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The Autumn Equinox begins on September 21, but the real glory of fall begins in October. It’s a perfect time to walk with a loved one or a friend. Breathe in the crisp air that rides on gusts and shakes the leaves. The smell is at once fresh and touched with the musty remnant of summer’s vegetation. Waves of color shine from every tree as the sun glistens off every moist surface. And unique to Colorado, the sky is brushed with strokes of glowing orange, soft blues, and fluffy white, reminding some of the home team and others of nature’s crescendo burst of fireworks that conclude the heavenly show as darkness, cold and winter approach.

A walk outside in the fall is more pleasant than any other time of the year. I’m not sure that is a scientific fact, but I’m pretty sure of it nevertheless. Walking at this time of the year doesn’t even require the constant chatter of conversation. Our eyes are too busy taking in the glorious canvas God has stretched out for us. Our ears are quick to the honking of geese flying in V-formation to their winter homes. Our skin tickles from the breeze and we roll down the sleeves against the chill. It’s a time of reflection.

Throughout Sukkot, the Biblical harvest Festival, it is customary to read the following passage from the Book of Kohelet (Ecclesiastes 3:1-9):

A season is set for everything, a time for every experience under heaven:
A time for being born and a time for dying, A time for planting and a time for uprooting the planted;
A time for slaying and a time for healing, A time for tearing down and a time for building up;
A time for weeping and a time for laughing, A time for wailing and a time for dancing;
A time for throwing stones and a time for gathering stones, A time for embracing and a time for shunning embraces;
A time for seeking and a time for losing, A time for keeping and a time for discarding;
A time for ripping and a time for sewing, A time for silence and a time for speaking;
A time for loving and a time for hating, A time for war and a time for peace.
What value, then, can the man of affairs get from what he earns?

The sober poignancy expressed by our Biblical ancestor flows from every line (some say it was authored by King Solomon; modern experts are not quite whimsically imaginative enough to agree!). Yes, there is a time for everything…until there isn’t enough time. We rush from one appointment to another chore to a mandatory meeting to a “can’t miss” experience and back to work or school or that very comfy chair that embraces us until it’s time for bed. Each day is like a season of events. The days and weeks tumble into months and years and if we don’t pause to reflect and learn and teach and smile and sigh and let tears well up, then we just might miss the point of the whole show.

Prayer and study slow down time, not because they are magical escapes. Rather, it is because they sharpen our focus and attune our senses so that we see ourselves not in flight or fight against time, but in sweet harmony and rhythm with it.

B’vrakhah,

Rick
Rabbi Rick Rheins
Rabbi Susan Rheins

Treat Yourself to a New Adventure in the New Year

Of all the seasons of the year to go to Israel, spring is the most spectacular! By mid-February, Israel is at the height of its springtime. The trees are in full bloom. The ground is a picturesque mosaic of wildflowers. The air is perfumed with the sweet scent of honeysuckle and the woodsy aroma of rosemary. The markets overflow with first fruits: green almonds, tart kumquats, and juicy strawberries. Gentle streams flow in the Negev, and the hills outside Jerusalem are coated in a soft layer of velvety grass.

Whether you’ve been to Israel numerous times or have not yet fulfilled the dream of visiting the Jewish homeland, the **2019 Temple Sinai Israel Adventure** is ideal for you! Scheduled for February 24 - March 6 and led by Rick and me, this tour is perfect for all ages. Join other Temple Sinai members as we explore sacred places that glow with inspiring spirituality, as we uncover historic sites where our ancestors lived, and as we encounter vibrant communities that demonstrate the miracle of the modern ingathering of Jews from all over the world. Enjoy the sights, sounds, tastes and wows of the Land of Israel! Enrich your connection to God, Torah and the people of the State of Israel!

Highlights include Tel Aviv, the Judean Desert, Ramat HaNegev and, of course, Jerusalem! Extend the tour with a visit to Eilat and Petra!

The complete itinerary for the **2019 Temple Sinai Israel Adventure** and online registration are available on the Temple Sinai website: [https://www.sinaidenver.org/israeltrip](https://www.sinaidenver.org/israeltrip) and on our special tour webpage: [http://secure.ayelet.com/RheinsFeb2019.aspx](http://secure.ayelet.com/RheinsFeb2019.aspx)

Please contact me at rabbisusan@sinaidenver.org if you have any questions about the **2019 Temple Sinai Israel Adventure**!

Rick and I will consider it a great honor to explore and enjoy Israel together with you.

