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about the cover:

Shavuot (Feast of Weeks) commemorates the revelation of the Torah on Mt. Sinai to the Jewish people and occurs on the 50th day after the 49 days of counting the Omer. Shavuot is one of the three biblically based pilgrimage holidays known as the **shalosh regalim**. It is associated with the grain harvest in the Torah.

It took Moses and the Israelites seven weeks of trekking through the desert to reach Mount Sinai. Shavuot literally translates to “weeks” in Hebrew, emphasizing the conclusion of this seven week journey. The timing of the holiday suggests that Shavuot may have been an ancient agricultural festival that took on special significance when the events at Mount Sinai occurred. Because of this, Jews will often “bring the outdoors indoors” by decorating the house and synagogue with flowers and greenery. Many Jews also celebrate the holiday by staying up all night on Erev Shavuot to study and symbolically prepare for receiving the wisdom of the Torah. This event is called Tikkun Leyl Shavuot (the Shavuot night watch).

TEMPLE SINAI OFFICE CLOSED:

MONDAY, MAY 17 - SHAVUOT

MONDAY, MAY 31 - MEMORIAL DAY

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.

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www.temple Sinai-sarasota.org

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[www.facebook.com/
temple Sinaisarasota](http://www.facebook.com/temple Sinaisarasota)

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- * **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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FROM YOUR CLERGY



There are many kinds of loving relationships in this world and in our biblical texts. Some of the most powerful are the easiest to overlook. This month, we will encounter one of the most devoted loves in our tradition as we celebrate Shavuot (which falls on May 16th - 17th this year).

On Shavuot we embrace the Torah, its teachings and traditions. Traditionally, we read the Book of Ruth and are moved by Ruth's declaration of loyalty to her mother-in-law, Naomi. Our rabbis hope we will all cling to our Jewish identities as tightly and beautifully as Ruth clings to Naomi. The story of Ruth's loyal love for Naomi demonstrates commitment marked by steady support and sober devotion, even when grief keeps Naomi from reciprocating.

In the beginning of the *Book of Ruth*, we learn that Naomi, along with her husband and two sons, leaves the land during a famine and goes to Moab. After her husband, Elimelech, dies, their two sons marry Moabite women and live in Moab. Ten years later, the sons also die. Naomi is left with her widowed daughters-in-law, Ruth and Orpah, her sons' two wives. Naomi, Ruth and Orpah then embark on a journey on the road to Judah, during which Naomi repeatedly pleads with her daughters-in-law, encouraging them to return to their mothers' homes. While Orpah eventually departs, Ruth declares her loyalty with an oath of commitment to Naomi, Naomi's people and Naomi's God. Ruth proclaims, "Do not urge me to leave you, to turn back and not follow you. For wherever you go, I will go; wherever you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God" (1:16)." Ruth is thus depicted as a selfless person who, out of loving kindness, does not want Naomi to travel or reside by herself. She sees how depressed Naomi is and thus steps up to take care of Naomi. Her pledge of loyalty is a declaration of the ultimate familial love.

We can learn so much from Ruth's example. We can strive to offer others, and ourselves, such an accepting love. In an interesting article on Web MD, Psychologist Leslie Becker-Phelps discusses what she believes are five different categories of love. While Ruth and Naomi's relationship are obviously not a passionate love with the exhilaration depicted by poets and in love songs, it is a meaningful and substantive love. Ruth's love for Naomi fits in all four of Becker-Phelps' other categories. Ruth offers a deep, platonic, love - showing empa-

thy and compassion for Naomi's pain, lovingly acting as a caretaker and providing for Naomi's needs.

In this month of Shavuot, I'm left to wonder: what would it be like to love Judaism in all of these ways? I think we often expect Judaism to offer us this kind of love - to offer us empathy and understanding, to care for us when we're in need of help, to embrace us and show us an unending support. And yes, I believe Judaism can and does step up in this way. But do we ever reciprocate? While it is normal and healthy to rely on our tradition at times, the holiday of Shavuot is not about emulating Naomi. It is meant to encourage us to be more like Ruth. So, I wonder - can we love Judaism, Jewish tradition, and Jewish peoplehood in this deep and enduring way? Can we offer our religious and cultural foundations empathy and understanding when they feel outdated? Can we care for our community's physical well-being when it is in need of help? Can we embrace each other with an endless amount of unbridled support? Is Judaism so much a part of our lives that we take it with us wherever we go?

These are the questions I encourage you to contemplate this month as part of our Shavuot celebration. Answer for yourselves; then let me know if and how you love our tradition the way Ruth loves Naomi. If you do, you may even be quoted in an upcoming sermon.

Wishing you all a month filled with love, both given and received, and a Shavuot that reminds you what you love about our Torah, community and tradition.

A handwritten signature in green ink that reads "Rabbi Kahn".

Rabbi Samantha O. Kahn

CHAVUROT

Chavurah Essen Fressen

Chavurah Essen Fressen had their first in person gathering to celebrate spring and everyone having their vaccines.

Sara Benesch



Chavurah Ruach Zoom Parties

The Pandemic has played quite a role in the way we have gotten together this year. Fortunately, many of us are now vaccinated and can see each other in person, which will make for more interesting and fun activities during 2021-2022.

Chavurah Ruach used Zoom for our activities twice during Pandemic times, prior to everyone in our group being vaccinated. The first Zoom meeting was in early December, and we were just happy to see each other for the first time together on screen. We spent a good amount of time catching up and talking about time spent during our Pandemic lives. It seems like such a long time ago, but that was just 4 months ago. This was followed by an exciting trivia game hosted by Ellen Rothschild, Ruach's trivia queen. She did a great job and had enough questions to last us all night; although there was no way **we** could last all night. Congrats to Paul and Marilyn Blankman, who were the big trivia winners.

The second Zoom meeting took place on Valentine's Day, so we decided to share our most memorable Valentine's Day experiences. Ellen Rothschild shared that her most memorable Valentine's Day was when she and Sid renewed their vows at Siesta Beach. Margo and Barry Friedman shared that Barry's sister was born on Valentine's Day. This was followed by another Trivia game hosted once again by Ellen, but it was getting late, and Ellen just threw us some questions. We didn't keep score so no big winners this time.



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

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!

CORRECTION: On page 6 of the April *TABLET*, the time of the Annual Congregation Meeting on May 23rd, on Zoom, should have read 11 a.m.

I'm happy to say that our entire group has been fully vaccinated, so we will be getting together at the end of April at the beach for a picnic dinner. We're all looking forward to having a good time and finally seeing each other in person again!!

Beth Stone, Chavurah Committee Co-Chairperson

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT



Let Me Count the Ways

A year has come and gone since the grip of COVID-19 basically removed our choices to move freely among our family, friends and Temple Sinai, our spiritual home. Yet, we carried on, connected by phone, by Zoom, by all means technologically possible. It has been a year of financial havoc for many of our members, as well as for the Temple. Events and social hall rentals that bring in much needed revenue were all cancelled, and our incredible Chef Adam had to seek other employment.

Yet, we have been so very fortunate this year. Let me count the ways:

- Our Annual Appeal goal was surpassed by more than \$15,000. THANK YOU!
- Donations, large and small, exceeded the previous year by more than \$28,000 year to date and we still have two more months in this fiscal year. THANK YOU!
- We received a Sarasota County CARES grant of \$50,000 to help defray the cost of lost facility rentals, fundraising events, COVID cleaning supplies, and membership.
- And finally, we received round 2 of the PPP "loan" for \$200,000.

