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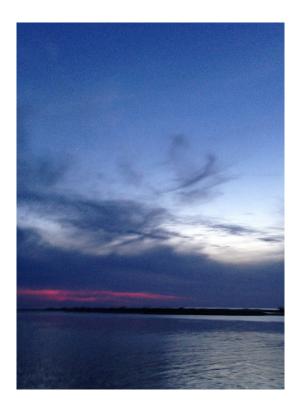
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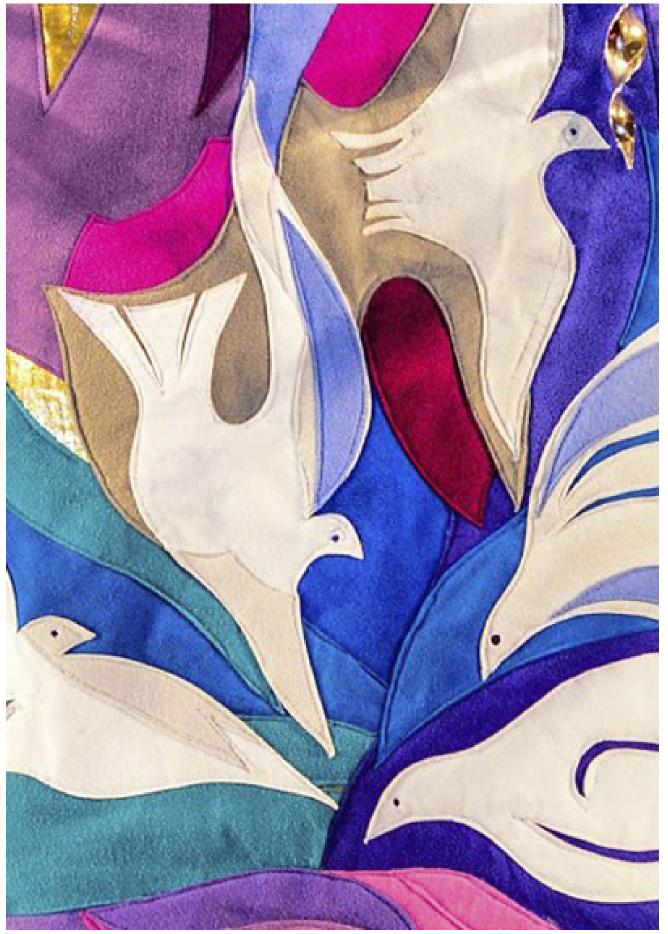
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Temple Sinai Torah covers. Photo by Ellyn Bender

### FROM YOUR CLERGY

emple Sinai was recently featured in a WEDU PBS special on anti-Semitism. For those who missed it, you can watch a clip of the program at: https://youtu.be/YYve8XDCL\_s. The program reminds us of the difficulty and complexity of living as Jews in America. In it, I refer to the Hanukkah decorations I put up at my home. While I get nervous sometimes about being so visibly Iewish in an area with serious anti-Semitism, Hanukkah teaches us to be courageous and proud. The Menorah banishes the darkness with light, fear with hope.

In the Babylonian Talmud, the rabbis ask: "When must we light the menorah?" The answer: "at sunset until the last of our neighbors arrive home." Think of that for a moment. The menorah is kindled during moments of darkness and must stay lit until every single person has found a safe way home. Hanukkah itself is thus a reminder to not give in to fear.

I believe the Talmud reinforces the act of Hanukkah decorating by teaching the very purpose of lighting the Hanukkah candles. It is not to remember the miracle, but rather to publicize the miracle through the display of the lights. Making an outward display of Jewish pride is central to the essence and meaning of Hanukkah. Even more than the sufganiyot (jelly donuts), the songs,

the latkes, and the dreidels, lighting the candles, sharing the glow, and displaying our celebration in view of the public is truly the central mitzvah and purpose of this festival.

This year our congregation is taking this to a whole new level. This Year, Hanukkah is coming to all of Sarasota as the holiday goes beyond the home and into the mall with a special hands-on experience for the whole family. This innovative program, Hands On Hanukkah, is all about bringing the holiday of Hanukkah to where people are during the holiday shopping season. We are making Hanukkah more accessible to people who may want to learn more about the holiday, but aren't comfortable entering a synagogue or Jewish Community Center. Through this program, people can experience the joy of Hanukkah in a comfortable, public space with the entire family.

Hands On Hanukkah will be held throughout the eight days of Hanukkah, November 28th-December 5th at UTC Mall, 4-7pm daily. It will include arts & crafts, raffles & giveaways, food & photos, storytelling, live musical performances and end with lighting the hanukkiah. We look forward to sharing this special time with you and your family.





### FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

#### Reflections in a mirror

Magic mirror on the wall, Who defines the fairest of us all?

Is it the media who makes this call, Or is it my reflection that says it all?



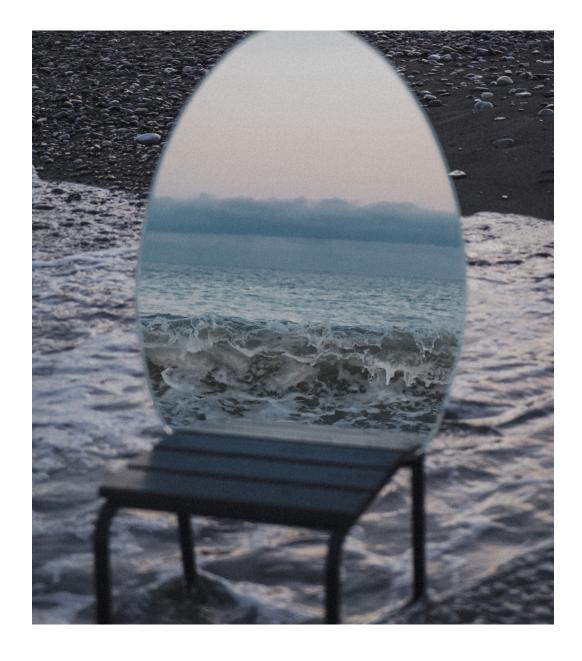
we are all standing together, divided. We are labeled, we are categorized. We are boxed. We are catalogued. Reform, Conservative, Liberal, Orthodox, Republican, Democrat, Far Left, Far Right, Independent. Black, White, Hispanic, Eurasian, Native, Indigenous. Atheist, Christian, Jewish, Buddhist, Muslim, Catholic, he/she, they/them, she/her/hers, non-binary, gay, lesbian, heterosexual, transexual, bisexual. Citizens, refugees, illegals. And the list goes on to fill a page.

Too often, it seems to me in recent times, we have become entrenched in our divisions, instead of focusing on our commonalities. We are all human beings. We all share the same basic needs. These labels are serving to isolate and magnify our differences. Of course, we are not all of the same mind. Of course, we have differences. But are those differences significant enough to override our basic humanness? Both social media and "news" media seem to be exploiting and fostering these silos at a time when perhaps what we need most is to be reminded of our similarities, of our common humanity.

In a recent NY Times Opinion piece, David Brooks identifies the problem of what is called essentialism – belief that each of these groups or labels has "essential and immutable natures, rooted in biology or in the nature of reality". I fear that some people believe these labels are inherent in biology, are unchangeable. I know that these labels are pushing us further apart, creating increasing hostility at a time when what we need is to reach out to each other to celebrate the joys of life and support each other in times of need.

