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CONGREGATION EMANU-EL HOSTS THIS YEAR'S COMMUNAL SELICHOT SERVICE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 7:30PM

Bonfire! S'mores! Friends! Music! Sounds like a block party? Actually, it is our annual communal Selichot service reimagined.



A new way to start off the High Holy Days: rooted in ancient ritual, the joy of community, the sweetness of a New Year, and the chance to consider the ways we will make ourselves and our communities better in 5778.

This year Selichot will be engaging and meaningful for congregants of all ages, so bring your children and your parents for this special evening. The strains of well-known High Holy Day melodies, the glow of a fire, Havdallah, and the first shofar blast of the year: the perfect way to kick off the High Holy Day season.

Congregation Emanu-El of Westcheser, Community Synagogue of Rye, the Jewish Community Center of Harrison, and KTI join together as one community for this special evening.

SCREENAGERS: GROWING UP IN THE DIGITAL AGE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 7:00PM



Screenagers: Growing Up in the Digital Age is the first feature documentary to explore the impact of screen time on kids and to offer parents proven solutions. Directed by Delaney Ruston, Rated PG13.

Free & open to the community. Friends welcome. RSVP to Jane at 914-967-4382 x 21 or jdubro@c-e-w.org.

ROSH HASHANAH DAY 2 NATURE WALK & TASHLICH AT EDITH G. READ SANCTUARY

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 10:15AM

It is in the wilderness where our tradition finds its roots and natural places provide a unique setting to connect to our heritage. The paths of the beautiful Edith G. Read Sanctuary (reached by driving through the Playland parking lot) provide an ideal location for a 45 minute nature walk to consider the world in which we live as we celebrate Creation. This walk is open to all ages and will be a fun, meaningful way to continue the Rosh Hashanah celebration. (Please remember to wear walking shoes.) Following our walk, we move to the beach for the beautiful Tashlich ceremony. See page 6 for details.



NIGHT OF COMEDY WITH BOB ALPER

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 7:00PM



Bob Alper is the world's only practicing clergyman doing stand-up comedy... intentionally. He performs internationally, from The Hollywood IMPROV to London theatres, has appeared on Comedy Central, Good Morning America, and Showtime, and was featured on T.V.'s EXTRA.

Bob (and please call him "Bob" or "Rabbi Alper;" anything other than "Rabbi Bob", which he says, is "too nauseatingly cute") earned a B.A., rabbinic ordination, as well as a doctoral degree, and served congregations for fourteen years. All of this, naturally, prepared him for a successful career as a stand-up comic.

Tickets are \$25/person, students are free. RSVP to Jane at 914-967-4382 x 21 or jdubro@c-e-w.org.

SUBMIT YOUR SINS

In the weeks prior to the High Holy Days, our tradition calls us to think about the past year. The good. The bad. The happy. The sad. And the sins: the things we wish we had done differently, when we missed the mark.



To help you reflect, we invite you to jot down ways in which you have missed the mark in the past year. Then deposit them into designated boxes around the temple.

We will weave these notes together into a prayer that we will read on Yom Kippur.

Adding our own shortcomings to the traditional liturgy will make our communal Yom Kippur experience more personal and meaningful.

TO MAKE THINGS A LITTLE EASIER: NEW DOMAIN NAME FOR EMANU-EL

Ever sent an email to one of us at the temple and noticed our lengthy addresses? Perhaps you've visited the website and realized that you've just typed in twenty-seven characters to get to us?

Things have just gotten a little easier! Our email addresses and website name have gotten shorter.

Temple clergy and staff can all be reached using @c-e-w.org (instead of @congregationemanuel.org). Please refer to the list on page 3 to see the shortened versions of the staff email addresses. And now instead of www.congregationemanuel.org, you can visit us at www.c-e-w.org.

If you've gotten used to the original domain name, or have it saved on your device, no worries — it is still active.



SHABBAT ON THE BEACH

Shabbat on the Beach was a beautiful experience for congregants and friends who gathered for it this summer. Last year's Shabbat on the Beach took place on an exceptionally hot day. This year, we were lucky to have cooler winds greet us along the shore!

We will return to the beach on Friday, September 22 at 10:15AM for our annual Rosh Hashanah Day 2 Nature Walk followed by Tashlich at 11:00AM.



Correction: Please note that the Refugee Resettlement Task Force was incorrectly identified on the July/August Bulletin cover as the Syrian Refugee Resettlement Task Force. The Taha family is from Iraq, not Syria.



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MAZEL TOV!

Proud grandparents John and Patty Bottomley are excited to announce the birth of grandson James Clements Finkenstaedt IV to parents Lisa and James Finkenstaedt on June 21, 2017.



