



Member Spotlight: *Cindy Kassman Paisner*



Cindy Kassman Paisner

I chose Temple Emanuel as the spiritual home for our family in 1992 while living in Boston. It was ironic that one year later, we purchased a home five doors from the shul, down the hill on West Boulevard Road. Attending services on Shabbat mornings, I would sprint up the hill in heels, at exactly 9:55 am, to arrive and get settled just before the ark was opened!

I grew up in Englishtown, NJ, where my parents were founders of our Reform synagogue. I was educated there in typical 1970s style which provided some framework for our cultural and scant at home holiday practices. At my Bat Mitzvah, I introduced music to the service by playing guitar and singing Debbie Friedman songs. I taught Sunday School and went on to become very active in the Jersey Federation of Temple Youth, (JFTY).

When I told my parents that I wanted to go to school in Israel, they wondered where I came up with the idea. No one in our family had ever traveled to Israel! Because one year seemed too long for a sixteen year old to be away, I attended a shorter program at High School in Israel, (now The Alexander Muss High School in Israel). This amazing course was life-changing and is responsible for my love of Judaism in a way that I so craved.

While in college at Northeastern, I decided to attend the Kibbutz/University Program at Haifa University. After six months, it was time to return home, so I called my parents to discuss staying to continue as a year program student.

They finally agreed but had stipulations. In order to stay I would need to work and take out a loan. So I secured a loan, worked at the university and got another job cleaning a professor's house! Needless to say, my father was aghast at that one!

While there I took in everything Jewish and Israeli, including a program for Ba'alei Teshuva in Jerusalem, a total immersion course in Orthodox Judaism. That was a long two weeks!

I finished my year, learned conversational Hebrew which I can still speak, and made wonderful Arab, Druze and Jewish friends who taught me about the Israel that tourists don't see. I've returned to Israel fourteen times including with TE on March of the Living.

Approximately twenty years ago at Camp Yavneh, I met my son's friend, Rachel Namudosi, an Abayudaya, a Ugandan Jew. This was the beginning of my education and journey of supporting Abayudayans in Eastern Uganda where there have been Jews since 1919. Along with generous donors, we have raised funds for the young adults to further their educations so they could raise up their communities to be self-sustaining. There are now educators, nurses, doctors, engineers, lawyers, and business leaders among the approximately 1,000 Jews! Several of them have spoken at TE including Rachel, who became the first female from the village to receive an education and become a teacher and Chief Rabbi Gershom Sizomu. I have visited Uganda and remain in contact with many of "my kids" who are now grown.

Recently, I tried out for our shul's production of *Hello, Dolly*. I landed the role of Dolly Levi and have been having fun learning my lines, songs and dances. Rehearsals with the amazing cast and crew have been absolutely joyful. I hope everyone will attend the show! Until then, just call me "Dolly!"

Yona Rosenman ז"ל: With Gratitude for a Gifted Educator

by Ilene F. Beckman
Religious School Director

Yona Rosenman was a greatly beloved teacher in our Religious School for over 42 years, impacting generations of learners.

Born on a train from Russia to Poland after WWII, and raised and educated in Israel, Yona's life never stopped consisting of journeys from that moment on, as every one of her rich life experiences became a teachable opportunity in the abiding work she loved. A consummate educator, Yona continued to sparkle with the love of teaching as each year brought a new class and new possibilities to her door.

Yona was a true Renaissance woman, a student of history and literature, who loved to travel and always appreciated the confluence of all she experienced. She was an enigmatic mix of old and new, ancient history and modern arts, of Biblical grammar and current Israeli politics and was endlessly curious about all of it. Yona was the quintessential life-long learner, and rare was the subject that did not ignite her interest. Her students were all beneficiaries of her avid engagement with the world around her and it was this mindset which Yona brought to each class and learner, no matter the age. From her Kitah Hay 5th graders here at Temple Emanuel, to her senior adult learners at NewBridge, Yona believed in them all and in their capacity to learn, to go deeper and to become enthralled with topics that they did not yet realize held that promise.

Yona was an educator's educator who mentored colleagues, generously shared her insights, materials, and wisdom, and she was deservedly honored for her teaching excellence by the Grinspoon-Steinhardt Foundation.

Yona's teaching style could perhaps be described as old-school, and a bit no-nonsense, but she had innate gifts that transcended "new-fangled strategies." She radiated an inner warmth and simply never gave up on any child, taking it upon herself to find the key that would unlock the spark, and she always succeeded. Yona taught "up" to her kids, and they were inspired to reach toward lovingly elevated expectations.

