



Congregation  
Emanu El

# THE BULLETIN

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## SHABBAT CELEBRATIONS



**Friday - February 2, 2018 - 7:00 pm**

**Led by Rabbi Crystal, Michelle and Paul Zipperstein**

Oneg Shabbat following the service hosted by Roberta & Phil Gold

**Saturday - February 3, 2018**

**Torah Study led by Rabbi Crystal - 9:15 to 9:45am**

**SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE AT 10:00 AM**

**Led by Rabbi Crystal, Mary Lynn Stough, Michelle Anctil, and Jerry Ripley**

**Parashat Yitro - פרשת יתרו**

**Exodus 18:1 - 20:23 - Haftarah - Isaiah 6:1 - 7:6; 9:5 - 9:6**

**Kiddush Following the Service**



**Friday - February 9, 2018 - 7:00 pm**

**Sisterhood Service Led by Rabbi Crystal, Cantor Bern-Vogel and Sisterhood**

Oneg Shabbat following the service hosted by Phyllis Sweet in honor of family birthdays

**Saturday - February 10, 2018**

**Torah Study led by Rabbi Crystal - 9:15 to 9:45am**

**SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE AT 10:00 AM -**

**"Second Saturday" Shabbat - Chants and Meditation**

**Led by Rabbi Crystal and Cantor Bern-Vogel**

**Parashat Mishpatim - פרשת משפטים**

**Exodus 21:1 - 24:18; 30:11 - 30:16 - Haftarah - II Kings 12:1 - 12:17 Kiddush Following the Service**



**Friday - February 16, 2018 - 7:00 pm**

**Led by Rabbi Crystal and Cantor Bern-Vogel**

Oneg Shabbat following the services hosted by Margie Orland in honor of her parent's yahrtzeits.

**Saturday - February 17, 2018**

**Torah Study led by Rabbi Crystal - 9:15 to 9:45 am**

**SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE AT 10:00 AM**

**Led by Rabbi Crystal, Mary Lynn Stough, and Michelle Anctil**

**Parashat Terumah - פרשת תרומה**

**Exodus 25:1 - 27:19 - Haftarah - I Kings 5:26 - 6:13 Kiddush Following the Service**



**Friday - February 23, 2018 - 7:00 pm**

**Shabbat Led by Rabbi Crystal and Cantor Bern-Vogel**

Oneg Shabbat following the service hosted by Cantor Bern-Vogel in memory of her mother, Marianne Bern

**Saturday - February 24, 2018**

**Torah Study led by Rabbi Crystal - 9:15 to 9:45 am**

**SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE AT 10:00 AM**

**Led by Rabbi Crystal and Jerry Ripley**

**Parashat Tetzaveh - פרשת תצוה**

**Exodus 27:20 - 30:10; Deuteronomy 25:17-19 - Haftarah - I Samuel 15:2 - 15:34**

**Kiddush Following the Service**

### Upcoming Office Closure

The temple office will be closed on Monday, February 19, 2018 in observance of Presidents Day.

# Rabbinic Reflections

## Purim Memories



What are your Purim memories? For me Purim is an adventure and a time of joy ...

*Be Who You Always Want to Be?* In my synagogue in New York, beyond costumes of Mordecai and Esther we dressed in a myriad of guises. I got to be the Tin Man from Wizard of Oz, Barney, Obi Wan Kenobi from Star Wars, and a Teenage Ninja Mutant

Turtle. In addition to the fun, in each character I brought to life a different aspect of my personality that it was fun to amplify and explore.

*Hamantaschen.* Everyone has their favorite Hamantaschen story. I think of my friend Marc, who is a vegetarian chef, and how he made designer flavors including chocolate and peanut butter, the fun of working with children and watching them roll the dough and make their personal hamantaschen, and trips to Israel near Purim when I would bring back Israeli Hamantachen for friends.

*Your Favorite Shpiel.* As I travel around the country many congregations have wonderful traditions for their Shpiel. In, Connecticut it was an annual event where every child in the religious school of 78 participated. Children choose to act, sing, or work on the sets. There was anticipation each year because the starring roles were reserved for the seventh grade who were the oldest in the school.

In Cherry Hill, New Jersey there was a full Purim Shpiel production with the teenagers of the congregation. The year I served the congregation the theme was the Beatles. Over 30 teens retold the story via classical Beatles songs. It was an annual event that was cherished by everyone.

KAM Isaiah Israel, in Chicago, did an original shpiel written by a member of the congregation, there were auditions, roles for members of every age group, and Chicago political humor ...

*Carnivals.* One of my favorite memories growing-up was the Purim carnival. I remember great prizes: goldfish, paddle ball, yoyos, and click n' catch (*if you don't know what it is please ask*). Through the years I enjoyed temple carnivals that were run by and for children ... with the help of teenagers for others. It always warms my heart to see a fifth grader help out a three-year-old so he or she can be a winner!

