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FROM THE BIMAH

Rabbi Yael Romer

FOR THE NEW YEAR

Dear Chaverim,

I have had the privilege of naming your children...
watched as you entered them into a life of “brit”, as you drew from your own identity, clear this was something that you wanted for your children.



I have had the privilege of preparing them to become bar and bat mitzvah...

watched as you sat in our Sanctuary “qvelling,” as your child proudly took his/her place as leader in the prayer minyan. I listened when you told me that in grappling with the study of Torah your child was changed, that you shared the transcendent journey as your child became an adult. I listened as you described to me that this moment in our Temple

was transformative, among the most significant and happiest times of your life.

I have had the privilege of holding your hand when you faced challenges in your life...
illness, depression, challenges in your marriage, obstacles in your career, life transitions.

I have had the privilege of celebrating many simchas with you...
marriages, unions, births of grandchildren and great grandchildren, new homes, retirements, new jobs, promotions, confirmations, graduations—the miraculous moments of joy.

I have had the privilege of studying with you...
Jewish thought, Torah, Talmud and Zohar, liturgy Jewish philosophy, Hebrew and Torah chanting--sharing ideas, inspirations and epiphanies. As we brought our questions so we deepened our understandings and our faith.

I have had the privilege of working side by side with you...
cleaning cemeteries, working in soup kitchens, rebuilding neighbors’ homes in their hour of need. Traveling with you, sharing social gatherings and participating in the political dialogue of our day.

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A New Sheriff in Town

Marty has cleared out of Dodge and left the bulletin all to me. Well, he's still hovering around actually, but he's totally trusted me—for better or worse—with this, his baby. I'm sure you'll miss his steady hand and keen intellect. I can only hope to find as many fascinating articles and tidbits to flesh out each publication.

Plans are to adapt the bulletin to the marvelous freedom of the web, eventually creating a monthly on-line missive to all our members that is above all user-friendly. To that end, we've made some simple changes to this issue, with typeface and layout. More to come in the New Year...

Shana tovah...

JG

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OCTOBER 29, 2011
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We're kicking off the first season of
our new Speaker Series
with perhaps the finest Israeli novelist of our day.

Amos Oz

Tickets on sale now for this extraordinary evening.
Special Reception to Meet the Author.

His 18 books have been translated into some thirty languages, including Arabic. The NY Times called his haunting memoir, *A Tale of Love and Darkness*, indelible, and The New Republic said it is "one of most enchanting and deeply satisfying books that I have read in many years." A founder of Peace Now and winner of the National Jewish Book Award, the Israel Prize, the Bialik Prize, his latest novel in stories, *Scenes From Village Life* will be published in October.

Call the Temple Office for tickets and reservations.

CANTOR BANTER

Bob Cohen

WHAT'S IN A SONG?

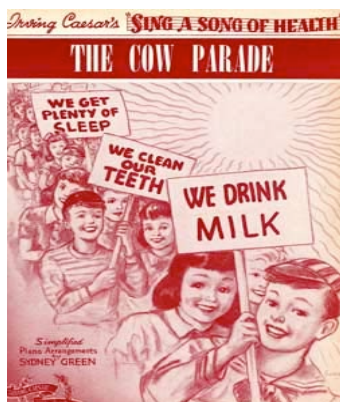
*A ski, a witz an off or cu/
When added to a name/
Just teaches us the family/
Or town from which it came*

If I had the melody, I'd sing it to you – but who wrote it?

A great, unsung, American songwriter, Irving Caesar. Caesar, born in 1895, started writing songs at the age of 6 and by the time he died, had written 1000 songs.

Maybe you've heard of a few: “Tea for Two” (of course during the Great Depression it was “Tea for One”) and most famously, with George Gershwin, “Swanee.” The little tune went on to become Gershwin’s biggest selling song, according to Philip Furia, author of “America’s Songs: The Stories Behind the Songs of Broadway, Hollywood, and Tin Pan Alley.”

Even though Furia admits the melody is not “Gershwin-esq,” he does praise the paunchiness of the lyrics. (Actually, neither Gershwin nor Caesar had ever seen or been near that river.)