LIVING JUDAISM AT THE WESTERN WALL

The entrance to the main plaza of The Kotel (The Western Wall) has metal detectors and armed guards. Men and women pass separately through the security gate on to a broad plaza filled with happy tourists and pious men and women heading toward The Wall to recite



their daily prayers. In line, people look around happily, anticipating their religious experience on the other side. Looks of expectation, excitement, curiosity, nervousness, and – occasionally – boredom, adorn their faces. They come in every manner of dress: bar mitzvah boys bright faced in their cloths, Chassidic men sweating beneath beards and heavy wool suits, teenaged tourists in tank tops and too short shorts. All headed for a space revered for its connection to our history, loved for our recent return to it, and run like an ultra-Orthodox synagogue.

Shortly before the main entrance to the plaza, about 15 paces from the metal detectors, stands a small, unstaffed, security shack and a revolving metal entrance gate. The sign next to the gate reads: "Welcome to the EZRAT YISRAEL Plaza. The entrance to the EZRAT YISRAEL Plaza is intended for prayers only..." followed by a laundry list of good decorum asking people not to climb the stones, teach classes, eat food or litter. Pass through the gate, down some stairs and across some walkways and you'll arrive at the small platforms designated for non-Orthodox worship at The Western Wall.



The larger platform sits back from The Wall and features reading tables, chairs, and a few large umbrellas to protect from Jerusalem's hot sun. Walk down another short flight of stairs and you'll arrive at a smaller platform that abuts the wall itself. Hand written notes fill the small

cracks between the smooth stones. On one side of this small platform rests an enormous pile of hewed stones. Archaeologists assume that these stones fell from The Temple complex itself when the Romans destroyed it in 70 CE. On the other side of the small platform begins a dark shaft about one hundred feet

deep. Ignoring the discarded water bottles and prayer pamphlets, one can imagine that the shaft descends through the layers of archaeological history, ending at the bedrock, at the beginning of history itself.

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I visited The Kotel twice this summer. I went alone the first time. My two weeks of study in Jerusalem had come to a close and I spent the afternoon wandering The Old City's narrow streets and alleyways. With the Israeli government's decision to suspend the Western Wall compromise plan – which would have created an equally prominent non-Orthodox prayer space as part of the main plaza - I decided to proceed directly to Ezrat Yisrael's small platforms. While the main plaza traffic bustled through the security gates, Ezrat Yisrael stood empty. Just me and those ancient stones and the heat of July in Jerusalem. It felt forlorn, it felt like we pluralistic Jews who demanded equality at The Kotel couldn't bother to show up at the little space already apportioned to us. I left somewhat dejected.

Later in the afternoon my spirits lifted when a friend posted a picture to Facebook of a lesbian couple getting married at Ezrat Yisrael. A small wedding party held up a chuppah while a female rabbi led the ancient ceremony. You could see the love in their eyes and the happiness of their friends and family. It called to mind the ancient words of the wedding ceremony's seven blessings: "May the rejoicing of the wedding couple always be heard in the streets of Jerusalem."

A week or so later I returned to Ezrat Yisrael with Jennifer, Lev, and Talia. On that Monday morning, bar and bat mitzvah ceremonies filled the platforms with happy families and the sounds of Torah chanting by both boys and girls. We approached The Kotel with our children who placed their prayers in its cracks. Jennifer and I then blessed Lev and Talia with the same words we use each Shabbat, the words that my grandfather had used to bless my mother, and back through a hundred generations to the time when that pile of stones had stood as part of The Temple itself.

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DON'T BAIL OUT

Have you ever hosted an event and had several last minute cancellations? Or scheduled a date with a friend with the best of intentions, knowing somehow that it may end up being rescheduled?



A few months ago a New York Times editorial addressed the

increasingly common phenomenon of "bailing out". Columnist David Brooks surmises that the age of digital communications has made it all too easy to cancel engagements if we've had a long day or just don't feel up to it, rather than for a legitimate illness or emergency.

Presence matters. It shows that you are part of a relationship, a family, a community.

These days, last minute cancellations and even no shows have become the norm. When my daughter celebrated her birthday, two of the four friends she invited bailed. When my husband planned a bike trip with two friends, they both bailed as well. I've also experienced the disappointment of others bailing on me, though I recognize I am not innocent myself. Unfortunately, we don't always give much thought to the impact and longterm consequences of bailing out: a message that the relationship may not be a priority. We lead busy lives. If we want reliable friends we should begin with our own behavior. To

quote Hillel, "Do not do unto others what you would not have them do unto you."

On the other hand, being a dependable person who shows up sends a positive message. There was a time when one's presence at bar mitzvahs, weddings, funerals, and family gatherings (and temple, for that matter!) was simply expected. You just went. While the timing was rarely "convenient," work, sports and normal obligations didn't supersede these important aspects of life.