This year we have planned a wonderful celebration for Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>: The School of Jewish Learning will begin at 9:30 AM and the program will start with the Purim Shpiel at 10:00 AM. Cantor Bern-Vogel is planning the Purim Schpiel entitled: *The Little Mermaideleh Purim Scpiel*. It will involve all ages from young children to teens to adults. The parents and students of the School for Jewish Learning will run the carnival (it will begin immediately after the Schpiel). Please look at the bulletin and emails for details.

In the Jewish calendar, Purim begins Wednesday, February 28. We've scheduled the Congregation Emanu-El celebration to Sunday. We made this change to include as many congregants as possible. An evening celebration is difficult for families with young children and for congregants who find it difficult to drive at night.

Purim is a time of celebration and memory. A time where share our joy as a congregation, recall special times from the past, and create new memories for our children. I hope you will join us for a wonderful Purim this year.

L'Shalom,

*Rabbi Darryl Crystal*

## Cantorial Comments



*But the Jews that were in Shushan assembled together on the thirteenth day thereof, and on the fourteenth thereof; and on the fifteenth day of the same they rested, and made it a day of feasting and gladness. Therefore, do the Jews of the villages, that*

*dwell in the unwallled towns, make the fourteenth day of the month of Adar a day of gladness and feasting.” Esther 9:18-19*

February is the shortest month but we will celebrate to the fullest! Our Sisterhood Shabbat on February 9<sup>th</sup> will be a very special one this year, with many participants sharing personal stories of their memories and heartfelt connections with the liturgy and Jewish tradition.

The Hebrew month of Adar is the most joyous of all Hebrew months because of the Festival of Purim. There is nevertheless a hint of pathos because it could have ended up quite differently for the Jews in Persia who were in grave danger of total annihilation. Esther, one of our greatest heroines, had to summon enormous courage to aid her people in defeating the evil intentions of Haman. Haman was a descendant of the tribe of Amalek who also endeavored to wipe out the Jewish people. The Shabbat preceding Purim is called **Shabbat Zachor** – or the Shabbat of Remembrance. In our Torah reading, which begins with the word *Zachor*, we are commanded to remember the misdeeds of Amalek. Therefore, we intend to celebrate Erev Purim with ‘gladness and feasting’ and... **THE LITTLE MERMAIDELAH PURIMSPHIEL** written by Cantor Marni Camhi, directed by yours truly, and performed by all of you so stay tuned!!

I hope you have marked your calendars, **March 18, 2018, at 4pm** for this year’s **Cantor’s Concert** celebrating the music of **Leonard Bernstein, Irving Berlin and the Beatles!** As in past years, I will be welcoming half a dozen cantorial colleagues from southern California, plus musicians including beloved cellist Michele Tacchia and percussionist, John Gann, who love coming out to Redlands to share their many talents. The Congregation Emanu El choir and SJL students will also be part of this year’s 5<sup>th</sup> annual celebratory concert, so please **SAVE THE DATE and TIME!**

B’simcha!

*Cantor Jennifer Bern-Vogel*

## Presidential Perspectives

**(By Stuart Sweet, Vice-President)**



This month, I would like to start by thanking all of our volunteers. I am constantly amazed by how much work is done by the dedicated people who prepare our mailings, answer our phones, serve on committees and task forces, and keep our congregation humming along in so many ways! It’s rare that I walk into our building without seeing someone giving their time generously and I am always thankful, even when I forget to say so. If you enjoy this bulletin, you should thank Julie Strain who puts countless hours into creating something special every month, juggling article deadlines and event information in a truly amazing way.

Yet, as much volunteer help as we get, it’s not enough. I hope that if you have even a bit of time to spare you will considering volunteering. We need people to answer phones, help put together school materials, staff our gift shop, put together mailings... the list is endless and even though we somehow manage to get everything done every month, it would be so much easier with even more volunteers.

We are always looking for people to join committees and task forces, too. I know... everyone hates committees. Would it help if I just called them “a bunch of friends getting together and coming up with good ideas?” That’s what committees are, and at Congregation Emanu El we really need more people to work together to build our future. If you’ve ever said to one of your fellow congregants, “I just don’t understand why they don’t do (that thing)” then you should serve on a committee or task force! Chances are we want to do that thing, but we don’t have enough people to get it done.

One of the most important committees this time of year is the Nominating Committee. They have the unenviable task of recruiting members of our board of directors and executive committee. The board and EC meet every month to set policies and help move the congregation into the future. They’re the “management team” who makes sure that Congregation Emanu El is a wonderful place to be, and I can say it’s an honor to serve. Sometimes it’s even fun!

