# **Temple Emanuel Bulletin**

Connecting Generations

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# It's HERE!

Temple Emanuel's Jewish Festival

Sunday, March 23 11 am - 5 pm rain or shine



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### Eilu v'Eilu



Just over two thousand years ago, there were two great schools of Rabbinic thought.
One, the more liberal and lenient, was led by Rabbi Hillel. You may recognize that name since modern-day campus
Jewish communities have

organized using his name for over 100 years. For the first decade of my professional life, I was a Hillel Rabbi.

The more traditionalist school of interpretation was led by Rabbi Shammai. He was interested in preserving older practices and was often resistant to innovations and changes.

The Talmud lists dozens of debates between these two powerhouses of ancient Judaism. While the Talmud loves debates, it is also interested in outcomes. Judaism is, after all, a religion of action. "What are we supposed to do?" is a guiding concern.

Nearly every time that Rabbi Hillel and Rabbi Shammai are mentioned, Rabbi Hillel's positions and practices are the ones that are endorsed.

It might be easy to conclude that Judaism will <u>always</u> take the more "open" approach, favoring it to competing stricter interpretations.

That is why the Talmud tells a more nuanced story about one debate between Hillel and Shammai. That debate went on for years without any resolution. It lasted so long that a "Heavenly Voice" finally proclaimed that "both these and those are the words of the living God." signifying that even opposing viewpoints can be considered valid interpretations of Jewish tradition.

If you want to look up this section in the Talmud, see Tractate Eruvin, page 13b. Most references to this part of the Talmud also include the Hebrew phrase *Eilu v'Eilu*, which translates as "both these and those."

Eilu v'Eilu has become a way in Jewish shorthand to indicate the value of considering diverse viewpoints. This is true even when the issues under discussion are seriously contentious. This is true even when a position will ultimately be endorsed. Our tradition has valued the conversation, and has made it a point from time immemorial to record both prevailing opinions as well as those which are ultimately dismissed.

This coming month will feature celebrations of Purim and our annual Jewish Festival. We have been planning these events for months and I am so grateful to all who have contributed their resources and time to making them a success.

This coming month, Rabbi Hertz and I are also launching a series of conversations on issues facing us and society. We are calling these gatherings *Eilu v'Eilu*. We are doing this because we feel that it is important for people to hear from one another. Through sharing our lives and our perspectives, maybe there will be agreement. Or, as sometimes happens, we might just "agree to disagree."

During these, we will discuss Immigration, LGBTQ+ Inclusion, and "What's Going On In Washington?" For each issue, we want to sit together in community as we share, ponder, and listen to one another.

Similar to the Israel Chats that I convened last summer, these meetings will be open for sign-up with a limited number of spaces. Should we need to have a few groups for each topic, we will. The Eilu v'Eilu story of old parallels what has made Temple Emanuel such a strong presence for more than a century. Our connections to one another, and our ability to speak to and learn from one another, is just one more reflection of how "both these and those are the words of the living God."

Sincerest blessings and best wishes,

Rabbi Andy Koren

Senior Rabbi

# **World Zionist Congress 2025**

As we welcome this new year, our congregation's World Zionist Congress campaign team is putting our energy into action and working for a safe, secure, and democratic future for Israel in 2025.

The World Zionist Congress is the democratically elected international body that convenes every five years and is a way for Diaspora Jews like you to have a voice in Israel and stand up for pluralism, equality, security, and a path to peace. The 2025 WZC elections will take place March 10 - May 4. Our congregation has started to build our team - and we need your help!

Our success in this campaign depends on building a team in our congregation to spread the word and get our members to vote. We would love you to join us!

For more information, or to volunteer, you can contact Eve Knapp or Ken Stiles at eveaknapp@gmail.com or kenstiles4@gmail.com.

Our campaign will help ensure that Israel reflects our Reform Jewish values and is a place where our children and grandchildren will always be safe and welcome. The Reform Jewish representatives in the WZC help promote our values on issues that affect all of us.

#### WHAT'S AT STAKE?

Our opponents in the WZC campaign are highly motivated religious fundamentalists whose vision for the future of Israel is diametrically opposed to ours. They are organizing to destroy what we value, including:

- ☆ Chipping away at Israel's democracy
- Rolling back gains for gender equity, LGBTQ+ rights, and religious pluralism
- Stripping our Israeli Reform clergy especially our women rabbis and our Reform communities of their rights, funding, and infrastructure
- ♠ Making sure that our converts and children are not welcome in the Jewish state
- \* Expanding settlements and blocking any hope of Palestinian self-determination and safety Their vision writes Reform Jews out of the next chapter of Jewish history and will make Jews in Israel and around the world less safe.

Learn more about the WZC campaign at arza.org.