Wow, you say! That is amazing. And so it is. We are very grateful. These funds have kept us afloat and our cash flowing, so that we have been able to pay our staff, our utilities and all our bills that support Temple Sinai. That is the good, no, great news!

The not-so-great news is that we are still running at a substantial deficit. As we began the budgeting process for our next fiscal year that runs from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, we confronted the increased costs associated with operating the Temple and the concomitant loss of members. Membership is down less than 10%, which is less than many synagogues across the country, but nevertheless, this loss of income in commitment fees and related donations contributes significantly to the budget deficit.

Therefore, the Board of Trustees is strongly supporting activities in the upcoming fiscal year that will both attract new members at all stages of life and strengthen the engagement of our current membership. We are going to be investing in Adult Programming, Marketing as well as Outreach and Engagement. We anticipate showcasing Temple

Sinai to the larger Jewish Sarasota/Manatee community with a much broader reach than we have achieved previously. We are dedicating our efforts to demonstrate the value that we have as a spiritual home and center for education across all ages, for worship and for social activities.

COVID-19 has brought more uncertainty to our budgeting process and our ability to forecast revenue than we have previously experienced. The 2021-22 budget also presents a challenge as we move into what we hope is a more normalized year. Of course, we will continue to seek ways to manage costs and maximize efficiency.

Join us at our Annual Congregational meeting, by Zoom on Sunday, May 23, at 11:00 a.m. Registration is required, and members only attendance is limited. Look for registration details on our website or via email.

There is no Temple Sinai without each of us. Our collective strength is Temple Sinai's strength. And we are strong in our commitment to grow, to innovate and to be here for each other.

L'shalom,

Ellyn Bender, President

*As I go through this most
challenging time in my life,
I have never felt more supported,
loved and cared for!
I am so grateful for all the out-
pouring of love
from our entire Sinai community.
Thank you very much for your
continued prayers and well wishes.*

Fredda Chalfin

A donation was made to the Temple Sinai General Fund in appreciation of all your support.



ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Board of Trustees 2021-2022 Slate

President	Ellyn Bender
President Elect	Alan Chalfin
Immediate Past President	Gary Kravitz
VP of Administration	Robert Handleman
VP of Development	Mark Criden
VP of Education	Brian Hersh
VP of Facilities	David Weiss
VP of Finance	Marvin Rosen
VP of Membership	Elana Margolis *
VP of Ritual	Barbara Pollack
Financial Secretary	Sherry Thomas
Secretary	Sarah Weiner
Parliamentarian	Peggy Miller
Trustee	Jason Collier
Trustee	Aryeh Weinstein
Trustee	Leigh Gordon

Members from the general membership to serve on the Nominating Committee for 2021-22:

Nancy Bossov, Charles Labiner, Audrey Quale

* *Must be approved for a 7th term by congregation*

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday May 23, 2021

11:00 a.m. on Zoom.

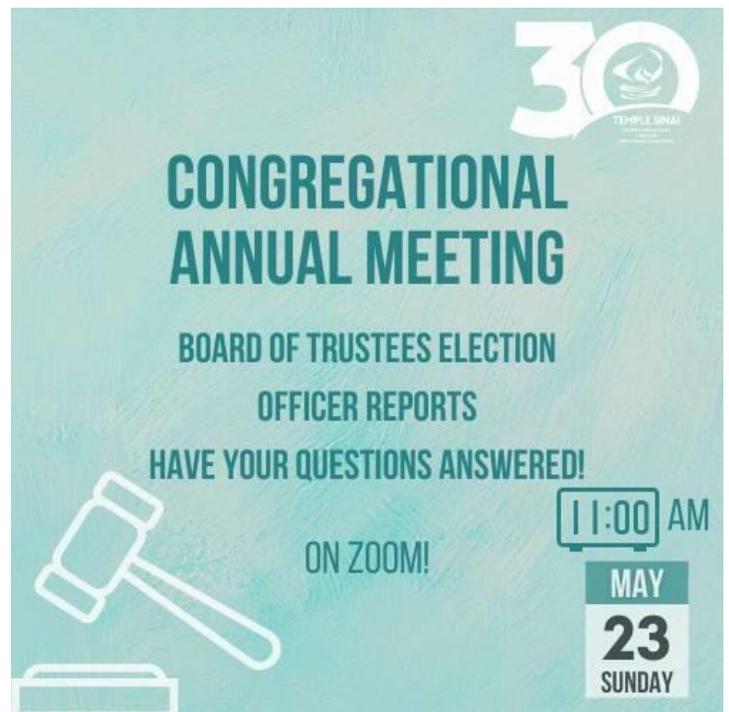
This Notice is being sent to all members of Temple Sinai, regardless of membership status. Associate Family, Associate Single, and Seasonal members are welcome to attend the meeting, but ineligible to vote. But please join us and find out what is happening at the temple.

- Rabbi's Message
- Chazzan's Message
- President's Report
- Reports of Various Officers
- Election of Board of Trustees

Nominees are listed in the attached Report of the Nominating Committee.

- Such other business as may be properly brought before the meeting

Absentee ballots can be requested from the Temple Sinai office. Absentee ballots will be mailed approximately twenty (20) days prior to the meeting. If you would like an absentee ballot within twenty (20) days of the Annual Meeting, please call the temple office at (941) 924-1802.



RITUAL



It's hard to believe that four years ago I began my term as VP of Ritual for Temple Sinai. As I write my final Tablet article, I am excited that Barbara Pollack will be our new incoming VP of Ritual.

In May, we will be observing *Shavuot*, a transitional time, and as I prepare to make the transition, I know you will be in good hands with Barbara. *Shavuot* is celebrated 50 days after the 2nd day of Passover and concludes the counting of the omer. It was one of the three pilgrimage festivals and commemorates the giving of the Torah on Mt. Sinai. It was originally a harvest festival, and the custom in many temples is to eat a dairy meal and read the Book of Ruth. Bethany has also planned a special school program on Sunday morning, May 16, where we will be climbing our own Mt. Sinai (the Celery Fields) and engaging in Torah study and other fun activities. Our Tikkun Leil Shavuot Service will be on Monday, May 17, at 10:30 a.m. on Zoom. Please check the website for more information.

I am thrilled that we have three B'nai Mitzvah celebrations in the month of May. On May 1, Ava Lernerz will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah. Ashley and Evan Ellsworth will celebrate their B'nai Mitzvah on May 8, followed by Kyle Tufariello on May 15. All these services will be held in our sanctuary, as well as virtually. Please join us in welcoming these four young adults into our community; they have worked hard to prepare for their special day.

The May 7th Sinaiversary Service will honor our educators and directors. And on the Erev Shabbat on May 28, we will officially install our new board of directors. Please continue to register for services on our website, as well as volunteer for ushers and honors. We continue to follow our Covid protocols and welcome a limited number of people into our sanctuary. Saturday morning services will continue to be held via Zoom.

I want to thank my hard-working ritual committee for all your help and support these past four years. This last year with Covid has certainly been challenging, but we have evolved and continue to offer beautiful and spiritually moving ritual services and events. It has been my pleasure and honor to work with Rabbi Kahn and Chazzan Abramson, and I look forward to my continued involvement with the ritual committee.

Todah Rabah.

