TEMPLE SINAI'S
PURIM EXTRAVAGANZA
Wednesday, March 20
Dinner & Carnival @ 5:00 p.m.
Purim Night Fever Disco Megillah @ 6:30 p.m.!
Come in Costume!
Turn to page 10 for details.

Remember:
Join us on March 9th
for SINAI CAFÉ from 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.
A fun new event open to members & non-members.
More information can be found on page 10.
Purim, which is celebrated on the 14th of the Hebrew month of Adar, is fast approaching (March 20th) and each year as Jews around the globe gather to celebrate this festival, children will dress up in costumes and enjoy Purim carnivals, countless discussions over what kind of hamantaschen are best will ensue, and droves of Rabbis, Cantors and willing congregants will endeavor to produce the very best Purim spiel hoping to tell the story of Purim while keeping things light and funny. The truth is however, that very little about the Purim story is light or funny. Purim is a time for us to commemorate when the Jewish people living in Persia were saved from extermination. Here is how Jewish Virtual Library summarizes the story found in the Book of Esther:

The heroes of the story are Esther, a beautiful young Jewish woman living in Persia, and her cousin Mordecai, who raised her as if she were his daughter. Esther was taken to the house of Ahasuerus, King of Persia, to become part of his harem, and he loved her more than his other women and made her queen. But the king did not know that Esther was a Jew, because Mordecai told her not to reveal her nationality.

The villain of the story is Haman, an arrogant, egotistical advisor to the king. Haman hated Mordecai because Mordecai refused to bow down to Haman, so Haman plotted to destroy the Jewish people. In a speech that is all too familiar to Jews, Haman told the king, “There is a certain people scattered abroad and dispersed among the peoples in all the provinces of thy kingdom; and their laws are diverse from those of every people; neither keep they the king’s laws; therefore, it does not profit the king to suffer them.” Esther 3:8. The king gave the fate of the Jewish people to Haman, to do as he pleased to them. Haman planned to exterminate all of the Jews.

Mordecai persuaded Esther to speak to the king on behalf of the Jewish people. This was a dangerous thing for Esther to do, because anyone who came into the king’s presence without being summoned could be put to death, and she had not been summoned. Esther fasted for three days to prepare herself, then went into the king. He welcomed her. Later, she told him of Haman’s plot against her people. The Jewish people were saved, and Haman was hanged on the gallows that had been prepared for Mordecai. The word “Purim” means “lots” and refers to the lottery that Haman used to choose the date for the massacre.

In this telling, Esther and Mordechai are justifiably lauded as the heroes. But some have asked, why Vashti, the King’s first wife isn’t celebrated as well? Vashti in the above summary, is not even mentioned and in other renditions where she is discussed, she is cast in an altogether negative light. Esther, on the other hand, is celebrated for her good intentions, courage and for carefully using her position of privilege to persuade the King on behalf of her people. However, Vashti who opposed the King outright, refusing to be objectified and submit to his drunken demand that she parade her beauty before him (which many understood to mean, wearing nothing but her crown) ought to be celebrated alongside Esther. Vashti’s uncharacteristic strength resulted in her being banished, but undoubtedly inspired and empowered other women in the kingdom to find and use their voices as well.

In addition to celebrating, there is much for us to learn from our Purim story; the risks of assimilation, the importance of standing up for our beliefs and using our privilege to be an agent for change, demanding respect in our relationships and the incontrovertible right of every women to make her own choices about her own body. This Purim as we gather, let us amplify the voices of Esther and Vashti each as unique and independent responses to their challenging circumstances at the same time as we celebrate our freedom and the hope for freedom of all people.

Rabbi Debbi Till
February was long enough, with missed school and building closings and a push to develop new and more efficient ways of letting our congregation know about both (with thanks to Ilan Adar for working on the logistics.) Our cadre of hardworking volunteers helped with everything from programs and dinners to office tasks in a month made slightly more difficult by both weather and scheduling woes, and we had very special JDAIM (Jewish Disability Awareness, Acceptance and Inclusion Month) Shabbat services and some wonderful programs and classes.

We start off March at a fast pace, hoping that nature cooperates!