Presence matters. It shows that you are part of a relationship, a family, a community. It shows that you took time and effort, and that you care.

Ideally, we would all live in an environment in which everyone would be connected and supported by a network of meaningful ties. People would count on one another to be present not just for simchas and sorrows but also for the ordinary moments in between. If you live in such a community, how fortunate you are!

At the temple we strive to engage all congregants in worship and experiences that foster relationships and community. A congregation, of course, is only as strong as the participation of its members. We hope that in 5778 you will come to temple and count yourself in! As we approach the upcoming season of reflection and repentance, let us honor and fortify our personal relationships by being present.

Meredith

Meredith Stone, Cantor

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The space felt redeemed. Not through court battles (which we'll continue to fight) nor protests (which we'll continue to hold), but through the practice of Judaism as we know it and cherish it. Ezrat Yisrael – empty and full – should not only spur us to political

action, it should call us to use words of blessing, rituals, and ceremonies that have marked our people for thousands of years. We will make sure that spaces like Ezrat Yisrael – near The Kotel and near 287 – remain filled with wedding ceremonies and b'nei mitzvah ceremonies, with prayers, and with parents blessing their children. When we do, we will feel our connections with Jews around the world and with the generations that came before us. When we do, we may even feel our connection to God.

Howard J. Goldsmith, Rabbi



HIGH HOLY DAYS 2017/5778

EREV ROSH HASHANAH

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

6:00PM Service

8:30PM Service

ROSH HASHANAH

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

10:00AM Morning Service

12:30PM Reception

1:45PM Youth Service

3:00PM Young Families Service

3:30PM Young Families

Rosh Hashanah Celebration

ROSH HASHANAH DAY 2

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

10:15AM Nature Walk at

Edith G. Read Sanctuary*

11:00AM Tashlich Service at

Edith G. Read Sanctuary*

If you have not received a High Holy Day packet in the mail, please contact Dan at 914-967-4382 x18.

KOL NIDRE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

6:00PM Service

8:30PM Service

YOM KIPPUR

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

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 Edith G. 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.

YIZKOR MEMORIAL SERVICES



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.

There are two Yizkor services for congregants to attend during the months of September and October.

YOM KIPPUR YIZKOR SERVICE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 4:00PM

SH'MINI ATZERET/SUKKOT YIZKOR SERVICE THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 7:30AM

We have the weekday morning service at this early hour so that those who work full-time can attend this brief service to honor the memories of their loved ones.



FAMILY SHABBAT BBQ & SERVICE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 6:30PM DINNER/7:30PM SERVICE

Meet and greet congregant families as we celebrate the new religious school year.

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

Please contact Marcie at 914-967-4382 x15 with questions or if you'd like to be one of our grillmeisters this year!

SHABBAT SHUVAH

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 7:30PM

On this solemn Sabbath between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur we give thanks for the New Year and continue our *teshuvah*, our repentance, as we head toward Yom Kippur and its promise of forgiveness.

FAMILY SHABBAT DINNER & SIMCHAT TORAH SERVICE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13 6:00PM DINNER/7:00PM SERVICE (Service followed by Israeli dancing.)

Welcome the newest students to our Religious School community as we unroll the Torah around the back of the sanctuary. The melodies from our band, the warmth of Shabbat and one family welcoming another will make this the perfect way to spend time together as a family.

\$20/Adult, \$15/Child, \$60/Family Maximum RSVP to Tal at tdrori@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x12. Please contact Marcie at 914-967-4382 x15 with questions.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: SAMBA SHABBAT & DINNER

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 7:30PM
DINNER 6:30PM/ SAMBA SERVICE 7:30PM

RITUAL CORNER

The Torah admonishes children to honor their parents. Indeed, at times it lays out rather draconian punishments for children who disobey their parents. But once a week parents are supposed to explicitly recognize and celebrate our children – no matter their age. The very first thing that parents do on Shabbat, right after we light the candles, is bless our children. On this holiest of days, before praising God, before blessing the wine or the challah, we turn to God's greatest gift and seek the protection and happiness of our kids. Traditionally the blessings go like this:

Girls:

יָשִׂמֵךְ אֱלֹהִים כְּשָּׂרָה, רִבְקָה, לֵאָה וְרָחֵל.

Y'simeich Elohim k'Sarah, Rivkah, Leah v'Rachel. May God inspire you to live in the tradition of Sarah, Rebekah, Leah and Rachel, who carried forward the life of our people.

Boys:

יָשִׂמְךָ אֱלֹהִים כְּאֶפְרַיִם וְכִמְנַשֶּׁה.

Y'simcha Elohim k'Efrayim v'chi M'nasheh May God inspire you to live in the tradition of Ephraim and Menasheh, who carried forward the life of our people.