In the 1930s Caesar wrote a collection of ditties, “Sing a Song of Safety,” that were memorized by New York City school children. Then, inspired by the United Nations (which was inspiring at

“Neither Gershwin nor Caesar had ever seen or been near the Swanee...”

that time), the prolific songster wrote another group called “Sing a Song of Friendship,” published by the Anti-Defamation League of the B'nai B'rith. It was from that group of 19 songs that the very Cole Porter-like “Thomas Jefferski” came to be...

*A name like Thomas Jefferson/
In some lands o'er the sea/
Would not be Thomas Jefferson/
But Thomas Jefferski*

This past Spring, at Hofstra University, I presented, with writer-historian Lauren Weiner, a paper on politics and popular folk songs in the 1930s. We called the paper “I Dreamed I Saw Joe Stalin Last Night,” parodying the title of perhaps Earl Robinson's most famous song: “I Dreamed I Saw Joe Hill Last Night”.

The period we wrote and spoke about was known as the “Popular Front.” It was an effort by the American Communist Party under orders from the Soviet Comintern to win favor with the American people, by creating and spreading songs of protest and patriotism – an interesting mix.

Demonstrating the lasting influence of

the subversive music of that era, the historian Sean Wilentz, son of the owner of the 8th Street Book Store in Greenwich Village, made these comments in his new book “Bob Dylan in America”:

“For more than a half a century, Bob Dylan had been absorbing, transmuting, and renewing and improving American art forms long thought to be trapped in formal conventions. He not only ‘put folk into bed with rock,’ he took traditional folk music, the blues, rock and roll, country and western, black gospel, Tin Pan Alley, Tex-Mex borderlands music, Irish outlaw ballads, and more and bent them to his own poetic muse. [Earlier Wilentz mentioned that Dylan’s “One More Cup of Coffee for the Road” uses Hebraic chant for the verses.] At the start of the 1960s, influenced by the songs and milieu of the Popular Front-inspired folk revival, he turned them into something else, much as the Popular-Front composer Aaron Copland [another Jewish lad] had turned folk songs into orchestral music.”

What Lauren and I spoke and sang about, to an audience of academics and just plain folks, was how a movement with hidden agendas and deceits, and a zealous religious belief in an undemocratic and murderous regime, could give birth to the vibrant and healthy cultural phenomenon of the folk revival that ruled the airways and record players back in the ‘60’s.

I have always felt that the dichotomy between sacred and secular music is a false one, as is the one between pop music and folk music. Many of the Popular Fronters despised “Tin Pan Alley” because its composers and lyricists cared only about making money. “Bourgeois” was the sneer word.

“I have always felt that the dichotomy between sacred and secular music is a false one.”

They would never have approved of Irving Caesar, and cast their scorn on another Irving (Berlin). Yet as we have seen, Caesar wrote songs to widen the tolerance of Americans for other ethnicities, and Berlin wrote a very moving song about a black mother singing a child to sleep whose father was lynched in the South (*Supertime*, introduced by Ethel Waters in 1933).

I’m deeply fascinated by all these creations – how one influences and enriches the other. But more on that next time. I will be happy to e- or snail-mail you a copy of our paper. Just let me know at rcohen4@hvc.rr.com It is being published in an academic journal (History of American Communism) this Fall. And we will be presenting the same paper at Princeton University this Fall, for a Catholic professor who plays great banjo and loves to strike up a tune or two, himself.

If I can dig up the melody perhaps we will add Caesar’s Jeffercohenian ditty to our repertoire.

*Or Jefferwitz or jefferoff/
Or maybe Jeffercu/
So do not let a ski, a witz or off/
Seem so strange to you*

Other Voices

“Hands to work. Hearts to God.”

A Shaker Saying

I have had the privilege of supporting you during the darkest times of grief and loss... sitting with your loved one when she or he was dying—the humbling and profound responsibility of guiding you through the rituals of grief, burial, shivah, shloshim and shanah.

As we share the blessings and challenges of life's journey our Temple and our faith is inextricably woven into our family, our identity and our lives.

And in a few short weeks, I will have the privilege of celebrating with you...

ushering in the New Year of 5772, trembling together as we pronounce the awe inspiring liturgy of The Day of Atonement. We will welcome both the powerful traditions we have woven into the fabric of Jewish Life at Temple Emanuel--*selichot* and *tashlich*—and the innovations—the second day Rosh Hashanah at Poet's Walk, the participation of teen and adult soloists during services, uplifting music, teen and adult Torah readers, teens leading children's services, children blowing *shofar*, the singing and dancing that truly changes us. We will stand together as a Community, before God, answering our own challenges of *cheshbon nefesh*—accounting for our deeds, actions and choices.

