THE GUIDE POSTS TO YOUR JEWISH JOURNEY

Introducing a new way to think about the life of our congregation! Temple membership is not simply about programs and services. It is about creating community, finding inspiration, helping others, enriching our minds and spending time with our families. As a congregation committed to meeting you where you are on your Jewish Journey, we are determined to make it easy for you to identify the points of connection that most appeal to you so that you can bring holiness, community and wisdom to your own life while adding strength to our congregation. Watch for new icons in materials from the temple and religious school in the coming year. Each icon answers the question: Why should I come?

REFLECT & ELEVATE
We gather for Shabbat, holy days, festivals, memorial services and life-cycle events to reflect on the themes of our lives as they echo through our tradition. Through songs and readings, sermons and theatrics, sharing and quiet, we find our lives uplifted.

STEP-UP & GIVE-BACK
We live in safety and security, with an abundance unimaginable for past generations. Donating our time and resources to worthy causes shows our gratitude for the plenty we enjoy. These acts of tikkun olam (repairing the world) allow us to express our Jewish identity in a fulfilling, important way.

FAMILY TIME
Family is the center of Jewish life. At our temple your family will spend quality time together living out the values that we all hold most dear and creating memories that will last a lifetime. Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester is the antidote to our fast paced, digital, over-programmed society.

MIX AND MINGLE
The center of our congregation is our sense of community. We celebrate together, comfort each other, forge friendships and make connections—that is what we can uniquely offer as a synagogue. Log out of Facebook and connect with friends new and old in the real world, right here at the temple.

SEEK & DISCOVER
Jewish study leads to vitality that keeps our minds sharp and our souls searching. Rather than relativism, Judaism confronts us with issues that help to clarify our place in history and our place in our world. Classes, lectures, text study, book clubs, Single Malt Torah, and the Women’s Study Group: see what you can discover.
It is with immense gratitude that we announce that the room formerly known as the Social Hall is now The Kaye Family Room. The space is named in honor of Sheryl and Chip Kaye, together with their children Nicole, Tyler, and Sydney. The Kayes, generous with their time and resources, have helped to transform our congregation and to ensure our future. If you have not already seen it, please stop by the synagogue to see this beautiful space, or, better yet, come to one of the many programs that will take place in The Kaye Family Room this coming year.

We are proud to announce that our synagogue library was dedicated this summer by Samuel, Tara, Janelle and Greg Berger in memory of Greg’s parents, Terry Berger and Martin Berger. We know that our beautifully renovated library will continue to serve as a center for congregational life and we thank the Bergers for their generosity!

More dedications to come. A classroom and Cantor Stone’s office will also be dedicated in the near future by generous congregants. Watch the bulletin for updates!

EMANU-EL 1ST ANNUAL VENDOR SHOWCASE
SPEND AN AFTERNOON WITH THE PARTY EXPERTS

Sunday, October 26, 2014
2:00 - 5:00PM
Susan Schweitzer Family Learning Center

Wherever you are in the planning process, come sample tasty treats and chat with the best in the business.

With entertainers, caterers, florists, and more, you are sure to get unique ideas to make your special event a most memorable one.
Dear Congregants,

I am a third year Rabbinical Student at Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion in New York and am thrilled to join the clergy team of Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester.

I was born and raised in Cincinnati, Ohio, and have been active in Reform Judaism throughout my entire life. During and after my time at Purdue University, I worked for three years as the Director of Youth Activities at Anshe Emeth in New Brunswick, NJ and as the Youth Advisor at Temple Israel in West Lafayette, IN.

I just completed my seventh summer on staff at URJ Goldman Union Camp Institute in Zionsville, IN as their Program Director.

I am excited to join the Emanu-El team as it offers me the opportunity to learn and grow personally and professionally, while teaching in a wide variety of exciting programs at the congregation. I consider youth work my life’s passion, and I look forward to bringing my energy and excitement to Emanu-El. I will be teaching in Mi Ani (6th grade) and Monday Night Program (8th-9th grade), helping to lead services on Friday nights, and more.

If you see me around the synagogue please say hello!

L’Shalom,

Chase Foster
I finally found a swimming hole up at Harriman State Park. For years, as many of you know, I’ve been hiking the hills and valleys of Harriman, exploring the streams and watching the seasons change. Throughout my hikes, when my feet get hot or achy, I dip them in the cool water of one of those many streams and small mountain “rivers”. The icy water washes away the heat and, refreshed, I keep walking. But I’ve never found a pool big enough or deep enough in which I could fully immerse, to wash away all the heat and ache (and dirt!). But in early August of this year, I finally found it.

The hike was a beautiful and hot one: five miles of great views, ripe wild blueberries, the sounds of cicadas and the rustling of chipmunks in the underbrush. There were hawks riding up drafts along the cliffs who would occasionally dive at some unseen prey beneath the tree canopy. The scene was as pastoral and tranquil as you can imagine.

But inside my head, I could not quite clear the cobwebs; I couldn’t quiet the dark thoughts I enter the wilderness to subdue. As I walked through the sun dappled forest, I couldn’t help but think of the war in Israel and Gaza, of my friends and family running for their shelters, and of the civilians turned human shields in Gaza suffering a humanitarian crisis because of a heartless Hamas. As I scurried over boulders on the ridge, I also thought of the refugee crisis here in America. Children fleeing violence as “huddled masses yearning to be free” who did not scurry over boulders seeking tranquility; instead they scurried over fences to enter our nation, greeted by too many angry protests, rather than with the compassion all children deserve. The words from our Torah echoed in my mind: “Welcome the stranger for you were strangers in the Land of Egypt.” Welcome, indeed.

And then my own thoughts and concerns. Petty compared to those in Ashkelon or Gaza or fleeing Central American violence, but concerns nonetheless. Some were workaday concerns that fill our ordinary lives here in the comfort of Westchester. And some were not so petty: sick congregants, grieving families, those in our midst who carry heavy burdens. And finally my own needs, my shortcomings and trespasses that I hope to mend over the coming High Holy Days, the people whose forgiveness I need and the ways that I need to better care for my body, my mind, my soul.

All of these spun in my mind, quieting for a bit, and then coming to the fore, feeling the balm of the wilderness and then aching again in my head, in my heart.

And then, about half a mile from the end of the trail, I saw it. Black water, deep and wide, filled a pool ten feet across; fed by a small waterfall; with tall trees and a few moss covered rocks near the water’s outlet. The light reflected off the water, inviting me to get in, to cool off. I had found my pool. The water was freezing and I let out a little yelp as I submerged once, twice, three times. The cobwebs cleared, my concerns seemingly melted away. The problems were all still real; the pool had not changed the geopolitics of the Middle East. Instead I gained a moment of humble perspective. In the words of American theologian Reinhold Niebuhr those waters “[Gave] me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.” Those freezing, living waters helped to restore a sense of balance and calm, a sense of perspective.

As I later walked down the trail I realized that this was not only a pool for me. It was a mikvah: a spiritual bath our people have used for over 2500 years to mark transitions, to move from one state to another, to strive for purity and wholeness, to wash away pain and to welcome life and hope. Mikvahs are not only in damp basements, they exist in a physical form wherever water flows into and out of a pool big enough for complete immersion. They exist in the spiritual realm wherever we find clarity and perspective, wherever we find reflection and peace, wherever we’re able to commit to a new path, a new way forward, a new direction for our lives, a glimpse of perspective.

In this spiritual sense I hope and pray that the coming High Holy Days are like a mikvah for all of us at Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester. I pray that each of us finds the time to reflect, to consider how we want to change and how we want to change the world. I pray that each of us leaves our Yom Kippur services feeling cleansed and refreshed, ready to immerse ourselves in a New Year that is a bit better, a bit more loving, and – God willing – a bit more peaceful.
In July, I had the privilege of participating in a weeklong mission to Israel with the American Conference of Cantors.