And then both:

ְבָרֶכְךְ יְיָ וְיִשְׁמְּרֶךְ. יָאֵר יְיָ פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךְ וִיחֻנֶּךְ. יִשָּׂא יְיָ פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךְ וְיָשֵׂם לְךְ שָׁלוֹם.

Y'varech'cha Adonai v'yishm'recha.
Ya-eir Adonai panav eilecha vichuneka.
Yisa Adonai panav eilecha v'yaseim l'cha shalom
May God bless you and keep you.
May God's presence shine upon you and be gracious to you.
May God's presence be with you and grant you peace.

Be sure to add your personal words to these ancient ones: perhaps some way that you're proud of your child or something you love about them. And remember, always, give lots of kisses!



SUKKOT & SIMCHAT TORAH HAPPENINGS

SUKKAH BUILD

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 9:00AM

"You shall dwell in Sukkot seven days, every citizen in Israel shall dwell in Sukkot." - Leviticus, 23:42. Help us fulfill this commandment - with power tools! Come help build the congregational sukkah so that we can celebrate the joyous festival of Sukkot here at Emanu-El. If you've got power drills and step ladders please bring them, but no tools are required.

If you are interested in helping build, contact Dan at 914-967-4382 x11 or doconnor@c-e-w.org.

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP SUPPER IN THE SUKKAH

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 6:30PM

Share a delicious pot luck supper, learning, and engaging with the women of our temple family. First timers always welcome!

RSVP to Tal at tdrori@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x12. Contact Marcie at 914-967-4382 x15 with questions.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL SUKKAH MANIA

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 9:30 - 11:45AM

Lulavs and etrogs, songs and games, decorations and food, and, of course, our sukkah! Sukkah Mania returns to the Religious School in what promises to be a morning of fun, friendship and even a little learning.

SUKKOT OPEN HOUSE AT THE GOLDSMITHS' HOME

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 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.

SH'MINI ATZERET & SUKKOT YIZKOR SERVICE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 7:30AM

Join with our community as we remember those who have passed away. All are welcome. Details on page 6.

SIMCHAT TORAH/CONSECRATION

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13,

6:00PM DINNER/ 7:00PM SERVICE

Welcome new students and their families as we celebrate Simchat Torah and consecrate the students. See page 7 for details.

PRE-K & K PROGRAM: SUKKOT

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 9:30 - 11:45AM

Drop off your little ones for a morning of lulav shaking, crafts, snacks, and stories. A great way to begin their religious school experience! Call Marcie at 914-967-4382 x15 for details.

B'NEI MITZVAH MAZEL TOV!

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



SLOANE ENGLANDER

KYLE MALIN

MICHAEL GRIFF



2017 - 18 SOCIAL ACTION CALENDAR

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

HIGH HOLY DAY FOOD DRIVE

SEPTEMBER

COATS FOR HOPE

OCTOBER

MIDNIGHT RUN WITH HINEINI

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

MAKING STRIDES AGAINST BREAST CANCER: TEAM EMANU-EL

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

HAVE A HEART TOY DRIVE

DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION AT HOPE HOUSE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25

FOOD PANTRY CEREAL DRIVE

JANUARY

AFYA WITH THE YOUTH GROUP

MONDAY, JANUARY 15

KIDS' KLOSET DIAPER AND UNDERWEAR COLLECTION

MARCH

BRUNCH RUN WITH HINEINI

SUNDAY. MAY 6

COLLECTION FOR AFYA

APRIL

DOROT PASSOVER PACKAGE DELIVERY

SUNDAY, MARCH 18

MITZVAH DAY:

DAY OF LEARNING AND DOING

SUNDAY, APRIL 29





Thank you to all who participated in this summer's WJCS Back-To-School backpack and supply drive.

Together you donated \$400 in Old Navy gift cards, 8 backpacks, and assorted school supplies.

HIGH HOLY DAY FOOD DRIVE

SEPTEMBER

Let's continue the tradition of filling up a van with food for The Food Bank for Westchester's Annual Yom Kippur Food Drive.

Grocery bags will be available at the sanctuary exit during Rosh Hashanah services.



COATS FOR HOPE

OCTOBER

Many local children in need will benefit from your generosity this winter! Donations of new coats may be dropped off at the main lobby after the High Holy Days throughout the month of October. Stop by or call Dan at 914-967-4382 x11 for more information.







MIDNIGHT RUN

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 6:00PM

Adult congregants are invited to join our teens on this year's Midnight Run and Brunch Run events. Midnight Run is a volunteer organization dedicated to finding common ground between the housed and the homeless. Several stops in Manhattan will be made throughout the trip where we will offer food and much needed supplies to the homeless.

