

**FEBRUARY 2021  
BULLETIN**

**FRIDAY NIGHT**

**WORSHIP SERVICES**

Due to the outbreak of Coronavirus, services have been suspended at the facilities of Temple Emanuel until further notice and it is deemed appropriate to resume.

**THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND OUR RABBI ARE MONITORING THIS SITUATION CONSTANTLY AND WILL DETERMINE THE APPROPRIATE COURSE OF ACTION FOR IN-PERSON SERVICES TO RESUME**

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Rabbi Mathew D. Michaels

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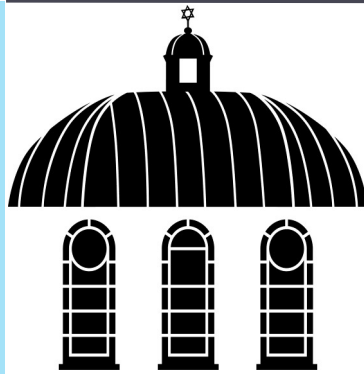
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Temple Emanuel - Beaumont, TX

**Temple Emanuel  
RSVP Line**

When you need to RSVP for any Temple activity or meeting, Please call 832-6131 and press 3.

Please slowly and clearly state the name of the meeting or activity, names of those attending, and your contact number.



# TEMPLE EMANUEL

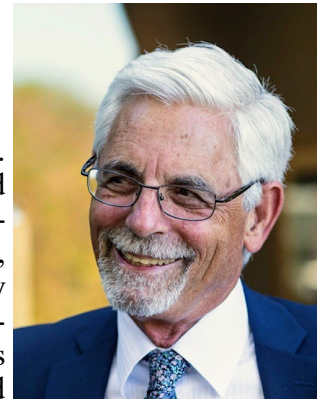
*A sacred Jewish journey to enrich lives.*

## FROM OUR TEMPLE RABBI

*Below is a reprint of Rabbi Michaels' Annual report:*

Dear Friends,

This has been a year that no one could have anticipated. Due to COVID-19, we have been physically distanced from one another; we have needed to adapt, to be innovative, creative and patient. Despite social distancing, business & travel restrictions, and closing our sanctuary and Temple to our usual schedule of events, life continues. It remains to be seen what societal & cultural shifts will become permanent behaviors in our country and throughout the world as a result of this pandemic.



I know that we, as a spiritual community, have missed being able to worship and celebrate, comfort and console one another "in person." Thankfully, modern technology has enabled us to "stay connected." Despite the circumstances of this year, still we can recognize and celebrate the many blessings in our midst:

- On-line services, Torah study, and meetings have kept us involved in our congregation. As a matter of fact, attendance at services and Shabbat morning Torah study has increased this year. While it is certainly not the same as being in our sanctuary, Angela and I have worked hard to create High Holy Day and Kabbalat Shabbat services that are spiritual and meaningful. I am particularly grateful to **Angela** for her partnership and her dedication to our congregation...she is truly a blessing!
- I also appreciate **Rabbi Berger** and **Rabbi Kogan's** involvement this year and sharing their rabbinic expertise with our Temple. Both of them have brought additional knowledge and perspective to learning and worship for which we are grateful.
- **Wilton** continues to help maintain our physical building, as well as stay connected to so many members. His care, concern and personal connection to our congregation goes far beyond any employment expectation.
- While no one person should be indispensable in an organization, I'm not sure where we would be without **Jane**. Her skill, devotion and dedication to our Temple and our membership continue to impress. She works diligently each day to make sure that our congregational family stays informed and connected.

- Finally, under **Wayne's** guidance, our Temple leadership has worked hard to keep our congregation focused and moving forward. The additional challenges of fiscal planning and future rabbinic leadership have been of special concern while dealing with the "normal" agenda items that confront every congregation. Their dedication is truly a blessing for our community.

To be sure, this year has been filled with tremendous challenges. Hopefully this next year will bring a spiritual, physical and emotional healing to our country and our world. As we look forward, may we all recognize and say:

*Ashreinu mah tov chelkeinu – How richly we are blessed!*



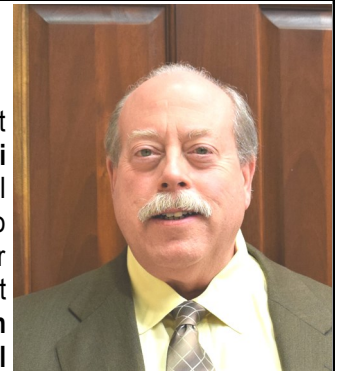
Rabbi Matt Michaels

*As we continue to deal with COVID-19, please don't hesitate to be in touch with me directly, whether by phone, email or Facetime. We need each other now more than we ever imagined. By reaching out we connect with each other, we strengthen one another, and we help in the healing process. Please stay in touch and stay safe.*

## FROM OUR TEMPLE PRESIDENT

*Excerpt from President's Remarks at the 127<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Temple Emanuel Congregation*

