

# TEMPLE EMANUEL

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eNewsletter - July Edition

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Rabbi Drorah Setel

## RABBI RETURNS!

*Dear Emanu-El community,*

*I want to begin by telling you what a blessing your support and good wishes have been as I underwent and began healing from my surgery. It has made such a difference knowing that I could focus on myself for a while, and while I'm still not totally back up to speed, I'm looking forward to getting back to Temple activities. Special thanks to Charlene and the folks who led services in my absence.*

*Until last week my doctors wanted me to stay at home but I have finally gotten permission to go out. My energy and concentration levels still aren't up to a lot but I'm happy to be able to come to services and in a few days, at the beginning of July, I will also come to meetings and other Temple events as strength permits. I am able to check email and return calls so please be in touch if there's anything of concern or if you just want to say hello.*

*Looking forward to connecting soon,*

*Drorah*

### Many special thanks to:

- Randy and Michael Perlson
- Susan and Jacob Vinocour
- Denise Lippa
- Leslie Schwartz
- Phyllis Hirsch
- SuSan Campbell

for leading our Shabbat services in Rabbi's absence.

~ Welcome back, Rabbi Setel! ~

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# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Many happy returns of the day  
to those celebrating a **July** birthday:

- 1 Davida Bloom**
- 6 Regina Gonek**
- 9 Rosanne Cohen**
- 11 Ruth Siegel**
- 12 Bernard Skopinsky**
- 19 Stuart Brickman**
- 20 Michael Argaman**
- 22 Merrill Greenstein**
- 23 Ching Tang**
- 24 Wendy Gold**
- 26 Robert Betrus**  
**Debra Duminuco**
- 29 Karen Rabinowitz**  
**Brian Mudd**
- 31 Morrey Goldman**

## JULY Meetings

Board of Trustees

Tuesday, 7/9 at 7 PM

Men's Club (at 12  
Corners Panera)

Tuesday, 7/9 at  
9 AM

Meeting

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Jonathan Rubin, President

**Dear Temple members,**

Happy summer. As we come together as Americans to celebrate Independence Day, we remember the many freedoms that we have as Americans. On the evening news and internet, we are increasingly aware of the turmoil in so many countries and the thousands of people trying to leave their countries because they lack the freedoms and opportunities so many of us enjoy.

As part of our duty as Americans, we are called to be part of the census that will start next year. Another important census is also occurring. Every ten years, a census and survey of the Jewish population of the greater Rochester, NY area is taken. At a recent Rochester synagogue president's council meeting, we met with leaders and creators of the new upcoming survey: Every Voice Counts. They explained to us how this new and improved survey will work. This survey will be done completely on line, no longer will you be called by a volunteer. It will also be very individualized depending on the answers you provide.

The survey group met with many groups in the Jewish community and leaders, including Rabbi Setel, to identify various groups that they would like to hear about. Some of these groups include teenagers, millennials, people over age 70, the LGBTQ community, people caring for those with disabilities, individuals with disabilities, and those who might be Jewish but do not identify as Jews. The purpose is to find out who we are, our feelings about various Jewish related issues and most importantly what are the current issues and needs facing our Jewish community.

Answer the survey. It will help us as a faith community to be able to respond to the needs of our own and to work towards identifying and possibly creating programs and services in the future to support these changing needs. We will be hearing more in the next few months.

July is also pride month in Rochester. We will once again be marching together in the pride parade Saturday July 20. Allies and friends are always welcome. Look for upcoming details in our e mail blasts.

I wish everyone a happy Independence Day and safe start to your summer.

**Shalom, Jon**

# JULY SERVICES

**July 5**

**EREV SHABBAT SERVICE 7:30 pm**

Parashat Korach Torah Readings  
*Birthday Blessings*

**July 12**

**EREV SHABBAT SERVICE 7:30 pm**

Parashat Chukkat  
*Discussion Oneg*

**July 19**

**EREV SHABBAT SERVICE 7:30 pm**

*Pride Shabbat*  
Parashat Balak Torah Reading

**July 26**

**MUSICAL SERVICE & POTLUCK 6 pm**

*Shabbat Mevarchim*  
Parashat Pinchas

**Join our Temple family as we  
welcome Shabbat!  
Friday evenings in July**



# CHEVRA TORAH



Join us every Saturday morning at **10 AM** as we explore Torah together. Rabbi Setel guides *chevarim* with reading and discussion of our weekly parashat:

