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## TEMPLE SINAI — HIGH HOLY DAYS 2019/5780 Schedule of Services

### S'lichot

*Saturday, September 21*

**6:00pm** Meditation, Fischer Library

**7:00pm** Program and Service, Stern Hall

### Erev Rosh HaShanah

*Sunday, September 29*

**7:30pm** Paramount Theatre

### Rosh HaShanah Day *Monday, September 30*

**8:30am** Early Service, Sanctuary

*Led by the Rabbis and song leader Isaac Zones*

**11:30am** Late Service, Sanctuary

*Led by the Rabbis and Cantor Keys*

**2:30pm** Children's Service, Sanctuary

**5:15pm** Tashlich, Dimond Park

### Kol Nidre

*Tuesday, October 8*

**7:30pm** Paramount Theatre

### Yom Kippur Day

*Wednesday, October 9*

**8:30am** Early Service, Sanctuary

*Led by the Rabbis and song leader Isaac Zones*

**11:30am** Late Service

*Led by the Rabbis and Cantor Keys*

**2:30pm** Children's Service, Sanctuary

**2:30pm** Discussions

**3:45pm** Afternoon Service, Healing Service,  
Yizkor and N'ilah, Sanctuary

On behalf of the clergy, staff and Board of Trustees of Temple Sinai, Shanah Tovah. May 5780 bring health, meaning and purpose to you and all those you love. May it bring strength to our congregational community as we continue to build connections with tradition and with each other. And may our world come closer to equality and justice through compassion and peace.

In friendship, Rabbi Jacqueline Mates-Muchin, Cantor Ilene Keys,  
Rabbi Yoni Regev, Rabbi Emeritus Samuel Broude, Rabbi Emeritus Steven Chester,  
Terrie Goren, Ellen Lefkowitz and Stephanie Ben Simon



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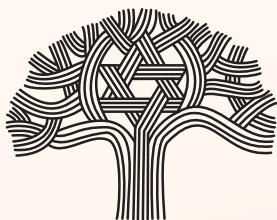
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On September 1, the month of Elul begins. With Elul, we also begin our reflection for the High Holy Days. Tradition teaches us that the more we think about our lives in preparation for the Holy Days themselves, the more fulfilling the season will be. So, as the season draws near, consider these questions to help shape how you understand what the last year has meant to you.

- In the last year, what decision did you make which made you most proud? Perhaps it was a major decision that has and will affect your life's path, or perhaps it is something that was seemingly more minor, yet it remains significant to you. How is that decision going to affect the coming year for you?
- In the last year, what positive action did you take? This one may be related to the question above. Have you started something new, or started to do something differently? Or, perhaps, there is an isolated incident that stands out in your mind as a positive action that you took this year.
- In the last year, of what sacrifice are you most proud? Was there a time when others' needs were held above yours? Did you do something against your interest to support someone else? What has been the effect?

Of course, even as we reflect on what has been positive about this last year, we must also consider where we have missed the mark in order to think about what we might want to do differently in the year to come.

- In the last year, what decision did you make that you most regret? What were the factors that led to that decision? Though we cannot change the past, are there actions we could take to make a situation better? How is that decision going to affect the coming year for you?
- In the last year, what actions did you take that led to a negative outcome? Perhaps it was a series of actions, or an isolated incident. What would you do differently today?
- In the past year, when did you act in your best interest, disregarding the interests of others? Was there a time that you acted selfishly? What has been the effect?

Consider writing down your reflections this year so that you can revisit your thoughts in a year from now. It is a great way for each of us, individually, to see how we change, or how things stay the same, over the years. May we take the time to consider what this year has been in order to make the best of the year to come.

I look forward to celebrating the New Year with all of you. Early Shanah Tovah.

Rabbi Mates-Muchin

## *Please Renew Your Membership Now!*

We look forward to your continued support of our Temple community. We also look forward to celebrating the New Year together. As is our tradition, you must be a current member of Temple Sinai to obtain your High Holy Day tickets. This year, Erev Rosh HaShanah begins on Sunday, September 29 so we hope you will renew well before then. The simplest way to renew is via our Member Portal. Go to [oaklandsinai.org](http://oaklandsinai.org) and follow the instructions or contact the Temple office at (510) 451-3263.

## Shofar Blowing Class

Friday, September 6, 6:00pm, Fischer Library

Do you have a shofar gathering dust on your shelf? Have you always dreamed of joining the Shofar chorus at the end of Yom Kippur day in the Sanctuary?