On Sunday, March 3rd our Women’s Chavurah is hosting a Celebrity Chef demonstration and a Kitchen Shower to help outfit our new kitchen. We will have the opportunity to learn the intricacies of pastrami, stuffed cabbage and knishes and have an opportunity for both noshing and chatting. See our web site for a shower “wish list” registry.

Saturday March 9th is our first Sinai Café. It is astounding how many musicians we have at Temple Sinai that have gone under the radar for so long. Come spend an adult evening listening to great music, sampling food, and spending time with friends and fellow congregants. Table games will be available—just like a local coffee house! Bring all your friends for a truly wonderful evening!

On Saturday March 16th we go off-site for Havdalah Dinners at congregant’s homes. Congregants will gather to say farewell to Shabbat over good food and great conversation.

On Wednesday March 20th we are back at Temple for our annual Purim carnival and dinner, with a few new twists and a “Purim Night Fever” Spiel. Come meet Esther, Mordechai and Haman in all their Disco glory! Although our carnival trends towards the younger group, the dinner and service are fun for all ages and stages. If you remember how to Hustle you belong!

The following weekend we hope will be an exciting one for all of our Temple Sinai family. We have our Scholar-in-Residence weekend March 22nd through the 24th. We are very lucky to have Dr. Ron Wolfson, professor, speaker, and author with us for the entire weekend. There will be opportunities to hear him speak and to learn with him as part of our Friday evening service, our Shabbat morning Torah Study and morning service, and a Saturday evening lecture. There will be sponsorship opportunities available as well, and our Board will have a special opportunity to work with him on that Sunday morning. Dr Wolfson is perhaps best known for his book “Relational Judaism” and “The Spirituality of Welcoming: How to Transform Your Congregation into a Sacred Community.” We hope to learn from him to make our home here even more warm and inclusive.

We end the month with a Next Stage meetup at the JCC Center Stage matinee performance of “Indecent” on March 31st, which will be open-captioned and followed by a talkback session.

Of course, all of this is wrapped around our usual services, family and young family dinners, Schmoozin’ cocktails, and our next RAIHN rotation that begins on March 24th. Let us help you find your place at Temple Sinai. Your friends old and new are looking forward to seeing you!

Blanche Fenster

Contacting the Clergy

Please let the temple office (381-6890) know of any illnesses, deaths or joyous occasions so that the Rabbis and the congregation can respond appropriately. Also, remember not to schedule any life cycle events at which Rabbi Katz, Rabbi Till, or Cantor Braun will be present without speaking to them first.

To reach Rabbi Till in an emergency, please call 355-0192. To reach Cantor Braun in an emergency, please call 973-953-2489. Rabbi Katz will be on sabbatical till mid-April.

It is a mitzvah to visit those who are ill. Please remember that HIPAA regulations prevent hospitals from alerting us when someone is ill. We ask temple members who are aware that one of our members is in a hospital to please call the Temple Sinai office so that one of our Rabbis may visit them.
School of Jewish Life & Learning
Pinat Ha-Talmid (The Student Corner)

February, the shortest month of the year, got even “shorter” due to a parking lot covered with “black ice” that forced us to cancel one of the two Sundays of school.

This “lonely” Sunday, however, was full of activities: our 1st grade students and their parents gathered in our Social Hall for a special “Celebrating Shabbat” program. During the program the students (and parents) created their own challah cover; braided and glazed loaves of challah; and took part in playing The Rituals of Shabbat Dinner game. This program was followed by having the entire school (along with a few parents) gather in our Social Hall for our second Sinai Campfire Sing Along. And during the afternoon hours our 6th-8th grade students participated in a special Tikun Olam (repairing the world) program.

RATSY

On Sunday, March 10th, from 4:00-6:00 p.m., RATSY will be joining up with the senior youth group from Temple B’rith Kodesh to host a joint event at the Rochester Escape Room. This is a unique live action “escape game” where the teams will be locked in a room and required to solve hidden clues to find a way out. This is a great team-building activity, where the teens will learn a lot about one another, as well as themselves! For more information about the activity, visit www.rochesterescaperooms.com. Getting in is easy...and together we can find a way out!