# The Mitzvot of Purim: Bringing Joy and Connection



Purim is one of the most joyous holidays on the Jewish calendar, a time of celebration, community, and gratitude. Beyond the costumes and festive meals, Purim is deeply rooted in

mitzvot—sacred obligations that help us connect to one another and to God. As we prepare for this holiday, let's reflect on the four central mitzvot of Purim and how they bring meaning to our celebration.

#### 1. Megillat Esther - Hearing the Story

On Purim, we are commanded to hear the reading of the Megillah (the Book of Esther) both at night and during the day. The story of Esther and Mordechai reminds us of the power of courage, faith, and standing up against injustice. When we listen to the Megillah, we become active participants in our history, remembering how the Jewish people overcame adversity and celebrating the miracles of survival and redemption.

#### 2. Mishloach Manot - Giving Gifts of Food

Purim is a holiday of connection and community, and one way we strengthen our bonds with one another is by exchanging community gifts of food. The mitzvah of mishloach embracing connection stradition fosters friendship and ensures that than ever. Chag Puri Purim.

# 3. Matanot La'evyonim - Supporting Those in Need

Tzedakah is always important, but on Purim, it takes on special significance. The mitzvah of matanot la'evyonim (gifts to the poor) encourages us to provide for those in need so they, too, can celebrate the Purim holiday with dignity and joy. We are required to give to at least two individuals or contribute to organizations that distribute funds to those in need on Purim day. In this way, our joy is shared and extended to the entire community.

#### 4. Seudat Purim - The Festive Meal

The joy of Purim culminates in a celebratory feast, a seudah. This meal is filled with delicious food, lively conversation, and gratitude for our blessings. Traditionally, the feast includes wine or grape juice, symbolizing the hidden miracles of Purim, and reminds us to approach life with gratitude and joy.

Purim is a holiday of laughter and lightheartedness, but its mitzvot come to remind us of our deeper responsibilities—celebrating our history, strengthening our community, caring for those in need, and embracing the joy that comes from connection. As we fulfill these mitzvot, may our celebrations be meaningful, our joy abundant, and our sense of unity stronger than ever.

Chag Purim Sameach!

Rabbí Amy Hertz Rabbi Educator

#### A Wicked Purim and Other Purim Fun!



Purim is coming soon! Join the Temple Emanuel community in celebrating this festive holiday that remembers Queen Esther saving the Jews of Persia from the wicked Haman (booo!!). Purim has always centered on joy and frivolity, but this year, more than ever, we delve into a time dedicated to happiness and the notion that even the unexpected is possible.

# COME FOR COSTUMES AND STORY, STAY FOR THE FUN AND GAMES!

Wicked, a Purim Story: Megillah Reading and Purim Spiel

Sunday, March 9 | Costume Parade: 10:00am, Megillah Reading and Spiel: 10:15am In-person and Online

It's the Purim story told the Wicked way. Come join in the fun for our Wicked-themed spiel, starring Temple Emanuel clergy, staff, and members. We'll kick it off with a parade of all audience members wearing costumes (Wicked-themed or otherwise) and continue with our singalong show, along with some Megillah reading, grogger noisemaking, and a chance to nosh some hamantaschen.

#### **Purim Carnival**

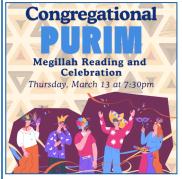
Sponsored by Kesher for the entire community

#### Sunday, March 9 | ~11:00am (immediately following spiel) - 1:00 pm | In-person

Get ready for great games and fun with friends at the annual Purim Carnival! The social hall will be transformed into a carnival with a bounce house, Purim games, and prizes. Lunch will be available for purchase from the Brotherhood.

For families with children ages 0-5, a special "tot" carnival area will be available. There will also be a sensory friendly area with Purim books and coloring sheets, open for all who would like a quiet, calm space.

Don't forget to bring cash for lunch and tickets for our fantastic Wicked themed RAFFLE basket!



#### Congregational Purim Megillah Reading | Thursday, March 13 | 7:30pm

Enjoy a presentation of the megillah along with some fun Purim songs from the "Not Ready for Purim" players, followed by delicious hamantashen and other goodies as we come together as a congregation to celebrate Purim. *Costumes encouraged!* 

#### Shabbat Together: Purim Edition | Friday, March 14 | 5:30pm

Come for a special Purim edition of our Shabbat Together Tot Shabbat service and Dinner, where we will be enjoying a Purim themed dinner, craft, and story.

#### **Festival Time**



It's Festival time! As I'm sure you know, Temple Emanuel's annual Jewish Festival will take place on Sunday, March 23, from 11am to 5pm. That's only three weeks away! The Festival is the Temple's

largest fundraiser, and it's a lot of fun as well.