It's easier to make a sound than you might expect. Bring your own shofar for a short class at 6:00pm just prior to the start of Shabbat services at 6:30pm. This quick lesson will be taught by experienced amateurs Ron Cohen, Dan Fendel, and Phil Rubin.

## First Friday in the Round

Friday, September 6, 6:30pm, Albers Chapel

Join us to welcome Shabbat with a new song-filled worship service celebrating the richness of Kabbalat Shabbat and the spirit of community.



## Shabbat Morning Minyan

Saturday, September 14, 10:30am, Albers Chapel

The Shabbat Minyan service is filled with spirit, music, and community. These services are held on the second Shabbat morning of each month and are led by a member of the Minyan Committee, along with wide participation throughout the service by congregants. Stay for a potluck Kiddush lunch immediately following services.



## Break the Fast Helpers Needed

**Wanted: Bakers & Fruit Buyers, Setup & Cleanup People, General Helpers**

Volunteer now to join the great team helping to prepare and set up food for Temple Sinai's annual break-the-fast at the end of Yom Kippur on October 9.

There is a job for everyone—no experience needed! Perform a Mitzvah, a good deed, a kind act, and start the year guilt-free!

Volunteer now by contacting Natalie Crouch at (510) 479-1409 or [necrouch@comcast.net](mailto:necrouch@comcast.net).

**Do you love Jewish music and like to sing?**

**Do you want to meet new people?**

**Join one of our Temple Choirs!**

Adult Choir and Junior Choir looking for new members.

*No auditions necessary.*

**Adult Choir** meets Tuesday nights 7:00 – 8:30pm

**Junior Choir** meets Sundays 11:30am – 12:00pm

For more information and schedules, contact Cantor Ilene Keys at [haznkeys@oaklandsinai.org](mailto:haznkeys@oaklandsinai.org) or go to: [oaklandsinai.org/Adult-and-Junior-Choirs](http://oaklandsinai.org/Adult-and-Junior-Choirs)

*Adult rehearsals begin Tuesday, October 29.*

*Junior rehearsals begin Sunday, November 3.*

## Schedule of Services

**Friday, September 6, 6:30pm**

First Friday Shabbat in the Round, Albers Chapel

**Saturday, September 7, 10:30am**

Shabbat Morning Service with the Bar Mitzvah of Hayden Burton, Sanctuary

**Friday, September 13, 6:30pm**

Erev Shabbat Service, Albers Chapel

**Saturday, September 14, 10:30am**

Shabbat Morning Service with the B'nei Mitzvah of Shauna and Zachary Lindheim, Sanctuary

Shabbat Minyan Service, Albers Chapel

**Friday, September 20, 6:30pm**

**(NO Mizmor Shir! this month)**

Erev Shabbat Service, Albers Chapel

**Saturday, September 21**

**10:30am**, Shabbat Morning Service with the Bat Mitzvah of Gabriella Yu, Sanctuary

**7:00pm**, S'lichot Schmooze, Program, Havdalah, and Service, Stern Hall

**Friday, September 27, 6:30pm**

Erev Shabbat Service, Albers Chapel

**Saturday, September 28, 10:30am**

Shabbat Morning Service, Albers Chapel

**Sunday, September 29, 7:30pm**

(see High Holy Day Service Schedule for more information)

Erev Rosh HaShana Service, Paramount Theatre

**Monday, September 30**

**8:30am**, Early Rosh HaShana Morning Service, Sanctuary

**11:30am**, Late Rosh HaShana Morning Service, Sanctuary

**2:30pm**, Rosh HaShana Children's Service, Sanctuary

**5:15pm**, Tashlich, Dimond Park, Oakland



# Youth and Education

## All things SiTY (Sinai Temple Youth)

**8-12 graders** can participate in **Jewsday Nights**, our weekly teen program. Bring your friends, eat, chill and have fun on Tuesday nights.

**8-12 graders** can give back to religious school and earn funding for youth events or community service by becoming a **madrich/madricha**. Sunday or Wednesday.

**9-12 graders** can participate on the leadership team helping to plan social and social action events throughout the year.

**9-12 graders** can participate in NFTY events like the boat cruise and C-Dubb smash weekend with teens from all over Northern California.

**Teens** can participate in grade level trips like our upcoming 7th grade camping trip and 9th grade rafting trip.

**12th graders** can participate in Confirmation led by our amazing clergy on Tuesday nights.

## SiTY Upcoming Events

### 7th Grade Parent Cocktail Party

Sunday, August 25, 5:00 – 6:30pm, Temple Sinai

This fun and informational gathering kicks off the exciting Bar/Bat Mitzvah year. Meet other parents, learn about the magical 7th grade program, and do some bar/bat mitzvah Q&A. Leave your kids at home and relax into the wonder of 7th grade.