On Wednesday, March 20th, at 5:00 p.m., you can join the greater temple community for the annual Purim Carnival and Spiel, which will have been planned, implemented, and run by the teens of RATSY. We will be featuring many of the same carnival games as last year, as well as great food options, face painting, and a few surprises! This is a great event to build leadership skills, so if your teens would like to volunteer for any part of the planning process or running of events, we highly encourage reaching out to RATSY Advisor Jared Kronenberg for opportunities.

The next NFTY-NEL event will be March 1-3 in Buffalo, NY and registration has already closed, but...the final event of the year is the Spring Kallah on April 19-21 in Jackson, Michigan. This event is for Grades 8 to 12 and, as there is quite a distance to travel, the most up-to-date information is available on the NFTY-NEL website at https://northeastlakes.nfty.org/get-involved/events/. Scholarships may be available, so reach out to Jared Kronenberg at Jaredk821@gmail.com or Rabbi Till for more information.

Jared Kronenberg

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"Toward a Relational Judaism: How Relationships are at the Heart of a Sacred Community" 
A Scholar-in-Residence Weekend with Dr. Ron Wolfson  
March 22 – 24, 2019

We are excited to welcome Dr. Ron Wolfson to Temple Sinai as our scholar-in-residence this year. Dr. Wolfson has spent the last several decades studying how and why people stay connected to an organization and helping congregations to improve their ability to do just that. Ron often says, “People come for programs, but they stay for relationships.” The focus of the weekend will be on the importance of relationships and how we can better foster them to ensure a vibrant future for our congregation. Although all are welcome to attend the Erev Shabbat service and Torah Study or Shabbat services on Saturday morning at no charge, we are asking for a $18 donation which will cover participation in the entire weekend (including food for all events). The purpose of this nominal fee is so that we can plan appropriately in terms of food and seating. No one will be turned away for financial reasons (just contact the Temple office to make arrangements if necessary). You can register for the weekend at www.tsinai.org.

The schedule for the weekend is as follows:

Friday, 3/22 @ 6:45 p.m.: Schmoozin’ Shabbat
Friday, 3/22 @ 8:00 p.m.: Erev Shabbat Services with Dr. Wolfson speaking on “Welcoming: The First Steps Toward Building a Sacred Community of Relationships.” Followed by a special Oneg.

Saturday, 3/23 @ 9:15 a.m.: Torah Study led by Dr. Wolfson on the topic of, “The Seven Questions You’re Asked in Heaven.” We’ll provide an assortment of bagels, pastries, and coffee. As always, Torah Study will be followed by our Shabbat Morning service at 10:30 a.m.

Saturday, 3/23 @ 12:00 p.m.: Lunch ‘n Learn event with Dr. Wolfson speaking on the subject of one of his recent books, “The Best Boy in the United States of America.” This is a highly engaging lecture focusing on what we can do to ensure the Jewish future for our children and grandchildren.

Saturday, 3/23 @ 6:00 p.m.: Dinner for Underwriters (please see information below) of the weekend with an opportunity to engage with Dr. Wolfson in an intimate environment.

Saturday, 3/23 @ 7:30 p.m.: Lecture with dessert reception. The topic will be, “Envisioning the Relational Synagogue of the 21st Century,” making the case for shifting the paradigm of engagement from transactional to relational.

Sunday, 3/24 @ 9:00 a.m.: “Interactive Leadership Workshop on Relational Engagement” for members of the Board of Trustees and professional staff.

As always, we strive to make these weekends accessible to all who wish to participate. One of the ways in which we do that is through the generosity of our underwriters. The fee of $118 per person includes a catered dinner on Saturday evening with an opportunity to engage with Dr. Wolfson more personally, a specially autographed copy of one of Dr. Wolfson’s newest books, and acknowledgement in the program information and in the bulletin. Of course, if you prefer to remain anonymous we will honor that as well. If you would like to be an underwriter of this program, or for additional information, please contact Liz Ornstein at lisbethorn@gmail.com.

Make sure to reserve the weekend of March 22-24 for a stimulating and enriching weekend of learning together.
Within Our Family

In Memoriam…
Temple Sinai notes with sorrow the passing of:
Jeanette Schneider, mother of Karen Newman
Morton Weiner, father of Howard Weiner
The Temple family extends its heartfelt sympathy to the families.