Please drop off items from our wish list (see below) in the Mitzvah collection bins in the temple lobby.

If you are interested in participating in the run, please contact Jane at jdubro@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x21. Again, adult congregants are invited to participate in the run!

MIDNIGHT RUN WISH LIST

Please only donate items included on the list below:

Clothing and Essentials (new or gently used)

- blankets
- warm coats
- jeans
- heavy weight pants
- long underwear
- sweatshirts/sweaters
- socks
- boots/sneakers
- soft luggage/backpacks

Toiletries (new items only)

- bars of soap
- shampoo and conditioner
- disposable razors
- dental care items
- · women's sanitary items
- moisturizers

MAKING STRIDES AGAINST BREAST CANCER: TEAM EMANU-EL

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15 9:30AM START



This is a powerful and inspiring opportunity to unite as a community to honor breast cancer survivors, raise awareness about steps we can take to reduce the risk of breast cancer, and raise money to help fight against this disease.

Every step you take is personal, and together we are helping to finish the fight against breast cancer.

Contact Jane at jdubro@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x21 if you would like to walk with Team Emanu-El; registration is required. The walk will begin at Manhattanville College in Purchase.

DOROT WESTCHESTER VISITING OPPORTUNITY

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

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

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

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ESL PROGRAM

MONDAYS, TUESDAYS, WEDNESDAYS 9:30 - 11:00AM

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

You may volunteer any or all three mornings.

Classes are held at the Don Bosco Community Center, 22 Don Bosco Place, Port Chester, NY (near Costco).

For more information or to volunteer, email: Doreen Kushel at dkushel@icloud.com or Emily Cohen at emilydcohen@gmail.com.

KOL BO - SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

A person who runs to do just, good, and kind deeds attains life, success, and honor. - Proverbs 21:21.



We have a year of programs that will inspire you. Our program theme this year is being an upstander.

An "upstander" is someone who recognizes when something is wrong and acts to make it right. In Judaism a *Tzaddik* (righteous person) is someone who does what is correct and just.

We will have speakers, films and programs that show the courage of individuals and communities to help others. Here are some highlights for the coming year:

Bagel Brunch "The Importance of Understanding News Events in the Context of History" with Kyra Darnton (Sunday, November 5, 9:30am)

Kyra Darnton is the executive producer of the Retro Report, distributed by the New York Times.

Social Justice Shabbat Featuring the Isaac Memorial Lecture with Author David Grann (Friday, January 12, 7:30pm)

David Grann's <u>Killers of the Flower Moon</u> seeks justice for the Osage Nation. Based on years of research, it explores one of the most sinister crimes and racial injustices in American history.

Samuel L. and Jane L. Friedman Lecture on Peace and Understanding with distinguished speaker Aron Rose, M.D. (Friday, February 9, 7:30pm)

Dr. Rose will be discussing some of the frustrations and gratifications he has experienced fighting blindness and attempting to bring cancer care to the world's most impoverished and remote locations, including India, Uzbekistan, China, Mongolia, Bhutan, Ghana, Myanmar, Liberia, the Gambia, and Rwanda.

Our Film Series has a wonderful line-up:

Screenagers: Growing up the Digital Age (Monday, October 16, 7:00pm)

Screenagers is first feature documentary to explore the impact of screen time on kids and to offer parents proven solutions.

Stateless with Filmmaker Michael Drob (Sunday, December 3, 7:00pm)

In the late 1980s, the Soviet floodgates of emigration were thrown open by Perestroika. However, for thousands of Soviet Jewish émigrés, hopes of a quick arrival in America were shattered when the United States immigration service started denying these people refugee status.

Rosenwald

(Sunday, February 11, 7:00pm)

In the early 1900s, businessman and philanthropist Julius Rosenwald uses his considerable wealth to build more than 5,000 schools to help African-Americans in the South.

The People vs. Fritz Bauer (Sunday, April 15, 7:00pm)

After learning that Adolf Eichmann is living in Argentina, German attorney general Fritz Bauer risks treason to ensure the escaped Nazi faces justice.

Our Adult Education series with Rabbi Howard Goldsmith, Rabbi Emeritus Daniel S Wolk, and Rabbinic Intern Jade Sank offers stimulating conversation about varied topics - find out more in our Jewish Journeys catalog and the weekly Emanumail.

There are so many opportunities to be involved in our community. I look forward to welcoming you and getting to know you better this coming year.

L'Shanah Tovah!