In the coming weeks you might get a call from someone on the Nominating Committee asking you to serve on a committee or on the board of directors. I hope you’ll consider giving a little bit of your time to help our congregation grow and prosper. If you don’t get a call, but you still think you would enjoy being on the board, don’t be shy! Send me an email at [s@stuartsweet.com](mailto:s@stuartsweet.com) or call me at 909.213.4862. We’re always looking for eager new faces!

*L’Shalom,*

*Stuart Sweet*



## Treasurer's Report



Dear Fellow Congregants,

I hope all of you have started this new year with a bang! I know we have here as the stewards of Congregation Emanu El. The last week of December 2017, thanks to your generosity to the Mortgage Reduction Fund as well as a major gift, we made a Principal reduction payment of **\$100,000.00** on our building mortgage. Our balance is now down to \$1,400,000.00. This payment will reduce our annual interest by over \$4,000.00. With your continued support, we hope to be able to continue to reduce the obligation. Thank you for your continuing support.

With your help we are constantly reducing our expenses and improving our cash flow. Thank you for enabling us to meet our financial needs as they mature by supporting our events both financially as well as participation. We welcome your thoughts as to fundraising events.

Warm regards,

**Marvin Reiter**

### LANDSCAPING UPDATE

Abatement of our gopher population and restoration of our irrigation system is now completed. The next step in our grounds beautification project is to begin reliable and more ambitious weekly maintenance. The Board of Directors has approved the hiring of the W. Wood Company for this purpose. The W. Wood Company was selected from four bidding contractors. They have knowledge of our grounds, as they were the original landscapers of our campus; they were able to repair our complex irrigation system after several other suppliers could not; they have expertise in both landscaping and maintenance so that they assist in the design and installation of new hard- and soft-scapes as our beautification project evolves.

The grounds improvement project will be implemented one section at a time. We have congregants who have expressed interest in funding specific areas of our campus and they will be included in discussions with the W. Wood Company as to how to best landscape specific areas. If you have questions or wish to become involved, don't hesitate to reach out to us...Leone and Brad Hyman at [leoneh@gmail.com](mailto:leoneh@gmail.com).

## Sisterhood Speaks



I joined Sisterhood originally to meet other women and to feel like a part of the Jewish community. I soon found I was part of a group of women of all ages who enjoyed being with others, and who had ideas about how to improve the synagogue. Sisterhood board meetings impressed me with just how many responsibilities we undertook. One function was Bikkur Cholim, visiting the sick and shut in. Isabel Helfman came to meetings to report on her visits, as she originated the role. I remember Isabel as sweet and kind; she was serious about visiting shut-ins to continue their contact with Congregation Emanu El. She had not been well for several years, and she died in December. I wish there was someone who would continue her legacy for us.

Another community function was Condolence Meals. One or two Sisterhood members would bring a dairy meal to the home of the deceased, set up the meal for the mourners while they were at the funeral and cemetery, and then leave after the mourners returned. Of course, it was always a rush, last-minute arrangement. Before I was a working mother, I did several condolence meals, and I met congregants and enjoyed the feeling of service. In the past, several people have taken on this job for a long time: Kail Rosen and Heidi Nimmo each chaired this for years. Last month we were asked to set up a condolence in the synagogue, and Phyllis Sweet, Margaret Shattuck, Susan Damron, and Lea Shuster came in to help. Other members helped out by bringing baked goods for us to put out. The family of Dr. Gary Schwartz was quite appreciative. Right now, Condolence is ad hoc, but Sisterhood needs a long term chair for this role, too.

If you attended our Casino Night on January 20, you know we really do put on a great party. The committee, chaired by Jill Weissman and Karyn Lehmann did an incredible job. If you missed it this year, be sure to join us next year.

February will be busy for us. February 4 is Mitzvah Day. Sisterhood will facilitate projects developed by Women of Faith. For many years Congregation Emanu El has held a special day to emphasize mitzvot. Elsewhere in this bulletin and in our weekly Constant Contact are more details. We are serving continental breakfast, so come over and plan to spend the morning with us. Friday night, February 9 will be Sisterhood Shabbat. It's not too late for members to contact Nancy Sidhu to volunteer to lead a prayer or share a personal reflection. This month we will also be baking hamantaschen for our Shalach Manot bags and Purim. I'd love to share the pleasure of making hamantaschen with you. Would you like to learn? Call me! You've received your letter, offering you the opportunity to send Shalach Manot to friends. Don't forget to return your order by Monday, February 12. And our renowned Mah Jongg Tournament returns on Monday, February 19. If you play, you won't want to miss it.

**Leslie Soltz**

*President, Sisterhood*



## Mental Health Awareness

Denial. A psychological reaction that sometimes helps and sometimes harms. Denial can protect us from a shock that might kill us. Denial can give us time to come to terms with a sudden unexpected loss. However, denial can also prevent us from effectively dealing with a threat.