Judy Swerdlow, VP Ritual

PROGRAM



Happy May to all! I am so pleased to share that Program Committee Chair, Amy Wenke, and I held the first program committee meeting in April with nine temple members in attendance; several more who expressed interest in joining the committee but were unable to attend the meeting. During the meeting, everyone took a few minutes to introduce him/herself and share a few reasons about their interest in Temple Sinai programs and in becoming a committee member. Our committee is made of members with diverse backgrounds! We have high school students to college professors, with program interests just as diverse! You can look forward to upcoming programs ranging from *Boating Havdalah* to *Complex Conversations About Israel* and much, much more. **We hope we will see you soon and often!**

Together, our program committee will create, curate and collaborate to bring new, exciting and engaging programs to our members! Don't dismay! We will also be sure to bring you more of the programs you have come to know and love, perhaps amped up a bit or with an exciting new twist, but always with you, our Temple Sinai family, in our committee members' minds and driving our efforts.

And, to YOU (yes, YOU): **It's not too late to get involved!** If you are interested in being on the committee, let us know. If that's not your thing but you like to volunteer at events, we can make that happen! If you have an idea for a program and want to help make it happen, give us a call!

Andrea Eiffert, Temple Sinai Program Director

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Women of Sinai Bloom Family Mitzvah Fund

To honor someone, wish them
a speedy recovery,
offer condolences or thank them,
consider making a donation to the
WOS Mitzvah Fund.

Cards are available for a minimum of \$7.00 each and
will be sent immediately.

If you wish to send the cards yourself,
you may obtain packs of five for \$30.

Contact Cecile Alexander, 2483 Vaccaro Drive,
Sarasota, FL 34231
(941) 926-7799 or sdcalexander@verizon.net.

SINAI MEN'S CLUB



This is the first of many articles that Howard Polivy and I will be submitting on behalf of the Sinai Men's Club as our 2-year term begins in June. Howard and I are

very excited about being the new Co-Presidents of the Sinai Men's Club. We are beginning to see the light at the end of the Covid tunnel where Zoom meetings will be a thing of the past, and we are once again gathering in person.

We want to thank Co-Presidents Dick Brown and Malcolm Roberts and the previous board for their dedication in continuing programming during these difficult times. Many of the board members have decided to stay on with the exception of Richard Stollman, Gene Evans, David Weiss and Jim Wolfson who will be stepping down, but who will always be close enough to call on when needed. We thank them for their service on the Sinai Men's Club Board., We are delighted to welcome to the board: Eric Fox, Michael Gruenberg, Mark Margolis, Brian Oshrin, and Marty Taffel. Even though they are new to the board, they have been Temple members for a while and will bring much valuable experience with them.

As we move forward, we will continue to bring programs such as the book club, schmoozes, breakfast speakers, Lunch and Learn and the newly created film forum. We also look forward to hearing from the membership and all of the men of Temple Sinai about what they would like to see the Sinai Men's Club incorporate going forward. We envision working closely together with the Women of Sinai, Religious School, and Temple Sinai in ways that will bring growth and prosperity to all.

To our Temple Sinai Men's Club members, we look forward to serving you during these next two years. For our nonmembers, we hope you will consider joining us as we begin a new year. Please feel free to contact us at any time.

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

L' Shalom,

Chester W. Perlinski, Jr. (Pearl)
Howard Polivy

SINAI MEN'S CLUB ANNUAL INSTALLATION MEETING

MAY 2, 2021
10:00 A.M.

PLEASE JOIN THIS SPECIAL VIRTUAL SMC MEETING

FEATURING

ANDREA EIFFERT, TEMPLE SINAI PROGRAM DIRECTOR

RABBI KAHN WILL CONDUCT
THE INSTALLATION

MEET OUR NEW CO-PRESIDENTS
PEARL PERLINSKI & HOWARD POLIVY

ZOOM LINK TO BE SENT PRIOR
TO THE MEETING

SMC FAMOUS SCHMOOZES

For questions/reservations
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TREE OF LIFE



A Dove is \$300;
a Leaf is \$150.

For information, contact
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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.

MAY AND AFTER THE FIRE
BY LAUREN BELFER
JUNE BEFORE WE WERE YOURS
BY LISA WINGATE
JULY NEWS OF THE WORLD
BY PAULETTE JILES

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WOMEN OF SINAI



The Women of Sinai is a vibrant part of our temple. We continue to look for new and creative ways to stay connected during these uncertain times.

On Thursday, April 1, the new board was elected. It is my humble pleasure to assume the role of president of

Women of Sinai.

I am pleased to announce the WOS Board for the 2021-2022 year.

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

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

Past Presidents:

Patty Schreiber, Joanne Trachtenberg, Rae Ellen Levene, Etta Raiken, Roz Ross, Sylvia Bloom, and Peggy Miller

Our mission remains consistent:

- Providing learning opportunities and intellectual stimulation, as well as Judaic experiences for our members.
- Providing a variety of events and programs in addition to our monthly luncheons, that are open to community members, as well as temple and WOS members.

- Communicating with WOS members, as well as temple members, regarding dissemination of up-to-date relevant information and accomplishments.

Here are the 10 top reasons I am excited to lead the WOS as president.

10. Supporting Temple Sinai, socially, spiritually, and financially
9. Being active in the greater Sarasota Jewish community
8. Sharing Rosh Chodesh
7. Hearing a variety of speakers
6. Reading and discussing many interesting books
5. Mahj and More
4. Dinner and a Movie
3. Donating to various charities
2. Being able to kvell and kvetch with like minded ladies

And the number one reason I am excited to be president of WOS is making forever friends.

Looking forward to the time when we can again join together in person. Until that time, please check the website, email, and snail mail to learn about how you can be involved, as we find unique ways to stay connected.

Warmly,
Laurie Criden
Laurie725@gmail.com; 716-208-6233

תודה רבה

Warmest appreciation to my very, very many friends in the Women of Sinai who sent me birthday wishes via our SIMCHAGRAM. Each name brought a smile to my lips and a glow to my heart while at the same time you supported the WOS.

In your honor, I have donated to the WOS Bloom Family Mitzvah Fund.

Mickie Kaye

WOMEN OF SINAI

Good News: The Gift Shop is Now Open

At 5:15 PM on Fridays only or by Appointment

All proceeds benefit Women of Sinai. We look forward to seeing you!

We hope you will stop in to see the colorful art works created by artist and Temple Sinai member, Robyn Aronovitch. We are excited to be carrying a unique collection of Robyn's brightly painted wall art and coaster sets. Need to fill a blank wall? Robyn is available for private commissions. Her contemporary pieces are a real conversation starter. Why not come in and see Robyn's beautiful creations for yourself? We also have on display some new chunky necklaces and earrings created by Karen Witte, another talented member of Temple Sinai. Each necklace has a personality all its own and will work with any wardrobe and budget. They are a must see!

Finally, we carry a wonderful selection of Judaica, greeting cards, religious jewelry, challah cutting boards, children's books and tzedakah boxes, and beautifully handcrafted pieces by Gary Rosenthal. Retirement is just around the corner for Gary, so hurry in to purchase that piece you have always wanted.



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WOS Mitzvah: The Food Drive



Our Food Drive was a great success!! I know I touched on it last month, but I really didn't have all the details then. I want you to know that with your terrific generosity, you all filled two large blue bins with food for The Food Bank of Manatee. But it doesn't stop there. With your generous monetary donations, we totaled \$1,720 for All Faiths Food Bank and The Food Bank of Manatee. You all are so thoughtful, kind and extremely generous.



Judy Polivy

I want to sincerely thank you again for fulfilling our Jewish Mitzvah of giving to the community.

Movie and More!

PRESENTED BY WOMEN OF SINAI

The Meyerowitz Stories

Adam Sandler Ben Stiller Dustin Hoffman Emma Thompson

OFFICIAL SELECTION
COMPETITION
FESTIVAL DE CANNES

MAY 23 SUNDAY

WHEN: Sunday, May 23rd
7:00 pm Film and Discussion with Carole Kleinberg

COST: A Voluntary Contribution will be welcome

QUESTIONS? REGISTRATION: Advance Registration REQUIRED

Janet Tolbert • JanetTolbert@gmail.com • 388-9624.