And if we look closely within a single category, is everyone defined by a label exactly alike? Are all white Christian men alike? Are all Muslims alike? Can we be defined by a single term? Are we not diverse within that group? Take Reform Jews as an example. Reform Judaism is based on change, on the need to evolve and adapt to changing times. We encourage diversity coined in the term audacious hospitality – to be inviting and encouraging of racial diversity, equity and inclusion. We embrace diversity and differences. We are not a homogenous entity.

I look in my mirror and what do I see? I see a grayed haired woman, wrinkles, scars, freckles, a crooked smile, and blue eyes that still penetrate. I don't see a New Yorker, a Jew, a Republican or a Democrat, a Right to Life or a Pro-Choice sign. I just see me. I think it is timely and essential to reflect on our own simple image and dismiss the labels that others may use to categorize and separate us from one another.



As I look joyfully ahead to our tradition of sharing a Thanksgiving prayer service with our sister congregation, the Church of the Palms, it gives me hope that these days of divisiveness and silos may soon yield to the simple recognition that we are all people: not groups, not stereotypes, and not labels.

I wish you and your family a very warm and happy Thanksgiving!

B'shalom,

Ellyn

### SINAI MEN'S CLUB

re would like to welcome our newest Temple Sinai/SMC members – Arie Bortinger, Jerry Kamiel, and Barron Schimberg. We are happy to have you join us! With our new sponsorship program in place, we are looking for SMC members who would like to volunteer to be a sponsor. If interested in this program, please contact Marc Rosen at harmar67@aol.com.

The COVID numbers continue to change with the Delta variant. Our most important mission is to make sure that everyone is safe, so we have adjusted and started zooming our programs again. We will continue to work hard to provide the best programming possible, whether it's live or by Zoom.

November 11: The SMC will be hosting a Lunch & Learn at 12:00 noon by Zoom. Click here for the link. BYBB - Bring Your Brown Bag Lunch. Learn about the Sarasota Jewish Theater with its Artistic Director, Temple Sinai's very own Carole Kleinberg! The SJT promises a full and engaging season. You don't want to miss Carole's presentation! All are welcome to attend. No RSVP necessary. Please contact Malcom Roberts at migdalor2@gmail.com for more information.

November 12: Zvi Rogovin is looking for all Veterans who have served in the U.S Armed Forces or the Israel Defense Forces. Please send Zvi the highest rank you held, branch of service, and years you served. If any of you would like to participate in the Shabbat Service honoring our Veterans on Friday, November 12, please email Zvi for further information at zjrogovin@ verizon.net



November 13:

The SMC will be hosting a Virtual Trivia Night from 7:00-8:30 PM. The cost is \$10 per household. Prizes will be awarded to the winning team (one prize per household). If you are interested in playing click here. Co-President Pearl Perlinski will be the emcee for the evening. You may also contact Pearl at ofcpearl@verizon.net for further details.

November 14: The SMC will be hosting their first Annual Blood Drive in Support of Adam Swerdlow from 9:00AM-2:00PM at Temple Sinai. Please save the date and come out and donate some blood. If you would like to donate blood, please click here. If you can't give blood, but would like to volunteer at the Blood Drive, please contact Co-President Pearl Perlinski at ofcpearl@verizon.net.

November 14: Mike Pollack will be hosting the Zoom Film Forum at 7:00PM. The title of the film is "Maktub." Please RSVP to Mike Pollack at mpollack738@gmail.com, no later than Thursday, November 11.

November 17: Mark your calendars for our next Schmooze Event at 11:30 AM. We will be meeting at Phillippi Creek Oyster Bar located at 5353 S. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, FL 34231. We hope you will come and enjoy the sunshine as we dine outdoors. Please RSVP to Richard Brown at 67oldsmobile@gmail.com no later than November 14, if you wish to attend.

November 18: Allan Schreiber will be back hosting the Zoom Book Club. The title of the book is "The Sympathizer" by Viet Thanh Nguyen. Please RSVP to Allan Schreiber at allanschreiber@comcast.net, no later than Monday, November 15, to join in the discussion.

November 21: The SMC will be participating in the Temple Sinai Mitzvah Day "Everything but the Turkey" on Sunday, November 21. The SMC will be preparing mashed potatoes for 100 servings to be donated to Second Chance Last Opportunity. We will meet in the Social Hall at 10:00AM. We are looking for volunteers! Click here to participate.

Michael Gruenberg and Marty Taffel, our programming team, continue wo work closely together to develop monthly programs that will interest our current membership and will excite new prospective members to join. Looking ahead please Save the Date for March 1, 2022 to go see the Houston Astros vs Atlanta Braves spring training baseball game. Have an idea for a program you would like to share? Please send an email to Michael Gruenberg at michael. gruenberg@verizon.net.

Haven't joined the Men's Club yet, but would like to? Our Annual Membership Drive is still underway. A membership mailing was sent out in August. If you have not responded yet, please do so. You can join through ShulCloud, or you can print the Sinai Men's Club Membership Form from ShulCloud and mail it with your check to David Stein at 7104 Rue Palisades, Sarasota, FL 34238. For membership information, please contact David Stein,

Membership Chair, on his cell at 240-672-4771, or by email at steintravel@verizon. net.

We wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving!

Chester "Pearl" Perlinski – Co President Howard Polivy – Co President

# BLOOD DRIVE Presented by TEMPLE SINAI'S MEN'S CLUB

IEMPLE SINAL'S MEN'S CLUB

ADAM SWERDLOW

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### WOMEN OF SINAI

s it really November? My new touch points for this month are the more comfortable evenings and the return of many of our snowbirds! I write this article at the end of September and need to use some magical powers to see how the world will be.

First I want to give a big shout out to Judy Polivy for coordinating the clothing drive for Hope Family Services. Two large SUVs were filled on Rosh Hashanah. Thanks also to everyone who donated.

Next a round of applause to Dobbie Linnick for coordinating the Sukkot service. It was beautifully done and I feel honored to be part of such a wonderful group of ladies.

On Oct. 17 we had a new member zoom meeting. Thanks to Janet Moses and Judy Feldman, our membership VPs, for setting this up. Our membership is growing and I hope that at this point we have crested 200 members! We are the largest group within Temple Sinai and I am continually amazed at the wonderful work we do, whether stuffing envelopes, leading services, or donating to needy causes.

Being an optimist, I'm excited for our first, (although presently without a luncheon) hybrid presentation from Embracing Our Differences. Embracing Our Differences is a not-for-profit organization based in Sarasota, Florida, that uses the power of art and education to expand consciousness and open the heart to celebrate the diversity of the human family. It accomplishes this through an annual, large-scale, juried art exhibition and a comprehensive series of educational initiatives, programs and resources designed for teachers and students. Many of us have seen the display and are moved by the artwork and words.

The book club returns to a hybrid model as well with a discussion on the book "The Vanishing

Half" on November 18. The story of a pair of African-American identical twins. One hides her racial identity and one embraces it. I will be facilitating the discussion. Hope you will join us.



Looking for an easy Mitzvah? Help out at UTC when Temple Sinai shines bright during the eight days of Chanukah. Check the website to register to help.

I leave you with this, my fellow seniors. Hope it makes you smile!

Laurie Criden



I JUST discovered my age group! I am a Seenager (senior teenager).

I have everything that I wanted as a teenager, only 55-60 years later. I don't have to go to school or work. I get an allowance every month. I have my own pad. I don't have a curfew. I have a driver's license and my own car.

I have ID that gets me into bars and the wine store. I like the wine store best. The people I hang around with are not scared of getting pregnant, they aren't scared of anything, they have been blessed to live this long, why be scared? And I don't have acne. Life is Good!