With climate change, denial is a major problem. Uncertainty about global warming often creates fear and a feeling that the problem is too huge. That leads to denial and avoidance. Psychological distance helps us fool ourselves that climate change is happening at some distant future time, or in some distant place. On top of that, especially in this country, climate change has become a political issue in the past decade or so. It has gotten hitched to a fabric of political and social attitudes that many people are psychologically committed to.

We might think that as more extreme weather events occur around the world and at home, people will open their eyes to the reality of a radically changing climate. And for some this is just what happens. But not as much as we might think. George Marshall in his book, *Don't Even Think About It: Why Our Brains are Wired to Ignore Climate Change*, makes it clear that for some of us a major traumatic weather disaster results in a stronger denial. How's that? Well, if you believe that the disaster is part of a pattern sure to occur again, that's even more frightening than if it's a freak occurrence.

The changing climate is harming our physical and mental health, even our political discourse.

Parts of Louisiana are under continual threat of storm surges and rising sea levels. Many people have left certain low-lying towns that flood frequently. Others can't afford to get out. The state government wants to buy them out and get them to higher ground, but there's no money for it. Imagine the anxiety of living in that situation, little boats always at the ready. It's happening now all around the planet. Weather extremes are today's reality. Good mental health requires us to end denial about climate change.

**Heidi Nimmo & Nancy Sidhu**  
Co-chairs,  
*Mental Health Awareness in Action*

## From Our Director of Education & Youth



Hello, Emanu El families!  
The School for Jewish Living had a relaxing break and we are hitting the ground running this month. We will have our first field trip to the Oak Glen Preserve in honor of Tu B'Shevat on January 28<sup>th</sup>. We will join Sisterhood in Mitzvah Day on February 4<sup>th</sup> when the students rotate through centers with the guidance of congregants and parents. We are excited for the opportunity to share this day with members of our Jewish community. Tikun Olam and tzedakah are important roots in our Jewish faith and I am happy that we will be able to share in this work together. There is nothing like seeing mitzvot in action to solidify the meaning of these concepts for our students. Our school will also celebrate Purim with a Purim Spiel and carnival on February 25<sup>th</sup>. We are looking forward to a Purim celebration that will be full of food, fun, and friends!

Our first Tyger meeting is set for February 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5:00-7:00 pm. If you did not receive an email with this information and you have a child who would like to join Tyger, please contact me and we will make sure your child is added to our roster. Tyger is for young adults in 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades.

Our students, families, and staff are looking forward to a full February. We will see you all soon!

*L'shalom*

**Jillian Snyder**

*Director of Education & Youth*



### Board of Directors Nominations Committee

**The Nominations Committee, chaired by Craig Beasley, is seeking temple members interested in taking a leadership role and serving the congregation as a member of the Board of Directors. For more information, please contact Craig Beasley at [craig@beasleys.net](mailto:craig@beasleys.net) or call the temple office at 909-307-0400.**

#### Temple Board of Directors Meeting

**February 15, 2018, 7:00 pm**  
**Members of the congregation are always welcome.**

#### Sisterhood Board Meeting

**Sunday, March 4, 2018, 10:00 a.m.**  
**All Sisterhood Members are welcome**

## Congregation Emanu El

presents the

### 32nd Annual Rabbi Norman F. Feldheim Memorial Lecture



The Rabbi Norman F. Feldheim Memorial Lecture was established in 1985 at the time of his death by members of Congregation Emanu El as well as many friends in the wider community. Rabbi Feldheim served as rabbi of Congregation Emanu El in San Bernardino from 1937 to 1971 and as Rabbi Emeritus from 1971 until his death. He was called to serve as a chaplain in the United States Army twice - once in World War II (1942-46) where he served in the European Theatre and once in the Korean conflict (1950-52). He was awarded the Bronze Star and six battle medals. In recognition of his notable leadership San Bernardino's Central Library was named the "Norman F. Feldheim Central Library." Over the years the annual lecture has dealt with some of Rabb Feldheim's major interests including Art, Dreams, Interfaith activities and Social Justice.

## Rabbi Denise Eger

will speak on

### REFORM JUDAISM: UNIQUELY PREPARED TO ADDRESS A WORLD SEEKING DIRECTION

Wednesday, February 7, 2018 at 7:00 PM

Congregation Emanu El – 1495 Ford St. – Redlands, CA



Rabbi Denise Eger is the founding rabbi of Congregation Kol Ami, West Hollywood's Reform Synagogue. Rabbi Eger has served pulpits in Canada, New York and Los Angeles. Following ordination, she served Congregation Beth Chayim Chadashim for four years as its first full-time rabbi.

In 2015 Rabbi Eger became President of the Central Conference of American Rabbis which is the largest organization of Rabbis; More than 2000 Reform rabbis world-wide. She was the first openly gay or lesbian rabbi to that position. Rabbi Eger is a past President of the Southern California Board of Rabbis (the first woman and openly gay person to do so) and a past President of the Pacific Association of Reform Rabbis.

