

Temple Emanu-El Bulletin



IMPORTANT REMINDER: EMANU-EL READS

This year, Emanu-El's adventurous and intellectually curious readers will have the opportunity to discuss *The Liberated Bride* by A.B. Yehoshua. **See page 3 for more information.**

WORSHIP SERVICES

SUNDAY — THURSDAY

5:30 PM • Marvin & Elisabeth
Cassell Community House
(One East 65th Street)

FRIDAY EVENING

Temple Sanctuary
(Fifth Avenue at 65th Street)

Organ Recital—5 PM
Service Begins—5:15 PM

SATURDAY MORNING

Sixth Floor Lounge
(One East 65th Street)

Torah Study—9:15 AM

Temple Sanctuary
(Fifth Avenue at 65th Street)

Organ Recital—10:15 AM
Service Begins—10:30 AM

K. Scott Warren,

Organist/Choir Director

Services may be heard live or through the Temple website at www.emanuelnyc.org. Follow the "Listen to the Broadcast of Services" link from the Home Page.

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



Baby Steps: Jewish Parenting @ Emanu-El

By Rabbi Amy B. Ehrlich

WHEN A CHILD IS NAMED, the assembled guests recite this poem, found in the Talmud:

*May you live to see your world fulfilled;
May your destiny be for worlds still to come;
May you trust in generations past and yet to be;
May your heart be filled with intuition and your words with insight;*

*May songs of praise ever be on your tongue;
And your vision be a straight path before you;
May your eyes shine with the light of holy words;
May your face reflect the brightness of the heavens;
May your lips ever speak wisdom and your fulfillment be in righteousness.*



(Talmud, B'rachot 17a)

Little children bring with them big questions. How many parents have wished for an instruction manual to smooth the path from infancy to maturity! While earlier generations looked to Dr. Spock, today's young parents are turning to the type of wisdom set out by authors such as Wendy Mogel, Ph.D., whose book *The Blessing of a Skinned Knee: Using Jewish Teachings to Raise Self-Reliant Children* encourages many couples to re-examine and rediscover the depth of our tradition.

We don't have to look far to see how Judaism can be a guide. Our own experience with holidays such as Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur teach us values about how to celebrate; how to see where we may have fallen short; what it means to resolve to be better. After many years of acknowledging failures, seeking forgiveness and forgiving others, the holidays have taught us how to set realistic expectations as we reach for our best selves. That kind of generosity and self-acceptance is but one example of how our faith can be a model for parents.

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WEEKLY TORAH PORTION

Parashat T'rumah

(Exodus 25:1-27:19)

Read Saturday, February 5

Synopsis: Israelites bring gifts to build Tabernacle; God gives directions for building the Ark, table, lamp-stand, the Tabernacle itself, framework, curtain, altar for burnt offerings.

Sermon: Rabbi Zeidman

Parashat T'tzaveh

(Exodus 27:20-30:10)

Read Saturday, February 12

Synopsis: Laws of the eternal light; how to make the priestly vestments, breastplate and ephod; how to ordain the priests; how to make the daily sacrificial offerings; how to build and use the altar of incense.

Sermon: Rabbi Posner

Parashat Ki Tisa

(Exodus 30:11-34:35)

Read Saturday, February 19

Synopsis: Tabernacle tax, washing and anointing oil; Bezalel and Oholiab named chief Tabernacle builders; admonition to keep the Sabbath; God gives Moses tablets with commandments; the Golden Calf; command to leave Sinai and promise of safe passage; Moses sees God pass before him; Moses carves new tablets, and renews the covenant.

Sermon: Rabbi Posner

Parashat Vayak'heil

(Exodus 35:1-38:20)

Read Saturday, February 26

Synopsis: Sabbath regulations; preparing to build the Tabernacle; personal contributions to building project; Bezalel and Oholiab build Tabernacle and all sacrificial equipment.

Sermon: Rabbi Ehrlich

Worship & Spirituality



Chanting of the Haftarah: Trop/Cantillation

Wednesday, February 2, 9, 16, 23 • 12 PM • One East 65th St.