Mazal Tov to….
Ron & Karen Newman on the birth of grandson
Daniel Dadush, son of Amy & Eric Dadush
Alex and Julia Reeder on the birth of son Caleb
Joshua. Mazal Tov also to grandfather Bob Hyman.

ISRAEL 2020

My time in Israel during this sabbatical has reminded me how exciting it is to be here. There is no doubt that life here is very complicated. In fact, an Arab waiter was telling me that when he was in Chicago to study, life was boring. It was the same thing day after day. Here in Israel something new is always happening.

I’m not sure that I agree with his analysis of the United States but I agree 100% that in Israel something different is always occurring. Once again I want to share Israel with my congregants and so I am formally announcing one more trip to Israel in 2020, from April 20 to May 1.

This trip will be co-led with Rabbi Till. We will be in Israel during a beautiful time of the year and will be here to celebrate Yom HaAtzma’ut, Israel Independence Day. We will also experience Yom HaZikaron, Israel’s Memorial Day.

I have planned this trip with ARZA Travel, who has served us well in past trips, and we will do numerous things that are not on all tours. There will be numerous people to people encounters as well as a chance to see sights and life on different levels.

Soon ARZA travel will present the itinerary on line and the costs. To begin with, the trip will first be open to congregants on a first come basis. There will be a limit so that one bus will be comfortable for the group.

Come join us as we celebrate Israel’s 72nd birthday.

Rabbi Alan J. Katz

PJ Library
Young Family Shabbat Service
March 8, 2019

Come celebrate Shabbat, learn about Purim, stay for dinner and make your own hamenstachen!

Accessibility & Inclusion
We Can All Help People With Disabilities!

This was a theme echoed by congregants who attended the Temple Sinai Panel on Accessibility and Inclusion last November. Participants agreed that everyone can play a role in assuring that people of all abilities can participate fully in synagogue life. This message was the genesis for the “I CAN HELP!” badges worn by the Committee members at Erev Shabbat services this past month. We are thankful for the large number of congregants at Jewish Disability Awareness and Inclusion Month services present for the launch of the new badges. They serve as a visible reminder to people attending services or events that assistance is available when mobility or other impairments affect their participation. Aiding people so they can safely enter and navigate the building, carry food from buffet tables and locate large print siddurs or hearing assistance devices are among the ways to help. Wearing the badges will also display Temple Sinai’s commitment to being a caring community. We welcome all members to join this effort: when attending a service or event, pick up an “I CAN HELP!” badge and show off your availability to assist others. They are located on the gift shop counter and are ready for you. Please take an active part in Temple Sinai’s inclusion endeavors!
### March 2019 Calendar

#### Sunday
- School in Session
- Adult Ed 9:30 a.m.
- Purim Choir Rehearsal 10:00 a.m.
- Kesher 12:00 p.m.
- Daytime Book Group 10:00 a.m.
- Purim Shpiel Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.

#### Monday
- School in Session
- Adult Ed 9:30 a.m.
- Sprouts 10:00 a.m.
- Kesher 12:00 p.m.
- Daytime Book Group 10:00 a.m.
- Purim Shpiel Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.

#### Tuesday
- School in Session
- Adult Hebrew Class 10:30 a.m.
- Kesher 12:00 p.m.
- Purim Shpiel Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.

#### Wednesday
- School in Session
- JROC Band 6:30 p.m.
- Klezmer Band Practice 7:00 p.m.
- Daytime Book Group 10:00 a.m.
- Purim Carnival & Shpiel 5:30 p.m.
- Religious Practices Committee 7:00 p.m.

#### Thursday
- School in Session
- JROC Band 6:30 p.m.
- Klezmer Band Practice 7:00 p.m.
- Executive Committee Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Religious Practices Committee 7:00 p.m.
- School in Session
- JROC Band 6:30 p.m.

#### Friday
- Executive Committee Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Shabbat Service 6:00 p.m.
- Religious Practices Committee 7:00 p.m.
- School in Session
- JROC Band 6:30 p.m.

