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Sunday, February 8 • 10 AM • One East 65th Street

Cost: \$30 for Men's Club members, \$40 for all others (includes breakfast)

THE FEBRUARY **Men's Club** event will feature a discussion led by **Stephen J. Schulhofer**, the Robert B. McKay Professor of Law at New York University School of Law. Professor Schulhofer has been a member of the faculty of the University of Chicago Law School and the University of Pennsylvania Law School. (212) 744-1400, ext. 250

IMPORTANT REMINDERS/UPCOMING EVENTS

Tu BiSh'vat Family Learning Celebrations

Sunday, February 8 • 9:30 AM
Monday, February 9 • 4 PM
Wednesday, February 11 • 4 PM
10 East 66th Street

Educators from **Teva Learning Center** will guide Religious School families through innovative programming exploring how Judaism teaches us to interact with the environment. Families will leave with a new understanding of how they can have an effect in their homes and on the world around them. During Sunday's session, Emanu-El clergy and staff will lead an exploration of Torah using an inventive mixture of theater and ritual developed by **Storahtelling**, an NYC-based educational theater company and pioneer in Jewish education. (212) 744-1400, ext. 226

Junior Youth 78s: Tu BiSh'vat Seder

Sunday, February 8 • 4 PM
One East 65th Street

Seventh and eighth graders are invited to a festive holiday event (with food!) that will awaken us to springtime in Israel and teach us about the environment. Cost: \$10 each. (212) 744-1400, ext. 329

Chanting of the Torah

Monday, February 9 and 23
6:30 PM • One East 65th

Cantor Lori Corrsin continues her six-part course teaching trop.

Men's Club Book Group

Tuesday, February 10 • 9 AM
One East 65th Street

We will discuss *The Man in the Sharkskin Suit* by Lucette Lagnado. (212) 744-1400, ext. 250

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, February 14

Torah Portion—*Yitro*
Readings—Exodus 18:1-20:23; Isaiah 6:1-7:6; 9:5-6

Sermon: Rabbi Goldsmith

Saturday, February 21

Torah Portion—*Mishpatim*
Readings—Exodus 21:1-24:18; Jeremiah 34:8-22; 33:25-26

Sermon: Rabbi Posner

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."

ADDITIONAL WORSHIP

TOT SHABBAT

**Saturday, February 21
10 AM • One East 65th St.**
RSVP to Young Families by Friday, February 20.
(212) 744-1400, ext. 242

IMPORTANT REMINDERS/EVENTS (CONTINUED)

Emanu-El Reads:

Book Discussion Groups

Tuesday, Feb. 10 • 10:30 AM

Thursday Feb. 19 • 6:30 PM

Sunday, February 22 • 10 AM

One East 65th Street

This year's **Emanu-El Reads** program will be devoted to exploring one contemporary novel over the course of one month: *The History of Love* by Nicole Krauss. Temple members are invited to meet and discuss the book with their fellow congregants. The February 10

session is co-sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary. [RSVP to (212) 744-1400, ext. 235. Refreshments will be served.] The February 22 session is co-sponsored by the Religious School.

Ronald McDonald House

Thursday, Feb. 12 • 5 PM

405 East 73rd Street

Volunteers must preregister with the **Women's Auxiliary**. (Please, no walk-ins!) This activity is suitable for adults over 18 only. (212) 744-1400, ext. 235

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

A Megillah reading to remember

Monday, March 9 • 6:30 PM • 10 East 66th Street

WILD PARTIES, assassination plots, beauty contests, a confused tyrant, a liberated woman, a relentless villain, an uncompromising hero, a clever and beautiful queen, intrigue, scheming, lamentation, resistance to an implacable enemy, joyful victory. These are just a sampling of the ingredients that have made the Book of Esther, known as the *Megillat Esther*, so popular and enchanting.



The Emanu-El Players will present a staged, dramatic reading of the *Megillah* with musical accompaniment. Mark your calendar and don't miss the merriment!

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, February 21

Lauren Allison, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Allan Kaiser

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

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

For the Sabbath of February 13 and 14

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

Rhoda Weiskopf Cohen in loving memory of her parents, *Dr. Samuel Weiskopf* and *Esther Altman Weiskopf*

For the Sabbath of February 20 and 21

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

To sponsor pulpit flowers or an *Oneg Shabbat*, call Sherry Nehmer at (212) 744-1400, ext. 312.



Sundays at Skirball...

SUNDAY SEMINARS sponsored by the Skirball Center for Adult Jewish Learning at Temple Emanu-El are open to the public. Sessions are held in the Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell Community House (One East 65th Street) from 10 AM to 2 PM. Cost is \$60 per person. Coffee and bagels are served. For more information, call Skirball at (212) 507-9580.

Israel's Political Divide: A Talmudic Perspective on Competing Religious Ideologies
Sunday, February 8
Lecturer: Moti Arad

The political divide in Israel is a cause for concern and debate for Jews the world over. But in truth, Jewish society in Talmudic times was just as divided on fundamental national issues as it is today. Explore major contemporary issues in the classical sources including exclusive and inclusive ideologies regarding the status of non-Jews in a Jewish state, Muslim presence on the Temple Mount as recorded in late Midrashim, medieval halachah and modern Jewish thought, and the power struggles between religious leaders and politicians in the Talmud.

