

MARCH 2003 – ADAR I/ADAR II

REGULAR SHABBAT SERVICES

Friday 7, 7:30 pm

Shabbat Across America Services

Saturday 8, 10 am

Shabbat Chauvurah

Friday 14, 7:30 pm

Tot Shabbat, 6pm

Saturday 15, 10:30 am

Bar Mitzvah of Gregory Connuck

Friday 21, 6 pm

*Kabbalat Shabbat,
4th & 5th grade participation*

Saturday 22, 10 am

Shabbat Chauvurah

Friday 28, 7:30 pm

TEMPLE ACTIVITIES

Chevrat Nashim –

Mature Women's Group

*Sundays 2, 9, 30, 10:30 am
16 & 23, Time TBA*

Rosh Chodesh Potluck Brunch

Sunday 2, 12:30 pm

Melton Mini School

Tuesdays 4, 11 & 25, 9:30 am

Board of Trustees Meeting

Monday 10, 7:15 pm

**Adult Ed – “The ABC’s of Shabbat:
Hands On, Made Easy”**

Wednesday 19, 6 pm

Progressive Dinner

Saturday, 15

6:15 pm Dinners @ host's homes

8:15 pm Desserts & Books @ Temple

Book-Fair

Sunday 16, 1-5 pm

Speaker @ 3 pm

Purim Shpiel & Megillah Reading

Monday 17, 6 pm

Worship Initiative

Tuesday 18, 6:45 pm

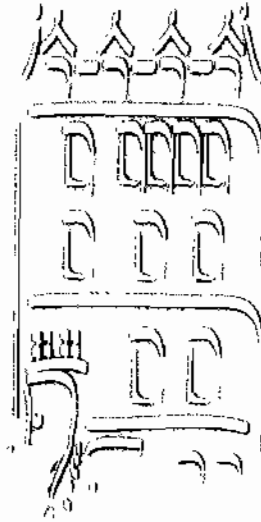
Sisterhood Meeting

Thursday 20, 6:45 pm

BookClub - “God Was In This Place”

Tuesday 25, 7:30 pm

Religious School closed 3/25, 26 & 27



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Edna Rosen, President



**ALL EVENTS LISTED IN THIS TEMPLET,
INCLUDING SHABBAT SERVICES, WILL BE HELD
AT OUR PRESENT TEMPLE, 403 FIRST AVE.**

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EAST END TEMPLE'S NINTH PROGRESSIVE DINNER



SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 2003

6.15-8:00 pm **Chicken Dinner at Host's Home.**

(groups of 6-8 will be assigned destinations) Wine will be served with dinner.

8:15-9:30 pm **Dessert, Coffee and Book Fair**

at our present Temple, 403 First Ave.

**CALLING ALL BAKERS!
WE NEED YOU!!**



An evening of great dining and even greater company that will conclude with delicious desserts, plus our Book Fair.

Even if you are not attending this event, we would appreciate your dessert specialties as part of this fund-raising effort.

Please call the office 212.779.7330, or e-mail to: eet18@aol.com and indicate your dessert specialty

• SEE CALENDAR FOR ALL CLOSING DATES

FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY: David Adelson

Dear Friends,

Rabbi Larry Kushner tells the story like this:

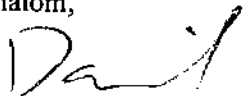
The Jews are walking through the desert, tired and anxious and hopeful. Finally, when they are almost at their destination, almost ready to enter the Land of Israel, they ask Moses "So what's with that Torah you've been dragging along through the desert with us?" Moses replies, "This is God's path for us. This is the guide for our lives and those of our children for evermore." "Well, then, let us hear it. It must be pretty incredible." The people then listened to the story of the Torah, and it all started to sound very familiar. It was the story of the people, dragging through the desert, tired and anxious and hopeful, messing up, doubting God, the whole sordid affair. "Wait a minute," they said, "that's Torah? That's us!"