It has been an extreme honor and a Mitzvah to serve as the President of Temple Emanuel for this last year. I want to start by thanking our rabbinic leaders for 2020, including **Rabbi Michaels, Rabbi Kogan, Rabbi Berger, and Student Rabbi Elias Chajet** for their spiritual leadership and guidance. I want to thank all the members of the 2020 Temple Emanuel Board of Trustees. Once again, I want to acknowledge and thank those members who are rolling off the Board, for their years of service to our Temple, including **Stephen Eisen, Beverly Hickman-Hay, Mike Spector, and Cynthia Wolf**. I want to thank and acknowledge the 2020 Temple Emanuel Board of Trustees Officers, including **Ken Parker-President Elect, Gail Williams-Secretary, Allison Nathan Getz-Treasurer, Cheryl Barenberg-Past President/Sisterhood President, and Mike Getz-Brotherhood President**. I want to thank our Cantorial Soloist-**Angela Pickering** and our Organist-**Dwight Peirce** for the music that takes our services to the next level. I want to thank **Jane Kaulfus** and **Wilton Allen** for their service to our Temple that goes above and beyond the call of duty. Last but not least I want to thank my awesome wife **Susan Margolis** for her understanding and support this last year of the time involved, including evenings and weekends that were required for me to try to execute my **Sacred Duty** as Temple President to the best of my ability.



The next thing I want to discuss is the Covid-19 Pandemic. I suspect that like it or not I will be remembered as the **Covid-19 Temple President**, both for being Temple President during the Pandemic and for the unfortunate experience of contracting the disease myself. Please excuse me for the repetitiveness of this message, but I can't emphasize enough how important it will be for all congregants and Temple Emanuel employees to get vaccinated against Covid-19 as soon as possible. There is preliminary evidence that the mutated strain of the virus from Great Britain, which is already here in the US, is not only more contagious, but also more deadly. Statistically you will be ~52% protected at 2 weeks after your first vaccine and ~95% protected 2 weeks after your second vaccine. I am again asking everyone to notify the Temple Office after your second vaccine. This information will be kept confidential and only be used for statistical purposes to decide when we can safely resume in person services and other Temple functions. Dr. Fauci had initially quoted a 75-85% vaccination rate for herd immunity and has recently updated this to possibly as high as 90%.

During my President's Remarks on January 26, 2020, I stated that I wanted the theme of my Temple Presidency to be: "In Ongoing Pursuit of: **Teshuvah**-Forgiveness and Acceptance, **Tefillah**-Meaningful Worship, **Tzedakah**-Righteous Acts." In this regard, I also stated some specific things that I wanted to try to initiate and/or accomplish during my tenure as Temple President which included:

- **Doing everything in my power to ensure we continue to have Rabbinic Leadership for our services, including Shabbat Services, Torah Study, High Holy Day Services, Second Night Seder, Purim and Sukkot, as well as our other Jewish Holidays and Life Cycle Events.**

I believe that this goal has been accomplished within the limitations of the pandemic and remains an ongoing high priority. We are currently pursuing a Full Time Rabbi. There are currently two potential candidates being evaluated. **Rabbi Daniel Krimsky will do Zoom Shabbat Services on February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and Torah Study on February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Rabbi Chava Koster will do Zoom Shabbat Services on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and Torah Study on March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021.** I strongly encourage all congregants to view and participate in each Rabbi's Shabbat Services and Torah Study. I would also request congregants to contact me or any member of the Temple Emanuel Board of Trustees with your opinions and feedback after each Rabbinic Candidate's weekend.

- **With the approval of the Temple Emanuel Board of Trustees: Establish the "Becky and Edwin Gale Love Thy Neighbor Community Fund" for the purpose of Tzedakah, to give back to our Community.**

This has been accomplished and I encourage everyone to donate to this fund if you are so led.

- **With the approval of the Temple Emanuel Board of Trustees: Establish the, "Hebrew Rest and Kol Israel Cemeteries Endowment Trust," for the purpose of long term perpetual care of our cemeteries.**

Although the decision of the Board was not to establish a separate Trust, the Board of Trustees and the Congregation voted to transfer \$200,000 to the General Cemetery Fund. All disbursements from this fund remains subject to Board approval and oversight as per the Bylaws of Temple Emanuel, Beaumont, TX.

- **Do necessary and preventive maintenance, upgrades, and repairs of our aging facility and cemeteries.**

This is an ongoing project with the assistance, hard work, and diligence of our Building & Grounds Committee and our Cemetery Committee whose members include **Ken Parker, Mike Spector, Gene Thomas, Alan Sampson, and Paul Hay.** I wish to recognize all of you at this time and thank you for everything you do.

- **Work on updating the existing "Temple Emanuel Endowment Trust" and "Temple Emanuel By-laws" to reflect the realities of 2020 and our current demographics.**

This will be one of my goals for 2021.

- **Begin the drafting of a "Living Will" for our congregation as part of long term planning.**

Honestly, I have mixed feelings about this. The URJ will not assist congregations in this endeavor, until they are down to 40 families. We are certainly not there yet. I still remain hopeful of our ability to grow our membership if we do all the right things. Along those lines, we are currently in the process of replacing our old and out of date Temple Emanuel Website with a new up to date state-of-the-art Temple Emanuel Website. In this day and age, the first exposure of many individuals to Temple Emanuel Beaumont will potentially come through our website.

