

# THE SINAI BULLETIN

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## RELIGIOUS SERVICES

### SEPTEMBER 3

Friday, 8:00 PM - **SABBATH SERVICE**

Sermon: "Labor Day Lessons"

Aliyah: Wendy Waegell

### SEPTEMBER 10

Friday, 8:00 PM - **SABBATH SERVICE**

*Student Rabbi Devorah Lynn will participate in the service (see pg.7)*

Sermon: "Reflections on Forgiveness"

Candles: Marcia Slatkin

Aliyah: Michael Cohen

### SEPTEMBER 11

Saturday, 11:30 AM - **BAT MITZVAH OF LILLY SLATKIN**

7:30 PM - **SELICHOT PROGRAM AND SERVICE**

### SEPTEMBER 15

Wednesday, 8:00 PM - **EREV ROSH HASHANAH**

### SEPTEMBER 16

Thursday, 9:30 AM - **ROSH HASHANAH MORNING SERVICE**

2:00 PM - **ROSH HASHANAH FAMILY SERVICE**

### SEPTEMBER 17

Friday, 10:00 AM - **ROSH HASHANAH 2ND DAY SERVICE**

8:00 PM - **SABBATH SERVICE - INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

Candles: Ann Malloy

Aliyah: Cantor Claire Metzger

Torah Reader: Cantor Claire Metzger

### SEPTEMBER 18

Saturday, 11:30 AM - **BAR MITZVAH OF DAVID STILLMAN**

### SEPTEMBER 24

Friday, 8:00 PM - **KOL NIDRE SERVICE**

### SEPTEMBER 25

Saturday, 10:00 AM - **YOM KIPPUR MORNING SERVICE**

12:15 PM - **DISCUSSION: "I am Jewish: What is the Spiritual Aspect of my Jewishness?"** - (see page 7)

2:00 PM - **YOM KIPPUR FAMILY SERVICE**

3:15 PM - **AFTERNOON SERVICE**

5:00 PM - **MEMORIAL & NEILAH SERVICE FOLLOWED BY BREAK THE FAST**

### SEPTEMBER 29

Wednesday, 7:00 PM - **EREV SUKKOT FAMILY SERVICE - GRADE 8 PARTICIPATING**

## DIVREI HALEV WORDS OF THE HEART

### "PUTTING OUR BEST FOOT FORWARD"

In late August our congregation held a welcoming barbecue for new members. Particularly at the beginning of a synagogue year, we strive to show newcomers not only who we are, but also how open we can be to new faces, new relationships, and new ideas. Our people's earliest Jewish ancestors, Abraham and Sarah, also welcomed others into their home. Jewish midrashic legend described their tent as being unique. The tent was open on all sides. May Temple Sinai be as welcoming to any and all who are interested in us. Even our temple's bylaws state that we are open to "any person who wishes to be affiliated with members of the Jewish faith". To those who show an interest in us, may we show an interest in them. This moment is a hinge in time when the doors of our lives are opening for new opportunities and new growth for our faith community and for ourselves.

The Days of Awe from Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are not as much about dwelling upon our sins as they are about how we can change our lives for the better. We have all done wrong both individually and collectively. With the onset of the new year we have the opportunity to focus our attention on bettering the world. Such is the task that comes with the freshness of the High Holy Day season: putting our best foot forward.

We make new strides by going into new ventures. The opportunities for study, prayer and social action abound at Temple Sinai. Take advantage of our Temple's offerings to further your knowledge and commitment to our people and our faith. It is amazing the strides that we can—and cannot—make in a year. I hope that your involvement in temple activity in the new year will be meaningful for you and that you will become closer to those members of our congregation and to our ancestral faith. On behalf of the members of Temple Sinai's staff and lay leadership, we hope that the new year will be filled with joy and blessing for all of us and our people.

L'shanah Tovah Tikateivu.

Rabbi Seth L. Bernstein

Welcome to our new Student Rabbi, **Devorah Lynn**. She will be with us September 10 - 12. She will teach a class on Sunday, September 12 at 9:30 in the library. (See pages 3 & 7 for more information)

### PLEASE NOTE

SHABBAT FAMILY SERVICES RESUME IN OCTOBER \* \* \* \* ALL FRIDAY SERVICES THIS MONTH BEGIN AT 8:00 PM.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Shalom,

Well, another summer has raced by. I'm hoping that each congregant has had a great summer season!