**THIS YEAR - 5779 - IN JERUSALEM!**

Susan

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**Sick? Struggling? Want a Call or Meeting? Inform the Rabbis!**

Adding to the frustration of dealing with illness or struggling with a difficult time is the thought that you’re forgotten and that no one cares. Temple Sinai cares about every one of our members. Rabbis Rick and Susan Rheins will be quick to make a call or visit to any of our members and/or loved ones. In addition, we have a group of volunteers on our Caring Committee who will do their best to respond with cards, calls and offers of assistance. So please call or write to our Rabbis and let them know that you’d like their help and attention.

Rabbi Rick Rheins: rabrheins@sinaidenver.org
Rabbi Susan Rheins: rabbisusan@sinaidenver.org
Join Temple Sinai

on an adventure to

ISRAEL

Led by Rabbis Rick & Susan Rheins
February 24 - March 6, 2019

On our adventure together we will...

- Explore the many faces that make up multicultural Israel
- Enrich our knowledge of Jewish and ancient history
- Enjoy outdoor adventures and the beauty of the land itself
- Encounter firsthand the modern miracle of the State of Israel
- Tour Tel Aviv with visits to independence Hall & Old Jaffa
- Plant trees at Neot Kedumim, connecting us physically and spiritually to the land of Israel
- Discover the neighborhoods of Jerusalem's Old City and tour the amazing Western Wall tunnels below
- Taste the fresh fruits, vegetables, nuts, olives and delicious halva creations at the bustling Machane Yehuda market
- Visit Qumran National Park, ascend Masada and float in the healing waters of the Dead Sea
- Set out on a jeep tour into the Ramon Crater and visit the Israeli Air Force Museum in the Negev

...and so much more!

EILAT/PETRA EXTENSION
March 5-7, 2019
- 2 nights at Dan Hotel, Eilat
- Roundtrip flights Tel Aviv - Eilat - Tel Aviv
- Petra day tour
- Jordan visa fee
- Transfers in Tel Aviv and Eilat
Jewish Women, Wisdom, and Wine Dinner and Discussion Group

The Talmud tells the story of a woman named Beruriah who admonished a student for studying silently rather than aloud (Babylonian Talmud Eruvin 53b-54a). She reminded the pupil that God created us with 248 limbs and 365 tendons, and that one should use not just one’s eyes, but also one’s ears and one’s mouth when studying the sacred texts.

Guided by Beruriah’s instruction that learning also involves listening and speaking, I invite all women (ages 21+) to the first gathering of Temple’s Sinai’s Jewish Women, Wisdom, and Wine Dinner and Discussion Group, a delightful evening to come together to dine and to discuss meaningful and timely Jewish topics.

Every other month we’ll focus on a different issue that draws from our tradition and connects to our lives and to the world. At each gathering we’ll focus on a different issue that draws from our tradition and connects to our lives and to the world. Our first event will be on Tuesday, October 2, 6:00pm at Yanni’s Greek Restaurant (5425 Landmark Place, Greenwood Village). There is no cost to attend; just pay for dinner. (As of this printing, the event is SOLD OUT, but please plan to participate in the months ahead. Check the Snippets and Temple Sinai website for future dates.)

Rabbi Susan Rheins
Introducing ChaiNote!

ChaiNote!
Calling all young musicians!

We want YOU to be a part of our brand new music program, ChaiNote! During our Sunday Religious School program, ChaiNote will be one of the electives that 3rd through 5th grade students can choose to take. From 11:30am-12:00pm on Sundays, we will be singing fun and new Jewish music and performing and sharing our voices in various services and events throughout the year!

This music program will bring students opportunities to shine their brightest and enrich their musicality, while participating in engaging rehearsals.

If you have additional questions, please contact Dan Yolles, Music and Engagement Coordinator at dan@sinaidenver.org or Cantor Sheila Nesis at cantornesis@sinaidenver.org.
Temple Sinai Presents...

Artist in Residence, Billy Jonas!

November 30 - December 2

Schedule of Events

Shabbat Service
Friday, November 30 at 6:00 p.m.
Join us for a musical Friday evening with Billy. Free to the public!

Havdalah and Concert
Saturday, December 1 at 7:30 p.m.
An evening of percussion, homemade and recycled instruments, guitar and African drums. Don't miss Billy at this unique one man show!

$18 Adults; $10 children (ages 13-17).
Purchase your tickets online! $25 at the door.

Family Concert
Sunday, December 2, 11:30 a.m.
An interactive morning of singing and dancing for our families!

Religious School and Preschool registered students are FREE of charge.

$10 adults; $5.00 for kids not registered in our schools.
Purchase your tickets online! $15 at the door.

Food and beverages will be available for purchase.

Sponsorship Opportunities

Gold, $1,000: Access to all performances for 10 people, Saturday evening pre-concert reception, reserved seating; name in program; CD.

Silver, $500: Access to all performances for 6 people, Saturday evening pre-concert reception, reserved seating; name in program.