Make voluntary contributions payable to: **Women of Sinai**, and mail with this form to: **Barbara Pollack**, 16635 Collingtree Crossing, Lakewood Ranch 34202. Register by **May 20**. You will receive a zoom invitation via email. Please do not share the link with others.

Women of Sinai Movie & More - May 23rd

Names of Attendees _____

email _____ phone (____) _____

! FREE ON NETFLIX !

Watch the film in advance at your leisure in the comfort of your home and gather with WOS on May 23rd for friendship, fellowship, and a cultural experience as we discuss the film. Submit your questions on the chat.

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LIFE & LEGACY™



This spring marks a turning point for the Life & Legacy program at Temple Sinai. The program ended its four-year pilot program under the sponsorship of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation on March 31, and we are now set to take wing on our own. Laurie Lachowitz, who has done so much to keep our ball rolling for the past four years, has stepped down from our Life & Legacy Committee, leaving the reins to Janine Cohen and Mark Criden.

What a year this past year has been. Last year's Life and Legacy Shabbat, scheduled to be held on March 13, 2020 was cancelled Wednesday March 11 as the coronavirus cancelled all in person meeting activities. After the briefest of pauses, our Life and Legacy team pivoted to Zoom meetings; social distancing became the term to use, a term not used since the Flu Pandemic of 1918.

We joyously returned to host a combination in person and Zoom Shabbat service to honor our donors and volunteers on Friday, April 9. Our service highlighted our program successes and future outlook. The Life and Legacy team members who have worked so hard over the past four years to ensure the future of Temple Sinai by cultivating and stewarding legacy gifts took part in the service. Janine and Doug Cohen lit candles, Cookie Bloom and Marge Ellin chanted Kiddush and Motzi, and Elana Margolis, Daryl Worobow and Rich Greenspan had readings. Laurie Lachowitz handled the announcements, and Mark Criden provided remarks encouraging congregational giving. Pearl and Gillian Perlinski, among the newer participants in the program, ushered.

To honor Laurie Lachowitz's immense contributions, Laurie Criden produced a short video. Please visit Temple Sinai's website and Facebook page to view it.

Finally, the Grinspoon Foundation is sponsoring an evening of gratitude and storytelling on May 25 for the 18,000 national donors to the program. If you've committed to the future of Temple Sinai through a gift, current or planned, to the legacy program, watch for your invitation.

Marc Criden

TEMPLE SINAI CUSTODIAN, HORACIO VALDIVIA, SAVES THE DAY!

by Gail Glickman



When Deb Bryan, Youth Group Advisor, realized she could not find the list of those who made donations for Camp Jenny at the Sunday, March 28th Youth Group Event and worse than that, the money was gone as well, panic set in and she concluded that her only option was to replace the money from her own pocket. But lo and behold, Horacio stepped in to help. He pulled up the camera footage and saw that Deb had accidentally thrown everything that was on the table into the garbage! When she found out, she declared, "As I always do, I tell kids that we have to leave the place better than we found it, and cleaning up after ourselves is part of every event. I did what the kids did and cleaned my table, which included inadvertently throwing away the list of attendees and all the donations!"

Horacio was able to go through the garbage can and locate the missing paper and money! WHEW! Ellyn Bender, President, Deb Bryan and everyone concerned was so grateful that Horacio went the extra mile to figure out what happened to the money. He went above and beyond his normal duties and we commend him for his efforts to solve the mystery. Deb added, "Custodian Horacio is my hero! Thank you, Horacio, for all you did!" Sherlock Holmes could not have done better! Bravo, Horacio!

THE GAN



Laura Freedman
Director of Early Childhood Education

The Gan at Temple Sinai
Growing Minds, Strengthening Bodies, Nurturing souls

Calendar

- May 7 Shabbat L'Morim – honoring our educators of Temple Sinai
- May 14 No school – Parent/Teacher Conferences
- May 21 Tot Shabbat in a Bag
- May 28 Last Day of School
End of Year Show and Graduation

Fun with Cat in the Hat



Parparim class dressed as “Things” characters



Logan Appelbaum, Katie Silverstein, and Leo Sosa

At Gan Shabbat, Rabbi dressed as Thing 1 to share a story and Geveret Laura dressed as The Cat.



Passover Picnic



The Colkitt family



The Greber family



The Fincher family

The Weiner family



MEMBERSHIP

30 for the 30th

For the month of May our 30-member spotlight for our 30th year will be:

Robyn Aronovitch and Peggy Miller on May 24. Robyn will teach us how to create a piece of art. She currently has some of her work displayed in the WOS gift shop. Peggy will be teaching us how to crochet.

This spotlight is at 7:00 PM. Sign up on the website at www.sinairsq.org to get the Zoom link; look for the 30 for the 30th tile on the website. Our member spotlights are provided by our members for our members helping us to celebrate our 30th year!!!

Thanks to the following of members who have already provided us with a spotlight:

- Barbara and Joe Sander
- Barbara Gruenberg
- Marv Rosen
- Pearl Perlinski
- Amir and Lisa Arbisser
- Stu Goldfarb
- Joan Lappin
- Carole Kleinberg
- Jay Handelman
- Elana Margolis
- Vice- President of Membership

*Happy Special May
Birthday!
50 years+*

May 1	<i>Henry Mason</i>	75 years
May 2	<i>Gregory Markus</i>	70 years
May 3	<i>Cathy Jaffer</i>	65 years
May 4	<i>Marvin Diamond</i>	80 years
May 15	<i>Etta Raiken</i>	80 years

Calling Committee

It has been a year since the caring calls started. We are moving to every other month schedule. We have been making calls since last April! So, the next calls will go out in May.

The committee consists of 39 committed callers right now. Mostly, each person contacts between 5-6 people tops, except for Betty Cahall who has a standard 10.

Callers are so creative. Some tell jokes, sing songs, read poems, and call some people weekly. They let me know if someone needs help. They are an amazing bunch.

Please contact me if you are interested in joining our group!

Carole Gorin
chgorin@gmail.com; (941) 993-8709

Dedicated Callers

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| Alexander, Cecile | Katz, Howie |
| Asach, Lorraine | Kittner, Hattie |
| Berry, Melissa | Kopel, Clara |
| Brownrout, Sunny | Krasow, Elly |
| Cahall, Betty | Kravitz, Sandy |
| Del Pico, Beth | Lasky, Phyllis |
| Elias, Rona | Linick, Debbie |
| Friedman, Coleen | Margolis, Elana |
| Friedman, Margo | McDorman, Vivian |
| Gersman, Don | Peretz, Gloria |
| Goodheim, Maxine | Pollack, Barbara |
| Gordon, Leigh | Raiken, Etta |
| Gorin, Carole | Roucher, Nancy |
| Greenspan, Rich | Sofman, Randi |
| Handelman, Judy | Stern, Kathy |
| Heisler, Jamie | Strauss, Robin |
| Herman, Mona | Weinberg, Mark |
| Hendrickson, Kate | Weiss, Dave |
| Intrator, Judy | Wolfson, Jim |
| Katz, Dottie | |

continued:

May 16	<i>Marty Gersman</i>	85 years
May 17	<i>Janet Moses</i>	80 years



CELEBRATE!