### NFTY C-DUBB Smash

Registration begins Monday, August 26

Join Jewish teens from all over the Bay Area for this regional retreat at beautiful Point Bonita in Sausalito October 18-20. Save \$50 if you register by September 9 at <https://centralwest.nfty.org>. Scholarships are available!



## SiTY IS OPEN FOR REGISTRATION!

[oaklandsinai.org/SiTY-Registration](https://oaklandsinai.org/SiTY-Registration)

Youth events begin this month.

Contact Youth Director, Michele Quiat, at [michele@oaklandsinai.org](mailto:michele@oaklandsinai.org) for more information

## Jewsday Nights

Tuesday, September 10, 5:30pm

Join us at 5:30pm for dinner and stay until 8:15pm for our kick-off event! This program meets every Tuesday night and is open to ALL 8-12 grade teens. The cost is \$995 for the year.

## 7th Grade Overnight Camping

Saturday, September 14 – Sunday, September 15,  
Redwood Park

Celebrate Shabbat & Havdalah under the stars while getting to know the people you'll spend so much time with this year.

## CWR (Central West Region) Boat Cruise on the Bay

Saturday, September 21

9-12 graders are invited to join us as we celebrate the new year with teens from around the bay on a boat cruise in San Francisco. Register at <https://centralwest.nfty.org/>

## 9th Grade Rafting Trip on the American River

October 5-6

We'll spend the night and two fun-filled days camping and rafting down the South Fork of the American River! All Temple Sinai 9th graders are welcome!!



## RELIGIOUS SCHOOL IS OPEN FOR REGISTRATION!

[oaklandsinai.org/Religious-School-Registration](https://oaklandsinai.org/Religious-School-Registration)

Religious school programs begin  
Sunday, September 8 and  
Wednesday, September 11.

We can't wait to welcome you back from summer!  
Registering today for Religious School helps us with  
planning so we are ready to welcome you back  
with open arms!

Contact Director of Education Stephanie Ben Simon, RJE  
at [stephanie@oaklandsinai.org](mailto:stephanie@oaklandsinai.org) for more information.

## Adult Hebrew with Elaine Bachrach

Sundays, Fall Semester: September 15 to December 15, 1:15 – 2:30pm. \$180

Are you interested in acquiring some prayerbook Hebrew skills? This beginner's class for adult Hebrew learners does not presume anything except your interest and attendance. You will learn to decode (recognize and sound out printed Hebrew), recognize some basic vocabulary of the prayer service, and increase your comfort and enthusiasm for Hebrew prayer and song. Come join us and watch how much

fun and how satisfying it is to progress as a Hebrew learner. It's never too late to begin the Alef-Bet. For questions about the class, please contact Elaine at: [elaine.bachrach@gmail.com](mailto:elaine.bachrach@gmail.com).

## SAVE THE DATES

### Adult Education Series with Rabbi Mates-Muchin Exploring Jewish Values for Everyday Life

Sundays, October 13 & 20, November 3 & 10, 9:30 – 11:00am, Albers Chapel

## Welcome to Temple Sinai!

### Executive Director, Terrie Goren



**Terrie Goren** is excited to join the Temple Sinai team and continue her work in the Jewish community. Originally from the Detroit area, and having lived in various communities since, she understands the value of involving herself in the community. So much so, she has devoted her career to it. Terrie feels fortunate that she has been able to work in environments that evoke her passion. She has been involved in the nonprofit world nearly her entire

life either as a volunteer or serving in a professional capacity to benefit the community at large. She has over thirty years of leadership and volunteer experience in the Jewish community.

In her own words, "My true passion is the Jewish community. When I made the conscious choice to direct my career into the nonprofit sector, I was driven for one single reason: my passion in all the volunteer communal work I have done in the Jewish community. Wherever I have lived, one constant factor has been to either volunteer or serve as a Jewish communal professional to benefit the Jewish community-at-large."

Terrie relocated from Madison, Wisconsin where she served as executive director of Temple Beth El from 2016 until 2019. She also served as the executive director of the Madison

Public Library Foundation, and Jewish Social Services of Madison. Prior to moving to Madison, Terrie lived in Allentown, Pennsylvania, where her past Jewish communal work included serving as the Lehigh University Hillel Director, President of Temple Beth El – Allentown, PA, and other volunteer roles.