I know what you're wondering. You want to know what you can do to help make the Jewish Festival as successful and fun as possible, right? Well, I'm glad you asked! First and foremost, you can sign up as a volunteer. Last year, my volunteer "job" was to walk around selling tickets, which was good fun. This year, I'm going back to the job I had at the first Festival in 2007: I'm going to be a greeter at the Jefferson Road entrance. I'll tell people where to find food and other attractions, where to buy tickets, and so on. My 17-year-old son Meyer will be inside, serving falafel.

What volunteer opportunities remain? A lot of them! As I write this, the Festival co-chairs, Stacey Papier and Jodi Kolada, are still looking for people to help in the Kid Zone (face paint not required); to bus tables and work in the kitchen; to answer questions about Temple membership; to help with parking; and to work in the Education area and teach our guests about Judaism and Israel.

They need more people to serve food and drinks: cold beverages, baked goods, deli sandwiches, egg creams, matzah ball soup.

You say you can't make it on Sunday the 23rd? Don't worry! We've got you covered, because we need a few more people to help set things up on Saturday the 22nd.

To sign up as a volunteer, go to the Festival website, <u>www.gsojfest.org</u>, and follow the links. You'll see what's still available, and I'm sure you'll find something fun to do.

You can also use the Festival website to...

- ⇒ Buy raffle tickets. It's a 50-50 raffle, so the grand prize is half the total sales of raffle tickets, up to the legal maximum of \$5,000. There are 2nd and 3rd prizes as well, and if sales are particularly strong, we may add more prizes. I've bought my raffle tickets, and I hope you will as well... even though you'll reduce my chances of winning.
- Pre-order food. You can order frozen knishes, frozen kugel, and other items, which you can pick up on the day of the Festival.
- Support the Festival by becoming a Friend, Patron, or Sponsor. You can be a Friend for as little as \$100, a Patron for as little as \$250, and your company can be a Sponsor for as little as \$500.
- Check out the names and logos of the Festival's many supporters, including our Premier Sponsors, Our State magazine and Flow Lexus of Greensboro.

There is one more thing you can do to help the Festival be an even bigger success than it was last year. Show up, have fun, eat some food, and buy some stuff. As in previous years, there will be a shuk inside and outside of the Temple, with vendors selling arts and crafts and other items.

So what are you waiting for? Sign up to join me as a volunteer, and let's get festive.

B'shalom,

Andrew Brod

Temple President President@tegreensboro.org

(You can also sign up to volunteer using the QR code on the next page.)

#### **Bat Mitzvah**



Adam and Rima Kleiner cordially invite the congregation to join them for Shabbat morning services on Saturday, March 29, at 10:30am, when their daughter, Naomi Diane will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah.

Naomi is a 7th grade student at Summerfield Carter Academy. She is the sister of Eli Kleiner and the granddaughter of Norbert and Teresa Kleiner and Mary Driggers.

The congregation is invited to a kiddush luncheon in Naomi's honor following the service on Saturday morning.

A growing number of families are visiting our pantry.



You can help make sure our shelves keep stocked.

# Sign up to be a recurring GREEN BAG DONOR





#### A Simple Gesture makes it easy!

Fill a bag, leave it on your porch on a designated Saturday, and a volunteer will pick it up. They will even leave an empty bag for you to fill next time!

Every new sign up means that JFS will receive additional bags of food for their pantry – every bag counts!

Scan the QR code or sign up at: asimplegesturegso.org/asg-green-bag-donor-program/



#### A Message from ECEC Director, Cassie Silverman

Dear Temple Emanuel Community,

February has been filled with creativity as our **students celebrate Tu B'Shevat, the Jewish New Year of the Trees!** From artwork to nature-based learning, they're exploring the beauty of growth and the environment around them.

Just like the trees we honor, our classrooms—Roots, Branches, and Canopies—are thriving, even in winter. As we look ahead to spring, we're eager to see our classroom garden bloom and continue hands-on learning.



Cassie Silverman **Director, ECEC** Temple Emanuel

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Monday-Friday | 8:30am-1pm | \$175 per Week 16 Months- 5 Years

Our camp dates are:

- Week 1: June 9-13
- Week 2: June 16-20
- Week 3: June 23-27
- Week 4: July 7-11
- Week 5: July 14-18
- Week 6: July 21-25
- Week 7: July 28- Aug 1

#### **Hamantaschen Orders!**

Purim is coming, and nothing makes the holiday sweeter than delicious, homemade hamantaschen! This year, we're offering a variety of flavors, including traditional poppy seed and prune, rich chocolate, and fruity favorites.

All proceeds from hamantaschen sales will support the Early Childhood Engagement Center (ECEC), helping us continue to provide enriching learning experiences for our little ones!

