

Welcome to our new Rabbinic Intern!



We are thrilled to welcome Student Rabbi Amanda Weiss as our Rabbinic Intern for the coming year. Amanda is a fifth-year student at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in New York. She will teach in our religious school, oversee our Academy

(teen) program with our Director of Education Jackie Kurland, offer adult education, help to lead Shabbat services, write for the bulletin (see pg. 13), and participate in the full range of synagogue life. Amanda most recently was the Rabbinic Intern at Temple Shaaray Tefila in Bedford, and previously she had a wide array of roles within the Jewish community directing teen programs, teaching at summer camps, and working for six years at Cornell and Oregon State Universities' Hillels in a variety of capacities. Amanda also co-hosts the podcast Drinking and Drashing: Torah with a Twist – a delightful exploration of our sacred texts available on all major platforms. We are honored to welcome Amanda to Emanu-El and look forward to learning from her in the year to come.

The Rabbinic Intern position is funded, in part, by the Offit-Sekulow Memorial Internship Fund established in loving memory of Daniel Offit and Gene Sekulow. If you are interested in supporting the fund, please contact Rabbi Goldsmith.



BBQ Dinner & Shabbat Service **Triday, September 9**6:00pm Dinner, 7:00pm Service

We hope you will join us for the first Shabbat dinner and service of the year. Following an al fresco dinner, we will all come together for a lively, musical service with the

temple band. Cost: \$15/child, \$20/adult, \$60/family max. RSVP for the dinner at tinyurl.com/CEWRSVP.

Bingo Night for the Jared Dubro Legacy Fund & Thursday, September 22, 7:00pm



Rabbi Goldsmith will be calling numbers once again! All proceeds benefit the Jared Dubro Legacy Fund created by the Dubro family to support programs, initiatives, and experiences that bring the light of Jared's spirit into our world. This event is for all ages and friends are welcome.

Pre-purchase Bingo cards at tinyurl.com/CEWRSVP. \$18/card or \$30/2 cards, \$45/3 cards, or \$60/4 cards. Pay at the door: \$20/card.



Rosh Hashanah Day 2 Nature Walk & Tashlich Tuesday, September 27 10:15am Nature Walk, 11:00am Tashlich

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 Wildlife 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 a beautiful Tashlich ceremony. See pg. 2 for directions.





Film - Schmatta: Rags to Riches to Rags Thursday, October 13, 7:00pm

A cautionary story of labor and greed, the film follows the decline of the US apparel manufacturing industry while illustrating the industry's relationship with unions and government. *Schmatta* offers firsthand accounts of generations of Americans who escaped poverty and entered the middle class thanks to the garment industry. We will be taking a trip to the Garment District in November for an insider's tour with Michael Kaback, a "garmento" himself for many years. He will takes us through the history of the apparel industry in New York City, from Henry Hudson to the present time. RSVP at tinyurl.com/CEWRSVP





Services with the circon may also be livestreamed. Links will be emailed ahead of services.

Selichot

Saturday, September 17

7:30pm Selichot at Westchester Reform Temple We join with friends from JCCH, KTI, and CSR for a program and service at WRT, located at 255 Mamaroneck Road in Scarsdale.

Rosh Hashanah

Sunday, September 25

7:30pm Erev Rosh Hashanah 🗔

Monday, September 26

10:00am Morning Service (reception to follow)

1:45pm Youth Service (grades 3-6) ■ 3:00pm Young Families Service ■

3:30pm A Taste of Sweetness Rosh Hashanah

Celebration for Young Families

Rosh Hashanah Day 2

Tuesday, September 27

10:15am Nature Walk (off site*) 11:00am Tashlich (off site*)

* The Edith G. Read Wildlife Sanctuary is located behind Playland in Rye. Drive through the Playland parking lot, past the Dragon Coaster. Keep driving until you reach the parking lot at the end of the road.

Shabbat Shuva

Friday, September 30

7:30pm Shabbat Shuva 🗖

Yom Kippur

Tuesday, October 4

6:00pm Kol Nidre Signature Kol Nidre

Wednesday, October 5

10:00am Morning Service

1:15pm Youth Service (grades 3-6)

2:15pm Young Families Service

3:00pm Afternoon Service

3:30pm A Healing Service of Music

& Meditations 🖪

4:00pm Yizkor/Memorial Service □
4:45pm N'ilah/Concluding Service □

5:30pm Break Fast

At Home Worship: For congregants who wish to attend services remotely, we will be providing a professional, high quality livestream of sanctuary services. Prayer books will be available for pick up on Monday, September 19, 11:00am - 1:00pm and Wednesday, September 21, 1:00 - 3:00pm.

Please contact Dan at 914-967-4382 x1011 or doconnor@c-e-w.org to reserve prayer books for at home use. Prayer books are only available to congregants. All prayer books must be returned by Friday, October 28.

Online Forms: To submit names for the Yizkor Memorial Booklet, request guest tickets, make a donation, reserve handicapped parking, and submit names of new babies, please visit the temple homepage at www.c-e-w.org and click on the High Holy Day link.



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High Holy Day Appeal for the Annual Fund

Dear Emanu-El Community,

The High Holy Days are a time for meaningful connection with our Judaism and one another. They give us the time and space to reflect on our past year and look forward to the future with hope. We have much to be grateful for this year as we gather together in-person and virtually. All of this makes the High Holy Days a perfect time to support our community with a contribution to the Annual Fund.