Bronze, $250: Access to all performances for 4 people, Saturday evening pre-concert reception, name in program.

RSVP by November 26 to www.sinaidenuer.org/artistinresidence
Erev Shabbat Services, Every Friday at 6:00pm!
An additional 7:00pm will also be offered once a month.

Note that throughout the year, Temple Sinai’s Erev Shabbat services will begin at 6:00pm. This time was not only the top “vote getter” on our service poll; it also has attracted very sizable crowds.

But if you are among those who still prefer a “late” 7:00pm Erev Shabbat service, don’t worry! At least once a month we’ll have a 7:00pm option. On the nights we offer a 7:00pm service there will also be an earlier 6:00pm service.

In October, the “extra 7:00pm” service will be on October 5 and will feature Cantor Nesis and Dan Yolles as they lead an “Experience Shabbat.” Birthday blessings will be offered at both the 6:00pm and the 7:00pm services on October 5.

Pink Shabbat!
Friday, November 2 at 6:00pm

Temple Sinai will once again proudly hold a special Pink Shabbat service. This moving and important Shabbat is an initiative of Sharsheret, a national not-for-profit organization supporting Jewish women and their families facing breast cancer and ovarian cancer, and JEWISHcolorado. The purpose is to raise awareness and provide resources to community members facing these cancers.

During the service, we also will recognize all those who have battled and are battling breast cancer or ovarian cancer and recognize their loved ones. It is a moving service for all.

Interested in Becoming Jewish or Learning more about Judaism?
Sign up for the next Introduction to Judaism (ITJ) course!

The Rocky Mountain Rabbinical Council offers a nationally renowned 28-week Introduction to Judaism (ITJ) course. Temple Sinai and Temple Emanuel rotate as the hosts of these classes (which are held on Thursday evenings). The Fall session begins on October 4 and will be hosted by Temple Emanuel.

This program is taught by Rabbis from the Conservative, Modern Orthodox, Reconstructionist and Reform movements. Many of you know that ITJ is a cornerstone of the Denver Jewish community’s conversion program. In fact, ours is one of the few in the country in which Rabbis from all the respective movements participate. But ITJ is not just for those interested in converting to Judaism. A great number of the ITJ students are Jews who simply want to take advantage of the fabulous classes in order to discover or rediscover the richness of Jewish thought, practice and history.

There is a modest fee for the course, but some scholarships are available. If you are interested in taking the class, please contact Betsy Epel, the Director of the ITJ program, at 720.941.2655 or rmrcitj@gmail.com.
Religious School

The 5779 school year is off and running. The beginning of the school year always presents us with very exciting opportunities. With all of the holidays in the month of Tishrei (September 10 – October 9) we scramble to learn about all of the symbols, rituals and meanings. The holidays present many “hands-on” opportunities to not only learn but to experience. Over the first few weeks of Religious School we’ve blown the Shofar, eaten Apples & Honey, decorated the Sukkah, blessed the Lulav and Etrog, visited the Sukkah and we danced with the Torah on Simchat Torah. It is our hope that all of these experiences will help shape the Jewish identity of our students.

The question of how to instill in our children a love of Judaism and a strong sense of Jewish pride has been debated within the Jewish community for many years (and I’m sure will continue to be debated for years to come!). We do our best at Temple Sinai to provide the basic knowledge and understanding of our Jewish heritage - but it is living a Jewish life within the family that truly makes the difference. Your participation and partnership in our program are the keys to our success. Let your children know that the Temple and Religious School are an important part of your family’s life. I will continue to send a weekly Family Newsletter with resources to help your family integrate our beautiful heritage into the life of your family.

I look forward to a year of celebrating Jewish life with you and your family. If you have an insight as to how we can continue to make what we teach relevant to what your child already feels and knows about the world, please share those ideas with us!

Ron Leff, RJE
Director of Religious Education
Moving Traditions B’nei Mitzvah Initiative

Temple Sinai is excited to have been chosen to partner with Moving Traditions to pioneer a new approach to B’nei Mitzvah. This year we’ll be adding Moving Traditions family education and pre-teen sessions that connect Jewish wisdom to the inter-personal and social elements that come with the coming of age ritual.

