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AUGUST 2018, AV/ELUL 5778
TEMPLE SINAI IS LOOKING FOR HIGH HOLY DAYS USHER TEAM LEADERS.

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REMINDER
Please remember that membership dues need to be current in order to receive High Holy Day tickets.

If you have questions concerning your account, please call the Office at 303.759.1827.

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See High Holy Day Schedule for Service Times
# High Holy Day Service Schedule

**SELICHOT, SEPT. 1**  
Program 7:00pm  
Refreshments 7:45pm  
Service 8:00pm

**ROSH HASHANAH**  
**EREV ROSH HASHANAH, SEPT. 9**  
Service 8:00pm

**1ST DAY ROSH HASHANAH, SEPT. 10**  
Early Service - Main Service 8:30am  
Late Service 11:45am  
Alternative Service 11:45am  
Young Family Service 4:00pm  
Westlands Park, Family Service  
Tashlich - Westlands Park 4:45pm

**CHILDREN’S/YOUTH SERVICES & PROGRAMS**  
**ROSH HASHANAH, SEPT. 10**  
Tot Service 8:00am  
Infants - 5 year olds & Family  
Tot Program 8:30am  
18 mo - 5 year olds  
K-2 Youth Experience 8:30am  
Junior Congregation 8:30am  
3rd-5th grade  
Young Family Service 4:00pm  
Westlands Park, Family Service  
Tashlich - Westlands Park 4:45pm

**2ND DAY ROSH HASHANAH, SEPT. 11**  
Main Service 10:00am

**CEMETERY MEMORIAL SERVICES, SEPT. 16**  
Fairmount 10:00am  
Mt. Nebo 11:30am  
Rose Hill 1:00pm

**KOL NIDRE, SEPT. 18**  
Main Service 7:30pm

**YOM KIPPUR, SEPT. 19**  
Main Service – Early 8:30am  
Main Service – Late 11:45am  
Alternative Service 11:45am  
Discussion 2:15pm  
Afternoon Service 3:30pm  
Yizkor Service 5:00pm  
Neilah Service 6:00pm  
Break-the-Fast 6:30pm

**CHILDREN’S/YOUTH SERVICES & PROGRAMS**  
**YOM KIPPUR, SEPT. 19**  
Tot Service 8:00am  
Infants - 5 year olds & Family  
Tot Program 8:30am  
18 mo - 5 year olds  
K-2 Youth Experience 8:30am  
Junior Congregation 8:30am  
3rd-5th grade  
Neilah Service 6:00pm  
Break-the-Fast 6:30pm

**SU.normKOT**  
**EREV SU.normKOT, SEPT. 23**  
Main Service 6:00pm

**SU.normKOT, SEPT. 24**  
Service 10:00am

**SHEMINI ATZERET/SIMCHAT TORAH, SEPT. 30**  
Service 6:00pm  
Celebration 7:00pm

**SHEMINI ATZERET/SIMCHAT TORAH OCT. 1**  
Festival Service 10:00am  
with Yizkor Memorial Prayers

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**JOIN US SEPTEMBER 28 FOR**  
**SPAGHETTI IN THE SUKKAH**  
6:00PM EREV SHABBAT SERVICE  
7:00PM DINNER

Please RSVP by September 23  
www.sinaiddenver.org/sukkotdinner
Build your own Sukkah

Building your own Sukkah just got easier! Locally owned, The Sukkah Project, sells affordable kits that are built in 2 hours and provide a real sukkah for your family and friends to enjoy throughout the Festival of Sukkot. It is a fun tradition to visit each other during the festival, to raise the etrog, shake the lulav, and share a meal in the splendor of a sukkah. For more information, visit www.sukkot.com or call 844.478.5568 between 8am-10pm.

Selichot Program and Service

September 1 at 7:00pm

The New Year holds such promise and potential. Each of us has the opportunity to start fresh and bring the best of our values and character to shine. The High Holy Days have proven over the past 3,500 years to be extraordinarily important to help us reflect, repent, learn, and grow. The Selichot program and service (traditionally held on the Saturday evening that is at least 3 days before Rosh HaShanah) help us to prepare ourselves for the emotionally, intellectually, and spiritually transformative experience during the High Holy Days.

This year Selichot is on Saturday evening, September 1. The study program will focus on Chesborn HaNefesh, Taking an Account of our Souls. This reflective session will explore how ancient Jewish wisdom can provide insights for us as we deal with modern challenges and dilemmas. After the program we will join together for a very meaningful Selichot service, which concludes with the sounding of the shofar and the dressing of our Torah scrolls in their High Holy Day white covers.

The Selichot program and service are open and free to all. Please invite your friends to join us!

Summer Healing Service

August 16 at 11:00am

For our Healing Service, we gather together for prayers, meditations, and the warm embrace of friends to renew our sense of hope, strength, and healing. The Healing Service is for those who are struggling with their health, sadness, and grief. The Healing Service is also for care givers who seek inspiration as they pray for the welfare of loved ones. All are welcome.

If you're unable to attend the service, just send us the name(s) of the loved one(s) you would like mentioned during prayers.

Mazel Tov

Sam Rheins
Son of Rabbi Rick and Rabbi Susan Rheins, on his graduation from the Israel Government Fellows program. Sam worked for 10 months in Jerusalem at the Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Media and Public Affairs Division.

Temple Sinai Volunteers
Thanks to each and every one of you for coming out to build with Habitat Interfaith Alliance and for helping to get builders signed up. We had a full house, 20 in all... with 11 volunteers from Temple Sinai - our biggest group ever! The dedication ceremony date will be announced once the build is completed.
RABBI RICK RHEINS

The Holy Days are Not Too Early. Rather, Just in Time!