Also, you will feel much more intelligent after reading this, if you are a **Seenager**. Brains of older people are slow because they know so much. People do not decline mentally with age; it just takes them longer to recall facts because they have more information in their brains. Scientists believe this also makes you hard of hearing as it puts pressure on your inner ear.

Also, older people often go to another room to get something and when they get there, they stand there wondering what they came for. It is **NOT** a memory problem; it is nature's way of making older people do more exercise.

#### SO THERE!

I have more friends I should send this to, but right now I can't remember their names. So please forward this to your friends; they may be my friends, too.

### **WOMEN OF SINAI GIFT SHOP**

ith the High Holy Days behind us, we are now looking forward to Thanksgiving and Chanukah. We are hopeful that things will be much different this year and we will be able to spend the holidays with our family and friends.

Now would be the perfect time to start your Chanukah shopping so why not get a jump on things. We have Chanukah gifts for the young and the young at heart, including menorahs for children and adults, wooden dreidels, coloring books, story books, and tzedakah boxes. What better way to teach your little ones the important lesson of charity? For the adults, we have just received our final shipment of merchandise from Gary Rosenthal. Gary has been sculpting in welded metals since the 70's. Last year he decided to retire so we ordered some beautiful handcrafted pieces while we still could. We have displayed all of Gary's items on the front table as you enter the shop. We are also very fortunate to have several talented Temple members who have merchandise displayed in our store. Myron Bernstein has a beautiful

collection of one-of a-kind necklaces and a stunning mezuzah on display. We also have a few contemporary pieces by artist Judy Feldman. Susan Ritzer is a potter and her handmade pieces would be a lovely addition to your Thanksgiving table. Robyn Aronovitch's colorful fluid art graces our walls and her coasters have made popular hostess gifts.

Whatever the occasion may be, the Women of Sinai Gift Shop is here to serve you. All proceeds benefit the Women of Sinai so that we can continue our outreach and tzedakah. Our shop is open every Friday before services or by appointment.

We are so grateful for the beauty of Autumn.

We wish you and your loved ones a very Happy Thanksgiving!

Barbara Bryden 516-314-0321 Gillian Perlinski 703-371-7020



Havdalah set by Gary Rosenthal



Shabbat Candles by Gary Rosenthal

## THE WOMEN OF SINAI HEAR ABOUT GUARDIAN AD LITEM AT OCTOBER 7 MEETING

oni Jefferies of the 12th Judicial Circuit Guardian Ad Litem (GAL) organization gave a most informative talk at the Women of Sinai's October 7th Zoom meeting. Toni gave incite as to how the Guardian Ad Litem program provides aid to children in Manatee, Sarasota and DeSoto counties. GAL recruits, trains, supports and supervises volunteers to represent their most vulnerable children. Toni Jefferies has been an editor for Herald-Tribune and joined GAL to recruit volunteers and enhance their outreach program in 2020.

GAL volunteers receive in-depth training on the court process, child development, abuse and neglect, cultural differences, advocacy, interviewing techniques and social service education. The goal is for every child to have representation and hopefully to be reunited with the family. They believe that every child deserves a Guardian ad Litem. Tutors and other professionals are provided when needed. Each team consists of an attorney, a guardian and a Child Advocate Manager. But the key person is the guardian who stays with the child and is the advocate for the best interest of the child. Volunteers are asked to continue for two years with the one-on-one relationship so there is consistency throughout. The guardian meets with the child at least once a month. Currently there are 150 children (52% of whom are under 5 years of age) and 1,061 appointed guardians. Toni introduced Mona Herman who trains the volunteers.

If you are unable to volunteer as a guardian, donations may be made to the Children's Guardian Fund for purchasing beds, school supplies, bikes, laptops and supporting music and dance education.

After Toni's presentation, there was a discussion period led by Suzanne Weinstein and we thank Suzanne for coordinating this excellent program. Everyone agreed that it was very enlightening.

--By Gail Clickman



Suzanne Weinstein, Moderator



Toni Jeffries, GAL



Women of Sinai October 7 Meeting

#### JEWISH FEDERATION MEET AND GREET

The Jewish Federation of Sarasota-Manatee hosted a Meet and Greet for community leaders at the Michael's On East venue at Selby Gardens September 30. Temple Sinai was represented by (L to R standing) Matt Kahn, Rabbi Kahn, Rabbi Geoff Hunting, Kim Adler, Eric and Judy Fox, Barbara Jacobs and daughter, (L to R seated) Nancy Rocher, Laurie Lachowitzer, Sue Huntting



### **CHAVUROT**

#### TEN YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF CHAVUROT PROGRAM

n anniversary is the annual recurrence of a date marking a notable event.

November 2021 is the ten year anniversary of Temple Sinai's Chavurot

Program started by Sara and Mike Benesch.

Our Chavurot Program is indeed a notable event. Yasher koach to Sara and Mike. You should feel quite proud of your work.

Where does the Chavurot Program stand today? It is strong and vibrant. This anniversary month and next month, you will hear from Chavurah members telling what belonging to a Chavurah means to them.

#### Ellen Rothschild of Chavurah Ruach:

When we moved to Sarasota we knew no one. Temple Sinai and especially Chavurah Ruach gave us roots and a group of wonderful people who are our dear, treasured friends and our temple family. We are always there for each other in good times and in not such good times. We have a great time together at activities both in and outside the synagogue. All of us have a bond that is strong and lasting. We feel fortunate to be a part of this wonderful Chavurah.

#### Sara Benesch of Chavurah Essen Fressing:

We started (and/or joined) the Chavurah program to have a group of people within Temple Sinai with whom we could celebrate holiday meals/services as well as share joys and sorrows. We have found a group of people who are fun and interesting and have become lifelong friends, and who have supported each other during celebrations and sad events. The Chavurah program has strengthened our ties with the Temple community. I think we have the nicest group of people who would bend over backward to accommodate each other in whatever they needed.

### Greta and Malcolm Roberts of Chavurah Du Soleil:

We joined Temple Sinai knowing only four people and we were very happy to have an opportunity to build friendships with members with similar interests. Our Chavruah has had many successful outings and gatherings but during Covid, Zoom meetings had given us a special opportunity to really learn more about one another. We look forward to a future of fun, learning, food and special events.

#### Tony Joseph of Chavurah Mavens:

I appreciate everything Mike and Sara did to start the Chavurot program and protect it from some of its enemies. The Mavens have done so much together and had such fun. I know our friendships have done a lot to keep me interested in supporting Sinai.

#### Judy Handleman of Chavurah Chesed-Kindness:

Our Chavurah group is the Best!!! Because of Covid, we have limited our gatherings in person. We share, teach, and enjoy each other with our stories, what Jewish Holidays mean to us, and feel fortunate to have a belongingness. Our Chavurah group answers our human emotional need to be a member of a group. Thank you Sara and Mike Benesch for introducing the idea of Chavurot at Temple Sinai.

#### Judy Feldman of Chavurah Tovah:

I never had the opportunity to belong to a Chavarah before Temple Sinai- our last congregation was such a small one, it *was* a Chavurah. A Chavurah runs itself. It has no officers, no budget, no secretary and no administration. It only needs a coordinator to insure that events are planned and that meetings occur on a regular basis and are facilitated. A good Chavurah runs itself and is a work in process. In our ten year existence, we've had one couple resign (temple) membership and added another. We have become a cohesive group and feel like extended family within a larger family.

