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FROM YOUR CLERGY



An Appetizing Tale

Almost two thousand years ago, the Roman emperor was wandering in disguise through the Jewish quarter on a Friday evening. He peeked into houses and saw Jews enjoying their

Shabbat evening meal with such evident relish that he decided he must find out what they were eating that gave them such pleasure.

So, the Emperor summoned the great Rabbi Yehoshua ben Chananya and told him that he wished to try some Jewish cooking. Rabbi Chananaya invited Emperor Caesar to dine with him at his own home the following Friday evening. And Caesar came and feasted with the Rabbi- and it wasn't just the soup, and artichokes, and chicken, and challah- they lit candles together, and sang songs, and drank wine for kiddush. And the Emperor enjoyed the meal so much, he insisted the Rabbi send recipes for each and every one of the dishes he had tasted. The Imperial cooks were summoned and learned how each dish was prepared and as they learned, they diligently noted down every word and went back to the palace to prepare an identical meal for the Emperor.

The following day the imperial cooks prepared a banquet for Caesar in accordance with the instructions they had received, but after a few mouthfuls, the Emperor rose from his table in anger and ordered that his cooks be brought before him. "Why did you not follow the instructions you were given?" he demanded.

"But indeed, we did, mighty Caesar," they protested, trembling. "Down to the last pinch of salt."

"Then the Rabbi must have lied to you and kept something back," replied the Emperor.

A few hours later, Rabbi Yehoshua ben Chananya was summoned urgently to the palace where he was brought before an extremely angry Emperor.

"The meal which my cooks prepared tastes nothing like the meal I had at your house. You cannot have given them full instructions. Something is missing."

"Something is indeed missing," replied the Rabbi. "A very special spice."

"What spice is that?" asked the Emperor, curiously. "I must have that spice. I order you to give it to me."

"That spice is called *Shabbat*," replied the Rabbi. "It cannot be given, nor can it be bought. It comes of itself to those who love and celebrate Shabbat. So

powerful is that spice that when food is prepared lovingly, for the Sabbath, by those who cherish the Sabbath, everyone can taste a hint of it in the food."

It is true that our holiday food is delicious not simply because of its ingredients, but because of the way we enjoy sharing it and all the love and joy it represents. Shabbat is not our only secret spice. Anytime we gather together, every time we share a meal, and whenever we let our Jewish memory lead to modern celebration, we can taste and feel the special joy of togetherness.

At the end of March, we will be celebrating our second Passover affected by COVID. We will be virtual. We will be separate. And yet, we will still find the "Passover spice" that makes this holiday meaningful. We may find it in song; we may find it in words; we may find it in laughter or tears. Quite often, I find it in our holiday food.

I've been thinking about food a lot lately, and how it sustains us, how it brings us comfort and pleasure, and how the act of preparing food has defined so much of our time sheltering in place. While we try to virtually deliver the sense of community and joy with Zoom, the true secret to all during Passover is especially tasty foods. I am eager to share some of the best Passover recipes we have on my family's table. Maybe you can make one of them and from a distance, we can enjoy the holiday together. And remember, for them to really taste their best, you need to feel the joy of the holiday as you prepare them. :)

When I'm discussing Passover recipes, I have to begin with charoset. While American charoset is apples, nuts, cinnamon, and a splash of wine, there are other ways to make this delicious dish. Here are two of my family's unique charoset recipes.



FROM YOUR CLERGY

Delicious Hamishah Passover Recipes

Rossett Douek, my cousins' Nona (grandmother), was a kind, beautiful and wonderful lady who prepared amazing charoset. Here is her recipe:

Rossett's Recipe (Sephardic/Egyptian) (everything is "about this much"...)

10-15 pitted dates, chopped
1 apple, peeled and chopped
10 pitted prunes
dried fruit mix (apricots, pears, cherries, whatever)
3/4 cup sugar
1 small jar of honey
1 small jar of apricot jam (really, and fruit flavor)
1 box golden raisins
1 cup Maneshevitz wine
1 cup pomegranate juice
2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
2-3 teaspoons candied ginger, chopped
zest of one lemon
ground walnuts

Combine fruits, wine, cinnamon, ginger, (well, everything but the walnuts) in a pot over low heat. stir. Bring to a slow boil and keep checking and stirring. Add more liquid (wine, juice, water) if needed. Mash it down. Either continue to cook or put it in a food processor to make it smooth.

Place in Tupperware in the refrigerator.
When ready to serve, sprinkle the ground walnuts over the top .

My Israeli Uncle, Herzl Shaltiel, is from Iran. He is an incredible person and chef who graciously shared his family recipe with me. In my opinion, this is the charoset that looks most like cement that might build pyramids!

Herzl's Haroset (Persian)

3.5 oz/100 g pistachio nuts (roasted)
3.5 oz/100 g cashew nuts (roasted)
3.5 oz/100 g almonds (roasted)
3.5 oz/100 g walnuts (roasted)
3.5 oz/100 g peanuts (roasted)
2 oz/50 g raisins
7 dates
2 oz/50 g prunes
2 pears
2 green apples
1 pomegranate (optional)

Grind/blend above ingredients into a spread consistency.

Add 1/2 t black pepper, 1 T sugar, sweet wine, juice or water to thin/moisten the mix but don't

make it too watery. Let stand for 2 hours and then taste and fix the taste or consistency.

Another idea is to stick to the classic American charoset but to put out all ingredients, salad bar style, and then have guests mix and make their own!

My next favorite category of Passover food is desserts! Here are two of the easiest, and yet most delicious, matzah-based desserts I love to make and eat.

First - a simple classic that is always a crowd pleaser, my mom's Passover candy bars.

Nona Jodi's Matzah Crunch

Prepare matzah by melting 1/2 a stick of butter/margarine in a jelly roll pan. Cover with matzah (doesn't really work with egg matzah - any other kind of matzah can be used).

On the stove top:

melt one stick of butter/margarine
and a pinch of salt

1 cup of sugar

1/2 cup brown sugar

Cook over medium heat for 3-5 minutes, stirring often.

Add 1 cup crushed pecans.

Cook 1-2 more minutes.

Immediately pour over matzah (already on a jelly roll pan).

Bake in a 350 oven for 8 minutes.

Option: sprinkle a 12oz package of chocolate chips on top and then return it to the oven for 2 minutes.

And finally, the easy and always delicious no-bake seven-layer cake. This recipe I learned from a friend's mom when I was in college. We went to Jacksonville one night of Passover and this incredible family welcomed me and even shared the recipe for the dessert I completely devoured. She told me the recipe came from someone named Janet Husney, but for me, it will always be:

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Rabbi Simlai taught: "The Torah begins with deeds of loving kindness and ends with deeds of loving kindness."

What is the lesson from these ancient words for us at Temple Sinai in the year 2021?

- Do you wonder how postcards arrive when there is a simcha, a special birthday, anniversary, or a new baby?
- Perhaps you pondered when you received a postcard from Temple Sinai saying, "Get Well Soon" or "Thinking of You"?
- Have you questioned when condolences and even a tray appears from your Temple community?
- Do you wonder which committee initiated the Caring calls you receive every month during this pandemic?
- Have you queried how your college student received a variety of gifts over the school year?

These are some of the ways Temple Sinai's Caring Committee reaches out to you with deeds of loving kindness.

Margo Friedman, Co-Ordinator
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Kathy Osterer's Passover No Bake 7 Layer Cake

3 ½ oz bittersweet chocolate
¼ lb margarine
1 cup fine sugar (beat dry with mixer)
3 eggs separated
8 whole egg matzah
½ cup chopped walnuts (leave some whole for top)

Melt chocolate, allow to cool.

Beat egg whites until stiff, set aside. Cream the margarine with the sugar until fluffy and sugar is dissolved. Add the egg yolks one at a time, and beat well. Fold the chocolate into the egg yolk mixture and then fold in the egg white mixture. Add the nuts.

Dip the matzah one at a time in wine but do not soak. Place one matzah on a serving plate. Cover with approximately 1 ½ tablespoons of the chocolate nut filling, and continue this process until the 8th matzah is on top. Cover the top and sides with the rest of the filling. Decorate the top with walnut pieces. Cover with plastic wrap and let the cake mellow for 24 hours in the fridge. Cut into thin slices.