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

May 1
Kathy and Moshe Horowitz

May 3
Shelley and Gregory Markus

May 4
Nancy and Raymond Swart
Carole and Malcolm Schwartz

May 6
Skye and Paul Mata

May 11
Elana and Mark Margolis

May 12
Paula and Arnold Spitalny

May 16
Lynn and Jerry Rothenberg

May 20
Amy and Stephen Wenke

May 21
Janine and Douglas Cohen

May 24
Susan and Leonard Landau
Phyllis and Fred Lasky

May 31
Lori and Andrew Cutler
Mary and Everett Gendler

Happy Anniversary!

Milestone Anniversaries

25 years+

May 12
Illene and Skip Dyrda
25 years



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

May 1 Phyllis Lasky Peggy Miller Mark Schwartz	May 17 Charley Madell Turon Faye Lipkins
May 2 Rachel Dolan	May 18 Michael Weinstein
May 3 Tonya Graber Alan Trachtenberg	May 19 Marc Friedman
May 4 Lisa Kleinberg	May 21 Cynthia Davis Guttman
May 5 Matt Kahn Marshall Medoff Robert S. Haft	May 23 Richard Greenspan Sheila Wollheim
May 6 Daniel Kisch	May 24 Arthur Kirshner
May 7 Elaine Merker Marty Taffel	May 25 Mikki Pertofsky Laura Sambursky Patricia B. Schreiber
May 11 Risa Segal	May 26 Harold Goodis
May 12 Allen Goldberg Jack Michelson Eldene Mohl Linda Smalheiser	May 27 Ronald Collier Nancy Menard
May 13 David Goldheim	May 28 Sheila Bellamy
May 14 Josh Lifrak Marilyn Shapo	May 29 Peter Livingston Esther B. Rose
May 15 Robert Hodes	
May 16 Joan Ennis Sheena Lambright Ellyn Bender	



BNAI MITZVOT



Ava Faith Lenerz, daughter of Rachel and Chris Lenerz of Sarasota, FL, will be called to the Torah as a **Bat Mitzvah on May 1, 2021**. Ava is a 7th grader at Pine View School and a National Junior Honor Society Member. Ava is an advocate for human and animal rights and believes strongly in spreading kindness in the world.

In her free time, Ava enjoys playing with her little sister, binge watching Netflix with her brother, snuggling her bunny, roller skating, and drawing. Ava and her family invite the entire Temple Sinai congregation to view her Bat Mitzvah via livestream.



Evan Joseph and Ashley Elizabeth, children of Beth and Brandon Ellsworth, will be called to the Torah as a **Bar and Bat Mitzvah on May 8, 2021**.

Evan is an 8th grader at Laurel Nokomis School. He has been playing travel baseball since the age of 7 and hopes to continue for as long as he can! He enjoys fishing, going to the beach, playing video games, and anything active!

Ashley is a 6th grader at Laurel Nokomis School and enjoys playing softball, hanging out with friends, going to the beach, and making tik toks.

Evan and Ashley recently relocated to Sarasota from Pennsylvania with their younger siblings, Keira (11) and Austen (5), their pet parakeet, and their dog Kingston. So far, they're loving the Florida lifestyle, and are so glad to be a part of the Temple Sinai congregation.



Kyle Logan Tufariello, son of Joseph and Marissa Tufariello of Bradenton, FL, will be called to the Torah as a **Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, May 15, 2021**.

As a student at Haile Middle School, he is involved in the school technology program where he was leader for The Technology Student Association (TSA). Kyle practices CrossFit and has a strong passion for automotive engineering. His hobbies include Go Kart racing and raising homing pigeons.

GIFT SHOP NEWS **LOOKING FOR ARTISTS**

Hello friends! We are looking for talented artists of all ages interested in selling their creations on a percentage basis in the Gift Shop. The Gift Shop is the perfect place to display and sell pieces of art, jewelry, or clothing that you have created. If this opportunity appeals to you, please send us an email introducing yourself and provide us with some pictures of your work. We will review all emails received and provide a response. Currently, the Gift Shop is selling brightly colored paintings and beverage coasters created by Robyn Aronovitch; bold, chunky necklaces and earrings by Karen Witte; and sterling silver jewelry beautifully handcrafted by Myron Bernstein. Myron's latest collection features hamsa necklaces and a stunning, modern silver mezzuzah.

We want you to think of us when you need candles for Shabbat, Havdalah, and memorials, challah covers and Kiddish cups, a gift for a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, a newly married couple, a baby, a birthday or anniversary, or a hostess gift – whatever the occasion may be. If there is a particular item you don't see and would like us to order it for you, please let us know. We are here for YOU.

The Gift Shop is open every Friday before services and during the week by appointment. All proceeds benefit Women of Sinai. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Barbara Bryden 516-314-0321; genetique@earthlink.net
Gillian Perlinski 703-371-7020; gillianlash@verizon.net



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bleinweber@templesinai-sarasota.org



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**MAY
16TH**

10:00 AM

CELEBRATE RECEIVING THE TORAH

BECAUSE WE CARE...

TEMPLE SINAI GENERAL FUND

In Honor of:

Rabbi Samantha Kahn and Chazzan Cliff Abramson, for all you have done to keep us connected, informed, educated and entertained during this difficult year: Janet and Melville Moses *Marcy and Brian Miller* on the birth of their grandson Daniel James Miller: Judith and Leonard Swerdlow

Marcy and Brian Miller on the birth of their grandson Daniel James Miller: Laurie and Mark Criden *Michelle and Stewart Geboff* on the birth of their grandchild: Judge and Robert Goldblatt

Margo Friedman's birthday: Judge and Robert Goldblatt

Ilene and Jeff Gelber's grandson Benjamin Gelber becoming a Bar Mitzvah: Rhoda and Stuart Friedman

Risa Segal who made my working at the temple most rewarding, I am truly grateful – and in support of the Women of Sinai: Gail Glickman

Alix Leinweber, on her becoming a Bat Mitzvah: Betty and Richard Greenspan

In Appreciation of:

Elana Margolis and the Si-naiversary Committee for the fabulous events being presented this year: Ellyn Bender and Pam Paschall

Mark Weinberg for helping members get Covid-19 appointments, and for being the giving person that you are: Carole and Fred Gorin

Judy Fox for your kindness: Judge and Robert Goldblatt

Elana Margolis for your kindness: Judge and Robert Goldblatt

Ruth and Howard Taylor for your kindness: Judge and Robert Goldblatt

Carole Gorin a very kind temple member: Jane Hazelcorn

Mark Weinberg a very kind temple member: Jane Hazelcorn

Laura Einstein for the wonderful way you conducted services: Carole and Fred Gorin
Joan E. Lappin, for her excellent 30/30 cautionary financial review: Betty and Richard Greenspan
Pearl Perlinski, for your work in submitting our FEMA Security grant: Ellyn Bender and Pam Paschall

Mark Weinberg, for your help registering members for COVID vaccinations: Ellyn Bender and Pam Paschall

Carole Gorin, for your help registering members for COVID vaccinations: Ellyn Bender and Pam Paschall

Speedy Recovery of:

Richard Toppel: Jean Danoff

Fredda Chalfin: Judith and Leonard Swerdlow

Fredda Chalfin: Robert Krasow

Kathy Bernstein: Judith and Leonard Swerdlow

Fredda Chalfin: Judge and Robert Goldblatt

Fredda Chalfin: Betty and Don Cahall

Dale Goldheim: Carole and Fred Gorin

Janice Grossman - and in support of the Women of Sinai: Elaine and Theodore Gast

Jamie Heisler: Ellyn Bender and Pam Paschall

In Memory of:

Allan Gersman: Peggy and Bob Miller

Allan Gersman: Elaine Kaplan

Allan Gersman: Susan Shubert

Allan Gersman: Joann Berger

Allan Gersman: Brenda Schimmel

Allan Gersman: Eleanor and Bruce Feldman

Allan Gersman: Inna and Gerald Sideman

Louis Fox, father of Eric Fox: Judge and Eric Fox

Rose Sokoloff, mother and mother-in-law of Harriet and Marc Rosen: Harriet and Marc Rosen

Mae Katz Rose, mother-in-law: Shirley Rose

Annette Galland, aunt of Dr. Richard Greenspan: Betty and Richard Greenspan
Samuel Rosen: Harriet and Marc Rosen

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In Appreciation of:

Rabbi Kahn's kind words, prayers, and touching service for husband Allan: Marty Gersman and Family

Rabbi Kahn's officiating services for husband Larry: Sharman Rosen

In Memory of:

Sam Stone, father and father-in-law of Jerold and Beth Stone:

Beth and Jerold Stone

Allan Gersman: Gail and Allan Shaivitz

Allan Gersman: Pamela Anderson

Norman Mohl: Elyse and Marvin Diamond

CHAZZAN'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In Honor of:

Alix Leinweber becoming a Bat Mitzvah: Ellyn Bender and Pam Paschall

In Appreciation of:

Chazzan Abramson's kind words and prayers, and touching service for husband Allan: Marty Gersman and Family

Speedy Recovery of:

Bert Harris: Jean Danoff

In Memory of:

Anna Weinblatt, Bubbie of Elana Margolis: Elana and Mark Margolis

RABBI GEOFF HUNTTING/LIFE AND LEGACY ENDOWMENT FUND

In Memory of:

Hinda Stone, sister and sister-in-law of Jerold and Beth Stone: Beth and Jerold Stone

Allan Gersman, Diane and Norman Silverstein
Hilda Bergman: Diane and Norman Silverstein
Isadore Kaufman, father of Kenneth Kaufman: Kenneth Kaufman

DIRECTOR OF YOUTH EDUCATION'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Cynthia Davis Guttman

In Honor of:

Alix Leinweber becoming a Bat Mitzvah: Carole and Fred Gorin
Alix Leinweber becoming a Bat Mitzvah: Risa, Corey, Skate and Jet Segal

GAN FUND

In Honor of:

Marcy and Brian Miller on the birth of their grandson Daniel James Miller: Alice and Mark Golub

In Appreciation of:

Risa Segal – she was a joy to work with: Judith and Leonard Swerdlow

In Memory of:

Harold M. Stern: Kathryn and Richard Stern
Allan Gersman: Kathryn and Richard Stern

CECILE T. ALEXANDER SOUND & PRODUCTION ENHANCEMENT FUND

Speedy Recovery of:

Fredda Chalfin: Ellyn Bender and Pan Paschall
Janice Grossman: Ellyn Bender and Pam Paschall

CARING COMMITTEE

In Appreciation of:

The committee's support: Gersman Family

HORAY SINAI FUND

Marilyn and Paul Blankman
Peggy and Bob Miller

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE FUND

In Appreciation of:

Laurie and Mark Criden for their monumental efforts in leading a successful Annual Appeal: Jamie and Mark Heisler

LIBRARY FUND

In Honor of:

Patty and Allan Schreiber's 50th Wedding Anniversary: Betty and Donald Cahall
Sara and Michael Benesch's 55th Wedding Anniversary: Betty and Donald Cahall

In Memory of:

Allan Gersman: Betty and Donald Cahall

SHERRY LINHART FLOWER FUND

In Memory of:

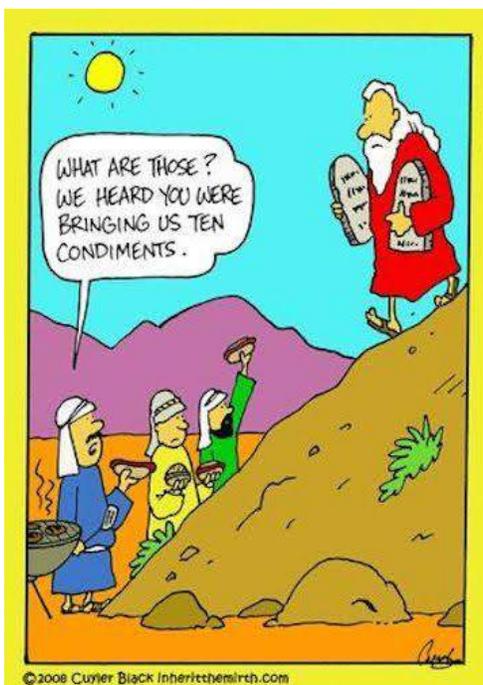
Mollie Stone, mother and mother-in-law of Jerold and Beth Stone: Beth and Jerold Stone
Rosalie Finkel, mother of Judith Swerdlow: Judith and Leonard Swerdlow

The board has decided to table its plans to participate in the URJ benchmarking project for the immediate future in order to conserve collective energy, but plans to revisit the project in the early fall. A COVID task force is being formed to explore things like hybrid delivery of services and programming, and what our landscape will look like after we are able to return to greater normalcy.

Although revenues from the Gan, the Gala and the Food Festival were down this year due to COVID, there is some good news in that we are comfortably positioned in our current cash reserves due to PPP grants; we are exploring some alternative fundraising ideas to ensure our continued financial health and well-being as a congregation.

The board extends a very hearty welcome to Andrea Eiffert, who will now be serving as director of programming in a full-time capacity. We are delighted to have Andrea directing this vital work and look forward to the innovative programming she has in store for the Sinai community in the future. Please join us in welcoming and congratulating her.

submitted by Alyssa Mandel



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL



Bethany Leinweber, Director of Youth Education, Outreach and Engagement

Here's What Happened While You Were Gone...

Amazing Passover Race – Thank you volunteers and staff for minding the stations, thank you to our families for coming out and joining in the fun. Mazel Tov to The Fletcher Family for coming in 1st place!



The Fincher Family and Laurie Criden



The Fletcher Family takes 1st place!



Leinweber Hillel sandwich!



Afikomen cheer with Gryffin and Morgan



Rabbi, Melanie and Bethany

Online students studied the Shema V'Ahavta and created beautiful canvases and clay mezuzot.



Birthdays for May – Yom Huledet Sameach!

Liana Lambright
Adir Tibi
Liza Friedman
Sitar Ben Herut
Iyar Ben Herut
Eden Tibi
Eliana Tibi
Evan Ellsworth

What's Happening in the Religious School in May?

- 5-2 10:00 A.M. – 12 NOON IN PERSON SCHOOL – K-7
1:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M. - ONLINE - K-7
- 5-5/5-6 MID-WEEK HEBREW/ONLINE TUTORING 5:00 - 6:00 P.M.
- 5-7 SHABBAT L'MORIM – SHABBAT SERVICES HONORING OUR TEACHERS AND
MADRICHIM 6-7:00 P.M. TEACHERS IN PERSON
(MADRICHIM WATCH LIVE STREAM)
- 5-9 NO SCHOOL – MOTHER'S DAY
- 5-12/5-13 MID-WEEK HEBREW/ONLINE TUTORING 5:00 - 6:00 P.M.
- 5-16 CLIMB MT SINAI – SHAVUOT EXPERIENCE AT CELERY FIELDS
10:00 A.M. – 12 NOON
CAMP COLEMAN SEND OFF DINNER/CELEBRATION 5 – 6 P.M.
- 5-19/5-20 MID-WEEK HEBREW/ONLINE TUTORING 5:00 - 6:00 P.M.
LAST DAY CELEBRATION AND AWARDS
- 5-23-21 LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL – CLASS CELEBRATIONS AND AWARDS
10:00 A.M. – 12 Noon IN PERSON
ONLINE 1 – 2:00 P.M.
- LAST DAY OF MOVING TRADITIONS FOR OUR TEENS: IN PERSON/ONLINE
12 Noon - 2:00 P.M.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

The work of **Temple Sinai's Membership Committee** is crucial to the creation of a meaningful temple community.