Wow, if these comments were 'Yelp" reviews, Chavurot would rate 12 out of a possible 1-10! Thank you to all who contributed. Again, kudos to Sara and Mike. Next month we will continue with members' feelings about their Chavurah.

New Chavurot are being formed. If this interests you, please complete a Chavurah Form found on Temple Sinai's website under Adult Communities. Beth Stone and I chair this program; we can be reached at templesinaihavurah@gmail.com

Submitted by Bonnie Sussman
– Chavurah Chair

### Purpose of the Chavurot



The purpose of the Temple Sinai Chavurot program is to be a social group that celebrates a Jewish lifestyle in Sarasota and provides a warm and comfortable environment for Temple Sinai members to meet new friends. We are always in the process of forming and reorganizing our individual Chavurot to meet the needs of our members.

If you are interested in joining, or know of members interested in joining a Chavurah, please have them email us at

Templesinaichavurah@gmail.com.



Chavarah Chesed gathered together for a potluck dinner at a community swimming pool in the Polivy's and Goldheim's subdivision! What a fun evening even with rain to catch up, shmooze, and share with each other! We're so fun!!!

### LIFE AND LEGACY<sup>TM</sup>

The Life and Legacy Team continues to meet on a monthly basis. Our goal is to build an endowment large enough to make a meaningful annual contribution to ensuring Temple Sinai's future financial well-being.

In this month of Thanksgiving, we are thankful for Temple Sinai members like Elana and Mark Margolis. In this Tablet issue, Elana and Mark share their legacy story.

Elana and Mark have been Temple Sinai members for seventeen years. Both have served in many leadership positions. Elana has served as VP of Membership and temple board member for the past eight years, and she continues to be a valuable member of the Life & Legacy team. Elana and Mark have left a legacy gift to Temple Sinai in their will. Elana also served as Temple President from 2010-2012. If you have enjoyed the Sinai-versary services, you can thank Elana for her hard work on the committee. Mark is again on the board of the Sinai Men's Club, and has volunteered for and chaired Temple Sinai's fabulous Jewish Food Festival. Elana said: "Mark and I choose to leave a legacy gift because we want Temple Sinai to continue to be the warm, welcoming community that we love for the next 30 years and beyond."

We at Temple Sinai have much for which to be thankful.

Our talented and exceptional clergy along with Sinai's army of volunteers put together beautiful and meaningful High Holiday services.

While we mastered Zoom over the past 18 months, vaccination has allowed us to gather together in person for prayer and worship. More importantly, we can choose whether we participate virtually or in person.



Jewish education continues. Our Gan early childhood education, religious school and adult learning carry on.

We continue our mitzvot and social action efforts.

Temple Sinai continues to be a vibrant, warm welcoming community, and we look forward to the next 30 years and beyond.

Please join Elana and Mark Margolis and, know that you too can be remembered forever at Temple Sinai with a gift in your will, trust, retirement account, or your life insurance policy. The future is in our hands.

For the Life and Legacy Team

Janine Cohen (jlc@dmcohen.com)
Chair



### BOARD BRIEFS

he board received an update on the Annual Appeal, which has been successful thus far. All were encouraged to contribute to the Annual Appeal. The board also received an update on the URJ Benchmark. The congregational survey for the benchmark went out in late September, and was available for two weeks. The board discussed feedback from High Holy Days services as well.

The board also met to discuss COVID

protocols. After reviewing the Advisory Committee's recommendations, and considering advice from the clergy, the Board voted to modify some COVID protocols. Masks and social distancing will continue for all services and events. Food and drink will now be permitted outside. Indoor food service will be permitted for private events, at their discretion.

Respectfully submitted by Sarah Weiner, Board Secretary

#### **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.

Contact Elana Margolis at elanatemple@aol.com (941) 966-0252



### **PROGRAM**

ovember is the month which reminds us to give thanks for life's bounty and I hope you all have much to be thankful for this year! In that spirit, I want to extend gratitude to those who have worked so diligently and enthusiastically to coordinate November's programs! In these uncertain and ever-changing times of COVID, flexibility, creativity and communication have been paramount in continuing to provide seamless, innovative and engaging programming. Many thanks to all the volunteers and staff who work endlessly to make that happen each day.

On Saturday, November 6, our whole temple community is invited to come together and participate in our first ever Intergenerational Shabbaton. First, temple members of all ages will join our clergy in leading the Shabbat morning service, followed by a Kiddush luncheon outside in the atrium, prepared and served by Chavurah Natanya. The lunch is generously being sponsored by Chavurah Natanya and Temple Sinai's Youth Group. Perhaps the most unique and special part of this youth group style Shabbaton is that co-chairs, Ted Gast and Lucy Thomas, have teamed up to thoughtfully procure an

afternoon program which debates the notion of justice and what may be gleaned from both our US constitution and Jewish law. It promises to be a wonderful opportunity for participants of all ages to debate, explore and learn alongside each other.



Everything But the Turkey, on Sunday,
November 21, will serve as this year's Mitzvah
Day, and a second opportunity for our temple
members to come together, this time in
service of others. Teams of volunteers will be
preparing all the sides, literally everything but
the turkey, for a Thanksgiving feast enough to
feed one hundred. All of the food, along with
cards and additional donated supplies, will be
delivered to Second Chance Last Opportunity.
There will be two shifts (morning and
afternoon) for food preparation and another
for food delivery. For more information, visit:
https://www.templesinai-sarasota.org/event/
everything-but-the-turkey.html

Andrea Eiffert, Program Director





### ANNUAL APPEAL 2021-2022

Thanksgiving encourages us to reflect on what we have to be grateful for – the many gifts in our lives. As a member of Temple Sinai, you know of our many gifts. Our wonderful clergy. Our exceptional professional staff. Our majestic spiritual and cultural home now rendered far more beautiful by the stained glass windows and other enhancements provided by the generosity of Gwen Baseman-Ziomek and Joe Ziomek.

We're especially grateful for our members, who make Temple Sinai the friendliest Jewish congregation in Southwest Florida, a center for our Jewish lives, a place where we experience a true sense of belonging and inclusion with other Jewish families.

On behalf of the 2021 Annual Appeal Cabinet, we give thanks to this wonderful, generous community. As of October 1, we are doing well, but still need your generosity to get us over the goal line.

If you've made your gift, please accept our gratitude. If you have not yet made your gift, please make it now. Your contribution now will help bring this year's Annual Appeal Campaign to a happy and successful conclusion. To make your gift today, please log onto our website, call Marian in the Temple office at (941) 924-1802 or mail your check to the Temple office. Thank you in advance for your kind gift.

Finally, please join us in expressing gratitude to our hard working Campaign Cabinet who are dedicated to ensuring our success. Hats off to President Ellyn Bender, Betty and Don Cahall, Janine Cohen, Judy and Bob Handleman, Howard Polivy, Dan Dannheisser, Pearl and Gillian Perlinski, Dori and Mark Spector, Len and Judy Swerdlow, Cookie Bloom, Daryl Worobow, Carole Gorin, Gary Kravitz, Tony and Jan Joseph, Richard Stollman, Judy Intrator, Stu Rothbaum, Sherry Thomas and Rich Greenspan.

You are a blessing to us all.

Alan & Fredda Chalfin Mark & Laurie Criden On behalf of the Annual Appeal



The Best is Yet to Come!