This summer we have been busy at Temple Sinai maintaining our buildings and grounds. Among other things, steps have been taken to replace the front walkway to the sanctuary, which is now wheelchair accessible. We have replaced the windows in the school building, saving on heating fuel and allowing fresh air into the building. The furnace and thermostats have been evaluated so we might have better distribution of heat this winter. Scraping and painting have been ordered on the front of the school building. We have also worked on the air conditioning in the sanctuary assuring us pleasant climate for the rest of the summer and fall seasons.

As we enter the new year, I ask each of you to consider your role at Temple Sinai. We need help if we are to continue to have a dynamic temple. Please accept any assignments which you are asked to do. We need members to step up for worship committee assignments and to help with the Oneg Shabbat. We need volunteers to staff all of our committees. Temple Sinai has few paid administrators- we are a participatory organization. Not only will your help be greatly appreciated, but it will be fun and will help you to get to know your fellow congregants better.

I am looking forward to seeing you at the High Holiday Services. Be well and keep in touch.

L'shana Tovah  
Douglas Freund

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## TEMPLE SINAI COMMITTEE LIST FOR 2004/05

Below is a list of Committee Chairs, if you would like to help or need to contact a particular committee:

**Adult Ed** - Steve Soreff  
**Biblical Garden** - Linda Freund  
**By-laws** - Todd Rodman  
**Caring Committee** - Gloria Aisenberg & Linda Stern  
**Dues Committee** - Robert Yood  
**Family Education** - Harry Hubbard & Clare Williams  
**Fine Arts** - Lewis Shepard  
**Fundraising** - Michael Cohen  
**House Committee** - Eric Richmond  
**Outreach & Temple Life** (Membership) - Leslie Schoffmeier  
**Music Committee** - Susan Hildum  
**Oneg Committee** - Cindy Kessel & Maria Richmond  
**Public Relations** - Bruce Wahle  
**Religious School** - Paula Rosenblum & Joan Beth Gow  
**Social Action** - Wendy Jane Rickles  
**Tot Shabbat** - Joan Beth Gow  
**Worship Committee** - Steve Mersal



## CANTOR'S NOTES

Another summer has flown by, and High Holy Day preparation is well underway. I hope you have all had a wonderful and refreshing summer and are ready for our new religious and school year. There are some exciting developments planned for the Holy Days and I hope that you will be able to participate.

The Selichot service at Temple Sinai is wonderful preparation for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. In the service itself, many of the themes of Yom Kippur are mentioned. The music also contains some of the melodies of the Holy Days. This year, there is a very special program before the Selichot service. Our program for the evening will be a play, entitled *Who Shall live?* by Jeff Bernhardt of Los Angeles. This play introduces the audience to four Jewish characters from very diverse backgrounds. The actors are: Evan Graber, Mark Scharf, Sandy Sotak, and me. Each of these characters has universal traits, which allow us to relate to something in each of them. They each tell the story of their backgrounds, beliefs, and personal tragedies, which can help us start the process of self-reflection and preparation for the Holy Days which follow. The play will start promptly at **7:30 PM on Saturday, September 11** in the Temple Social Hall. Following the play there will be a short oneg, discussion, and review of Holy Day melodies. Our evening will end with the elegant Selichot service starting at 9:00 PM and changing of the Torah covers. The play is very moving and appropriate to the holiday, but it does contain detailed, and at times graphic information about the characters' personal tragedies. As such I would not recommend the play to anyone under high school age.

Our Rosh Hashanah family service will again feature a Youth Shofar choir. This choir is open to any religious school student... whether or not you participated last year. The only cost is \$20...the price of the shofar. These are real, by the way, manufactured in Israel, and will easily be family keepsakes. If your child would like to participate, please let me know ASAP so that I can give him/her the shofar and an opportunity to practice the shofar calls. We will be having rehearsals the very beginning of September, as well as the first Saturday of Religious School (September 11). Please call me at home at 603 224-9060, or the temple office 508 755-2519, for information.

Our adult choir will be participating in the Rosh Hashanah evening, and Yom Kippur morning services. In October, they will also be starting to prepare pieces for a special Chanukah sermon in song... oy...Chanukah already!