For Yona, no subject was an island; it was always interconnected with everything else. Hebrew was never just Hebrew. It was history, culture, food, music...you just had to discover the potential of the threads and, with Yona as the guide, it was always possible.



Yona Rosenman

Yona was a firm believer that a phone call was more impactful than an email and so she would often take the time to call parents to remind them of an upcoming program, to share a child's success or, if needed, to engender a parent's partnership in helping a child succeed.

Yona had so much to be proud of in her long and dedicated career at Temple Emanuel, and among her most cherished achievements was the establishment of the CJP Boston-Haifa Connection in our school, and our partnership with the Zichron Yosef School in Haifa. Yona's hard work, devotion and creativity in this partnership have been held up as models for other schools to emulate. While matching compatible pen pals, designing shared curricula, and leading our annual student Haifa Fair and video conferences, Yona herself also built a beautiful relationship with her Haifa counterpart, Shirli, that went beyond a professional connection to become a valued friendship; it was a perfect model of exactly the personal relationship she wanted her students to have with Israel.

Last year, though Yona's illness was taking its toll, her heart remained steadfastly where it has always been, with her students. Even via Zoom, she never missed a class and continued to teach as she always has – with *menschlichkeit*, love and unflappable, unflagging devotion to Jewish learning and the Jewish future.

Jewish Resistance During the Holocaust – An Unknown Story

We've all heard of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising, but how many people know how widespread and prevalent Jewish resistance to Nazi barbarism was? Instead, many people, Jews included, believe that Jews went to their deaths "like sheep to the slaughter." On Yom Ha'Shoah, our member, Paula Apsell, will discuss her extensive research across Eastern Europe and upcoming new feature documentary and educational materials celebrating the true history of our peoples' brave efforts to fight the Germans' inhumanity during the Holocaust.

Focused on the resistance of Jews to the Nazi regime, this 90-minute feature documentary with the working title *Resistance – They Fought Back* along with a website and educational materials, is designed to illuminate an aspect of the conventional Holocaust story that may be known to scholars but not to most ordinary people. The goal is nothing less than a corrective to the dominant narrative of the Holocaust.

Paula and her team have filmed in several locations in Poland, Lithuania, Latvia and Israel where historians and scientists are finding evidence to prove that Jews fought back time and again, with weapons and without, against a cruel and overpowering enemy. **Please join us on Wednesday, April 27 at 7:00 pm at our Annual Yom Ha'Shoah commemoration.**

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March (Adar I/Adar II) April (Adar II/Nisan)
 May (Nisan/Iyyar/Sivan)
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DAILY SERVICES

Sundays at 8:00 am & 7:30 pm
 Monday – Thursday at 7:00 am & 7:30 pm
 Fridays at 7:00 am

SHABBAT SERVICES

Shabbat Alive! at 6:30 pm
 Traditional Service - check TE websites
 Saturdays at 9:30 am

Rosh Chodesh Adar II - March 3rd & 4th
 Ta'anit Esther/Erev Purim – March 16th
 Purim – March 17th
 Shushan Purim – March 18th
 Erev Pesach - April 15th
 Pesach Day II- April 17th
 Pesach Day VII- April 22nd
 Yom Ha'Shoah- April 28th
 Rosh Chodesh Iyyar-May 1st & 2nd
 Yom HaZikaron- May 4th
 Yom Ha'Atzmaut- May 5th
 Lag Ba'Omer-May 19th
 Yom Yerushalayim- May 29th
 Rosh Chodesh Sivan – May 31st

Saturday, March 5

Parshat Pekude / Musical Shabbat
 Mincha Bat Mitzvah: Elana Shabashov,
 daughter of Diana and Anatoli Shabashov

Saturday, March 12

Parshat Vayikra / Shabbat Zachor / Brotherhood Shabbat

Saturday, March 19

Parshat Tzav

Saturday, March 26

Parshat Shmini / Shabbat Parah
 Bat Mitzvah: Ilana Brauner, daughter of Stacey and Jason Brauner
 Bat Mitzvah: Sonya Finkel, daughter of Tobey and Grant Finkel

Saturday, April 2 / Rosh Chodesh Nisan

Parshat Tazria / Shabbat HaChodesh / Musical Shabbat
 Bar Mitzvah: Max Greer, son of Lynne and Jon Greer