The Annual Fund provides necessary resources to ensure we can welcome anyone who wishes to join Emanu-El, and enables us to continue enriching our congregation through the diversity and inclusivity of our membership. The Annual Fund is also vital in filling the gaps in our operating budget not met by dues, tuition, and fees. As you think about your gift this year, please remember that your support helps make us the wonderful community we are today.

You can make your donation using the card that was included in the High Holy Day mailing, online at www.c-e-w.org, or by using the card inserted in prayer books.

I look forward to seeing you during the High Holy Days and in the days to follow. Thank you in advance for joining me in supporting the Annual Fund. As always, please feel free to reach out to me at majleew@gmail.com with any questions.

Best regards,

Maj Wickstrom

Fundraising Committee Chair Vice-President, Board of Trustees

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A New Perspective

We all put a lot of effort into the High Holy Days. Here at the synagogue the planning begins in April or May and kicks into high gear over the summer. Tickets to be printed, information to be sent, decisions about COVID protocols to be made, musicians to hire, sermons



to write (no, they're not done yet!), food to be ordered, mums to be purchased - really an endless check-list to create the best experience possible. We know that you also do so much to prepare for the High Holy Days: you join the temple and pay your dues, take the day off work, prepare to host family or friends, brace yourself for the car ride to Long Island, figure out childcare, and so much more. It takes a lot of effort.

But here's the thing, the High Holy Days do not change reality. The sound of the shofar on Rosh Hashanah does not alter the course of the stars in the sky. The taste of apples and honey do not grow more grain for people experiencing food insecurity. Fasting on Yom Kippur does not stop that floorboard from creaking in your staircase. It would be nice to see a direct cause and effect. It would be nice to see that holy days, prayers, and rituals result in immediate change to our physical world. Alas, that's not how it works. Still, there must be some value to it. There must be some reason we continue these traditions, or they simply would not have lasted for – literally – thousands of years.

The impact of the High Holy Days is not seen in the world around us, it is felt within us - and it is still very real. Sitting in a service that goes on for hours, even if we do not follow the prayers or sing along with the songs, simply stopping and sitting for a few hours, creates a space for reflection. We cannot help but consider our lives. In the first half hour we may run through mental lists from work or home. But by the end of the first hour, we've finished going through the logistics of day-to-day life and, with those immediate concerns set aside, our minds inevitably drift to larger questions, to the path we're on and, perhaps, to the path we'd like to take. If we do engage with the words of the prayer book, if we allow the beautiful melodies to pierce our consciousness, we find ourselves on a carefully constructed journey of introspection, a journey that can, really, change our perspective.

And God knows we could all use a shift in perspective. Humans naturally focus on what's in front of them. Our pre-historic ancestors survived by keenly observing their immediate environment to search for danger or food. It is baked into our genes to focus on the here and now, our work, our children, the leaky faucet, or the next meal. With the onslaught of news, the threats from the world around us feel immediate and present. To be clear, we must engage with the issues of our society, we must strive to make our world a better place. But the High Holy Days create a space for us to gain perspective both internally and externally. We need not only look at the next issue, the next concern, the next item on the check list. The High Holy Days can focus us on our ideals, on the blessings in our lives, on the beauty of our world.

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Israeli author Etgar Keret wrote, "When I try to reconstruct those bedtime stories my father told me years ago, I realize that beyond their fascinating plots, they were meant to teach me something. Something about the almost desperate human need to find good in the least likely places. Something about the desire not to beautify reality but to persist in searching for an angle that would put ugliness in a better light and create affection and empathy for every wart and wrinkle on its scarred face."

The High Holy Days will not change our physical reality. But they will shift our perspective. They will help us meet the human need "to find good in the least likely places," to "put ugliness in a better light" while creating within us "affection and empathy". Not unlike childhood stories, they pull us back from our daily tasks and focus on the things that really matter: family, friendship, kindness, giving, forgiveness, and love.

May these upcoming High Holy Days bless each of us with a more hopeful perspective on our lives, inspire within us a sense of gratitude, and move us to become better people and to create a better world.

L'Shana Tova,

Howard J. Goldsmith, Rabbi

Reclaiming a Personal Legacy

This year, we will be considering the theme of legacy. In my last article I discussed the legacy of music at the temple. Now I'd like to talk about a personal legacy.

We usually think of legacy as what we received from those who came



before us. But a new passion of mine has led me to trace its origins not only to the former generations of my family, but also to an elemental part of myself that dates back to my youth. We all carry our childhoods with us in our own ways. Consider what brought you joy as a kid — what sparks that feeling for you now?

The pandemic lockdown prompted many to take up new pastimes and hobbies. While others were baking bread or charting their genealogy, I stumbled into quilting after having sewn umpteen face masks. Armed with the instruction manual from my daughter's sewing machine (I had not sewn since 7th grade Home Ec.), I tumbled down the rabbit hole of instructional YouTube videos and was on to a Whole New Thing.

An image from a rare visit to my grandmother's home keeps coming to mind: I was around 6 or 7, cross legged on her living room rug stitching together colorful scraps of fabric she had brought out to keep me busy while the grownups talked. This was my introduction to needle and thread, a quantum leap from the cardboard sewing cards my mother had given me. This was the real thing! I became engrossed in the fabrics, the patterns and the patchwork. I was in my element!