Rabbi Eger believes that activism is an important part of her rabbinate. She has worked extensively with people with AIDS. She served as co-chair of the Community Advisory Board of the Shanti Foundation and is a past Chair of the Spiritual Advisory Committee of AIDS Project Los Angeles.

She co-chaired the Gay and Lesbian Rabbinic Network for two years. She is a past Treasurer of the Women's Rabbinic Network. She was the founding President of the Lesbian, Gay, & Bisexual Interfaith Clergy Association. She is active on the steering committee of the California Faith for Equality and helped to organize Jews for Marriage Equality. She is a member of the Religion and Faith Council of the Human Rights Campaign.

Denise L. Eger was raised in Memphis, TN. She graduated with honors from the University of Southern California with a Bachelor's Degree in Religion in 1982. She received her Master's Degree from Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion in 1985 and was ordained as Rabbi in 1988 at the New York campus of HUC.

Rabbi Eger is married to Rabbi Eleanor Steinman and has a son in college.



# THE LITTLE MERMAID LEH

WRITTEN BY CANTOR MARNI CAMHI  
DIRECTED BY CANTOR JENNIFER BERN-VOGEL  
FEATURING MEMBERS OF CONGREGATION EMANU EL



## PURIM SCHPIEL 2018 THE LITTLE MERMAID LEH

10:00 AM

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

COME ONE AND COME ALL -  
YOUNG AND YOUNG -AT- HEART  
AND CELEBRATE PURIM

WHERE ALL WILL TAKE PART!

THE STORY OF ESTHER AGAIN WILL UNFOLD  
BUT WITH DISNEY THIS YEAR  
THE MEGILLAH BE TOLD.

WITH COSTUMES AND MUSIC AND  
HAMENTASHEN TOO -

A TIME OF REJOICING WITH  
EACH ONE OF YOU!!

## Purim Carnival



- ◆ *Bounce House, Games, Prizes*
- ◆ *Food: Falafel, Pizza. and more*
- ◆ *Hamantashcen  
Bake sale*
- ◆ *(Carnival starts at 10:30 AM after  
the Schpiel)*

Come get your  
*Schlach Manot Bags!*



פורים שמח  
Happy Purim



Shalach Manot bags for all families will be available at the temple for pick up at Shabbat services on Friday, February 23rd, and on Sunday, February 25th, at the Purim Schpiel and Carnival.

For *local* congregants who are unable to pick up their Shalach Manot, due to physical or health concerns, please call the temple office or Leslie Soltz at 909-864-2655 or 714-813-1792 to arrange delivery.

**Mitzvah Day**  
**Sunday, February 4, 2018**  
**9:30 a m to 12:30 pm**



Congregation Emanu El  
1495 Ford Street, Redlands

**Work Projects for Adults and Children of All Ages.**  
**A "Mitzvah Fair"-- featuring community service and**  
**social justice projects and organizations supported by our members.**

**Bring a donation of disposable diapers and baby wipes—**  
**these are much needed by refugee families.**

Continental Breakfast and Lunch will be provided.  
If you have an idea for a work project and/or an organization to be featured in our Mitzvah Fair,  
please email or text Deb Holder at [debholder@att.net](mailto:debholder@att.net) or 909-496-4173.

***Song of My Soul:***  
***A Chant & Meditation Service***

*Please join Rabbi Darryl Crystal and Cantor Jennifer Bern-Vogel for a special service which will introduce you to a simple and easy style of Jewish meditation and offer chants for prayers in the service. The service will be an introduction for people with no experience in meditation and for those with experience. The music is easy for all types of voices.*



***Saturday, February 10***  
***9:15 AM: Intro to Meditation***  
***10:00 AM: Service***



## In Memoriam זכרון לברכה

We note with sorrow the recent death of

**ELAYNE RAYNES**

She was predeceased by her husband  
Arnold Raynes,  
a past president of Congregation Emanu El

She is survived by her children:

Randi Armstrong  
Jeffrey Raynes

Grandchildren:

Amy Armstrong  
Derek Raynes  
Megan Raynes  
Mitchell Raynes

and six great-grandchildren

May the memories of the righteous  
be for a blessing

## Seniors for Seniors

For seniors of the greater San Bernardino-Redlands-Highland-  
Banning-Mountains and surrounding communities

**Wednesday**  
**February 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:45 am**  
at Congregation Emanu el  
1495 Ford Street - Redlands



**Health and Fitness  
For Seniors**

*A Lively Presentation by*  
**HEATHER VAUGHN**



**"A Boost of Confidence"**  
She will show us how to tap into our  
physical and mental potential using life  
hacks that will blow your mind.  
A well trained Health & Fitness Expert

**Delicious Luncheon**  
**\$10.00 per person**

Reservations must be made by  
**Monday - February 19<sup>th</sup>**  
by calling or emailing the temple  
**(909)307-0400**  
email: [cee@emanuelsb.org](mailto:cee@emanuelsb.org)

When you come to the Luncheon bring one container (can or package) of a non-perishable food (for example peanut butter) that can be distributed to the hungry and homeless.