Jane Dubro, Youth Activities and Program Director

MIX & MINGLE/SEEK & DISCOVER

MAH JONGG & CANASTA

MONDAYS, 7:00PM

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



BOOK CLUB AND BOOKS & BITES

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 6:30PM at North Street Tavern in White Plains

A Piece of the World by Christina Baker Kline

BOOK CLUB

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 10:15AM **Waking Lions** by Ayelet Gundar

BOOKS & BITES

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 6:30PM at North Street Tavern in White Plains

All Who Go Do Not Return by Shulem Dean

BOOK CLUB

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 10:15AM **A Piece of the World** by Christina Baker Kline

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

PRE-NEG GALLERY OPENING: MICHAL NACHMANY

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 6:00PM

Michal Nachmany is a self-taught artist and educator based in New York City. She was born in Jerusalem, Israel in 1958, and moved to New York in the 1980s. She has a B.A. and M.A. from Hebrew University.

Free and open to the public. Refreshments served.





NEXT STEP

SUNDAY,S SEPTEMBER 17 & OCTOBER 22, 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.

TORAH STUDY

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

SATURDAY, SEPTEMEBER 23, 9:00AM HA'AZINU

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 9:00AM LECH LECHA

WALK WITH THE RABBI

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 9:00AM

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

Meet in the first row of the Playland parking lot in Rye.

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP SUPPER IN THE SUKKAH

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 6:30PM



Share a delicious pot luck supper, learning, and engaging with the women of our temple family. First timers always welcome!

RSVP to Tal at tdrori@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x12. Contact Marcie at 914-967-4382 x15 with questions.

TEENS TEACH TECH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 11:00AM

Learn to use your smartphone, laptop and other technology. Our terrific teens will teach you to use your devices!

Sign-up with Marcie at maiuvalasit@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x15.



CHAI MITZVAH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 10:45AM

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

SINGLE MALT TORAH

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 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. Meet and spend time with other men in the congregation. Bring a friend!



ADULT EDUCATION WITH RABBI EMERITUS DANIEL S.WOLK: WALKING THROUGH THE SHADOW OF DARKNESS. HOW DO WE DEAL WITH LOSS?

THURSDAYS, OCTOBER 26, NOVEMBER 2 & 9, 12:00PM

\$10/person includes lunch.

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

ENGAGING AGING: HEALTHY LIVING PANEL DISCUSSION

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 10:00AM

Get expert advice from a gerontologist, exercise specialist and nutritionist on taking care of our bodies to promote healthy living.

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

REFLECTIONS: A WORKSHOP WITH CANTOR STONE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23 12:00PM LUNCH & WORKSHOP



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.

MARKYOUR CALENDARS: WISE AGING SERIES

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



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

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



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

LOOK WHO'S JEWISH...

I hope that you and your family have had a wonderful summer. I am looking forward to beginning our Jewish year, 5778 and our Religious School year. Our wonderful temple community includes individuals and families who experience their Judaism or their family's Judaism in a myriad



of ways. The diversity of practice and belief strengthens our faith and our people. The lessons found in our Torah and the words of our Prophets connect us to each other through ethical precepts and obligations. Among the most important of these is being an upstander.

Abraham taught us the value of welcoming the stranger. In Leviticus 19:16 we are told: "Do not stand idly by while your neighbor's blood is shed..." and the prophet Isaiah preached: "Learn to do well; seek Justice, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless and plead for the widow..." During this year Rabbi Goldsmith, Cantor Stone, Student Rabbi Jade Sank, Jane Dubro and I will infuse the obligation to Become an Upstander into our temple and Religious School programs.

When you come into the temple in September, please take a detour down the religious school stairs and enjoy the display of selfies created by our teachers, surrounded by examples of their own menschlikite. Ask your children after each of the first two Sunday mornings what they shared in class about what makes them special and ways that they stand up for their family, friends and community.

Throughout the year, individuals who exemplify these values will be speaking at Friday evening Shabbat services, Sunday morning discussions and Religious School/Monday Night Program events. You can find specific dates in the Jewish Journeys Catalogue, in our temple bulletin and the weekly Emanumail.

So back to my title – Look Who's Jewish – each of us and our non-Jewish partners and family members reflect the lights of our tradition when we pursue Justice, get involved in making our world a better place for all and become an upstander.

I look forward to an inspiring year of worship, learning and performing mitzvot with the members of our special Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester family.

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Marcie Aiuvalasit, Religious Educator

OPENING DATES FOR SCHOOL PROGRAMS

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL BEGINS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 9:30 - 11:45AM Parents invited to stay and participate with their children in worship and a community service project. Will also meet with Rabbi Goldsmith, Cantor Stone, Student Rabbi Jade Sank, Marcie and your child's teacher.

& CONFIRMATION BEGIN MONDAY SEPTEMBER 25, 6:45 - 8

MONDAY NIGHT PROGRAM

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 6:45 - 8:45PM Dinner at 6:45pm(salad & pizza), followed by a 7:15pm program about "Being an Upstander". Parents are invited to participate.