Finally, in addition to what has already been mentioned above. I am extremely impressed and elated by the **Tzedakah**-The Righteous Acts, accomplished in 2020, as so eloquently stated in the **2020 Annual Report of the Temple Emanuel Social Justice Committee**, and the fact that all of this was accomplished despite the pandemic. **Cynthia Wolf**, her entire committee, and all congregants and friends who participated by giving of their time and/or donations are to be highly commended and recognized for all their efforts. This truly exemplifies the concept and initiative of, **"Love Thy Neighbor and Tikkun Olam."**

May the **LORD** bless you and keep you

Kol tuv,

*Wayne*

**Wayne Margolis, M.D.-Temple President**

## PURIM PAMPHLET & TREAT DISTRIBUTION

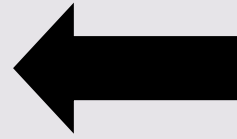


Please pick up your Purim goodies from the

Temple Office

Wednesday, February 17th

10:00 am until 3:30 pm



**TEMPLE SISTERHOOD**



**FAMILY  
SERVICES**  
of Southeast Texas

## TEMPLE EMANUEL

**Is being called on once again for our *Tzedakah* service**

The Women and Children Shelter is asking for funds to purchase packages of underwear for the women and children who are displaced to their facility. The need is great and our service is always much appreciated.

**Contributions can be made by:**

CALLING the Temple Office (409-832-6131) if you would like to charge your donation or MAILING a check to Temple Emanuel—Social Justice Fund (1120 Broadway, Beaumont, TX 77701) OR a check made out to Family Services of Southeast Texas.

**THANK YOU**

**Arlette Collins-Hoffer**

**I am requesting that all congregants and employees of Temple Emanuel to please notify the Temple Office when you have completed your course of the COVID-19 Vaccine.**

**This will facilitate in our decision as to when we can safely re-open our Temple.**

*Wayne Margolis—Temple President*

# PRESS RELEASE

**Temple Emanuel Sisterhood  
1120 Broadway  
Beaumont, Texas 77701  
409-832-6131**



## Re: Postponement of Deli Day 2021

Temple Emanuel Sisterhood, an affiliate organization of Congregation Temple Emanuel, **will not** be having its annual **Deli Day fundraiser in 2021**. While this would have been the 32nd consecutive year for Deli Day, due to the COVID-19 pandemic it was determined that postponing the event is a necessity.

**Please Save the Date for Deli Day 2022: March 2 – 3, 2022.**

As explained by **Cheryl Barenberg**, Temple Emanuel Sisterhood President, “The Jewish principle of *pikuach nefesh* states that human life comes first, and almost any commandment can be broken to save the life of a human being. The Torah goes to great lengths to explain the importance of commandments and even goes as far as to say, ‘And G-d created man in His image, in the image of G-d he created him’. (Genesis1:27) This clearly lets us know that the life of human beings is unique and special. Therefore, Temple Emanuel Sisterhood has decided, after prayerful consideration, to **cancel Deli Day 2021.**”

Barenberg continues, “However, if the pandemic becomes manageable after the community at large receives vaccines, Temple Emanuel Sisterhood may consider baking and selling our famous cheesecakes during the Fall of 2021.”

The proceeds of Deli Day remain in Southeast Texas.

**For questions or donations to Temple Emanuel Sisterhood contact 409-832-6131. Thank you.**

### **Remember Your Loved Ones....**

Contribution (Ten-\$10.00) dollars per name minimum)

**In honor of** \_\_\_\_\_

**In memory of** \_\_\_\_\_

**For Speedy Recovery of** \_\_\_\_\_

**From:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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### **FUND (please check)**

**Memorial & Tribute**

**Kol Israel Chapel**

**Becky & Edwin Gale Love Thy Neighbor**

**Community Fund**

**Cemetery**

**Floral (\$25 minimum)** (Checks payable to Sisterhood)

**Rabbi's Discretionary** (Checks payable to Rabbi's Discretionary Fund)

**High Holiday Music**

**Social Justice**

## SISTERHOOD SCHMOOZE - FEBRUARY 2021

*Below is a reprint of Sisterhood's Annual report:*

The Sisterhood year for 2020 was off to a great start. As usual we were preparing for Deli Day in March. Deli Day 2020 was a huge success and enabled Sisterhood to assist several not for profits in our local community with monetary donations.

However, things after Deli Day 2020 came to an abrupt halt due to COVID-19. As everyone is aware, Temple Emanuel determined that it was best to close Temple and life as we know it changed.

Sisterhood did however pivot to Zoom in the fall of 2020 and proceed with Virtual Board meetings and online programs. We were able to stay connected to our congregational family thru the following endeavors:

- \* Rosh Hashanah package pick-up consisting of apple and honey,  
Temple Directory
- \* Virtual Sukkot Dinner Menu and Recipes
- \* Annual Hanukkah Dinner Menu and Recipes

Sisterhood is hoping that perhaps in the fall/winter of 2021 we will be able to again gather as a sacred community in our beautiful sanctuary to celebrate Shabbat and perhaps share a meal in the Swerdlow-Roosth Social Hall. When it is safe to do so and until that time be well. Stay safe, social distance, wear a mask and wash your hands frequently.