She has over twenty years of non-profit management experience in the Jewish community ranging from serving as a youth director, the director of a Hillel Society, Jewish Social Services, executive director of Temple Beth El and now Temple Sinai. She has a breadth of experiences to draw upon. Her strengths include fundraising, grant writing, strong fiscal management, establishing policies and protocols, organizational and leadership development and team building. Additionally, she has over thirty years of leadership and volunteer experience in community organizations.

Terrie is a Certified Fundraising Executive (CFRE). She earned a BA in Labor Relations from Douglass College - Rutgers University, a teaching certification in early childhood and elementary education, and has done graduate work in counseling and human services.

Terrie is looking forward to meeting the Temple Sinai community and being a part of its future.

### Director of Education, Stephanie Ben Simon



**Stephanie Ben Simon, RJE**, comes to the Temple Sinai community harboring a passion for high-quality Jewish education for all ages and stages of our lives. She believes that Judaism is magical and can enhance our lives as we infuse each day with the rich wisdom of middot and mitzvot — values and good deeds — from our Jewish tradition.

Stephanie has experienced Jewish education firsthand in Israel and through involvement in many communities throughout the United States. These communities ranged from West Hartford, Connecticut, where she earned her Bachelor's degree in Judaic Studies at the University of Hartford, to experiences in the Midwest, South, Northeast, and finally

landing here in NorCal. During her travels throughout Israel and the United States, she deeply valued the power of how organized Jewish communities from abroad, the Midwest, South and Northeast could solidify and enhance nurturing, reliable relationships.

While working in the field of Jewish Education, Stephanie obtained her MA in Jewish Education from the Jewish Theological Seminary's Davidson School of Education and was awarded her Reform Judaism Educator Certificate. Stephanie is married to Shay Ben Simon — a native Israeli — and they are excited to grow their family here in Oakland with all of you. Stephanie is especially ready to get to know you and what makes Judaism magical for you.

# Community

## Sinai Social Action

### Tikkun Olam in Action

Is your Jewish New Year's resolution to become more involved in repairing the world? Look no further than Sinai Social Action. Helping the hungry and homeless, supporting social and economic justice, the community outreach Unity Seder, the Social Action Shabbat, and [insert your idea] are all on the calendar for this year. Committee meetings are the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm. New members and ideas are welcome but you don't need to attend meetings to participate in activities. Check us out on the temple website or on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/sinaisocialaction/> Keep informed by adding your name to the more than 300 congregants on the Social Action email list by emailing [SinaiSocialAction@oaklandsinai.org](mailto:SinaiSocialAction@oaklandsinai.org).

### Save These Dates:

#### Chessed (Mitzvah) Day – Sunday, September 8

Last chance to register. See weekly eNews for sign-up information. Join with members of other East Bay Synagogues in community service activities making sack lunches for the homeless or helping to put the finishing touches on the Tiny House Village for homeless youth.

#### Youth ALIVE! Tour – September 19, 6:00-7:00pm

Learn how this remarkable Oakland program is helping reduce youth gun violence and provide support to victims and their families. Contact Trish Elliott at [842phd@gmail.com](mailto:842phd@gmail.com) to sign up.

#### Social Action Shabbat – January 17

#### Unity Seder – March 26



Temple Sinai and Congregation Beth El social action members met with (then) Assemblyman Tony Thurmond on RAC-CA Lobby Day.

### Collection Barrels

Plan ahead when you're decluttering or run into sales. Items collected in the marked barrels are distributed to schools and nonprofit organizations that provide them to people in need.

Item/Description	Month
Socks – new or clean, good condition	Ongoing
Toiletries – full or travel-size, unopened	Ongoing
Towels – All sizes, all conditions	Ongoing
Non-perishable, healthful, family -friendly food For the Alameda County Community Food Bank For needy families during school holiday breaks	Until Yom Kippur December, March
Jackets and Sweatshirts	October
Blankets	November
Packages of new Underwear (Men's/Women's)	November
Packages of new Children's Underwear and P.Js	December
School supplies (crayons, markers, pencils, copy paper etc.) Balls	January <i>By mid-year teachers' supplies and budgets are running short; balls have gotten damaged or lost</i>
Warm Clothes	February

## WTS

### Special Day for All Women

September 22, 11:00am, Stern Hall

Do you need a self care day just for you? Just in time, Women of Temple Sinai has you covered with our upcoming Opening Event on September 22nd.

Please plan to join us for our Women's Wellness day for women of all ages and stages. It will address physical, emotional and spiritual wellness. Please save the date and look for details in the eNews!





*People of the Book.....*

## Temple Sinai's People of the Book Project Enters its 22nd Year!

We are proud to continue our work at our partner schools. Our model is to work with individual schools in high-needs areas in the Oakland Unified School District.