****Please note that the eggs in this no-bake dessert are raw.**

You may use pasteurized if concerned.

Let me know if you try and like any of these favorites of mine. Whatever you choose to make or buy, make sure you enjoy it with a joyful sense of the holiday, for this is the true secret to every recipe.

Rabbi Kahn

Rabbi Samantha O. Kahn



Rosh Chodesh Calendar 2021
Fridays at 10:00-11:00a.m.

MARCH 12, 28 ADAR 5781

APRIL 9, 27 NISAN 5781

MAY 14, 3 SIVAN 5781

JUNE 11, 1 TAMMUZ 5781

JULY 9, 29 TAMMUZ 5781

AUGUST 13, 5 ELUL 5781

mark your calendar to save these dates!

SINAI MEN'S CLUB CLUB ...



This month marks one year since the pandemic drastically changed our lives. And it ain't over yet. But there is also some light at the end of the tunnel. Increasing numbers of folks are getting vaccinated. We are beginning to plan a life outside of the bubble that we have all created for ourselves. We must be hopeful. To think otherwise would run counter to the human spirit.

To be sure there will be setbacks, but let the planning begin. We are hopeful that the Sinai Men's Club board will have a full year of in-person activities after the High Holy Days. That will mean Sunday morning breakfasts with engaging speakers and delicious food. The Lunch and Learn program will resume with interesting speakers drawn from our congregation paired with your own bag lunch. We will gather to discuss books and schmooze in restaurants instead of on our computers. And a whole lot more...

Let us take the time now to remember all the acts of kindness that have enabled us to get through these difficult times. We have been there for each other by helping with shopping (especially grocery!), with virtual social engagements on Zoom or FaceTime, or perhaps even catching up with folks with whom we have not had an opportunity to see in person because of our distances. We have counseled, consoled and given each other all necessary support.

I know that our social distancing is not over yet, perhaps months away. But it is close enough that we can begin planning to see and touch loved ones that have been put on hold for way too long. We can think about booking trips again and even just eating inside a restaurant.

The SMC continues our **Film Forum on Sunday, March 14th**. "**Ma Rainey's Black Bottom**" will be discussed. The **Book Group** will meet at 12:30 on Thursday, March 18th to discuss "Dead Wake" by Erik Larson. Look for the date of the **March Schmooze**. Please keep checking the temple website for up-to-date information.

Let us all stay safe and well and be kind to one another.

L' Shalom,

Malcolm Roberts
Richard Brown
Co-Presidents

**ALL SMC BOOK CLUB MEETINGS
WILL BE ON ZOOM ON THE
3RD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
AT 12:30PM.**

Password details will be sent prior to each meeting.

Allan Schreiber, Co-Ordinator
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Chazzan Abramson's Tuesday, 11:00 am
workshop 'Overcoming Stage Fright' has
completed

Beginning on March 2, 2021
11:00 am until 12:00 pm
Chazzan will begin a new workshop called

*'Introduction to High Holiday Liturgy & Its
Music'*
using the Mishkan HaNefesh

This workshop will continue each Tuesday
until further notice.

RITUAL



The month of March begins in the middle of the Hebrew month of Adar and moves into Nissan. So that means it is time to start preparing for **Passover**, which **starts the evening of March 27**. Pesach, or “Yom Tov” is a “festival of freedom”, which recounts the exodus from Egyptian slavery over 3000 years ago.

Last year, we were at the beginning of the pandemic, and observed the holiday at home away from our families and friends. Chef Adam prepared a delicious “seder in a box” for us to enjoy. Unfortunately, this year, we are still unable to gather in the temple for our festive meal.

No worries. We here at Temple Sinai have again developed an alternative to our Congregational Seder. It will once again be held on Zoom with Rabbi Kahn and Chazzan Abramson. This year, as we have become more adept with the Zoom technology, we plan to make the seder more interactive.

Because our temple kitchen is still closed, we are unable to prepare our “seder in a box”. In its place, we are providing a **list of area restaurants and caterers** that will be offering seder meals to go. Just click on the links provided for each restaurant, order and pick up the meal on your own. Temple Sinai is not endorsing any facility; we are providing the list as a service to our members. Look for the information on our website.

As I write this article in early February, we are closely monitoring the COVID-19 numbers. We have opened the temple on Erev Shabbat for a limited number of attendees following strict COVID-19 protocols for your protection. You must register using the link on the website and weekly virtual connections. As this continues to be a fluid situation, we will be making any necessary changes as the data is published. You can also sign up for honors on the same link.

This month continues to have a full schedule of services, which are available online and limited in person by registration. Our first **Erev Shabbat on March 5 is our “Sinaiversary” Service** when we will honor our charter members and past presidents. On **Saturday, March 20**, we will celebrate the **Bar Mitzvah of Tamen Prada**. On **March 26**, the **5-7th grades** will participate in the service. We also have our intimate Saturday morning service and Torah study which is by Zoom only.

As we once again reimagine our Passover celebration, let us make our home our own sanctuary, and rejoice in the beauty of the season and the strength of Temple Sinai.

Chag sameach.

Judy Swerdlow, VP Ritual

Mazel Tov

Tamen Jullian Prada, son of Jorge and Shelley Prada of North Port, will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on March 20, 2021.

He is a student at Sarasota Military Academy Prep. where he is in the Honors program.. Soccer is his favorite sport.. And is he one of the Temple Sinai Madrichim (student teachers).



Alix Simone Leinweber, daughter of Joshua and Bethany Leinweber, was called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah, on Saturday, February 27, 2021

She is a 7th grade student at Booker Middle School in the VPA and gifted programs as well as plays on their basketball team. Alix's focus in the VPA program is musical theater and modern band; she rocks the acoustic and electric guitars! She also loves to sing, shop, and hang out with her friends and family.



Carole Kleinberg for the inaugural season of the Sarasota Jewish Theatre in partnership with the Jewish Federation of Sarasota-Manatee.

If you wish to have a Mazel Tov published in the TABLET, please call the temple office with your information.

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT



A "New Normal"

My daughter in Columbus, Ohio, called me to say that if all the teachers in their school are vaccinated by the end of February, school would resume in-person fulltime beginning March 1st.

That would end a year of educational chaos and untold stress and anxiety. It would be eventful, almost cataclysmic. The world would suddenly be turned right side up after a shocking year of "this cannot be happening." Also shocking, but hopefully, in a positive way.

Progress has been made in the battle to conquer this COVID-19 virus. Better treatments, greater understanding of the nature of transmission and how to safeguard against it and certainly, the arrival of vaccines, all herald a promise of a new tomorrow. The question is, what will tomorrow look like? How will the "new normal" look for each of us, for businesses, for society, for Temple Sinai? Can we re-imagine the definition of "normal?"

It has been just about a year since we shut down in-person events, services and activities. Had you said to me last April that in 2021, we would not have a Food Fest or a Gala, I probably would have thought "That's ridiculous. You must be a pessimist." But such was not the case.

Let's think what was "normal" and what we want as our "new normal." Many places we had frequented such as restaurants, shops, fitness centers and (gasp) even synagogues may no longer be the same as a result of severe economic stress. Online retail has exploded and become limitless. Travel is not likely to resume soon at the level enjoyed prior to COVID. We have new means of virtually gathering and even traveling in Zoom rooms and webinars. Many of us no longer even go to grocery stores, but use a shopping service, curbside pickup or delivery. As the proverbial light at the end of the tunnel begins to grow brighter, we are starting to re-think what experiences we will take with us and what lessons we have learned from this year of COVID.

This re-imagining is an opportunity, not necessarily to return to old practices, but to glean what has worked and determine how new ones were successful. To that end, I hope to assemble a taskforce to do just this. What is readily apparent is the dedication, even devotion, of many of you to maintaining a connection with each other, especially during this time of isolation. Your generosity has supported us as we manage the loss of revenue needed to maintain our community, our staff and our

building. The Annual Appeal, your donations, the PPP loan, and several grants have enabled us to move forward and continue planning for our future together.