Kul tuv,

*Cheryl*

Cheryl Barenberg

President, Temple Emanuel Sisterhood

President, WRJ Southwest District

**LOUI DOBIN**

**Director of Greene Family Camp**

**Retired after 43 years.**

**He will be truly missed!**



**MARCH 2021 YAHRZEITS****Week Ending 3/6 to be Read 3/5**

Dr. Sigmund Blum  
 Henry Greene  
 Annie Kessler  
 Ruth Lefkovits  
 Herman Cohen  
 Maxine Dulaney  
 Belle S. Goldfine  
 Lenore Bliss Gosky  
 F. Mancie Hirshfeifer  
 Mamie S. Krone  
 Lee C. Zuber  
 Nelson Alter  
 Bernice Bluestein  
 Mollie Levy Born  
 Ethel Doblin  
 Eve Franzel  
 Bernice R. Berger Ham  
 Goldie Horwitz  
 Viola Kramer  
 Hyman Sharfstein  
 Dr. Joseph Cohen  
 Bertha Barey  
 Blanche Plettman  
 Beatrice L. Reddoch  
 Esther Glasomitzky  
 Anna Leaman  
 Doris Rosinger Levy  
 Marga Steinhart  
 Sylvan Sommer

**Week Ending 3/13 to be Read 3/12**

Regina B. Cohen  
 Miriam Cohen Schwartz  
 Max Swiren  
 Abraham Eisen  
 Stanley B. Goldstein  
 Toni Kern  
 Sam Klugman  
 Joseph Lederer  
 Irving Schwartz  
 Harold D. Greenberg  
 Howard L. Kane  
 Dorothy M. Lefkovits  
 Charles Mielz  
 Charles Miller  
 Isidore Protas  
 Ann Batsell  
 Gertrude Bender  
 Freda Crager  
 Ione Sternberg Ney  
 Minnie Falkowitz  
 Abe Kolba  
 Alyce Ney  
 Louise Scheps  
 Max H. Haber  
 Hadassah Jacobs  
 Leon R. Levy  
 Jennie Toomim  
 Jack Mechanic  
 Louis Schwartz

**Week Ending 3/20 to be Read 3/19**

Abe Elkins  
 Hal Lawrence Gale  
 Florence Lynne Austin Holtzman  
 Max Spector  
 Bessie Sukman  
 Sam Hertzman  
 Estelle Carrow  
 Sarah M. Greenberg  
 Ursula Lefkowitz  
 Regina Schneider  
 Jacob Louis Zuber  
 Dennis Alter  
 Susan Miller Bailey  
 Martha Haase  
 Andy Witebsky  
 Henny Liebmann  
 Elizabeth A. Rawles  
 Anna Greenberg  
 Aymin Waldman

**Week Ending 3/27 to be Read 3/26**

Leslie S. Levy  
 Natalie Krasnow Corman  
 Dorothy Faye Hosen  
 Irvin Bud Kassoff  
 Anna Leaman  
 Gitel Markewich  
 Slyvia C. Miller  
 Martha Lea Stein  
 Duane Joseph Curry  
 Irving Davis  
 Joe Feldman  
 Anna Blum  
 Simon Philip Dover  
 Herman Glober  
 Morris Greenspan  
 Harold Kaplan

**Week Ending 4/3 to be Read 4/2**

Ruth Wyde Hall  
 I.B. "Butch" Hoffer  
 Ida Klugman  
 Aaron Rose  
 William Bell  
 Celia Harris  
 Nettye Leibson  
 Philip Liebman  
 John K. Levy  
 Jennie K. Szafir  
 Marian Goldstein  
 Joan Krafte  
 Carl Muller  
 Anne Vaxler  
 Elise Eisenstadt  
 Julius M. Gordon  
 Lynn Rochelle Mechanic  
 Rachel Trachtenberg  
 Fannie Hyman

Sam Night  
 Herman A. Philipson  
 Harry Bennett  
 Samuel Cohen  
 Jeff Greenberg  
 Aron Gross  
 RosaLee Leaman Roosth Mellinger  
 Albert Morton Klein  
 Alex Eli Martin

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7 25 shevat	8 26 shevat	9 27 shevat	10 28 shevat	11 29 shevat	12 30 shevat 6:00 pm Shabbat Service conducted by Rabbi Daniel Krinsky (Zoom)	13 1 adar 9:00 am Torah Study with Rabbi Krinsky (Zoom) <i>Misfpatim</i> SHABBAT SHEKALIM ROSH CHODESH
14 2 adar	15 3 adar	16 4 adar	17 5 adar PURIM PACKAGE PICKUP (10-3:30) 6:30 pm BOT Meeting	18 6 adar	19 7 adar 6:00 pm Shabbat Services conducted by Rabbi Kogan (Zoom)	20 8 adar 9:00 am Torah Study with Rabbi Kogan (Zoom)
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## FEBRUARY 2021 YAHRZEITS

### Week Ending 2/6 to be Read 2/5

Edna Bennett  
 Morris Lefkowitz  
 Rabbi Newton J. Friedman  
 Isadore G. Harris  
 Dorothy Saldoff Kelman  
 Alice Arkeen  
 Isadore H. Brookner  
 William M. Gusfield  
 David Kramer  
 Janice Bernstein  
 M. Bittensky  
 Dorothy K. Gordon  
 Irving Silverberg  
 Isadore Fallis  
 A. E. Finegold  
 Mildred Friedman  
 Wayne K. Horwitz  
 Dora Kassoff  
 Rose Finegold  
 Sam Goldenberg  
 Sylvia F. Goldstein  
 Phyllis Lapine