TROP IS THE musical language of the Torah and Haftarah, the weekly supplemental readings from Prophets and Writings. Every word, sung with different melodies but the same underlying structure, has a musical/grammatical symbol that helps us chant, punctuate and interpret the text.

Cantor Lori Corrsin leads this class, which is part of our 2011 schedule of adult-education programs. Willingness for home study is essential. The text and an audio recording will be provided. Prerequisite: A basic reading knowledge of Hebrew and knowledge of Torah cantillation.

Shabbat Kodesh & Family Dinner

**Friday, February 11 • 6:30 PM • Beth-El Chapel
(Dinner follows at 7:30 PM • One East 65th Street)**

AT SHABBAT KODESH, Hebrew prayers are sung with lively melodies, and the weekly Torah reading is made meaningful through creative storytelling. This month's service will include a performance by the Junior Choir and will be followed by a dinner for all Emanu-El families and their guests. Dinner reservations are required.

The cost for dinner is \$35 per family (including two adults) for reservations made by Monday, February 7; \$50 per family after February 7; and \$10 for each additional adult. Charges will be billed to your Emanu-El account and will appear on your next statement. After February 7, cancellations cannot be refunded. RSVP to the Religious School at (212) 744-1400, ext. 226 or school@emanuelnyc.org.



Become familiar with the service's prayers and blessings through recordings on the Temple website. Click "Learning" → "Religious School" → "Shabbat Kodesh" → "Prayers & Blessings."

Young Families: Tot Shabbat

Saturday, February 12 • 10 AM • One East 65th Street

FOR OUR PRESCHOOL through kindergarten families we offer a creative and age-appropriate service that incorporates singing, movement and storytelling. Guests are welcome; reservations required.

RSVP to Young Families by Friday, February 11; send an e-mail to youngfamilies@emanuelnyc.org or call (212) 744-1400, ext. 242.

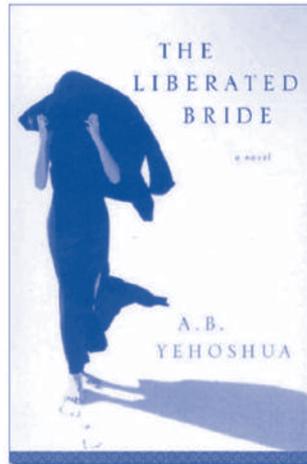
Book Discussion



EMANU-EL READS

The Liberated Bride

EVERY YEAR SINCE **Emanu-El Reads** began, inspired by congregant Maxwell Moss' idea for a congregationwide learning and reading experience, we have explored a different genre of literature. This year, Temple Emanu-El's adventuresome and intellectually curious readers will have the opportunity to read and discuss ***The Liberated Bride*** by **A.B. Yehoshua**, one of the greatest novelists and writers working in Israel today and writing in Hebrew. Famous for his warmth and appreciation of human nature, Yehoshua spins stories that enthrall the reader and whose characters are both lovable and exasperating. He describes life in Israel with its diverse population and the challenges Israelis face.



ABOUT THE BOOK

A novel that stirs us to examine the nature of loyalty, identity and history itself, *The Liberated Bride* presents a multitude of sectors in Israeli life, as seen through the eyes of an endearing professor named Yochanan Rivlin.

Acclaimed author Yehoshua begins the journey with a wedding; the bride is one of Rivlin's students, a young Arab woman from a village in the Galilee. From this memorable evening springs a series of storylines that weave together Rivlin's own wife (a venerable judge), his research in Algeria's recent civil war, his son's failed marriage, translations of ancient storytelling, and even the passersby in Rivlin's neighborhood. As a fascinating tapestry emerges from scenes that are by turns deeply serious and highly entertaining, Yehoshua captures the universal desire for truth as well as the legacies of conquest that ripple throughout the world. (Source: *Reading Group Guides*)



ABOUT THE AUTHOR

ABRAHAM B. YEHOSHUA was born in 1936 in Jerusalem and today lives in Haifa. He studied Hebrew literature and philosophy at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. He has taught at high school and university levels and taught in Paris while living there from 1963 to 1967. He is a professor of literature at Haifa University. Best known as a novelist and playwright, Mr. Yehoshua is among the most widely recognized Israeli authors internationally. (Source: *Jewish Virtual Library*)

EMANU-EL READS EVENTS

The following programs are free and open to all Temple members. Enter at One East 65th Street.