#### Saturday
- School in Session
- Kesher 12:00 p.m.
- RAIHN

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<td>Torah Study - Scholar in Residence 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service led by 6th Grade 10:30 a.m. Torah Portion: Tzva Leviticus 6.1–6.36 6th Grade Lunch 12:00 p.m. Scholar in Residence Programs: Lunch &amp; Learn 12:00 p.m. Underwriters’ Dinner 6:00 p.m. Open Lecture 7:30 p.m.</td>
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Yahrzeits

The departed live on in the hearts of those who cherish their memory

March 1 & 2
Tsiporah Adar
Bernard Agins
Marion Brownell
Thomas A. Courtheoux
Marshall Falk
Hy Feinstein
Robert Fleischer
Bernard Frank
Richard Freedman
Maurice Freedman
Thelma K. Glasner
Lillian Gould
Diana Guest
Pavel Gurvich
Mildred Hill
Bernard Jacobs
Joseph Keil
Herbert Kevin
Riva Khishchenko
Morris Lux
Mildred Lux
Ida Mendler
Sanford Meyerowitz
Leonard Newman
Fanny Rosenbloom
Leonid Sanberg
Libby Schlossberg
Robert Silberman
Mary Jo Smith
Ilya Vinokur
Dov Weidenfeld
Yefim Yermis
Edith Zatzkin

March 8 & 9
Agnes Cole
Samuel Cramer
Eugene Ellis
Melvin Fernandez
Nathan Fishgold
Fredy Fox
Esther Freedman
Samuel Hyman
Joseph Kellerman
Pearl Kleiman
Raymond Kolman
Rebekka Kosmandel
Sydney Kutner
Harry Lebman
Kam Hang Lui
Harold Mann
Miriam Marx
Sidney Metzger
Rose Perlstein
Hyman Ring
Morton Rosenbaum
Herbert Sadoff
Julius Stein
Henry Essex
Stropnicky
Leonard Weiss

March 15 & 16
Abraham Block
Amy Ida Briskin Dawes
Sara Brodsky
Agnes Caselli
Hyman Cresov
Lillian Dubin
Jay M. Etlinger
Benjamin Hiller
Chaya Kantsenberg
Sheryl Lederman
Florence Levenberg
Walter Leventhal
Selma Levy
Arlene Messina
Irene Neisner
Dorothy Olsan
Beatrice Phillips
Molly Pierce
Ory Pranger
Maurice Ring
Ann Schutt
Ruth Shelofsky
Bess Soloway
Kate Tarloff
Ruth Volinsky
Annette Wedge

March 22 & 23
Esther Abramovitz
Sandra Baxter
Phyllis Rapp Brown
Milton Daitz
Lena Danoff
Margaret Ebner
Pierre Fenster
Bob Fischer
Elsie Forman
Ben Frindel
David Goldman
Jack Gordon
Molly Gross
Pesya Gurevech
Shirley Jacobson
Moysey Solomon
Krasnik
Isabel Kraus
Abe Levitt
Bernard Michlin
Mildred Michlin
Rachel Morrison
James Murphy
Paul Nemetz
Richard Phillips
Julia K. Rosenfeld
Ben Saidel
Herman Sarachan
Henrietta Schester
Arnold Sheidlower
Sarah Silver
Charlotte Tickell

March 29 & 30
Otto Berko
Eda Brown
Mordechai Dror
Miriam Fishgold
Irrving Friedlander
Susan Frishman
Barbara Goodman
Henry Kantor
Khananiya Kaplan
Lynne Kareken

Nancy Klein
Evelyn Levine
Paul Reiser
Nan Schneeborg
Rodney
Gloria Sarachan
Boris Schneeborg
Stacy Schwartz-Shephard
Susan Spector

April 5 & 6
Faye Levine Arbus
Saul Babbin
Samuel Berger
Lea Brent
David Forman
Rosalind Forrest
Barnet Fried
Adel Goldshteyn
Louis Green
Richard Guon
David Jacobs
Milton Jacobson
Anna Joel
Nathan Kessler
Doris Kevin
Shelly Kiener
Milton Kolman
Richard Leonard
Sherman Levey
Molly Levitt
Elmer Louis
Judith Potter
Maura DeMayo Puddu
Rueben Rosenbloom
Nathan C. Schoenfeld
Leonard Shavick
Mikhail Shinder
Sarah Smolowitz
Anita Stauenberg
Gordon Wagner
Rose Yaffee
Ann Zoltak

Within Our Family
PURIM EXTRAVAGANZA
Wednesday, March 20
Dinner & Carnival @ 5:00 p.m.
MEGILLAH READING @ 6:30 p.m.