Saturday, April 9

Parshat Metzora / Shabbat HaGadol
 Bat Mitzvah: Rebecca Solomon,
 daughter of Deena and Hormoz Solomon

Saturday, April 16

Pesach Day I

Saturday, April 23

Pesach Day VIII/Yizkor

Saturday, April 30

Parshat Achrei Mot

B'nei Mitzvah of Ari and Evan Finamore, sons of Leslie and Eric Finamore

Saturday, May 7

Parshat Kedoshim / Musical Shabbat
 Bar Mitzvah: Eren Kosiba, son of Irina Erenburg and Jeff Kosiba

Saturday, May 14

Parshat Emor / Musical Shabbat
 Bat Mitzvah: Arielle Gish, daughter of Joan Wasser Gish and Jason Gish
 Bat Mitzvah: Isabel Landesman, daughter of Julie and Daniel Landesman

Saturday, May 21

Parshat Behar
 Bar Mitzvah: Samuel McCarthy, son of Gail Greener and John McCarthy

Saturday, May 28

Parshat Vayakhel / Shabbat Shekalim
 B'nei Mitzvah of Carmel and Tobias Harrison, children of
 Leemore Dafny and Nat Harrison

FRIDAY CANDLE LIGHTING

March 45:20
 March 115:28
 March 186:36
 March 256:44
 April 16:52
 April 87:00
 April 157:08
 April 227:16
 April 297:24
 May 67:31
 May 137:39
 May 207:46
 May 277:53

SHABBAT MINCHA TIMES

March 55:15
 March 125:30
 March 196:40
 March 266:45
 April 27:00
 April 97:00
 April 167:10
 April 237:15
 April 307:30
 May 77:40
 May 147:45
 May 217:50
 May 288:00

* Times may change, please check our website for service times.

Minyan Ma'or lights it up

by Jeffrey B. Remz

If you walk into Temple Emanuel on any given Saturday at 9:30 am and hear sounds of davening coming from someplace other than the main sanctuary, your ears are not deceiving you. Walk past the Casty Gallery to Reisman Hall, and you'll find yourself davening with Minyan Ma'or ("light").

Fittingly, the traditional, egalitarian minyan began meeting at Temple Emanuel on Shabbat Bereshit in October. The group is an outgrowth of the Newton Centre Minyan which ended after 40 years. Approximately 100 households joined Temple Emanuel and established a new, independent minyan within the TE community.

"We have had a very smooth transition and entry," says Minyan Ma'or Rosh (akin to president) Stephanie Listokin. "We feel embraced and welcomed by the Temple Emanuel community and leadership. We have had outstanding turnout for our Shabbat morning services despite the challenges of COVID. The Minyan is even attracting new people from Temple Emanuel and outside of TE. We are delighted to be growing and thriving as we become a part of the TE kahal."

The davening offers another prayer option on Shabbat mornings. The davening consists of a full Psukei D'zimrah, Shacharit, full Torah reading, Haftarah, Musaf, and a d'var Torah about the week's parshah. Different people lead the various parts of the service each week, resulting in a variety of melodies utilized as the Minyan incorporates a healthy amount of singing. Davening is followed by a kiddush where attendees engage in the fine art of schmoozing.

The Minyan has about 65 children under 18. While COVID has affected the participation of our children, two different children's services are usually held and typically, they lead the closing prayers at the end of the main service. Rimon Rosen, a freshman at Newton North, who leads davening and reads Torah, says, "I like that the Minyan encourages me and other teens to participate as a leader in the service. Coming to Minyan Ma'or allows me to practice and express Judaism on a regular basis." Rimon is actively involved with Temple Emanuel's ONOT Teen Israeli Dance Troupe, Shabbat Alive!, and USY. He adds, "It also allows me to connect to other Jewish kids my age."

Members Yair Listokin and Sandy Remz have organized a Kabbalat Shabbat service starting at candle lighting. The lay-led service, which started in December in the Gann Chapel, is characterized by upbeat and energetic singing. About 40 people already come weekly for the hour-long service.

Harvey Mamon, a member of TE and Minyan Ma'or says, "The initial attraction of Reisman Hall was the physical location. However, the affiliation with TE has provided much more than that – the ability to interact with current members of TE and the clergy, to attract new members to TE who sought a more traditional service and the opportunity to develop a new option for Kabbalat Shabbat that is attracting many TE members."