Torah is us. We are Torah. The reason Torah is full of achievement and defeat, confusion, failure and revelation is because it is about life, about our lives.

For this reason, I want to make a special invitation to every member of the congregation. I want members of the Temple, on a regular basis, to offer a few words of their own stories on Friday nights. The stories of our own experience are Torah, and by sharing them, as with any Torah study, we help others to understand their own experience. Stories of Jewish relevance are encouraged, but not necessary. Have you ever had an experience that changed your life? Showed you something about what is meaningful to you? Helped you feel connected to your Jewish history or future? I guarantee, every one of us has such stories that will be meaningful to others. Please be courageous and share them. I am talking about speaking for 5 minutes on a Friday night, and ideally we might have such sharing every Shabbat. If you have been in Temple when individuals have shared what it means to them to convert to Judaism, or celebrate a special anniversary, or other such simcha, you know how powerful it can be when people share what is most important and moving to them. By telling these stories, our own Torah, we become more and more a community who know and care about one another.

So I encourage you to spend some time thinking, and then contact me. What is your Torah to share with the EET family? I very much look forward to hearing from many of you. By telling each of our stories, we are writing the Torah of East End Temple and of the whole Jewish people. That's Torah? That's us.

L'shalom,



Contact: adelson@eastendtemple.com

PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE Edna Rosen

After working at EET on a recent Sunday morning, I went to the deli around the corner for lunch. An elderly man sat in the restaurant in his wheelchair asking for money for food. For years we have been told to walk past those begging in the streets, because to give them money would encourage more begging. Sitting down with my fat sandwich, I realized that I couldn't just walk past hungry people anymore, and gave him enough money for a meal.

As people who eat well on a daily basis, as Jews, as citizens of New York City with its diverse population, as people with conscience, it is our duty to help feed those in need. Approximately 1,500,000 people in NYC, 500,000 of whom are children, get an inadequate amount of food each day. Here are just a few of the ways New Yorkers have devised to help feed the needy:

City Harvest was started in 1981 by several restaurateurs. Much of what they do "is to rescue food that would otherwise be wasted and to deliver it to those who serve the hungry." City Harvest delivers 16 million pounds of food each year to food pantries, soup kitchens, day care centers, senior centers and homeless shelters. www.cityharvest.org

Citymeals-On-Wheels delivers "nutritious meals for homebound elderly New Yorkers." Many of the recipients are at least 75 years old, living at or below the poverty line. They are all chronically disabled and cannot shop or cook for themselves. This program was also started in 1981, when several food critics created a plan and raised money from individuals to fund the start-up organization. citymeals.org

Food Bank for New York City provides food to soup kitchens, food pantries and other emergency food programs around the city. These programs qualify for grants from various city agencies, "purchasing" from the Food Bank at very low prices, or at no cost. The emergency food programs also rely on private donations of both money and food. foodforsurvival.org

The New York City Coalition Against Hunger provides services to emergency food programs to help them apply for grants to obtain more food, to train their staff and volunteers to run a successful program that will feed people for many years to come. nyccah.org

At EET our current program is *Food For Families*, where we put together food for a meal for a family of four. Every month City Harvest picks up meals for 120 families. I am delighted to report that congregants of all ages participate on these Sundays.

I would like our congregation to begin planning now for more such programs to start in the fall. Please research what is being done now and come up with ideas on how East End Temple can add its own special flavor to emergency food programs in New York City.



Contact: eetpresident@nyc.rr.com

EDUCATOR'S CORNER: Lahna Y. Bidner

Dear Temple Family & Friends:

I hope everyone braved the blizzard of Feb. 17, 2003 and is ready to resume exciting and challenging programs at East End Temple.

Although the move is on temporary hold, we are not stopping our exciting Purim programs at East End.