### Week Ending 2/13 to be Read 2/12

Alexander Z. Franklin  
 Morris Lipoff  
 Harry Moskowitz  
 Sarah Night  
 Dr. Harold Roosth  
 Henry D. Weinbaum  
 Arie Tadmor  
 Johanna Szafir  
 Mrs. A. Walker  
 Milton G. Getz  
 Elsa Loeb Goldberg  
 Bess Lichenstein  
 Dr. Joseph M. Loewenstein  
 Marie Miller Mayer  
 Margaret Swerdlow  
 Lois Wolf  
 Louis Julian Alexander  
 Natalie Loeb Alexander  
 Dr. Philip B. Greenberg  
 Kevin Michael Curry  
 Ida Goldstein  
 Morris Goodman  
 Hattye Kline Gordon  
 Bertha Gray  
 Julie Rogers  
 Joan Sampson  
 Alice Selber  
 Philip Horwitz  
 Seymour G. Rosenthal

### Week Ending 2/20 to be Read 2/19

Morris Adler  
 Sara Rogers Davis  
 Sue Mayer  
 Nora Mielz  
 Cherna Bittensky  
 Betty Reuben  
 Jerry Battelstein  
 Libby Rose Lubel  
 Ernest Mayer  
 Harvey Night  
 Rose Schoenfeld  
 Mary Fleckman Altman  
 Harry Dugan  
 Sara Litvin Franklin  
 Freeda Friedman  
 Minnie Rogers  
 Ida Hymes Gross  
 Mack B. Waldman  
 Stanislas "Stan" Duplechin  
 Nathan Gingold  
 Sigmund Greenberg  
 Sandy Liebling  
 Mervin F. Sandman  
 Betty Klein  
 Estelle Levy  
 Lena Mayer  
 Paul Moskowitz  
 Edward Schultz  
 Helen Segal

### Week Ending 2/27 to be Read 2/26

Robert Diamond  
 Recha Goldblum  
 Hannah Goldstein  
 Miriam Herman  
 Gertrude Waldman Krasnow  
 Herman Lederer  
 Michel Lederer  
 Julie Parker  
 Gerson Scheps  
 Doris Waldman Spector  
 Phil Stein  
 Rose Flatow  
 Faye Blum  
 Manuel Breen  
 William Gedaly  
 Arnold Goldstein  
 Byrdie Goodman Miller  
 Jacquie Allen  
 Frank Dover  
 Abe S. Goldstein  
 Joe Markewich  
 Edith Tettenbaum

Marion Doss  
 Cora Lee Goldstein  
 Isaac Levin  
 B. Levy  
 Celyne Levy  
 Jerry Moss  
 Frances Goldfine Austin  
 Isidore Roos  
 Jacob A. Szafir  
 Solomon Engel Gordon  
 David Greenberger  
 Zipporah Hoffer  
 Yetta M. Protas

**TEMPLE EMANUEL GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGES THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS:**

**MEMORIAL & TRIBUTE FUND**

In honor of **Temple Emanuel**  
by: Arthur Victores  
by: Jeri Kirkendall

In loving memory of  
**Penny Rene Richard**  
**Walter Mielz**  
by: Miriam & Viraf Cooper

In loving memory of  
our father and grandfather  
**Meyer Tanenblatt**  
by: Ann & Les Goodman,  
Matthew & Marc and  
Sarah Williams

In loving memory of  
**Herb Goldstein**  
by: Marsha & Lewis Hoffer

In loving memory of  
**Yetta & Harry Eisen**  
**Mongie & Lenny Swartz**  
by: Gail & Gary Swartz

**FLORAL FUND**

In loving memory of  
my extraordinary grandfather,  
**Joseph Rogers**  
my dear uncle, **Sol Rogers**  
by: Regina Rogers

**Edna Mae Bennett**  
by: Debbie & Philip Drago, Jr.

**HIGH HOLIDAY MUSIC FUND**

In appreciation of  
**Rabbi Mathew Michaels**  
**Rabbi Matthew Berger**  
**Rabbi Claudio Kogan**  
**Angela Pickering**  
**Dwight Peirce**  
**Wilton Allen**  
**Jane Kaulfus**  
**Dr. Wayne Margolis**  
by: Marleen Swerdlow

**RABBI DISCRETIONARY FUND**

Thank you for a beautiful service  
November 6th (**Rabbi Michaels**)  
by: Cheryl & Andy Barenberg

**SOCIAL JUSTICE FUND**

In loving memory of  
**Penny Rene Richard**  
by: Regina Rogers

In memory of my father,  
**David Manson**  
by: Marilyn Manson-Hayes &  
Dr. Richard Hayes