The Moving Traditions sessions, created by Rabbis and social workers, aim to help you and your pre-teen explore what it means to be a guest and a host, how to navigate peer pressure, social media, and the experience of being the center of attention, as well as other social-emotional challenges and joys associated with the B’nei Mitzvah. We hope that your participation in the Moving Traditions family education sessions will enrich your childs’ experience - and your own - marking the B’nei Mitzvah as a lifecycle transition into “becoming a teen” that leads to personal growth and positive communal connection. We will begin the year with a family session:

**Seventh Grade - October 27, 9:30am - 12:00pm**

Mark your calendar and watch for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Ron Leff or Rabbi Susan Rheins or visit [www.movingtraditions.org](http://www.movingtraditions.org) to learn more about Moving Traditions.
Yael Firuzmand, Teen Israel Emissary

Temple Sinai is honored to partner with JEWISHcolorado and the Jewish Agency for Israel (JAFI) in the Sh’nat Sherut (or ShinShin) Program for the fifth year. This year, we welcome to our community Teen Israel Emissary Yael Firuzmand.

The ShinShin Program places high school graduates from Israel in Jewish communities abroad for a one-year program of volunteer service. The objective is to build bridges between Israeli youth and Jewish communities, creating educational dialogue between the two in order to strengthen our Jewish family ties and to build the foundation for a secure Jewish future.

The Shinshinim have just completed their senior year of high school and have deferred their army obligation for a year of community service. They are trained in Israel in an intense preparatory course focused on Jewish heritage, Jewish Pluralism, American culture, and issues of national and religious identity. During the academic year, Colorado’s Shinshinim serve as informal educators at synagogues, day schools, youth movements and supplementary schools. During the summer, they work at one of Colorado’s Jewish summer camps. In addition to teaching about Israel, Israeli culture, Jewish identity and Jewish celebrations, the Shinshinim help prepare community-wide programs about Israel.

Yael is excited to be Temple Sinai’s Teen Israel Emissary. She is from Holon and grew up with her parents and three older brothers.

Yael, who loves nature and music, studied Chemistry and Biology in an Agricultural High School in Israel. She sang in her school choir and looks forward to singing occasionally with Temple Sinai’s teens. Yael was a participant and counselor in her Israeli Youth Group “Scouts” for nine years. She is excited about working with Temple Sinai’s religious school students, youth group teens, and families and believes that representing Israel abroad is important. Yael hopes that this experience will help her develop as a person and enhance her identity as a Jew.

Please join us in saying B’rukhah Ha’Ba’a - welcome - to Yael!
Youth Engagement

Temple Sinai Youth Groups
October 2018

Meretz & Ruach
Sunday, October 14th
12:00 - 1:30pm

JYG
Sunday, October 14th
12:00pm

TSYG
NFTY-MV Kickoff at Shwayder Camp
October 5-7

Pumpkin Patch and Halloween Shul-In
October 27-28

Save the Date!

TSYG’s 30th annual Bowl-a-Thon
Saturday, November 3rd, 2018!

Bowl-a-Thon calls will take place:
October 9th, 10th, 25th, 30th, and
November 1st from 5:00 - 7:00pm

Pizza in the Lounge
Wednesday, October 24
5:15pm - 6:00pm
(before Religious School)
Preschool

What is the most important thing you need for Shabbat?

At Temple Sinai Preschool we have five things on our Shabbat table. However it is the sixth thing, the thing that doesn’t fit on our table, that is the most important element of our Shabbat. Every Friday morning we celebrate Shabbat as a school community and during our service I ask our students what they see on our table.

First is a tzedakah box. Why do we have a tzedakah box, I ask? The empathetic children of our community shout, “For the people who don’t have money and food and toys!” “To help people!” They are right, we have a tzedakah box on our Shabbat table to remind us how lucky we are and to always help others.

Next, we have flowers. Why do we have flowers on our Shabbat table, I ask? The brilliant children yell, “To make Shabbat beautiful!” Again, they are right, we put flowers on our table to remind us of the beauty of Shabbat.

The next three items you are very familiar with: candles, wine, and challah. Before we can start the blessings we talk about the sixth thing, the thing we really need to make Shabbat complete: family and friends.

Once each month one of our classes will lead us in the Shabbat Blessings. On that day our service is held in the Abrahams Family Chapel and we extend a special invitation to all our families to join us. The class leading the blessings opens the ark and as we begin the Shabbat Blessings, they invite their family and friends to join them on the Bimah to recite the blessings together.

Watching the children and their families side by side, celebrating Shabbat as one, is spectacular and while they would never fit onto the Shabbat table, this family celebration is easily the most important element of our Temple Sinai Preschool Shabbat.

Warmly,

Sheila Purdin
Director of Early Childhood Education
B’nei Mitzvah

Bree Hope Rittenberg - October 6, 2018
Bree is the daughter of Doug & Amy Rittenberg and sister of Tess (15). She attends Campus Middle School and enjoys dance, basketball, hanging out with her friends and her dog, Zeke.

For her Mitzvah Project, Bree collected clothes to donate and is volunteering her time at Clothes to Kids Denver. Clothes to Kids Denver provides free school clothing to students in need in a store setting.