About 100 of us convened at what was a sensitive and increasingly volatile time, shortly after the funeral for the kidnapped Israeli teenagers. Despite (or perhaps because of) this time of increasing tension in Israel, this trip provided me with a powerful and very positive experience. On the one hand were the intricate complexities of the political situation, with the pain and frustrations on both sides of the political spectrum. There were disturbing aspects in seeing the security fence and settlements, and more than once I ran for shelter when the sirens sounded.

On the other hand, thanks to the tireless effort of my colleagues who designed and organized our convention, I witnessed fascinating and exciting growth, not just in the completion of building projects in Jerusalem, such as the beautiful “King David’s harp” bridge at the entrance to the city, but in Israelis exploring and reclaiming their identity as Jews.

Most Israelis have no understanding or experience of Reform or Conservative Judaism. For the majority, being Jewish means living as a secular Israeli or a practicing Orthodox Jew. It is understandable that so many Israelis are not interested in living an Orthodox lifestyle. Despite the presence of the Reform movement in Israel, not much has changed over the years, as the congregational model that works in the US doesn’t work there.

What I saw on this recent trip however, to my surprise, is something growing in Jewish life, a renewal with much possibility and potential. Our group participated in services and workshops led by those on the forefront of this evolution: innovative, grassroots organizations for Israelis searching for authentic Jewish expression in their lives. These groups, such as Nava Tehila and Beit Tefilah Israeli, are revitalizing the notion of prayer, and forming a new indigenous Israeli liturgical language, rooted in the heart of Israeli contemporary culture. Their creative use of poetry and melody is creating a small transformation, and a growing number are attending Shabbat services.

I was surprised to learn that 17 of the 43 Reform Israeli congregations celebrate Pride Shabbat, and 51% of the population says that Reform and Conservative Jews should have equal say in matters of marriage and conversion. Many of us know the impact that the Birthright trips have on our American youth; these trips are also having an impact on the Israeli soldiers and youths who participate in them.

One of the highlights of my trip was an early morning service at the Western Wall that the women cantors of our group held in conjunction with representatives of Women of the Wall. For 25 years, this organization of Israeli women has been fighting for the right to wear prayer shawls, pray and read from the Torah collectively and out loud at the Western Wall. This goal has important ramifications for women’s rights in Judaism and in Israel. Through education and advocacy, Women of the Wall is making strides in civil rights and religious freedom. During our trip, the voices of diversity made headway in Israel with decisions that will create pluralistic options for all Israelis and all Jews. The hope is that before too long, all Jews will have a place and a voice at the wall.

My connection to the land of Israel was greatly strengthened by this trip and I am most grateful to our congregation for enabling me to participate. At the moment of this writing, things are still very difficult in Israel. We continue to pray for the peace of Jerusalem and all peoples.

Meredith
REFLECT & ELEVATE

RITUAL CORNER:
SELICHOT

Most people think of Selichot as a service. It is actually a series of prayers asking for God’s forgiveness and mercy that date back – in one form or another – to the time of King David. Originally the prayers were recited on all fast days when the people sought God’s protection or help. By the middle ages these prayers were especially recited in the time leading up to Rosh Hashanah. Sephardic communities begin reciting these prayers at the start of the month of Elul, the month that precedes Rosh Hashanah. Ashkenazic communities begin reciting these prayers on the Saturday night before Rosh Hashanah.

A special feature of Selichot is that the service takes place late at night (10PM for our congregation) and is accompanied by beautiful music. It is the custom of our community to end the Selichot service with a blast of the Shofar. The blast simultaneously calls us to begin the process of repentance, assures us of God’s mercy and reminds us to be forgiving of ourselves and others.

SELICHOT SERVICE
HOSTED AT EMANU-EL
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20
8:00 - 11:00PM

“Selihot was an amazing demarcation of the end of summer and a grounding point of a new beginning. What made it so powerful was the strength in numbers from the entire community and the incredibly moving service which culminated in reflection and peacefulness.”

- Lee Helman

“Over the past few years, the opportunity to quiet down, reflect, and share a communal preparation for repentance has been meaningful as well as joyful for me. Sharing it with our wider community, feeling part of a larger tribe, enriches the ritual and prayer. It’s a unique service in our tradition with a final gathering together for late evening prayer. My Selichot takeaway: a sense of calm.”

- Jane Meryll

Together with Chavurat Tikvah, Community Synagogue of Rye, JCCH, and KTI we will enter the Days of Awe with this evening of community, learning, reflection, worship and the first shofar blast of the year. The theme of this year’s learning: How good do we have to be?

The clergy of the various congregations will lead discussions on how to look to the New Year with hope, how the themes of the High Holy Days offer us powerful metaphors that can help us transform our behavior and ourselves.

The worship service’s beautiful music and meaningful readings will help us set the tone for the Holy Days ahead; the service will conclude with a dramatic blast of the shofar.
REFLECT & ELEVATE

HIGH HOLY DAYS SCHEDULE

EREV ROSh HASHANAH
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24
6:00PM Service
8:30PM Service

ROSh HASHANAH
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25
10:00AM Morning Service
1:45PM Youth Service
2:30PM Reception
3:00PM Young Families Service
3:30PM Young Families
Rosh Hashanah Celebration

TASHLICH
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26
10:15AM Nature Walk
@ Edith G. Read
Wildlife Sanctuary*
11:00AM Tashlich Service at
@ Edith G. Read
Wildlife Sanctuary*
8:00PM Shabbat Shuva Service

KOL NIDRE
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3
6:00PM Service
8:30PM Service

YOM KIPPUR
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4
10:00AM Morning Service
1:15PM Youth Service
2:15PM Young Families Service
3:00PM Afternoon Service
3:30PM Healing Service
4:00PM Yizkor Memorial Service
4:45PM N’ilah/Concluding Service
5:30PM Congregational Break Fast

* Directions to the Read Sanctuary:
From I-95, take Exit 19 (Playland Parkway) to Playland. Pass through the Playland parking booths and continue straight through the parking area and to the right behind the Dragon Roller Coaster. There is a second gate here. Pass through the gate and continue straight down the road into the sanctuary. There is a parking area in front of the nature center.

FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICE & BBQ DINNER
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5
6:30PM BBQ
7:30PM SERVICE

Enjoy hot dogs, delicious burgers, vegetarian options, and a joyous service!
Dinner: $15 per child/$20 per adult
$60 family maximum

RSVP for dinner to Denise: dburke@congregationemanuel.org

GRILLMEISTERS:
We need you! Looking for grown-ups to grill all the delicious food.
Contact Marcie at 914-967-4382 x15
if you are interested in grilling!
SIMCHAT TORAH AND CONSECRATION & SHABBAT DINNER
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17
6:00PM DINNER
7:00PM SERVICE

On this Shabbat, we welcome new students and their families during our Simchat Torah celebration and consecrate them as they are called onto the bimah and given a gift from the temple.

We will continue our tradition of opening the Torah across the back of the sanctuary for all to see, and services will be followed by Israeli dancing!

Dinner:
$15 per child/$20 per adult/$60 family maximum

RSVP to Denise: dburke@congregationemanuel.org or 914-967-4382 x12.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19
11:45AM

From Noah to Maimonides to Rav Nachman, our people have treasured the creatures who fill our world. Bring your pet for a special blessing recognizing the sanctity of all life and celebrating the animals we love.

I’M A CULTURAL JEW: FOOD
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24
7:30PM

Blinthes or hummus, gefilte fish or babaganoosh. "Jewish food" comes in an endless variety and evokes an endless number of memories. Back by popular demand, this year’s I’m A Cultural Jew: Food Shabbat experience will delight our taste buds, stimulate our minds and connect us to one another.

Music and food, community and joy, and not a little wine - for anyone who has ever said, "I'm not that religious, I'm more of a cultural Jew" - this Shabbat experience is for you!