**July 6** *Numbers 17:25 - 18:32*

**July 13** *Numbers 21:11 - 22:1*

**July 20** *Numbers 32:27 - 25:9*

**July 27** *Numbers 28:16 - 30:1*

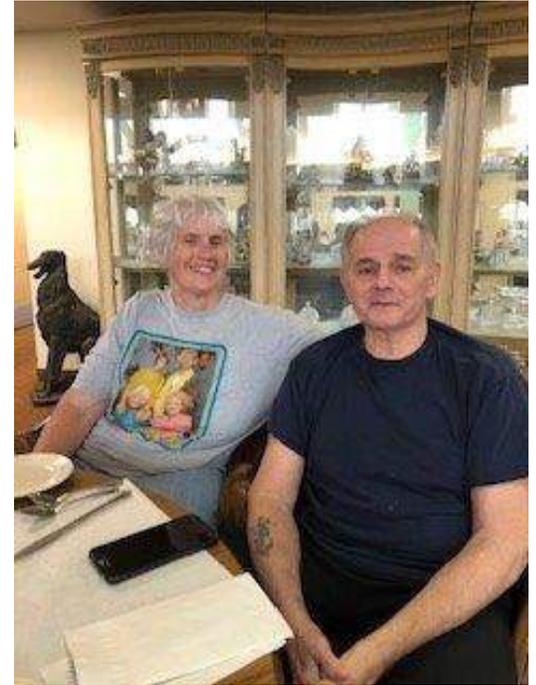


## HELLO FROM BERNIE

Cantorial Soloist and roving reporter Charly Sommers got a chance to visit with Bernie Skopinsky on the way back from Had'rachah 2019.

Bernie and his sister, Carol, welcomed her for dinner. He sends his best regards and wishes to his friends at Temple Emanu-El. He does come back to Rochester to clear out his house periodically, and has asked that anyone wishing to help in any way please contact him.

If you don't have Bernie's number, leave a message at the office.



There are many ways to volunteer, whether as individuals, families, or Temple members. Here are some organizations who have reached out for help:

## HELP AVAILABLE?

- Temple Emanu-El members are invited to join with other members who will be visiting the **Jewish Home** cottages on a monthly basis. Come spend one weekday afternoon a month getting to know "Green House" residents. There will be opportunities both for directed activity (music, games) and individual interaction. To find out more, contact Thelma Nemeroff at 265-3389
- **The Arc of Monroe** seeks someone to work with 3 of their Residential homes who serve Jewish individuals with developmental disabilities. They are looking to find someone who can work with them as individuals and also as a group to teach/mentor/advise around Jewish faith and customs. Anyone interested should reach out to Jane Stamler, Community Resource Specialist, 271-0660 ext. 2581
- **Bishop Kearney** is holding a household sale August 15-18 in which the benefits of the sale will be going to help refugee students in the Rochester area. To help support this program, BK is collecting items to sell. Dropoffs can be made at BK. DETAILS OR ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS: 319-3134

# JULY EVENTS

**Friday evening, July 12**

## **DISCUSSION ONEG**

We will hear from **Lori Cramer** from **Out Alliance**, who will present on services and social justice related information. Come for our shabbat service at 7:30 PM and stick around for the oneg and discussion afterward!

**Saturday, July 20**

## **PRIDE PARADE**

Show your PRIDE or walk in support of our proud members of both the LGBT and our Temple communities as we gather at **12 PM** for **Rochester's Pride Parade**. The parade itself starts at **1 PM** and is part of the larger Rochester Pride Festival. More details will be posted online/by email as we find out where we'll be lining up this year. For more information, contact Jon Rubin (rumoo@frontiernet.net or call 288-8861).

**Friday evening, July 26**

## **MUSICAL SERVICE 6 PM, featuring guest guitarist**

*Followed by a **Shabbat Pot Luck Supper***

We will gather in the sanctuary at 6 to greet the Bride of Shabbat in a short, lively musical service. Then we will move downstairs to enjoy the bounty of the season as prepared by ... you (and all)!

**PLEASE RSVP** by **Wednesday, July 24**, so that we can plan and set up ahead: **Randy Perlson** (email [rperlson@yahoo.com](mailto:rperlson@yahoo.com), call **729-1588**, or click **RSVP** on our web page).



## POSTCARD FROM CAMP

From June 19 - June 23, 2019 I attended the URJ Had'rachah Seminar at Kutz Camp in Warwick, NY. The seminar teaches a variety of skills to help lead communal worship, some lifecycle events, and other duties in support of or in place of clergy. It is open only to leaders from small congregations.