Feel free to send in payment using the form below or send me an email and make an online payment at www.tegreensboro.org/donation Please select Early Childhood Engagement Center fund when making your payment.

Questions? csilverman@tegreensboro.org

Cost: \$10/Half Dozen \$18/Dozen

> Mail form with payment to: Temple Emanuel



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# **Social Action News**

This is the month SAC has been waiting for! We kick off our Kavanah project on March 21 when Lylan Wingfield, Chief Program Officer at Kellin Foundation, will speak at our Shabbat service. But what is Kellin Foundation? To learn more, we spoke with one of its co-founders, Dr. Kelly Graves.

Graves states the idea for the Kellin Foundation came from conversations in 2008 about a desire to do things differently to support mental health across Guilford County. Sparked by a program run with Lindy Beauregard called CRI (Child Response Program) that worked with children and families impacted by stress and violence, they wanted to find a way to respond quickly and efficiently to their clients' needs. They first considered partnering with a non-profit, but Beauregard suggested starting a non-profit themselves to grow their legacy of support across the community. Graves thought this would be the CRI, but Beauregard told her to "think bigger" to allow room for growth. Beauregard suggested the non-profit be named Kellin, which combines Kelly and Lindy's first names. A few months later, Lindy died from stage 4 cancer, yet her legacy lives on.

Says Graves of beginning the journey to nonprofit, "If CRI was the only program we ever had out there, great, but if not, there would be space to grow. And grow would be an understatement of how this organization has evolved." Established as a 5013C nonprofit in 2013, Kellin opened its first physical location in a 900-squarefoot building in 2016. Two years later, they became one of only two partners in the state invited to be part of the National Child Traumatic Stress Network, which recognizes centers of excellence in mental health. In 2020 Kellin was named Guilford County's Non-profit of the Year; Graves states it was particularly meaningful to be recognized that year since Covid challenged so many people and systems. In 2022, Mental Health Greensboro approached Kellin to come under their wing, thus growing Kellin's staff and reach in the community. The need for services is great; currently Kellin reaches 12,000 per year, and yet still has a waitlist of about 100 people. Thanks to grants and donations, 99% of the services are provided for free.

Kellin's focus is on understanding how stress affects people on a biological level, so every decision Kellin makes, from creating calming spaces to developing programming, is developed through the lens of reducing stress. And working under the belief that if one person in a family is struggling, that impacts the entire family, Kellin offers services for all ages. States Graves, 9 out of 10 people who access services have trauma

history, but most services don't integrate that information.

Their idea to provide quick and efficient support focuses on coordinating services in the most accessible way possible, because individuals who come to Kellin have many needs. Imagine "Sally," a single mother of multiple children. She needs mental health support, food support, and also childcare so she can go to work. Her children may need support as well. And Sally doesn't have a car, making it difficult to follow up on referrals located at multiple offices throughout the city.

When Lindley Park Baptist Church decided to dissolve in 2023, they wanted to make an intentional decision on what to do with their building. Kellin presented a model of a Hope Hub and was selected to be gifted the building. The 35,000 square foot Hope Hub will amplify what makes Kellin unique. Intended to provide earlier and easier access to mental health and substance use services, the Hope Hub will also provide access to services by non-profit partners. By co-locating multiple services under one roof, individuals in need can just walk down the hall rather than drive around town to access support.

What comes next? Kellin will join us at the Jewish Festival for hands-on activities on mental wellness and calming techniques. Throughout the upcoming year there will be both educational and volunteer opportunities for all congregants.

Meeting: The next IAHI (Interfaith Affordable Housing Initiative) meeting will be at Westminster Presbyterian Church on March 10th at noon. Bob Powell and Scott Neely will present building projects that the organization can support.

Action: The final Emergency Aid cooking/dinner serving dates at West Market UMC are both in March, on 3/9 and 3/30. Please contact Terri Flam-Goldberg at tiflam@aol.com (subject line: Shelter Dinners) if you'd like to help cook (at temple) or serve meals at West Market UMC. We greatly appreciate contributions from both Brotherhood and Sisterhood to support SAC in providing these meals.

KELLIN Interested in Volunteering? Donate to Support KELLIN





#### **March Events**

RSVP to these events at www.tegreensboro.org/upcomingevents

#### Resilience on Campus and Online: What Do I Do? | Sunday, March 2 | 12:15pm

Temple Emanuel and Jewish Family Services (JFS) are co-sponsoring a Lunch and Learn program, featuring representatives from NC Hillel and JFS, as well as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker from our health care community. This program is open to the entire Jewish community and is intended for our community High School Seniors and their parents/caregivers. Learn helpful and healthy strategies and coping skills as students transition to college campus life, especially in the current climate of antisemitism.