As they always have, and as they will continue to be, the Days of Awe in our Temple will be extraordinary. But the journey doesn't stop at the break fast: What will determine the ways in which we will be changed in the days, weeks and months following the High Holidays?

During my Sabbatical study month of July--and throughout the year when I have the opportunity to travel with my family--it is our practice to attend Shabbat services in communities throughout the United States. It is a privilege to pray in other Jewish Communities, and needless to say I'm always looking for ideas and inspiration from my colleagues and from other prayer *minyans*, always eager to bring new ideas back to Temple.

But no matter where I travel and which Synagogue I encounter, I continue to be struck by the vibrancy, innovation, warmth and spirituality that we have cultivated in our own little s

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This past fall I shared with members of the Board a comparison of our modest Temple (with only two full time employees and a hand full of part time positions) with what is offered in the largest and most prestigious Synagogues throughout the United States (who employ multiple full time professional and support staff). The depth of our learning, the accomplishments of our children, the joy of our services, and the extent of our programming is more than a match for these venerable and well-healed Synagogues.

I have no doubt that what we have is truly one of the most extraordinary Congregations today. It is past time for us to take stock of and be accountable for sustaining this precious legacy.

And that is why it will be a privilege to lead this community into another year of brit, joy, challenge, learning, growth, and even grief and loss as we return to the routines of life after these High Holidays.

But let's not forget, our Temple Community has been and will continue to be vibrant for you as long as you are involved. When you prioritize your Judaism, when you engage, participate and give of your time, energy, focus, caring and resources, you receive what you give. When you give less, you receive less. If you stop giving, then the vibrancy, the transformative power, the relevance will no longer be viable, not only for you but for all of us.

Now more than ever, we are being challenged to make our Jewish Community, our Jewish Identity, our Jewish Commitment--and our Temple--our foremost priority.

It will be my privilege to share that it with you. May the Cheshbon Nefesh of these Days of Awe shape our actions moving us personally, spiritually and as a Community.

Shannah Tovah v' chatimah Tovah

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Jenny Fox

Welcome back! I hope that you all had a wonderful summer! It's hard to believe it's that time of the year already-- Back to School time! And here at Temple Emanuel Religious School we are gearing up for another fantastic year.

Our school year kicks off with our annual teachers' meeting on Sunday, September 11th from 9:30 to 1:30. I look forward to seeing all of our teachers and aides (grades 9-12). **The first official day of school for our students will be the following Sunday, September 18th**, beginning at the normal time of 9:00am for Kitah Gimel (3rd grade) through Kitah Chet (8th grade), and 11:20 for Gan (Pre-K/K), Kitah Aleph (1st grade), and Kitah Bet (2nd grade).

While we will be holding our parent meetings on the first day, we are doing things a bit differently this year. All parents *and* students are to report directly to the classrooms on the first day, where the teachers, our wonderful morim, will give you important information about the school year and their own classroom. It is imperative that parents attend with their children. If you have more than one child in the school, begin in one classroom. There will be an opportunity to visit your other children's teachers as well.

The schedule for this day and ALL days of the school year are in our calendar, available on our website. If you cannot access the calendar through the website and have not received a paper copy, please let me know. Please make note of all the important dates, including those

of your children's Family Education Session with the Rabbi and Shabbat Class Presentations. It is vital to have full attendance at these enriching events.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to reach out to those of you would be interested in becoming class parents.

“You can help us out by becoming a class parent...”

This is crucial--I cannot stress this enough. The staff relies on our class parents for reminding other parents about upcoming events, notifying families about school closings or delays, and assisting the teacher with certain class activities. Please consider helping out by becoming a class parent. If you are interested, a class parent volunteer form is available at the school or by contacting me at 845-338-4271 x110.

I am looking forward to seeing all of our families on the first day of school, at the upcoming High Holy Days services, and throughout the year. I am excited about spending another fun-filled year with your children! Wishing you all a happy and healthy new year! L'Shana Tova!

B'Shalom.

Other Voices

“There is an old Tibetan Buddhist saying: ‘If the student is not better than the teacher, than the teacher is a failure.’”

Allen Ginsberg

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CALLED TO THE TORAH

Jacob "Hawk" Schroeder

SO WHEN'S THE BIG DAY?