**Congregation Emanu El Sisterhood**  
**Invites You to Play in Our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual**  
**Mah Jongg Tournament!**



**Presidents Day**  
**Monday, February 19, 2018**  
**8:30 AM - 3:30 PM**  
**\$45 per player**

- ❖ Continental Breakfast, Lunch, Snacks, Door Prizes
- ❖ Raffle for Wonderful Gift Baskets
- ❖ Cash Prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

8:30 am - Check-in, Continental Breakfast, Review Rules  
9:15 am - 12:15 pm - Play 3 rounds  
12:15 pm - Lunch, Prizes, Raffle Drawings  
1:15 pm - 3:15 pm - Play 2 rounds  
3:30 pm - Prize Winners & Final Raffle Drawings

**Congregation Emanu El**  
**1495 Ford Street, Redlands - 909-307-0400**  
Questions: Call Paula Kay: 909-794-7416 or Julie Strain: 951-317-2003 or  
[okpkaye@verizon.net](mailto:okpkaye@verizon.net) or [jbstrain1130@gmail.com](mailto:jbstain1130@gmail.com)

**Send Registration by Monday February 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**Early Bird Registration by February 5<sup>th</sup> receives a Raffle Drawing ticket for a \$10 Gift Card**

Please return this portion with check for \$45.00 payable to: **Sisterhood by February 12<sup>th</sup>**  
Mail to: Julie Strain, 6383 Emmerton Lane, Highland, CA 92346

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

**I will bring Mah Jongg set (include pushers & dice) \_\_\_\_\_**

**I will be East (remain at one table/keep score) \_\_\_\_\_**

\*Please note that "No Time Limit" tables will not be available this year.

New Congregation Emanu El "Introduction  
to Judaism Class"



# Congregation Emanu El Conversion Program

*Congregation Emanu El is beginning a Conversion Program for people to learn about Judaism and talk about converting to Judaism. Contact Rabbi Crystal at Congregation Emanu El. Please plan on taking the **Introduction to Judaism Class** at Congregation Emanu El begins in February 2018.*

## Adult Jewish Learning

***Tuesday from 7:00-8:30 PM***

*Please join Rabbi Crystal for an **Introduction to Judaism** series. No reservations are needed. You can choose to attend:*

- One session
- A series of three to four sessions
- The entire course

### Jewish History

February 20	I: Biblical Israel and Rabbinic Judaism
February 27	II: Judaism and the Modern World/ Holocaust
March 6	History III: American Jewish History and Israel
March 13	Rabbi Cohn Lecture at UCSB: Dr. Gary Zola

### Jewish Beliefs

March 20	I: Jewish Texts - The Torah/ Rabbinic Texts
March 27	II: Many Visions of God
April 3	III: Reform, Conservative, Orthodox, and ...

### Rhythms of Jewish Life

April 10	I: The Life Cycle from Birth to Death
April 17	No Class
April 24	II: Conversion, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, & Education
May 1	III: Shabbat and The Times of Our Lives

*Please contact Rabbi Crystal at [RAVDPC1733@GMAIL.COM](mailto:RAVDPC1733@GMAIL.COM)*



*Join Us For Our Annual  
Sisterhood Shabbat*

*As we share memories and reflections across the generations*



*Friday,  
February 9, 2018  
7:00pm*

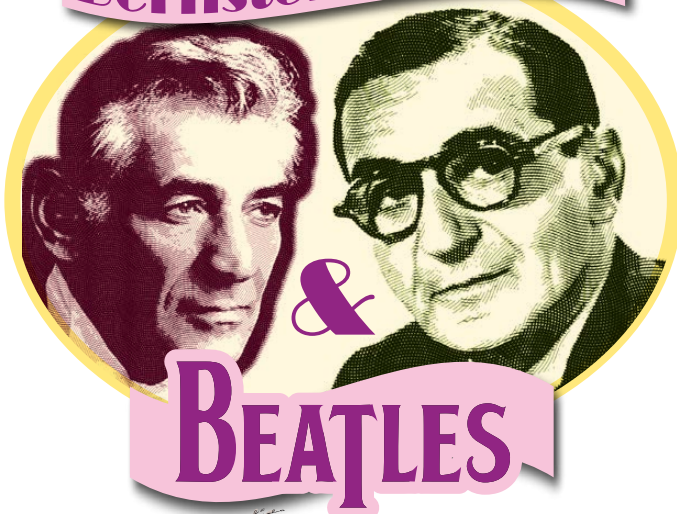
*at  
Congregation  
Emanu El*

*Please bring a dessert item to share for Oneg Shabbat following services*



*5<sup>th</sup> Annual Cantor's Concert  
celebrating*

**Bernstein Berlin**



**Congregation Emanu El**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**March 18, 2018**

**4:00pm**

*Cantor Jennifer Bern-Vogel  
and several of her amazing friends  
will present an incredible  
afternoon of music  
for your delight and enjoyment.*