Our project provides tutors at two schools, book giveaways and author events at partner schools; books, book grants and volunteers for some school libraries; grant funding support to FOPSL (Friends of the Oakland Public School Libraries) for school library books; and books to Habitot Children's Museum's outreach programs, St. Mary's Preschool, and other high needs schools.

Some Temple members participate in Greenleaf School's Career Day each year. Temple also hosts food drives for the families at Greenleaf to provide food during winter and spring school breaks. We also hold an Adopt-A-Family program at Greenleaf School each holiday season. For more information about Adopt a Family, contact Debbi Berenberg (sinai.aaf@gmail.com).

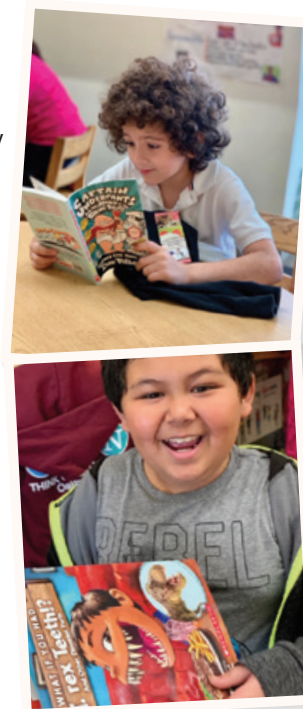
We are so appreciative of our congregation, including the preschool and religious school, for generously donating funds

which allow us to purchase books, bring authors to schools, and provide library grants. You can make donations to the Temple Sinai's People of the Book Literacy Project Fund.

We give away more than 3,000 books each year and love receiving LIKE-NEW pre-k through 5th grade books in our book bins (in Temple's living room). But PLEASE only donate books that you would give as a gift to a child! Tikkun olam requires that we respect those who receive our gifts. WE CANNOT USE yellowed, old, or torn books; nor can we accept Jewish-themed books or PJ Library books. Library staff cutbacks in the District make it very difficult for us to find homes for unattractive books.

We welcome new volunteers. If you're interested in participating, please contact either Judy Zollman (readerjz@gmail.com) or Jean Stein (jean@steinfamily.com) for information. Thank you!

*photos by Sandy Summerfield*



## Accessible Havdalah Hikes

Saturday, September 14, 5:30pm, Redwood Park

The Havdalah Hikes are coming your way! Sinai Green is looking forward to seeing you on the third Saturday of every month this summer to early fall—September 14 (2nd Saturday due to S'lichot), and October 19. We'll be meeting at Redwood Park at 5:30pm (5:00pm on October 19) on Saturday for a delightful hike, short service, and delicious nosh. If you're coming, please try to bring some food or drink to share. Please join us at the Redwood Gate at Redwood Park. The hike is fully accessible. Please contact green@oaklandsinai.org if you have questions.

## Jewish Book Club

Sunday, September 15, 9:30am, Albers Chapel

Led by Rabbi Mates-Muchin and Rabbi Regev, the Jewish Book Club will meet bi-monthly as we wade into the vast sea of Jewish books and the insights they offer into two-thousand years of our history.

We return this fall with "Passage From Home" by Isaac Rosenfeld. This book will explore the American experience prior to World War II. You are welcome to join this wonderful book club even if you were not able to take part in the conversations last year.



## Lunch and Culture with Rabbi Mates-Muchin

Tuesday, September 24, 12:00pm, Albers Chapel

Film and discussion on the power of forgiveness. As we prepare for the High Holy Days, we will watch excerpts from the film "The Power of Forgiveness" and discuss what forgiveness means to us. Lunch and Culture is open to all congregants and their guests. \$5 suggested donation for catered lunch. RSVP at oaklandsinai.org by September 23.

## Introduction to the Jewish Experience: Jewish Practice & Lifestyle

Wednesdays, starting September 11, 7:30 – 9:00pm, Stern Hall

Communal and individual Jewish life dances to the rhythm of two different cycles: Jewish lifecycle events and the cycle of the Jewish year.