Purim Night Fever Disco Megillah!!
Come in Costume!

Strolling Magician on Stilts!     Pizza & Hamantaschen Noshin’!
Carnival Game     Costume Parade!

Do a MITZVAH! Bring a box of (noisy) food - like pasta, rice, beans - to use as a grogger (noisemaker). Afterwards, these will be donated to the Brighton Food Cupboard.

Sign up on ShulCloud at tsinai.org, or Clip & Return Form to the Temple Office

Reservation and pre-payment needed for dinner only; carnival tickets sold at the door

Gluten-free Pizza Orders MUST be received no later than March 13.

Purim Reservation Form

Family Name_____________________________________________________________

$8/ADULT BY March 13    $10/ADULT AFTER March 13    #ADULTS (AGE 13 OR OVER) _____
$5/CHILD BY March 13     $7/CHILD AFTER March 13      #CHILDREN (AGES 4-12) _____
NO CHARGE FOR CHILDREN UNDER 4  #CHILDREN UNDER 4 _____

Can you help to serve or set-up at 3 p.m.? Yes ___  No ___  Maybe ___
SUNDAY, APRIL 7th
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Temple Sinai Youth Lounge

Many under-served women and girls regularly miss work and school during their menstrual cycles. They can’t afford tampons and pads. In response to this need, the National Council of Jewish Women’s local section developed the P.A.D. project, which stands for Providing Access and Dignity to women and girls during their monthly cycles. On April 7th we will assemble personal hygiene kits for women and girls who are assisted by local agencies like RAIHN.

What’s Needed:
Generous donations of packages of individually wrapped pads, tampons and panty liners. Bring your donations to our kit-making session or leave items in the specially marked bins at either Temple entrance. It’s a wonderful, practical and caring way to help women and girls in our community.

Questions? Contact Monika Katzel
(monikakatzel@gmail.com or 203-1200)

RSVP is not necessary, but appreciated
Carol Yunker (VPKelly@aol.com or 385-3910)

Please let us know if you need any special accommodations.

College Connection

Temple Sinai wants to remain connected with our congregation’s undergraduate college students. Each year students receive two holiday packages at school. It’s always fun to receive packages when you are away from home, and we would like to be a part of that experience for your college student!

If you have not already sent in your undergraduate college students address, please email it to jschachter@tsinai.org. Please note that we can only send packages to students at colleges within the United States. Postage is costly and an accurate address ensures that your student will receive the packages meant to help them celebrate holidays away from home.

If you would like to be involved with this fun committee, please email Joyce Schachter at jschachter@tsinai.org or call the temple office at 381-6890. We will be meeting in March to send a Purim package to all students on our list. We will notify you of the date in Snippets and by email.
Every first Friday of the month, Temple Sinai hosts Shabbat Dinner with Friends. The Erev Shabbat service is at 6:00 p.m., followed by a 7:00 p.m. scrumptious (and free!) buffet dinner provided by Chef Sue Bondy & loyal volunteers. We’d love for more Next Stagers to join us! For each monthly dinner there is a specific theme, and for the upcoming Friday March 1st dinner, it’s the Academy Awards. Please come, feel free to bring a friend, no RSVP to the Temple needed. If you’d like to sit with other Next Stagers, please get in touch with Esther Brill, 585-721-8684, ebrill@frontiernet.net.

The number of people diagnosed with Parkinson’s Disease has doubled in the past 25 years and is expected to double again in the next 25. In late 2018, the University of Rochester Medical Center became one of only nine Morris K. Udall Centers of Excellence in Parkinson’s Disease Research designated by the National Institutes of Health. Join us to learn what the URMC Udall Center is, what research it is conducting and how it will transform Parkinson’s research and care both right here in Rochester and around the world. We will also learn about the genetics research being done at the URMC Udall Center, why Parkinson’s is sometimes referred to as a Jewish genetic disease and how the Jewish connection might help everyone living with Parkinson’s disease.