**SOCIAL JUSTICE FUND (CONT)**

In honor of the:  
50th anniversary of  
**Cynthia & Michael Wolf**

birthdays of  
**Michael Wolf (75th)**  
**Arline Meyers (90th)**  
**Esterlyn Dugan (85th)**  
speedy & continuing recovery of  
**Judy Night**  
**Susan & Wayne Margolis**  
of the Bat Mitzvah of **Lori Alter**

on the births of  
**Rylie Morgan**  
**Alice Reynolds**  
**Sutton Golboro**  
**Teddy Malashock**  
of the marriage of  
**Marianne & Benjamin Sampson**  
**Kelsey & Jacob Getz**  
**Arlette & Bruce Hoffer**  
**Elizabeth Johnson & Patricia**  
**Dacumos**  
by: Marleen Swerdlow

In loving memory of  
Past President of Temple Emanuel  
**Annette Dover**  
father of Bruce Hoffer  
**Jodie Hoffer**  
mother of Gene Thomas  
**Betty Thomas**  
father of Linda Goldstein  
**Herb Goldstein**  
Sister of Judy Granger  
**Penny Richard**

Honoring our parents & grandparents  
of blessed memory  
**Madeleine & Raymond Wolf**  
**RosaLee Leaman Roosth**  
**Mellinger**  
**Dr. Harold Roosth**  
**Meyer Mellinger**

Honoring our grandparents  
of blessed memory  
**Henny & Erich Liebmman**  
**Pauline & Albert Wolf, Sr.**  
**Anna & Morris Leaman**  
**Celia & Sam Roosth**  
by: Cynthia & Michael Wolf

Wishing a speedy recovery to  
**Laura Thomas**  
**Marleen Swerdlow**  
**Judy Night**  
**Fern Roos**  
by: Cynthia & Michael Wolf

**SOCIAL JUSTICE FUND (CONT)**

THANK YOU to ALL  
members of the 2020 Temple  
Emanuel Social Justice Committee  
by: Cynthia & Michael Wolf

Happy Healthy New Year to  
President **Dr. Wayne Margolis**  
Temple Board, TE Members,  
**Rabbis & Staff**  
by: Cynthia & Michael Wolf

**Cemetery Fund**

In loving memory of  
**Penny Rene Richard**  
**Joan Allen**  
**Jodie Hoffer**  
**Annette Dover**  
**Dr. Herbert Goldstein**  
**Becky & Edwin Gale**  
**Salvador Mitrani**  
**Emily Spector**  
**Pearl Gossen**  
**Ben Wheeler**  
**Alvin Pickering**  
**Freeda Friedman**  
**Betty Thomas**  
**David Herbert Manson**  
**Ursula Lefkowitz**  
**Edith Catherine Hay**  
**Dr. Robert A. Swerdlow**  
**Eva & Nathan Swerdlow**  
**Ben Adler**  
**Dora & Joe Horwitz**  
**Sade & Mose Sampson**  
**Joan Sampson**  
**Gerald "PeeWee" Sampson**  
**Margaret & Sam Swerdlow**  
**Lillie & Morris Adler**  
**Gertrude & Meyer Krasnow**  
**Bertha & Philip Horwitz**  
**Rose Finegold**  
**Mongie & Lenny Swartz**  
**Betty & Harvey Night**  
**Macie Goldstein**  
**Madeline & Raymond Wolf**  
**Janice & Jack Bernstein**  
**Lois Swerdlow**  
**Estelle Swerdlow**  
**Marie Kassoff Herrin**  
**Max Lefkowitz**  
**Alice Levy & Irma Levy**  
**Jean Lieberman**  
**Ann Vaxler**  
**Norma Goldstein**  
**Sarah Night**  
**Patty Tapper Soffer**  
**Jerry Lee**  
**Joe Kushner**  
**Arlene & George Swerdlow**  
by: Marleen Swerdlow

## TEMPLE EMANUEL SOCIAL JUSTICE UPDATE (FEBRUARY 2021)

2021

**WE URGE YOU TO TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF AS THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC CONTINUES! WEAR MASKS, OBSERVE SOCIAL DISTANCING, WASH YOUR HANDS OFTEN, AND GET THE VACCINATION ASAP!**

**Women and Children's Shelter of Family Services of Southeast Texas, a tradition of Temple Emanuel:** THANK YOU to Arlette Collins-Hoffer for coordinating this project! THANK YOU to Jane Kaulfus for designing the *Tzedakah* request! THANK YOU in advance for supporting this project with your *mitzvah* dollars, joining together to make a *tikkun olam* difference.



### TEMPLE EMANUEL

**is being called on once again for our *Tzedakah* service**

The Women and Children Shelter is asking for funds to purchase packages of underwear for the women and children who are displaced to their facility.

The need is great and our service is always much appreciated.

#### **Contributions can be made by:**

**CALLING** the Temple Office (409-832-6131) if you would like to charge your donation or **MAILING** a check to Temple Emanuel—Social Justice Fund (1120 Broadway, Beaumont, TX 77701) OR a check made out to Family Services of Southeast Texas.

**THANK YOU**

**Arlette Collins-Hoffer**

**Kosher for Passover Food for Jewish soldiers, a tradition of Temple Emanuel:** And, THANK YOU in advance for also joining together to provide Kosher for Passover cheese to the Jewish soldiers stationed in the AFRICOM area. Just as we do each year, we will be mailing that check in advance of Passover, so that the lay leader stationed there can order the Kosher for Passover cheese from France for its timely delivery/distribution. THANK YOU in advance for supporting this project with your *mitzvah* dollars, joining together to make a *tikkun olam* difference!