The *Cantor's Chanters* will be rehearsing every Saturday morning there is religious school from 8:30-9:00 am. As always, everyone in religious school is welcome. The *Chanters* will be singing monthly at family services. We have a core group of about 18-20 students, and would love to have more. All you need do is come at 8:30 AM to the school sanctuary prepared to sing. I have a number of surprises for you. Please call me for information, or feel free to just show up!

As you can see, there is a lot of music planned for this year at Temple Sinai. I look forward to seeing you very soon.

B'shalom,  
Cantor Claire G. Metzger

## YAHREZITS

### SEPTEMBER 3

Nathan Bass  
Arthur Berman  
\*Judith Ann Clark  
\*Bertha Cobin  
Evelyn Eisenberg  
Helen Paul  
Joycelyn Rossignol  
Israel Sack  
Helen Sigel

### SEPTEMBER 10

Solomon Brandstein  
George Cohen  
Paul Gordon  
\*Ida Katz Greenberg  
Sarah Hirsh  
Isadore Katz  
Benjamin Mazloff  
\*Irene Rechitzer  
Ethel Rubin  
\*Sidney A. Schlachter  
Jeannette Silverman  
Minnie Sosnoff  
Benjamin Wolin

### SEPTEMBER 17

Bessie H. Berman  
Philip Brunell  
\*Calvin Gould  
Lillian Glick  
Paul Grossman  
Shirley Katz  
Marvin Rasnick  
Nathan Satter  
\*Leo Schwartz  
\*Lillian Slaten  
\*Herman Slaten

### SEPTEMBER 24

\*Alexander Aronis  
Andrew F. Berezin  
Henry Berman  
Israel Blatt  
\*Charles M. Burwick  
Claire Callahan  
Edward Chase  
\*Archie Dickman  
\*Mildred Falk  
Patrick Golden  
\*Charles Goldstein  
Louis Klatzko  
\*Louis Kumin  
\*Michael Mauro  
\*Abraham Mazur  
\*Harry L. Morse  
Leonard Rosen  
David Rothschild  
\*Ruth Posovsky Shove

### OCTOBER 1

\*Leo I. Berg  
\*Bertha Gerber  
Rosaline Hirsh  
Sarah Kaplan  
Adolph Meltzer  
\*Frances Morse  
Jon Moyer  
Jennie Palley  
\*Gussie Posovsky  
\*Corinne Ribakoff  
\*Sol Scholder  
Robert S. Silver  
\*Celia Silverman  
John Silverman  
\*Anne Stein

*We record with deep sorrow, these recently departed:*

*Leslie Robinette*, cousin of Steve Schuster (6-8-04)

*Gershon Goldin*, father of Claudia Ross (7-3-04)

## ADULT EDUCATION SEPTEMBER

*Sunday Morning with Student Rabbi* -  
"Healers, Therapists, Medicine (wo)Men" - Sun-  
day, September 12 - 9:30 AM in the library

*Midrash Study - The Legends of the Jews:*  
Tuesdays, September 7, 14, 21, 28 - 9:15 AM

"Greek & Latin Writers on Jews and Judaism",  
Wednesdays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - 1:45  
PM at the JHC

*Torah Study - September 11, 18 - 9:00 AM* -  
Rabbi's Study.

*Book of Samuel:* Saturdays, June 5, 11, 19, 26 -  
10:00 AM - Rabbi's Study.

## SELICHOT PROGRAM WHO SHALL LIVE ?

by Jeff Bernhardt

*Saturday, September 11, 2004 - 7:30 PM*

Selichot is the Hebrew term meaning "prayers of forgiveness". The Selichot service is designed to sensitize us to the melodies and mood of the High Holy Day period.

This year our program will feature a thought-provoking theatrical production entitled "Who Shall Live?" written by Jeff Bernhardt, a Jewish educator and licensed clinical social worker. This play follows the spiritual journeys of four Jewish people from diverse backgrounds. As they struggle with their own introspection, relationship to God and the themes of the High Holy Day liturgy, we see ourselves in their reflections. We become absorbed in their stories, and those stories help us to understand our own stories as the High Holy Days approach. The actors will be: Evan Graber, Mark Scharf, Cantor Claire Metzger, and Sandy Sotak.