To accomplish that, we need YOU to speak up and help us shape that future, that "new normal." What have you found valuable in keeping you connected to Temple Sinai? What might have had less impact? Even as I send out this plea, I know that we are a diverse group, which on one hand, makes us richly interesting, and on the other hand, means all will not always agree on some ideas. Considerations and compromises are OKAY in developing our "new normal." We all will contribute to forging our future *together*.

Please join me in beginning the process of creating our "new normal." Let's bring that light at the end of the tunnel into sharper focus.

I look forward to hearing from all of you!
ebender@templesinai-sarasota.org

Ellyn Bender, President



Because of the generosity of our congregation and the hard work of our dedicated Campaign Cabinet, we're thrilled to announce that our Annual Campaign total exceeded the \$160,000 budget by almost \$20,000!

Thank you to all who have given to build that *bridge* to a better year.

To help us do even better next year, please participate in our survey. If you have not completed the survey for the annual appeal, please go to our website to participate.

Mark & Laurie Criden, co-chairs



WOMEN OF SINAI



"A life is like a tree – if you don't make it straight when it's young and green, you'll never do it when it's old and dry." Unknown

To celebrate Tu BiShvat – the New Year of the Trees - the Women of Sinai contributed a craft to the religious school students. I was ably assisted by Amelia Hilton and Lucy Thomas. (PS- I was wearing a mask all day, just removed for brief pic.)



At the Membership Meeting on February 4, the new slate of officers was elected. We are very excited to welcome new members and look forward to a great year ahead. The new board members will assume their duties in April. A big thank you to **Greta Roberts**, Nominating Chair, and her committee. Job well done.

Women of Sinai - Board of Directors 2021-2022

Elected Board Members:

President	Laurie Criden
Secretary	Gail Glickman
Treasurer	Barbara Pollack
Financial Secretary	Pam Paschall
VP Administration	Greta Roberts
VP Mitzvah	Judy Polivy & Lisa Pollack
VP Hospitality	Lee Coopersmith, Lisa Naiburg, Judy Intrator
VP Special Events	Judy Handleman
VP Membership	Janet Moses & Harriet Heisler
VP Programming	Suzanne Weinstein & Judy Feldman
VP Gift Shop	Barbara Bryden & Gillian Perlinski

Nominating Committee for 2021-2022:
Greta Roberts, Chair, Jane Glusman,
Phyllis Lasky and Ilene Gelber.

Appointed Board Members:

Continuity Chair	Judy Rogovin
Mah jongg Chair	Janet Gross
Religious Services	Dobbie Linick
Mah jongg Cards	Barbara Bryden
Dinner & Movie	Janet Tolbert
Publicity	Gail Glickman
Simchagrams	Peggy Miller
Mitzvah Cards	Cecile Alexander
Sunshine Cards	Donna Orlove
Book Club	Dobbie Linick
Reservations	Marilyn Blankman
Internal Comm.	Joan Goodis

Submitted by,

Greta Roberts, Nominating Committee Chair

Note to the Membership

Dear Women of Sinai Members,

Your Programming Vice President Co-Chairs would like to hear your ideas for future guest speakers at our luncheons. No matter how we plan to hold these meetings in the next year, whether in person or on Zoom, we are looking for a variety of speakers who represent the many organizations in the Sarasota-Manatee area. Since our lives have been "on hold" all these months, it may be a good time to remember and share your thoughts of whom we invite to present our programs.

We are looking forward to hearing your suggestions.

Thank you.

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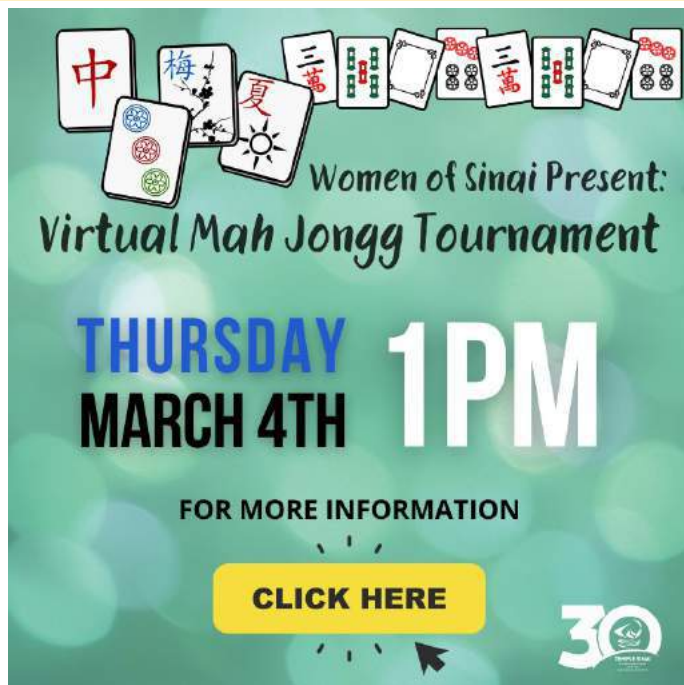
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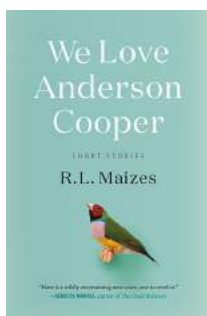
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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT FOR WOS BOOK CLUB!



On **April 15th**, at 2:00 p.m., please join the WOS Book Club for a Zoom **Conversation with An Author**. Rachel L. Maizes is the author of a collection of short stories called **WE LOVE ANDERSON COOPER**. That is the title of the story we will be discussing which is about a young man who comes out as gay during his Bar Mitzvah. The

other stories in the collection are well worth reading, especially the one about an interfaith couple who struggle to figure out what to do about Chanukah and Christmas.

When I spoke with the author, she stressed that she did not want to lecture but to have a conversation about her stories and also about her writing and career. So, mark your calendars for Thursday, April 15th at 2:00 PM for a great afternoon discussion.

On **May 20th** we will have the scheduled meeting with Rachel Dolan leading the discussion on the book **BECOMING NICOLE** by Amy Ellis Nutt.

L'hitraot,
Dobbie Linick Book Club Coordinator



Happy March Everyone and Happy Spring!!

Since the WOS has not been having their monthly luncheons, we have not been collecting items for the community. With so much need for food in the community, the WOS has decided to organize a temple-wide Food Drive.

This will occur the week before Passover. As you are cleaning out your pantries, please think about those in need of the food. We will have food bins delivered to the temple on Monday, March 22nd and these full bins will be picked up on Friday morning, March 26th.

You can deliver your non-perishable food items from **Tuesday, March 23rd through Thursday, March 25th**, during normal temple hours. These food items will go to **The Food Bank of Manatee**.

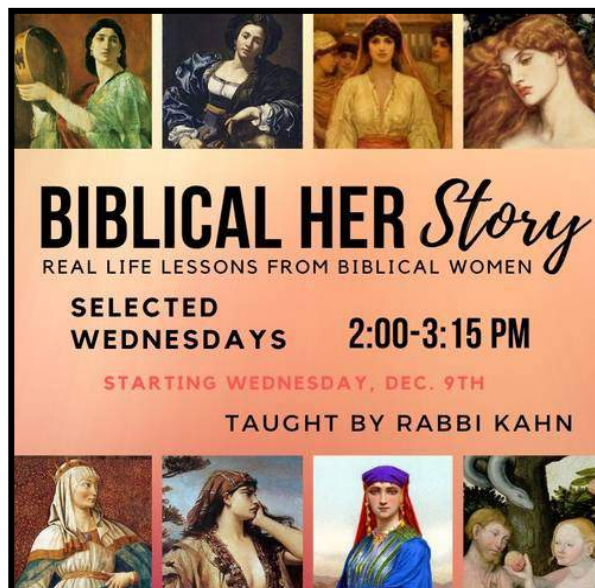
Of course, if you would rather make a donation directly to one of the local food banks, it would be greatly appreciated, as well. Please think about the cost of food if you went out to lunch or tried to feed a family of four. You can write a check to either of these two food banks:

All Faiths Food Bank of Sarasota The Food Bank of Manatee

Please send your check to me or bring it to the temple office and ask that it be placed in my folder.