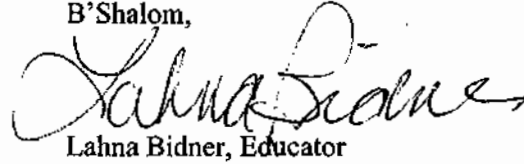
We are excited to hold our annual book fair on **Sunday, March 16** beginning at 1p.m. In addition, we welcome, Patricia Volk, this year's exciting speaker. It will be a great time and a wonderful opportunity to fill your library with fabulous Jewish books.

On **Monday, March 17th** at 6 pm don't miss our annual Megillah reading and Purim Shpiel. Our Religious

School students will entertain and keep you on the edge of your seats! Come in costume for the Purim Costume Parade at East End Temple!

Regular Religious School classes will take place at our 403 First Avenue location until further notice. We are all anxiously awaiting the move and will keep you informed of any updates!

B'Shalom,



Lahna Bidner, Educator

Contact: educator@eastendtemple.com

East End Temple Family Retreat

Friday evening May 2 thru Saturday evening, May 3
At Kutsher's Resort in Monticello, New York

"Trial by Judaism"

You Be the Judge... It's up to you...

Help us decide the fate of some of Judaism's timeless ethical dilemmas at one of the 1940's Borscht Belt nostalgic destinations, **Kutsher's**

Join us for an outstanding Shabbat experience

RSVP TODAY!

Name: _____

All prices include meals, hotel room, amenities, hotel activities, and EET FUN!

Friday Night Stay ONLY

adults _____ @ \$138

of Children 5-17 _____ @\$65

of Children 4 and under _____ @\$54

2nd Night Stay

\$90 Adults -# _____

\$40 Children- # _____

TOTAL DUE: _____

* NO reservations past March 10th will be accepted



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ORDER YOUR HAMANTASHEN IN TIME
 FOR PURIM AND HELP SUPPORT
 EAST END TEMPLE!!!

AVAILABLE IN AN ASSORTMENT OF FLAVORS!!!

HAMANTASHEN ORDER FORM

FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, MARCH 7th.

NAME _____ PHONE # _____

COST: \$8.50 PER POUND (1 BOX), 14 PIECES/LB TOTAL ENCLOSED _____


PLEASE PLACE THE NUMBER OF LBS. NEXT TO THE FLAVOR OF YOUR CHOICE

_____ LBS. OF RASPBERRY _____ LBS. OF POPPY

_____ LBS. OF APRICOT _____ LBS. OF PRUNE

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: _____ LBS. MIXED - YOUR CHOICE.



CANTOR'S  Hayley Kabilinsky
Shalom! This has certainly been a winter full of surprises, from four-foot snowbanks to repeated musical appearances at Shabbat services by Joe and Daniel Rutkowski on clarinet and trumpet! (And many thanks to them for enlivening our East End "music pit!")

We continue to introduce new pieces of music at services, and soon we will have a new keyboard for Alex Mekinulov to play them!

As Purim approaches, and I begin to review the special trope melodies used for the Megillah of Esther, I think how lucky we are to have such a heritage of unique music. Nothing sounds like the reading of the Megillah. As soon as one hears the unusual twists and turns of the melody, interrupted from time to time by screaming, hissing, booing, and "grogging" of all the groggers, we know a special time is upon us. I look forward to seeing all of you in your fanciest and finest Purim costumes!!!

THE TEMPLE FAMILY

Congratulations and Mazal Tov to

Gregory Connuck, son of Paul Connuck and Lauren Weinberger and brother of John Connuck, on becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

Kimberly Rose and Barry Goldberg on Kimberly's conversion to Judaism. Welcome aboard.

Welcome new Members

Valerie K. Wilde and Robert H. Seiden

Deepest Condolences to

Lahna and Tyson Bidner, on the passing of Tyson's grandfather Eli Weiss

Joan Portnoy and family on the death of her mother Esther Goldberg

Fern Stampleman and family on the death of her mother Vita Todras

EAST END TEMPLE BOOKCLUB

Our current title is God Was In This Place And I Did Not Know It by Lawrence Kushner and the meeting is on Tuesday, March 25 at 7:30 pm. The April 29th title is Stuffed by Patricia Volk who will be the guest speaker at our Book Fair on Sunday, March 16. May 28th title is Displaced Persons by Joseph Berger. Call the Temple office for the locations.