This memory is wrapped up in the colorful persona of my grandmother. It's not that Nana Gine and I were close; we rarely saw her. But she made a big impression. My family had taken the trip from Boston to her apartment in the Bronx, where trays of heavenly cream cheese cookies, rolled with raisins, walnuts and cinnamon, were cooling on the windowsills. Nanny's legendary chicken- noodle- soup-to-die-for also beckoned us. (Her secret ingredient - parsnip - was nowhere to be found in Boston.) Since she was Hungarian and I was a watcher of Green Acres, I figured she must be related to Zsa Zsa Gabor: she entered the room on a waft of perfume, her chunky rings sparkling on her manicured fingers. While her mild mannered husband, Lou, was quietly absorbed in a history book, Nanny regaled us with tales of her cha cha dancing. She recited her own poetry and modeled the glamorous clothing she had made herself. The

creative streak in the Stone family clearly comes from my mother's side; my mother was also artistic. I feel fortunate to have inherited their creative genes.

I love buying beautiful fabric, but frequently use found material. Crafting a memory quilt for the deceased husband of a dear friend, or cutting squares from a vintage thrift shop dress falls right in line with the women of yore; resourceful Eastern European mothers like Nana Gine, who had to raise five children on her own, surely would have repurposed/upcycled clothing. The pioneering women of the prairie would have done the same thing. While I can't say I identify with them, I admire the rich heritage of American folk art that came from their hands. Lovingly made quilts provide comfort and warmth as they are passed down from generation to generation.

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Nowadays, when I have a vacation, or a window of time to escape the despair of the news, rather than turn to Netflix or a novel I might enter a world of indigo blues and paisleys, crisply mitred corners, satisfyingly aligned ¼ inch seams and meditative hand stitching. Immersed in this vivid tactile world, I get into the zone of what the happiness experts call flow experiences. I'm not worried about the state of the world, or the climate, or the plans I need to make or the ever present to do list. I am once again a carefree child at play, creating a doll quilt from Nanny's remnants.

The pandemic has given us an opportunity to get in touch with passions that may have lain dormant during the busy work and child rearing years of adulthood. How lucky if we can escape the world for a bit and embrace the legacies of both our forebears and our fundamental selves.

Meredith Stone, Cantor

Meredith

Ritual Corner



While it feels far away, Sukkot will be here before we know it. The ancient rabbis called this festival זמן שמחתינו z'man simchateinu the time of our rejoicing. One of the most important rituals of sukkot is to gather with family and friends to celebrate,

specifically to gather in (or around) a sukkah. The medieval mystics believed in "welcoming" great Jews from our past, symbolically welcoming Abraham, Sara, King David, and the prophetess Deborah. Leaving mysticism behind, here in the earthly realm of Westchester, we have a beautiful Sukkah at the synagogue that is available for any congregant to use during the festival for a lovely al fresco lunch.

We also gather each year in Rabbi Goldsmith's backyard, a lovely way to wrap up the month of Holy Days and Festivals with our community.

This year the Rabbi's open house is Sunday, October 16 from 4:00 - 6:00pm. Mark your calendars to fulfill this lovely ritual with our congregation.



Yizkor Memorial Services

Yom Kippur Yizkor Service

Wednesday, October 5, 4:00pm

Shemini Atzeret Yizkor Service

Monday, October 17, 7:30am

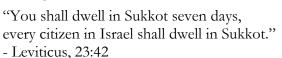
"May God remember forever my loved ones who have gone to their eternal rest."

- From the Prayer of Remembrance

Four times a year, we come together as a community to remember our loved ones who have passed away. They live on through our memories bringing blessing to us all.

Sukkot Services & Events

Build the Temple Sukkah! Friday, October 7, 10:00am



Help us fulfill this commandment - with power tools! Come help build the congregational sukkah so we can celebrate the joyous festival of Sukkot here at Emanu-El. If you are interested, contact Dan at 914-967-4382 x1011 or doconnor@c-e-w.org.

Women's Study Group Sukkot Luncheon Saturday, October 15, 12:00pm



This year we will maximize our chances for celebrating our festival of gratitude and joy outdoors in the sukkah - with our very first Shabbat afternoon gathering. Come for lunch, learning and sharing in the company of friends. Cost: \$36/person. RSVP at tinyurl.com/CEWRSVP.

Pre-K & K Sukkot Sunday, October 16, 9:30am

Young Families Sukkot Celebration Sunday, October 16, 10:45am



Drop off your little ones for a morning of lulav shaking, crafts, snacks, and stories.

Followed by a Young Families Celebration for the whole family!

Open to the community. RSVP to Victoria at 914-967-4382 x1012 or vsimmonds@c-e-w.org.

Sukkot Open House at the Goldsmiths' Sunday, October 16, 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. RSVP to Dan at 914-967-4382 x1011 or doconnor@c-e-w.org for the address.

2022-23 Social Action Collections

It is more important than ever that we continue our acts of *tikkun olam* (repairing our world) in our communities. To learn more about how you can get involved, contact Social Action Committee Chair Hedy Cardozo at hedozo@aol.com.

September Food Drive for Feeding Westchester

October Coat Drive for Children's Hope Chest

November Have A Heart Gift Drive for WJCS

December Afya Collection

January 914Cares Collection February Art Supply Drive for

Pleasantville Cottage School

March Pasta Collection for Local Food Pantry
April Midnight Run/Brunch Run Collection
May Pajama & Book Collection for 914Cares

June Gently Used Backpack Drive

for Midnight Run

Back to School Drive: Thank you!

Emanu-El congregants donated \$500 in Amazon gift cards for the WJCS Back-to-School Drive - and we had several congregants participate in the backpack packing event that took place at the temple in partnership with UJA Westchester. The drive provides hundreds of new backpacks, school supplies, and gift cards to families in need in WJCS programs. These programs serve some of the most under-resourced areas in Westchester County including mental health clinics and early childhood development, after-school enrichment, and LGBTQ+ youth programs.