After the play there will be a short oneg and discussion. We will then review a few of the traditional Holy Day melodies before the service starts at 9:00 PM. As part of the ritual that evening, we will change the Torah mantles from the regular Torah covers to the resplendent High Holy Day white. Please join us on Saturday, September 11 to usher in the High Holy Day period.

## SYNAGOGUE COUNCIL UNITY MISSION

Attend the Synagogue Council's Unity Mission to New York City...and be transformed for life! The nationally-recognized Unity Mission, now in its 18th year, will be held on Sunday & Monday, November 21 & 22 in New York. This program brings together leaders of Reform, Conservative, Reconstructionist and Orthodox congregations from throughout Massachusetts for a one-of-a-kind experience that will move you, uplift you and alter the way you perceive yourself and your fellow Jews for all time! Along with a diverse group of committed leaders from the other movements, you will meet, face to face, with prominent national and international Jewish leaders, such as Rabbi Brad Hirschfield of CLAL, the Hebrew Institutes of Riverdale's Rabbi Avi Weiss, and with eminent rabbis from Yeshiva University, the Jewish Theological Seminary of America and Hebrew Union College. You will visit rare book rooms, libraries and chapels, enabling you to view -- up close -- the sacred spaces, treasured archives and artifacts preserved and housed at each of the Unity Mission's itinerary sites. Please call Linda Skolnik at (617) 244-6506, ext. 17 or check out the Synagogue Council's website under "What's Happening" at [www.synagoguecouncil.org](http://www.synagoguecouncil.org), for more information on how to participate in this exciting and important program

## NEW CO-CHAIRS OF CARING COMMITTEE

AS THE NEW CO-CHAIRS OF THE CARING COMMITTEE AT TEMPLE SINAI AND ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE, WE WANT TO WISH YOU A NEW YEAR FILLED WITH PEACE AND CONTENTMENT.

IF WE CAN BE OF HELP TO YOU... IF YOU NEED TRANSPORTATION TO SERVICES, PLEASE CALL THE TEMPLE OFFICE.

L'SHANA TOVA,

GLORIA AISENBERG  
LINDA STERN



Be sure to visit our  
website at

[www.templestinaiworchester.org](http://www.templestinaiworchester.org)

## ISRAEL BOND SEEKS TO TOP LAST YEAR'S RECORD \$112.8 MILLION IN BOND PURCHASES DURING 2004 HIGH HOLIDAY APPEALS

Responding to an urgent request for support from Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, State of Israel Bonds has mounted an ambitious campaign in North American synagogues in an effort to exceed the record \$112.8 million in bond purchases made during its 2003 High Holy Day appeals.

"At this critical moment in our history, Israel needs your support more than ever," Sharon said in a message to the Israel Bonds Organization. "Only a strong Israel can search for a genuine and lasting peace, defend itself against the ruthless terrorists intent on destroying the Jewish state, and remain a safe and secure homeland for the Jewish people," he said. Israel Bonds President and CEO Joshua Matza said: "Since Israel Bonds came into existence in 1951, synagogues have been a vital and integral part of its campaign to strengthen Israel's economy. "This year, Israel continues to ask for this dependable source of support," Matza said. "The High Holy Days, a time when Jews renew their commitment to their faith and heritage, are also a time for them to demonstrate their solidarity with Israel through their Israel Bonds investments."

Rabbi Gary A. Glickstein of Temple Beth Sholom in Miami Beach, chairman of Israel Bonds' National Rabbinic Cabinet, said the Cabinet has been hard at work to increase the participation of synagogues holding High Holy Day appeals this year. "More than 600 synagogues held appeals in 2003," Rabbi Glickstein said. "When we tabulated the results, we learned that over 36,325 congregants had made Israel Bonds investments. Our goal this year is to raise the involvement of American and Canadian Jews in building Israel's economy."

State of Israel Bonds is an international organization offering securities issued by the Israeli government. Since the first bond was sold in 1951, Israel Bonds has secured \$25 billion in investment capital and Israel has made every payment of principal and interest on time and in full.

### MAZEL TOV

*Mazel Tov*, to the following students who will be called to the Torah during the month of September: **Lilly Slatkin**, daughter of Charles & Marcia Slatkin, on September 11; **David Stillman**, son of Kenneth Stillman and Ann Malloy, on September 18.

*Mazel Tov* to **Sue & Jim Patrick** on the engagement of their daughter Emily to Rich Chehade.