September 17, 2011

WHO'S GONNA BE THERE?

Mom and Dad (Jerry and Bonnie Schroder),
Big Brother Jordan and Baby Brother Jack and assorted others.



YOU GO TO SCHOOL?

Catskill Middle school. 8th Grade.

LIKE IT?

Yeah. 'Specially Science, Math, Art, and Spanish.

WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN YOU'RE NOT GETTING A'S?

Model Rockets.

COOL. WHAT ELSE?

Video Games, Cycling, Reading, Chess, Boy Scouts.

LIKE MUSIC?

I play piano. Tuba too.

GOTTA ASK: WHAT DO YOU WANT TO BE WHEN YOU GROW UP?

Supreme Court Justice.

NO, REALLY...

A lobbyist, a lawyer or a Congressman.

AND YOUR MITZVAH PROJECT IS?

Volunteering in the *Catskill After School Program*. Help other kids with their homework. Being an honor student, I think I can.

YOU'VE GOT KI TAVO AS YOUR TORAH PORTION.

Yup. Blessings, curses and the first fruits ceremony. Should be interesting.

The congregation is always invited to Saturday Morning Minyan Services. Please come and help us celebrate with Jacob and his family.

NOTES FROM THE BRO'S

Two high scoring events capped the Brotherhood summer. *Jews in Baseball*, Peter Miller's extraordinary doc on the Jewish-American love affair with the national pastime screened in Rosendale to a boffo crowd, capped off by a panel of baseball experts, historians and fans, gathered by Jeff Gold.

But the Bro's went down to defeat at the hands of Woodstock in their annual softball contest, 11 to 10, at rainy, soggy Woodstock Rec Park. There's always next year, fans...

From One of Our Own

(Edie Meidav is a member of the congregation. The prize-winning novelist teaches at Bard. Lola, California, her third novel, was published in July.)

"He will have five minutes to speak before select witnesses, numbering exactly zero, an empathetic and beautiful figure to contemplate, zero a gift from the Arabs, an icon comprehending the existential abyss. If he will not have managed to summon his daughter to see him while he lives, why would he invite his heir to be with him, buffering him from zero at the moment of death? So he will be alone, out of the cradle forever alone, and yet he will have five minutes to speak, this allowance a humanistic vestige from the Greeks and Romans: he will speak before the warden, the executioner and the recorder. He could call these officials' mandate to inscribe his utterance a gift of the Enlightenment, and Vic will become their burnt offering, reminding them of the worth of their own survival as well as their bourgeois pieties, allowing them to feel sober and practical in considering how many gifts they have given him on the path deathward."

Lola, California

Monthly Community Israeli Dance At Temple Emanuel

**After Kabbalat Shabbat Services
On the Second Friday of Every Month**



Forging a new tradition, Temple Emanuel is excited to announce monthly Israeli dance following services on the second Friday of each month.

Come for services beginning at 7:30pm, and stay for Kiddush & dancing!

The participatory Israeli Dancing is for individuals of every skill level, dance instruction will be led by a professional Israeli dance teacher and by lay-led teachers. Check website for scheduling details or sign up for our weekly email.

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All are welcome.

Mah Jongg

Players of all levels can join this weekly group meeting at Temple Emanuel most Monday mornings at 10:30am.



Call Estelle at (845) 657-8476 for more information.

9-11-11 An Interfaith Call to Remembrance and Healing

The leaders of four great traditions will gather on Sunday, September 11 at 8:00 AM at Kingston Point to remember all who perished ten years ago and to heal with words, chanting and song. The clergy will represent Christianity, Judaism, Islam and Unitarian Universalism. Everyone is invited. Please bring two flowers to cast into the great waters of the Hudson to be carried 100 miles south, past Ground Zero and into the Atlantic.

Kingston Point 8:00 AM Sunday, September 11, 2011

Services

Weekly **Kabbalat Shabbat** Services – Friday evenings at 7:30pm.
 The first Friday of each month, services begin early at 7pm.
 Three times a year on the first Friday of the month we begin with a potluck dairy dinner at 5:30 pm and services at 7 pm.
 Bring a main course, side dish, or dessert to share with others. Potluck dinners will be held on 11/4/11, 1/6/12 & 5/4/12.
 Musical Shabbat is held on the third Friday of each month at 7:30pm.
 Shabbat Service with Zemer Choir participation on the fourth Friday of each month at 7:30pm.