Mia Wyte - October 6, 2018
Mia is the daughter of Josh Wyte & Mindy Goldstein and sister of Jonah (5). Mia attends Denver Jewish Day School and enjoys dance and skiing.

For her Mitzvah Project, Mia has donated her time and proceeds to the dance community that provides financial support and dance inspiration to dancers (and their families) who have been diagnosed with cancer.

Lillian Sylvia Pierce - October 20, 2018
Lillian is the daughter of Tom & Trish Pierce and sister of Madeline (13). She attends Campus Middle School and enjoys field hockey, bass, art, pottery, hiking and spending time with her friends. Lillian loves traveling with her family, especially to the beach, Greensboro and New Orleans.

For her Mitzvah Project, Lillian volunteered through the National Charity League. She is passionate about the Special Olympics, Project Cure and Family Promise.

Madeline Claire Pierce - October 20, 2018
Madeline is the daughter of Tom & Trish Pierce and sister of Lillian (13). She attends Campus Middle School and enjoys field hockey, volleyball, reading, playing piano, laughing, spending time with family and hanging out with friends.

For her Mitzvah Project, Madeline volunteered through the National Charity League. She favors the Special Olympics, Project Cure and the Children’s Hospital.

Gavin Samuel Schiff - October 20, 2018
Gavin is the son of Todd & Robyn Schiff and brother of Aaron “AJ” (15). He attends Highline Academy and enjoys playing baseball, listening to music and card collecting.

For his Mitzvah Project, Gavin is volunteering in a homeless soup kitchen.
Does Your Child Turn 13 in 2019 or 2020?
We are assigning B’nei Mitzvah dates for 2020!

It is never too late to have our children experience the life-affirming joy and pride of accomplishment by leading a service as a Bar or Bat Mitzvah. Each year around 60 students become a Bar or Bat Mitzvah at Temple Sinai. If you have a child who will turn 13 (or older) in 2019 or 2020 and you have not reserved a date for a service, please call Rabbi Rick or Rabbi Susan Rheins at 303.759.1827 and they will answer all your questions and help you find a date that works for your family.

Date selection request forms also are available in the Temple Sinai office and can be mailed directly to you. Know that your clergy work personally with each student and his/her family to help create a memorable celebration that will bring a lifetime of blessings.

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SAVE A SEAT ON THE BUS FOR IST 2019!

Joyce Zeff Israel Study Tour | A program of JEWISHcolorado

JUNE 16 - JULY 21, 2019

JOIN US FOR AN INFORMATION SESSION

Wednesday, September 26
6:30 pm
Boulder JCC

Thursday, September 27
7:00 pm
Temple Emanuel

Monday, October 8
7:00 pm
Hebrew Educational Alliance (HEA)

Tuesday, October 9
7:00 pm
Temple Sinai

For more information, go to JEWISHcolorado.org/IST

To learn more, contact Josh Samet, Director of the Joyce Zeff Israel Study Tour (IST), at 303.961.8493, or via email, at jsamet@jewishcolorado.org

The Joyce Zeff Israel Study Tour (IST) is a journey of a lifetime and life-changing experience. From sunrise at Masada to Shabbat at the Western Wall (Kotel), it combines extraordinary adventure, exceptional leaders, a commitment to education, Jewish values, and years of experience to guide students to learn, explore, discover and soak up every moment. Students have the opportunity to become more independent, learn more about themselves, connect to Israel and strengthen their Jewish identity.

IST is one of the premiere Israel teen trips and is the longest running annual community-based Israel trip in the US. It’s a 5-week immersive program where we spend the first 4 days in Poland then the next 30 days in Israel. The trip is for students that are currently juniors in high school.
25 Year Pre-Neg - October 12 at 6:00pm
Please join us as we honor those who have been members of Temple Sinai for 25 or more years. We will have a wine and hors d’oeuvres reception at 6:00pm for those members who are 25+ year members, followed by Kabbalat Shabbat services at 7:00pm. There will be a special oneg following the service. For more information, please contact Lisa Thorner at 303.759.1827 or lisa@sinaidenver.org.

ENCORE
Day Trip to Boulder - October 10, Leave the Temple at 9:30am and return at 3:30pm
Join us for a day of fun in Boulder! We will tour Celestial Seasonings (tour begins at 11:00am) and have lunch on Pearl Street Mall. RSVP by October 3 to Lisa at 303.759.1827 or lisa@sinaidenver.org.

Dazzle Lunch and Jazz - November 16 at 11:00am, Leave the Temple at 10:30am
Encore members will look to start their weekend early with lunch, accompanied by live jazz music! Members will enjoy an afternoon of smooth jazz, food and friends from 11:30am - 1:30pm. It’s FREE - the only cost is the food. To RSVP or to carpool, contact Lisa Thorner at 303.759.1827 or lisa@sinaidenver.org.