#### Ladies Who Lunch | Tuesday, March 11 | 12:00pm

The Ladies Who Lunch will meet at Vito's in Golden Gate Shopping Center on Tuesday, March 11, at 12:00pm. *RSVP to Barbara Scheck at 336-288-8630 or beezart@aol.com.* 

#### Schmooze with the Rabbi | Wednesday, March 19 | 12:00pm

Join Rabbi Andy for lunch at Lemon Indian Cuisine on Wednesday, February 19, at 12:00pm. Conversation is on us, lunch is on you!

#### Friday Evening Shabbat Service featuring the Kellin Foundation | Friday, March 21 | 6:30pm

Join us for a warm, lively and music-filled Friday night Shabbat Service!

We will be joined by a special guest speaker from the Kellin Foundation, a local organization that focuses on providing mental health support and resources to our Greensboro community.

Temple Emanuel's Social Action Committee will be working with the Kellin Foundation on various projects throughout the upcoming year; they would like to invite the community to learn about our new community partner during this special Shabbat.





#### Sisterhood Book Club Schmooze | Tuesday, March 25 | 12:00pm

The Sisterhood Book Club will take place on Tuesday, March 25, at 12:00pm in the Board Room. We will discuss *Goyhood* by Reuven Fenton. You may bring a lunch and beverage. Please follow dietary restrictions.

#### Temple Emanuel's Stitching Group | Mondays | 1-3:00pm

Please join us in the Temple Emanuel library on Mondays at 1:00pm, for fun and friendship while you work on your projects. Email *carolrauch@me.com* for questions and suggestions.

#### Mahjong | 1st and 3rd Wednesdays | 6:30-8:30pm

Do you like to play mahjong? Come join us at Temple Emanuel on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. Please reserve a spot online so we set up your table. Nancy Swanson and/or Sheryl Hirsh will be there to help. So grab your friends, and come play with us. Don't forget to bring your mahjong cards!

#### Coffee and Connections | Friday mornings | 10-11:00am | On Zoom

Connect with Temple Members through casual conversation during Coffee & Connections every Friday at 10:00am on Zoom. Grab your beverage of choice and join us!

#### Chevra Torah | Saturday mornings | 9-10:30am | In-person or on Zoom

The community is welcome to join us every Saturday morning at 9:00am, for our master class, Chevra Torah. This study group, led by one of our rabbis, explores the weekly Torah portion. No prerequisite knowledge needed, and all are welcome to attend.

Temple Emanuel Calendar of Events March 2025 | Adar–Nisan 5785 Information is subject to change.

Confirm at www.tegreensboro.org or with the Temple office.

# **March 2025**

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# Sisterhood News

# Membership Appreciation Luncheon

Temple Emanuel's Sisters enjoyed a Membership Appreciation Luncheon on February 16th.

We had fabulous attendance, beautiful classical guitar music and a delicious brunch, including mimosas!

Best of all, we spent an afternoon together, celebrating Temple's amazing women.



Our in-house Mahj experts, Sheryl Hirsh and Nancy Swanson, registered 50 new players as part of their February teaching sessions. Congratulations Sheryl and Nancy!

Can't get enough Mahj? Be on the lookout for more information as to two exciting programs in June featuring Mahjongg historian Gregg Swain.





Temple Emanuel Sisterhood Presents:

TWO GREAT EVENTS WITH VISITING SCHOLAR GREGG SWAIN PH.D AND MAHJONGG HISTORIAN

June 7 - The Art of the Tile June 8 - Mahjongg: From China to the World



Bring your mahjongg set and join us for an afternoon of open play on Sunday. June 8 from 1-4PM Saturday, June 7

7:00 PM



Sunday, June 8

10:00 AM

# **Annual Meeting & Leadership Vacancies**

The Sisterhood Annual Meeting will take place Sunday, May 18, at 2:00pm. We will be filling vacancies for president and president-elect.

Interested in becoming a Sisterhood leader? Contact Susan Ross.



#### **Friendship Circle**

Wednesday, March 5, at 12:00pm

Join the Friendship Circle for a delicious lunch and program about scams on the rise that are targeting older adults. Bob Bonasia, head of the Temple's security, will discuss proactive measures to protect us from deceptive schemes designed to steal our personal information, money, or identity. RSVP to Brenda Henley by March 3 at <a href="mailto:bhenley@tegreensboro.org">bhenley@tegreensboro.org</a> or on the Temple website.



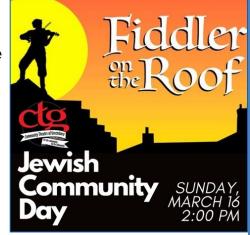
We are in need of volunteers to help with the Senior Seder set up and to help with serving the meal. If you are interested in helping email Brenda in the Temple office, at <a href="mailto:bhenley@tegreensboro.org">bhenley@tegreensboro.org</a>.