Israelis and Palestinians: Personal Interfaith Perspectives

February 7 • 6:30 PM

The lives of Israelis and Palestinians, as *The Liberated Bride* eloquently attests, constantly and inevitably intersect. Yet, the cross-currents of religious and territorial demands have created a vexatious and seemingly insoluble problem. We will explore the communal, political and religious dimensions of the interaction of Israelis and Palestinians. The panel, to be moderated by **Rabbi Justus Baird**, will feature **Joshua Frankel** and **Charlene Powell**, both part of the first **Christian-Jewish Seminary Program on Israel and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict**, a program of **Auburn Seminary** and the **American Jewish Committee**.

Who Is A.B. Yehoshua, and Why Are We Reading His Book?

February 28 • 6:30 PM

Author **Ruby Namdar** will discuss Yehoshua's place and influence in the world of contemporary Israeli literature.

EMANU-EL READS BOOK DISCUSSIONS

- Stettenheim Literary Circle
February 16 • 6:30 PM
- Women's Auxiliary
March 14 • 12:30 PM



Jewish Treasures From “Three Faiths: Judaism, Christianity and Islam”

Sunday, February 6 • 10:30 AM • One East 65th Street



ALL TEMPLE MEMBERS are invited to this special lecture co-sponsored by the **Herbert & Eileen Bernard Museum** at Temple Emanu-El and the **Harry G. Friedman Society**. Senior consultant for special collections at the Library of the Jewish Theological Seminary (JTS) **David Wachtel** will speak on “First Among Equals: Jewish Treasures From the New York Public Library Exhibition *Three Faiths: Judaism, Christianity and Islam*.” Mr. Wachtel was curator of the Jewish section of the exhibition, which is on display at the main branch of the library (Fifth Avenue and 42nd Street) through February 27.

Three Faiths includes 200 rare and precious works created over the past 1,500 years. Among them, great works of the miniaturist’s art and of calligraphy, drawn from all three faiths, delight the eye, as they have done since their creation centuries ago. Manuscript materials are accompanied by some of the most significant printed works of the past 550 years. The scrolls, codices, illuminated manuscripts and printed volumes are complemented selectively by important bindings, early photographs, prints, maps, and liturgical or ritual objects dating from the fifth century of the Common Era to the present.



DAVID WACHTEL holds advanced degrees in medieval history and Jewish studies from Columbia University. He teaches and lectures in the United States, Israel and Europe on topics in Jewish history and Jewish art. He is a faculty member at the Skirball Center for Adult Jewish Learning at Temple Emanu-El and has co-curated exhibitions at the Herbert and Eileen Bernard Museum, as well as at JTS.

TORAH COMMENTARY

Get more out of the Torah! Read our weekly Torah commentary, written by our clergy and Temple staff, on the Emanu-El website: www.emanuelnyc.org. Then, become part of the discussion through our Torah Commentary Blog. **Follow the link from the Home Page.** Previous commentaries can be read through the archive.

WEEKLY TORAH STUDY

Emanu-El’s Sabbath morning study explores the weekly *parashah* from a variety of perspectives. Join us from 9:15 AM to 10:15 AM in the Cassell Community House, One East 65th Street. No previous knowledge is required.

TORAH RESOURCES

Bibliographies of Torah resources available at the Ivan M. Stettenheim Library, prepared by Temple Librarian Elizabeth Stabler, are available on the Emanu-El website.