Social Justice Committee Update

Leading up to the 2022 Midterm Elections, the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism will be working in partnership with the Center For Common Ground on Every Voice - Every Vote initiative. This campaign aims to engage under-represented voters.

To participate in the current postcard campaign go to www.rac.org and visit the click on the Every Voice - Every Vote link.

If you would like to learn more about the Social Justice Committee, please contact committee co-chairs Hedy Cardozo at hedozo@aol.com or Marcie Aiuvalasit at marciena33@gmail.com.



High Holy Day Food Drive for Feeding Westchester Wednesday, Sept. 28 - Wednesday, Oct. 5



This year we continue the tradition of collecting food for the Feeding Westchester Annual High Holy Day Food Drive. Feeding Westchester is part of a network that expertly sources and distributes

food and resources to feed people who are hungry in every town in Westchester. Collection bags will be available at High Holy Day services.

Coats for Hope New Coat Drive Monday, October 3 - Friday, October 28



Emanu-El is partnering with Children's Hope Chest to provide underserved children in Westchester with *new* warm winter coats. Stay tuned for more information regarding the sizes of coats needed.

CEW is 70 Years Young!

What a wonderful milestone to acknowledge and celebrate as a community. It's not surprising that at times like this we reflect on the past and plan for the future. Our community today is what it is due to the legacy of those who came before us and it is our mission to create a legacy for those who follow.



I joined the staff of CEW in 1989 and could never have imagined then that I would be writing this article so many years later. It has been an eventful 33 years - that's for sure. Whether celebrating with b'nei mitzvah, other lifecycle events, supporting those in need or being supported by you, I have felt a part of this wonderful community since day one. Each and every aspect of my job has brought me satisfaction. I have LOVED working with our CEW teens and hope that I had as much of an impact on them as they have had on me. We have studied Hebrew and prayers, learned about Reform Judaism, discovered what Israel means to us all, performed community service, and so much more. I have loved every second of my past roles at CEW!

Don't be surprised if I call you on your birthday, reach out for an informal coffee get-together, or social gathering in a backyard!

That being said, I eagerly look forward to exploring and crafting my new role as CEW's Director of Programming & Engagement. I am both excited and honored to be shifting my focus from teens to adults. Through various forms of outreach, I will gain a better understanding of the programming interests and needs of our adult members and I will work with our clergy and professional leadership to introduce new programs and points of contact for CEW and our adult congregants. Don't be surprised if I call you on your birthday, reach out for an informal coffee get-together, or social gathering in a backyard! And of course, feel free to contact me at jdubro@c-e-w.org or on my cell 914-262-7202 with any ideas for programs or ways CEW can be an integral element of your life.

Don't worry - I will not be leaving our youth without excellent coverage! We are so fortunate to have two new and incredibly talented individuals who will take the helm with our youth. I'm thrilled to be working with the dynamic duo of Director of Education, Jackie Kurland and Rabbinic Intern, Amanda Weiss. They both have extensive expertise working with teens and I know they are planning an exciting year of learning and doing for our Academy and Youth programs. All supported by our new and talented Education Administrator Victoria Simmonds.

In addition to my new role as Director of Programming & Engagement, I will continue my involvement with both Boot Camp for the b'nei mitzvah students and the Farah Family Hineini service learning year for our 7th grade students and parents. Hineini is a remarkable year of performing acts of tikkun olam, repairing the world, heeding to the words of the prophet Isaiah to pay special attention to those who are most in need. We have brightened the lives of children at Pleasantville Cottage School. At Afya we have packaged medical supplies for delivery to communities in need. We have organized and gone on countless Midnight Runs and so much more. I am forever proud of the profound impact Hineini has on our families.

As the High Holy Days approach we have time to reflect on the past: what did we accomplish this year? What are we proud of? What would we like to change or improve? The time between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur offers us the opportunity to press the reset button and look to the future as well: How can we help others in the upcoming year? What can we do to improve ourselves or reach new heights? This is not about simple new year's resolutions to exercise more or clean up the attic. It is about working to create a legacy that we are proud of - one where we share time with those we love, one where we help others, one where we live a moral life and work to impact those around us to do the same. I hope that we can count on you to help shape CEW's legacy!

May our CEW community flourish and may we take the necessary actions to improve our community and the world.

Shanah Tovah & Happy Jewish New Year 5783!

June

Jane Dubro, Director of Programming & Engagement

Unless otherwise noted, the link for programs is tinyurl.com/cewconnect

With many of our programs now multi-access, these are the icons we'll be using to let you know how you can take part in services and programs:









In-person Livestream/Zoom

Multi-access



Single Malt Torah 🔒 🗖 Thursday, September 8, 8:00pm

Men of the congregation join together for fine scotch and Torah learning with Rabbi Goldsmith.

Mah Jongg & Canasta 🌡 Mondays, September 12 & 19, October 24 & 31, 7:00pm

After a long hiatus, Mah Jongg and Canasta are back! All levels of players are welcome; friends are invited too! RSVP required at tinyurl.com/CEWRSVP.



Book Club Thursday, September 15, 11:30am

The group will discuss *Eleanor* by David Michaelis, a look at the untold story of Eleanor Roosevelt.

Thursday, October 20, 11:30am

Book to be announced at a later date.

For more information about Book Club, contact Marcie Aiuvalasit at marciena33@gmail.com.

Paula Blumenfeld: Through the Lens of Memory Gallery Opening (Friday, September 16, 7:00pm



Paula Blumenfeld's art exhibition reflects her interest in observing and painting people. Fascinated by color and the human body, she paints intimate figurative portraits, capturing the emotional state and inner strength of the subject. In addition, she creates abstract paintings which allow her to

exclusively focus on composition and color.