Instructors: Rabbi Jeremy Morrison, Jason Harris

Dates: 9/11, 9/18, 9/25, 10/2, 10/16, 10/23, 10/30, 11/6

Tuition tier: \$240 | \$192 | \$144

Registration and more information at lehrhaus.org

# Giving

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Women of Temple Sinai

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Adam Briones and Kate Lucas  
*in appreciation of Rabbi Mates-Muchin*  
Jill, Tobin, Jora, and Daegan Broadhurst  
*in appreciation of all the support Rabbi has provided our family. Lots of love!*  
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Patty and Greg Mintz  
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Bob and Barbara Morrison  
*in honor of Caroline Peters's birthday*  
Bob and Barbara Morrison  
*in honor of the B'nei Mitzvah of Kate Lucas and Adam Briones*  
Carol and Jerry Muchin  
*in memory of Libby Muchin and Barbara Hornichter*  
Randy Perrin and Karen Tanner  
*in appreciation of Rabbi Mates-Muchin*  
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Abby and Orin Rutchick  
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*in appreciation of Rabbi Mates-Muchin for performing the wedding of Alex Selig and Aneesha Naira*



Valerie Sopher  
*in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of  
Josie Mates-Muchin*  
Janet Weinstein  
*in memory of Barbara Danziger*

### **Rabbi Regev Discretionary Fund**

Anonymous  
Burt Boltuch and Cathy Livingston  
*in honor of Josie Mates-Muchin's Bat Mitzvah*  
Heather Desurvire  
*in memory of Marilyn Weiss*  
Barry and Dori Dubin  
*in memory of Alfred Dubin*  
Josh and Rachelle Sonnenfeld  
*in memory of Cynthia Solem, and in  
gratitude to Rabbi Regev*

### **Religious School Fund**

Amy Kassiola  
*in celebration of the Bat Mitzvah of  
Jaden Shochet*

### **Religious School Scholarships**

Kerry Becklund and Caryn Becker  
Jennifer Bretan and Jed Wakefield  
Harold Friedman and Jennifer London  
Marilyn and Herb Friedman  
*in celebration of Sue Bachman's Special  
Birthday*  
Matti Fromson and Tom Mayhew  
Christina and Brian Greenberg  
Erin and Josh Lenhert  
Steph and Ben Lepow  
David Lerner and Charmaine Toy  
Mats and Shana Olson  
Juanita and Michael Osborn  
Jeff and Bailey Peters  
Eli and Elana Schuldt  
Barbara and Steve Whitgob  
*in celebration of Caroline Peters's birthday*  
Dina Wolkoff

### **SiTY Scholarships**

Jason and Jennifer Alderman  
Michael and Aviva Black  
David Lerner and Charmaine Toy  
Kevin Schwartz and Hilary Altman

### **Social Action/Anti-Hunger Fund**

Elaine Bachrach  
*in honor of Sherill Laszlo's birthday*  
Burt Boltuch and Cathy Livingston  
*in honor of Josie Mates-Muchin's Bat Mitzvah*  
Miranda J Dean  
Gary and Ellen Sirbu  
*in memory of Andrea Rancourt  
in memory of Steven Hallert*  
Lori and Bob Wick  
*in celebration of Lori Earp's PhD from  
Hebrew Union College, Los Angeles*

### **Where The Need Is Greatest Fund**

Grace Aberle  
*in memory of Seymour Aberle*  
Rochelle Anixter  
*in memory of Bud Goldberg*  
Carolyn Bakar  
*in memory of Bud Goldberg*  
Bob Belzer and Jennifer Colosimo  
*in memory of Steven Belzer*  
Betsy Bigelow-Teller  
*in celebration of Josie Mates-Muchin's  
Bat Mitzvah*  
Simon and Sofiya Blank  
*in memory of Moisey Klebanov  
in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Delilah Hirsch*  
Lorin Blum and Jean Brady  
*in memory of Ivy Blum*  
Linda Burnett and Rabbi Adar  
Jane and Richard Cohen  
*on the occasion of Caroline Peters's Birthday*

Richard Cohen  
*in memory of Elaine Cohen Goldingay*  
Barry Epstein and Judy Levin  
*in memory of Berthe Schuchat*  
Dana Fox and Paul Langlie  
*in memory of Craig S. Fox and  
Lloyd M. Langlie*  
Matti Fromson and Tom Mayhew  
*in honor of Josie Mates-Muchin becoming  
Bat Mitzvah*  
Jonathan Geiduschek and Amy Harris  
*in memory of Sy and Skip Harris*  
Sandy Goldberg  
*in celebration of the Bat Mitzvah of  
Josie Mates -Muchin*  
Anna Golodovskaya  
*in memory of Hiena Buyanovskaya*  
Marc and Cherie Hallert  
*in memory of Helen Hallert*  
Linda Kamby and Paul Weir  
*in memory of Alice Kamby*  
The Kessler Family  
*in memory of Sy and Skip Harris*  
Barbara Morris  
*in memory of Bud Goldberg*  
Joan Natkin  
*in memory of Robert Chacona  
in memory of Kenneth Natkin*  
Louis Nefouse  
Bruce and Teddy Schwab  
*in memory of Sara Schwab*  
Stuart and Gaye Seiler  
*in memory of Bud Goldberg*  
The Saidman-Thorne Family  
*in memory of James Bryson*

### **Yesod**

John Citron and Felicia Liu  
Pat Macholl

## **The Melaveh Project: Jewish Support for the Dying**

Temple Sinai's Dan Fendel is one of the leaders of the Melaveh Project, a fairly new effort to provide support for the dying within the East Bay Jewish community.