Please RSVP to Jane at j dubro@congregationemanuel.org or 914-967-4382 x21.
REFLECT & ELEVATE

SUkkOT HAPpEnINGs

SUkkAH BuILDING
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5
9:30AM
We need a few handy congregants to help with building our community sukkah. Men, women, and teens are all welcome. Different jobs for different skills. Space is limited, so please RSVP to Scott Allen at 914-967-4382 x18 or sallen@congregationemanuel.org.

WOMEN’S STUDY GROUP SUPPER IN THE SUKKAH
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9
6:30PM
Drinks and appetizers in the sukkah, followed by a dinner, study session, and discussion in the Susan Schweitzer Family Learning Center. See page 30 for more details.

PRENEg IN THE SUKKAH
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10
6:00PM PRENEg/6:30PM SERVICE
We will gather before the early Shabbat service for some delightful beverages and finger foods in our sukkah. Come to the service for lulav shaking and special readings for the festival.

SUkkOT OPEN HOUSE AT THE GOLDSMITHS’ HOME
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12
4:00PM
After the seriousness of the High Holy Days, it is great to spend time outside eating and drinking with friends and family. Please join Howard, Jennifer, Lev and Talia in their backyard sukkah. There will be lulavs for shaking, cookies for eating and, of course, wonderful congregants to spend time with. Rabbis’ Address: 182 Surrey Drive, New Rochelle, NY 10804.

SUkkAHMANIA
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12
9:30 - 11:45AM
Lulavs and etrogs, songs and games, decorations and food, and, of course, our sukkah! Sukkahmania returns to the Religious School in what promises to be a morning of fun, friendship and even a little learning.

SUkkOT YIZKOR SERVICE
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15
7:30AM
There are four times throughout the year when we traditionally come together as a community to remember those who have passed away – Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Passover and Shavuot. We have scheduled this early morning hour so that those who work full-time can attend this brief service to honor the memory of their loved ones.

SIMCHAT TORAH/CONSECRATION
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17
6:00PM DINNER/ 7:00PM SERVICE
Welcome new students and their families as we celebrate Simchat Torah and consecrate the students.
The rise of anti-Semitism globally is truly the most frightening feature of the last month’s news reports. It is more than just the "normal" anti-Israel rhetoric we hear in the news. Just recently, a Hamas spokesman, in a CNN interview, used the centuries old "blood libel" as a reason for not stopping the missile firing or for recognizing Israel's right to exist. The anti-Semitic speeches given by hotheads on the streets have been matched by politicians all over the world, as well as by actors, actresses, news anchors, UN leaders and committee heads. These remarks have crossed the line of reasonableness and sanity, in my opinion, with one even coming from a past President of the US. The comments have been virulent, unceasing, and said with impunity that boggles my mind.

All of the news, commentaries, and videos coming from Israel, Gaza, France, Qatar et. al., have created security concerns throughout the American Jewish community, as well as in cities around the world. Certainly, there is a heightened sense of awareness as we approach the High Holy Days.

We take these security concerns very seriously at Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester. I want to assure you that we are taking every precaution to make certain that our services run as smoothly and safely as possible. We are in regular contact with the Harrison Police Department. We will have security at our driveway entrance and in our overflow parking lot, as well as at our sanctuary entrance where tickets will be checked for everyone entering, just as we have done in the past. We hope you will bear with us this year if we are a bit more diligent in checking tickets than previously.

We want to make sure that our services are meaningful and safe for all. Please don't bring unnecessary bags into the building. Please be careful when walking on Westchester Avenue if you decide to park beyond our exit and the entrance to 287; don't walk 2 or 3 abreast in the road as that creates a major safety concern for everyone. The traffic on Westchester Avenue moves all too quickly at times, so please stay well to the side of the road.

We certainly expect our services and gatherings will be uneventful from the point of view of security. We want the emphasis to be on the prayers, the community, and our families. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 914-967-4382 ext. 18.

Wishing you all a Peaceful, Joyous, and Meaningful New Year.

High Holy Day forms may be filled out online

In addition to the paper forms included in your High Holiday Packet, forms are available online for the Yom Kippur Memorial Booklet, High Holy Day Guest Tickets, Babysitting Services, Rides for Seniors, Handicapped Parking, and the Philanthropic Appeal. Forms are due by September 9, 2014.

To access our forms online, Follow these easy steps:

- Go to www.congregationemanuel.org
- Under the Worship tab, click on High Holy Days
- Choose any of the High Holy Days Forms on the right side of the page.
Dear Congregation,

This is my first official note as President of Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester.

Who knew when my parents joined this temple in the 1970s that would come to pass? I am now referred to in my family as “super Jew”. All kidding aside, my entire family including my 90 year-old dad, is very proud of me. And I am honored and proud, as well.

It is difficult to articulate my feelings about this honor, but I will try. I have always considered myself a “cultural Jew” and am extremely proud of my heritage. Our family celebrated all the holidays but going to temple wasn’t really high on the list of things we did.

Rabbi Wolk and Cantor Stone married Steve and me in 1987 and we did participate in some temple activities afterwards.

When our daughter entered 3rd grade, we started getting more involved. Thanks to Cantor Stone, Melissa joined the Junior Choir and we started coming to more services. Thanks to Marcie and her incredible staff, Melissa attended Sunday school, Hebrew school, Confirmation and then worked as a teachers aid until she graduated from Harrison High School. At 49, I became a Bat Mitzvah along with 7 other women, and my thirst for Jewish knowledge exploded. (Melissa and I actually had our B’not Mitzvah ceremonies during the same year.)

When Melissa was 16, we took a family trip to Israel with Rabbi Wolk, which was an incredible experience on every level. We connected with the country and more importantly connected with other congregants who are now lifelong friends. Connections are what it’s all about; sharing the religious, intellectual and social experience at the temple with good friends.

I have served on the board for more than 12 years and in that time there have been lots and lots of transitions at Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester. The temple has changed, the congregation has changed, the clergy has changed and I have changed. Through each change and stage in my life Congregation Emanu-El has been open and available to me and my family. What a gift!

Congregation Emanu-El meets you where you are on your personal Jewish journey. You will soon be receiving our Jewish Journeys catalogue of services, programs and events for 2014-2015.

With over 40 pages of information, I trust you will find many opportunities to attend the programs you enjoyed in the past, as well as to try some of our new and exciting events.

Rabbi Goldsmith, Cantor Stone, Marcie Aiuvalasit and Jane Dubro have spent an enormous amount of time listening to requests, learning from past programs and yet are still energized to try new things.

So… just come and experience what we are offering, meet one of the over 90 new families who have joined the temple over the last 4 years; spend time with your temple family and share your personal Jewish journey.

In the interest of total transparency, the temple is not without its challenges – primarily financial ones. John Carton and Dick Hecht have worked tirelessly to guide the new generation of leaders to move our economics to stable ground. We are continuing to make great progress, but we are not there yet. With the completion of the Susan Schweitzer Family Learning Center and the The Kaye Family Room, we have expanded our opportunity to celebrate life-cycle events within these beautiful spaces. We are also renting out the space to outside organizations for conferences and events.

As you well know, the temple dues, religious school fees and investment income only covers approximately 70% of our annual budget needs. Many congregants have given generously and we hope the congregation will expand it’s giving to fund our operating gap.

As congregants, it is your right to know what’s happening at the board of trustees meetings. Therefore, we will kick-off a column in the next bulletin called: Board Buzz (Board Update).

The current board of trustees is engaged, bright and we pledge to continue moving the congregation forward to ensure its vibrancy for generations to come.

Susan
Dear Friends and Fellow Congregants,

I recently became a member of the Board of Congregation Emanu-El. My decision to join the Board was about giving back to the temple for all it does for my family and our Jewish community. It has been an extremely rewarding year for me personally, but also quite humbling to see the herculean work done behind the scenes by temple employees and other board members.

Since my family joined Congregation Emanu-El six years ago, there have been tremendous changes to the facilities and the amount and breadth of programs offered. From buses to the city for a Sunday school trip to feed the homeless, to repairs to our building, it all costs money.