Click “Learning” → “Torah Study.” Resources include Torah translations with commentaries, medieval commentaries, works on individual Torah portions and great books on Bible study.

The library is open to Emanu-El congregants, children of the Religious School and students of the Skirball Center for Adult Jewish Learning at Temple Emanu-El for the duration of their courses. All others should call (212) 744-1400, ext. 360 for an appointment.

Traveling in Time: Family Stories

Sunday, February 6 • 10 AM to 2 PM • One East 65th Street

IN JEWISH TRADITION, people in each generation must preserve stories as their legacy. In turn, these stories keep people, traditions and memories alive.

Using biblical texts of journeys and family relationships as springboards, participate in a workshop interweaving themes into your personal and family stories. Use your creativity to search out connected stories so that we actively may recall, retrieve, and retell the tales that influence and shape us as individuals and as Jews.

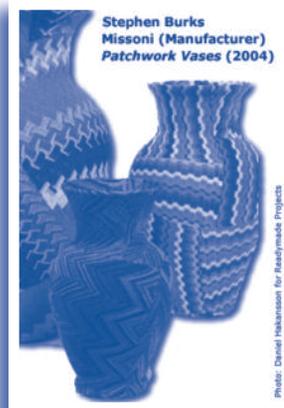


PENINNAH SCHRAM, internationally known storyteller, teacher, author and recording artist, is associate professor of speech and drama at Stern College of Yeshiva University. Ms. Schram is the author of nine books of Jewish folktales, including *Jewish Stories One Generation Tells Another* and *Stories Within Stories: From the Jewish Oral Tradition*. She received a Covenant Award for Outstanding Jewish Educator in 1995.

This event is sponsored by the Skirball Center for Adult Jewish Learning at Temple Emanu-El. Skirball Sunday Seminars are open to the public. Coffee and bagels are served. Enter at the Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell Community House. Sessions are pay-as-you-go (\$60 each); register in advance by calling (212) 507-9580 or by logging on to www.adultjewishlearning.org.

Museum of Arts and Design

Wednesday, February 9 • 11:45 AM (Tour starts at noon)
Museum of Arts and Design, 2 Columbus Circle



THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY cordially invites all Temple members and their guests for a docent-led tour of *The Global Africa Project*, which surveys the rich pool of new talent emerging from the African continent and its influence on artists around the world. Lunch will follow at *Robert* on the 9th floor.

Space is limited to 25 persons. An additional tour can be scheduled the following week if there is sufficient demand. Cost (which includes lunch) is \$55 for Women's Auxiliary members, \$65 for all others. RSVP to (212) 744-1400, ext. 235.

SKIRBALL



WINTER SEMESTER BEGINNING — REGISTER NOW!

It's not too late to participate in Skirball's winter semester. Register online through the Skirball website (www.adultjewishlearning.org), or call (212) 507-9580. Emanu-El congregants receive 15 percent off full-semester courses.

SPECIAL EVENT! Spinoza, Mendelssohn and the Parameters of Modern Judaism

February 15 • 6:30 PM

The Skirball Center celebrates its winter semester with the inaugural **Charles Grossman Lecture in Jewish Intellectual History**, featuring guest speaker **Rabbi David Ellenson**, president of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. Attendance is free and open to the public. Enter at One East 65th.



**TIKKUN OLAM
FEBRUARY EVENTS**

**Ronald McDonald
House Dinner**
February 24 • 5 PM

All potential volunteers (Temple members only) must preregister with the **Women's Auxiliary**; call (212) 744-1400, ext. 235. Must be at least 18 years old and in good health.

Stitch'n Time
February 27 • 11 AM

Temple adults and youth are invited to participate. Sessions meet until 2 PM. Yarns and patterns are provided, but you must bring your own knitting needles (#8). Enter at One East 65th Street.

SAVE THESE DATES! Temple Emanu-El's annual **Homebound Delivery** of Passover meals has been scheduled for **April 10** from 9 AM to 3 PM. Volunteers from the Temple will be needed to both pack and deliver food bags.