LIFELONG JEWISH LEARNING
Our opening event is October 10, 6:30-8:00pm, Free and open to the public
Please join us for a reception BEFORE the presentation at 5:30pm. Suggested donation for reception is $5.00.

The Truth about Fake News - October 10
Once upon a time, consumers knew to take the National Enquirer and News of the World with a grain of salt. So how did we get to the point where the term “fake news” has become a flashpoint and consumers no longer trust the “mainstream media?” Professor Andrew Matranga of DU's Media, Film and Journalism Studies and Susan Witkin Tandler, long-time news anchor for KOA NewsRadio 850 and 94.1 FM (Temple Sinai member) will discuss how to separate the wheat from the chaff and the latest demands on the media in a fast-paced world.

Stories on Stage - October 24
After a year absence from Lifelong Jewish Learning, our favorite local actors from Stories on Stage will return this year to perform “My Grandmother Tells Me This Story” by Molly Antopol. In the story, a Jewish grandmother relates her time in the Polish Resistance during WWII. A discussion will follow the performance.

When the KKK was Active in Colorado - November 7
If you’ve seen the movie BlacKkKlansman, you know that the KKK has a long history in Colorado. Patty Limerick and her research assistant Nicole Bowley will present the history of the KKK and its role in Colorado Politics. Limerick is the Faculty Director and Chair of the Board of the Center of the American West at the University of Colorado, where she is also a history professor.

Reform Judaism in Israel - November 28
From conversion to the Kotel to marriage laws, Judaism in Israel is changing as tensions grow between Progressive, Reform and Orthodoxy in the legal and legislative arenas. Where will this lead? Osnat Fox, our Israeli community Emissary from JEWISHcolorado will look at this highly contentious issue.

Dinner and a Movie - December 12
Bombshell: The Hedy Lamarr Story
The Movie: Hedy Lamarr, the child of Austrian Jews, became a famous movie star known for her gorgeous looks. Most people don’t realize that she also was a scientific genius and invented technology for World War II submarines that is still used today. This documentary is a poignant portrait of the once famous beauty throughout her life.

The Dinner: We will grill hot dogs and supply popcorn. Details and RSVP information November’s Kesher.
**Bible, Beers & Brotherhood**

**Next Meeting:** October 11 at 6:00pm
Darcy's Pub - 4955 South Ulster Street in Denver.

**55+ Singles Group**

Did you know there’s a group for single men and women ages 55+? We meet once a month. Join the fun! Call Gayle Glucksman at 303.908.0455 for details.

**Sinai Sunday Classes**

**Classes Begin in Early November**

In the third session of Exploring Reform Responsa, we will look at the most recent moral, ethical and ritual issues that are confronting modern Jews. Most of these responsa have not yet been published. Therefore, we will use photocopies instead of a bound text. Again, newcomers will fit in easily because each issue will be new. Our format will continue to permit all to read and explore the text and independently in order to enhance our subsequent discussions. Class dates: October 21, November 4, 18, December 2, 16, 23, 30, January 6, 22, and February 3. To register go to www.sinaidenver.org/form/sinaisundays18-19.

**Lunch & Learn**

Thursdays, from Noon to 1:00pm

**October 4, 11, 18 and 25**

COME LEARN, DISCUSS AND MEET FRIENDS!

- We’ll review ethical/moral issues in Jewish texts
- Discuss hot current topics
- Debate the important issues of the day
- Bring your lunch! We will serve the text and topics!

**Knitting for Charity**

October 14 at 10:00am (at Temple Sinai)

To donate yarn, contact Suzan Markman at 303.770.4014.

**Brick Project**

Pave the way for Temple Sinai’s future by purchasing a commemorative engraved brick. Your engraved brick will provide an opportunity to commemorate life’s simchas, acknowledge a special event, celebrate milestones or inscribe a family name. These bricks are displayed outside the front entrance of the main Temple building. All members of our community are encouraged to participate in this special project that will build a more beautiful entrance to the Temple for years to come.

If you would like to purchase a brick, call the Temple at 303.759.1827 or go to www.sinaidenver.org/brick-by-brick.html. For additional information, contact Lisa Thorner at lisa@sinaidenver.org.

**Waterway Car Wash**

Temple Sinai is pairing with Waterway Car Wash. Purchase a full-service car wash for $16 and $8 goes to Temple Sinai. The certificate is good for any Waterway Car Wash in Colorado.

To purchase your car wash certificate, contact Lisa Thorner at or lisa@sinaidenver.org or 303.759.1827.

