



**TEMPLE EMUNAH, 9 PIPER ROAD, LEXINGTON, MA 02421
YAD 5777 CALENDAR AND HAVAYOT**

YAD is a new 6:00-8:15pm, Wednesday evening program at Temple Emunah for students in 8th through 12th grade. YAD is an acronym for *Yom Dalet*, which stands for “Fourth Day” – Wednesday. Depending on the Hebrew spelling of YAD, the word also translates to “hand” or “target”. We hope YAD will be a target on every 8th through 12th graders radar.

Each Wednesday begins with a communal dinner, 6:00-6:30. This is followed by *havayot* – experiences – each three or four sessions in length, 6:30-7:30pm. Throughout the year, there are also a number of school-wide special programs. The evening ends with *tzman behira* – choice time - 7:30-8:15pm, at which time participants choose from a number of opportunities: study hall, minyan, Israel in the News, USY board meetings, continued class study, etc.

Opening Night Program: 9/14

Havayah 1: 9/21, 9/28, 10/5, 10/19

***Madrichim Training**

Leah Rochbert

This havayah is required for all madrikhim of our religious school! Participants will learn what it means to be an aide in the classroom. They will learn ways to facilitate small groups and tutor individual students. Time will be spent on developing the teacher-aide relationship.

Jewish Perspectives on the 2016 Election

Beni Summers

During this momentous period in our nation's political history it can be easy to get caught up in all of the media hoopla and inflammatory rhetoric and forget that in the end all of us, candidates and voters alike are human beings created in the image of G-d. We will spend time in this module looking at ideas of trust, power, *tokhecha* (compassionate criticism) and *anavah* (humility).



To help us with our discussions we will use YouTube videos, NPR soundbites, articles, Jewish texts and so much more! Different points of view will be welcomed and encouraged. If you enjoy talking about politics or Jewish ethics or just like to learn and have a good debate, then this havayah is for YOU!

Yom Kippur: 10/12

Havayah 2: 10/26, 11/2, 11/9, 11/16

Facing History and Ourselves: An Introductory Primer On The Holocaust

Beni Summers

This 4 session, havayah will serve as an overview of the history and important facts and figures of the Holocaust period, starting in 1933 through 1945. Participants will hear testimony from survivors, learn about the political

and social conditions that led to the events of the Holocaust, and look at human behavior in new and interesting ways.



Working off one of the themes of the High Holiday session, forgiveness, we will also learn about how even in the darkest of days, there is always room for understanding, clemency and change in the world.

Haverim Fellows

Sandy Miller-Jacobs

This fellowship seeks to create a group of *ozrim* (helpers) who receive additional training in working with students with special needs and encourages them to forge friendships outside the classroom. Training for the fellowship will be run by Sandy Miller-Jacobs, congregant and special needs consultant. Participants will learn strategies and techniques for working with students with special needs.

All School Program with Mordechai Rosenstein: 11/30

Havayah 3: 12/7, 12/14, 12/21

ADL Confronting Anti-Semitism

ADL Facilitators

This havayah will be run by the Anti-Defamation League of New England. Participants will have the opportunity to discuss the nature and impact of anti-Semitism in their school and community, and identify safe and practical response strategies.

Teen Safe

JF&CS Facilitators

Are you a Jewish teen interested in learning how to recognize signs of unhealthy dating behavior and preventing teen dating abuse? Would you like to be part of a social change issue that focuses on standing up and taking action to impact teen safety in the Jewish community and beyond? If so, this havayah is for you. **TeenSafe**, a program of **Journey to Safety**, is the Jewish Family & Children's Service response to dating abuse in our community. The program is designed to give teens the language and tools they need to recognize abuse in a dating relationship and know how to respond if they see, hear about, or experience it.

All School Program: 1/4

Havayah 4: 1/11, 1/18, 1/25

***NYC Seminar**

Rabbi Michael Fel and Beni Summers

8th and 9th Grade Havayah

Saturday Evening, January 15 – Monday Evening, January 16

At the center of this havayah is an 8th and 9th grade NYC Trip, leaving Emunah on Saturday night, after Shabbat. We will spend all day Sunday and half the day Monday in the City. Trip highlights will include: Tenement Museum, Broadway Show, NBC Studios Tour, Jewish Museum. The cost for the trip for 8th and 9th graders enrolled in YAD is \$575 / participant. The fee for those 8th and 9th graders not enrolled in YAD is \$875. All trip participants are required to attend the one pre-trip session and two post-trip sessions.