HEBREW SCHOOL BEGINS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 3:50 - 5:45PM STUDENTS ONLY

FAMILY TIME/RELIGIOUS SCHOOL & YOUTH



2017-18 YOUNG FAMILIES EVENTS

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

YOUNG FAMILIES ROSH HASHANAH SERVICE & CELEBRATION

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 I 3:00PM SERVICE /3:30PM CELEBRATION

YOUNG FAMILIES YOM KIPPUR SERVICE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 2:15PM SERVICE

On Rosh Hashanah, families with young children will enjoy a lively service followed by celebratory food, crafts, games & more. Ten days later we will come together at a Young Families Yom Kippur service with singing, storytelling and prayer to mark this holy day.

Joanie Leeds Concert

Sunday, November 12, 10:45AM

Chanukah Celebration

Sunday, December 17, 10:30AM

Purim Celebration

Sunday, March 4, 10:30AM

Religious School Purim Carnival

Sunday, March 4, 11:30AM

Passover Celebration

Sunday, March 18, 10:45AM

Israel Independence Day

Sunday, April 15, 10:45AM

Day of Learning & Doing

Sunday, April 29, 9:30AM

Pizza Truck Shabbat

Friday, May 11, 5:30PM

School's Out Carnival

Sunday, May 20, 11:00AM



2017-18 PRE-K & K PROGRAMS

Our Pre-K and Kindergarten classes are a wonderful introduction to the Religious School experience. Classes focus on a Jewish holiday with a fun-filled program including cooking, music, storytelling and arts and crafts.

Classes meet seven times this year on Sunday mornings from 9:30 - 11:45am during Religious School and are open to the public.

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

PRE-K & K SUKKOT PROGRAM SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

9:30 - 11:45AM

Shabbat, November 12



Chanukah Celebration, December 17

Tu B'Shevat, January 28

Purim, March 4

Passover, March 18

Yom Ha'atzmaut, April 15

SUKKAH MANIA

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 9:30 - 11:45AM

Lulavs and etrogs, songs and games, decorations and food, and, of course, our sukkah! Sukkah Mania returns to the Religious School in what promises to be a morning of fun, friendship and even a little learning.

DROP IN WITH RABBI: GRADES 1-3

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 11:15AM

Spend time with Rabbi Goldsmith and parents in your child's class before dismissal. Enjoy learning and conversation as you get to know other school families.

HINEINI: LOWER EAST SIDE FAMILY TRIP

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 8:30AM - 1:00PM

Hineini families will enjoy a tour of the Tenement Museum and a walking tour led by Jane Dubro, culminating with lunch at Katz's Deli. Cost: \$20/family.

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

TEMPLE BOOK FAIR

SUNDAYS, OCTOBER 22 & 29, 9:30AM-12:00PM Shop at our Annual Book Fair. You will find a selection of children's books, Bible stories, fiction, holiday books, adult fiction, nonfiction, cookbooks and more. A great opportunity for early Chanukah shopping! Proceeds donated to the Jewish Braille Institute.

CALENDAR: **SEPTEMBER 2017**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4 Office Closed for Labor Day	5 4:00PM Boot Camp 6:30PM Books & Bites	6	7	8 9:00AM Walk with the Rabbi 6:30PM BBQ Shabbat Dinner 7:30PM Family Shabbat Service	9
10 9:30-11:45AM Religious School Begins 9:30-11:45AM Hineini: Food Bank For Westchester 11:20AM 4th Grade Parent Meeting	II 7:00PM Mah Jongg & Canasta No Confirmation or Monday Night Program	12 3:50 - 5:45PM Hebrew School Begins 7:30PM Board Meeting	13	I 4 10:15AM Temple Book Club	6:00PM Pre-Neg Gallery Opening: Michal Nachnany 6:30PM Early Service	16 7:30PM Communal Selichot Service at Emanu-El
17 9:30-11:45AM Religious School 10:30 - 11:30AM Hineini: Pleasantville Cottage School 11:00AM Next Step	18 7:00PM Mah Jongg & Canasta No Confirmation or Monday Night Program	19 3:50 - 5:45PM Hebrew School	20 Erev Rosh Hashanah 6:00PM & 8:30PM Erev Rosh Hashanah Services	21 Rosh Hashanah See page 6 for Rosh Hashanah services & events High Holy Day Food Drive Begins	Rosh Hashanah Day 2 10:15AM Nature Walk at Edith Read Sanctuary 11:00AM Tashlich Service at Edith Read Sanctuary 7:30PM Shabbat Shuvah	9:00AM Torah Study: Ha'azinu II:00AM Sloane Englander Bat Mitzvah Ceremony
24 9:30-11:45AM Religious School 9:30 - 11:45AM Hineini: Interfaith Assembly at Emanu-El	25 6:45 - 7:15PM Pizza for Confirmation and MNP Students 7:00PM Mah Jongg & Canasta 7:15 - 8:30PM MNP Begins 7:15 - 8:45PM Confirmation Begins	26 3:50 - 5:45PM Hebrew School	27	28	29 Kol Nidre 6:00PM & 8:30PM Kol Nidre Services	30 Yom Kippur See page 5 for Yom Kippur services & events High Holy Day Food Drive Ends