While every member is, by nature, involved in membership, the committee is the primary group that focuses on *attracting, recruiting, welcoming, integrating, engaging and retaining members* to help them find a lifelong place for themselves within our temple family.

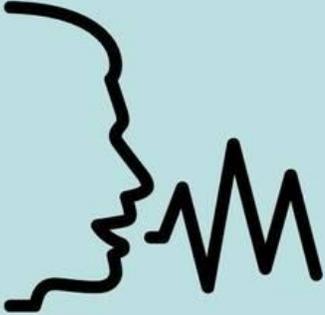
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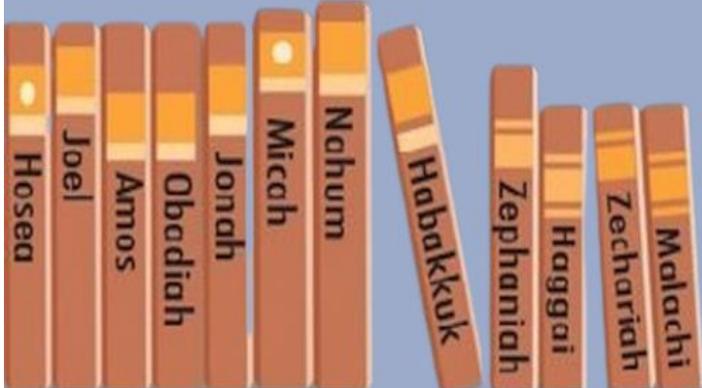
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BREATHWORK:
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IMPAIRED BREATHING
WITH CHAZZAN ABRAMSON



**EVERY
WED
11AM**

REB ARI PRESENTS
**THE 12 MINOR
PROPHETS** | **TUES
3PM**



MUSIC OF THE SYNAGOGUE
**WHY WE SING
WHAT WE SING**
WITH CHAZZAN
CLIFF ABRAMSON

ON HIATUS UNTIL THE FALL!

THURSDAYS
@ 10 AM



THURSDAYS 9:15 AM

**WORD BY WORD:
WEEKLY TORAH
PORTION**

WITH RABBI KAHN



*SINAI VERSARY
CELEBRATING 30 YEARS
1991 - 2021*

WE REMEMBER THEM...

Lorraine Asarch for niece, Nicole Eisenberg
Lorraine Asarch for aunt, Ruth Panor
Roberta and Frank Bachenheimer for Ronald Bachenheimer
Kay and Bob Bair for Allan Gersman
Diana and Lawrence Ehrlich for Rita Lewis
Micki Sherin Evans and Eugene Evans for Goldie Molack
Judith and Herbert Gofman for Lola Safier
Judith and Herbert Gofman for Edith Safier
Judy and Robert Goldblatt for Allan Gersman
Maxine Goodheim for Isadore Goodheim
Maxine Goodheim for Norman Carmel
Garole and Fred Gorin for Charlotte Gorin Lerner
Rabbi Geoff and Sue Huntting for mother of Sue Huntting, June Kittner
Rabbi Geoff and Sue Huntting for father of Sue Huntting, David Kittner
Dorothy and Howard Katz for Ruth Lerman
Harriet Kaufman for Pearl Schwartz
Ida and Joseph Levin for Tanya Levin
MaryJo, Brian, and Julie Lichterman for Julius Lichterman
Deborah Linick for Bruce Linick
Dobbie Linick for Bruce Linick
Bernice and Hayden Lipp for Allan Gersman
Lynn and Michael Lipson for Allan Gersman
Martha Magenheimer for Jane Morganti
Phyllis and Don Marcus for Allan Gersman
Susanne and Henry Mosler for Belle Popluder
Geraldine and Nigel Newman for Allan Gersman
Judith and Howard Polivy for uncle of Judith Polivy, Allen Slan

Judith and Howard Polivy for father of Howard Polivy, Irwin Polivy
Eve Pokornicky for David Neviasser
Leslee and Marc Price for mother, Doris Bush
Ellen and Sidney Rothschild for Anna Rothschild
Judith and Zvi Rogovin for Rachel Schoenfeld
Rona and Stanford Ross for Erik David Ross
Barbara and Joseph Sander for Sander Zwick
Earl Schaffer for Bee Schaffer
Francine, Frances and Paul Schatz for Robert Schatz
Patricia and Allan Schreiber for Fannie Gross
Patricia and Allan Schreiber for Ruth Biggard
Ruth and Leonard Shafer for Jean Rosenberg
Marilyn and Ron Shapo for Mitchell Shapo
Marilyn and Ron Shapo for Eli Hurwitz
Beverly and William Sloat for Gloria Stolman
Varsha and David Stein for Ralph Stein
Bryna and Howard Tevlowitz for mother, Annette Abramowitz
Bernice Volk for Marion Volk Fisher
Karen and Daryl Worobow for Sidney Worobow
Laura and Paul Zatz for Rebecca Wilkinsky



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

Eldene Mohl on the death of her husband and our congregant, Norman Mohl. Norman Mohl died on February 24, 2021.

The family of Bruno Sutley, our congregant, who died on March 4, 2021.

The family of Bernice Volk, our congregant, who died on March 25, 2021.

Karen Harris on the death of her husband and our congregant, Bert Harris. Bert Harris died on March 29, 2021.



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What a beautiful way to honor those who have passed away.

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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/community/teens>
for more information about
SAFETY, JOOSY, and Kesher.



Deb Bryan, Youth Group Advisor

dbryan@sinairsq.org

“Leave a Legacy” – Teens in Grades 6-12 Paint Youth Lounge Ceiling Tiles for Camp Jenny!

On March 28, Temple Sinai teens in grades 6-12 gathered in the Social Hall with masks on while adhering to social distancing rules. They could not have been happier to be together in person once again!

The annual event they came together for was one that began in the spring of 2015. It's called, “Leave a Legacy and Paint a Youth Lounge Ceiling Tile” which means that each teen is not only “Leaving a Legacy” but their donations, which they give in return for a ceiling tile, will benefit Camp Jenny!

Camp Jenny is “NFTY’s Southern Area and Southern Tropical Regions’ year-round mitzvah corps project, giving children from an urban school in Atlanta the opportunity to receive tutoring and support throughout the year, which then culminates in a 4-day long camp experience at URJ’s Camp Coleman over Memorial Day Weekend.”

Next time you are at temple, stop in and visit the Youth Lounge – but don’t forget to look up and enjoy our beautiful ceiling!



SAFETY Board Election Results in the Largest SAFETY Board We Have Had in Many Years!

The results are in! Mazel Tov to the 2021-2022 SAFETY Youth Group Board!

Executive Board

President Maxwell Fletcher
Programming Vice President Katherine Carnes
Social Action Vice President Phoebe Winters
Religious and Cultural Vice President Lucy Thomas
Membership Vice President Noah Leinweber
Communications Vice President OPEN

General Board

Historian Gryffin Wilkens-Plumley
Song Leader Jack Fletcher
Eighth Grade Representative Alix Leinweber

YOUTH GROUP UPDATE

A Special Note from the 3 New SAFETY Board Members!