Saturday Morning Services – Every Saturday after Labor Day through the end of June, at 10 am. Torah Study is integrated into the service. Special activities for children and teens.

Rhinebeck/Red Hook Services & Celebrations- select holidays throughout the year including Second Day of Rosh Hashannah, Sukkot, Tu B'Shevat and Lag B'Omer, (in Rhinebeck/Redhook).

All are welcome.

Special Shofar Class Just before the shofar is blown prior to services in September, on 9/2 from 6:30 to 6:55pm, on 9/9, 9/16 & 9/23 from 7:00 to 7:25pm, bring your shofar with you. Review the shofar calls with the Rabbi in preparation for joining together on Yom Kippur.

Other Voices

“Receive with simplicity everything That happens to you.”

Rashi

Rhinebeck Meditative Prayer And Torah Study

Held weekly on Thursday mornings, October through June, led by Rabbi Yael Romer. (No sessions on 10/6 & 10/13.)

Meditation/ Prayer beginning at 8:45 am followed at 9:15 am with **Weekly Torah Study**. Welcome your day with a morning ritual that prepares you to receive the day’s blessings with fullness, centering, & breath. Exploring our Jewish traditions, this morning ritual will integrate meditation, prayer & study as part of an alternative morning practice. Explore your Jewish journey with a progressive egalitarian approach and learn about what our Congregation has to offer. For directions, contact the main office.

Tot Shabbat

Tot Shabbat is celebrated monthly, on Saturday mornings from 9 – 9:30 am, followed by a Kids’ Kiddush. This is an extraordinary way to connect your young child to Judaism and the Temple community. We look forward to singing, dancing, & storytelling with you!

Tot Shabbat this month on Sept. 4

Healing Prayers

During each service, we offer all who are present to join in a communal healing prayer. This prayer supports healing of body & soul – a lifelong journey for those in need of spiritual fortitude, as well as for individuals or

loved ones challenged with illness. We welcome you to connect with Jewish ritual and our community in our quest for meaning & strength.

Adult Ed. with the Rabbi

Hebrew Trope Class Held most Wednesdays, from 12:30 to 1:30 pm, August through June.

Prayer Chevrotah Held from 11:15am to 12:15pm, most Wednesdays, October 12 through June. Peer learning of prayers with Rabbi Romer.

Chevrotah Special Class With Rabbi Yael Romer on Thursdays, September 8, 15 & 22, from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Be a part of our exciting ongoing commitment for deepening our Adult Jewish learning. In anticipation of the High Holy Days, Rabbi Romer will focus on three central prayers: First evening will be “Aveinu Malkeinu;” Second evening will be “ Hinneni;” Third evening will be “Kol Nidre.”

Adult B’nai Mitzvah Course For information and to set up an appointment, call the Rabbi in her study, 845-338-4271, x 11.

Private Conversion Tutorials
Contact Rabbi Romer for more information.

Lunch with the Rabbi

Join Rabbi Romer and Guests, usually the first Tuesday of every month, from noon to 1:30, for food for the body and food for the soul. This is an opportunity to share a hot meal, warm adult community, and dialogue with Rabbi

Romer and stimulating adult learning in each meeting. **The Lunch with the Rabbi on September 6 is a special presentation on “Plastics” by guest speaker Stuart Greenfield.**

Lay-Led Adult Education on Sunday

Beginning & Advanced Beginning Hebrew Held during the second session of Religious School. If you have never studied Hebrew before or have forgotten what you once knew, now is the time! Our textbook includes familiar prayers, songs, and Biblical passages.

Beginning Hebrew Noon to 1:30pm, Sundays when Religious School is in session, taught by David Rosenthal.

Continuing Hebrew Held during the first session of Religious School, for those who can read but want to improve their understanding.

Prayerbook Study 11:40 – 12:15 am: The order of the prayers and their meaning will be presented, as well as approaching holidays, to gain a deeper understanding of their significance.

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Melanie Hill

As those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer give way to the hustle, bustle and awe of autumn and we ready ourselves for the High Holy Days, It's time to wish each other a sweet New Year, with a personalized jar of honey.