*Mazel Tov* to **Linda & George Klein**, on the marriage of their daughter **Marci** to **Robert Blackstone**.

*Mazel Tov* to **Richard & Sue Seder**, on the marriage of their son **Joe** to **Anne Eisner**.

*Mazel Tov* to **Bari Boyer & Marshall Katzen** on the marriage of their daughter **Brit** to **Kenneth Turnbull**.

## TZEDAKAH BOX



As many of you know, there is a Tzedakah Box located in the lobby of the sanctuary building. Following is the text of the plaque which has been placed on the box:

*Tzedakah, or act of righteous giving, derives from the Hebrew word zedek denoting justice or righteousness. The giving of tzedakah is among Judaism's highest commandments. Maimonides, one of the greatest teachers of tzedakah, wrote, "The throne of Israel is established and the religion of truth is upheld only through tzedakah". Just as it is proper to pray, study and gather at the synagogue, it is also appropriate to give tzedakah upon entering or leaving the house of worship. The Torah teaches, "Give to the poor readily and have no regrets when you do, for in return Adonai, your God, will bless you in all your efforts and in all your undertakings. For there will never cease to be needy ones in your land, which is why I command you: open your hand to the poor and the needy in your land." (Deuteronomy 15:10-11). How much should be given for tzedakah? The Code of Jewish Law instructs us: "If the person can afford it, as much as is needed by the poor" (Yoreh Deah 249:1)*

### TODAH RABAH

Today Rabah to **Neil Grossman** for photographing the Confirmation class again this year.

Today Rabah to **Leslie Schoffemeer** for the countless hours that she devoted to making the calendar a come back this year. Many thanks to the **members and advertisers** who contributed to making this fundraiser a success. All members should be receiving their copy in the mail soon if you haven't already.

Today Rabah again to **Leslie Schoffemeer and the Membership Committee** for another great barbecue held on August 25th. Everyone enjoyed the opportunity to greet old friends and meet new friends.

Today Rabah to **Michael Wolpert** for his two years of service as President of Temple Sinai, and to **Doug Freund** for his commitment to the position of Temple President for the next two years. Also to the **Trustees and Board Members** for their dedication to Temple Sinai.

Today Rabah to **The New Committee Chairs** for volunteering their time to lead our committees into a new year.

Today Rabah to **Lewis Shepard** for completing the tzedakah box project. The box was designed and sculpted by **Leon Nigrosh**.

Today Rabah to **Judy Schneider** for volunteering to be our new bulletin proof-reader.

### HIGH HOLIDAY APPEAL

We will be conducting our High Holiday appeal in September. Please give as generously as you are able when one of our volunteers call you. Remember this is the major fundraiser of Temple Sinai.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following members into  
the Temple Sinai Family

**S**  
**H** *Doug & Rena Bly*, of Holden  
**A** *Lewis & Rebecca Finkelstein*, of Worcester  
**L** *Denise Pelletz* of Worcester  
**O** *Becky & George Pins*, of Holden  
**M** *Christopher & Jane Ryan*, of Spencer  
*Misha Shtivelman & Galina Shkolnikov*, of Worcester  
*Bill & Wendy Trotta*, of Paxton

(This list is current as of August 16, 2004)

## BOOK CLUB



Meetings start at 7:30 PM and new members are always welcome. Please call the hosts in advance so that we know you will be participating.

On Wednesday, September 22, "Reading *Lolita in Teheran*" by Azar Nafisi. Meeting is at the home of Sophia Perlin.

Wednesday, October 27, (*Topic to be announced*). Held at the home of Bari Boyer and Marshall Katzen.

*Advance Planning:* This year's traditional December musical event will feature the music and lyrics of Cole Porter, and interested persons might want to see the current movie "De-Lovely" for some background on Porter's life, and as a warm-up for the CD's and show suggestions to be announced.

## NEEDED - SHIRIM VOLUNTEER HOSTS!

This is your chance to air your favorite Jewish music, publicize Jewish community events, and have fun!

This radio program airs from 8 - 10PM on Sunday nights on WCUW, 91.3 FM. Studios and offices are located at 910 Main Street, Worcester.

Required: a commitment of a few training sessions, a commitment to doing the program about once every two months, and a key/programming deposit of about \$20 - \$35. Training will be provided.