Unfortunately, tuition and annual dues do not cover the operating expenses of the temple. Like many non-profits, we experience a funding gap each year.

I understand that we all get pulled in many different directions and we all get an abundance of mailings and emails for other great causes. I write this letter with the hope that our temple’s needs are at the forefront of your mind when you consider your charitable donations. Congregation Emanu-El is stronger than ever in so many facets — staffing, educational programs, membership, and community service. It is our job as congregants to make sure that the funding is there to allow our temple and Jewish community to continue to thrive.

Thank you,
Kevin Wyman

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CALLING ALL CARS!

Donate your car. All vehicles welcomed, no matter of age or condition.

Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester now gratefully accepts cars! We have teamed up with Central Auto Auction, one of the largest auctioneers in the Northeast, to maximize the value of your generous gift.

CAA’s size, combined with low overhead costs, enables them to provide the highest proceeds for non-profit organizations such as ours.

Easy. Call Scott Allen (914) 967-4382 x18 with the basic information: name of owner on the title, year, make, model, color, mileage, VIN number.

Fast. Pick-up arranged at your home or other location of choice, generally within 2-3 days. Expedited, professional service ensures prompt results for us.

Tax deductible. We provide a certificate of donation for the full extent of proceeds received by us.

For more information, call Scott Allen (914) 967-4382 x18.

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EmanuMail: Sign-up to get the latest updates and events!

Each week we send out a listing of upcoming and ongoing events and programs. If you don’t already receive it, here are two ways to get your name on the EmanuMail distribution list:

1. Visit our homepage at www.congregationemanuel.org and enter your email to be added to our distribution list (bottom right hand corner).

2. Contact Abbie at alevitt@congregationemanuel.org with your email address and she can add it for you!
MARK YOUR CALENDARS
A YEAR OF SOCIAL ACTION
2014 - 2015

High Holy Day Food Drive
September 24 - October 4

Coats for Hope
October 6 - October 20

Midnight Run
October 12

Mitzvah Moment
November 23

Christmas Celebration at HOPE House
December 25

UJA Families Feeding Families
January 11 - February 8

DOROT Passover Package Delivery
March 22

Mitzvah Day
April 19

Brunch Run
May 3

NEW THIS YEAR: MONTHLY SOCIAL ACTION OPPORTUNITIES!
In the spirit of tikkan olam, the Social Action Committee will be offering monthly mitzvah opportunities for all members of our congregation. Our goal is to help all congregants make meaningful connections with an organization or group, thereby allowing us to repair our world. Please watch for these opportunities in the bulletin, your email and EmanuMail -- and come out to make our community a better place.

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE UPDATE
After 10 years as chair of our Social Action Committee, Emily Cohen is turning over leadership to active Social Action and board member Leslie Mook. Emily will remain an involved member of the committee and act as an advisor.

As you can see in the Year of Social Action calendar above, we have many exciting and meaningful opportunities for you to get involved.

Check the website and EmanuMail for additional Social Action opportunities throughout the year. We look forward to your involvement!

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE HIGH HOLY DAY FOOD DRIVE
SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 4

Last year we donated 1075 pounds of canned and dried goods to The Food Bank of Westchester’s Annual Yom Kippur Food Drive. That was 326 pounds more than we collected the year before!

Help us donate EVEN MORE this year!
You will find a grocery bag on your seat at Rosh Hashanah services; please fill it with non-perishable items and bring it back on Yom Kippur.
SOCIAL ACTION: ONGOING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

TEACH ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE AT THE DON BOSCO CENTER IN PORT CHESTER

Sessions run Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays
9:30 - 11:00AM

We are always looking for volunteers to teach Adult ESL at the Don Bosco Center on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. The latest census counts 60% of Port Chester residents as Spanish speaking.

If you are interested in volunteering your time or visiting the program on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, please email Doreen Kushel at dkushel@optonline.net or Ann Spindel at als37@columbia.edu.

Work with us to help our neighbors have a voice!

SOCIAL ACTION: ONGOING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

DOROT WESTCHESTER VISITING OPPORTUNITY

There are lonely seniors waiting in the following towns for a friendly visitor: Briarcliff - Eastchester Mt. Vernon - New Rochelle - Rye - Valhalla Tarrytown - White Plains - Yonkers

Can you visit them?

Volunteers are matched with seniors for weekly home visits for a minimum of a year. Matches are made by a DOROT social worker based on mutual interests, availability, and location. DOROT social workers maintain a supportive presence for the duration of your relationship.

To sign up contact Jeff Rindler, Associate Executive Director of DOROT: 917-441-3711 or email jrindler@dorotusa.org.

KNITZVAH CORPS ANNUAL KICK-OFF

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
5:30PM

Our Knitzvah Corps participants meet monthly to knit items like baby clothing and chemo caps to donate to those in need. We will enjoy an evening of knitting and schmoozing while performing a lovely mitzvah in our cozy library. This is a group activity that enables us to experience a true sense of social action.

2014-15 Knitzvah Corps dates: 9/18, 10/30, 11/20, 12/18, 1/22, 3/12, 4/30, 5/14, 6/8

RSVP to Jane at 914-967-4382 x21 or jdubro@congregationemanuel.org.
Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester
Young Families Committee presents:

Celebrate Jewish Life with Your Young Family this Year
Young Families Programming 5775 (2014-2015)

Holiday Celebrations for Your Family

Rosh Hashanah Service Thursday, September 25, 3:00-3:30PM
Rosh Hashanah Celebration Thursday, September 25, 3:30-4:00PM
Yom Kippur Service Saturday, October 4, 2:15-2:45PM
Chanukah Celebration Friday, December 12, 5:30-7:00PM
Cuddle-Up Shabbat Friday, January 9, 5:30-7:00PM
Purim Celebration Saturday, March 7, 9:30-11:00AM

BYOK (Bring Your Own Kids) Concerts and Pizza Dinner

Suzi Shelton Saturday, October 25, 4:30PM
Joanie Leeds and the Nightlights Saturday, January 31, 4:30PM
Alastair Moock Saturday, April 11, 4:30PM

K/Pre-K Drop Off Program, Sundays 9:30-11:45AM

High Holy Days September 21
Sukkot/Simchat Torah October 19
Shabbat November 16
Chanukah December 21
Tu B’Shevat February 8
Purim March 8
Passover March 22
Yom Ha’atzmaut & Israel Independence Day April 12

Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester
2125 Westchester Ave East, Rye
(914) 967-4382
info@congregationemanuel.org
FAMILY TIME

B.Y.O.K. (BRING YOUR OWN KIDS) 2014-15 CONCERT SERIES

THE BEST CHILDREN'S MUSICIANS COME TO EMANU-EL!

This musical extravaganza for families with kids in 2nd grade and younger will get you and your kids dancing through the witching hour. We will dine on pizza after the music.

SUZI SHELTON
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25
4:30PM

JOANIE LEEDS AND THE NIGHTLIGHTS
SATURDAY, JANUARY 31
4:30PM

ALASTAIR MOOCK
SATURDAY, APRIL 11
4:30PM

TICKETS:
Advance Purchase: $12/per person
At the door: $15/per person

Please RSVP to Jane at jdubro@congregationemanuel.org or call 914-967-4382 x21.
“God saw everything that God had made, and behold, it was very good.” (Genesis 1:31)

A year ago, Rabbi Goldsmith’s Rosh Hashanah sermon focused on our community as one of inclusion for all. “All of Israel is responsible for one another.” (Talmud, Shavuot 39a). His words resonated with all of us.

Over the past year our temple has hosted: Mosaic for a LGBTQ Discovery Shabbat, the Friendship Circle Chanukah Party (special needs) and our Youth Group Friday Shabbat services theme was “celebrating diversity and embracing differences”.