Stephanie Listokin extends a warm welcome to the TE community. "Please come check out Minyan Ma'or and get to know us. We have a unique ruach and meaningful, traditional approach to prayer that is definitely worth experiencing. All are welcome!"



STEMentors

by Rachel Kimball

STEMentors is a club co-founded by Rachel Kimball, a current USY board member and senior at Newton North. Other TE STEMentors include Rachel Alpert-Wisnia, Mira Fein, Kaela Heinstein, Salome Laurence, Jennifer Lutchen, Lilly Ranalli, Alex Youman, and Brooke Ufland.

Rachel explains that, "the purpose of the program is to bring engaging STEM education lessons to K-8 students. Through virtual mentoring, drop-in classes, guest speakers, visits to schools and libraries, and private events, the club provides a resource that is accessible to families, teachers and students free of charge. Our work extends beyond our lessons.



We tutor students who need support, provide free material kits, volunteer at STEM-related events and fundraise for Boston Children's Hospital. As high school students with a passion for science and working with kids, our goal is to inspire students and spark curiosity. The program has already reached 1,000 kids and continues to make a tangible difference everyday.

Despite COVID, throughout the past year and a half, STEMentors has been conducting both virtual and in-person programming for our elementary school students. At TE we have led events for Kadima (3rd-5th grade) USY. During Pesach we conducted spring/Pesach experiments such as capillary action paper flowers, salt water and egg floats, a demonstration of how Moses could have parted the Red Sea and celery science."

Parents and kids have loved the activities. They like that the experiments are simple, visual and involve "really cool science." One enthusiastic student shared that "now I want to be a scientist when I grow up!"

A parent added, "STEMentors has provided young students "a way to connect with teen role models while having fun. It has been a bright spot at a difficult time." What could be more fun than making elephant toothpaste? Check it out at: www.scientificamerican.com/article/make-elephant-toothpaste.

Although Rachel and some of her friends will be graduating, there are other STEMentors who will carry on this great program. For more information check their website at: sites.google.com/view/stementors/.



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- Alan Ades on the loss of his beloved wife, Ruth Flink Ades
- Meryl Miller on the loss of her beloved brother, Steven Alford
- Richard Backer on the loss of his beloved mother, Sarah Backer
- Ruth Nemzoff on the loss of her beloved husband, Dr. Harris Berman
- Eliisa Rottenberg on the loss of her beloved father, Leonard Blum
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RABBI ABRAHAM MORHAIM
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HOWARD SHAPIRO
SUMNER STURMAN
MURRAY TUCHMAN

May their memory always be for a blessing.



From the Gates

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

- Thursday, April 7 Project Manna Concert
- Wednesday, May 25 Annual Meeting
- Monday, May 30 Memorial Day

DOING GOOD IN THE COMMUNITY

Thank you from Reverend Brenda Brown at the Mass Ave Baptist Church for the donations of warm clothing and a record breaking **\$11,000** for the annual Turkey Drive! Reverend Brown was able to prepare “go to” meals for the holidays and has enough money to buy a new refrigerator and support much needed new initiatives at this challenging time.

Thank you to Danny Mandeau, Ellen Kass and Barbara Goldman for organizing these drives!



Julie Plaut Mahoney and Jordana Alford collecting home goods to be redistributed to local families.



For more information, go to www.welcomehomemass.org

TE ADULT LEARNING

Our courses have moved online! Join us this spring for new programs added on an ongoing basis. For details and registration go to the Adult Learning pages of the TE website at www.templemanuel.com/learning/adult-education

ACTIVE LIVING PROGRAMS FOR OLDER ADULTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

Programs for seniors continue on Zoom. Contact Tracy Schneider at tracys120@yahoo.com or (617)-959-4928 for Zoom links. Details can be found on the TE website at: www.templemanuel.com/community/lchaim-seniors

HARTMAN LEARNING INITIATIVES

Details are at www.templemanuel.com/the-seven-gates/learning/hartman-learning-initiative and at midday on Fridays at Hartman@Home emails.



On with the Show! Performances on May 7 and 8

Temple Emanuel will be presenting *Hello, Dolly!*, a play that follows the adventures of Dolly Levi, a charismatic widow who becomes a matchmaker in New York City in the 1890s. Rehearsals are well underway.

