



When Grandma Was a “Wild Young Thing”

Monday, March 23 • 6:30 PM • One East 65th Street

AUTHOR LILY KOPPEL FINDS a diary in a dumpster outside her Upper West Side apartment and seeks to find its owner, who paints a vivid and fascinating picture of 1930s New York. Koppel tracks down **Florence Wolfson**, who belonged to Temple Emanu-El’s Junior Society, and chronicles her experience in the book *The Red Leather Diary: Reclaiming a Life Through the Pages of a Lost Journal*. This event is the second of three free lectures open to the public that are sponsored by the Stettenheim Library and Bernard Museum of Judaica.



IMPORTANT REMINDERS/UPCOMING EVENTS

A God for Modern Times

Monday, March 23, 30
and April 6 • 12:15 PM
One East 65th Street

Rabbi Howard Goldsmith

continues leading this class, which focuses on four modern theologies discussed over four lunchtime sessions. For more information, visit the Temple Web site. Click “Learning” → “Adult Education” → “Mostly Mondays.”

Women’s Auxiliary

Book Group

Tuesday, March 31 • 10:30 AM
One East 65th Street

Rabbi Amy Ehrlich will lead our discussion of *Not Me* by Michael Lavigne, a remarkable debut novel that tells the dramatic and surprising stories of two men—

father and son—through 60 years of uncertain memory, distorted history and assumed identity. RSVP to (212) 744-1400, ext. 235. **Please note the special start time.**

Mitzvah Corps: Unit 6

Wednesday, April 1 • 4 PM
Sunday, April 5 • 9:30 AM
10 East 66th Street

The subject of our learning component is *Kavod Hamet*, honoring the dead. The action component for this unit will be held **Sunday, April 19** with the Hebrew Free Burial Association.

Annual Meeting of the Congregation

Tuesday, May 26 • 6 PM
One East 65th Street
(Greenwald Hall)

For information about all Emanu-El events, log on to www.emanuelnyc.org. Click “Calendar.”

DAILY SUNSET SERVICE
SUNDAY — THURSDAY
5:30 PM • One E. 65th St.

SABBATH WORSHIP
FRIDAY EVENING
Sanctuary (Fifth Avenue
at 65th Street)

Organ Recital—5 PM
Service Begins—5:15 PM
WQXR Radio (96.3 FM) and
Internet (www.wqxr.com)
broadcasts—5:30 PM

SATURDAY MORNING
Sixth Floor Lounge
Torah Study—9:15 AM
Sanctuary (Fifth at 65th)
Organ Recital—10:15 AM
Service Begins—10:30 AM

**Services also may be heard
at www.emanuelnyc.org.**



Hearing loop in Sanctuary and Beth-El Chapel; switch aid to T-coil. Headsets or neck loops also available.

WEEKLY PARASHAH

Saturday, March 28

Torah Portion—*Vayikra*

Readings—Leviticus 1:1-5:26; Deuteronomy 25:17-19; I Samuel 15:2-34

Sermon: Rabbi Posner

SHABBAT HaGADOL (The Great Sabbath)

Saturday, April 3

Torah Portion—*Tzav*

Readings—Leviticus 6:1-8:36; Jeremiah 7:21-8:3; 9:22-23

Sermon: Rabbi Posner

ADDITIONAL WORSHIP

Shabbat Shalom

Friday, March 27

6:30 PM • One East 65th

This month's service will honor the members of our Adult *B'nei Mitzvah* class.

Shabbat Kodesh

Friday, April 3

6:30 PM • Beth-El Chapel

See full details inside.

Tot Shabbat

Saturday, April 4

10 AM • One East 65th

This month's program will help us prepare for Passover.

Eve of Passover

Wednesday, April 8

5:30 PM • Beth-El Chapel

All are invited to join us for Eve of Passover services.

Our annual seder broadcast will be aired this evening over WQXR Radio (96.3 FM) from 7 PM to 8 PM.

First Day of Passover

Thursday, April 9

10:30 AM • Sanctuary

Services also may be heard over the Internet.

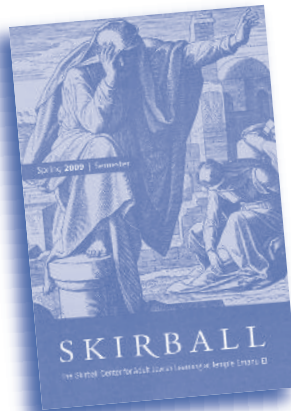
Lonely Man of Faith: The Life and Legacy of Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik

**Sunday, March 29 • 5 PM • Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell
Community House (One East 65th) • Cost: \$20 per person**

THE MOVING STORY of **Joseph B. Soloveitchik**, the famous rabbinic scholar, is told in this film by **Ethan Isenberg**. Soloveitchik battled ignorance, extremism and corruption in order to prove that a genuine life of faith, although lonely, can be lived in consonance with the modern world. The film portrays his inspiring life, his tremendous effect and the complicated legacy he left behind. The screening, sponsored by the **Skirball Center for Adult Jewish Learning at Temple Emanu-El**, will be followed by a discussion led by **Dr. Neil Gillman** about Soloveitchik's theology and its relevance for contemporary Jews. (212) 507-9580



Skirball Spring Semester



CLASSES FOR THE SKIRBALL SPRING SEMESTER begin **Monday, April 27**.