If interested please contact Patti Gould, coordinator: call her at 508 752-8517 or email her at pogould@yahoo.com.



## CONTRIBUTIONS

### **BENJAMIN FAMILY FUND**

*Nancy & Hank Benjamin*, in honor of Andrew Kessler's engagement

*Nancy & Hank Benjamin*, in honor of Saul & Norma Feenberg's anniversary

### **BIBLICAL GARDEN FUND**

*Sandy Sotak*, in honor of Susie Mersal's Conversion

*Sandra & Edgar Rothschild*

### **CANTOR'S MUSIC FUND**

*Heather Robinson & Ron Adler*, in honor of the B'nai Mitzvah of Ben & Josh

*Charlotte Cohen*, in memory of Eleanor Moran Hurwitz

*Doug & Linda Freund*, in memory of Ernest Krauss

### **GENERAL FUND**

*Harriet & Steven Lowe*, in honor of the birth of twin grandchildren to Robert & Liz Frem

*Helen Chase*, in memory of Esther Brandstein

*Marilyn Wolpert*, in memory of Jack Finkel

*Ruth Berman*, in honor of Stanley Garavoy's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday

*Mel & Martha Rosenblatt*, in memory of George Kangisser

*Judith Gorlick*, in memory of Mae L. Novak

*Selma Kuppenheimer*, in memory of Morris Hauser

*Selma Kuppenheimer*, in memory of Jacob Kuppenheimer

*Steven & Carol Rothschild*, in memory of Ilse Rothschild

*Jeff & Otilie Levine*, in honor of the wedding of Brit Katzen

### **In honor of Rabbi Bernstein's 18 Years of Loving Service**

*Cecile & Ed Plotkin*

*Neil & Jo Patrick*

### **LIBRARY FUND**

*Robert & Jane Lavine*, in memory of Fanny Kessel

*Robert & Jane Lavine*, in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Amy Risman

*Bette Miles*, in memory of Hilda Kann

*Bette Miles*, in memory of Jeanette Englander

*Linda & Howard Stern*, in honor of the birth of Hank & Nancy Benjamin's grandchildren