To show our thanks to the amazing teachers and aides of our Religious School, Sisterhood is providing them lunch on their first school planning day, **September 11**. We'll also be there to welcome parents on the first day of Religious School, **September 18**, with our annual **Bagels and Shmear**. It's your opportunity--in between drop-offs, pick-ups and parent conferences--to renew acquaintances, make new friends, have your questions answered and feed your body and soul.

The next rummage sale? The date has been set! Start collecting your donations; drop off will be October 10-14 during office hours. Set up is October 15, starting at 1:30 PM. The more hands we have, the faster it goes, so please call Joan at 334-9924 to let her know what times you will be available. **Rummage Sale will be October 16 from 10:00 AM -3:00 PM; Bag Sale October from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM.**

We want to wish everyone a happy, healthy, prosperous New Year, and we're looking forward to saying it in person. Sisterhood will be hosting a **Break the Fast Kiddush** after concluding services on **Yom Kippur, Saturday October 8**. Please join us, in preparation and participation, as we gather together once more. You are a part of us as we are a part of you – we need you to be complete. And we are stronger together.

L'Shana Tova

Religious School Birthdays

Sara Flores-Amper
 Michael Kahn
 Michaela Mermelstein
 Ethan Keesler
 Alison Klein
 Jacob Schroader
 Tyler Corvin

New Members:

Alan & Darlene Levit
 Lori Wynters & Wylie Wright
 Lesley Vann

Rafua Shlema

Larry Reer
 Leonard Zimet
 Roberta Magnaud
 Lauren Satinsky
 Marian Goldhamer
 Mary Jane Klein
 Reba Laks
 Wendy Wolfenson
 Rhoda Lohre
 Ben Wilder
 Karen Wilder
 Elayne Barry
 Bethanie Gartner
 Mark Trott
 Massie Mehl
 Joy Gross
 Elaine Siller

Condolences

Steve Kaplan on the loss of his father,
 Seymour Kaplan z”l, who passed away

Priscilla Gideon on the loss of her
 mother Natalie Robbins z”l, who passed
 away

If you or a loved one is admitted to a hospital, or if you know of a member of our community who is hospitalized, please call the Rabbi in her study at (845) 338-4384, ext. 11, or on her emergency cell phone, (914) 466-4184, so that she knows and is able to visit you while you are there. This way we can be certain that our members are comforted and supported in their time of need.

Worth Noting

Edward and Elaine Levine have moved. Their new address is:
 357 West O’Reilly Street, Apt 207,
 Kingston, New York 12401

Rabbi and Suzanne Eichhorn will be joining Temple Emanuel for Rosh Hashana services and look forward to seeing everyone.

Other Voices

“Thou hast shown thy people hard things: thou hast made us to drink the wine of astonishment.”

Psalm 60:3

TOT SHABBAT
 Join us **September 10th**
 for our next Tot Shabbat! Our toddler service is celebrated monthly on Saturday mornings from 9:00-9:30am, followed by a healthy Kiddush. This is an extraordinary way to connect your young child to Judaism & your Temple community.
 We look forward to singing, dancing & story telling with you!!!
 Upcoming Tot Shabbat dates in 2011:
 September 10, October 29, November 19, December 10

Young at Heart Thursday, September 16th
 Complimentary dessert & presentation at 1:30pm
 Our non-sectarian, senior group
 meets every third Thursday of the month, April through December.

*A Special Invitation to you,
 from Rabbi Yael Romer...*

Lunch with the Rabbi,
 September 6th
 Special Guest Stuart Greenfield
 presents: **Plastic**



The possible effects of plastics on human life, recyclable plastics and plastic waste disposal, what science and industry have been doing with respect to plastics, and the role that we, as individuals, can take to reduce plastic waste.

The interactive presentation will begin at 12:45pm, following the free hot lunch at noon.

From "A Tale of Love and Darkness."

(At the age of 15, Amos Oz published a poem that Ben-Gurion had somehow seen. He called for the young writer. This is Oz' sketch of the great man...)

"More than forty years have passed since that...morning in Ben-Gurion's Spartan office. I have met famous people since...but nobody has left such a sharp impression of their physical presence on me., or of their electrifying willpower....

"...he was a visionary peasant. There was something primeval about him, something not of this day and age. His simplicity of mind was almost biblical... As a young man in... eastern Poland he had two simple ideas: That the Jews must reestablish their homeland in the Land of Israel, and that he was the right man to lead them...