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND  
THE 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL  
RABBI HILLEL COHN ENDOWED LECTURE ON THE  
CONTEMPORARY JEWISH EXPERIENCE

TUESDAY - MARCH 13, 2018 - 7:00 PM

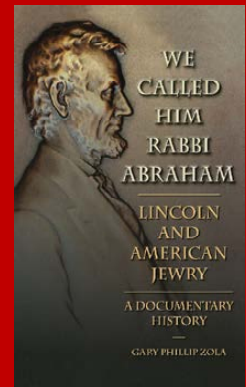
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DR. GARY P. ZOLA  
WILL SPEAK ON  
“HE WAS ONE OF US:  
THE JUDAIZATION OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN”



Dr. Gary P. Zola is the Executive Director of The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives and Edward M. Ackerman Family Distinguished Professor of the American Jewish Experience at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati. Professor Zola edits The Marcus Center's award-winning biannual publication, The American Jewish Archives Journal - one of only two academic periodicals focusing on the total historical experience of American Jewry.

In 2011 Dr. Zola was appointed by President Obama to the Commission for the Preservation of American Heritage Abroad. In 2006 he became the first



American Jewish historian and the first American rabbi to receive appointment to the Academic Advisory Council of the congressionally recognized Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission. Dr. Zola was ordained as a rabbi at HUC-JIR in 1982 and received his Ph.D in American Jewish history in 1991.

THE RABBI HILLEL COHN ENDOWED LECTURE  
ON THE CONTEMPORARY JEWISH EXPERIENCE



The Rabbi Hillel Cohn Endowed Lecture on the Contemporary Jewish Experience was established at California State University, San Bernardino in recognition of Rabbi Cohn's many achievements as a religious and community leader. This is the first time in the history of the entire California State University system that a rabbi has been so honored. Each year the Endowed Lecture brings scholars of note to the Inland Empire and the Coachella Valley. Rabbi Cohn served as rabbi of Congregation Emanu El in San Bernardino 1963-2001, 2014-2015 and is now rabbi emeritus of that historic congregation, now located in Redlands. In 2010 Rabbi Cohn chaired the City of San Bernardino Bicentennial Commission. In 2017 he was awarded an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters by CSUSB.

*THE LECTURE IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AT NO CHARGE*



## Save the Date

*Congregation Emanu El will be honoring  
Susan and Paul Shimoff  
as recipients of the  
Rabbi Norman F. Feldheym Award  
at a Dinner Dance on  
Saturday, April 21, 2018*

## Happy Birthday!!! יום הולדת שמח

We rejoice with those whose birthdays occur in February and wish them a *Mazal Tov*:

1-February	Matthew Klein	22-February	Mitchell Kriso
4-February	Daniel Gorenberg	22-February	Sophia Paisner (7 years old)
6-February	Rita Cohn	23-February	Aaron Katz
6-February	Lia Robinson	23-February	Bonnie Goler
8-February	Hilary Levine	23-February	Dylan Kress (4 years old)
9-February	Beth Freimuth	24-February	Cantor Jennifer Bern-Vogel
11-February	Aaron Eirew	25-February	Gary Fenster
12-February	Denise Schnitzer	25-February	David Sukenik
12-February	Cheryl Sukenik	26-February	Francine Wixen
12-February	Francesca Sweet	27-February	Sheryl Austin-Fischer
14-February	Harriet Herman	27-February	Seth Needelman (16 years old)
16-February	Janet Rabinowitz	27-February	Jonah Needelman (16 years old)
19-February	Bruce Ferguson	28-February	Stanley Roshwald
22-February	Marjorie Brown	28-February	Taylor Brooks (16 years old)

## Happy Anniversary!!!

We extend a hearty *Mazal Tov* to the following whose wedding anniversaries occur in the month of February:

3-February	Lia & Mark Robinson	15-February	Donna & Gregory Spears
6-February	Emily & Craig Beasley	19-February	Marjorie & Neil Brown
9-February	Louise & Daniel Gorenberg	22-February	Carole Phil Wizer
9-February	Karyn & Stephen Lehmann	25-February	Katherine & Jeffrey Kropf

## We Gratefully Acknowledge

We gratefully acknowledge these contributions to our various temple funds:

### TEMPLE FUND

*In observance of the Yahrzeits of...*

**Bernice Lipsky** by Michelle Anctil and Judith Smith

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*In honor of ...*

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*In observance of the yahrzeits of ...*

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*In honor of ...*

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*In memory of ...*

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*In observance of the Yahrzeits of ...*

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*In memory of ...*

**Morris Sheppard** by Cherrie and Ronald Lubey

*In honor of ...*

**Martha Leviant's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday** by Cherrie and Ronald Lubey

On occasions of joy or sorrow a contribution to one of our temple funds is always appropriate.