*Bette Miles*, in honor of Milton & Anne Posovsky

*Bette Miles*, in memory of Ethan Judson Miller

*Robert & Jane Lavine*, in honor of the special birthday of Ruth Mandel

### **MARION SACK GARDEN FUND**

*Sue & Richard Seder*, in memory of Ellen Regent's mother

*Fran & Abe Sack*, in honor of the birth of Marcia Gordon's grandson

*Ellen & Irwin Regent*, in honor of the marriage of Joe & Anna Seder

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## CONTRIBUTIONS

### **RABBI'S FUND**

*Mel & Shirley Merken*, in appreciation of Rabbi Bernstein  
*Marilyn & Alvin Goldsmith*, in memory of Herbert Solomon's mother  
*Neil & Jo Patrick*, in memory of Milton Cotton  
*Orland & Trotta Families*, in memory of Maxwell Orland  
*Tom, Coppi and Ian Eder*, in memory of Jenina Eder  
*Florence & Herman Lowe*, in memory of Ethel Cotzin  
*Jonathan & Karen Glick*, in honor of the birth of twin grandchildren to Robert & Liz Frem  
*Marilyn Wolpert*, in memory of Jeanne Wolpert  
*Judith Gorlick*, in memory of Daniel Verrico's brother  
*Linda & Myron Katz*, wishes for a speedy recovery to Sue & Dick Gotz  
*Linda & Myron Katz*, in honor of Michael's engagement to Gabrielle Kramer  
*Linda & Myron Katz*, in honor of Rabbi Bernstein's 18 Years of Loving Service  
*Zoe, Marcy & Matthew Ostrow*, in memory of John Ostrow  
*Zoe, Marcy & Matthew Ostrow*, in memory of Evelyn Zarrow  
*Sadye Steiman*, in memory of Israel Steiman  
*Rachel & Jeff Goldfarb*, in memory of Emily Goldfarb  
*Bobbi & Ron Field*, in honor of Naomi Spencer's graduation from University Summa Cum Laude  
*Bobbi & Ron Field*, in honor of Natalie Field's graduation from University Magna Cum Laude  
*Brenda Verduin & Herbert Dean*, in honor of Sylvia Leb's birthday  
*Linda & Howard Stern*  
*Florence & Herman Lowe*, in memory of Aaron Lowe  
*Ron & Cathy Rosenstock*, in memory of Harvey Rosenstock  
*Doris & Al Shairman*, in memory of Mary Cohen & Eva R. Shairman  
*Beedee Glashow*, in memory of Rose Glashow  
*Jerry & Jane Freed*, in memory of Samuel Freed  
*Elaine & Julius Palley*, in honor of the marriage of Arthur & Sylvia Palley  
*Lillian Reisler*, in honor of Adam Bartman's Technology Award  
*Lillian Reisler*, in honor of Susan Hildum's leading Sabbath Services  
*Donna, Harry, Allison & Joshua Hubbard*, in memory of Benjamin Ackerman  
*Sue & Jim Patrick*, in honor of the wedding of Marci Klein  
*Sue & Jim Patrick*, in honor of the engagement of Emily Patrick to Rich Chehade  
*Judy Gorlick*, in memory of Lester Selnick  
*Milton & Anne Posovsky*  
*Sylvia Rothschild & Arthur Palley*, in honor of their wedding  
*Irene Goldstein*, in appreciation  
*Nick & Bobbie Chase*, in memory of Dorothy & Aaron Nathan  
*Andrew Norman*, in memory of Gerald Norman  
*Ellen & Udo Benz*, in honor of the namings of Nadia & Noah  
*Mark & Judith Hayes*, in honor of the naming of Samuel Hayes  
*Linda & Michael Barrett*, in honor of Rabbi Bernstein  
*Robert & Kristen Bernstein*, in honor of Carly's naming  
*Heather Robinson & Ron Adler*, in honor of the B'nai Mitzvah of Ben & Joshua  
*Selma Kuppenheimer*, in memory of John Kuppenheimer  
*Ruth Berman & Family*, in memory of Dorothy Brown  
*Joan & Arthur Pearlmuter*, in memory of William Rosner

### **RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND**

*Harriet & Jordan Robbins*, in honor of Linda & Howard Stern's anniversary  
*Harriet & Jordan Robbins*, in honor of Ben Stern's graduation  
*Michael & Jami Uretsky*, in honor of Barbara Rossman's birthday  
*Wendy, Randy, Jeff & Greg Wong*, in memory of Cyreld Smith

### **RELIGIOUS SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

*Grade K/1 Religious School Class*

### **TOT SHABBAT FUND**

*Don & Patty Jacobs*, in memory of Milton Jacobs  
*Eleanor & Bernard Witkes*, in honor of Julius & Elsa Knoll's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary

### **ZIMRAT GERSHON FUND**

*Marian Nataupsky*, in memory of Alan Nataupsky  
*Marian Nataupsky*, in memory of Harry Sandler  
*Marian Nataupsky*, in memory of Sarah Scott



### **A NOTE FROM THE OFFICE**

Once again, emails are being returned because we do not have a proper email address. In order for us to keep our email address book current, please email the temple office with any changes.

If you have not sent us your email address, we would appreciate it if you would do so. This is especially helpful if you are part of a committee or study class. Please send to [sinaioffice2003@yahoo.com](mailto:sinaioffice2003@yahoo.com)



**GOOD NEWS!** We have set up a voice mail system. Our hope is that this will make it easy for you to leave messages for any member of the staff. Please listen to the message when you call and follow the directions for contacting the person you are calling. During regular office hours, every attempt will be made to answer all calls without relying on voice mail. An advantage will be that if both lines are busy, you will be able to leave a message which will be returned as soon as possible.

Please be patient with us in the beginning. This will be new to us and we hope the new system will work well with very few problems! We will also appreciate any ideas you might have for improvements.