### **RITUAL**

very month in the Jewish calendar provides an opportunity to celebrate a holiday. Kislev is best known for Hanukkah, the festival of lights, but it also spans the secular holiday of Thanksgiving. As the two holidays are celebrated just days apart, I am drawn to the following quotes:



Though my faith is not yours and your faith is not mine, if we are free to light our own flames, together we can banish some of the darkness of the world." (Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sachs)

There are two ways of spreading light: to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it." (Edith Wharton)

ur upcoming Thanksgiving interfaith service with Church of the Palms, which I hope many of you can attend, is a way to experience the glow of gratitude in a communal setting of religious and secular significance. It is a special chance to pray together across faith lines, with a shared goal of bringing the light of tolerance to all who participate.

Although Hanukkah is not traditionally considered an important religious holiday, its cultural significance presents special opportunities for modern Jews for reflection. As the only Jewish holiday that spans two months, its uniqueness enables us to appreciate that there is much that we can do to bridge differences with our neighbors for common purposes.

As the days grow darker, the Hanukkiyah shines brighter each day. Let's take the time to bask in the candles' glow, being thankful for what we have and mindful of the importance of giving through the cherished value of Tzedakah.

Barbara Pollack, VP of Ritual



#### ARTIST SERIES CONCERTS COMES TO TEMPLE SINAI



or over 25 years, the Artist Series Concerts has been bringing the best and brightest young concert musicians to Sarasota and this season six of these young "stars on the rise" will be performing at Temple Sinai!



Don't miss this opportunity to see an exceptional young classical star in the making. Tickets are \$40 and Temple Sinai members get 10% off.

Call Donna at 941-306-1202, Mon.–Fri., 10-4, to get yours!



#### SINAI-VERSARY CELEBRATIONS

On November 5, we will celebrate those folks who have been members from 11-20 years.

On December 3, we will celebrate those members who have been members from 21-30 years.

On December 31 we will end our year-long celebration with a special Rockin Shabbat Eve after services. Look for more details in the Ma Koreh.

Come and celebrate with us each month for our special Sinai-versary for our 30th year!!

Elana Margolis, VP Membership

# CHESTER "PEARL" PERLINSKI IS INSTRUMENTAL IN OBTAINING A SECURITY GRANT FOR TEMPLE SINAI

hester "Pearl" Perlinski,
Temple Sinai's Security
Committee Chair and Jewish
Federation Security Committee
Member, has successfully obtained a
security grant for Temple Sinai. With
the help of The Jewish Federation of
Sarasota-Manatee and its partnership
with Secure Community Network,
we have received over \$90,000 from
the U.S. Department of Homeland
Security and the Federal Emergency
Management Agency for security
enhancements.

Jeff Solomon, Jewish Community
Security Director, was instrumental
in facilitating the grant process.
Pearl stated that "Jeff provided all the
necessary support, guidance, and
training throughout the process of
writing a successful grant. The monies
will immediately go towards securing
the building infrastructure."

Pearl learned of the Federal Grant
Program back in 2019 and began
to research and prepare the grant
application for submission in 2020.
However, during the process Pearl
learned that the Sarasota area didn't
qualify at the time for the grant
monies. Not to be deterred, Pearl
continued to work on the grant
application so the temple would be
prepared to submit it when the funds
became available.

Pearl advised that it is a long and continuing process which takes

almost a year to complete. Besides writing a successful grant, Pearl also worked closely with Security Director Jeff Solomon to make sure that Temple Sinai had an updated Threat, Vulnerability & Risk Assessment. This was conducted in January 2021. Pearl then shared the risk assessment report with President Ellyn Bender and Vice President of Facilities David Weiss. Together they prioritized the assessment to best serve Temple Sinai. The following items were added to the grant application: access control system with controllers; maglocks; exterior proximity readers; bullet proof film for the windows and doors; and 6 bollards for the outside area of the social hall rear entrance. David Weiss and Pearl worked closely together to obtain vendors and obtain quotes for the projects. Once the vendors were selected, the items were added to the grant application.

Before Pearl finalized the grant, his wife, Gillian, closely proofread the document. He then passed it on to Andrea Eiffert and Ellyn Bender for their review. Once they approved the document, Pearl sent it on to Marian Siegel and in March 2021, Marian submitted the application to the State of Florida. On July 16, 2021 we were notified that Temple Sinai would be awarded the sum of \$90,103.00. An official document followed shortly thereafter confirming the award.

nce the temple receives the funds, work will start on the aforementioned projects.

Completion of these projects should occur by the end of the year. Pearl advised that as long as the Federal Government sponsors the security

grant program, he will continue to submit a new grant application annually on behalf of Temple Sinai. Congratulations to Pearl for his continued efforts and amazing accomplishment.

--Gail Glickman



### THE GAN

#### **Calendar of Events**

November 17 Thanksgiving Showcase and Feast @ 11:30

November 21 Mitzvah Day

November 22-26 Closed - Thanksgiving



Laura Freedman, Director of Early Childhood Education

### Rosh Hashanah Fair and Prayer Families



Khoury Family



Goldman Family



**Appelbaum Family** 



**August Family** 



Didovic Family

### Gan Sukkot Celebration



Eloise Colkitt smelling the etrog in the sukkah.



Charlie Greber doing the lulay shake.



June Weiner sniffing the etrog.



Connor Hollingsworth holding the lulav.

### Gan Simchat Torah Parade



Tziporim



Shoshanim



Parparim



Devorim

### RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Temple Sinai Youth Education Programming



Bethany Leinweber, Director of Youth Education, Outreach and Engagement

#### **Calendar of Important dates for November:**

November 3/4 Midweek Hebrew

November 4 Sinai Dads - Guys' Night Out 5:30pm

November 5 Gr 2-3 Participate in Shabbat Service,

Pizza dinner following in the Atrium

November 6 Intergenerational Shabbat Service 10:30am

November 7 Sunday School 10am

November 10/11 Midweek Hebrew

November 14 Sunday School 10am

Moving Traditions Rosh Hodesh/Shevet 12:30-2:30

November 21 Everything But The Turkey Wide Mitzvah Day

(In place of Sunday School) 9:30-11:30am

November 26 Rhythm and Jews Shabbat Service 6pm

November 28-Dec 5 Sinai Presents: Hands on Hanukkah at UTC Mall



Brock Engel Ari Casell Ari Drachman Joel Drachman

Ashton Graber Laila Karp Nathan Katz Adley Lifrak Suza Mata

### Shema PJ Party



Molly made a sukkah!



Midweek Hebrew helps decorate the sukkah





First grade shows off their sukkah decorations

### **Highlights from Animal Hour**

Annikah and her puppy





Daniella, Alexandra, Laila, and their pup

Rabbi blessing gerbils







Maggenheims/Chipurnoi with their pup

Rabbi blessing a puppy

# **Highlights from Shabbat Ba'Chootz (outside)**



Asher





Caleb

Laila





Dakota and Daddy





Yanai and Mommy

#### Highlights from Shabbat Ba'Chootz (outside) Preschool - 1st grade Families

Maddox and Mommy





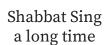
Maishan Family

Swerdlow kids





Helpers







## TEMPLE SINAI HOLDS CONSECRATION SERVICE FOR NEW RELIGIOUS SCHOOL STUDENTS



Temple Sinai welcomed the new 2021 students to Religious School in a special Erev Shabbat consecration service October 15. Rabbi Samantha Kahn and Chazzan Cliff Abramson offered blessings for the young students under a tallit held by Ellyn Bender, President, and Howard Polivy, co-president of Men's Club. Bethany Leinweber, Director of Youth Education, Outreach and Engagement, presented each student with their very own first Torah as they were welcomed into their official beginning of Jewish studies, which we hope will last a lifetime.