FOOD FOR FAMILIES POSTPONEMENT

The Food For Families program scheduled for Sunday, March 9th, has been postponed. The committee, under the direction of Marian Fish, will advise of future dates and activity through the Temple.

EET BOOK FAIR, SUNDAY MARCH 16,

1 - 5 PM

At our present Temple

403 First Avenue

Something for everyone!



New books and classics with Jewish themes

- Best-selling authors and titles
- Humorous books, serious books, educational books & Jewish cookbooks
- Hard-cover, paperback books and tapes
- Selections for Children, family and adults
- An opportunity to purchase for donation books to the new EET Library
- 3 pm - Special guest:

Author **PATRICIA VOLK** will read from her latest book STUFFED: Adventures of a Restaurant Family (an upcoming East End Temple BookClub choice)

- Heralded as "The Book of the Year" by *The New York Observer*

- A touching, humorous memoir of a unique New York Jewish restaurant family

Hear about the author's amazing family members such as:

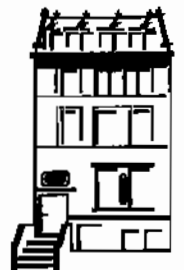
- Her great-grandfather, who introduced pastrami to the new world
- Her grandfather, known as "The Most Destructive Force on Wall Street" for his innovative method of building demolition
- Her uncle, the first man to stir scallions into cream cheese
- Her maternal grandmother, 1916 winner "Best Legs in Atlantic City"
- Her paternal grandmother, the 300 lb. calendar girl

Join us for these and other delicious stories

SAVE THE DATE AND DON'T FORGET

The weekend of June 6/7/8, for the special Dedication Program to celebrate our new Temple on 17th Street. The Dedication Committee, chaired by Helene Spring, has exciting plans, guests, and events in the works to mark this special and historic occasion.

More details to come.



CONTRIBUTIONS - We are grateful to the following people for their generosity.

A big thank you to Irving and Shirley Roth and the Argraph Corporation for their generous donation of a digital camera to the temple. Todah Rabbah.

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Yahrzeit Observances

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for Betty Guttman

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Bertha & Jerry Ginsberg
for Dora and Herman Ginsberg

Selma Lashine
for her mother

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for Yakov Drabkin
for Rafael Mekinulov

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for Mimie Meyer

Florence Peloquin
for Charles Colman

Lesley & Steven Sanders
for Wolf Sanders

Harriet Schoeffler
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for Lillian Shikin

Stanley H. Slom
In honor of his Aliyah on
February 14, 2003

Marian & Robert Fish
Condolences to Dr. Jean Furuyama
on the loss of her mother

COLLATION/ONEG SHABBAT FUND

Lauren Weinberger & Paul Connuck
In honor of their son, Greg Connuck,
on his Bar Mitzvah

HELENE SPRING LIBRARY FUND

Gertrude and Murray Bittman
Wishing Bertha Ginsberg a speedy
and uneventful recovery

Evelyn Hendline
In memory of my husband Leon on
his Yahrzeit

Barbara & Barry Kimmel
Condolences to Fern Stampleman
and family of the loss of her mother
Vita Todras

Barbara & Paul Ringel
In memory of Beatrice Glazer

Thelma Spinrad
In memory of my beloved
grandmother, Goldie Brandwein

Helene & Leonard Spring
To wish Jerry Baker a speedy and
complete recovery and God's
choicest blessings.