CALENDAR: OCTOBER 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
No Religious School 9:00AM Sukkah Building	9:00AM Walk with the Rabbi 6:45PM Youth Group Meeting 7:00PM Mah Jongg & Canasta 7:15 - 8:30PM Monday Night Program 7:15 - 8:45PM Confirmation	3 3:50 - 5:45PM Hebrew School	4	5 6:30PM Women's Study Group Supper in the Sukkah Temple Office Closed for 1st Day of Sukkot	6:00PM Pre-Neg 6:30PM Early Service	7
8 9:30 - 11:45AM Religious School & Sukkah Mania 10:45AM Chai Mitzvah 4:00PM Sukkot Open House at the Goldsmith Home 6:00PM Midnight Run	7 Temple Office Closed for Columbus Day No Confirmation or Monday Night Program	I 0 3:50 - 5:45PM Hebrew School 7:30PM Board Meeting	11	I 2 Office Closed for Shmini Atzeret 7:30AM Sukkot & Shmini Atzeret Yizkor Service	6:00PM Shabbat Dinner 7:00PM Family Service: Simchat Torah & Consecration	5:00PM Kyle Malin Bar Mitzvah Ceremony 7:00PM Night of Comedy with Bob Alper
9:30AM Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk 9:30 - 11:45AM Religious School & Pre-K/K Sukkot Program 10:00AM Life Story Workshop 11:00AM Teens Teach Tech 11:15AM Drop in with the Rabbi: Grades 1-3 4:00PM Westchester Chamber Music Society	7:00PM Film: Screenagers 7:00PM Mah Jongg & Canasta 7:15 - 8:30PM Monday Night Program 7:15 - 8:45PM Confirmation	17 3:50 - 5:45PM Hebrew School 6:30PM Books & Bites	18	I 9 10:15AM Temple Book Club 8:00PM Single Malt Torah	7:30PM Shabbat Service	21
8:30AM - 1:00PM Hineini: LES Trip 9:30 - 11:45AM Religious School & Book Fair 9:30AM - 12:00PM Confirmation Hike 11:00AM Next Step	12:00PM Reflections Workshop 6:45 - 8:30PM Pizza Dinner & MNP 7:00PM Mah Jongg & Canasta No Confirmation	24 I2:30PM Sisterhood Boutique 3:50 - 5:45PM Hebrew School	25	26 I 2:00PM Adult Ed with Rabbi Wolk	27 7:30PM Pop Shabbat: The Beatles	9:00AM Torah Study: Lech Lecha I I:00AM Michael Griff Bar Mitzvah Ceremony
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September I Last Lay Led Summer Service

6:45 **Service**

September 8 Family Service: Opening Service

September 15 Early Service

6:00 Gallery Opening Pre-Neg:

Michal Nachmany

6:30 **Service**

September 22 Shabbat Shuvah:

Sabbath of Repentance

7:30 **Service**

September 29 Kol Nidre

6:00 Service 8:30 Service

October 6 Early Service

6:00 Pre-neg 6:30 Service

October 13 Family Service:

Simchat Torah & Consecration

October 20 Shabbat Service

7:30 **Service**

October 27 Pop Shabbat: The Beatles

7:30 **Service □ ...**

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SISTERHOOD BOUTIQUE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 12:30 - 7:00PM

Our annual Sisterhood Boutique returns this year with offerings both big and small! This year's boutique will have all kinds of gifts and goodies that people love for Chanukah (or any occasion): jewelry, stationery, clothing, accessories, artwork, and handmade goods.



A portion of this year's proceeds will benefit The Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America.

POP SHABBAT: THE BEATLES

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 7:30PM



Sing along with your favorite classic tunes of *Yesterday* or sit back and *Let It Be* at our first "Pop Shabbat"!

Come Together with Cantor Stone and our rockin' temple band as we Get Back and Twist and Shout. Hey Jews, you guessed right: it's Beatles Shabbat! No Ticket to Ride required.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: JOANIE LEEDS CONCERT

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 10:45AM



Get your groove on! Young families from all over Westchester will enjoy a concert with award-winning musicians Joanie Leeds & The Nightlights.

More details to come in Emanumail and the next bulletin.