## 2020 Annual Report of the Temple Emanuel Social Justice Committee (TESJ)

The 2020 TESJ Projects focused on raising awareness and *Tzedakah* to benefit in Beaumont and Beyond! In so doing, we helped bring to fulfillment one of the goals of President Wayne for our Congregants and Friends of Temple Emanuel.

In addition, because of concerns over the COVID-19 pandemic, TESJ cancelled in person projects and encouraged Congregants and Friends of Temple Emanuel to live the *mitzvah* of *shmirat haguf* (of taking care of oneself) by wearing masks, observing social distancing, and washing hands often!

Each TESJ *Tzedakah* Project accomplished was reported in detail in the monthly Temple bulletins. The Grand Total for *Tzedakah* shared was \$17,727.00 as per the following:

\$ 1,000.00	Women & Children's Shelter of Family Services of Southeast Texas
250.00	Kosher for Passover food for Jewish soldiers serving in Africom
1,050.00	Beaumont Pet's Alive, a No Kill Animal Shelter, for food, shelter, and medical treatment of local homeless animals
13,585.00	Disaster Relief for Temple Sinai and our neighbors in Lake Charles and Southwestern Louisiana
1,842.00	High Holiday 'Funds for Food' Drive for Southeast Texas Food Bank (\$1.00 = 3 meals, therefore our <i>mitzvah</i> monetary support provided meals for 5,526 Southeast Texas neighbors)

**THANK YOU to ALL who supported these TESJ *tikkun olam* projects with your *mitzvah* treasure, helping in so many 'Love Thy Neighbor' ways!**

Our special gratitude to:

Southeast Texas Emergency Relief Fund!

*JHV (Jewish Herald Voice of September 10, 2020: 'Love Thy Neighbor' in the Aftermath of Hurricane Laura - Beaumont's Temple Emanuel Social Justice Fund to Benefit Lake Charles' Temple Sinai)*

Temple Emanuel Sisterhood for sharing \$500.00 from 2020 Deli Day profits with The Orchard!

Temple Emanuel Congregants for supporting the virtual Tasting for Some Other Place!

In closing...

Temple Emanuel and Friends of Temple Emanuel, THANK YOU for your support in 2020! Together we made a *tikkun olam* difference!

Temple Emanuel and Friends of Temple Emanuel, THANK YOU in advance for your support in 2021! Together we will again make a *tikkun olam* difference!

And another great big THANK YOU to Jane Kaulfus, Lauren Brooks, and Wilton Allen!

**Respectfully submitted,**

**2020 TESJ Committee:**

**Cynthia Wolf, Chair**

**Allison Nathan Getz, Arlette Collins-Hoffer, Brandy Johnson, Bruce Hoffer, Emily Wheeler, Gene Thomas, Judy Granger, Laura Thomas, Linda Goldstein, Margaret Whipkey, Marilyn Manson-Hayes, Mike Getz, Norma Sampson, Pat Klein, Regina Rogers, Rita Davis, and Susan Margolis**

**President Wayne Margolis, ex-officio.**

*Excerpt from the Cemetery Committee Report for the 127<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting*

## Cemeteries Committee Report Year End 2020

The year 2020 was difficult and trying for everyone, but thanks to the efforts of devoted volunteers and generous contributors our Cemeteries have weathered storms, insects, torrential downpours and the disruption and heartbreak occasioned by the COVID-19 Pandemic reasonably well. While several potential projects remain pending for consideration and possible implementation, not the least of which is census update and bettering grounds care and maintenance, progress continues in keeping our Cemeteries secure, and in good condition and appearance.

"Cemetery Mensches", including **Mike Spector, Gene Thomas, Paul Hay, Bruce Hoffer, Ken Parker, Kim Greenspan and Michael Zampana (from Garden Barbara Landscape)**, have helped clear trees and leaf and trash debris from the trenching to the drains at the rear of Hebrew Rest Cemetery ...

Damage and loss caused the newly installed chain link fencing and access gate ... in Hebrew Rest Cemetery ... has been repaired, and the wooded land at the rear of Hebrew Rest Cemetery is once again fairly enclosed.

Sections of the chain link fencing about Kol Israel Cemetery and some gate accesses have been repaired, and once again water service to both Cemeteries is available, although we continue to caution members and visitors to turn off water spigots when use is concluded and to check with any member of the Cemeteries Committee, the Temple Office, or Magnolia Cemetery's office in the event any water is found left running.

The Cemeteries Committee recommends and asks that the water supply be kept off except when specifically needed, as there are leaks in the underground water piping in both Cemeteries. Rain and sometimes heavy downpours do cause areas of temporary standing water in both Cemeteries. All persons visiting need to keep a good lookout and take appropriate precaution ... SOUTEX Surveyors (Attn.: Anthony M. Leger) has found and/or placed and confirmed boundary markers, and outline mapping for the vacant land at both Kol Israel Cemetery and at Hebrew Rest Cemetery. Soutex will complete the ... final mapping including provision for possible extending the concrete way in Hebrew Rest Cemetery to near the fence line at the rear of the cleared land. Row, plot and grave space alignment, dimensions, design, numbering, and pattern for this cleared land will, to the extent reasonably feasible, be consistent with the mapping existing for the adjoining parcels of each respective Cemetery.