"He was an honest, cruel man; like most visionaries, he did not stop to count the cost. Or perhaps he did stop for a moment and decided: let it cost whatever it costs.

"There is no simple way of summing him up."

Amos Oz



September 2011

Elul / Tishrei 5770 - 71



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 <i>2 Elul</i> 12:30PM Tone with Sloane Intermediate Class	2 <i>3 Elul</i> 6:55PM Shofar blown 7PM Early Shabbat service	3 <i>4 Elul</i> Parashat <i>Shoftim</i>
4 <i>5 Elul</i>	5 <i>6 Elul</i> Labor Day	6 <i>7 Elul</i> 10:30-11:30AM Tone with Sloane Beginner Class 12:00-1:00PM Tone with Sloane Intermediate Class 12PM Lunch with the Rabbi with guest Stuart Greenfield 7:15PM Membership Committee	7 <i>8 Elul</i> 9AM-12PM Gan Keshet Open House 12:30PM Hebrew Trope Bingo—open at 5PM	8 <i>9 Elul</i> 8:45AM Rhinebeck study w/ Rabbi Romer 9AM-12PM Gan Keshet Open House 5:30-6:30PM Fall Learning with the Rabbi 6PM Fall for Art – UCJF 7PM Finance meeting	9 <i>10 Elul</i> 7:25-7:30PM Shofar blown 7:30PM Kabbalat Shabbat 8:30PM Israeli Dance	10 <i>11 Elul</i> 9-9:30AM Tot Shabbat 10AM Shabbat morning service Parashat <i>Ki Teitzei</i>
11 <i>12 Elul</i> 8AM Interfaith Community Remembrance for 9/11 – Walkway Over the Hudson 9:30AM-1PM Religious School Teachers meeting 12-12:30PM Religious School Teachers Welcome Back Luncheon sponsored by Sisterhood	12 <i>13 Elul</i> 8:30AM-2:30PM Gan Keshet	13 <i>14 Elul</i> 8:30AM-2:30PM Gan Keshet 10:30-11:30AM Tone with Sloane Beginner Class 11:30AM-12:00PM Tone with Sloane Bonus Abs 12:00-1:00PM Tone with Sloane Intermediate Class	14 <i>15 Elul</i> 8:30AM-2:30PM Gan Keshet 9AM-12PM Special Day of Caring brought to you by Social Action 12:30PM Hebrew Trope Bingo—open at 5PM 6:45-8:30PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 6:45PM B'nai Mitzvah parents' meeting 6:45-8:30PM Confirmation Class Bingo—doors open at 5PM 7PM Ritual Committee	15 <i>16 Elul</i> 8:30AM-2:30PM Gan Keshet 8:45AM Rhinebeck study w/ Rabbi Romer 12:00-1:00PM Tone with Sloane 1:30-3:30PM Young At Heart 5:30-6:30PM Fall Learning with the Rabbi 7PM Temple Emanuel Board	16 <i>17 Elul</i> 8:30AM-2:30PM Gan Keshet 7:25-7:30PM Shofar blown 7:30PM Musical Shabbat	17 <i>18 Elul</i> 10AM Morning service Jacob Schroader will be called to the Torah Parashat <i>Ki Tavo</i>
18 <i>19 Elul</i> 8:30-10:30AM Sisterhood Meet & Greet 9AM-1:30PM RS, 1 st day of classes & lay-led adult education 9AM Parent/student meetings, grades 3 – 8 11:20AM Parent/student meetings, PreK-2 12-1:30PM Beginning Hebrew 12:30PM Parents only meeting – new families	19 <i>20 Elul</i> 8:30AM-2:30PM Gan Keshet 5:30-9PM Hadassah Game Night	20 <i>21 Elul</i> 8:30AM-2:30PM Gan Keshet 10:30-11:30AM Tone with Sloane Beginner Class 12:00-1:00PM Tone with Sloane Intermediate Class	21 <i>22 Elul</i> 8:30AM-2:30PM Gan Keshet 12:30PM Hebrew Trope Bingo—open at 5PM 6:45-8:30PM B'nai Mitzvah 6:45-8:30PM Confirmation Class	22 <i>23 Elul</i> 8:30AM-2:30PM Gan Keshet 8:45AM Rhinebeck study w/ Rabbi Romer 12:00-1:00PM Tone with Sloane 5:30-6:30PM Fall Learning with the Rabbi	23 <i>24 Elul</i> 8:30AM-2:30PM Gan Keshet 7:25-7:30PM Shofar blown 7:30PM Kabbalat Shabbat with Zemer participation	24 <i>25 Elul</i> 10AM Shabbat morning service Parashat <i>Nitzavim-Vayeilech</i> 7:30PM Erev Selichot Service
25 <i>26 Elul</i> 9AM-1:30PM Religious School 9:15AM-1:00PM Cemetery Cleanup at Montrepose 12-1:30PM Beginning Hebrew	26 <i>27 Elul</i> 8:30AM-2:30PM Gan Keshet	27 <i>28 Elul</i> 8:30AM-2:30PM Gan Keshet 10:30-11:30AM Tone with Sloane Beginner Class 12:00-1:00PM Tone with Sloane Intermediate Class	28 <i>29 Elul</i> Erev Rosh Hashanah 7:30PM Erev Rosh Hashanah service	29 <i>1 Tishrei</i> Rosh Hashanah 9:30AM Morning service 10AM Jr. Congregation service 2PM Children's Service 3PM Apples & Honey children's Kiddush 3:30PM Taschlich	30 <i>2 Tishrei</i> Rosh Hashanah (2nd day) 10AM RH hike & service in Rhinebeck 7:30PM Shabbat Shuvah service	