**Jewish Interest Free Loans**

Jewish Interest Free Loans (JIFL) was founded in 2000 and has helped over 400 households find economic relief. To qualify for a JIFL loan, you must be Jewish, be a CO resident for at least 6 months, and have an income or a plan for repaying the loan.

For more details, please email Loretta Cawelti at lorcawelti@hotmail.com.

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**Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Program - The Book of Genesis**

Taught by Rabbi Raymond Zwerin, Wednesday 9:30–11:30am (September 26 - November 14)

Some might call it the most incredible book ever written. Genesis is science and myth, history and fiction, immigration and emigration, feast and famine, birth and death, peace and strife, threats and promises, sibling hatreds and reconciliations, families in turmoil and families aiding and maintaining. The yin and yang of interpersonal relationships is palpable; the sense of God’s presence in human history and of humanity in God’s history maintains throughout. What did the author know about the creation of galaxies and nebulae, about climate change, about nation building, about the nature of clans and tribal forces, about psychology and pathology, about trust and faith? Genesis is about change - of place, of name, of fortune, of fate, of destiny. It is about the birth of the universe and about the birth of a people…. Both of which were cataclysmic. Let’s have fun studying together! To register, please go to www.ollidu.edu or call 303.871.2739.
Jewish War Veterans
October 14 at 9:00am

Our next Jewish War Veterans meeting will be on Sunday October 14 at 9:00am. Leon Tulper will be speaking about his experiences during WWII.

As a young radioman in the 65th Infantry Division, part of Patton’s Third Army, he was at the forefront of the division’s 55 days in combat, from early March 1945 until the European conflict ended. His division broke through the Siegfried Line, captured Essen, and liberated two concentration camps Ohrdruft and Mauthausen. Ohrdruft was a sub-camp of Buchenwald, some 100 miles southwest of Berlin and was the first concentration camp liberated by US troops and descriptions of the conditions horrified the world. For Leon, who had spent the last several months with his unit as it fought its way across Germany, Ohrdruft offered horrors that dwarfed anything he had seen on the battlefield.

Please join us for our breakfast ($8) and interesting speaker. For more information please call Ruth at 303-955-6974.

King Soopers Cards
How does it work?
You buy a gift card from Temple Sinai for $25 and $25 is pre-loaded on the card. The card can be reloaded up to $500. You can reload as often as you want!

What is the catch?
No catch…. Really! There are no extra costs associated with this program. This is a way for King Soopers to encourage shoppers to shop their store and for them to support non-profit organizations.

How does Temple Sinai earn money?
Every time you reload the card, King Soopers adds that amount to our reward account. Once the total in any given month reaches $5,000, Temple Sinai gets a check for 5% of the total. If we don’t hit $5,000 in a month, the balance rolls forward to the next month.

How can I purchase my card?
These cards are sold any time at Temple Sinai. Please contact Lisa Thorner at 303.759.1827 or lisa@sinaidenver.org to purchase your card. Each card is $25. Remember to get a card for your friends, neighbors, co-workers and extended family members too!

What can I use the card for?
The card can be used for any purchases (with the exception of lottery tickets, gift cards, etc) including gas purchased at any King Soopers or City Market Fuel Centers.

Donations Needed!!
Jewish War Veterans Post 344 is looking for NEW or USED baseballs! The baseballs will be decorated and sent overseas in support of our troops. Please drop off donations at Temple Sinai.

BUILDING OUR FUTURE MATCHING GIFT
Help Temple Sinai eliminate our mortgage by making a matching gift!

To make a matching gift, please call the Temple office at 303.759.1827 or go online to: www.sinaidenver.org/matching
Sinai Circle
“An Communal Experience, but a Private Commitment”

“The satirist Harry Golden once asked his atheist father why he went to shul so religiously. The reply: ‘Garfinkel goes to talk to God. I go to talk to Garfinkel’. . . Jews come to the synagogue for many reasons, not all of which have to do with faith, though they are all legitimate and welcome reasons. Maybe this is why we call the synagogue a Beit K’neset, the House of Gathering …” [from Machzor for the Days of Awe].

A perfect example is Temple Sinai. Virtually all our thousand households gather together on the High Holy Days in our handsome building, in our sanctuaries. We enter in good fellowship. We greet other members and guests. We (eventually) sit quietly. The service begins. The liturgy is familiar. The choir inspires.

Our thoughts may turn to loved ones, no longer with us. Or to relatives far away. It’s impossible not to glance around, to view our proceedings, to participate -- to appreciate our physical surroundings, our comfort, our involvement. Yes, one’s beliefs are a private matter. But “our Jewish values, our struggles, and even our doubts, are expressed primarily in a communal fashion.” [Machzor, ibid.]. And those thoughts and feelings, dear friends, must include a profound recognition that life is transitory, but the life of our Temple must be permanent.