Beit Midrash 🚨 🗳 Saturdays, September 17 & October 22, 9:00am Sunday, October 30, 10:30am

We begin our exploration of Jews whose legacies have shaped our religion and our people to this day. From Rashi to Ruth Bader Ginsberg and Moses to Moshe Dayan – we'll look at the writings and actions of those who helped create the Jewish people and Judaism. Come to every session or just drop in – all are welcome!

Next Step (2) Sundays, September 18 & October 2, 11:00am

This group of men meet to discuss personal issues that they face in retirement. The bonds of friendship and a deep sense of trust have allowed this group to continue for many years. Next Step is facilitated by Paul Spindel (retired executive). For more information, contact Paul at 914-632-1264.

Writing an Ethical Will Thursdays, October 13 & 27, 10:30am

Everyone knows the importance of preparing a last will and testament, a document outlining how one's assets are to be divided upon death. But what about nonmaterial assets? How can the next generation inherit values, beliefs, life lessons, hopes, dreams, love, and forgiveness? For more than 3,000 years Jews have written ethical wills, documents that convey the nonmaterial to the next generation. Learn about this fascinating literary genre and work to create our own ethical wills. RSVP at tinyurl.com/CEWRSVP.



Reflections Workshop with Cantor Stone 🚯 🗖 Monday, October 24, 12:00pm

It's never too late to join this ongoing workshop, in which we explore how our daily life experiences and observations can give deeper meaning to worship. Using writing prompts, the Torah parsha, or whatever may come to mind, we share as a group, learn about the themes of our prayers, and weave our words into our Sacred Stories Shabbat services. In so doing, we strengthen connections to one another and to our tradition. RSVP at tinyurl.com/CEWRSVP.

September Scaries

September is always a month filled with both anxiety and excitement. Just like people get the "Sunday Scaries," a term that has become pretty popular in recent years about the dread that sets in on Sunday afternoon when you realize what's in store for you the following day back at work, I think that many of us also have the "September Scaries."



Summer is associated with vacations, longer days, pools and barbeques. I enjoy the fall, but I am always disappointed when my favorite season comes to an end.

We all have memories of getting those butterflies in our stomach when we think about the start of school. We know that feeling of wondering if we will make new friends, if we'll like our teachers, and if we'll have too much homework. It is stressful for kids, teachers, and parents alike, and research shows that we hold on to those feelings of September anxiety even when we no longer attend school and are in the workforce.

With all of those feelings that September brings, I'm also always filled with so much hope and renewal each year at this time. I love working in education because I get to see children and teachers forming beautiful new relationships with one another. It's really no fun being an educator walking empty halls in the summer. I am constantly looking at lists of students, imagining them laughing in the classroom, counting down the days until they'll be physically present. There is nothing that I look forward to more than welcoming students into the building on opening day and on every other opportunity throughout the year.

September is about promise and new beginnings, with endless opportunities for exploration and discovery. As we enter into this new school year and new Jewish year, I wish everyone a year that is filled with constant growth and good health. I have always loved the work of Jewish poet and liturgist Marcia Falk who puts into words so well the aspirations that we have for the coming year in her poem, *May It Be So.*

May It Be So is an abecedarian—a type of acrostic in which the initial letters of key words appear in alphabetical succession.

Abecedarians were a popular form of liturgical poetry composed for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

May It Be So

May the year bring abundant blessings—beauty, creativity, delight!

May we be **c**onfident, **c**ourageous, and **d**evoted to our **c**allings.

May our lives be enriched with education. May we find enjoyment in our work and fulfillment in our friendships.

May we grow, may we have good health. In darker times, may we be sustained by gratitude and hope.

May we be infused with joy. May we know intimacy and kindness, may we love without limit.

May the hours be enhanced with **m**usic and **n**urtured by art.

May our endeavors be marked by **o**riginality.

May we take pleasure in daily living. May we find peace within ourselves and help peace emerge in the world.

May we receive the gifts of quiet.

May reason guide our choices, may romance grace our lives.

May our spirits be serene, may we find solace in solitude.

May we embrace tolerance and truth and the understanding that underlies both.

May we be inspired with vision and wonder, may we be open to exploration.

May our deepest yearnings be fulfilled, may we be suffused with zeal for life.

May we merit these blessings and may they come to be.

Jackie

Jackie Kurland, Director of Education



The Bauman-Greene Pre-K & Kindergarten Program **®**

This program is funded by the generosity of congregant Dr. Caroline Bauman.

Our pre-k and kindergarten program gives your little ones a taste of Religious School! Each session highlights the unique rituals and celebrations of each Jewish holiday through a variety of artistic explorations. Sessions are followed Young Family Celebrations at the temple – fun for the whole family. Free and open to the community.

For more information and to RSVP, contact Jackie at jkurland@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x1015.

All classes meet from 9:30 - 10:45am on Sundays.

2022-23 Schedule

Sukkot Sunday, October 16, 9:30am
Chanukah Sunday, December 18, 9:30am
Tu Bishvat Sunday, February 5, 9:30am
Purim Sunday, March 5, 9:30am
Passover Sunday, March 26, 9:30am
Yom Ha'atzmaut Sunday, April 23, 9:30am

Young Family Programs 3

We are committed to helping young families begin their Jewish journeys! Bring your little ones (children, nieces, nephews, grandchildren) to Emanu-El to discover the joy of Jewish life through holiday celebrations. Our Young Families events are overflowing with food, song, movement, crafts, stories, community, and fun!