As usual, I am most appreciative of your generosity.

Judy Polivy, VP Mitzvah WOS
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PROGRAM

A WORD FROM YOUR NEW PROGRAM DIRECTOR...

ANDREA EIFFERT



Hello! and I'm baaaaaack! Many longtime Sinai members will remember me from days of yore as Temple Sinai's first Youth Director. I have now returned for another first, as Temple Sinai's first **Program Director**. I will strive as always to bring interesting, educational and engaging programs your way, starting with the **ReJEWvenate Series** designed to unlock Jewish hearts and fill them with fun as you explore different aspects of Jewish culture. Learn from rabbis and educators about a variety of fascinating topics during this exciting series on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM. Beginning Tuesday, February 9 and continuing through March 30, 2021.

In April and May, we will have an exciting Israel education and virtual tour 8-part series titled **"The History of the State of Israel, Zionism through 2020: The first 72 years, How did we get here and what's next?"** Presented by Israel educator and tour guide, Uri Feinberg, this series will take participants on a journey through the history of the young state, from young Zionism to the British mandate, the founding of the state of Israel and where we are today. The last three sessions include virtual tours of Israel with our guide, Uri, and together we will uncover a different layer of Israeli society, history, past and present.

And this is just the start. **THERE IS SO MUCH MORE TO COME!**

Soon we will be able to safely gather in person and the past year (I like to refer to it as the 11th plague) will be a distant memory. And when that happens, I want to be ready to bring you more of the very best. To that end, I love collaboration and volunteer support. **So, if you have event planning experience, are looking to fill some of your time with fun and satisfying volunteer work and want to be part of the new Program Committee, please reach out to me and let me know.** I am looking to form a small but well-rounded committee, with teens, young parents, active adults, retirees and every age in between. For more information or to volunteer, contact me at: Aeiffert@sinaiSRQ.org or (941) 924-1802, option 6.

CORRECTIONS OFFICERS NEEDED! (Spelling error intended!)



Did that get your attention? If so, **WE NEED YOU** to help proofread some of our event marketing, communications and publication pieces for: wordsmithing, spelling, grammar and accuracy. If interested, please contact Andrea Eiffert at (941) 924.1802, option 6 for more details *Andrea*



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Laura Freedman
Director of Early Childhood
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Calendar

March 1-5 Celebrating **Dr. Seuss Week** at The Gan
March 6 **Pajama Havdalah** on ZOOM
March 12-19 Spring Break
March 28 **Family Seder**

Our Gan Mad Science Lab



Tu B'Shevat



Each class created their own tree to decorate the sanctuary.

3 year olds planting in the Teaching Garden beds.



4 year olds learning how to create "seed bombs" to plant.

Kaelynn Kaplan and friends maintaining tree planted in prior years for Tu B'Shevat.

Laura



MEMBERSHIP

Membership Directory Update

Please inform the temple office if there is any correction or change in your address, telephone numbers or email address, so that updates may be published in next month's TABLET.

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Milestone Anniversaries 25 years+

March 7 50 years

Patricia B. and Allan C. Schreiber

March 24 55 years

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A FAMILY FRIENDLY FUN-RAISER

January 30, 2021 7:00-8:30 p.m.

**A Variety Show that highlighted
many of our talented temple
members.**

The emcees were Rabbi Kahn and
Chazzan Abramson
and Maxwell Fletcher,
youth group president.

Virtual via Zoom.

"DESSERTS IN A BAG" were available
at the temple for pick-up

Sincerest thanks to our terrific
emcees: Rabbi Kahn, Chazzan Abramson
and Maxwell Fletcher

And to the wonderful performers we so
greatly appreciated!

Fletcher trio
Ava Einstein
Alyssa Mandel
Michael Pollack
Gail Glickman
Madeline Gersh
Anna Tufariello
Rory Gomien
Jack Guttman
April (Rose) Guttman
Jack Fletcher
Peter Intrator
Alix Leinwerber
Maya Gordon

Elana Margolis
Vice- President of Membership

CELEBRATE!

Please join us in wishing our fellow congregants a Happy Anniversary this month of March!

March 7
Kimberly and Jonathan Adler

March 11
Toby and David Weiss

March 14
Susan and Jerry Maliot

March 17
Beth and Howard Swartz

March 24
Sandra and Aubert Coran
Sherry and Jerry Thomas

March 25
Michele and Stewart Geboff
Phyllis and Stephen Swerdlow

March 30
Charlotte and Robert Hodes

March 31
Sandy and Gary Kravitz

Please wish these fellow congregants a very Happy Birthday as they celebrate their special March day.

March 1 Alan Chalfin Judy Fox	March 17 Fredda Chalfin Judy Drachman
March 2 Paul Chapman	March 18 Michael Juceam Jack Shapiro Gerald Sideman Howard Swartz Marissa Tufariello
March 3 Richard Bloom Michelle Portnow-Rivas Richard Stollman	March 19 Amir Arbisser Stuart Friedman
March 4 Lynn Lipson Jett Segal	March 20 Jerry Mechaber
March 5 Stanley Liner	March 21 Karen Chapman Theodore Gast Susanne Mosler Michael Nash
March 8 Stephanie Dluzneski	March 23 Ruth Kornman
March 10 Earl Schaffer	March 24 Marilyn Blankman Aubert Coran
March 11 Sandra Lindheimer	March 26 Jerry Kaye
March 12 Janet A. Gross	March 27 Alan Zimtbaum
March 13 Mary Collier Judy Goldblatt	March 29 Stewart Geboff
March 14 Barbara Ryder Corey Segal	March 31 Rochelle R. Frank Margo Friedman
March 15 Jane Glusman Harriet Kittner Robert Krasow	
March 16 Leonard Landau	



*Happy Special
March
Birthday!
50 years+*

March 3
Marcia B. Smith 90 years

March 7
Annie Jacobs 55 years

March 15
Howard Simon 85 years

March 19
Nancy A. Gold 75 years

March 22
Alison Piper 60 years

March 24
Michael Strauss 75 years

CHAVURAH PARDES



Despite the pandemic, Chavurah Pardes has socialized on a regular basis, thanks to our Zoom Mavens, Barbara and Michael Pollack.

Most recently, we got together on a Sunday afternoon for a "Lunch Bunch Zoom". The lively, hour-long discussion included where to get the COVID vaccinations, books we have read, shows we have streamed, and meals we have cooked at home. So much to talk about and there was never a dull moment. We all hope, before long, we'll be back to in-person get togethers.

Joanne Trachtenberg and Judy Rogovin, Co-Chats

THE FLETCHER TRIO

One morning in January, our trio, Maxwell, Jack and I, went to Village Walk in Palmer Ranch to play for Jean Burns. It only took 3 phone calls to convince her to have us come over!

Not only did she really enjoy the music but so did many of her neighbors watching. The kids really had a good time as well.

Renee Fletcher, Geriatric NP



Sarasota Jewish Theater's Inaugural Season In partnership with Jewish Federation of Sarasota/Manatee

Rehearsed Readings performed live on Zoom

Sunday, March 21, 3:00 p.m.

From *Door to Door* by James Sherman
Featuring Geraldine Librandi, Katherine Michelle
Tanner, and Sandra Musicante
Directed by Carole Kleinberg
Narrator, Rabbi Geoff Huntting

This funny and moving play spans 65 years, as a grandmother, mother and granddaughter grow and change, reveal secrets and surprises, but always operate from a foundation of love and appreciation of family.

A live Zoom talk-back will occur after each play featuring the actors and director. A special talk-back following *Cherry Docs* will be led by Jeff Solomon, the Director of Security for Jewish Federation.

Tickets are \$18, and can be ordered online at <https://jfedsrq.org/events> or by check to Jewish Federation, 580 McIntosh Rd, Sarasota, FL 34232, with Sarasota Jewish Theater in the subject line.



Thanks go to Barbara and Joe Sander, Laurie Lachowitz, Barbara Gruenberg, Marv Rosen and Pearl Perlinski for participating in our **30 member spotlight for the 30th**. Find the tiles on the website and sign up for interesting discussions or demonstrations.

