



TEMPLE EMANU-EL Bulletin

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, March 15

6:30 p.m.



American Jewish Sacred Space: The Memory of the Lower East Side

Hasia R. Diner is the Paul and Sylvia Steinberg Professor of American Jewish History at New York University, with a joint appointment in the department of history and the Skirball Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies.



She also is director of the Goldstein Goren Center for American Jewish History. Free and open to the public, this program is part of a lecture series sponsored by the Ivan M. Stettenheim Library and the Herbert and Eileen Bernard Museum of Judaica in honor of the 350th anniversary of Jews in America. Enter through the Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell Community House, One East 65th Street.

SABBATH SERVICES

THE SABBATH OF REMEMBRANCE Friday evening, March 18 Main Sanctuary

Organ Recital—5 p.m.
Sabbath Eve Service—5:15 p.m.
WQXR Radio (96.3 FM) and Internet
(www.wqxr.com) broadcasts—5:30 p.m.

Saturday morning, March 19 Women's Auxiliary Lounge

Torah Study—9:15 a.m.

Main Sanctuary

Service—10:30 a.m.
Torah Portion—Vayikra
Readings—Leviticus 1:1-5:26
Esther 7:1-10; 8: 15-17

Rabbi David M. Posner preaching

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

Sunday, April 17 Homebound Delivery

We are seeking members of the Temple—both adults and children—to assist with the preparation and delivery of meals to the homebound for Passover. Preparation of packages begins at 9 a.m. Please let us know if you have a car available for use.



Sunday, April 24 Second Seder for the Elderly

Temple members also are needed for our 30th annual Second Seder for the Elderly. Set up begins at 1:30 p.m. Kitchen duty starts at 3 p.m., and dinner service begins promptly at 5:30 p.m.

**To register
for either of
these events
or for more
information,
call (212) 744-
1400, ext.
210.**



= Hearing enhancement system available

PULPIT FLOWERS

**Pulpit flowers at
Sabbath worship services
this weekend are the generous
donation of our congregants:**

Dr. Sandra Gluck,
in loving memory of her mother,
Harriet Prusock

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Schulman
in loving memory of
*Josephine and Samuel Ascher,
Regina and Frank Schulman
and Lisa Schulman*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, March 20 9:15 a.m.
Wednesday, March 23 9:30 a.m.

Young Families: Storytime in the Library

Temple librarian Elizabeth Stabler will read stories about Purim from our wonderful collection of children's books. Storytime is for preschoolers (from age 2½) accompanied by a parent. All attendees must preregister by calling (212) 744-1400, ext. 362.

Tuesday, March 22 12:30 p.m.

Women's Auxiliary: Book Discussion Group

Rabbi Nadia Gold will discuss with us *The Five People You Meet in Heaven* by Mitch Albom. She also will lead a discussion about Jewish thinking on the afterlife.

Feel free to bring your lunch; coffee and cookies will be served. We will meet in the Women's Auxiliary Lounge (Room 602). Questions? Call (212) 744-1400, ext. 235.

Friday, March 25 Time TBD

Emanu-El League: Purim Party

Watch your mail for details! The Emanu-El League is for Jewish singles in their late 20s through early 40s.

Charles S. Salomon
The Universal Funeral Chapel
1076 Madison Avenue (212) 753-5300
Our service is available in the Temple, home, or our Chapel.

Suffering:
A Laughing Matter?
RUTH CALDERON
Sunday, March 20 10 AM–2 PM

SKIRBALL
CORNER

Rabbinic literature tells many stories about the suffering of Rabbi Akiba, the great first-century sage. Rabbi Akiba had a unique approach to tragedy. He often laughed when other sages cried. What can we learn from these and other stories of suffering? How can we make sense of the rabbinic concept of *yisurim shel ahavah*—sufferings of love? What can this concept mean for us today? Explore these and other questions with a unique scholar of rabbinic legend. Enter at One East 65th Street.

The cost for this event is \$50 per person. To register or for more information, call (212) 507-9580 or log on to www.adultjewishlearning.org.