# YOUTH GROUP UPDATE

he Teen Youth Group is excited to announce a new social action initiative taking place at Temple Sinai! Spearheaded by the SAFETY Board and Phoebe Winters (Social Action Vice President of SAFETY), Temple Sinai will now be collecting new/gently used children's clothing for The Twig, a local charity helping foster children in the Sarasota-Manatee area and beyond.



Joshua Leinweber, Youth Group Advisor

There are over 437,000 children in the foster care system in the United States, and many families that take in foster children lack the resources to provide a safe and happy childhood. The Twig provides foster care children and their families in the Sarasota-Manatee area the opportunity to shop at their two locations (Lakewood Ranch and Venice) to find clothing and other items that will relieve the burden on foster families and directly impact the lives of children in the foster care system.

A donation box for The Twig is located in the lobby of the Religious School and we are asking for any new/ gently used children's clothing to be donated. This is a great way to get rid of clothes when families clean out their closets, and will make a positive impact on the lives of foster families. Donations can be dropped off at any time throughout the year, and donations will be delivered to The Twig on a monthly basis.

At the beginning of each month, we will send out a reminder email about The Twig donation boxes and if there are any specific needs for the month (ex. socks). If you have any other questions about The Twig or donating, please reach out to Maxwell Fletcher, President of SAFETY, by emailing him at maxwellfletcher08@gmail.com. We are excited to see what we can accomplish in the future through this social action initiative and the impact it will make in our community. Thank you in advance, and have fun cleaning out your closets!





### **MEMBERSHIP**

#### Welcome to our Temple Sinai Family:

#### Schimberg, Patty and Barron

3512 E. Forest Lake Drive Sarasota, FL 34232 Patty: 941-587-8032

pattyschimberg@gmail.com

Barron: 941-544-7226

barronschimberg@gmail.com

#### Kamiel, Kathie and Jerry

3500 Bayou Louise Lane Sarasota, FL 34242 thekamiels@gmail.com Kathie: 917-940-6628 Jerry: 917-544-1307

#### Bortinger, Nancy and Arie

7527 Ascot Court

University Park, FL 34201

Home: 941-552-8604 Nancy: 201-805-5119

#### Membership Directory Update

Email change: Marv Glusman marv4423@gmail.com

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.

#### Meet the Rubins



Having moved to Sarasota at the beginning of the pandemic, it was difficult to find their place. But Debbi and Mike wasted no time after vaccinations, and jumped right in to a full and wonderful Sarasota lifestyle.

Married for a little over 2 years, Debbi and Mike hail from the DC area. Debbi has 4 children and 8 grandchildren, all in the Maryland suburbs. Mike has 3 children and 6 grandchildren, who live in NY and Virginia. Staying in touch with their large brood takes time through visits and FaceTime. Mike also sings with the Key Chorale and the Sarasota Jewish Chorale.

Then came our very own Temple Sinai. Debbi and Mike were welcomed to Friday night services with our usual warmth and inclusiveness. Elana Margolis stepped in to introduce the Rubins to other members. They are already committed and involved members, attending Friday night services, joining WOS and Men's Club, and volunteering at special events.

Make sure to say hi when you see the Rubins around the temple.

## **CELEBRATE**

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

November 4

Rachel and David Goldman

November 7

**Eve and Edward Pokornicky** 

November 14

**Betty and Richard Greenspan** 

November 15

Sondra and Tom Ettlinger

November 17

**Amy and Lance Cassell** 

**Janice and Robert Grossman** 

November 20

Dale and Myron Mendelson

November 21

**Patty and Barron Schimberg** 

November 22

Judith and Herbert Gofman

Joan Gastman and Art Sugerman

November 23

Barbara and Richard Brown

November 24

Nancy and Pierre Menard

Tiffany Caldwell and David Freeman

November 27

**Dorothy and Howard Katz** 

November 28

Varsha and David Stein

November 30

Judith and Zvi Rogovin

## Milestone Anniversaries **NOVEMBER!**

November 25

Risa and Corey Segal 15 years

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

November 17 November 1 Marvin Glusman **Janice Grossman** Laura Zatz **Delores Lustig** 

November 2 November 19 Mark Del Pico Florey Miller Stephen Swerdlow Ronni Freed

November 20 November 3 Hannah Michelson Jerry Rothenberg

Natalie Weinstein

November 21 November 4 Rona Simon

Ioshua Leinweber

November 23 November 5 Bruce Feldman Patricia Glah Snait Ben-Herut

November 7 November 24 Dale Goldheim Shirley Rose

November 9 November 25 Robert Levene **Jill Friedman** David Weiss Robert Sambursky

November 10 **Betty Cahall** Donald Cahall

November 26 Brian Lichterman Michelle Miller Jimmy Rivas November 11 Michael Rubin Nancy Roucher

November 12 Dina Messina Stephany Richmond Anna Shlossberg

November 27 Daniel Friedman

Barbara Sander

November 13 David Stein

Clara Kahn November 29

November 28

November 16 Joan E. Lappin Kimberly Adler

## **BECAUSE WE CARE**

TEMPLE SINAI GENERAL FUND

Fredda and Alan Chalfin

Laurie and Mark Criden

Carla Guhin

Sandra and Irwin Livon

Natalie and Henry Scherr

In Honor of:

Rabbi Samantha Kahn and Chazzan Cliff Abramson's meaningful High Holy Days Services: Marty and Jonathan Katz

Marvin Rosen, Shana Tova: Maggie and Mark Sharff

Joanne and Alan Trachtenberg's grandson Sawyer becoming a Bar Mitzvah: Judy and Zvi Rogovin

Barbara Pollack, for her sensational job running the High Holy Days: Laurie and Mark Criden

In Appreciation of:

Ellyn Bender, for all you have done during this strenuous year: Carole and Fred Gorin

Chester (Pearl) Perlinski: for your efforts in securing the homeland: Wende Kozlow and Adam Gersh

Speedy Recovery of:

Judy Handleman: Ellyn Bender and Pamela Paschall

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Jane Glusman: Harriet and Marc Rosen

Vic Block: Harriet and Marc Rosen

Judy Handleman: Laurie and Mark Criden

In Memory of:

Jack Sussman, father of Harvey Sussman: Bonnie and Harvey Sussman

Ron Rosenthal: Marilyn Lapidus and Arnold

Baeı

Margaret Miller: Sandy and Gary Kravitz

David Golter: grandfather of Sheila Wollheim: Sheila and Warren Wollhein

Jeanne Harter: mother of Sheila Wollheim: Sheila and Warren Wollheim

Robert Wollheim: brother of Warren Wollheim: Sheila and Warren Wollheim

Sara Berlin: Sheila and Warren Wollheim

Margaret Miller: Ellyn Bender and Pam

Paschall

Stan Lustig: Delores Lustig

Margaret Miller: Laurie and Mark Criden

Lila Greenspan, aunt of Dr. Richard Greenspan: Betty and Richard Greenspan

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Rae Ellen and Robert Levene

In Appreciation of:

Mickie Kaye, for her contribution to Temple Sinai: Judith and Howard Polivy

Rabbi Kahn, for the beautiful High Holy Day Services: Ellyn Bender and Pamela Paschall

Rabbi Kahn, for your caring concern: Carole and Fred Gorin

CHAZZAN'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Rae Ellen and Robert Levene

Anita MacDonald

In Honor of:

Joanne and Alan Trachtenberg's grandson Sawyer becoming a Bar Mitzvah: Doris and

Ron Benice

In Appreciation of:

Chazzan Abramson for the beauty of the High Holy Day music and services: Ellyn Bender and Pamela Paschall