What are our responsibilities to our beloved Temple? Many others have contributed to bring us to this season. What must we do to continue this remarkable, 4,000-year procession? It’s our turn. The message of the High Holy Days is that the door of opportunity - for passing through a spiritual threshold - may be granted to us once again. How better to recognize these feelings of responsibility, of continuation, than to promise now, but to pay later, by providing for our Sinai Circle, our long-term endowment. The High Holy Days end after ten days, at N’ilah. But, as you left the Temple, as you may have replaced your spiritual thoughts with the practical, you kept this resolve with you. Temple Sinai must be assured a strong financial future. A year of decision-making lies behind us. A year of spiritual and practical decision-making lies before us.

Steve Susman, Chair, Temple Sinai Endowment Committee (Sinai Circle)

Evelyn Burks,
Sister of Dorothy (Samuel) Howard

Molly Shenitzer,
Step-mother of Diane (Barry) Samet

Temple Sinai at Mt. Nebo Memorial Park
Temple Sinai has plots within Mt. Nebo Memorial Park (located at 13th Ave, west of Peoria in Denver) that are available for purchase by Temple Sinai members and their immediate loved ones. Plots can be purchased for $1,300 per plot and can be paid out over a year’s time with a $100 deposit and $60 finance fee per plot. For details, contact Lauren Bubis at 303.759.1827 or lauren@sinaidenver.org.
TEMPLE SINAI ELECTRONICS
RECYCLING FUNDRAISER

October 2–14

Here is a list of items we can recycle:

- Desktops and laptops
- LCD Monitors
- CRT Monitors
- LED Monitors
- Computer Peripherals
- Computer Accessories
- Computer Mice
- Keyboards
- Copiers
- Printers
- Digital Cameras
- Cell Phones
- Game Consoles

NO TVs

lisa@sinaidenver.org or (303) 759-1827.
Temple Sinai is once again hosting a Shred-a-Thon to welcome in the New Year.

Bring in your unwanted papers, files and documents to be safely and securely destroyed.

We hope that you will join us for this community-wide event!

This Shred event will be one day only.
Minimum suggested donation of $18.00 or more is appreciated.

If you are interested in volunteering for this event, contact Lisa Thorner at lisa@sinaidenver.org or 303-759-1827.
Donations

**Alan Farber Memorial Camp Scholarship Fund**
Sandra Farber-Volk in memory of Clara Farmer
John & Lori Spanbauer and Stan Farber in memory of Alan Farber

**Alan Jacobson Fund**
Steve & Cindy Diamond in memory of Paul Jacobson

**Building Our Future Fund**
William & Lorie Klumb in memory of Jack Bohm and Steve Miles
Gerald & Natalie Lassow in memory of Abraham Lassow, Robert Lassow and Hilda Newirth
Peter & Sally Nadel in memory of Scott Nadel and Eric Nadel
Jeffrey & Jane Robbins in memory of Steven Miles
Steve & Frances Sussman

**Building Maintenance Fund**
Roberta Greengard

**Cantor Sheila Nesis Discretionary Fund**
Hugh & Marcia Miles in memory of Steven Miles

**Encore Fund**
Hal & Joyce Taback in memory of Seymour Krom
Adrienne Levy in honor of Lisa Thorner

**General Fund**
Tom & Condy Kreutz in memory of Charleen Levitt
Samuel & Carol Jonas in memory of Linda Brandwein, Samuel Jonas and Dick Lutz
Harriette Rovner Ferguson in memory of Steve Miles
Beverly Sunshine in memory of Bernie Eisenstat
Richard & Karen Yolles

**High Holy Day Flowers**
Goldstein Family in honor of Evelyn Heller’s 104th birthday
Dr. Jean Guthery

**Ida & Max Fogel Youth & Adult Library Fund**
Andrea Forlina in memory of Eva Landsberg

**Ilene Shiroff Memorial Fund**
Dorothy Rosenblatt in memory of Ilene Shiroff

**Jewish Education Fund**
Lois Sitrin Grayck in honor of Arthur & Rhoda Nozik
Dr. Marc & Susan Reissner in memory of Judie Schwartz and Liz Hoskins

**Julius & Helen Ring IST Fund**
Irene Abrosch in memory of David & Doron Abrosch
Dr. Jean Guthery in memory of Alfred Abraham Simson and Willi Wohlgenannt
Ed & Debby Rosenfeld in honor of David & Susan Silberman’s 50th anniversary
Urban Wakefield

**Lew Rosenberg Camp Fund**
Barbara Suson in memory of Sol Land

**Martin J. And Susan B. Kozak Fund**
Chicago Community Foundation

**Mitzvah Project Fund**
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