



TEMPLE EMANU-EL Bulletin

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, March 26 6 p.m.
Emanu-El League: Night of the Stars

Join us for an evening of tarot card reading and astrology reading—for entertainment purposes only! Dinner will be served. Cost is \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door (\$10 and \$15 for Temple members). RSVP to Rabbinic Intern David Young at ravpapa@hotmail.com. *Emanu-El League is a social group for Jewish singles in their late 20s through early 40s.*

Monday, April 3 6 p.m.
Young Jewish Authors Discussion Group

We will discuss “Who Knows Kaddish” by Binnie Kirshenbaum and “Bachelor Party” by Gabriel Brownstein.

SABBATH SERVICES

**Friday evening, March 31
Lowenstein 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, April 1
Women’s Auxiliary Lounge**
Torah Study—9:15 a.m.
Lowenstein Sanctuary
Service—10:30 a.m.
Torah Portion—Vayikra
Readings—Leviticus 1:1-5:2
Isaiah 43:21-44:23
Sermon: Rabbi Amy B. Ehrlich

PANEL
DISCUSSION

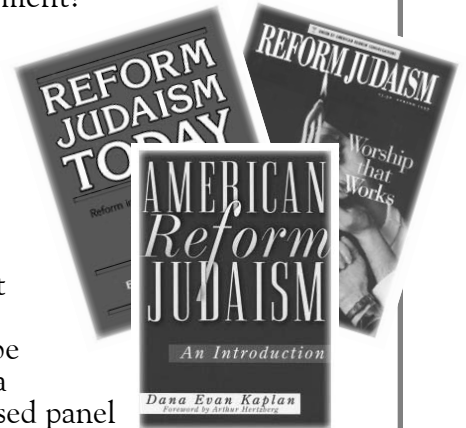
Sunday, April 16
9:30 a.m.

**Breakfast and Discussion:
Reform Judaism...
Our Future**

Since the first American Reform congregation was formed more than 200 years ago, Reform Judaism has become the country’s largest Jewish Movement, with more than 900 congregations and 1.5 million people. What is Temple Emanu-El’s role in the current Classical Reform Movement?

What does a congregant look for when joining Temple Emanu-El? Where can we improve? These are just some of the questions to be addressed in a

not-to-be-missed panel discussion sponsored by the Men’s Club for *Temple members only*. Featured panelists are Senior Rabbi David M. Posner; Rabbi Leon A. Morris, director of our Skirball Center for Adult Jewish Learning; and former and current board members Frances Hess, Charles Grossman and Neil Cooper. The panel will be moderated by Richard R. Valcourt, a past president of the Men’s Club and a current member of the Temple Finance Committee. Cost is \$20 per person, which includes breakfast. Make checks payable to the Men’s Club. RSVP by Wednesday, April 12.



BAT MITZVAH

**The following student of our Religious School
will become a Bat Mitzvah this weekend:**

Danielle Dolgin, daughter of Ellen Steiner Dolgin and Carey Dolgin

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, April 2

10 a.m.

The Haggadah: Its Structure and Message

Rabbi Leon A. Morris will lead this Sunday Seminar sponsored by the Skirball Center for Adult Jewish Learning at Temple Emanu-El. While the Haggadah is one of the most widely used Jewish texts in contemporary life, this rich and complex compendium of ancient sources eludes most of its readers. Explore a variety of central Jewish texts that form the



basis of the Haggadah to better understand the seder's ritual script in a way that underscores the physical and spiritual dimensions of freedom.

The cost for this session is \$50 per person. Coffee and bagels will be served. Enter at the Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell Community House, One East 65th Street. To register, call (212) 507-9580.

Tuesday, April 4

9:30 a.m.

Sunday, April 9

9:15 a.m.

Young Families: Holiday Storytime

Temple librarian Elizabeth Stabler will read stories about Passover from our wonderful collection of children's books. Storytime is for children from age 2½ accompanied by a parent. RSVP to (212) 744-1400, ext. 362.

Charles S. Salomon

The Universal Funeral Chapel

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

Tuesday, April 4 6 p.m.

Beyond Manischewitz With Gloria Frazee of Wine Spectator Magazine

The Women's Auxiliary invites all Temple members to join in a sampling of Kosher for Passover wines (and we don't mean Concord Grape!) and traditional Passover foods. Take your chance on winning wine classes through the *Wine Spectator* School, a one-year subscription to *Wine Spectator* magazine, a gift certificate for a case of wine, and various Passover items. (Raffle cost: \$10 each or three for \$25. Winner need not be present.) The cost for this event is \$25 for Women's Auxiliary members, \$30 for nonmembers. Checks made payable to *Women's Auxiliary of Congregation Emanu-El* must be received by Thursday, March 30. Questions? Call (212) 744-1400, ext. 235.



