

# Rinat Committees Get Involved!



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## ADULT EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The Adult Education Committee organizes and presents educational programming for the benefit of our membership and the greater Jewish community.

**Co-Chairs:** David Jacobowitz, Ari Mermelstein, Bernie Stahl

**Members:** Aryeh Haselkorn, Sara Prager, Seymour Adler,  
Mark Zitter, Joseph Kaplan, Tirza Bayewitz

## AVEILUT COMMITTEE

The Aveilut Committee organizes and provides for the needs of the Beit Avel during Shiva.

We could use more help with: setting up shiva houses and arranging and delivering meals.

**Co-chairs:** Aviva Ramras, Barbara Hochman  
Edward Susman (Minyanim)

## CHESED COMMITTEE

The Chessed Committee organizes volunteers to provide rides to local doctor visits or therapies, meals, grocery shopping or Bikur Cholim for Rinat families who are experiencing difficult times.

**Chair:** Lisa Rothschild | [erotschild@optonline.net](mailto:erotschild@optonline.net)

## CHEVRA KADDISHA COMMITTEE

The Chevra Kaddisha helps to prepare those who were niftar and their families for the burial.

**Co-Chairs:** Naftali Ratzersdorfer, Erv Klein, Michael Richmond

## CSS COMMITTEE

We work with Community Security Services (CSS) and helps train and schedule volunteers to help keep the shul and community safe during services.

**Co-Chairs:** Eli Davidovics | [elid@thecss.org](mailto:elid@thecss.org)  
Nissan Clark | [nissan.clark@gmail.com](mailto:nissan.clark@gmail.com)

## HOUSE COMMITTEE

If it's broken we fix it. If it's too hot we make it colder. Too cold? There is no such thing, just bring a sweater. We keep the lights on, the water flowing, the tiles shining, and the carpets bristling. We make sure every event has the space and custodial staff they need. We find space for 1,300 men, women and children on the Yamim Noraim.

**Co-Chairs:** Charlie Eisenberg and Josh Sultanik | [house@rinat.org](mailto:house@rinat.org)

## NEROT

Nerot is the Sisterhood of Congregation Rinat Yisrael. We run programs throughout the year, including weekly exercise classes, holiday boutiques, Rinat's Mishloach Manot, community-building events and more! Come join us and meet some of the fabulous, dynamic, engaging, fun women (and sometimes men) of Rinat!

We could really use help with: volunteers for the Mishloach Manot committee that will brainstorm ideas for the theme and package, help with Nerot social activities and events,

**Co-Chairs:** Cindy Forgash, President | [cindyforgash@me.com](mailto:cindyforgash@me.com)  
Yael Davidovics, Nerot Social chair | [nerotsocial@rinat.org](mailto:nerotsocial@rinat.org)

## SOCIAL ACTION/ SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY COMMITTEE

Rinat's new Social Action Committee will provide ongoing updates on how members of our community can help those affected due to Hurricane Harvey, through financial donations, contributions of goods, and/or volunteer work. Additional information will be coming in September.

**Co-Chairs:** Dr. Ronald Ennis and Stuart Levi

**Members:** Laura Feder, Revital Kranzler Korn, James Sepowitz,  
Jill Friedbauer

## STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

(in formation)

This committee will be formulating a plan to underwrite and name the Torah learning in Rinat and will develop a future plan for the continued growth of the synagogue. The funding will be directed towards paying down the mortgage, additional funding for programming and other future uses.

**Chair:** Faye Landes

**Members:** Nathan Lindenbaum, Chaviva Levin, Jonathan Kukin

## TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

The Tech Committee manages the many computer and low-voltage systems in use at Rinat that support our operations. These include our website, email system, computers, networks, public WiFi, telephones, security systems, surveillance cameras, and A/V systems.

**Chair:** Joey Greenberg | [techcommittee@rinat.org](mailto:techcommittee@rinat.org)

## TEENS COMMITTEE

This committee is dedicated to the teen minyan, teen programming and the spiritual needs of our teens as they go through junior high school, high school and college.

**Co-chairs:** Hillel and Debby Adler

## WELCOMING COMMITTEE

We welcome new neighbors to the community. We deliver welcome gifts, set up new neighbors for Shabbat meals and host two events a year to help new families integrate into the community and for current members to better get to know each other.

We could use more help with: hosting families who are new to our community.

**Co-chairs:** Amy Vogel | [amyvogel27@yahoo.com](mailto:amyvogel27@yahoo.com)  
Chavi Acton | [cheryl.fuchsacton@gmail.com](mailto:cheryl.fuchsacton@gmail.com)

## YOUTH COMMITTEE

The Youth Committee works with our Youth Directors, Martin and Divsha Tollinsky, to coordinate youth programming. The mission of the Rinat Youth Department is to provide a positive Shul experience for everyone, including our shadow program for those with special needs, in a fun and educational environment that encourages a commitment to davening, learning Torah, and contributing to the community, while also nurturing friendships.

**Chair:** Leah Adler | [youthcommittee@rinat.org](mailto:youthcommittee@rinat.org)

**Members:** Chaim Birman, Shari Bursztyn, Yafit Cohn,  
Howie Forman, Caren Graber, Jen Hooper,  
Elana Lefkowitz, Erica Markovitz, Ronit Mershon

## RINAT MISSION TO ISRAEL 2019

(in formation)

Rinat will be taking its first-ever mission to Israel with our rabbinic leadership and lay leadership during Yeshiva Break January 2019. We will explore and deepen our connection to Eretz Yisrael and Torat Yisrael in Rinat's unique way.

**Co-chairs:** Reva Tokayer and Alexis Berkowitz

**Members:** Leora Kukin

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