#### Jewish Community Day at Fiddler on the Roof

Sunday, March 16 at 2:00pm

See Temple Emanuel members Mitchel Sommers, Andy Schlosberg, Devon Edmonson, and Paul Fribush, alongside a "star-studded" cast of local performers and theater professionals in *Fiddler on the Roof*!

The show runs March 7–16 at CTG's Starr Theatre, located at 520 South Elm Street in downtown Greensboro. Attend one of the regular scheduled performances, or join us to celebrate our amazing Jewish community on Sunday, March 16, at 2:00pm for Jewish Community Day at *Fiddler on the Roof*. Join us for a "haimish" dessert reception,



sponsored by Temple Emanuel, Beth David Synagogue, and Greensboro Jewish Federation, immediately after the show, in our Barbara and Herman Cone Studio behind the theater, where we will have an opportunity to "shmooze" and "nosh"!

For tickets and info, please visit *ctgso.org*. See you at the theater and *L'Chaim!* To Life!

# **March Birthdays and Anniversaries**

#### **Adult Birthdays**

- 1 Sue Weisenfeld Ken Rotenstreich Karen Dresser Karen Spira Kent Dewey Sean Balogh 2 Anne Parsons **Brad Procton** Eileen Silber
- Seth Cohen Caroline Panzer 3 Rhoda Winepol 5 Amanda
- Rotenstreich Ranara Rahimova 6 Brian Kaiser Lorraine Katz
- Sheryl Lieb 7 Erica Aronson

- 8 Susan Strumwasser Larry Goldberg Linda Silverstein Brendan Younger Marnie Ruskin 9 Marcia Berger Don Eckstein
- Sagi Waroczyk 10 Joel Heller
- 11 Hannah Fernandez-Kniseley José Villalba Jessica Wisniewski
- Lowell Rauch 12 Ruth Berkelhammer Liza Fishbeyn Jessie Schlosberg
- 13 Maxine Colchamiro 20 Jennifer Summer Rachel Villalba Dora Ilyasova 14 Richard Aronson Misha Bochkis Sarah Lanse 15 Gerald Clawson 16 Corky Segal Heather Garner Anita Kumar Samuel Kniseley, III 17 Linda Fleishman Patrick Neff Vickie Kilimanjaro

Gail Bernstein

18 Todd Gers

Clay Burton

19 Jay Eisenberg

Sidney Stern, III

- Jill Jackson Tony Lo Giudice Dan Waksman 21 Brian Bernhardt Tom Brock 22 Jennifer Sadock Andy Koren Leta Pius 23 Tracy Simon Dana Schleien Barbara Shyloski Allen Greenstein 24 Marla Schexnider Joel Liebling
- Paul Mengert Katelyn King 25 Deb McKinney Anna Feller

26 Stacy Fuller

- Stacey Cunningham Bill Schy 27 Brandon
- Singerman **Bradley Kamlet** 28 Itsik Maaravi
  - Bonnie Miller
  - 29 Maryann Abrahams Mike Marshall Barry Strulson Jeff Fuller
  - Ted Berger Janet Hiatt 30 Paul Jalazo
  - Maxine Yager 31 Jaime Brown Neil Aberman Katherine Taylor
    - Bernie Mann Jim O'Gara

#### **Children Birthdays**

- 1 Becca Knapp 2 Benny McClanahan
- 3 Conner Kamlet
- 4 Ben Williams Francesca Maisano
- 5 Tobias Pikler
- 6 Rebecca Aronson Marley Wall
- 9 Zoe McKeon Zavier Singerman
- 13 Danny Kime Noga Wasserberg Olivia Wisniewski
- 14 Ethan Monosoff 16 Myah Greenstein
- 17 Noah Regal Marion Neff
- 18 Noah Geier Amelia Fisher Aiden Kranz 19 Woody Sellars Samantha Schlosberg
- 21 Kara Maxwell Miles Reichle 22 Karyn Schy Eliza Brock
- 25 Elena LeBauer Josh Schwarz 27 Noah Strasser 29 Naomi Kleiner 30 Julie Katz
- 31 Braylin Lanse-Fisher

#### **Anniversaries**

3 Kelly & Glenn Drew Carmen & Mel Kriegsman 4 Lani & Stone Yeatts 6 Ilene & Julian Harper 7 Deb & Mike McKinney 8 Chagit & Terry Kahn

Michele & Matt Slaine 15 Laura Denhardt & Barry Romberg 17 Joe & Michele Basile 22 Cheryl David & Mark Davidowitz

24 Mary & Scott Van der Linden Kim & Howard Benson 26 Lauran & Steve Epstein 27 Sharon & Jared Gibbs

28 Lynn & Kevin MacDonald 29 Renee & Lanny Miller 30 Elizabeth & Richard Aronson

#### **Mazal Tov**

Mazal Toy to Brotherhood and Sisterhood for sending a donation of \$550.00 to the Greensboro Jewish Federation for the Hurricane Helene Relief fund.