This upcoming year, 5775 on the Jewish calendar, we continue to have meaningful engagement on inclusion for all:

**Sacred Aging with Rabbi Richard Address**  
**Friday, November 7, 7:30PM**  
Jewish Sacred Aging is a forum for the Jewish Community with resources and texts that feature discussions on the implications of the revolution in longevity for Baby Boomers and their families.

**Pride Shabbat Welcoming the LGBTQ community with Mosaic**  
**Friday December 5, 7:30PM**  
We are excited to partner with Mosaic of Westchester for this music-filled Shabbat service. 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”.

**MNP with Mosaic of Westchester**  
**“Embracing Differences”**  
**November 24, 7:15PM**  
We will learn how to be an ally to the LGBTQ community. This program is funded by a UJA-Jewish Social Action Grant.

**Our 2nd annual Friendship Circle Chanukah Party**  
**December 14, 11:00AM - 1:00PM**  
The Friendship Circle brings together teenage volunteers and children with special needs for hours of fun and friendship. These shared experiences enrich the lives of everyone involved.

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**Screening of “Praying with Lior” for our Hineini students**  
**November 16, 9:30 - 11:45AM.**

“Praying with Lior” is a moving documentary about Lior Liebling, a child with Down Syndrome and a powerful spirituality, as he sings and prays in preparation for his long anticipated bar mitzvah. His supportive family and community set an unparalleled example of love and inclusion.

**Miles Forma will join our MNP and Hineini students**  
**Monday, January 26 at 7:15PM**

“Miles Bar Mitzvah” is featured in a 1999 Nightline television show. Miles Forma has cerebral palsy. Miles decided that he wanted to go to religious school, learn Hebrew, and become a bar mitzvah using the technology developed at the Artificial Language Lab. “Miles Bar Mitzvah” tells the story of how Miles and his family worked together with their Jewish community to accomplish Miles’ goal.

**Sunday Film Series: Anita**  
**for Jewish Disabilities Month**  
**February 8 at 4:00PM**

“Anita” is a heart-warming film about Anita, a young woman with Down Syndrome, who must learn to survive in Buenos Aires after being separated from her mother following the 1994 AMIA terrorist bombing.

The Torah states that each of us is created B’tzelem Elohim, in the image of God (Genesis 1:27), and describes the hospitality of Abraham and Sarah welcoming strangers to their home. We hope to see you at these programs as we continue to build a more inclusive Jewish community where all Jews will have the opportunity for meaningful participation in the richness of Judaism.

I wish you a Shanah Nechamah, a year of comfort, Shanah Hazakah, a year of Strength, Shanah shel Ahavah, a year of connection and love. May our greetings strengthen the bonds between us and shape our communities. May they lead us towards a Shanah Tovah, a year of goodness and peace.

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Jane
MIX & MINGLE

TEMPLE ART GALLERY OPENING:
NEW YORK SCENES:
TERRY KESSLER SCHWARZ
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
12:00 - 1:00PM

Terry Kessler Schwarz, a congregant and art instructor at the temple for twenty-five years, is a professional calligrapher, illustrator, painter and teacher. Her work has appeared in publications including: The New York Times, House Beautiful Magazine, Gannett Newspapers and Westchester Magazine. Terry has exhibited her paintings in New York City and Westchester galleries, and holds a BFA from Syracuse University and a MFA from Tufts University, School of the Museum of Fine Arts.

Refreshments will be served. This event is free and open to the public. A portion of the proceeds from the exhibit will be donated to our Social Action Committee by the artist.

LET’S PLAY: MAH JONGG
& GAME NIGHT!
MONDAYS, 7:00 - 9:00PM
ALL AGES WELCOME
9/5, 10/6, 11/10, 12/8, 1/12,
2/2, 3/9, 4/20, 5/18, 6/15

Drop in Mah Jongg, Bridge, Scrabble & Chess at Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester!

Bring your foursome or come alone and join a pick-up game. Bring your game board for an evening of fun. Refreshments served and friends are welcome!

Call Jane Dubro at 914-967-4382 x 21 or email jdubro@congregationemanuel.org.

EMANU-EL SISTERHOOD UPDATE

Last October, we had our first holiday boutique and it was a huge success with more than 40 vendors and lots of people shopping.

Please save the date for our next holiday boutique on October 23.

We are looking forward to a great year and hope that you will join us at our next sisterhood event. It is a great chance to socialize while learning something fun at the same time.

Jill Baker
Sisterhood President
The Borscht Belt was once a thriving Jewish resort community. It was even fondly referred to as 'the Jewish Alps'.

A photographic survey of the former and cherished era known as the Borscht Belt depicts the relics of a bygone and truly cherished time in American-Jewish history - the infamous Catskill resorts. At our L’Chaim lunch, Photographer Marissa Scheinfeld will present selections from the series that contains over 80 photographs, including a re-photographic series of "now" and "then" imagery composed by using found postcards and creating a mirror image of their present day depictions. For a sneak peek, visit www.marisascheinfeld.com.

Cost including lunch: $10 temple member/$18 non-members. Non-congregant friends are welcome! RSVP to Jane at jdubro@congregationemanuel.org or call 914-967-4382 x21.

THE SISTERHOOD OF CONGREGATION EMANU-EL OF WESTCHESTER PRESENTS...

THE 2ND ANNUAL HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE
STOP N' SHOP
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23
1:00 - 8:00PM

The boutique will offer all things, big and small, that people love to give and have around at Chanukah: jewelry, stationery, clothing, accessories, artwork, and crafts.

If you or someone you know would like to be a vendor at the boutique, please email Jill Baker at jillba@aol.com.
WALK WITH THE RABBI
What better way to discuss a Torah portion than walking at Playland* with our community of energetic, congregants and our fearless walker, Rabbi Goldsmith?

WALKS ARE ALL SCHEDULED FOR 9:00AM ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:
9/5, 10/6, 11/3, 12/5, 1/5, 2/6, 4/6, 5/4, 5/18

* MEET AT THE OAKLAND BEACH PARKING LOT, 94 DEARBORN AVENUE, RYE

NEXT STEP:
SUNDAYS @ 11:00AM
9/7, 10/19, 11/16, 12/14
(2015 DATES TBD)

A group of men is their 60’s and 70’s meeting to talk about anything but sports, politics and the market!

Next Step started with a concern about the transition from work to retired life and has continued with conversations about personal issues in our current lives.

The group is facilitated by congregant Paul Spindel (retired executive). Join us!

L'CHAIM PRIVATE ART TOUR OF THE NEUBERGER MUSEUM ART WITH MARCELLA KAHN
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22
12:00 - 1:30PM

We will have a private docent led tour of the Roy G. Neuberger collection with art enthusiast, collector, and congregant Marcella Kahn. Lunch will follow the tour.

Cost including lunch: $15 temple member/ $20 non-members. Non-congregant friends are welcome!

We will meet at The Neuberger Museum of Art, located on the SUNY Purchase campus, 735 Anderson Hill Road in Purchase.

Please RSVP to Jane at jdubro@congregationemanuel.org or call 914-967-4382 x21.

The Neuberger Museum of Art, the tenth largest university museum in the United States, is home to internationally renowned collections of over 6,000 works of twentieth century American, European, African and Ancient art.
**MIX & MINGLE**

**A NIGHT AT THE MOVIES:**

**CONGREGATION EMANU-EL OF WESTCHESTER’S SUNDAY FILM SERIES**

The series will showcase cinema exploring the Jewish experience. This diverse selection of films includes dramatic features, riveting documentaries, and entertaining comedies.

**OCTOBER 26 @ 7:00PM**

**ARRANGED**

This film centers around two young women, one an Orthodox Jew, the other a devout Muslim, who meet and become friends. Are arranged marriages a thing of the past, or is there still a place for such practices in modern society? The women, both teachers, form a close friendship as they each try to reconcile their traditional religious beliefs with their secular work environment. Rochel and Nasira have both agreed to the process of having their elders choose their prospective marriage partners and the reactions of their colleagues range from curiosity to contempt. Although they work for a principal who claims to embrace diversity, the two women have to battle her inappropriate attempts to liberate them from what she perceives to be their enslavement to an outmoded patriarchal system.