All Young Families Committee events are free and open to the community and are appropriate for ages 6 months through 2nd grade. For more information and to RSVP, contact Jackie at jkurland@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x1015.

Rosh Hashanah Monday, September 26, 3:00pm Wednesday, October 5, 2:15pm Yom Kippur Sunday, October 16, 10:45am Sukkot Sunday, December 18, 10:45am Chanukah Tu Bishvat Sunday, February 5, 10:45am Purim Sunday, March 5, 10:45am Passover Sunday, March 26, 10:45am Sunday, April 23, 10:45am Yom Ha'atzmaut

Important School Dates in September

Families will receive communications and more information on all school-related happenings. Here's a quick snapshot of some important dates to mark on your calendar.

First Session of Boot Camp (2) Tuesday, September 6, 4:00 - 5:45pm

First Day of Religious School Sunday, September 11, 9:30 - 11:45am

Hineini Kick-Off at Boundless Adventures Sunday, September 11, 9:45am

First Session of Academy (2) Monday, September 12, 7:15pm

First Session of Confirmation Monday, September 12, 7:15pm

First Week of Hebrew Tutoring Tuesday, September 13, 3:30 - 6:30pm Thursday, September 15, 3:30 - 6:30pm

Family Learning Shabbats 3

Experience the magic of Shabbat with your family! Join us for a vibrant service filled with music and learning as we unwind from the busy week and welcome Shabbat. Our family learning experiences are a core component of Jewish education at Congregation Emanu-El and will take place on Friday evenings to bring together all our students have learned as we celebrate Shabbat with family and friends.

Family Dinner & Samba Shabbat Friday, November 18 6:00pm Dinner, 7:00pm Service

Family Dinner & Musical Shabbat Friday, February 3 6:00pm Dinner, 7:00pm Service

Pizza Truck Dinner & Mitzvah Shabbat Friday, May 12, 5:30pm Dinner & Projects





B'nei Mitzvah Mazel Tov!

We would like to honor the following students who will become B'nei Mitzvah in September and October

Ryan Brown
Blake Goldstein
Lexi Goldstein
Olivia Hodes
David Rukin
Zachary Schwartz



Farah Family Hineini Program for 7th Graders (a)

Farah Family Hineini Program students go out into our community and put the Jewish values they have learned into action making our world a better place and writing the next chapter of our Jewish story. All programs meet in person unless otherwise noted.

For more information, contact Jane at jdubro@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x1021.

Kick Off at Boundless Adventures, Purchase Sunday, September 11, 9:45am -12:45pm

Visit to Sheldrake Environmental Center, Larchmont Sunday, September 18, 10:00 - 11:30am

Krav Maga & Israeli Olympic Athletes, Rye Sunday, October 2, Time TBA

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk, Purchase Sunday, October 16, 8:30 - 11:00am

Dennis Barton from the Interfaith Assembly, CEW Sunday, October 23, 9:30 - 11:30am

Repairing the World - Tikkun Olam, CEW Sunday, October 30, 9:30 - 11:30am

Madrichim Fellowship

Are you a teenager at Emanu-El? Are you interested in building your leadership skills? Do you want to learn about child development? Are you interested in being a role model for children in our community? Do you need community service hours for school?

If you answered YES to any of the above questions, then the Madrichim Fellowship is the program for you! The Madrichim Fellowship is a rewarding and meaningful experience that allows you to make connections with children, support our Religious School teachers, and even gives you a chance to lead classroom activities of your own!

To learn more about the fellowship, contact Jackie at jkurland@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x1015.

Academy Program for 8th and 9th Graders (2)

Our 8th and 9th grade students will spend this year learning how to be Jewish leaders in the world today. Through a series of guest speakers, service learning projects, and hands on experiences, students will leave each session with a tangible leadership skill that they will be able to implement immediately. By looking at different values, our students will become impassioned leaders who understand how and why to make change in their communities. For more information, contact Jackie at jkurland@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x 1015.

Confirmation for 10th Graders

Our 10th graders spend a year studying with Rabbi Goldsmith exploring many facets of Jewish identity, theology and meaning. The teens finish the year knowing where they fit in the story of the Jewish people. For more information, contact Rabbi Goldsmith at hgoldsmith@c-e-w.org or 914-967-4382 x1013.

Youth Group (2)

With a strong emphasis on social action, these programs build community while making our world a better place. We have planned another busy year that will help to build a meaningful connection between our teens, our congregation, and the broader

Stranger in Paradise

When entering any new community, I've always experienced a blend of emotions: enthusiasm, nervousness, curiosity, and something else... something hidden beneath the surface. How do I meet people, learn new customs, and find my way around?



What first impressions do I want to give? What stories will I tell? Which ones will I be lucky enough to hear? The art of entering a new space and community—even when that place seems as wonderful as the Garden of Eden— seems to lie in the ability to listen for the stories and the commentaries that accompany it. The word pardes — (סקקם) a word that is often rabbinically linked with paradise/the Garden of Eden—also has a meaningful connection to stories. Moses de Leon, a Kabbalistic teacher created the current rabbinic consensus that there are four ways that we might understand the stories that we hear and share within our tradition and with each other—based off the idea that when we hear and understand all four, we might truly enter paradise (pardes - other) ourselves.

Peshat: (5) the "it is what it is" tradition—that what we hear and read means exactly what it says. If I share that I am a rising 5th year rabbinical student at HUC-JIR, then that is easily acceptable: I am a rabbinical student in the final year of her studies. If I hear that Congregation Emanu-El is "right off the highway," then I understand it to be immediately off the highway—something that puts this direction-challenged rabbinical student much at ease.

