop 6:45pm Mah Jongg & Canasta 7:15pm Confirmation 7:15pm Academy at Feeding Westchester	3 3:50 - 5:45pm Hebrew School	4	5	6 7:30pm Cantor Earl Rogers Tribute Sabbath with Musical Guest Neshama Carlebach	7 9:00am Beit Midrash: Divine/Human Partnership 11:00am Ella Grann Bat Mitzvah Ceremony
8 9:30 - 11:45am Religious School 9:30 - 10:45am Pre-K & K: Chanukah 10:45 - 11:45am Young Families Chanukah Celebration 11:00am Next Step	9 6:45pm Mah Jongg & Canasta 7:15pm Academy & Confirmation	10 3:50 - 5:45pm Hebrew School	11	12	13 6:30pm Lay Led Service	14
15 9:30 - 11:45am Religious School 4:00pm Westchester Chamber Music Society	16 6:45pm Mah Jongg & Canasta 7:15pm Academy & Confirmation	17 3:50 - 5:45pm Hebrew School	18	19 6:30pm Women's Study Group Chanukah Dinner	20 6:00pm Shabbat Dinner 7:00pm Chanukah Shabbat	21
22 No Religious School	23 No Academy & Confirmation Chanukah: 1st Night	24 No Hebrew School Temple Office Closing at 2:00pm	25 Temple Office Closed	26	27 6:30pm Lay Led Service	28
29 No Religious School	30 No Academy & Confirmation Chanukah: Last Night	31 No Hebrew School Temple Office Closing at 2:00pm				

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NOVEMBER & DECEMBER SHABBAT SERVICES

November 1

6:00pm **Pre-Neg**
6:30pm **Early Service**

November 8

7:30pm **Kristallnacht Commemoration
with Guest Speaker Ed Cohen**

November 15

7:30pm **Shabbat Service**

November 22 🎵 🖥️ 👍

6:00pm **Religious School Dinner**
6:30pm **Family Learning**
7:00pm **Family Learning Shabbat & Consecration
with Musical Guest Shira Kline**

November 29

6:30pm **Lay Led Service**

December 6 🎵

7:30pm **Cantor Earl Rogers Tribute Sabbath
with Musical Guest Neshama Carlebach**

December 13

6:30pm **Lay Led Service**

December 20 🎵 🖥️ 👍

6:00pm **Shabbat Dinner**
7:00pm **Chanukah Service & Celebration**

December 27

6:30pm **Lay Led Service**

🎵 Band 🖥️ Prayers projected 👍 Family Friendly

CANTOR EARL ROGERS TRIBUTE SABBATH WITH SPECIAL MUSICAL GUEST NESHAMA CARLEBACH

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 7:30PM



The featured musician for this year's Cantor Earl Rogers Tribute Sabbath, Neshama Carlebach is an award-winning singer, songwriter and educator who has performed and taught in cities around the world. A six-time entrant in the Grammy Awards, Neshama has sold over one million records, making her one of today's best-selling Jewish artists in the world. Since her 1996 debut album, *Soul*, she has released 10 records, each showcasing her vocal range, power, versatility, and her unique blend of various genres including classic Hebrew folk songs, contemporary pop music, jazz and gospel. Her most recent release, *Believe*, includes 12 all-original tracks and features her band and a new gospel choir led by Pastor Milton Vann. She will bring us music from this album in which she "... examines personal and universal problems to transform darkness into light. The 12-song album approaches life's challenges with grace, beauty and uplifting music." *Neshama Carlebach's visit is made possible by the generosity of an anonymous donor.*



SAVE THE DATE: COMEDY NIGHT SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 8:00PM

Laugh your tuchus off at temple! Come out for an adult night of comedy featuring congregant and stand up comic Lisa Blythe Perlman, the hilarious Joe Matarese as seen on *America's Got Talent* and *The David Letterman Show*, and Marion Grodin as seen on *Late Night with Conan O'Brien* and *The View*.