Once again, prior to the official start of the semester, Skirball will sponsor **Jewish University in a Day**, this time on **Sunday, April 19** from **10:30 AM to 4:30 PM** (\$75 with preregistration, includes lunch; \$100 at the door, lunch not included). Emanu-El congregants receive 25 percent off full-semester courses. (212) 507-9580

The Cemeteries of Congregation Emanu-El Salem Fields and Beth-El

A limited number of
above-ground crypts are available
in our community mausoleum.

For information, please call
Dr. Mark W. Weisstuch at the
Temple Office, (212) 744-1400.

Charles S. Salomon The Universal Funeral Chapel

1076 Madison Avenue
(212) 753-5300

Our service is available in the
Temple, home or our Chapel.

The following student of our Religious School will become a BAT MITZVAH:

Saturday, April 4

Elizabeth M. Cooper,
daughter of
Juliet and Neil Cooper

We are grateful for their sponsorship of the Friday evening *Oneg Shabbat*.

PULPIT FLOWERS at worship services have been donated generously by our congregants:

For the Sabbath of April 3 and 4

In loving memory
of *Clara Fisch*

For Passover (April 8 and 9)

James Buttenwieser
in loving memory of
Helen L. Buttenwieser

Dr. Barbara L. and Sandra M. Claster in memory of
Della F. and Philip A. Leiner
and *Miriam H. and Aaron H. Claster*, loving parents
and grandparents

NEW ON THE TEMPLE EMANU-EL WEB SITE...

B'nei mitzvah resources for students and families, including text and recordings of the Hebrew blessings, family prayers and mitzvah opportunities. Click on "Learning" → "Religious School" → "Bar & Bat Mitzvah Program."

Spring Mitzvah Weekend

**Friday, April 17
through Sunday, April 19**

SPRING MITZVAH WEEKEND

offers an opportunity to work alongside fellow congregants to help make a difference in our community.

All Temple members are encouraged to participate in the Friday evening opening by attending worship at 5:15 PM in the Sanctuary.

At the *Oneg Shabbat* immediately following services, we will light candles and say blessings. Volunteer projects (many requiring only a two-hour commitment) will be held Saturday and Sunday.

- Channel your inner performer by singing, dancing, playing an instrument or telling jokes for seniors residing at The Esplanade, an assisted living facility on the Upper West Side.
- Help host an afternoon of lunch, entertainment and friendship for victims of domestic violence (women and children).
- Serve brunch to families staying at New York's Ronald McDonald House.
- Learn how you can help with the crisis surrounding homeless animals.
- Roll up your sleeves and help beautify our beloved Central Park.
- And, of course, we will be collecting donations of nonperishable foods!

Full information packages will be sent to Temple members through the mail. Information also is available on the Temple Web site: www.emanuelnyc.org. Click "Community" → "Volunteer Opportunities" → "Mitzvah Weekend."



MANY THANKS to all who participated in two recent Tikkun Olam events: Sandwiches on Sunday and Purim for the Troops.

Through your efforts ...

- **100+ lunch bags were delivered to Yorkville Common Pantry**
- **100+ lunch bags were delivered to the Jan Hus Homeless Outreach Program, along with several large bags of donated clothing.**
- **100+ bags of food were picked up by City Harvest**
- **55 *mishloach manot* packages of hamantaschen and assorted goodies were assembled and boxed up for shipment to our troops overseas.**

TORAH COMMENTARY

View our weekly Torah commentary on the Emanu-El Web site: www.emanuelnyc.org. Follow the link from the Home Page. Previous commentaries can be viewed through the archive.

WEEKLY MUSIC

Music programs for Sabbath and holiday services, complete with song titles and composer names, are posted on the Emanu-El Web site. Click "Worship" → "Music at Emanu-El."

BROADCAST OF SERVICES

Worship services can be downloaded from the Emanu-El Web site or listened to through the Emanu-El Audio Player. Click "Worship" → "Broadcast of Services." Services generally are available within one hour of the conclusion of the live service.

ELECTRONIC SUBSCRIPTIONS

Keep up with the latest Temple news through our weekly electronic newsletter, delivered directly to your in-box each Friday morning. Subscribe through the Temple Web site. Click "About Us" → "Publications" → "Electronic Mailing Lists."

If you wish to receive the weekly electronic newsletter instead of the biweekly print edition, then call the Temple Office to have your name removed from the mailing list. Your efforts to help us "go green" are appreciated! Call (212) 744-1400, ext. 215.

Events for Passover

THE NAME "PASSOVER" derives from Moses' promise that God would "pass over" the homes of Israelites on the evening when firstborn Egyptians were to be slain. (Exodus 12:23) Reform Jews celebrate Passover for seven days. The following events have been organized at Temple Emanu-El in honor of the holiday.