*Required for those participating in trip

Israeli Culture and Society

Dor Yohai, ShinShin

Dor Yohai joins our staff this year as a ShinShin Fellow. ShinShin stands for Shnat Sheirut - Year of Service.

ShinShin Fellows are 18-year-old Israeli emissaries sent by the Israeli government and the Jewish Agency for Israel to communities abroad.



Dor lives in Haifa with his parents, Yoni and Zvika. He has two older brothers, Ben and Tom, and a dog named, Terry. Dor is very involved in the *tzofim* (Israeli Scouts). He likes to play sports and read books. In this *havayah* participants will learn about teen life in Israel.

Junior and Senior Seminar

Rabbi David Lerner

This *havayah* is for high school juniors and seniors only! There will be three sessions: *Sex, Drugs, and Torah Scroll!*, *ADL's College Bound*, and *(Jewish) Packing for College*.

The ADL's session will focus on campus intolerance toward Jews and anti-Israel activities, and on proactive strategies to maintain a positive Jewish identity and facilitate a strong Jewish community.

Havayah 5: 2/1, 2/8, 2/15, 3/1

Cooking the Books: A Journey through Text and Delectable Delicacies

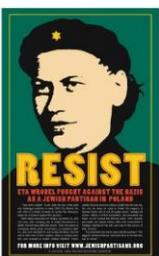
Rabbi Michael Fel

Join Rabbi Fel on a multi-sensory journey of text and food as he shares some of our people's greatest Talmudic stories, biographies, and religious questions while preparing and dining on topically relevant food. Students will hone their critical thinking skills while tantalizing their taste buds!

FLAP! Fight Like A Partisan: An Indepth Study Of Jewish Resistance During The Holocaust

Beni Summers

This *havayah* is all about resistance during the Holocaust. Jewish partisan fighters pushed back against the Nazi war machine in whatever way they could. We will hear from survivor testimonials, watch excerpts from the film *DEFIANCE* starring Daniel Craig and Liev Schreiber, and learn about the different kinds of resistance through studies and activities and discussions. The story of the Jewish partisans is empowering, and demonstrates how young people can successfully stand up to tyranny and oppression -- making a positive difference in the world!



We recommend that participants enroll in this *havayah* with a base level of knowledge of Holocaust history. However, this is not a requirement for participation.

Havayah 6: 3/8, 3/15, 3/22 & 3/29

10th - 12th Grade AIPAC Seminar

TBD
The AIPAC Policy Conference, held in Washington DC, this year over Sunday, March 26 – Tuesday, 28, 2017, is the pro-Israel community's preeminent annual gathering. The event attracts more than 15,000 community and student activists from all 50 states and countless Israeli and American policymakers and thought leaders. Over three jam-packed days, Policy Conference participants choose from hundreds of informative sessions – including a track for teens - and participate in the pro-Israel community's largest and most important advocacy day.



Every year, Temple Emunah members show their support for Israel's future by participating in this powerful conference. Although the conference regularly costs \$599, we are hoping to have a discounted rate for our teens, as well as extra funds to support travel and other expenses.

This *havayah* will help prepare conference participants. In the three sessions leading up to the conference you will receive an orientation to Israel advocacy and learn about what to expect at the conference. The one session following the conference will give you an opportunity to debrief as a small group.

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Havayah 7: 4/5, 4/26, 5/3, 5/10

Israel Summer Prep Seminar

Prozdor Staff

This havayah will prepare those teens heading to Israel this summer for their trips. Participants will learn about the establishment of the State of Israel, major sites they will visit, and current challenges of the State.

Jewish Food for Thought

Beni Summers

A project of the Covenant Foundation and The Foundation for Jewish Culture, this havayah will examine selections from Hanan Harchol's web series about Love, Kindness, Faith, Fear and much more. It will be comprised mainly of viewings, discussions and journal writing.



The goal is for participants to gain a deeper appreciation of how profound and relevant Jewish thinking can be in their lives on a daily basis. This is a perfect havayah for those who hungry for knowledge and self-improvement. Don't miss the chance to chow down on some delicious Jewish Food for Thought!

A Trek through the Talmud

Rabbi David Lerner

Bike through Lexington and the Talmud with Rabbi Lerner. As we bike, we will stop along the way to study sections of Talmud that relate to our environs. Spring is here! Dust off your bike and ride on down to Emunah.

End of Year Program: 5/17

August 23, 2016