Thursday, April 6 6:30 p.m.

Mitzvah Day Planning Session

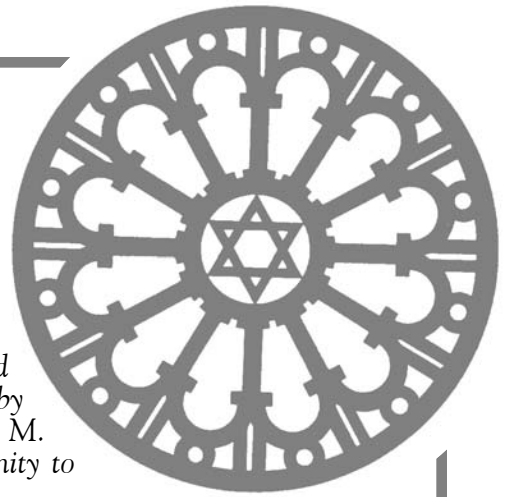
Help plan Mitzvah Day 2006—scheduled for Sunday, November 12—by attending our first organizational meeting. Please bring your suggestions for potential activities. RSVP to (212) 744-1400, ext. 452.

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.

WHAT IS IT ABOUT JEWS AND FOOD? A CONVERSATION WITH NACH AND MARON WAXMAN

ON TUESDAY, MARCH 28, at 6:30 p.m., Temple Emanu-El will host food experts Nach and Maron Waxman in a symposium on food and Jewish culture as part of the 2006 lecture series co-sponsored by the Herbert & Eileen Bernard Museum of Judaica and the Ivan M. Stettenheim Library. In a preview of that event, we had the opportunity to speak with Maron Waxman about the subject at hand.



Q: When and how did you and Nach first become engaged in the serious study of food, particularly of Jewish food?

A: We both have a life-long interest in food. Our mothers were excellent traditional Jewish cooks. In both our editorial careers, we had the opportunity to work on cookbooks. Since we're both broadly interested in social history, these books for us were always more than just recipes.

Q: What fascinates you most about the role of food in Jewish tradition?

A: How Jews have endowed food significance that goes far beyond just a good meal.

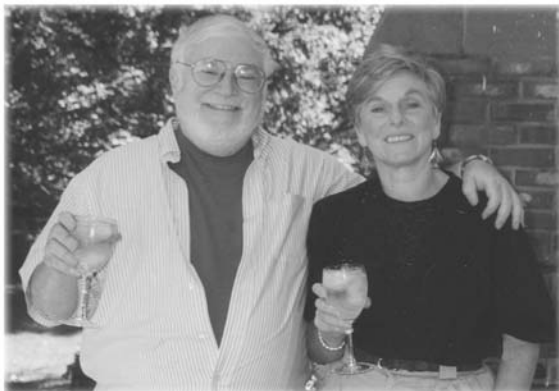
Q: Do Jews have a unique relationship to food?

A: While most cultures have important food customs, Jews tend to make everyday acts significant. We can see the importance of food as long ago as the story in the Bible of Abraham welcoming the strangers into his tent. The laws of *kashrut* have imprinted themselves on the Jewish memory.

Q: Do you have a favorite Jewish cookbook?

A: I have several that I enjoy as much for the background as for the recipes. The authors include Claudia Roden, Joan Nathan, Gil Marks, Gloria Kauffer Green and Edla Servi. Mimi Sheraton reflects the American Jewish tradition. *The Gefilte Variations* by Jayne Cohen is cutting-edge cooking with a kosher twist.

Admission to this event is free and open to the public. Enter at One East 65th Street.



NACH WAXMAN is the owner of Kitchen Arts & Letters, a New York City bookstore specializing in food and wine. A resource and a meeting place for food professionals as well as advanced home cooks, the store is wide-ranging in its coverage, treating every subject with which food is connected as deserving attention. For the past three years he also has done food judging at the Iowa State Fair.

MARON L. WAXMAN, a retired editor, served on the faculty of the publishing institutes of both New York University and City University of New York. She now reviews books, largely on Jewish subjects.



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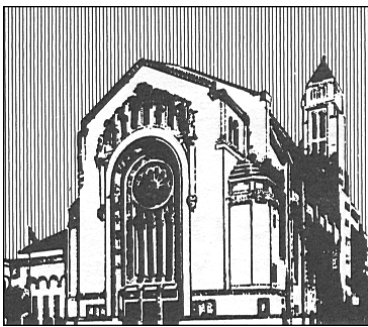
AROUND THE TEMPLE



Temple Emanu-El was replete with activity in honor of Purim—from Youth Group members and Religious School students making baskets of *mishloach manot* to spirited readings of the *Megilat Esther*. As they say, a picture is worth a thousand words!



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