Chazzan Abramson's beautiful Kol Nidre: Carole and Fred Gorin

In Memory of:

Dorothy Wendrow: Alene Wendrow and

George Neidich

Lionel Harris: Gail Glickman

DIRECTOR OF YOUTH EDUCATION DISCRETIONARY FUND

Kathy and Myron Bernstein Marilyn and Paul Blankman Jeanne and Andrew Marlowe Donna and Brian Oshrin Gillian and Chester (Pearl) Perlinski

In Appreciation of:

All the congregants who volunteered as ushers during the High Holy Days: Gillian and Chester (Pearl) Perlinski Chester (Pearl) Perlinski, for your High Holy Days security: Elana and Mark Margolis

In Memory of:

Margaret Miller: Elana and Mark Margolis

**GAN FUND** 

Sara and Michael Benesch

DIRECTOR OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION DISCRETIONARY FUND

In Appreciation of:

Sue Huntting, for holding down the Gan office: Ellyn Bender and Pamela Paschall

In Memory of:

Margaret Miller: Ronni and George Freed

Speedy Recovery of:

Carole Gorin: Judith and Leonard Swerdlow

Judy Handleman: Judith and Leonard Swerdlow

SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE FUND

In Honor of:

Mickie Kaye, for her years of dedication to the TABLET: Ellyn Bender and Pamela Paschall

REB ARI ADULT EDUCATION FUND

In Memory of:

Marden Paru: Rona and Scott Elias

HORAY SINAI FUND

In Appreciation of:

Laurie Lachowitzer's wonderful Break Fast celebration: Bryna and Howard Tevlowitz

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE FUND

In Appreciation of:

Horatio Valdiva Delgadillo, for his hard work: Judith and Howard Polivy

Speedy Recovery of:

David Weiss: Ellyn Bender and Pam

Paschall

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TORAT CHAYIM FUND

In Appreciation of:

The High Holy Day Committee's excellent work: Ellyn Bender and Pamela Paschall

ANCHIN FUND

In Memory of:

Margaret Miller: Greta and Malcolm Roberts

URJ SUMMER PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In Memory of:

Wyona Lachowitzer, mother of Laurie Lachowitzer: Laurie Lachowitzer

WOMEN OF SINAI BLOOM FAMILY MITZVAH FUND

In Memory of:

Margaret Miller: Judith and Leonard Swerdlow

SHERRY LINHART FLOWER FUND

In Appreciation of:

Beth Del Pico: thank you for the back pillow, so thoughtful: Elana and Mark Margolis

Speedy Recovery of:

Diana Ehrlich: Gillian and Chester Perlinski

In Memory of:

William Miller, beloved husband, father & grandfather: Etta and Howard Raiken

Scott Pintchuck: Etta and Howard Raiken



Our condolences to the family and friends of those who have recently passed.

Peggy and Bob Miller, on the death of her mother and his mother-in-law Margaret Miller, who passed away on September 19, 2021.

## WE REMEMBER THEM

Lorraine Asarch for Max Barnett

Sheila and Ron Bellamy for mother, Rose B. Carmel

Ellyn Bender and Pamela Paschall for father of Ellyn Bender, Louis Bender

Ellyn Bender and Pamela Paschall for father of Pamela Paschall, James Paschall

Diane and Victor Block for father of Diane Block, Louis Friedman

Diane and Victor Block for mother of Victor Block, Toby Block

Diane and Lawrence Ehrlich for Leon Ehrlich

Diane and Lawrence Ehrlich for Sylvia Lewis

Eleanor and Bruce Feldman for Sophie Feldman

Irene and Robert Fritsch for Harry Fritsch

Irene and Robert Fritsch for Rebecca Kaplan

Marty Gersman for Margaret Miller

Jane and Marvin Glusman for Jean Goldberg

Marilyn and Stuart Goldfarb for Helen Y. Goldfarb

Marilyn and Stuart Goldfarb for Eunice Muse

Joan and Harold Goodis for mother of Dr. Harold Goodis, Dorothy Goodis

Betty and Richard Greenspan for father of Dr. Richard Greenspan, Arthur M. Greenspan, Esq.

Betty and Richard Greenspan for father of Betty Greenspan, Moe Hilton

Barbara and Michael Gruenberg for Abe Albert Gorelick

Susan Karp for Jerome Bernard Karp Hauser

Dorothy and Howard Katz for brother of Howard Katz, Bernard Katz

Arkady Koltun for Joseph Judey

Arkady Koltun for Ita-Fruma Judey

Arkady Koltun for Isaak Yakel Koltun

Arkady Koltun for Isidor Isaak Koltun

Arkady Koltun for Aaron Karchemsky

Arkady Koltun for Sophia M. Applebaum-Karchemsky

Arkady Koltun for Chara A. Karchmesky

Ellen and Steve Kurzer for Dr. Ronald Rosenthal

Susan Lederman for Dr. Ronald Rosenthal

Rae Ellen and Robert Levene for Karl Stohl

Joni and Scott Mandel for Eva Mandel

Jeanne and Andrew Marlowe for Frank Irwin Marlowe

Shelley and Gregory Markus for sister of Gregory Markus and sister-in-law of Shelley Markus, Marti Markus

Irving Mishkin for Norman Finkelstein

Eldene Mohl for Fritzie Stern Jaffe

Gillian and Chester Perlinski for dear friend, Florence Casarella

Mikki and Joel Pertofsky for Hy Ravin

Judith and Zvi Rogovin for Chaia Rogovin

Sheila Namiot and Marvin Rosen for Clayton Shore

Barbara and Jonathan Ryder for Ron Rosenthal

Barbara and Joseph Sander for Charleene Sander

Earl Schaffer for Harry Schaffer

Earl Schaffer for Edith A. Schaffer

Mimi Seitman for father-in-law, Jack Seitman

Mimi Seitman for mother-in-law, Beatrice Seitman

Micki Sherin Evans and Eugene Evans for Phil Sherin

Estelle and Burton Silbert for Dr. Ronald Rosenthal

Linda Smalheiser for Gary S. Metz

Linda Smalheiser for Albert Metz

Bonnie and Harvey Sussman for mother of Bonnie Sussman, Lydia Weisberg

Suzanne and Michael Weinstein for Jacob Weinstein

Karen Witte for Julius Weinstein



# GET YOUR HANDS ON HANUKKAH

Temple Sinai's community-wide celebration, HANDS ON HANUKKAH, is taking place at the UTC Mall during the 8 days of Hanukkah. Each day will feature arts & crafts, raffles & giveaways, food & photos, storytelling, live musical performances and end with lighting the hanukkiah. All events start at 4pm and end at 7:15pm. HANDS ON HANUKKAH runs Sunday, Nov. 28th - Sunday, Dec. 5th and is produced by Temple Sinai Sarasota. See the full schedule of events on the next page.



