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NEWSLETTER

Social Action Update

VOLUNTEERING IN THE COMMUNITY



The Jewish Fertility Foundation hosted a meet and greet at 28 Bridges Brewery for South Hills families last Thursday. Check out their website for more information.

We are always collecting nonperishable food donations for SHIM in the boxes beside the stairwell. To donate digitally, go to **a.co/buXNoGg** and donate snacks to SHIM's After School Program

Team Sandwich collects every 3rd Tuesday of the month! Contact shommel46@gmail.com to sign-up!

MOST NEEDED ITEMS FOR FREESTORE 15106

- Canned Soup
- Canned Tuna
- Canned Chicken
- Saltine Crackers
- Ramen Noodles
- Fruit Cups
- Juice Boxes
- Laundry Pods
- Girls Underwear

Please bring donations to Temple Emanuel.

VOLUNTEER EFFORTS

We have so many Temple Emanuel members and friends who are deeply involved in volunteer efforts in the community, even outside of the efforts we coordinate together.

We have members who volunteer with environmental and sustainability projects in the area. We have members who volunteer with local schools, like Carnegie Elementary, where TERMS members help in the Freestore 15106, and another member volunteers with her therapy dog. We have members who have joined Giving2Grow, an organization that provides grants to address childhood hunger in Western Pennsylvania. The list could go on and on, and that's not including any of the volunteering our Temple Emanuel teenagers and Torah Center students do on a regular basis.

Earlier this year, a member approached me with an idea: Outside of Temple Emanuel, he volunteers at Global Links and wondered if we would want to organize a time to volunteer there together. Global Links is a Pittsburgh-based organization that provides medical supplies to impoverished areas in Western Pennsylvania and around the world using surplus medical supplies.

We will join together at Global Links this Friday to help sort medical supplies, thanks to this volunteer! Thanks to everyone in this community, our volunteer shift is full!

One of my favorite aspects of this job is learning about all of the good work you are already doing in the community. It's even better when we can work together to include the Temple Emanuel congregation in new volunteering opportunities! Thank you for sharing your interests with me!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Volunteer at Global Links Friday, March 31, 2023, from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Our volunteer shift is full! Thank you!

Temple Emanuel's 2nd Night of Passover Seder
Thursday, April 6, 2023, at 5:30 pm
RSVPs have closed!

WTE+ Mimouna Potluck Thursday, April 13, 2023, at 7:00 pm

Mimouna, a largely Sephardic festival originating in Morocco, is a festival to celebrate the end of Passover with sweets and leavened foods. Instead of visiting each of our actual homes for this feast, we invite WTE+ members to bring the feast to Temple Emanuel for a Mimouna potluck! Tea and the traditional *moufleta* crepes will be provided!

Let Sarah know what you plan to bring here: Mimouna Potluck Sign-Up

Adult Education Opportunity: Essentials of Judaism Course Wednesdays at 7:00 pm April 19th through June 7th

In a partnership between Beth El and Temple Emanuel, Rabbis Alex & Amy Greenbaum, Rabbis Aaron & Emily Meyer, and Rabbi Mark Mahler will offer an 8-session learning opportunity about Jewish life accessible to those studying Judaism for the first time while deep enough to augment the knowledge and practice of lifelong learners.

The cost of the course is \$36, including course materials. Please register by April 12th. www.tinyurl.com/EssentialsOfJudaism