Remez:(7) the "what are we hinting at or symbolizing" tradition—the meaning behind the customs and behaviors of the new community I'm entering. Do we sit or stand for the Shema? Are there seats that are "reserved" for certain families? (I'm a second seat from the aisle kind of person myself.) What are the unwritten rules of engagement for the community? For the text?

Derash: (7) the "what's the story behind the story" tradition—how I get to understand the why of my new community and how you might get to understand me as a new [student] rabbinic presence. What are the stories that we tell that have brought us together? What understandings do we share? Where do our reasonings diverge? What bridges can we create?

Sod:(0) the "secret/mystery" tradition—the pieces of me and this community that might be hidden even from ourselves. With time and interactions, we might uncover some of these through shared jokes, study sessions, hallway/oneg conversations, or passing each other in the parking lot. While there's a lot of breadth to cover this year, I'm also excited to search for meaningful depth.

As I enter this new community at Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester, this new pardes, (סרדם) I look forward to hearing and sharing our individual stories and those that Judaism allows us to share together. I'm excited to create commentaries together and to meaningfully explore those co-creations. After all, it's always more fun to wander in a pardes—be it an orchard, a synagogue, or even the Garden of Eden itself—with willing and adventurous partners (especially with those who have already had some time in the terrain)!

Welcome Cooper!

Cooper Stanley Lichtenberg was born on July 23 to Ryan & Michelle Lichtenberg - Cooper, mom and dad are all doing well. Mazel tov!



Our community offers condolences to

Jenn and Michael Jond on the death of their father James Jond Richard Tunick on the death of his wife Carole Tunick Cindy Velasquez on the death of her husband Oscar Velasquez

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In loving memory of Oscar Velasquez Eulogy by Rabbi Howard J. Goldsmith



Life is made of small interactions. Sure, there are grand moments, big occasions. But most of life happens in the small in-betweens, the casual interactions, the small details that fill our days and, in the end, make up a life.

Nearly every day for the last

twelve years, I had just such a small interaction with Oscar. "Hey Oscar," I'd say as I walked in the temple or into the social hall or passed through the sanctuary. He would inevitably reply, "Hi Rabbi." And then we'd return to our tasks, to our work, to our commitment to this community and its people and this beautiful building and all that happens in it.

I feel blessed to serve this congregation. But I feel, I know deeply in my bones, that without Oscar all that we've done and accomplished, all the lives we've touched, all the teaching we've done, without Oscar, none of it would have happened in quite the same way. He sustained the spaces that we needed to create holiness. Monday nights with the teenagers or Tuesday nights for a board meeting or Friday setting up services – no matter the set-up, no matter the task, Oscar ensured that we had our most basic need: a space to gather.

Those who gather at this temple for moments big and small, the members of our congregation, our dedicated staff, all of us have big personalities. We state our positions strongly. We debate passionately. We can get pushy. We can be demanding in pursuit of our work, our vision, our mission. But not Oscar. Oscar brought calm and kindness and an unparalleled sweetness into our congregation. When the set up for a program changed, when we needed something we hadn't thought of, when chairs needed to be rearranged for the third time, whatever the sudden need, Oscar calmly, sweetly, confidently, said, "No problem," and did whatever was needed without a trace of resentment, only with kindness and a commitment to this sacred temple and the people who come here to seek meaning.

He had a sixth sense about what was needed. Sometimes it was about a physical need, a dent in the wall, a space that needed looking after. Rather than announce it or make a big deal, he would just take care of it. In other cases, he would take care of people, sharing his lunch with a colleague who may have wanted a bite to eat before continuing with work. Everything that he did, he did selflessly.

Oscar embodied the values of the Levites. That ancient Israelite tribe described in the first books of the Bible was placed in charge of the upkeep of the Temple in which the ancient Israelites worshipped. While the priests got the glory and conducted the worship, the Levites ensured that Temple was a ready space for holiness. Without them, there would have been no Temple. Oscar did not seek the glory of those ancient priests, instead, he embodied the humility, the kindness, the unassuming, quiet, gentle ways of the Levites.

In the face of this tragedy, I can only pray that each of us find ways to emulate these noble qualities that defined Oscar in the small moments that make up our lives. I can only beseech all who knew and loved him to shower his kind of gentleness and help on his family in the months and years to come.

Dear God, guide us so that we may surround his beloved daughter Leah with the same love and kindness that he embodied. If we can bring some small measure of Oscar's love into our world then we can help his spirit live on.

May his memory be a blessing.