## SUNDAY NOV. 28

- 4:00 5:00 PM Dreidel Game/Spinning Contest
- 5:00 6:00 PM Edible Dreidels/Photo with all Hanukkah Characters
- 6:00 6:30 PM Hanukkah Storytime
- 6:30 7:00 PM Temple Sinai Sinai Rocks
- 7:00 7:15 PM Bethany Leinweber and Temple Sinai congregants light the very FIRST NIGHT's candle

### MONDAY NOV. 29

- 4:00 5:00 PM Beaded Star
- 5:00 6:00 PM Edible Dreidels/Photo with Daveed the Dreidel
- 6:00 6:30 PM Hanukkah Storytime
- 6:30 7:00 PM The Player's Centre
- 7:00 7:15 PM Cantor Marci Victus and Riselle Bain light the 2nd candle

## TUESDAY NOV. 30

- 4:00 5:00 PM Make and Take Hanukkah Mobile
- 5:00 6:00 PM Donuts/Photo with Harry the Hanukkiah
- 6:00 6:30 PM Hanukkah Storytime
- 6:30 7:00 PM Sarasota Jewish Theatre
- 7:00 7:15 PM The Jewish Federation of Sarasota-Manatee & PJ Library light the 3rd candle

## WEDNESDAY DEC. 1

- 4:00 5:00 PM Latke Flip Craft
- 5:00 6:00 PM Latke Demo by Williams Sonoma
- 6:00 6:30 PM Hanukkah Storytime
- 6:30 7:00 PM FST performs
- 7:00 7:15 PM Sarah Wertheimer (Embracing our Differences)
  lights the 4th candle

### THURSDAY DEC. 2

- 4:00 5:00 PM Colorful Tape Menorah
- 5:00 6:00 PM Donuts/Photo with Judah Maccabee
- 6:00 6:30 PM Hanukkah Storytime
- 6:30 7:00 PM Jewish Chorale
- 7:00 7:15 PM Mayor Hagen Brody (City of Sarasota) lights the 5th candle

#### FRIDAY DEC. 3

- 4:00 5:00 PM Canvas Wall Hanging Sponge Stamping
- 5:00 6:00 PM Donuts/Photo with Daveed the Dreidel
- 6:00 6:30 PM Hanukkah Storytime
- 6:30 7:00 PM Booker Middle School VPA
- 7:00 7:15 PM Manatee Community Foundation, Community Foundation of Sarasota County and Gulf Coast Community Foundation light the 6th candle

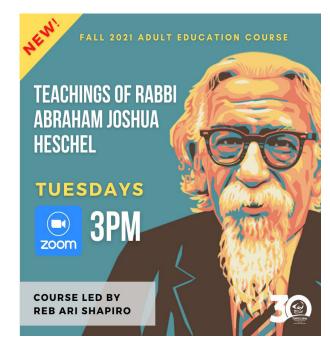
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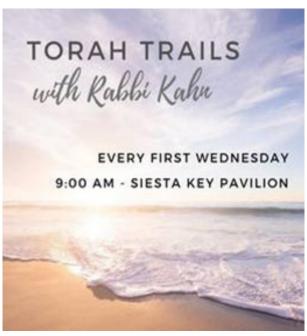
- 4:00 5:00 PM Lego Hanukkah Building Contest/Face Painting
- 5:00 6:00 PM Donuts/Photo with Harry the Hanukkiah
- 6:00 6:30 PM Hanukkah Storytime
- 6:30 7:00 PM Fletcher Trio
- 7:00 7:15 PM Temple Youth Groups light the 7th candle

## SUNDAY DEC. 5

- 4:00 5:00 PM Hanukkah Bingo/Face Painting
- 5:00 6:00 PM Donuts/Photo with all Hanukkah Characters
- 6:00 6:30 PM Hanukkah Storytime
- 6:30 7:00 PM Temple Sinai's Chazzan Abramson
- 7:00 7:15 PM Temple Sinai lights the 8th and final candle









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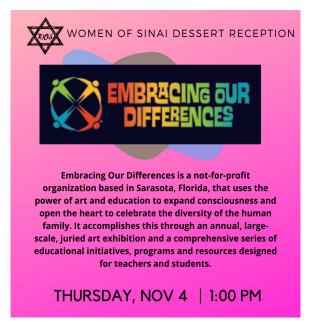
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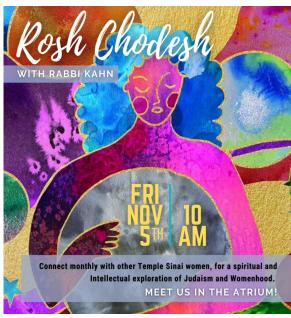
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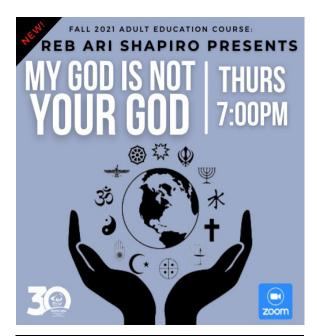
Please remember Temple Sinai with a gift in your will, trust, retirement account or life insurance policy

For further information, visit our temple website: lifeandlegacy@sinaisrq.org or call **Janine Cohen, (603)205-0117**.





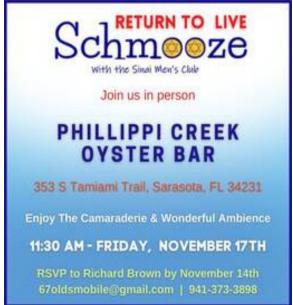


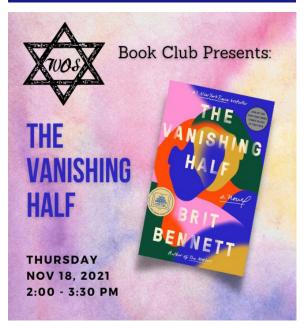




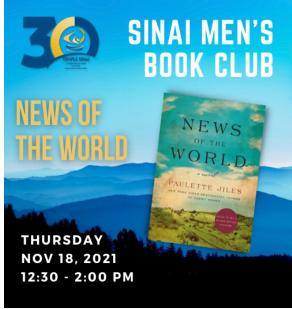












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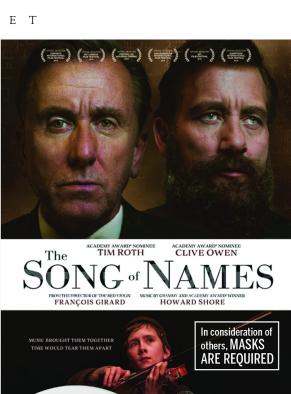
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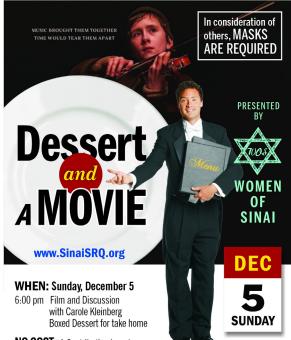
Contact us at tablet@templesinai-sarasota.org











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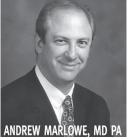
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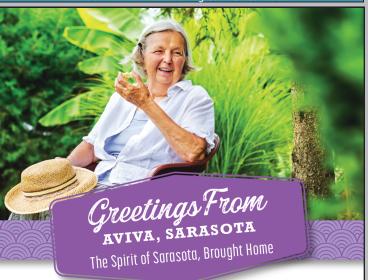
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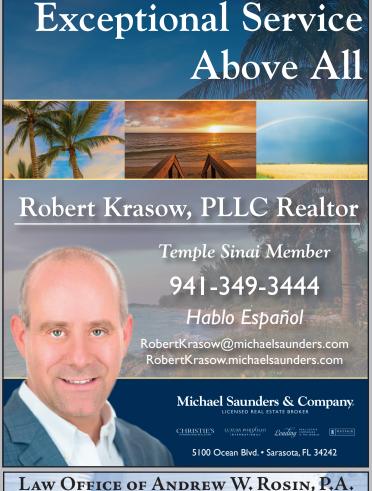
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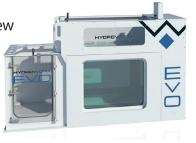
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