Second Seder for the Elderly, to be held **April 19**, is one of Temple Emanu-El's longest-running community-service events. Temple volunteers will be needed to prepare and serve dinner, as well as escort our guests to the Temple and greet them upon arrival.

Registration materials will be sent in the mail shortly, as well as posted to the website. Please keep an eye out for them, and return the volunteer form as soon as possible. Thank you!

Men's Club Brunch

Sunday, February 13 • 10 AM • One East 65th Street

THE MEN'S CLUB cordially invites all Temple members and their guests to brunch with guest speaker **Rabbi Alvin Kass**, chief chaplain of the **New York City Police Department**.

RABBI KASS, the longtime spiritual leader of East Midwood Jewish Center earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from Columbia University, and a B.H.L. and M.H.L. from the Jewish Theological Seminary, where he also received rabbinical training. He earned a doctorate in history and philosophical foundations of education from New York University.



The cost for this event is \$30 for Men's Club members, \$35 for all other Temple members and their guests. RSVP to (212) 744-1400, ext. 250.

Community • Volunteering



TIKKUN OLAM

Association to Benefit Children

Saturday, February 12 • 11 AM • 1841 Park Ave. (at 126th St.)

IF YOU LOVE working with children, then join us at the **Association to Benefit Children's Echo Park facility** for one, two or three hours of helping with children ranging in age from newborn to 16 years old. Volunteers will choose the age group with which they would like to work and assist with story time, music and dance, arts and crafts, lunchtime and snack time. This project is suitable for adults, high school students and "tweens" with an adult partner.

Stanley M. Isaacs Center

Tuesday, February 15 • 1 PM • 415 East 93rd Street

DO YOU HAVE basic needlepoint skills? If so, then please join us as we instruct a group of senior citizens during a mid-day craft session at the **Stanley M. Isaacs Neighborhood Center**. The mission of the Isaacs Center, founded in 1964, is to promote social and physical well-being and to encourage growth, self-reliance and dignity throughout life.

Tikkun Olam events require preregistration with the Tikkun Olam Committee: (212) 744-1400, ext. 452 or tikkunolam@emanuelnyc.org. Please include the project title as the subject of your e-mail.

Jewish Parenting (continued)

Parents may be surprised by how well Jewish principles translate into daily living, using wisdom that pertains to every age and stage. When Shabbat opens the door to spending

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time that is dedicated to family and community, rather than changing the world, then simply “being” and resting will become what the Sabbath was meant to be.

When our children see homeless men and women and wonder how they can help, using a *Tzedakah* Box demonstrates a tangible way to care

for others. Just sharing a meal can be an expression of gratitude for our blessings and a time of cooperation. Bedtime rituals, such as singing *Sh'ma* together, can translate the safety a child feels in his or her parents' arms into a greater understanding that we are sheltered under God's love, too.

Jewish parenting is about shaping a *mensch*...a child who will grow to embrace his or her potential while contributing to the welfare of the community...and about teaching children that celebration and sanctification can help achieve balance when society sends other messages. These blessings and lessons are tools for life.

With the introduction of our **New Mothers Group** this month (see below), Emanu-El has a place for parents and children of every age, from newborn through high school. May their eyes shine with the light of holy words!

What do you think?
Share your thoughts on our blog. Click “About Us” → “Publications.”



New Mothers Group

COME EXPLORE AND SHARE helpful parenting skills with other mothers in our community. Topics to be discussed include adjusting to motherhood, negotiating family roles, establishing positive and consistent routines, incorporating Jewish ritual into your family life and finding a healthy balance as a parent. New Mothers is geared toward mothers with babies up to 12 months old. (Mothers with older children also are welcome.)



Sessions will meet Thursdays starting February 17 for eight weeks, from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM. Cost is \$395 for Temple members, \$450 for nonmembers. Preregistration is required. Send your contact information to parenting@emanuelnyc.org, or call Rabbi Ehrlich's study at (212) 744-1400, ext. 206. Please include “New Mothers” in the subject line of your e-mail.