Together, Nasira and Rochel publicly battle misconceptions and stereotypes about their respective religions, while they privately confide in each other about their individual struggles to balance their religious beliefs with their personal needs.

**FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED**

**DECEMBER 7**

**4:00PM**

**RASHEVSKI’S TANGO**

This comedy-drama is a tale of one extended family’s struggle to find meaning and identity within their own somewhat dormant Jewish heritage.

Directed by Sam Garbarski.

**FEBRUARY 8**

**4:00PM**

**ANITA**

Anita is a heart-warming film about Anita, a young woman with Down Syndrome, who must learn to survive in Buenos Aires after being separated from her mother following the 1994 AMIA terrorist bombing.

Directed by Marcos Carnevale.

**APRIL 12**

**7:00PM**

**NO PLACE ON EARTH**

Filmmaker Janet Tobias traces the harrowing tale of 38 Ukrainian Jews who survived the Holocaust by fleeing into caves for 18 months.

Directed by Janet Tobias.
Each year as I enjoy the warmth of the summer sun and the outdoor activities that accompany long days and beautiful sunsets, I think about the exciting possibilities that await my Religious School students, their families and my staff beginning in September. This year, in addition to new programs and engaging activities, I am welcoming three new staff members and ten new teaching assistants. Hospitality and welcoming are important Jewish values and we demonstrate them in all that we do at Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester.

Chase Foster, a third year Rabbinic Student at Hebrew Union College, will be serving as our Rabbinic Intern. He will work closely with Rabbi Goldsmith and Cantor Stone, teach our MNP students, our 6th grade Mi Ani class and work with our Teaching Assistants to develop their leadership skills. He brings with him enormous enthusiasm and years of experience working with teens in camp and synagogue settings.

L’Dor Vador – from generation to generation – describes the joy that I feel introducing our other two new teachers, Gabrielle Leigh and Abigail Fried. Both of them are “graduates” of our Religious School program who worked as teaching assistants through the 12th grade. They bring a love of our temple, a talent for working with children and a commitment to providing their students with the knowledge necessary to develop their own connection to Judaism. I am thrilled to be able to mentor and learn from them.

Chase and I look forward to welcoming our new and returning Teaching Assistants on September 2nd at our annual orientation. This year we will build on the changes made last year and emphasize ways that our teens can comfortably and competently contribute to the learning taking place in our classrooms.

Welcoming continues during the first week of September. Last year’s barbecue in the parking lot was so successful that Rabbi Goldsmith, Cantor Stone and I decided to make it an annual tradition. Please celebrate our “Welcome Back Shabbat” on Friday, September 5 with your temple community. Enjoy delicious hamburgers, hot dogs and vegetarian options followed by our musical Shabbat service.

I look forward to welcoming new and returning Religious School families on Sunday, September 7 as we open our school with a morning of connecting with Rabbi Goldsmith, Cantor Stone, your child’s teachers and me. We will begin with a parent/child service in our sanctuary; then parents will meet with all of us who will be working with you this year to provide meaningful programs that support your family’s Jewish journey!

Writing my message at the end of July as I leave for vacation makes September feel right around the corner! I am eager to see all of you again and hope that you have had a wonderful summer.

Marie

B’NEI MITZVAH — MAZEL TOV!

We would like to honor the following students who are celebrating their B’nei Mitzvah ceremonies in September & October

MARISA ALKALAY      JACOB BROWN
JUDITH FIERMAN      PEGGY HELMAN
DREW ROSENBERG
Introduce your kindergarten & pre-school aged children to their Jewish heritage with Emanu-El.

Our Pre-K and Kindergarten classes are a wonderful introduction to the Religious School experience. Each class focuses 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 9:30am - 11:45am.

**2014 - 15 SCHEDULE OF CLASSES**

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For more information about this program or to enroll your child, please contact Religious Educator Marcie Aiuvalasit at maiuvalasit@congregationemanuel.org or 914-967-4382 x15.

Congregant and non-congregant children are welcome!
RELIGIOUS SCHOOL & YOUTH

OPENING DATES FOR SCHOOL PROGRAMS

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL BEGINS
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
9:30 - 11:45AM
Parents are invited to stay and meet with Rabbi Goldsmith, Cantor Stone, Marcie and their children’s teachers.

HEBREW SCHOOL BEGINS
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
3:50 - 5:45PM

MONDAY NIGHT PROGRAM & CONFIRMATION BEGIN
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
6:45PM PIZZA & SALAD DINNER
7:15PM PROGRAM BEGINS
Parents are invited to stay and participate in our program.

PRE-K & K PROGRAM: ROSH HASHANAH AND YOM KIPPUR
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21
9:30 - 11:45AM
Art, story, song and New Year sweetness for your little ones.

PRE-K & K PROGRAM: SUKKOT AND SIMCHAT TORAH
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19
9:30 - 11:45AM
FOLLOWED BY THE BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS. SEE PAGE 8 FOR MORE DETAILS.

RSVP to Marcie at 914-967-4382 x15 or maiuvalasit@congregationemanuel.org
Congregant and non-congregant children are welcome! Bring a friend!
The Youth Group is excited to start the Jewish New Year 5775.

Many new things are happening this year. We have Hebrew Union College Rabbinic Intern, Chase Foster joining us. Chase has a strong background in both Youth Group & Summer Camp, and will bring his talent and engaging personality to work with our youth. Chase will be working closely with our Junior Youth Group and will coordinate two new programs for our students in grades 5 - 7.

Under Chase’s supervision, we will have two fun filled events to look forward to: New Year Fun Day on Sunday, September 28 and Winter Fun Scavenger Hunt on Sunday January 25 for (times and details to follow).

I hope that you will introduce yourself to Chase and give him a warm welcome.

We have very energetic leadership. Plans are underway for fall and spring softball games. Our leadership hopes to create new social opportunities that will be fun for our temple youth.

We hope to see you at our Monthly Youth Group Meetings @ 6:45PM on 10/6, 11/3, 12/15, 1/5, 2/9, 4/13. Meetings are open to all students grades 8-12.

Wishing you a Sweet and Meaningful New Year! Shana Tovah U’metuka!

Jane

YOUTH GROUP BOARD MEMBERS

Co-Presidents:
Emily Kahn & Robert Hefter

Vice Presidents:
Carly Rutkovsky, Maddy and Katie Blinderman

Community Service Program Chairs:
Jessica Bender and Ella Sternberg

Senior representatives:
Samantha Stein and Carly Kaplan

Junior representatives:
Callie Fried, Dani Lerner, Samantha Schmaier and Lauren Mehlman

Sophomore representatives:
Ella Sternberg, Robbie Marotta and Jacob Pariser

Senior representatives:
Alex Kaplan, Quinn Perini, Brian Siegal and Ben Stein

8th Grade representatives:
Matt Griff, Drew Rosenberg, and Justin Groothuis

Special Program Chairs:
Harris and Ryan Baker, Noah Marks, Jeffrey Soloman, and Matthew Mendelsohn

Midnight Run Chairs:
Callie Fried, Dani Lerner, Samantha Schmaier and Lauren Mehlman

Gilda's Club Chairpersons:
Ella Sternberg and Jessica Bender

Making Strides for Breast Cancer Chair:
Ethan Finkelstein

Afya Chairpersons:
Becca, Ari, and Shoshi Daniels

Kid's Kloset Chairs:
Rose Baranowski and Sarah Birnbaum

Food Drive Chairs:
Harris and Ryan Baker, Noah Marks, Jeffrey Solomon, and Matthew Mendelsohn

Young Families Committee Chairs:
Maddy Blinderman, Katie Blinderman, Ella Sternberg, Karen Bender, and Jessica Bender