Also thanks you to my wonderful committee who worked so hard to make our 30th anniversary virtual variety party very successful:

Laura Einstein, Co-chai; Lisa Naiburg, Judy Intrator, Dori Spector, Barbara Pollack, Bethany Leinweber, Gillian and Pearl Perlinski, Dena Wirt, Donna and Brian Oshrin, and Kathy Stern.

Elana Margolis: Chair

YOUTH GROUP UPDATE

SAFETY – Grades 9 – 12

JOOSY – Grades 6 – 8

Kesher – Grades 3 – 5

Kesher means a knot, connection, link.

Please visit our webpage at
<http://www.temple Sinai-sarasota.org/youthgroup.php> for more information about
SAFETY, JOOSY, and Kesher.

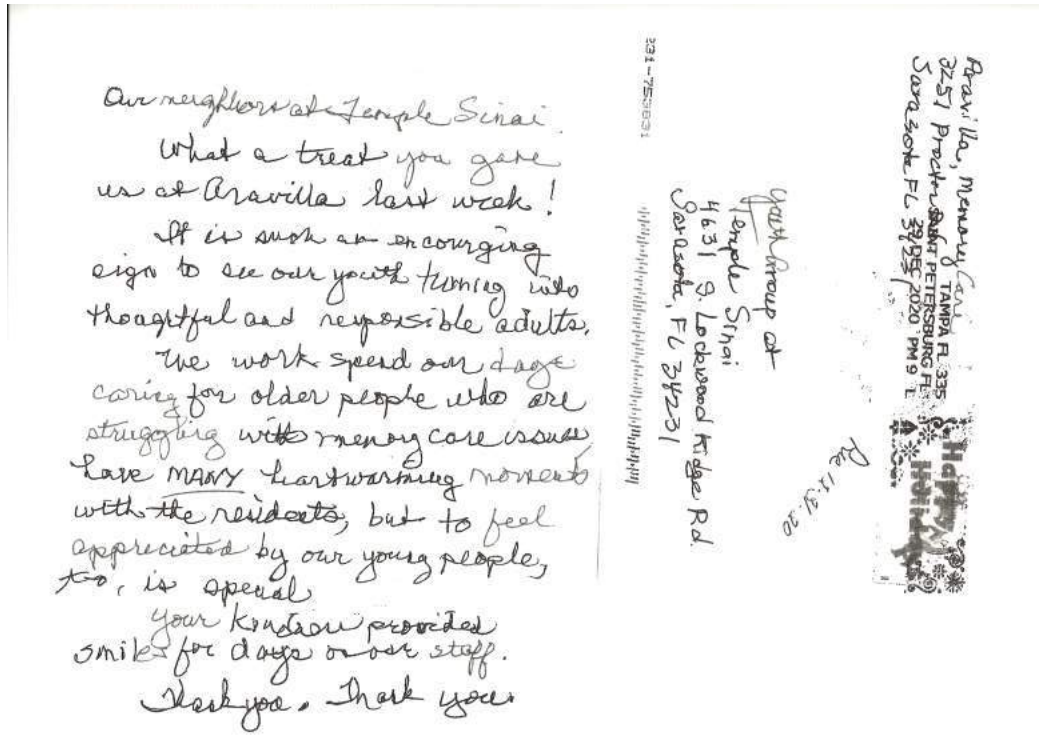


Deb Bryan, Youth Group Advisor

dbryan@sinaisrq.org.

MITZVAH PROJECT

Assisted Living Facility/Nursing Home Heroes
 Send Kind Words of Gratitude for "Holiday Bags!"



SAFETY Board Election and Event Informational Meeting

On February 4, fourteen youth group members gathered on Zoom to find out how to get more involved in the leadership aspect of youth group, participate in the upcoming SAFETY election, and of course, what events are still to come in February and March!



CALENDAR

March 7	SAFETY Board Meeting
March 21	SAFETY Board Meeting
March 28	"Leaving a Legacy" Youth Lounge Ceiling Tiles Event and Elections for grades 6 and up at 12 Noon

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL



Bethany Leinweber, Director of Youth Education, Outreach and Engagement

Looking Ahead

Calendar of Events School Openings, Closing, Special Programs

March 3/4	MID-WEEK HEBREW/ONLINE TUTORING 5:00-6:00 p.m.
March 7	10:00 a.m. – 12 NOON IN PERSON SCHOOL – K-7 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. - ONLINE - K-7 12 NOON – 2:00 p.m. – IN PERSON: MOVING TRADITIONS
March 10/11	MID-WEEK HEBREW/ONLINE TUTORING 5:00-6:00 p.m.
March 14	NO SCHOOL – SPRING BREAK
March 17/18	NO MID-WEEK HEBREW OR TUTORING
March 21	NO SCHOOL – SPRING BREAK
March 24/25	MID-WEEK HEBREW/ONLINE TUTORING 5:00-6:00 p.m.
March 25	7:30 p.m. BNAI MITZVAH MOVING TRADITIONS FAMILY PROGRAM
March 27	6:00 – 8:00 p.m. HAVDALLAH AND CONGREGATIONAL PASSOVER SEDER
March 28	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon: The Amazing Passover Race in Person (in cars) 5:00 p.m. FAMILY SEDER on Zoom
March 31/ April 1	MID-WEEK HEBREW 3-31/4-1 (CHAROSET DEMO AND TASTING) 5-6PM
April 3	Drive in Movie and Havdallah: <i>The Prince of Egypt</i>



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Our Tu B'Shevat Seder was a lovely evening spent with temple members of all ages engaging in the tastes, smells, and prayers of Tu B'Shevat.



Tu B'Shevat in the Parking Lot was a super fun and successful event attended by so many of our religious school families and some visitors! !



Geveret Martha and Daniella Band

Rabbi is teaching Adam Fischberg the prayer for eating fruit of the trees



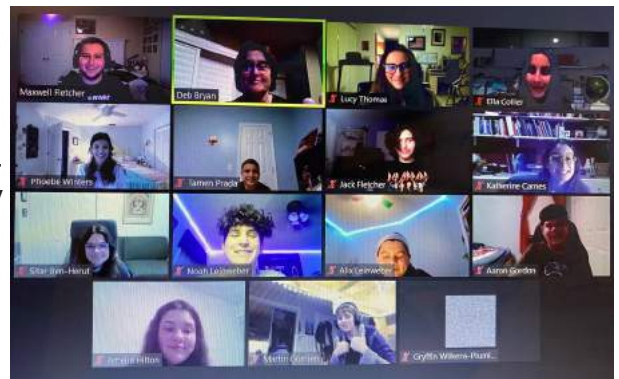
Morah Snait and Morgan Wilkens-Plumley

Teachers are handing out crafts and snacks



Noah Leinbeber and Mar Matt Kahn

Informational Meeting 4 in February



!!!NEW TOTAL!!!

1,959,915

Tabs for Souls

...and counting!

Spread the word!

Tabs can be dropped off at Temple Sinai mid-week from 9 am - 4 pm

Looking to make an easy contactless donation?
Purchase aluminum tabs on eBay and have them delivered directly to
Temple Sinai
4631 S. Lockwood Ridge Road
Sarasota, FL 3423



Sunday

March 14, 2021



SINAI SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPER SCHEDULE



IN PERSON
Following CDC
GUIDELINES

SUNDAYS
10am-12pm

Judaics, Hebrew, and **Specials** (cooking, music, Gaga, and Art). New and amazing B'nai Mitzvah and Teen programs through **Moving Traditions**.

WEDNESDAYS
5-6pm

Hebrew in Person for grades 3-7.
SMALL CLASS SIZES.

ONLINE



SUNDAYS
1-3pm

Judaics, Hebrew, and **Specials** (cooking, music, Gaga, and Art). New and amazing B'nai Mitzvah and Teen programs through **Moving Traditions**.

THURSDAYS
5-6pm

Virtual Hebrew on Zoom for grades 3-7.

All **HOLIDAYS**
+ **BIG EVENTS**

will be **Virtual**
on **Zoom**.

Go to www.SINAI SRQ.org.
SIGN IN to the membership
portal and **ENROLL**
YOUR CHILD NOW!