EMANU-EL EATS

The Emanu-El Eats Committee

is compiling recipes from congregants and Temple staff for our cookbook—recipes such as this delicious and easy cookie recipe below from our multi-talented Senior Director of Development and Philanthropy **Robyn Cimbol**.

FORGOTTEN COOKIES

Makes about 4 dozen

- 3 egg whites
- Scant 1¼ cups sugar
- 8 ounces chocolate chips, or more if desired
- 5 drops vanilla extract or liqueur of choice such as Kahlua or Cointreau

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F. If desired, line two cookie sheets with foil.
2. Beat egg whites until stiff, gradually adding in sugar as you beat.
3. Fold in the chocolate chips and extract or liqueur.
4. Drop batter by teaspoonful onto ungreased or foil-lined cookie sheets and place in the preheated oven. Turn the oven off immediately and leave cookies in the oven, with the oven door closed, for at least 8 hours or overnight.

If you haven't already submitted your favorite, original recipes, then please do as soon as possible. Mail them to Emanu-El Eats, Temple Emanu-El, One East 65th St., NY, NY 10065, or complete our online **Recipe Form**. (Click “Community” → “Emanu-El Eats.”) And once you've done that, enjoy Robyn's fabulous cookies, guilt free!





TEEN PROGRAMS

Mitzvah Corps

Unit 5 learning sessions will be held **February 2** and **6**.

Our action session will be held at **Homes for the Homeless** on **February 9**.

Reflection sessions will be held **February 13** and **16**.

Midnight Run

Students in **Grades 9 through 12** are invited to help the homeless by delivering food and other necessities at our annual "Midnight Run" event on **February 11** from **6:30 PM to 1 AM**.

Call (212) 744-1400, ext. 329 for details.

Lirdof Tzedek

Our Family & Friend Volunteer Session will be held at the **Association to Benefit Children** on **February 12** from **10 AM to 2 PM**.

BAR/BAT MITZVAH PREPARATION

Children must be enrolled in Religious School in order to become a bar or bat mitzvah at Emanu-El.

A date can be scheduled when a child is in fourth grade or is 10 years old.

To register your child for Religious School, call (212) 744-1400, ext. 226.

To schedule a date, call Sherry Nehmer at (212) 744-1400, ext. 312.

SCHOOL CLOSING

The Religious School will be closed **February 20 through February 23** for **Presidents Week**.

College Connection

ARE YOU IN COLLEGE?

Are your child in college?

Temple Emanu-El wants to make sure that college students feel like a part of their Emanu-El community and that they maintain their Jewish heritage.

College Connection is a loose network of college students who grew up at

Emanu-El. We're planning on keeping in touch by providing information about Jewish opportunities all over the country, what's happening at the Temple and low-key events to be held during breaks from school.



Students must complete our online registration form. Click "Community" → "College Connection" on the Temple website. Even if you've registered with us before, we ask that you resubmit the form on a yearly basis so that we're sure to have your most recent college address.



Saviv

ARE YOU A Temple Emanu-El member in your 20s or 30s?

Do you know nonmembers who are in their 20s and 30s?

Let us know if you are interested in meaningful, innovative and fun programming with **Saviv**, a Jewish community for people who seek to explore authentic, progressive Jewish tradition and practice in an open, inviting atmosphere.



Log on to the Saviv website at www.saviv.org for details and upcoming events.

Religious School



Shul of Rock Auditions

Sunday, February 27 • 12 PM • 10 East 66th Street

THIS SPRING, students in Grades 5 and up will have a very special opportunity to perform in a "Glee" style singing/dancing ensemble at Emanu-El, led by Jewish rock performer **Hadar Orshalimy**. Bring a song you love to sing, or have a prepared dance!

Rehearsals will be held Sundays at noon on March 6; April 3 and 17; and May 1, 8 and 15. We will perform at the May 20 Shabbat Kodesh service, the May 22 Religious School closing assembly and at a social-justice performance outside the Temple (date to be determined). Students who are interested in auditioning should call Cantor Lori Corrsin at (212) 744-1400, ext. 333.