Cantor Rosenberg is “grateful to be able to produce this third production for the TE community. In these uncertain times, with all the restrictions, the fact that these 20 committed people come to rehearsal, sing and dance every Sunday is remarkable. It makes me love my calling more each day!” The play’s director, Melissa Bernstein, shares his enthusiasm, “There is nothing as joyful to me as creating stories on stage with others.” The large cast involves many congregants, and to make it work at TE, it will be performed as a “concert musical” with few props and little scenery. Jeremiah Klarman is having fun as the musical director, working with such a talented cast and creative crew. Jill Roberts is choreographing the dance numbers.

Many participants are returning after performing in *Fiddler* two years ago. Cheryl Stober says, “This show has been a harder one to learn. With *Fiddler*, I knew all the songs but it has been a fun challenge.” Marlene Yudelman recalls “being in awe of Dolly walking down the fancy staircase when we performed *Hello, Dolly!* in elementary school. So when I saw it was the next Temple Emanuel play ...I thought why not?” Jordana Alford could not wait to get back to rehearsals after a break in December. She had so much fun doing *Fiddler!* with her friends, she signed on again this time. Sheryl Kalis initially got involved because her daughter was interested and she thought it would be a great activity to do together! “It was more fun than I ever could have imagined!” Jeff Lurie got the acting bug when he played a cowboy back in kindergarten. He loves the creative camaraderie of a cast and crew working toward a common goal. Being involved in *Fiddler* during his first year as TE Executive Director was a wonderful way to get to know Temple members and a highlight of his acting career! With *Hello, Dolly!* the creative team has not only come together to put on a wonderful show, but we have also come together to navigate the challenges of doing theater safely during the pandemic. I know that this show is going to be a triumph.”

A big shout out to Melissa, Jill, Elias and Jeremiah and the cast for what promises to be a wonderful performance. Everyone is having so much fun already!

NEWS FROM TE PRESCHOOL

After a year of planning, preparing, designing and building, the TE Preschool has a new playground to enjoy.

There are two separate areas-one allows for gross motor activities and riding; the other is an outdoor classroom that gives toddlers the area to learn, explore and play. We welcomed parents at Back to School Night on the playground to everyone’s delight!

Stay tuned for community playdates in the near future!

For more information about the TE Preschool, please contact Andrea Stein, Director at astein@templemanuel.com.



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Giving and Receiving

by Abby Elmore

Last fall I became a true empty nester. Both kids were finished with college and starting their careers in New York City. The dog was no longer with us. I was telling my friends that I needed something to do. Like over 150 Temple Emanuel members, I completed the survey asking for volunteers to help with an Afghan family that would soon arrive. Fast forward to November and I am driving a second Afghan family, who were living in Newton, to be with their family in Brookline. I am a curious person by nature – not shy or afraid of feeling awkward.

Afghans are by nature welcoming and hospitable. So, I began inviting myself into their home and we learned to communicate, slowly, using a little English, Google Translate and a lot of pantomime. We shared tea and photographs of our families. Staying connected to their family both in Afghanistan and those who have been resettled around the USA is so important to them. I was frequently being introduced to people as we drove places (women don’t drive in Afghanistan so this provided a lot of humor).

The TE community had organized a core team who were acting behind the scenes to support financial, housing, medical and other needs. I felt like I had more to give and offered to coordinate the volunteer efforts. I know from other volunteer experiences that keeping people engaged takes a lot of time and effort but if you don’t do it, they frequently stop coming. Our many volunteers not only drive and help with shopping, but we also have a team of people working on English skills who visit with different family members each week. When the women asked for a sewing machine, a volunteer took them to go fabric shopping (they are now creating beautiful clothing). To keep everyone engaged we have a weekly check in with Rabbi Aliza to help share our experiences and process what is happening.

I try to connect with both new and seasoned volunteers on a regular basis. They are key to our success. People like Phyllis, Debbie, Steve, Hope and Shana are long haulers. Like me they have seen many changes in the family and have been instrumental in helping them become more comfortable living here and learning about American life. We are so pleased that the two families are now living together through the generosity of a TE family. They can save money to be able to rent their own place and learn to be independent. The oldest child is in kindergarten and the men have begun working. None of this would be possible without many TE community members.

Some people think I am doing too much. I can’t help myself. I see them three or four times a week. The Nooristanis have become part of my extended family. I love when I go to the apartment and they greet me with “Hello, How are you?” or they ask about my daughter, whom they have met. They are eager to explore more of Boston. These are young people who fled Afghanistan not because they wanted to, but because they had to, leaving behind many family members who continue to suffer. What I could offer was a sense of friendship, consistency, and a feeling that people here care about them. In return I have received more than I could ever give.