The Udall Center of Excellence in Parkinson’s Disease at URMC
FEATURING RUTH SCHNEIDER, MD

Wednesday, March 13, 2019
7:00 PM

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363 PENFIELD RD.
ROCHESTER, NY 14625

RSVP by calling 585-234-5335 or visit www.parkinson.org/greaterrochester
InterfaithIMPACT of NYS Annual Program

On Sunday, March 17th, InterfaithIMPACT of New York State (IINYS) will present its Annual Legislative Briefing entitled, GOD’S OWN JUNKYARD: Environmental Stewardship in New York State, 2:00-4:30 p.m., at Asbury First United Methodist Church, 1050 East Avenue. The keynote speaker is ecologist, author, and activist, Dr. Sandra Steingraber. The panelists are New York State Assemblyman, Harry Bronson; United Church of Christ, Rev. David Inglis; and Hridesh Singh, a Brighton High School student. The issue of climate change will be addressed by our keynote speaker, followed by a legislative update, a theological perspective, and the perspective of our youth. Rabbi Katz serves on the Clergy Advisory Board of IINYS.

IINYS is proud to present a program on this very, very important issue. There will be a Q and A following all of the presentations.

The program is free and open to the community. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call Judy Schwartz at 585-442-5111.

Don’t Miss Out!
April 28
look for your invitation in March

Interfaith IMPACT of New York State
GENERAL ENDOWMENT FUND

In Honor of
The birth of Ron & Karen Newman’s grandson
Daniel Dadush, by Charles & Joyce Schachter
Michael & Donna Goldberg’s 50th anniversary,
by Lester & Monika Katzel
Bonnie Hughes special birthday, by Lester &
Monika Katzel
The birth of Hadley Maya Bondy, granddaughter
of Sue and Peter Bondy, by Renee and Jim
Brownstein, Remy & Marilyn Fenster
The engagement of Rebecca Royzer & Robert
Alpern, by Stephen & Mimi Greenfield

In Memory of
Bruce Holm, by Allison Holm
Henry Stein, by Charles & Joyce Schachter
Ruth Weiss, by Charles & Joyce Schachter
Richard Frankel, by Neil & Sandra Frankel
Jeanette Schneider, by Remy & Marilyn Fenster
Carl Kolman, by Tom & Vicki Finnefrock

Mazal Tov to
Sue and Peter Bondy on the birth of their
granddaughter Hadley Maya, by Vicki and
Tom Finnefrock, Donna & Norm Lederman

With Healing Wishes to
Margie Baker Price, by Lester & Monika Katzel
Carol Greer, by Remy & Marilyn Fenster

GENERAL OPERATING FUND

In Honor of
The birth of Vicki and Tom Finnefrock’s
granddaughter, by Alan & Ronny Frishman

In Memory of
Jason Herrick, by Craig Herrick & Katherine
Sadoff-Herrick
Shubert Frye and Eva Frye, by Edward & Sarah
Bullard
Pauline Tanzman and Jack Tanzman, by Esther
Tanzman & Jeffrey Eichner
Elaine Levy, by Gary & Michele Levy
Janice Richmond, by James & Michele Austin
Leonid Sanberg, by Margarita Sanberg
Max Berns, by Samuel & Lauri Berns
Rose Berns, by Samuel & Lauri Berns
A donation has been made by Jason Mendler
and Ticia Valle
A donation has been made by Ellen Loughrin

HHD APPEAL

A donation has been made by Howard & Sue Weiner

JOEL BLOOM FUND

In Memory of
Moe Wiesesberg, by Jerome & Arlene Wiesenberg
Joseph Keil, by Jerome & Arlene Wiesenberg
Manton Baxter, by Louis & Sally Constine

LIBRARY FUND

In Memory of
Louis Pies, by Ellen Erne

MITZVAH FUND

In Appreciation of
The warm welcome to Temple Sinai, by
Elizabeth Steinberg

In Honor of
The birth of Sue and Peter Bondy’s
granddaughter Hadley Maya, by Alan &
Ronny Frishman
The birth of Ron & Karen Newman’s grandson
Daniel Dadush, by Carol & Michael Yunker
Elliot Goldman’s milestone birthday, by Ellen
Kriger

In Memory of
Mildred Montrose, by Elaine Montrose Usdane
Sylvia Berkowitz, by Henry & Marlene Etlinger
Sarah Etlinger, by Henry & Marlene Etlinger
Beatrice Etlinger, by Henry & Marlene Etlinger