Life-Cycle Events



The following students of our Religious School will become **B'NEI MITZVAH** in February:

Saturday, February 5

Shane Friedman, son of Cozy and Joseph Friedman

Saturday, February 12

Noah Amick, son of Randi and Bruce Amick

Maxwell Mandell, son of Jennifer and Mark Mandell

Saturday, February 26

Eyan Goldman, son of Elizabeth and Jonathan Goldman

Mark Fischer, son of Susanne and Howard Fischer

We are grateful for their sponsorship of each Friday evening's Oneg Shabbat.

PULPIT FLOWERS at worship services have been donated by the following congregants:

For the Sabbath of February 4 and 5

Barry, Patricia and Elizabeth Berkule in loving memory of *Lloyd I. Berkule*

Mrs. B. E. Brandes in loving memory of *Bernard E. Brandes*

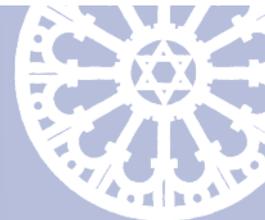
Mr. Sanford P. Brass in loving memory of his mother, *Rose D. Brass*

Mr. and Mrs. Elliot Brownstein in loving memory of *Sol Brownstein* and *Benjamin Silverman*

Edward Fleur in loving memory of his sister, *Joette Stephanie Fleur*

Mrs. A. Coleman Poll in loving memory of her brother, *Jacques G. Coleman, Jr.*

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1076 Madison Avenue
(212) 753-5300
Our service is available in the
Temple, home or our Chapel.

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.

REMEMBERING LOVED ONES

Have the name of a loved one recited during our daily *Kaddish*. Temple Emanu-El's Sunset Service is held Sunday through Thursday in Greenwald Hall of the Marvin and Elizabeth Cassell Community House, One East 65th Street. Participation is open to the public.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY TRIBUTE FUND

Commemorate significant life-cycle events in a meaningful way and support the activities of the Women's Auxiliary at the same time. Call (212) 744-1400, ext. 235.

OF BLESSED MEMORY

At the time of death, as well as during a period of illness, family members need the comfort, support and caring of a community. Temple Emanu-El's clergy and staff always are available to help soothe these difficult hours.

Because there are many ways to honor a loved one, the rabbis and cantor can provide guidance that is suited to your family's personal philosophy. Call (212) 744-1400.

A REMINDER ABOUT SPONSORSHIPS

Because the Temple Emanu-El *Bulletin* is a monthly publication, please be advised that we need at least one month's notice for Pulpit Flower dedications and *Oneg Shabbat* sponsorships. Call Sherry Nehmer at (212) 744-1400, ext. 312.

PULPIT FLOWERS (continued)

For the Sabbath of February 11 and 12

Mary K. and Rabbi Howard I. Bogot in loving memory of *Maxine Livingston Elbaum*

For the Sabbath of February 18 and 19

Bettijane and Steven Eisenpreis in loving memory of *Alfred Eisenpreis, and Carol Hess Long and Clinton Mayer Long*

Stuart Goldsmith in loving memory of his parents, *Margot and Max Goldsmith,* and his grandparents *Thekla and Abraham Hess*

For the Sabbath of February 25 and 26

Rosalind Pretzfelder in loving memory of *George Pretzfelder*

Birth (Welcoming Ceremonies) at Temple Emanu-El

WELCOMING A CHILD into your world (whether by birth or adoption) is one of life's greatest joys, and Temple Emanu-El is ready to help you celebrate the transition to family life in a Jewish way.

If you have a boy, a **bris** (or *brit*, the Hebrew word for "covenant," here referring to the covenant of circumcision), takes place on the eighth day after birth. A *bris* is a symbolic way of affirming the ancient relationship established between Abraham and his descendants, acknowledging that this child and his parents will be part of the continuity. Some families choose to have a *mohel* perform the procedure; others prefer a physician who has been educated in the appropriate Jewish rituals. A *bris* may take place in your home or at the synagogue. Please contact the rabbis and cantor to discuss these options further.