Youth Group Service Chairs:
Lila Rutishauser, Brian Siegal, Jessica and Karen Bender, Sarah Birnbaum and Rose Baranowski

Junior Youth Group Chairs:
Peggy Helman, Sabrina Stratton, Samantha Kalt, and Marissa Alkalay
RELIGIOUS SCHOOL & YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR 2014-2015

Thursday October 2
4:00 - 5:00PM
Kid's Kloset

Sunday, October 12
7:00PM
Midnight Run

Sunday, October 19
9:30AM
Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk

Sunday, October 26
12:00 - 1:00PM
Gilda's Club Noogiefest Set Up

Monday, October 27
4:30 - 7:30PM
Gilda's Club Noogiefest

Monday, November 24
7:15 - 8:45PM
Mosaic LGBTQ Inclusion

Sunday, December 14
11:00AM
Chanukah Party for Special Needs Children

Sunday, January 11
9:30AM
Friday, February 6
9:30AM
Families Feeding Families Food Drive Kick-Off

Monday, January 19
10:00AM - 12:00PM
MLK AFYA with JTeen

Monday, January 26
7:15PM - 8:45PM
Miles Forma Disabilities Awareness Event

Sunday, February 8
1:00PM - 3:00PM
UJA Interfaith Community Service Event

Sunday, March 8
10:45AM
Purim Carnival

Sunday, March 22
10:00AM
DOROT Package Delivery

Monday, March 23
7:15 - 8:45PM
Teen Seder with German School
New York

Monday, April 13
6:30 - 8:45PM
Afya

Sunday, April 19
TBA
Mitzvah J-Teen Youth Group Event

Friday, April 24
7:30PM
Youth Group Service

Sunday, May 3
7:30AM - 11:00AM
Midnight Run Brunch Run

Sunday, May 10
9:30AM - 11:45AM
Car Wash and Blue Bake Sale for Pediatric Cancer

Sunday, May 17
11:00AM - 2:00PM
School's Out Carnival

Community Service Certificates given to all volunteers at Tikkun Olam-Repair the World Programs. Please email jdubro@congregationemanuel.org for more info or call 914-967-4382 x21.
YOUTH GROUP: KID’S KLOSET
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2
4:00 - 5:00PM

Time to clean out your closets! Please donate gently used clothing.

We will meet at 170 E. Post Road right off of Mamaroneck Avenue in White Plains.

Please note that there are two entrances to 170 E. Post Road. One is an office building, and the other is the Kid’s Kloset entrance. You will see a grey door with a big Kid’s Kloset sign (next to truck loading dock). Ring white bell and we will buzz you in.

RSVP to Jane at jdubro@congregationemanuel.org or call 914-967-4382 x21.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL & YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP: MIDNIGHT RUN
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12
7:00PM - 1:00AM

Join us on a Columbus Day Weekend Run! Looking for drivers.

Midnight Run is a volunteer organization dedicated to finding common ground between the housed and the homeless.

Orientation for the run will take place before we leave for Manhattan.

We will make 6 stops in Manhattan and give food and much needed supplies to the homeless in NYC.

RSVP to Jane at jdubro@congregationemanuel.org or call 914-967-4382 x21.

This program is generously supported by UJA-JSAM.

YOUTH GROUP & HINEINI:
BREAST CANCER WALK
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19
9:30 - 1:00PM

Hineini—Act Now & our Youth Group will be walking in the annual American Cancer Society Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk.

We will meet at the temple at 9:30AM and caravan over to walk as a community! Parents, friends, and congregants of all ages are invited to walk, too!

If you would like more information about this event, contact Jane at 914-967-4382 x21 or jdubro@congregationemanuel.org.

YOUTH GROUP: GILDA’S CLUB
NOOGIEFEST
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26
(SET-UP)
12:00 - 1:00PM

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27
(NOOGIEFEST)
4:30 - 7:30PM

Noogiefest for Gilda's Club is located at: 80 Maple Avenue, White Plains, NY.

To sign up, contact Jane at jdubro@congregationemanuel.org or call 914-967-4382 x21.
COMMUNITY EVENT:
WHY THE MEDIA GET THE MIDDLE EAST...WRONG.
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
8:00 - 10:00PM

Presented by Jeff Jacoby,
Nationally Syndicated
Boston Globe Columnist

Free and open to the public.

RSVP is required:
email WAJE at waje@wjcouncil.org
or call 914-328-7001 ext. 704

OUR MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO THIS EVENT SPONSORED BY THE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR ISRAEL/ISRAEL BONDS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH WAJE
TEMPLE BOOK CLUB
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
10:15AM
We are reading two books written 100 years apart by Russian Jewish immigrants about their immigration to the United States.

The Promised Land
By Mary Antin

Little Failure: A Memoir
By Gary Shteyngart

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23
10:15AM
Rav Hisda’s Daughter
by Maggie Anton

TORAH STUDY
Saturday morning. A time of rest. A time of study. A time for conversation. A time to discuss the Torah with Rabbi Howard 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, SEPTEMBER 20
(NITZAVIM-VAYEILECH)
9:00 - 10:15AM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18
(BERESHIT)
9:00 - 10:15AM

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8
WITH SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE
RABBI RICHARD ADDRESS
(VAYERA)
9:00 - 10:15AM

SINGLE MALT TORAH
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 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, enjoy some fine scotch.

Meet and spend time with other men in the congregation.
WOMEN’S STUDY GROUP
SUPPER IN THE SUKKAH
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9
6:30PM

Share a glass of wine and a welcoming Sukkot service in our Sukkah, followed by a delicious dinner and learning session in the Susan Schweitzer Family Learning Center.

RSVP to Marcie/Denise at 914-967-4382 x15 or x12, and let us know what you would like to bring to share with the group.

A SURVIVAL GUIDE TO PARENTING TEENS
WITH AUTHOR JOANIE GELTMAN, MSW
MONDAY, OCTOBER 20
7:15PM

The quitter. The narcissist. The clone. The smartphone addict, eyes fixed on the tiny screen, doing...what?

There’s a strange new creature living under your roof. Your job now is to figure out what makes teenagers tick, and to steer them to productive paths - away from the lures and dangers of drinking, drugging, sexting, bullying, and other bad decisions.

RSVP to Jane at 914-967-4382 x21
or jdubro@congregationemanuel.org.

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!
BOOKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE.

BEGINNER & INTERMEDIATE ADULT HEBREW CLASSES
SUNDAYS THIS FALL
FROM 10:30 - 11:30AM

Want to learn Hebrew? Emphasis on Prayer reading skills to enhance your worship experience.

To sign up, contact Marcie at 914-967-4382 x15
or maiuvalasit@congregationemanuel.org.
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IN MEMORIUM

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of Rabbi Marjorie Sue Yudkin.

Rabbi Yudkin served our congregation in the early 1980s bringing us her spirit of equality, community and Jewish commitment. This spirit left a lasting impression on many of our members. After her time with us, Rabbi Yudkin went on to serve congregations in Easton and West Chester, PA, as well as Lafayette College Hillel and Princeton University Hillel.

Donations in Rabbi Yudkin’s memory may be made to Huntington’s Disease Society of America, Women of Reform Judaism, Mazon, or other organizations working to repair the world.

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Peter Schweitzer in memory of William P. Schweitzer

The following donations were made in memory of Dr. Earl Stone, father of Cantor Meredith Stone:

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Peter Schweitzer in memory of William P. Schweitzer
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Memorial Plaque Board

We would like to remind you of the Memorial Plaque Board in the entrance to the Sanctuary. The Board of Trustees encourages congregants to remember deceased family members and others in this perpetual memorial. A brass inscription “May Their Memory Be For A Blessing” is above individual brass plaques (approximately 3½” x 1”) inscribed with the name you wish remembered. The cost of the plaque is $350. Please call Scott Allen at 914-967-4382 x18 if you are interested.