Mazal Tov to Debbi and Neil Aberman on the birth of their granddaughter, Chloe Brynn Aberman, born to Jake and Caroline Aberman, on January 22. Mazal Tov also to Chloe's older sisters, Layla and Emery!

Mazal Tov to Temple Emanuel Brotherhood for organizing the Souper Bowl Food drive and collecting 742 pound of food for the David Frazier Food Pantry at Jewish Family Services.

Mazal Tov to Marilyn and Robet Chandler on the birth of their grandchild, Orly Rose Sternberg, born to Hallie Chandler and Danny Sternberg on January 16. Mazal Tov also to Orly's older sibling, Matan;

Mazal Tov to Cheryl and Mark Davidowitz on the engagement of their daughter, Jennie Davidowitz, to Joseph Kuperman, son of Danny and Danielle, of Houston, Texas. The couple resides in Austin, Texas. Mazal Tov also to Jennie's sister, Blaire (George) McClanahan, brother, Jake Davidowitz, and nephew, Benny McClanahan.



#### **March Yahrzeits**



Please note that Shabbat Services and Chevra Torah will be held online and in-person this month, unless otherwise noted. Yahrzeits are read during Shabbat Services on Friday night and the following Saturday morning. (If there is no Saturday morning service, they will be read at the end of Chevra Torah, at approximately 10:15am)

To be read at Shabbat Services Friday, March 7 at 6:30 p.m. & Saturday, March 8 (at the end of Chevra Torah)

**Charles Napier** Frieda Reich Judy Wisan \*Shirley Kalina Selma Leitner Carleen Hubbard Siegfried Goodman Warren Bass Frances Goldberg Mark Ritter \*Leonard Guyes Sophie Morgenstern Lebauer \*Deane Austin Smigrod \*Dorothy Melnikof James Simmons Marc Hamburger \*Seymour Levin Jesse Daugherty Stanley Moss \*Ilene Hellman

To be read at Shabbat Services Friday, March 14 at 6:30 p.m. & Saturday, March 15 at 10:30 a.m. (at Shabbat

**Morning Services**) \*Christiane Wayser William Savino Bernard Friedman Lena Heller Milton Sommers \*Norman Block Oscar Schwartz Roberta Summerell Ruth Wineburg Siggie Robinson Rebecca Davidowitz \*Harvey Rothenberg Judith Gerber Bill Thompson \*Jerry Hyman

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Rita Lichtenstein Steven Metzler Dora Lubowsky \*Joel Fleishman Lawrence Cohen Marilyn Goldberg

\*Ronald Wolock \*Benjamin Goldfarb

\*Alvin Hamburger

To be read at Shabbat Services Friday, March 21 at 22 (at the end of Chevra Torah)

Trudy & Mickey Thompson Jack Stein \*Gwendolyn Bougess Julius Freedman \*Jerry Gottman \*Charles Leipham John 'W.R.' Bell Merrillee Deitch \*Robert Cone Farley Fisher Sol Silverman Jessie Krueger Al Herman **Doris Rowe** \*Elaine Gottlieb Gertrude Unger \*Henry Tager Irene Goland John Seay \*Muriel Pines

Jerry Leitner

Dara Lansat

\*David Geier

\*Jack Rachlin

To be read at Shabbat Services Friday, March 28 at 6:30 p.m. & Saturday, March 6:30 p.m. & Saturday, March 29 at 10:30 a.m. (Bat Mitzvah of Naomi Kleiner)

> Benjamin Cone, Jr. Jack Pollack Mildred Evans \*Philip Gottlieb \*Richard Jackson Esther Eisenberg Harold Armon Illein Youngman \*Philip Delman **Robert Lavietes Robert Silver** \*David Bank Claire Greene Barbara Lewis \*Carolyn King \*Helen Markowitz Jeanne Myles Lewis Kay Benjamin Lipson \*Helen Milstein Herman Unger \*John Kilimanjaro Rebecca Fine \*Richard Alberti \*Cathy Wainer Harry Eisenberg Stephen Gerofsky Jerome Malevan Frank Feller \*Hans Youngman John Lerner \*Max Block Taira Saksonskaya

\*A yahrzeit plaque for this loved one will be lit in the Memorial Room during the month of March.

#### In Memoriam

Kenwood Botzner, Father of Elizabeth Wall (Brandon), on December 30, 2024.