If you have a girl, a **baby naming** may be celebrated at any time—although many families choose to hold it on the eighth day after birth, similar to a *bris*. Naming ceremonies may take place in your home or at the Temple, after scheduling a mutually convenient time for the family and the rabbi. A popular time is immediately after the Sabbath morning service, held in one of our beautiful sanctuaries.

A festive meal often follows a welcoming ceremony.

Questions about room availability and catering should be directed to Sherry Nehmer, our events coordinator, at (212) 744-1400, ext. 312.

At a Glance: February 2011



February 2
Wednesday, 12 PM
Chanting of the Haftarah
 One East 65th Street



February 6
Sunday, 10 AM - 2 PM
*Traveling in Time:
 Family Stories*
 One East 65th Street



February 6
Sunday, 10:30 AM
*Jewish Treasures
 From "Three Faiths"*
 One East 65th Street



February 7
Monday, 6:30 PM
*Israelies and
 Palestinians: Personal
 Interfaith Perspectives*
 One East 65th Street



February 9
Wednesday, 9 AM
Men's Club Book Group
 One East 65th Street



February 9
Wednesday, 11:45 AM
*Museum of
 Arts and Design*
 2 Columbus Circle



February 9
Wednesday, 12 PM
Chanting of the Haftarah
 One East 65th Street



February 11
Friday, 6:30 PM/7:30 PM
*Shabbat Kodesh &
 Family Dinner*
 Beth-El Chapel/One East 65th



February 11
Friday, 6:30 PM TO 1 AM
Midnight Run
 Bus leaves from One East 65th



February 12
Saturday, 10 AM
Tot Shabbat
 One East 65th Street



February 12
Saturday, 11 AM
*Association to
 Benefit Children*
 1841 Park Ave. (at 126th St.)



February 13
Sunday, 10 AM
Men's Club Brunch
 One East 65th Street



February 15
Tuesday, 1 PM
*Stanley M. Isaacs
 Neighborhood Center*
 415 East 93rd Street



February 15
Tuesday, 6:30 PM
*Spinoza, Mendelssohn
 and the Parameters of
 Modern Judaism*
 One East 65th Street



February 16
Wednesday, 12 PM
Chanting of the Haftarah
 One East 65th Street



February 16
Wednesday, 6:30 PM
Stettenheim Literary Circle
 One East 65th Street



February 23
Wednesday, 12 PM
Chanting of the Haftarah
 One East 65th Street



February 24
Thursday, 5 PM
*Ronald McDonald
 House Dinner*
 405 East 73rd Street



February 27
Sunday, 11 AM
Stitch'n Time
 One East 65th Street



February 27
Sunday, 12 PM
Shul of Rock Auditions
 10 East 66th Street



February 28
Monday, 6:30 PM
*Who Is A.B. Yehoshua,
 and Why Are We
 Reading His Book?*
 One East 65th Street



Book Discussion



Community • Volunteering



Film Screening



Lecture • Class • Tour



Meeting



Museum



Musical Program



Panel Discussion



Religious School Event



Worship & Spirituality



Young People's Program

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Ben Shahn (1898 – 1969)
Atelier Mourlot
Lithograph print, New York, 1968

HERBERT & EILEEN BERNARD MUSEUM

Object of the Month

Slowly I found that I must paint those things that were meaningful to me—that I could honestly paint in the shapes and colors I felt belonged to them. What shall I paint? Stories. — BEN SHAHN

BEN SHAHN WAS a Jewish Lithuanian-born American artist, muralist, social activist and photographer. Mr. Shahn became a leading American social realist, known for his linear and abstracted images imbued with his deep personal, political and social views. This print was adapted from an earlier 1968 lithograph *Birds in the City* for the Atelier Mourlot, a gallery located at 115 Bank Street in New York City.

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