Deepest condolences to Lisa Binder,
Joe, Ben & Daniel Rutkowski on the
death of Lisa's brother-in-law, David
Rusovsky

Deepest condolences to Phyllis Elsky
on the death of her son-in-law, David
Rusovsky

In memory of Vicki Gamen. May
she sing unto God many more songs

Best wishes to Irving Roth for a
speedy and complete recovery

Marion Sragg
In memory of my beloved husband,
Benjamin Sragg, on his yahrzeit

HAMERMESH MUSIC FUND

Thelma Z. Spinrad
In memory of Rose Spinrad, my
beloved mother-in-law

Gertrude Schiff
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FLORAL FUND

Lauren Weinberger & Paul Connuck
In honor of their son, Greg Connuck,
on his Bar Mitzvah

Bea Strasnick
In loving memory of Joel Lieberman
& Irving Strasnick

FOOD FOR FAMILIES
TO HELP FEED NEEDY FAMILIES

Shirley Lipton
Helen, Paul, Grant & Anne Levine
Edna & Sam Rosen
Lara & Steven Rudd

Adele Klausner

In memory of Jack Klausner
In memory of Sophie Hoenig

TORAH FUND

Edna & Sam Rosen
In honor of Greg Connuck, on his
Bar Mitzvah

Condolences to Fern Stampleman
and family of the loss of her mother
Vita Todras

Helen & Murray Sanders
Our heartfelt condolences to Mr. &
Mrs. Arthur W. Sanders, on the loss
of Ernest Schmalz

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**For Shirley & Irv Roth,
Blessings beget blessings.**

Shirley and Irv Roth have been truly blessed. Take, for example, how their caring though diverse backgrounds resulted in their shared commitment to Judaism. Irv was raised in Yeshivas and with a strict Orthodox observance. Shirley's family was also Kosher and connected to Jewish rituals, but due to her Socialist father's beliefs, was not involved in organized religion. In 1959, with their two young sons ready for enrollment in a formal religious education, Shirley and Irv found that East End Temple best represented their contemporary interpretation of Torah and their old-fashioned connection to all Yiddishkeit.

EET CONNECTION

The benefits of their thoughtful choice of a Temple were realized through some of their sons' many successes. Mark and Andy were fortunate to have studied with Rabbi Soloff, an inspirational teacher known for his child-centered B'nei Mitzvah services. The strength of their Hebrew education inspired the boys to become East End Temple Youth Group leaders. And, Andy's role as the EET NFTY (National Federation of Temple Youth) song leader helped to spawn his career in film and theater. He performed in the movie, *Grease*, and the shows *Candide* and *They're Playing Our Song*. Eventually, Andy opted for a PhD. in Clinical Psychology at L.I.U., while Mark completed a Math Education Masters at Harvard. To this day, both Andy and Mark maintain strong Jewish community commitments.

SERVICE YEARS

Irv's early talent for photography became the source of many fine accomplishments. As a young man, Irv worked as a photographer in the Brooklyn Navy Yard. After an initial 1B Army classification for vision problems, Irv was reclassified 1A. He was inducted in August 1942 and in January 1943, Irv was shipped out to North Africa, and became an official photographer for the Army Aerial Reconnaissance. Today, as Irv straddles the world of work and leisure, his elder son Mark, the mathematician, is full speed ahead as he continues to grow Irv's brainchild: a bicoastal business that imports and distributes photographic supplies.



FAMILY CONNECTION

Family ties run deep in the Roth clan. Irv returned after three years in the service, he and Shirley married and moved in with Shirley's parents and Shirley's older sister and brother-in-law. In November 1948, Shirley and Irv moved into their first apartment in Stuyvesant Town. While the boys were attending grade school, Shirley became the indispensable school secretary at JHS 22 and then at Washington Irving High School, a position she held for 25 years. When Andy was 16 and Mark was leaving for college, the family made the big move to Peter Cooper Village. Today, Irv and Shirley continue to enjoy life in the big city with periodic winters snow-birding in Lake Worth, Florida. But their greatest rewards come in the form of their ever-growing family. With three older grandkids, ages 20, 18 and 15, and their newest 20-month-old grandson, the blessings just keep on coming.

We'd love to hear your story. Call Marcia Muskat 212.779.7330 and tell her that you are ready to share.

March 2003

East End Temple

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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