For more information:
Contact: Bethany Leinweber
Director of Youth Education
Outreach and Engagement
bleinweber@sinaisrq.org
941-726-7732



SIGN UP HERE

for In-Person Erev Shabbat
ATTENDEES & HONORS

FIRST SHABBAT



CHARTER MEMBERS & PAST PRESIDENTS PARTICIPATE

MAR 5th



TEMPLE SINAI CARES

Do you have a young adult in College?



Temple Sinai's College Connection

likes to keep in touch with their college students while they are away at school.



We send small gifts, surprises and treats throughout the year at Holiday time to remind our college students that their temple family is still connected with them.

To enroll your young adult in College Connection, please send their name and email address to:
Jeanne Marlowe
Jemlow61@gmail.com



A NEW 8-WEEK SERIES BEGINNING IN APRIL

THE HISTORY OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL: ZIONISM THROUGH 2020

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER!](#)

Coffee Talk IS BACK!

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKERS + OUR CLERGY WILL WEIGH IN ON THE TOPICS OF THE DAY!

Tues 1:30

STARTING TUES. NOV 3 ON FACEBOOK LIVE

JOIN CHAZZAN ABRAMSON

INTRODUCTION TO HIGH HOLIDAY LITURGY & MUSIC

USING THE MISHKAN HANEFESH

EVERY TUESDAY 11 AM - 12 PM

REB ARI PRESENTS

THE 12 MINOR PROPHETS | TUES 3PM

COURSE #4!

WHY IS THIS KIDDUSH CUP DIFFERENT FROM ALL OTHER KIDDUSH CUPS?:

THE STORY BEHIND JEWISH RITUAL ITEMS

MAR 2 TUESDAY

Presenter:
Rabbi Anat Moskowitz
7:00 PM

SINAI CELEBRATES 30 YEARS!

**MEET
30
MEMBERS**

**VIEW VIDEOS
ON DEMAND**



WATCH THEM HERE!

**THE MATURING VOICE:
STRENGTH, FLEXIBILITY & VOCAL HEALTH**

WITH CHAZZAN ABRAMSON

A Workshop with Exercises for Better Breathing,
Phonation and Habitual Vocal Behavior



**EVERY
WED
11AM**

THURSDAYS 9:15 AM

**WORD BY WORD:
WEEKLY TORAH
PORTION**

WITH RABBI KAHN

MUSIC OF THE SYNAGOGUE

**WHY WE SING
WHAT WE SING**

WITH CHAZZAN
CLIFF ABRAMSON

**THURSDAYS
@ 10:30 AM**



A TEMPLE SINAI HANG

GUYS NIGHT OUT

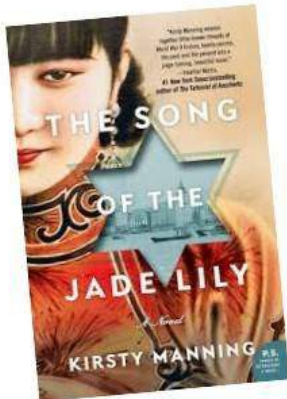
5:30 PM | MARCH 4, 2021

Outside Behind the Social Hall
TEMPLE SINAI SARASOTA

RSVP ONLINE



WOMEN SINAI BOOK CLUB




THE SONG OF THE JADE LILY

THURSDAY
MAR 18, 2021
2:00 - 3:30 PM

LEARN MORE
ABOUT THE
WOMEN OF SINAI'S

FOOD DRIVE

MON, MAR 22ND -
THURS, MAR 25TH
9AM - 3PM



MEET 30 MEMBERS

MONDAY, MARCH 22ND:

JOAN LAPPIN

AVOID FINANCIAL SCAMS

Don't fall victim to scams aimed at
Seniors!



10:30 - 11:30 AM

COURSE #7!



PROPHETIC JUDAISM

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION
& RESPONSIBILITY

MAR
23
TUESDAY

Presenter:
Rabbi Heather Miller
7:00 PM

FAMILY PASSOVER

Picnic
Ages 0 - 8

An
In Person
COVID-
FRIENDLY

5
PM



BYOB
(bring your
own blanket)
on the
grass

FREE Family Seder Goodie Bag

FREE
MAR
28
SUNDAY



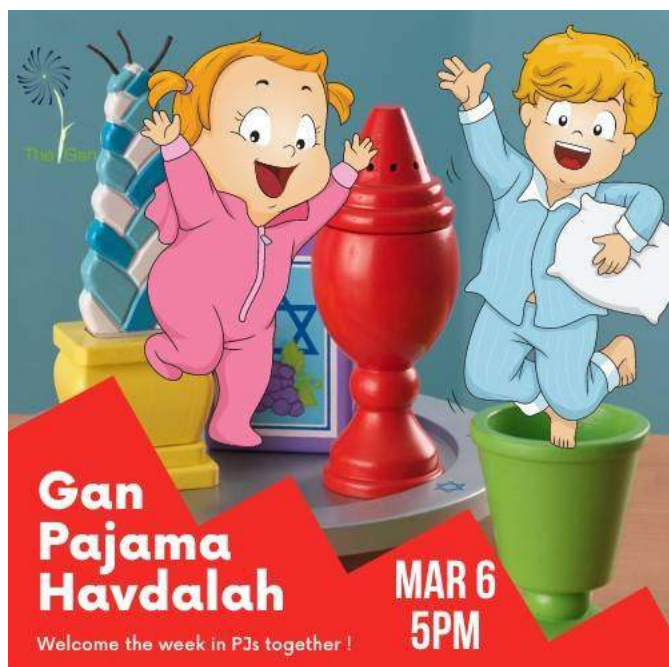
COURSE #8




HIDDEN GEMS OF ISRAEL

Presenter:
Uri Feinberg
7:00 PM

MAR
30
TUESDAY



Gan Pajama Havdalah

Welcome the week in PJs together!

MAR 6 5PM

COURSE #5!

ReJEWenate
Fun for the Jew in You

RBG: THE LAW & HER JEWISH VALUES

Presenter:
Rabbi Cookie Lea Olshein

MAR 9 TUESDAY 7:00 PM

A FUNDRAISING EVENT

BINGO

VIRTUAL SINAI BINGO

SATURDAY, MARCH 13 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM

4 BINGO cards for \$20 dollars - Additional cards \$5

MEET 30 MEMBERS

MONDAY, MARCH 8TH:

AMIR & LISA ARBISSER

GREEN IS GOLD

Learn about the design and construction of their Siesta Key ecological home that was green long before it was vogue. It is a LEED Platinum home which respects the environment.

10:30 - 11:30 AM

30 TEMPLE SINAI



BIBLICAL HER Story

REAL LIFE LESSONS FROM BIBLICAL WOMEN

SELECTED WEDNESDAYS 2:00-3:15 PM

TAUGHT BY RABBI KAHN




SINAI MEN'S CLUB FILM FORUM PRESENTS

MA RAINEY'S BLACK BOTTOM

SUNDAY, MARCH 14, 2021 7 pm

RSVP to Malcolm Roberts
at migdalar2@gmail.com
by **March 12th**



MEET 30 MEMBERS

MONDAY, MARCH 15TH:

STU GOLDFARB

**BACK TO THE BEGINNING:
THE EARLY HISTORY OF
TEMPLE SINAI**

30 TEMPLE SINAI
10:30 - 11:30 AM

COURSE #6!

ReJEWenate
Fun for the Jew in You

**INTRODUCTION TO
FEMINIST METHODOLOGY:
CRITIQUE AND STUDY OF TEXTS**

MAR 16 TUESDAY

Presenter:
Rabbi Elyse Goldstein
7:00 PM

30 TEMPLE SINAI

**SINAI MEN'S
BOOK CLUB**

DEAD WAKE

ERIK LARSON

**THURSDAY
MARCH 19, 2021
12:30 - 3:00 PM**

**VIRTUAL ZOOM
Schmooze**
With the Sinai Men's Club

YOU'RE INVITED to our 3rd Virtual
Zoom Schmooze of 2021!