"Melaveh" is Hebrew for "one who accompanies." Melaveh's goal is to provide comfort to Jews in their final weeks, days, and hours. Melaveh also provides support for loved ones and caregivers. The Melaveh volunteer is trained to be a supportive Jewish presence. When a Jewish person has received a terminal diagnosis, the family or caregivers can call upon the Melaveh volunteer to visit the ill person, establish a relationship, and be physically present to support the individual while he or she is dying (and support the family as well). In particular, if the family is unable to be physically present, the Melaveh volunteer can still be present to support their loved one.

The project is led by rabbis and other members of the East Bay Jewish community. The only criterion for participation is that the dying person must self-identify as being Jewish. That individual's religious practice is not a concern. The support is given freely and no payment is expected. Melaveh is currently able to serve most of the Berkeley/Oakland area. If you want more information or have a referral, please contact [melavehproject@gmail.com](mailto:melavehproject@gmail.com), call (510) 649-5724, or contact Dan at [dfendel@sfsu.edu](mailto:dfendel@sfsu.edu).

## Birthdays

9/1	Madeline Weinstein
9/1	Marsha Rabkin
9/1	Marty Stillman
9/2	Bruce Horwitz
9/4	Tom Flynn
9/5	Mickey Neuwelt
9/7	Judy Zollman
9/9	Jillian Ellis
9/10	Janet Gordon
9/11	Ted Miguel
9/11	Sheryl Burnstein
9/12	Jarrod Jayne
9/14	Eliot Jubelirer
9/16	Bernard Sideman
9/17	Rem van Tijen
9/19	Lois Horwitz
9/19	Becky Rozen
9/20	Kim Scher
9/21	Douglas Elefant
9/21	Lucia Phillips
9/21	Olga Bashlacheva
9/22	Karen Scott
9/22	Paul Libanti
9/23	Jim Sinai
9/23	Robert Warwick
9/24	Judith Broude
9/25	Kenna Nicole Welmond
9/26	Joanne Elefant
9/26	Shana Zatinsky
9/28	Bootie Charon
9/28	David Baer
9/28	Mitchell Chyette

*Birthdays and anniversaries are listed in multiples of 5 as well as birthdays age 80 and over. Mazel Tov!*

## Anniversaries

50	Irwin and C.J. Feinberg	9/7
40	Stephen and Emily Mendel	9/14
40	Glen Dahlbacka and Rena Rickles	9/9
35	John Citron and Felicia Liu	9/3
20	Huldah and Alex Hodgkinson	9/30
20	Rich Kramer and Renata Bodon	9/26
20	Calvin and Donna Gibbs	9/20
20	William and Carol Burton	9/5
20	David Peterkofsky and Wendy Spander	9/5
15	Samantha and John Harnett	9/18
15	Brady Dewar and Jonathan Goldberg	9/5
15	Jaime and Anthony Barbieri	9/5
15	Lisa Orta and Sigi Arnejo	9/5
10	Bill Bonnet and Steve Garber	9/21
10	Frederic and Sara Kerrest	9/12
10	Erin and Josh Lenhart	9/6
5	Bernhard Baltaxe and Scotia Miller	9/27

## Welcome to the world!

**Kathryn Miriam Kotin**

was born on July 10th

*Proud Parents:*

Daniel Kotin and Louise Schultz

*Proud Grandparents:*

Geoff and Barbara Kotin

**Levi Mendel Bornstein**

was born on July 19th

*Proud Parents:*

Jonathan and Erika Bornstein

## B'nei Mitzvah



**Hayden Kevin Burton**

Son of William and Carol Burton  
*Saturday, September 7*



**Shauna Anne Lindheim and Zachary Michael Lindheim**

Daughter and Son of Melissa Schwartz-Lindheim and Michael Lindheim  
*Saturday, September 14*



**Gabriella Yu**

Daughter of Shari and Bing Yu  
*Saturday, September 21*

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*Thank you to the Burton, Lindheim and Yu families for sponsoring Onegs this month.*