## CHINUCH NOTES ON EDUCATION

Grades K - 7	Saturdays, September 11, 18	9 - 12 noon
Grades 3 - 7	Saturdays, September 11, 18 Wednesdays, September 22,29	9 - 12 noon 3:45 - 5:40
Grades 8, 9 (Sinai High)	Tuesday, September 7, <i>Student/Parent Orientation</i> Sunday, September 12, <i>Project Adventure</i> Monday, September 20 - <i>Being a Jewish Teen in a Diverse World</i>	6:30 - 8:00 PM 7:45 AM - 4:00 PM 6 - 8 PM

### DEVORAH LYNN—OUR NEW STUDENT RABBI

Student Rabbi, Devorah Lynn, is a fourth year rabbinic student at HUC-JIR in New York City. A graduate of University of Maryland, she also holds a Fine Arts Degree from the Art Institute of Boston. She is married to Fred Lipschultz a Marine Biologist, and they are the parents of college age children, Eli and Erica. For twelve years Devorah was a lay leader of the Jewish congregation in Bermuda and has been an elder hostel co-ordinator. We look forward to sharing in Devorah's creativity and enthusiasm for Judaism. Devorah will participate in Shabbat services and teach children and adults on the following weekends: September 10-12; October 1-3; November 19-21; December 3-5; January 21-23; February 4-6; March 4-6; April 1-3 and May 6-8.

### YOM KIPPUR DISCUSSION TOPIC

This year's Yom Kippur discussion on September 25<sup>th</sup> from 12:15-2:00 p.m. arises as a response to the new book, *I Am Jewish*, published by the Daniel Pearl Foundation in response to Daniel Pearl's last words before being killed as a journalist in 2001. While four congregants will add their perspective on the topic, "*I am Jewish: What is the Spiritual/Faith Aspect of My Jewishness?*" we hope you will read the book prior to the discussion and participate as well. Four copies of the book are available in our library.

### SCHOOL REGISTRATION

**As a reminder - it is the policy of Temple Sinai that all school fees be paid prior to your child attending Religious School. If you have not paid for this year, please do so before the beginning of school. Your child will not be allowed to begin classes until all school fees are paid. You can call June in the office to make arrangements to pay with a credit card if that is more convenient for you**

*If you have a child not currently enrolled in the Religious School and wish to have them attend this school year, please contact Wendy Davis Wong or the Temple office for a registration form. All classes are being formed, so please let us know as soon as possible. School starts on Saturday, September 11th.*

### TRAFFIC SAFETY REMINDER!

**NO ONE will be allowed to drive up or down the hill on Saturdays, between 8:50 and 9:10 and 11:50 and 12:10, and on Wednesdays between 3:35 and 3:55 and again between 5:30 and 5:50. If you must come to the school building between these hours, please park in the lower lot and walk up. SPEED LIMITS ON THE HILL AT OTHER TIMES IS 5 MPH. These rules will be strictly enforced. THE SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN DEPENDS ON YOUR COMPLIANCE.**



### FROM THE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL DIRECTOR

On Saturday, September 11, at 9:00 AM, the doors will open for Religious School. We have a wonderful year planned! We are happy to welcome Terry Moskovitz to our teaching staff. In a few days, you should be receiving a mailing containing letters from your teachers, as well as class schedules, back to school information and an **EMERGENCY CARD**. **Your child must bring this card to school on the first day.** Since we do not have a registration form for returning students, this card will update our records for emergency information.

**REMINDER - CHANGE OF TIME ON WEDNESDAYS. CLASSES BEGIN PROMPTLY AT 3:45 AND END AT 5:40. WE WILL NO LONGER PROVIDE SNACKS PRIOR TO CLASS, SO PLEASE PLAN ACCORDINGLY.**

Feel free to stop by anytime to meet our wonderful teachers!

Kim Solod-Jette - Grades K - 1      Linda Stern - Grades 6 & 7  
Terry Moskovitz - Grade 2      Rabbi Bernstein - Grades 5 & 7  
Phyllis Spool - Grade 3      Gloria Aisenberg - Grades 6 & 7  
Tali Mugg - Grade 4      Coppi Eder - Grade 7  
Harriet Robbins - Grades 5 & 6      Carla Volturo - Sinai High  
Barbara Rossman - Grades 5 & 6      Cantor Metzger - Music  
Bobbie Field - Learning Center/Family Education

I look forward to seeing all of the students on **Saturday, September 11th.**

**I want to wish all of you a Happy, Healthy and Peaceful New Year!**

Wendy Davis Wong

### TOT SHABBAT

The next Tot Shabbat inter-active program will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, September 18th - **in the Religious School**. All Pre-schoolers, and their parents are welcome to attend. The programs are held once a month and are led by singer-songwriter Ellen Allard.

*Next Tot Shabbat Date*

**Saturday, October 23rd in the School Building**