Jane Kaulfus has been invaluable in recording and adding census and birth and death dates information for each Cemetery on the Temple Office Computer, and this is and continues to be of much assistance to administration of the Cemeteries, as well as helping family members, friends and visitors in locating the graves of loved ones. Several monuments and stones in each Cemetery do not have or are not inscribed with this information, and in private Plots some graves are not recorded in the Cemetery records, but are simply noted as "purchased" under a family member or family name. With Jane's help, this is being avoided in most instances of recent burials, but I regret to say that information for a number of individuals interred in several plots or mausoleums have simply not been identified in our Cemetery records with this information. If you know or learn this information for any particular grave or interment, please provide this to the Temple Office.

Thank you for your support, for keeping watch, and for helping our Cemeteries remain as sacred final resting places, and, please communicate any question, concern or suggestion about either of the Cemeteries to anyone on our Committee, the Temple Board, or the Temple Officers and Staff. Best wishes to you and yours for good health, happiness, peace and prosperity this year of 2021, and in the years to come.

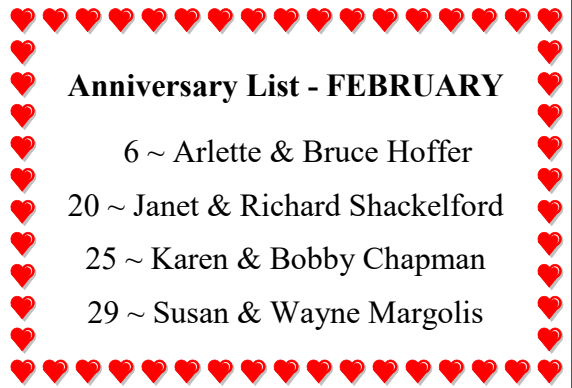


**Alan Sampson, Cemeteries Committee Chair**



**BIRTHDAY LIST - FEBRUARY**

- |                    |                      |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| 4 ~ Judy Granger   | 24 ~ Paul Kessler    |
| 6 ~ Arlette Hoffer | 24 ~ Miriam Thompson |
| 9 ~ Bruce Swartz   | 27 ~ Brenda Fogal    |
| 18 ~ John Acevedo  | 28 ~ Robin Goebel    |



**Anniversary List - FEBRUARY**

- 6 ~ Arlette & Bruce Hoffer
- 20 ~ Janet & Richard Shackelford
- 25 ~ Karen & Bobby Chapman
- 29 ~ Susan & Wayne Margolis

**CONDUCTING ZOOM SERVICES & TORAH STUDY**

February 5-6	Rabbi Michaels
February 12-13	Rabbi Dan Krimsky
February 19-20	Rabbi Kogan
February 26-27	Rabbi Michaels (Celebrate <i>Purim</i> )

**February Shabbat Hostesses and Greeters  
(SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE)**

February 5 -	Karla Blum Paul Kessler Norma & Alan Sampson
February 12 -	Harold Eisen Natalie & S.L. Greenberg
February 19 -	Dawn & Joel Berger Brenda & Neil Fogal
February 26 -	Kathy Johnson Miriam & Jim Thompson



On the birth of

**Oaklynn Rea Goebel**  
December 21, 2020  
6 lbs. 6 ozs.—18 1/2" long

Parents: Carley & Jared Goebel

Grandparents: Robin & John Goebel

Great-Grandparents: Bea Travitsky  
Mary Goebel

Temple Emanuel Mission Statement:  
A sacred Jewish journey to enrich lives

Core Values:

- I. We believe the Jewish life-journey has the power to change lives.
- II. We are committed to lifelong learning.
- III. We are committed to meaningful, relevant, and engaging worship.
- IV. We are committed to being an inclusive community open to everyone who wishes to join us for worship and study.
- V. We are committed to our sacred responsibility of being a "light unto the nations" as the Jewish voice of Southeast Texas.
- VI. We are committed to being a part of the worldwide Jewish community.
- VII. We are committed to the survival and welfare of the State of Israel.

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**Beverly Hay**, Floral Fund

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**TBD**, Religious Living Coordinator,  
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**Laura Thomas**, Memorial Book  
**TBD**, Fundraising/Development  
Coordinator

**Fern Roos**, District Representative  
**TBD**, Birthday Luncheon

**Marleen Swerdlow**, Bylaws Chair, O'neg  
Shabbat Hospitality

**TBD**, Fall Cheesecake Days, Fall  
Mahjongg Tournament

**Lois Rutman**, Mammogram Van  
**Sherry Horwitz**, Tree of Life

**TBD**, Sukkot Dinner

**TBD**, Chanukah Dinner

**TBD**, Sisterhood-Brotherhood Shabbat

**Sisterhood Membership**, Deli Day  
Event, Break-the-fast

#### Social Justice

\*Cynthia Wolf, Arlette Collins-Hoffer, Rita  
Davis, Allison Nathan Getz, Mike Getz,  
Linda Goldstein, Judy Granger, Marilyn  
Manson-Hayes, Bruce Hoffer,  
Brandy Johnson, Pat Klein, Susan  
Margolis, Regina Rogers, Norma  
Sampson, Gene Thomas, Laura Thomas,  
Emily Wheeler, Margaret Whipkey