## REMEMBRANCES

**We mourn the loss of:**

**Tiffany Diamond**

*Niece of Diane and Wayne Diamond*

**David Tanner**

*Brother of Karen Tanner*

**Mel Weinstein**

*Father of Lauren Weinstein*

**Gene Turetsky**

*Brother of Ana Turetsky*

**Sara Stephenson**

*Mother of Richard Stephenson*

***May their memory be a blessing.***

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

**Preschool/Office Closed for Labor Day**

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

7:30am Tuesday Morning Minyan

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

12:15pm Al-Anon Meeting

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

7:30pm WTS & Friends Bridge Night

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

6:00pm Shofar-Blowing Workshop

6:30pm First Friday Shabbat in the Round

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

9:00am Torah Study

10:30am Shabbat Morning Service with Bar Mitzvah of Hayden Burton

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

**East Bay Chessed Day**

**Religious School Begins**

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

**Jewsday Nights Begin**

7:30am Tuesday Morning Minyan

12:00pm Lunch & Learn

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

**Religious School Begins**

12:15pm Al-Anon Meeting

6:00pm Committee Dinner

6:15pm WTS Board Meeting

6:30pm Education Committee Meeting

6:30pm Social Action Committee

6:30pm Sinai Green Meeting

7:30pm Introduction to the Jewish Experience (first meeting)

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

6:30pm Erev Shabbat Service

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

9:00am Torah Study

10:30am Shabbat Morning Minyan

10:30am Shabbat Morning Service with B'nei Mitzvah of Shauna and Zach Lindheim

5:30pm Havdalah Hike

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

**Family School Begins**

9:30am Jewish Book Club

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

7:30am Tuesday Morning Minyan

7:00pm Adult Choir

7:30pm WTS & Friends Bridge Night

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

12:15pm Al-Anon Meeting

1:00pm WTS Book Group Meeting

7:00pm Temple Board Meeting

7:30pm Introduction to the Jewish Experience

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

6:30pm Erev Shabbat Service

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

9:00am Torah Study

10:30am Shabbat Morning Service with Bat Mitzvah of Gabriella Yu

6:00pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

7:00pm S'lichot Program and Service

8:30pm NFTY New Year's on the Bay

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

11:00am WTS Opening Event

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

7:30am Tuesday Morning Minyan

12:00pm Lunch & Culture

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

12:15pm Al-Anon Meeting

7:30pm Introduction to the Jewish Experience

7:30pm Israel Education Committee Meeting

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

6:30pm Erev Shabbat Service

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

9:00am Torah Study

10:30am Shabbat Morning Service

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

**No Religious School**

7:30pm Erev Rosh HaShanah

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

**Preschool Closed**

8:30am Rosh HaShanah Morning Early Service

11:30am Rosh HaShanah Morning Late Service

2:30pm Rosh HaShanah Children's Service

5:15pm Tashlich



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*Please call or email*

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## Celebrate Sukkot and Simchat Torah with Your Temple Family!

### Community Sukkah Building

*Sunday, October 13, 2:00 – 5:00pm,  
Upper Courtyard*

We'll construct our sukkah, make art to decorate it, then be the first to bless it, sit in it, eat in it, and pray in it. All ages can participate. Come for the whole time or drop by for a bit.

### Erev Sukkot

*Sunday, October 13, 5:30pm, Upper Courtyard*

Join us for a special celebration in our Community Sukkah to welcome this joyous festival, shake the lulav, and celebrate our plenty.

**5:30pm** Erev Sukkot Service followed by pizza dinner. Please bring a dessert to share.

*RSVP at [oaklandsinai.org](http://oaklandsinai.org)*

### Erev Simchat Torah

*Sunday, October 20*

We dance with the Torah scrolls and celebrate our newest Religious School students. It's ritual, meaning and fun all in one night.

**4:30pm** Yizkor (Memorial) Service, Albers Chapel

**5:00pm** Dinner. Make sure to RSVP in advance at [oaklandsinai.org](http://oaklandsinai.org). For more information, see your weekly email or contact the main office.

**5:30pm** Erev Simchat Torah Service and Consecration, Sanctuary



## Sukkot Around Town

*Saturday, October 19*

This year we are excited to help facilitate community members celebrating Sukkot at each other's Sukkah and homes. If you are interested in being a host, or attending one of the Sukkot around town, contact Rabbi Regev to learn how to make this a meaningful and special season of celebration together at [rabbiregev@oaklandsinai.org](mailto:rabbiregev@oaklandsinai.org) or (510) 451-3263 x333.

*For those interested, there will be an instructional meeting on Sunday, August 25 at 10:00am in the Albers Chapel to share resources and ideas on how to build and decorate your Sukkah.*