**EAT LUNCH WITH
YOUR SINAI MEN'S
CLUB PALS!**

12 NOON - FRIDAY, MAR 26TH

SINAI MEN'S CLUB

**For a full list of Temple Sinai's AMAZING
events visit:**

WWW.SinaiSRQ.org/calendar

BECAUSE WE CARE...

TEMPLE SINAI GENERAL FUND

In Honor of:

Harriet Gersman's Birthday:
Dorothy and Jack Nesbit
Marc Rosen's Birthday: Dorothy
and Jack Nesbit
Marc Rosen's 75th Birthday: Irene
Hyman
Margo and Barry Friedman's
Wedding Anniversary: Carole and
Fred Gorin
Robin Klein Strauss and Michael
Strauss Wedding Anniversary:
Carole and Fred Gorin
Doug Cohen's Birthday: Carole
and Fred Gorin
Maxine Goodheim's Birthday:
Carole and Fred Gorin
Beth Stone's Birthday: Carole and
Fred Gorin
Gene Evans's Birthday: Carole
and Fred Gorin
Elinor Krasow's Birthday: Carole
and Fred Gorin
Marc Rosen's Birthday: Carole
and Fred Gorin
Marc Rosen's Birthday: Judy and
Robert Goldblatt
Mary Collier being nominated to
the Jewish Federation Board of
Directors: Ellyn Bender and
Pamela Paschall
Temple Sinai's 30th Anniversary:
Milton Richter
Hannah and Jack Michelson's
Wedding Anniversary: Betty and
Don Cahall
Larry Linhart's Special Birthday:
Betty and Don Cahall
Marc Rosen's Special Birthday:
Betty and Don Cahall
Laurie Lachowitz on the en-
gagement of her son Scott Woolf
to Jacyn: Carole and Fred Gorin
Laurie Lachowitz on the en-
gagement of her son Scott Woolf
to Jacyn: Ellyn Bender and Pam
Paschall
Elana Margolis, for all your help
with Marc's Birthday: Harriet and
Marc Rosen

In Appreciation of:

Ellyn Bender for all you do in this
terrible time. Thank you for being
our President: Judy and Zvi
Rogovin
Rabbi Kahn and Chazzan
Abramson's creative and ambi-
tious work to keep our services
meaningful: Roberta Gerlach
Sheryl Gofman for her work with
the COVID Task Force: Carole
and Fred Gorin
Laurie Criden's helping me to
learn Mah Jongg : Rachel Dolan

Speedy Recovery of:

Jeff Gelber: Judy and Robert
Goldblatt

In Memory of:

Les Singer, brother of Sandy
Kravitz: Sandy and Gary Kravitz
William R. Greenspan, Esq, broth-
er of Richard J. Greenspan: Betty
and Richard Greenspan
Scott Lustig, son of Delores
Lustig: Delores Lustig
Esther Goldberg, mother of
Delores Lustig: Delores Lustig
Dr. Howard Sokoloff: Harriet and
Marc Rosen
Alan Fine: Rae Ellen and Robert
Levene
David Lieberman: Carole and
Fred Gorin
Rebecca VanPraag: Carole and
Fred Gorin
David Lieberman: Martin
Fritzhand
David Lieberman: Betty and Don
Cahall
Henry Benesch, father of Michael
Benesch: Betty and Don Cahall
Jean Hess: Betty and Don Cahall
Henry Benesch: Sandy and Gary
Kravitz
Henry Benesch: Joanne and Alan
Trachtenberg
David Lieberman: Judith and Zvi
Rogovin
Devera Lurie, sister of Bruce
Feldman: Harriet and Don
Gersman
Freda Lee Hess Burstyn, mother
of Betty Cahall: Betty and Don
Cahall

Zelda Rosenthal: Roz and Ron
Rosenthal
Henry Benesch: Barbara and
Richard Brown

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Susan and Robert Goldstein

In Appreciation of:

Skye Mata for her work as the
Board of Trustees Secretary. We
appreciate you: The Sinai Board
of Trustees
Temple Sinai Clergy, Board of
Trustees and Staff Members:
Rona and Scott Elias

Speedy Recovery of:

Gloria Peretz: Shirley Rose
Fredda Chalfin: Marcy and Brian
Miller

In Memory of:

Rebecca Van'Praag: Mickie and
Jerry Kaye
Henry Benesch: Elyse and
Marvin Diamond

CHAZZAN'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In Appreciation of:

Cantor Abramson: Rachel Dolan
Sheryl Gofman for her work with
the COVID Task Force: Ellyn
Bender and Pamela Paschall
The Wyatt Family for the joy of
their beautiful music: Rachel
Dolan

In Memory of:

Henry Benesch: Doris and
Ronald Benice
Devera Lurie, sister of Bruce
Feldman: Doris and Ronald
Benice
David Lieberman: Mickie and
Jerry Kaye
Alden Kirshner, father of Art
Kirshner: Jane and Marvin
Glusman

**RABBI GEOFF HUNTTING/LIFE
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FUND**

In Memory of:

Herbert Horowitz: Elana and
Mark Margolis

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The Women of Sinai

THE GAN FUND

Baird Foundation on behalf of
Kathy and Richard Stern
The Women of Sinai

In Honor of:

The birth of daughter Elizabeth,
to Laura and Fletcher Rush;
Irving 'Buddy' Mishkin
Marc Rosen's 75th Birthday: Jane
and Marvin Glusman

In Memory of:

Ernest F. Rice, father of Kathy
Stern: Kathryn and Richard Stern

YOUTH GROUP FUND

The Women of Sinai

In Memory of:

Henry Benesch: Sara and
Michael Benesch
Herbert Horowitz: Janice
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**CECILE T. ALEXANDER
SOUND & PRODUCTION
ENHANCEMENT FUND**

In Honor of:

Harriet Gersman's Birthday:
Carole and Fred Gorin
Cecile Alexander's Birthday:
Mark Weinberg
Cecile Alexander's Birthday:
Carole and Fred Gorin
Toniet and Jim Wolfson, on your
granddaughter becoming a Bat
Mitzvah: Cecile Alexander

In Appreciation of:

Elana Margolis, for all she does
for Temple Sinai: Rachel Dolan

In Memory of:

Henry Benesch: Judith and
Leonard Swerdlow
Devera Lurie, sister of Bruce
Feldman: Cecile Alexander
David Lieberman: Cecile
'Alexander
Henry Benesch, father of Michael
Benesch: Cecile Alexander
Herbert Horowitz: Antonia and
James Wolfson
Morton Goldstein: Antonia and
James Wolfson
David Lieberman: Antonia and
James Wolfson

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In Memory of:

David Lieberman: Sheila Namiot
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**URJ SUMMER PROGRAM
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In Honor of:

Laurie Lachowitz on the engage-
ment of her son Scott Woolf to
Jaclyn: Nancy Bossov

In Memory of:

Sonny Woolf: Laurie Lachowitzer

**SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE
FUND**

In Memory of:

Henry Benesch: Nancy and
Richard Millstein

ANCHIN FUND

In Honor of:

Marc Rosen's 75th Birthday:
Judith and Leonard Swerdlow

In Appreciation of:

Laurie and Mark Criden for their
efforts on behalf of Temple Sinai:
Marcy and Brian Miller

In Memory of:

David Lieberman: Greta and
Malcolm Roberts
Henry Benesch: Ellen and Sidney
Rothschild
Edward Rudnitsky: Vivian
McDorman

TORAT CHAYIM FUND

In Honor of:

Byrna and Howard Tevlowitz birth
of their new grandson: Ellyn
Bender and Pamela Paschall
Bethany and Joshua Leinweber,
on your daughter Alix Leinweber
becoming a Bat Mitzvah: Alan
Boorstein

**SHERRY LINHART FLOWER
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David Lieberman: Elana and
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Glusman
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TABLET DEADLINE

articles, flyers and
photographs

**for the APRIL issue, are due no later than
MARCH 1ST.**

All text, flyers and best photos
(refer to emailed info) must be
e-mailed to **mickietablet@gmail.com.**

BOARD BRIEFS

As we start our 30th anniversary year, board members have worked hard to assure the future of the temple is secure. Specifically, the roof repair and other work on the building has been completed and the process for ensuring financial well-being through several avenues, including having our PPP loan forgiven and potentially receiving grant funds in the future. Special thanks to all who worked on these issues, particularly David Weiss, Marv Rosen, Alan Chalfin and Marian Siegel.