ONEG FUND

In Appreciation of
And with gratitude to Cantor Braun and Rabbi
Till for wonderful services, by Howard &
Susan Itkin
And with gratitude to Ellen Goldenberg for
wonderful Kiddushes, by Howard & Susan
Itkin

In Memory of
Sarah Lewis, by Edward & Bess Lewis

PRAYERBOOK FUND

In Honor of
The 50th anniversary of Carol & Dennis
Goldsmith, by Bernice Fraum
The Adult B’not Mitzvah Class, by Louis &
Harriet Slawetsky
In Memory of
Raymond Schwartz, by Allan & Judy Schwartz
Joseph Gimple, by David & Karen Gimple
Jack Slawetsky, by Louis & Harriet Slawetsky
Melvin Elbaum, by Marvin & Irene Barkin

RABBI KATZ DISCRETIONARY FUND
In Appreciation of
Rabbi Katz for officiating at the naming of Owen Sigmund Berk, by Michael & Linda Kirschen

In Memory of
Mirit Skerker, by Allan Skerker
Sophia Rolick Stekloff, by Janine & Steven Coan
Hilda Lazier, by Jeni & Joe Behrman
Morton Weiner, by Joe & Jeni Behrman

RABBI TILL DISCRETIONARY FUND
In Appreciation of
Rabbi Till, by Ronald & Karen Newman

In Honor of
Rabbi Till, by Bonnie Hughes

In Memory of
Mirit Skerker, by Allan Skerker
Benjamin Rudin, by Caren Rudin & Alan Gurwitz
Gail Saunders, by Claire, Eli & Ruth Stein
Helen Proulx, by Janine & Steven Coan
Jeanette Schneider, by John & Tobie Olsan
Arnold Israel, by Robert & Merilyn Israel

RAIHIN FUND
In Honor of
The birth of Susan & Peter Bondy’s granddaughter, Hadley, by Carol & Michael Yunker, Ed & Bess Lewis, Lester & Monika Katznel

In Memory of
Murray Schmutter, by Gary & Sue Tebor
Vincent Sanginario, by Harry & Louise Kahn

Mazal Tov to
Sue and Peter Bondy, on the birth of their granddaughter Hadley Maya, by Marsha and Abby Urban Rifkin

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND
In Memory of
Jeanette Schneider, by Allan Skerker

SHABBAT FAMILY PROGRAM FUND
In Memory of
Lester Abelman, by Barry Goldfarb & Judy Abelman

SOCIAL ACTION FUND
In Memory of
Sally Rappaport Gordon, by Heidi Fishman
Arnold Weber, by Mia Weber and Joe Fastia

In Appreciation of
Thomas Fink, by Blanche Fenster

In Honor of
The birth of Rozanne Marcus’s grandson, by Alan & Ronny Frishman

In Memory of
Andy Cyrkin, by David & Denise Cyrkin
Esten Coan, by Janine & Steven Coan

TORAH RESTORATION FUND
In Honor of
Donna Lederman, by Bernice Fraum
Peggy Cherhasky, by Bernice Fraum
Ticia Valle, by Bernice Fraum
Carol Goldsmith, by Bernice Fraum

In Memory of
Sadie Rosen, by Irma Wiener

TREE OF LIFE LEADERSHIP
A donation has been made and a leaf purchased on the Tree of Life in honor of Victor & Joyce Poleshuck’s 55th anniversary, by their children and grandchildren

WINDOWS OF LIGHT
In Honor of
Leni and Allan Rayburn’s 50th anniversary, by Arlene Cooper
Ron and Karen Newman’s new grandson, by Blanche and Ed Fenster

In Memory of
David Newman, by Ronald & Karen Newman

WOMEN’S CHAVURAH FUND
In Memory of
Esther Staenberg, by Marsha & David Boelio

For information about these funds, go to our website: www.tsinai.org / About Us / Contributions /

Tributes received after February 10th will be acknowledged in the April bulletin
Save the date for a visit to the Catskills circa 1959
Sunday evening, April 28th, 2019
Temple Sinai Gala Fundraiser
Entertainment and Dancing
Invitation to Follow