“One thing I would like to do right away as the Social Action Vice President is to create more opportunities to give back to the community by setting up a weekly collection of food and clothing donations for those in need.” Phoebe Winters



“As Song Leader I will pursue playing live music during youth group programs, whether it is virtual or in person. This will include prayers or any songs that are requested.” Jack Fletcher



“In my new role as the Eighth Grade Representative, I would love to be able to bring the whole community more together! I want people to be more comfortable with each other, and I feel like I can help with making that happen!” Alix Leinweber

SAFETY BOARD MEMBERS WITH CELING TILES



CALENDAR

MAY

- 5/2 SAFETY Board Meeting at 4:00 p.m.
- 5/22 In-Person Event and New SAFETY Board Installation
- 5/23 SAFETY Board Meeting at 4:00 p.m.
- 5/30 SAFETY Board Meeting at 4:00 p.m.

JUNE

- 6/6 SAFETY Board Meeting at 4:00 p.m.

For more information about Temple Sinai SAFETY and JOOSY Youth Groups, visit our Temple Sinai web page at <https://www.temple Sinai-sarasota.org/community/teens> or contact Deb Bryan at dbryan@sinaisrq.org.

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Make it a habit to start your Shabbat with the Mitzvah of donating non-perishable food items.

Tabs for Souls

This school project is an on-going campaign to collect 6 million tabs as a way of making more real the Jewish people's loss during the Holocaust.

Tabs of all sorts are accepted - soda, energy drinks, beer, soup, cat food, tuna, etc.

Rosh Chodesh

celebrating the new moon

for women,

by women,

honoring women.

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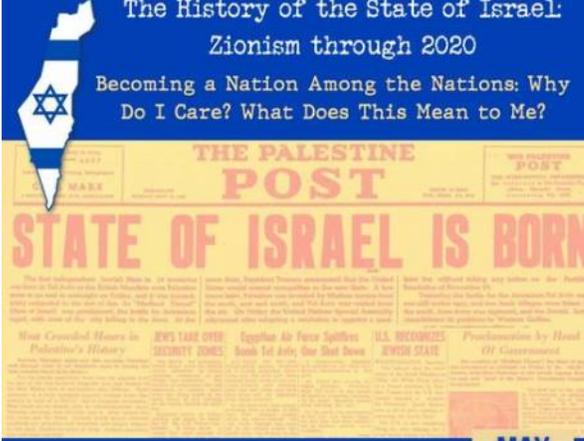
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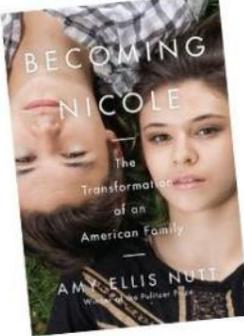
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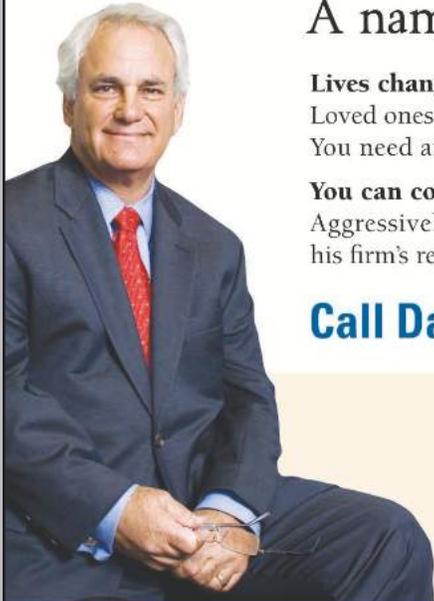




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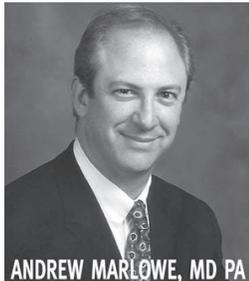
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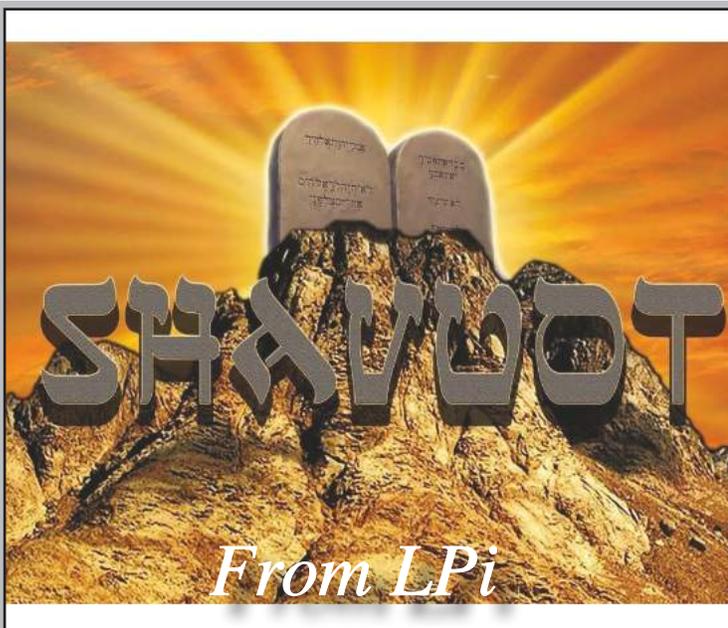


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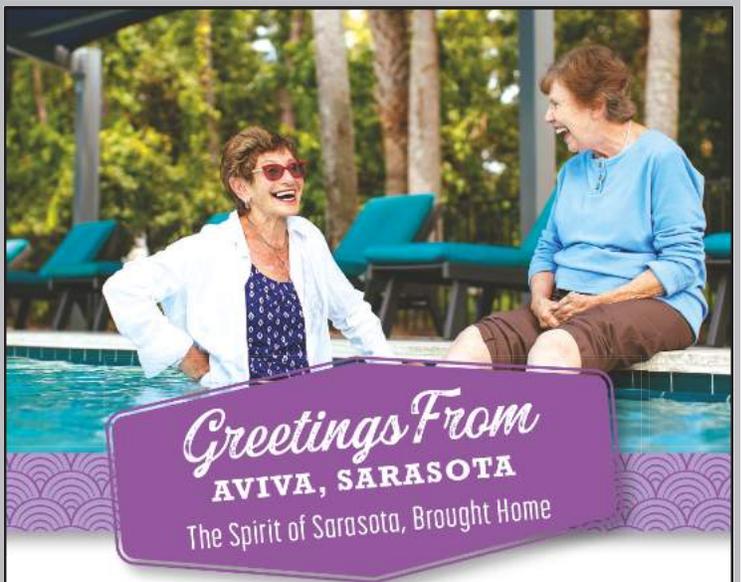
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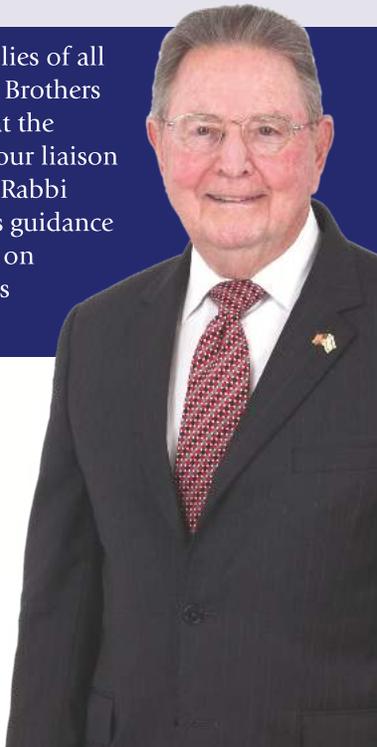
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