SKIRBALL



The Skirball Center for Adult Jewish Learning at Temple Emanu-El

TO BE NOTED

Hearing Enhancement System

Both the Main Sanctuary and the Leon Lowenstein Sanctuary are equipped with an infrared sound system. Headsets or neck loops may be obtained from an usher or lobby attendant.



Special Prayer Books

Large-print volumes of the *Union Prayer Book* can be obtained from one of our ushers or lobby attendants for use during Sabbath services. Braille editions also are available.

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.

FROM THE ARCHIVES: CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

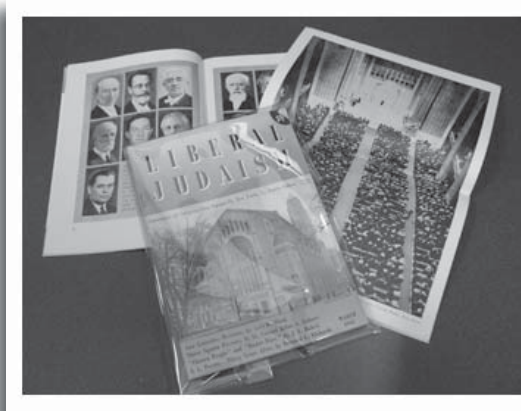
For the seven-month period of September 14, 1944, through April 7, 1945, Temple Emanu-El celebrated its 100th anniversary with a host of activities: a music festival, religious services for men and women in the armed forces, a women's forum, a lecture series with the theme "Moral and Spiritual Foundations for the World of Tomorrow."

On November 9, 1944, the Temple hosted a Centenary Fund Dinner at the Plaza Hotel to kick off its fundraising efforts and goal "to free the Temple from indebtedness."

On April 5, 1945, an anniversary dinner was hosted at the Waldorf=Astoria, overseen by Centenary Committee Chairman Roger W. Straus and Vice Chairman Walter N. Rothschild. Other committee members included Brigadier General Julius Ochs Adler, Alfred R. Bachrach and James Marshall (son of Louis Marshall). Only one woman served on the committee—Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, president of the Women's Auxiliary.

The New York Times and the *New York World-Telegram* published articles announcing the anniversary. Also included in the Temple Archives are letters from various dignitaries, including Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia and Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, congratulating members, the rabbis and Temple officers on their anniversary. In his letter, Gov. Dewey writes:

The contribution of Emanu-El to the spiritual life of the community has been outstanding. The beauty of its present edifice is equaled by the active participation and leadership of its membership in all good causes.... I take this opportunity of joining citizens of the state of all creeds in sending my congratulations and best wishes to Emanu-El and its distinguished spiritual leaders upon its century of great achievements and the certainty that its future contributions to the welfare with the state and nation will be continued through centuries to come.



Top photo: A feature article in Liberal Judaism magazine about Temple Emanu-El's centennial, complete with photos—including a listing of the "erstwhile spiritual shepherds of Emanu-El" and services in the Main Sanctuary.



Bottom photo: Temple Emanu-El's Centenary Celebration booklet features Temple history as well as photos from various Temple groups, including the Women's Auxiliary, the Confirmation class and the Emanu-El Scout Troop.

AROUND THE TEMPLE

Thursday, March 24 6:30 p.m.
Family Purim Celebration

The Men's Club of Congregation Emanu-El invites all Temple members and their families to this special celebration in honor of Purim.

Our evening includes dinner and entertainment by *Divahn*, a music ensemble that infuses traditional Jewish songs with sophisticated harmonies and entrancing improvisations. This riveting live show features such instruments as the tabla, cello, violin, didgeridoo and doumbek, as well as vocals in Hebrew, Judeo-Spanish, Persian, Arabic and Aramaic. Front-woman, lead singer and anthropologist Galeet Dardashti follows a family tradition of distinguished musicianship dating back to 19th century Persia.



Divahn, a word common to Hebrew, Persian and Arabic, means "a collection of songs or poetry."

The cost for this event is \$50 per adult, \$35 per child (under age 13). Reserve your seating by Thursday, March 17. Call the Men's Club at (212) 744-1400, ext. 250. Enter through the Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell Community House, One East 65th Street.

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