Unlike the music camp, Hava Nashira, this was a much more subdued, thoughtful experience. I was challenged to write my first dvar Torah, to co-write a eulogy for a person I'd never met, to conduct "practice services" with fellow students, and to engage in classroom learning from some truly outstanding Jewish educators.

I expected to (and did!) learn many practical things at Had'rachah Seminar, but I didn't expect and was pleasantly surprised to bond with some of my fellow "small congregation" people. I discovered many good things about being in a small congregation--and I wonder how many we could name if we sat down to list them?



Thank you for sending me!

*Charly*

## THANKS TO YOU!

We are grateful for the following recent donations to the TEMPLE FUND:

### **In Memory**

In memory of Charles Lippa

*Gladys Napier*

*Bernice & Jule Rayburn*

In memory of Ben Salzman

*Rose Levin*

*Carl Wetzstein*

In memory of David De Leeuwe

*Carl Wetzstein*

In memory of Gladys Levin

*Joyce L. Coniglio*

In memory of Ed Rothstein

*Joyce & Morrey Goldman*

In memory of Minne Lustik

*Len Lustik*

### **Recovery, Healing, & Spiritual Well-Being**

Speedy recovery to Rabbi Setel

*Anita Calderon\**

*Rose Levin*

*Carl Wetzstein*

### **In Celebration**

In honor of Dr. Richard Bloom  
on his retirement

*Rose Levin*

Welcome back to Leslie  
Schwartz and Ching Tang

*Rose Levin*



# WE REMEMBER

*May the memories of  
the ones we loved  
always be for a blessing*



## **JULY 5 (SIVAN 27 – TAMMUZ 3)**

Louis Kalinsky  
Hyman Shapiro  
Fayga Press  
Minnie Lustik  
Bella Kerstein  
Benjamin Sherman  
Walter Schloss  
Louis Wasserberg

## **JULY 12 (TAMMUZ 4 – 10)**

Minnie Levin  
Burton Greene  
Mary Levin  
Herbert Silvers  
Carl Hanselman, Jr.  
Alfred Gelerinter  
Charles Skopinsky  
Moishe Vertlieb  
Harry Ross  
Jack Kassnoff  
Michael A. Ouriel  
Lola Coan  
Beverly Schaffer\*  
Martin Gerowitz\*  
Selma Robbins\*

## **JULY 19 (TAMMUZ 11 - 17)**

Morris Silverstein  
Zelda Calderon  
Beatrice Rubenstein  
Lenny Luft  
Sarah Bodner  
Harold Butler  
Joseph Dworkin  
Minnie M. Glazer  
Hannah Leibowitz  
William Newman  
Lily Silver

## **JULY 26 (TAMMUZ 18 - 24)**

Rae Berlove  
Sonja Wetzstein  
Harry Freedenberg  
Anna Noshay  
Sarah Apple  
Irving Blume  
Betty Blume  
Sylvia Schreiber  
Rita Cohen  
Jack Herman  
Mort Marlan  
Samuel Schron  
George Turof

*\*English Date*

## EVERY VOICE COUNTS

### *The Every Voice Counts Survey is **Live!***

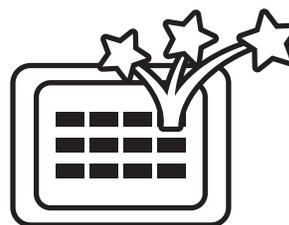
If you identify as Jewish, have Jewish heritage or relationships within the Jewish community, the Jewish Federation needs your opinion! Help us plan for a strong, secure Jewish future. You might win a \$250 Wegmans gift card!

Learn More [HERE](#), or click the "Live" link above to take the 2019 Jewish Rochester's Regional survey.

*HELP with the Survey IS AVAILABLE -- It is ONLINE ONLY this year!*

If you or your loved one needs computer access to complete the survey, TechAge at the JCC is open from 12-2 PM, M-F. If you need additional assistance, call them at 585.461.0490.

## LOOKING AHEAD



**Mark your Calendar!**

**Save the Date!**

*The Temple Emanu-El Men's Club is once again  
hosting the annual*

**Men's Club Picnic**  
*(thank you, Men's Club!)*

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 11**  
**11 AM - 2 PM**  
**Buckland Park Cabin**

RSVP to Randy at [rperlson@yahoo.com](mailto:rperlson@yahoo.com) or  
729-1588 with a dish to pass  
Men's Club will provide hot dogs and soft drinks.