Elaine Manning, Wife of Mervyn Manning, Mother of Hon. Kathy Manning and Randall Kaplan, Julie Manning & Family, and Carol Manning & Family, Grandmother of Elizabeth and Miles, Robert and Ashleigh, Jennifer and James, Great-grandmother of Manning, Charlotte, and Caroline, on Thursday, February 6.

Mimi Levin, Mother of Janis & Andy Fields, Linda & Rick Hyson, Karen & Kevin Bauersfeld, Grandmother of Dana Fields, Stacy Fields, Sam Hyson, Sophie Hyson Little, Nathan Hyson, Lindsey Ansel, Great-Grandmother of Theo and Rosie Little, on February 21.

#### **Contributions**

We are grateful to the following for their generous donations to Temple Emanuel's various funds. If you would like to make a contribution in memory or in honor of someone, please refer to the back page of this bulletin or go to www.tegreensboro.org/donation.

#### Anne Frank Holocaust Fund

Designated for the NC Teachers' Trip to Poland: Sally B. Cone, Jo & David Delman, Ellen & Gary Fischer, Annette & Derek Davis, Bernice & Zev Harel, Florance Rhonda & David Draper, & Thomas Link, NC Holocaust Bernice & Zev Harel, Judy Foundation, Susan & Freddy Hyman, Sue & Gary Simmons Benjamin, Tammie Geier, Robinson, Linda & Jerry Shapiro, Deb Schoenhoff & <u>Jerry Plovsky, The Tanger</u> Family Foundation Stephanie Benson & Robert Savino, in honor of Heather & Larry Levy Paul Benson and in memory of Peggy Tager

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Bernice & Zev Harel, in honor Tager of Zev Harel's 95th birthday Rachel & Adam Miller, in honor of Lucy Miller's 4th birthday

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*In memory of Bob Wright:* Debbie & Julian Benjamin, Shelly Colin & JoAnn Koblitz,

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#### Social Action

Terri Flam-Goldberg & Robert Goldberg, in memory of Larry Levy and Peggy Marsha & Jon Glazman, designated for the Kellin Foundation Activity at the 2025 Jewish Festival

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Stacey & Curt Youngdale, in wishing a speedy recovery to David Lindenbaum

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# **March Shabbat & Holiday Service Schedule**

Services are livestreamed and in-person, unless otherwise noted.

#### Saturday, March 1

9:00am - Chevra Torah (In-person & on Zoom)

10:30am - Shabbat Morning Service

(In-person only)
Friday, March 7

6:30pm - Shabbat Service at

Greene Street

Saturday, March 8

9:00am - Chevra Torah with Kaddish

(In-person & on Zoom)

#### Friday, March 14

5:30pm - Tot Shabbat Service 6:00pm - Shabbat Together Dinner 6:30pm - Birthday Shabbat Service

Saturday, March 15

9:00am - Chevra Torah (In-person & on Zoom) 10:30am - Shabbat Morning Se

10:30am - Shabbat Morning Service (*In-person only*)

#### Friday, March 21

6:30pm - Shabbat Service with Kellin Foundation

Saturday, March 22

9:00am - Chevra Torah with Kaddish

(In-person & on Zoom)

Friday, March 28

6:30pm - Shabbat Service

Saturday, March 29

9:00am - Chevra Torah (In-person & on Zoom)

10:30am - Shabbat Morning Service and Bat Mitzvah of Naomi Kleiner

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#### **Mission Statement**

Temple Emanuel strives to be a place of *Keruv*, of closeness to God and Jewish culture. Temple Emanuel's mission is to bring its congregants closer to: *Tikkun Olam* - The commitment to repair God's world through the pursuit of justice; Tikkun *Nefesh* - Personal and spiritual growth as a Jew and as a human being; *Talmud Torah* - Life-long study of Torah and of Jewish history and tradition; *Am Yisrael* - The Jewish people, in Greensboro, the United States, Israel, and worldwide; Eretz *Yisrael* - The land, people, and the state of Israel; *Mishpacha* -A sense of extended family through a warm and supportive atmosphere and Reform Judaism - Its principles and values.

#### **Diversity and Inclusivity Statement**

Temple Emanuel is committed to inclusivity: *Hachnasat Orchim* (Hospitality) means welcoming people of different cultural backgrounds, races, nationalities, sexual orientations, genders, gender identities, gender expressions, physical and mental abilities, and ages. We recognize Jewish identity from both matrilineal and patrilineal descent. Our Rabbis are open to officiating at Jewish ceremonies for interfaith marriages. Appreciating the critical role played by non-Jewish parents in the upbringing of Jewish children, we encourage full participation in congregational and religious life by interfaith families.

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