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September 2022						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 6:00pm Lay Led Zoom Shabbat Service	3
4	5 Office Closed for Labor Day Labor Day	6 4:00pm B'nei Mitzvah Boot Camp	7	8 8:00pm Single Malt Torah	9 6:00pm BBQ Dinner 7:00pm Shabbat Service	10 11:00am Zachary Schwartz Bar Mitzvah
11 9:30 - 11:45am Religious School First Session 9:30am Hineini: Boundless Adventures	12 7:00pm Mah Jongg & Canasta 7:15pm Academy 7:15pm Confirmation	13 3:30pm Hebrew Tutoring on Zoom 4:00pm B'nei Mitzvah Boot Camp 7:30pm Board Meeting	14	15 11:30am Book Club 3:30pm Hebrew Tutoring on Zoom	16 7:00pm Gallery Opening 7:30pm Shabbat Service	17 9:00am Beit Midrash 11:00am David Rukin Bar Mitzvah 7:00pm Selichot at WRT
18 9:30 - 11:45am Religious School First Session 10:00am Hineini: Sheldrake 11:00am Next Step	19 7:00pm Mah Jongg & Canasta 7:15pm Academy 7:15pm Confirmation	20 3:30pm Hebrew Tutoring on Zoom 4:00pm B'nei Mitzvah Boot Camp	21	22 3:30pm Hebrew Tutoring on Zoom 7:00pm Bingo Night	23 6:00pm Pre-neg 6:30pm Early Shabbat Service	24 11:00am Lexi Goldstein Bat Mitzvah
25 No Religious School Programs 7:30pm Erev Rosh Hashanah	26 Please see the High Holy Day Schedule on pg. 2 No Academy & Confirmation Office Closed for Rosh Hashanah Rosh Hashanah	27 Please see the High Holy Day Schedule on pg. 2 No Bootcamp or Hebrew Tutoring Office Closed for Rosh Hashanah Rosh Hashanah Day 2	28	29 No Hebrew Tutoring	30 7:30pm Shabbat Shuva	

October 2022						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 11:00am Blake Goldstein Bat Mitzvah
2 9:30 - 11:45am Religious School First Session Time TBA Hineini: Krav Maga 11:00am Next Step	3 7:15pm Academy No Confirmation	4 No Hebrew Tutoring & B'nei Mitzvah Boot Camp 6:00pm Kol Nidre 8:30pm Kol Nidre	5 Please see the High Holy Day Schedule on pg. 2 Office Closed for Yom Kippur	6 No Hebrew Tutoring Office Closed	7 10:00am Sukkah Build 6:00pm Early Zoom Shabbat Service	8
9 No Religious School Programs Erev Sukkot	10 No Academy & Confirmation Office Closed for First Day of Sukkot & Columbus/ Indigenous Peoples Day Sukkot & Columbus/ Indigenous Peoples Day	11 3:30pm Hebrew Tutoring on Zoom 4:00pm B'nei Mitzvah Boot Camp 7:30pm Board Meeting	12	13 10:30am Ethical Will 3:30pm Hebrew Tutoring on Zoom 7:00pm Film: Schmatta	14 6:00pm Shabbat Dinner 7:00pm Simchat Torah Shabbat & Consecration	15 12:00pm WSG Sukkot Luncheon 5:00pm Olivia Hodes Bat Mitzvah
16 9:30 - 11:45am Religious School 9:30 - 10:45am Pre-K/K Sukkot 10:45 - 11:45am Young Families Sukkot Celebration 4:00pm Sukkot at the Goldsmiths'	17 7:30am Shemini Atzeret. & Simchat Torah Yizkor Service 7:15pm Academy 7:15pm Confirmation Office Closed for Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah	18 3:30pm Hebrew Tutoring on Zoom 4:00pm B'nei Mitzvah Boot Camp	19	20 11:30am Book Club 3:30pm Hebrew Tutoring on Zoom 6:30pm Committees in Community	21 7:30pm Shabbat Service	9:00am Beit Midrash 11:00am Ryan Brown Bar Mitzvah
23 9:30 - 11:45am Religious School 9:30am Hineini @ CEW: Dennis Barton 10:45am 4th Grade B'nei Mitzvah Meeting	24 12:00pm Reflections 7:00pm Mah Jongg & Canasta 7:15pm Academy 7:15pm Confirmation	25 3:30pm Hebrew Tutoring on Zoom 4:00pm B'nei Mitzvah Boot Camp	26 11:30am–6:00pm Sisterhood Boutique	27 10:30am Ethical WIII 3:30pm Hebrew Tutoring on Zoom	28 7:30pm Shabbat Service	29
30 9:30 - 11:45am Religious School 9:30am Hineini @ CEW: Tikkun Olam 10:30am Beit Midrash	31 7:00pm Mah Jongg & Canasta No Academy & Confirmation					

Shabbat on the Beach at the Edith G. Read Wildlife Sanctuary in Rye

The August 5 Shabbat on the Beach gathering was a wonderful opportunity to spend time with family and reconnect with temple friends. We will return to the beach on Tuesday, September 27 at 10:15am for our annual Rosh Hashanah Day 2 Nature Walk followed by Tashlich at 11:00am. We hope you will join us!







































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September & October Shabbat Services

September 9 (in-person & livestreamed) 6:00pm **BBQ Dinner**

September 16 (in-person & livestreamed) 7:30pm **Shabbat Service**

September 23 (in-person & livestreamed)

6:00pm Pre-nèg

6:30pm Early Shabbat Service

September 30 (in-person & livestreamed)

7:30pm Shabbat Shuva

October 7 (on Zoom)

6:00pm Early Zoom Shabbat Service

October 14 (in-person & livestreamed)

6:00pm **Shabbat Dinner**

7:00pm Simchat Torah Service & Consecration 🎜 🖵 😉

October 21 (in-person & livestreamed)

7:30pm Shabbat Service

October 28 (in-person & livestreamed)

7:30pm Shabbat Service

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Shabbat Dinner, Simchat Torah Shabbat & Consecration of New Students <a> ■ Friday, October 14 6:00pm Dinner/7:00pm Service



Join us for a delicious Shabbat dinner before we come together for our annual Simchat Torah celebration, when we will also welcome all new Religious School students up to the bimah for a special blessing!

Dinner: \$20/adult, \$15/child, \$60/family max. RSVP at tinyurl.com/CEWRSVP.

Sisterhood Boutique Wednesday, October 26, 11:30am - 6:00pm

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.