We are delighted to welcome Andrea Eiffert as our new director of programming. Andrea is a great addition to the Temple Sinai team, and we look forward to seeing what innovative events and programs await us.

The sanctuary is now open for Erev Shabbat services on a limited basis. If you have already had a chance to attend live services, you will know that we are taking every precaution possible for the health and safety of our congregants and clergy, including masking, distancing and temperature screening. If you have not yet had the opportunity to visit, please use the SignUp Genius link on the temple website.

Alyssa Mandel, secretary

SPECIAL NOTES:

Though we are physically distancing ourselves for all our health and safety, we are continuing to find ways to socially and emotionally connect, grow and celebrate.

Please refer to pages 10-11 of this tablet along with visiting Temple Sinai's website and Facebook page.

Temple Sinai's Website:
<https://templesinai-sarasota.org/>

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<https://www.facebook.com/templesinaisarasota/?ref=bookmarks>

During this Covid-19 crisis, if the temple office is not available, please contact Temple Sinai Clergy directly for the following:

- * If you hear of a congregant who is ill or in the hospital**
- * If you have a death to report**
- * If you have a Yahrzeit that you would like read or changed**

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CHAZZAN CLIFF ABRAMSON
chazzancwa@ol.com

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BETHANY LEINWEBER (941) 263-2015

PROGRAM DIRECTOR:

ANDREA EIFFERT PRESS 6

WE REMEMBER THEM...

Ellyn Bender and Pam Paschall for mother of Pam Paschall, Mary Paschall
Marilyn and Paul Blankman for Florence Blankman
Diane and Victor Block for cousin, Shirley Snofsky
Diane and Victor Block for sister, Adele Gabrielle
Diane and Victor Block for mother, Ethel Friedman Slodzina
Sylvia and Richard Bloom for Arthur Bloom
Gail and Larry Coel for Norma Coel
Geraldine and Leonard Drexler for Esther Drexler Riger
Illene and Skip Dyrda for Edward Dyrda
Elaine and Theodore Gast for mother of Elaine Gast, Hella Bussel
Jane and Marvin Glusman for Bernard Glusman
Maxine Goodheim for Leon Grossman
Maxine Goodheim for Garson Grossman
Joan and Harold Goodis for father of Joan Goodis, George Weiss
Carole and Fred Gorin for mother of Carole Gorin, Gertrude Plotkin
Janet and Louis Gross for Ronald Gross
Rabbi Geoff and Sue Huntting for father of Rabbi Huntting, William H. Huntting
Rabbi Geoff and Sue Huntting for Herbert Horowitz
Rabbi Geoff and Sue Huntting for Rebecca VanPraag
Sammey Hyde for Sheila Finkelstein Mallow
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In Memoriam

OUR CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY PASSED.

To the family of Selma Levenson, Temple Sinai congregant who died on January 2, 2021.

Bruce and Eleanor Feldman on the death of Bruce's sister, Devera Lurie, who died on January 6, 2021.

Debbie VanPraag and Stanley Goldsmith on the death of her mother and his mother-in-law, Rebecca VanPraag,, who died on January 8, 2021.

Arthur and Annette Kirshner on the death of his father and her father-in-law, Alden Kirshner, who died on January 10, 2021.

To the family of Herbert Horowitz, Temple Sinai congregant who died on January 10, 2021.

Itzel Lieberman on the death of her husband David Lieberman, who died on January 10, 2021.

Michael and Sara Benesch on the death of his father and her father-in-law, Henry Benesch, who died on January 11, 2021.

Maxine Goodheim on the death of her brother, Alvin Grossman, who died on January 20, 2021.

Temple Sinai Gardens is our very own Jewish section in the Robert Toale & Sons Funeral Home at Palms Memorial Park.

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SINAIVERSARY APPRECIATION

We heard from so many happy members with nice things to say about the January 30th Anniversary Variety show and would like to share a few with you...

Doug and I loved it. Not only was it a fund raiser; it was a FUN raiser! Hats off to everyone on the committee.

Best regards,

Janine Cohen

We certainly enjoyed seeing all the talented TS members. The gift bag full of fun treats was a perk. Out Rice Krispie treats have already disappeared. I really love the glitzy blue tote.

Thanks to everyone involved. **Betty & Don Cahall**

You did a wonderful job!! The organization and presentation were so well done and I know it was very difficult getting it all together. Everyone did so great. We really enjoyed the show. And the snack bags added to the fun. Thank you so much!

Judy and Howard Polivy

Emmy's for the entire cast. We are very proud of all the poised and talented students who joined the troupes!. It was wonderful to see how diverse and creative the musical artists are, and we hope they continue to contribute. **Rona and Scott Elias**

To all cast members:

Sinaiversary was a great success and made for a great evening of entertainment. We felt the love come through in every minute. Thank you all for your time, creativity and most importantly, your dedication to Temple Sinai. **Judy and Jim Feldman**

A lovely, entertaining program. Who realized how much in-house talent we have? Bravo!

Maxwell Fletcher is quite poised and articulate. Thank you,

Bonnie and Harvey Sussman

It was a great job. Under the circumstances Bravo. And as the Rabbi said., Let's go for another 30 yrs I have been a member for almost 28 yrs

Thanks for all the hard work that went into it! **Maxine Goodheim**

Kudos to you and the entire committee for a great event!

I know how much thought and work goes into a project like this and you certainly thought of everything, party bags, programs, goodies, door prizes and even home delivery in my case.

My favorite segment was the "tell the truth" with Rabbi and Chazzan.

Let's hope we can do our Sinai talent show live in the temple next year.

Again, mazel tov for a job well done.

Delores Lustig

That was really an awesome event. You guys pulled it together in a really novel and fun way.

Thank your committee and tell them it was a great success! **Laurie Lachowitzer**

It was ambitious & hamish... and very well done! Thirty is a major milestone. We enjoyed the evening while sampling treats from the goody bag

Cecile Klayton

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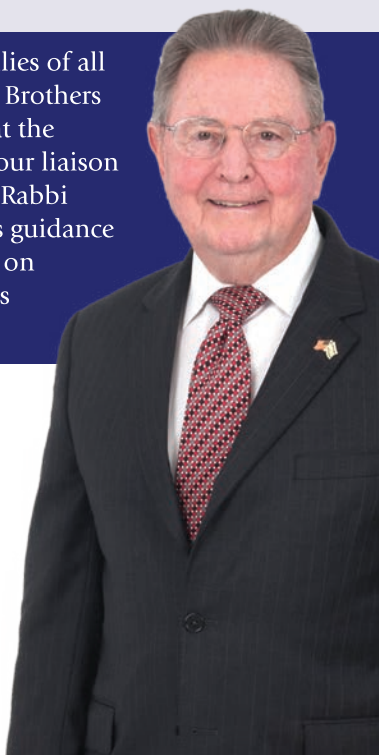
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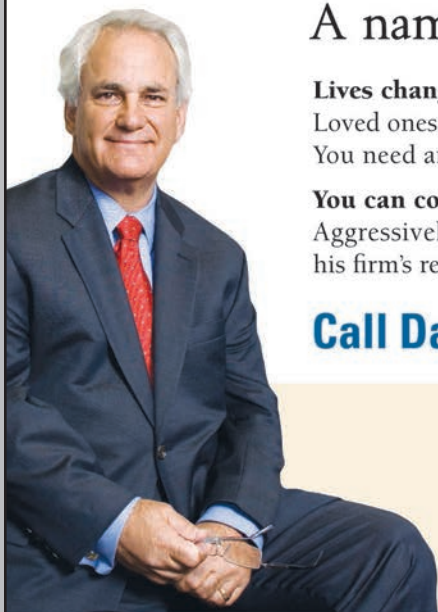
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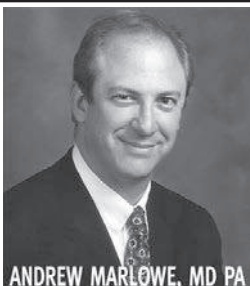
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