The Length of Our Days: The Opportunities (and Challenges) of Aging Jewishly
Sunday, February 22
Lecturer: Rabbi Daniel C. Goldfarb

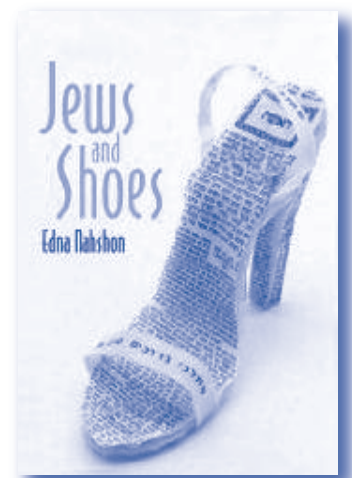
The Talmud tells us that “until Abraham there was no old age; until Jacob there was no illness.” Classical Jewish texts offer glimpses of life for the senior population in ancient times and insights about belonging to this age group, the fastest-growing sector of the Jewish community today. How does Judaism teach us to relate to age and the aged? Explore the attitudes, identifying opportunities and challenges, toward old age as expressed in the texts. Ponder the meaning of retirement in the deep sense of the word.

Jews and shoes

Sunday, February 8 • 10:30 AM • One East 65th Street

FROM MOSES' REFUSAL to wear shoes to Ernst Lubitsch's evocation of WWI Berlin's Jewish world of shoe selling, **Edna Nahshon** uses a wild mix of cultural history, anthropology and literary study to take a fresh look at the makings and meanings of shoes, cobblers and barefootedness in the Jewish experience. Ms. Nahshon is an associate professor of Hebrew at The Jewish Theological Seminary.

Sponsored by the Harry G. Friedman Society of Judaica Collectors and the Herbert and Eileen Bernard Museum of Judaica, this event is free and open to Temple members.



NEW ON THE EMANU-EL WEB SITE

As a benefit of Temple membership, the Stettenheim Library is pleased to share its new free resource: online access to all 22 volumes of the *Encyclopaedia Judaica* (2007 edition).

Features of the electronic version include:

- The ability to download, print and e-mail articles
- Citations, which include references to the hard copy of the EJ 2007 edition (available in the Temple library)
- An online dictionary

To access to the *Encyclopaedia Judaica*, congregants first must log into the Web site using their user name and password. (Scroll to the bottom of the Home Page and click "Member Log In.") Then go to "Learning" → "Stettenheim Library" → "What the Library Offers."

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING ABOUT THE TEMPLE WEB SITE

"Your new Web site is absolutely beautiful. I love the colors, and I will have to show the virtual tour to my family. I hope to visit in person some day, but for now, this Web site is great."

— T. Francell

Sandwiches on Sunday

Sunday, February 22 • 12 PM • 10 East 66th Street

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to prepare sandwiches and bake cookies for distribution by **City Harvest**. Now serving New York City for more than 25 years, City Harvest is a food-rescue organization, dedicated to feeding the city's hungry men, women and children.

This year, City Harvest will collect 23 million pounds of excess food from all segments of the food industry, including restaurants, grocers, corporate cafeterias, manufacturers and farms. This food is then delivered free of charge to more than 600 community food programs throughout New York City using a fleet of trucks and bikes as well as volunteers on foot. Each week, City Harvest helps 260,000 hungry New Yorkers find their next meal.



Volunteers are asked to support the program by bringing two loaves of sliced bread. Participation is suitable for families and adults. Registration is required by contacting the Tikkun Olam Committee: (212) 744-1400, ext. 452 or tikkunolam@emanuelnyc.org.

Prayer and the community: Its place and importance

Tuesday, February 24 • 6 PM • One East 65th Street



THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY cordially invites all Temple members to a special lecture led by **Rabbi David Posner**. Refreshments will be served. RSVP to the Women's Auxiliary by Friday, February 20. Call (212) 744-1400, ext. 235, or send an e-mail to womaux@emanuelnyc.org.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
Monday, March 16 • 10:30 AM

Rabbi Shirley Idelson, dean of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, will discuss "From Kugel to Kellogg's: The Creation of an American Jewish Appetite."



Emanu-El under wraps

AFTER A TWO-YEAR RESTORATION to our Sanctuary and Beth-El Chapel, work at Temple Emanu-El has moved to the exterior. The project includes full-scale masonry repairs and waterproofing to the limestone and brick façades, reinforcement of the underlying steel infrastructure and a new roof on the lower sections of the Goldsmith Religious School Building. All windows in the school building and the Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell Community House also will be replaced to improve energy efficiency and enhance functionality.

“This work will ensure the safety and durability of the buildings for years to come,” says Robert Edelman, project manager for Tishman Interiors Corporation, which is overseeing the project.

Work began in the early spring of 2008 with the school building and since has moved into Phase II: the Sanctuary, Beth-El Chapel and the Community House.



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Emanu-El Sabbath in Palm Beach

Bernard and Carol Kossar (right) and their daughter, Valerie (left), were among the 55 Emanu-El congregants who gathered on January 16 at the Colony hotel in Florida for our fifth annual Palm Beach Sabbath Dinner with Rabbi David and Sylvia Posner.

View more photos on the Emanu-El Web site: www.emanuelnyc.org. Click "Membership."



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Second Seder for the Elderly will
be Thursday, April 9, 2009.
Watch your mail for details or
visit the Emanu-El Web site.
Click "Community" →
"Volunteer Opportunities."*

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