The Rabbi will be out of the office on September 1

High Holy Days

(*Special Shofar Class: 9/2 from 6:30-6:55, on 9/9, 9/16, and 9/23 from 7:00-7:25, review shofar calls with Rabbi in preparation for Yom Kippur. Bring your shofar.*)

(Child-care offered at Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur morning services. Call the office or check the web site)

Erev Selichot

Sat., 9/24, 7:30pm

Havdalah/Candle Lighting Service.
Melody and meditation integrated with Selichot Prayers.

Rosh Hashana

Wed, 9/28, 7:30pm

Sermon: Teaching Your Teenager to Drive-A Manual/Emanuel for Living

Thurs, 9/29, 9:30am-12:30

Sermon: I Can See Clearly Now, a Text Study for Life

Jr. Congregation Service 10:00am-11:00am (6th-12th Grade/Led by Jr. members of our congregation)

Children's Service 2:00pm

(A Kiddush will follow about 3:00pm)

Tashlich Leave Synagogue 3:30pm
(refreshments after the service)

Fri, 9/30 10:00am

Second Day Service

Poet's Walk, River Rd, Red Hook: *A guided circuit walk with prayer and meditation, finishing about 12:00pm with a half hour service and shofar sounding. Meet at the Poet's Walk parking lot at 10:00am.*

Shabbat Shuvah

Fri, 9/30, 7:30pm

Evening Service

Sat, 10/1, 10:00am

Morning Minyan

Yom Kippur

Please arrive by 6:45. Doors will reopen for late seating after Kol Nidre prayer.

Fri, 10/7, 7:00pm

Kol Nidre.

Sermon: Pride of Place

Sat, 10/8, 9:30am-12:30

Sermon: Israel and the UN Resolution Concerning a Palestinian State

Jr. Congregation Service 10:00am-

11:00am (6th-12th Grade/Led by Jr.

members of our congregation)

Meditation.....1:00pm

Children's Service....2:00pm

Afternoon Service.....3:30pm

Yizkor.....4:30pm

Concluding Neilah....5:30pm

(Break the Fast Kiddush follows)

Sukkot

Sun, 10/9 10:00am

Sukkah building: (Join Brotherhood

In this enjoyable Sukkot mitzvah.

Contact Mark Trott, 845-594-5132)

Wed, 10/12 5:30pm

Artist Workshop: *Five of our local artists, Bill Ayton, Carol Cooper, Melanie Hall, David Levine, & Barbara Tepper Levy will lead art projects for decorating our Sukkah.*

Potluck Dinner in Sukkah.....6:30pm

Thurs, 10/13 10:00am
Festival Morning Service


Fri, 10/14 7:00pm
Yizkor

Sat, 10/16 7:00pm
Havdalah and Early Service: *Celebrate Sukkot & Havdalah & have desert in Rabbi Romer's Sukkah at her home in Rhinebeck.*

Simchat Torah

Fri, 10/21 7:30pm
Musical Shabbat, Hakafot Celebration & Kabbalat Torah (Consecration)


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