Contribution can be made to the following funds:

Home of Eternity Cemetery Fund  
Temple Fund

Rabbi Crystal Discretionary Fund

Rabbi Cohn Discretionary Fund

Cantor's Discretionary Fund

William Russler Memorial Archives Fund

Mortgage Reduction Fund

Sisterhood Pulpit Flower Fund

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Lionel Heller Music Fund

## Kol Ha-Kavod כל הכבוד

Rabbi Hillel Cohn was one of four honorees who received the 2018 Mensch Awards by the Mensch International Foundation at the International Holocaust Remembrance Day Observance held in Palm Desert. The honor was conferred on January 26, 2018. We congratulate Rabbi Cohn on this honor.



## Yahrzeits

The following Yahrzeits will be observed during the month of February: Those with a (★) are inscribed on the Wall of Perpetual Memorial:

February 2-3	February 9-10	February 16-17	February 23-24
★Leonard Berry ★Maury Doros ★Dorothy Falk David Fins ★Louis Fox ★Rhoda Fox ★Natalie Gilbert ★Mildred Harrison Stanley Helfman Ellen Herschberg Rose Hirsch ★Sylvia Irom ★Ralph Kress Betty Kress ★S. Harry Litsky ★Steven Lubey Bettie McCarthy ★William Pass Evelyn Raphael ★Etta Rosenberg Bessye Schulman Lillian Schwartz ★Bess Shvemar ★Nathan Sorkin ★Gladys Teeter Morris Williky Nettie Winter ★Sarah Zeller	Morris Atlas Morris Barnett ★Evelyn Berger Marianne Bern Sam Charlick ★Marcelle Cohen ★Harry Corhan Anne Darling ★Sidney Eliot Irene Eliot Nettie Elsenstein ★Rabbi Norman Feldheim ★Sam Fredason Rose Goler Nathan Goler ★Harold Hanover ★Abraham Harris ★Samuel Hearsh ★Frank Heller ★Annie Isenberg ★Muriel Kattan ★Michael Klein ★Hymen Klingman ★Rachel Kramer Clara Leevan ★Marian Lippman Luby Lubinsky ★Bernice McDonald Samuel Nachman ★Arthur Neumann ★Lester Orland ★Elaine Robbins Hertzl Rubinstein ★Oscar Salow ★Jacob Samuels Oscar Sandoval Mildred Scharf Milton Schon ★Marcus Shimoff Elliot Slutsky Sidney Solomon ★Margaret Tancos ★Jack Tancos Sy Zucker	★Rose Abber ★Joseph Berenbaum ★Reuben Berkman ★Sydney Berman ★Tillie Birnkrant ★Fred Cammack Stanley Cohen ★Carl Cohn Arlene Cohn Samuel Eckhaus ★Elaine Elford ★Alta Earnstein ★Samuel Finkle ★Rose Gottlieb ★Lillian Gottlieb ★Rosa Hertz Lena Israel ★Ruth Katzeff ★Samuel Kaufman ★Arnold Kershner Jacob Kitay ★Barney Lampe Patricia Langer ★Harry Langer Isadore Lebowitz ★Marc Lubey ★Elizabeth Metz ★Samuel Neuburger ★Zohra Ohana Stanley Paleg Abraham Peters Kay Prestidge ★Stanley Pro Arnold Ray ★Arnold Raynes ★Harry Robin Shirley Roth Gustave Roth ★Helmar Schlein ★Sholom Schwartz ★Enia Tabatchnik ★Lucille Venne Gerson Wolk ★Samuel Yaroslow ★Esther Zafman Lillian Zlatin	Betty Arlein ★Frieda Aronoff ★Leonard Baum Robert Brill Eleanor Byman ★Haskell Davidson Benjamin Davis ★Anna Feldheim ★Bette Finkler Sarah Gerber ★Sol Goverman ★Rose Greenberg William Guzik ★Judith Harmon ★Frances Harris ★Jeannette Harris ★Samuel Hodes ★Eva Jerome ★Helene Koren ★Marcia Kravitz Frieda Lichtenstein David Lipsky ★Rachel Mitchell Walter Pastushek ★Rose Patrovsky ★Ruth Reissman Samuel Rosenbaum Max Ruben Allen Schwartz ★David Sentob ★Annie Shvemar ★Victor Simon ★Benjamin Stein Beverly Steinhorn Sheldon Swedlove ★Hershel Swedlove Sadie Tannenbaum ★Edith Tiner R.N. Boris Vaysman ★Clara Weintraub

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