All donations processed after August 15 will appear in the next bulletin.

Please contact Abbie Levitt at 914-967-4382 x11 if you have any questions about the donation listings.
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Shelly Benerofe in memory of Greg Benerofe
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Richard & Emily Cohen in honor of Eddie’s confirmation
Richard & Susan Schnall
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**Erev Rosh Hashanah**

- **Saturday, September 27**: 8:00PM - 9:00PM Shabbat Shuvah
- **Sunday, September 28**: 6:30PM Shabbat Shuvah Dinner

**Rosh Hashanah**

- **Monday, September 29**: 6:00PM & 8:30PM Erev Rosh Hashanah Services
- **Tuesday, September 30**: 10:00AM - 12:00PM Morning Service
- **Wednesday, October 1**: 1:45PM - 2:30PM Youth Service
- **Thursday, October 2**: 3:00PM - 3:15PM Reception
- **Friday, October 3**: 3:30PM - 4:00PM YFC Celebration

**Yom Kippur**

- **Sunday, September 28**: 6:00PM High Holy Day Food Drive Begins
- **Monday, September 29**: 10:00AM - 12:00PM Morning Service
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**Yom Kippur**

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**New Year's Eve**

- **Saturday, December 30**: 8:00PM Shabbat Shiva
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- 6:45PM - 7:15PM: Youth Group Meeting
- 7:15PM - 8:45PM: Monday Night Program
- 7:15PM - 8:45PM: Confirmation
- Fall Coat Drive Begins

### 7
- 3:50PM - 5:45PM: Hebrew School

### 8
- 9:00AM: Kol Nidre
- 6:00PM & 8:30PM: Kol Nidre

### 9
SUKKOT
- Temple office closed for First Day of Sukkot
- 6:30PM: Women’s Study Group Supper in the Sukkah

### 10
- 6:00PM: Pre-neg in the Sukkah
- 6:30PM: Sukkot Early Service

### 11
- Drew Rosenberg Bar Mitzvah Ceremony
- 4:00PM - 6:00PM: Sukkot Open House at the Goldsmiths’ Home

### 12
- 9:30AM - 11:45AM: Religious School (Sukkah Mania)
- 7:00PM - 12:00AM: Youth Group: Midnight Run

### 13
- Temple closed for Columbus Day
- No Monday Night Program
- No Confirmation

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- 3:50PM - 5:45PM: Hebrew School
- 7:30PM: Temple Board Meeting

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- SHEMINI ATZERET
- Temple office closed for Shemini Atzeret & Yizkor Service
- 6:30PM: Shemini Atzeret & Yizkor Service

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- 7:30AM: Shemini Atzeret & Yizkor Service
- 6:00PM: Shabbat BBQ Dinner
- 7:00PM: Family Service: Simchat Torah & Consecration

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- 7:00PM: Family Service: Simchat Torah & Consecration

### 18
- 9:00AM: Torah Study Bereshit
- Peggy Helman Bat Mitzvah Ceremony

### 19
- 9:30 - 11:45AM: Religious School
- 9:30 - 11:45AM: Makew Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk
- 10:45 - 11:45AM: Chai Mitzvah
- 11:00AM: Next Step
- 11:45AM: Blessing of the Animals
- 4:00PM: Westchester Chamber Music Society

### 20
- 7:15PM - 8:45PM: Monday Night Program
- 7:15PM - 8:45PM: Confirmation
- 7:15PM - 8:45PM: A Parent’s Survival Guide to Parenting Teens
- Fall Coat Drive Ends

### 21
- 3:50PM - 5:45PM: Hebrew School
- 7:30PM: Temple Board Meeting

### 22
- 12:00PM: Temple Book Club
- 1:00PM - 8:00PM: Sisterhood Event: Stop & Shop Holiday Boutique
- 7:30PM: I’m A Cultural Jew: Food

### 23
- 10:15AM: Temple Book Club
- 1:00PM - 8:00PM: Sisterhood Event: Shop & Shop Holiday Boutique

### 24
- 7:30PM: I’m A Cultural Jew: Food
- 8:30AM - 1:30PM: Hineini Family Lower East Side Trip
- 9:00AM - 12:00PM: Confirmation Hike
- 9:30AM - 11:45AM: Religious School
- 12:00PM - 1:00PM: Youth Group: Gilda’s Club
- 2:00 - 5:00PM: Vendor Showcase
- 7:00PM: Film Series: Arranged

### 25
- Jacob Brown Bar Mitzvah Ceremony
- 4:30PM: B.Y.O.K. Concert: Suzi Shelton

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- 4:30PM - 7:30PM: Youth Group: Gilda’s Club
- 7:15PM - 8:45PM: Monday Night Program
- 7:15PM - 8:45PM: Confirmation

### 28
- 3:50PM - 5:45PM: Hebrew School

### 29
- 3:50PM - 6:30PM: Knitvah Corps
- 7:30PM - 9:30PM: Intro to Judaism with Rabbi Barzilai
- 8:00PM: Single Malt Torah

### 30
- 8:00PM: Shabbat Service
Westchester Chamber Music Society

@ CONGREGATION EMANU-EL OF WESTCHESTER

October 19, 2014 @ 4:00pm
American String Quartet

November 16, 2014 @ 4:00pm
Cassatt String Quartet

December 14, 2014 @ 4:00pm
Kaligstein Laredo Robinson Trio

March 15, 2015 @ 4:00pm
Antonin String Quartet

A coffee and wine reception with the musicians will follow each performance.

A full series subscription: $175
Individual concert tickets: $40
Students attend concerts for FREE

For more information, please call:
(914)723-6192 or (914)967-7399
Though the skies threatened to force us inside during the hours leading up to the service, our annual Shabbat on the Beach at the Edith G. Read Sanctuary turned out to be a perfect summer evening to ease into the Sabbath with friends near the surf. Just beyond Playland is a beautiful place where salt water bays and ocean breezes added to our prayer, joyful song, and sense of community. A birthday blessing and an anniversary blessing added to the joy!

We will return to the beach on the second day of Rosh Hashanah, Friday, September 26 at 10:15AM for our annual nature walk and then Tashlich at 11:00AM.

LIKE TAKING PICTURES?

We’re looking for congregants to photograph a variety of events we have scheduled throughout the year.

Whether you’re a beginner or a seasoned photog, we’d love to hear from you! All ages welcome.

Call Abbie at 914-967-4382 x11 if you’re interested.
L’ SHANA TOVAH
To a happy and healthy New Year!

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER
SHABBAT SERVICES

September 5  Opening Family Shabbat Service
              6:30 BBQ Dinner
              7:30 Service ♫

September 12 Shabbat Service
              8:00 Service

September 19 Early Shabbat Service
              6:00 Pre-Neg
              6:30 Service

September 27 Shabbat Shuva
              8:00 Service

October 3  Kol Nidre
              6:30 Service
              8:00 Service

October 10 Sukkot Early Service
              6:00 Pre-Neg in the Sukkah
              6:30 Service

October 17 Family Service: Simchat Torah & Consecration
              6:00 Shabbat Dinner
              7:00 Service ♫

October 24 I’m a Cultural Jew: Food
              7:30 Service ♫

October 31 Shabbat Service
              8:00 Service

♫ Band  Handsfree/Prayers projected

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:
SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE
RABBI RICHARD ADDRESS

Over our Scholar-In-Residence weekend this year, we will welcome Rabbi Richard Address, the foremost expert on the intersection of Jewish life and issues surrounding aging.

Rabbi Address will teach three times over the weekend.

SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE
SHABBAT SERVICE
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7 AT 7:30PM
The Need to be Needed and the Need to Need: A Theology of Personal Relationship

TORAH STUDY
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8 AT 9:00AM
The Tales of Parashat Vayera

THE SANDWICH GENERATION
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9 AT 10:45AM
Caring for Multiple Generations

The program is generously funded by the Daniel S. Wolk Scholar-In-Residence Fund.