Religious School

Passover University

Wednesday, April 1 • 5 PM

Sunday, April 5 • 9:30 AM

Monday, April 6 • 5 PM

10 East 66th Street

Religious School parents are invited to join us for our second annual Passover University. While your children are in class, come and do some learning of your own. Take your pick from a series of classes led by Emanu-El clergy and staff that will help you to make the most of your holiday celebration. Get handy cooking tips, learn about some creative twists to bring to your seder, or gain insight into the history and meaning of Passover. Feel free to take a class or two on any of the three Passover University dates. (212) 744-1400, ext. 334

Shabbat Kodesh Service & Family Dinner

Friday, April 3 • 6:30 PM

Beth-El Chapel

This month's service will honor our high school students who have taken on a leadership role within our congregational community and will be followed by our final Religious School Family Dinner of the year. Activities include Passover-related arts and crafts for kids of all ages, "cooking with matzah" for students in grades 6 and up, and thought-provoking study on the week's Torah portion and the connections between Shabbat and Passover. **Dinner reservations are required.** Cost is \$35 per fam-



ily (including two adults) for reservations made by Monday, March 30, \$50 after March 30 and \$10 for each additional adult. (212) 744-1400, ext. 226.

Young Families: Tot Shabbat

Saturday, April 4 • 10 AM

One East 65th Street

Join us for a special Passover celebration geared toward our youngest Temple members. (212) 744-1400, ext. 242

The Sun, the Moon and the Meaning of Freedom

Saturday, April 4 • 4 PM

One East 65th Street

Observed on the Shabbat prior to Passover, Shabbat HaGadol is traditionally an occasion to hear sermons about the laws of Pesach. Adapting this custom, we offer an opportunity to reflect on the deeper meanings of the holiday and to prepare spiritually for the upcoming festival. Join us on the afternoon of the Sabbath prior to Passover for an engaging, interactive class taught by Skirball Center Executive Director Leon Morris. The class will be followed by a Passover musical performance and light refreshments. **There is no charge for this event.** (212) 507-9580

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Opera Gala 2009

Wednesday, April 22 • 6 PM • Sanctuary (Fifth Avenue at 65th)

SPONSORED IN COOPERATION with the **Richard Tucker Music Foundation**, this biennial concert series features a cavalcade of star performers from the Metropolitan Opera. Founded in 1975, the Richard Tucker Music Foundation is a nonprofit cultural organization dedicated to perpetuating the artistic legacy of the great American tenor through the support and advancement of the careers of talented American opera singers by bringing opera into the community. The Foundation seeks to heighten appreciation for opera by offering free performances in the New York metropolitan area and by supporting music-education enrichment programs.

Admission is free and open to the public. Temple members may reserve priority seating by calling (212) 744-1400, ext. 215; tickets then will be mailed to you.



Events for Passover (continued)

Homebound Delivery Sunday, April 5 • 9 AM One East 65th Street

Volunteers are needed to pack Passover meals for homebound seniors. Breakfast will be served to all volunteers. Individuals and families with cars also are needed to deliver these Passover packages. Both drivers and riders should report to the community house at 9 AM to pick up their meals and routing assignments. (212) 744-1400, ext. 215

Second Seder for the Elderly Thursday, April 9 1 PM to 7 PM 10 East 66th Street

Second Seder is one of the longest running community service programs offered by the Temple. It is staffed by dedicated Temple members who volunteer their time to help make this evening possible. Start time for Second Seder varies depending upon the job to which you are assigned:

- Setting tables — 1 PM
- Kitchen staff (meal preparation) — 1:30 PM
- Bus escort (from senior center locations) — 3:30 PM
- Table service — 4 PM
- Elevator service — 4:30 PM
- Preparation of bus bags — 6 PM

Because of the nature of our work and the strict timetable, this program is limited to adults and youths in grades 5 through 12. (212) 744-1400, ext. 215

Special Items for Passover on the Temple Web Site

- Understanding the Seder
- Cyber Seder
- Songs for Passover
- Passover recipes
- Passover resources in our Temple Library
- Additional Passover resources on the Web

To access, click “Worship” → “Holy Days & Festivals.”



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Mendelssohn Organ Recital

Wednesday, April 1 • 7:30 PM • Sanctuary (Fifth Avenue at 65th Street)

INTERNATIONAL CONCERT ORGANIST, lecturer and recording artist **Gail Archer** will perform works by Felix Mendelssohn and composers influenced by his compositions and research, particularly his work in bringing to light the music of J.S. Bach, which inaugurated the great Bach revival in the 19th century. The program will feature music by Clara Schumann, Robert Schumann, Johannes Brahms and Max Reger. Attendance is free and open to the public.

GAIL ARCHER lives in New York, where she serves as chair of the music department at Barnard College, Columbia University. She also serves as artistic director of Lunchtime Organ Recitals at Central Synagogue. She recently was appointed to the organ faculty at Manhattan School of Music and as college organist at Vassar College.



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