The Hebrew month of Elul begins Saturday evening, August 11. Elul is the month before the Hebrew month of Tishrei and the start of the High Holy Days. Elul is the time when we really begin to prepare ourselves for the New Year. Traditionally, during Elul, the shofar is sounded at the daily morning services (but not on Shabbat) as a reminder for us to get ready.

This summer I have heard many exclaim how early the Holy Days are this year. “Why are the Holy Days so early this year?” While I invariably begin my response with an attempt to explain the relationship of the Hebrew calendar which is governed by a lunar-solar cycle to the Western calendar which is strictly solar based, I soon realize that a technical answer misses the mark. What we are really saying when we voice our concern that the Holy Days are early is that we are simply not ready for them. We are not ready for another year to have passed so quickly. We are not ready to ponder the sweep of time and experiences since last Rosh HaShanah. We are not ready for Cheshbon HaNefesh, “an accounting of our souls.” We are not ready or eager to review, evaluate, and take stock of our lives.

But life, like time itself, does not wait. The month of Elul arrives and gives us a wake-up call to action. Now is a good time to take stock of our lives and our relationships. It is an important time for us to look inward toward our own responsibilities, strengths and weaknesses. It is important to note that in Judaism, the process of self-evaluation is not to dwell solely on our failures and disappointments. A classic midrash notes that the four Hebrew letters that spell Elul (alef, lamed, vav, lamed) are the first letters in a lovely phrase from the Song of Songs: ani l’odi v’odi li, “I am my beloved’s and my beloved is mine.” The phrase is well-known from our wedding ceremonies and romantic messages. It also speaks of God’s relationship to each one of us. Though there have been disappointments during the past year, there have also been moments of sweetness. Brilliant days, good friends, loving family, inspired music, great books, enthralling entertainment, fascinating nature, succulent foods, and peaceful evenings. It has been a year of many different kinds of wonderful experiences, and each one is a gift from God. Too often, people think of God only during their frustrations and grief as if all of life’s tragedies are curses. But even in moments of despair, a perceptive person will notice that the great momentum of life forges on. After darkness, the sun rises; birth follows death; new opportunities arise after failure; hopes and dreams and love are eternal.

To family and friends we say: “in good times and bad.” So too, it is in our relationship with God. God’s gift of life is not a promise of a painless, floating dream. Rather, we are a part of life in good times and bad, and through all dimensions of experience. Our sages taught that we are partners with God in creation. We have the potential to make the world a better place. Every day presents opportunities for us to make a positive contribution, whether great or small, toward the betterment of the world.

Yes, the Holy Days are nearing. But life is here right now. This is the time:

- To Break the Bonds of Anger,
- To be generous of heart;
- To break the bonds of shame,
- To live with self-respect;
- To break the bonds of envy,
- To serve one another in joy;
- To break the bonds of boredom,
- To be attentive to all God’s gifts;
- To break the bonds of fear,
- To live with courage and strength;
- To untie the knots of betrayal;
- To love with fullness of being.
- To break the bonds of loneliness,
- To receive a hand of hope;
- To break the bonds of self-centeredness,
- To extend a hand of help;

Released from the darkness, our people found their freedom at sea;
And we pray for liberation at the dawning of this year.  
(by Alden Solovy, from our HHD Machzor, Mishkan HaNefesh, p.33)

L’Shana Tovah teka-tay-vu ve-t’cha-tay-mu, May the New Year 5779 be filled with God’s blessings of good health, prosperity and happiness for you and your loved ones.

L’Shana Tovah,
Rabbi Rick Rheins
Arrive Early to Perform a Mitzvah!

From the dawn of civilization, great sages, philosophers and writers have extolled the merit of arising early to greet the day. Aristotle stated, “It is well to be up before daybreak, for such habits contribute to health, wealth, and wisdom.” Lemony Snicket wrote, “Morning is an important time of day, because how you spend your morning can often tell you what kind of day you are going to have.” The Babylonian Talmud (circa 500 CE), Tractate Pesachim 4a, offers a comparable admonition:

למצות מקדימין זריזין - zerizin makdimim l’mitzvot: Arrive early to perform a mitzvah!

Almost every Saturday morning during the year, scores of Temple Sinai members arise early to gather at 9 AM for our weekly Shabbat Morning Minyan. The service, held in the Abrahams Family Chapel, the Study, the Haag Family Community Room or outdoors, is a heimish - warm and comfortable - gathering. Although at least one of the clergy participates in the Shabbat Morning Minyan each week, it essentially is lay-led by Temple Sinai congregants who volunteer to lead the prayers, to chant or read the Torah and the Haftarah portions, and to offer Divrei Torah, inspirational thoughts and teachings. Since last Rosh HaShanah, more than 50 Temple Sinai members have assumed these leadership roles, often multiple times, and so many others have been called up for an aliyah, to recite the blessings before and after the Torah reading. A special feature of the Shabbat Morning Minyan is our celebration through music as we lift our voices in song while taking in hand our assortment of musical instruments.

The Shabbat Morning Minyan a spiritual, inclusive, and friendly community in which to celebrate the joy of Shabbat. All are invited to attend. All are invited to participate. What does it take to lead? If you can read Hebrew, the clergy will guide you in how to lead the service and/or read from the weekly Torah portion. If you cannot read Hebrew, you can participate by reading the Haftarah (a selection from the Prophets) in English, teaching a meaningful lesson about the Torah portion, or reflecting on a prayer or meditation. To sign up to participate, contact me at rabbisusan@sinaidenver.org or 303.759.1827 and we’ll find a role that is perfect for you!

The Talmudic maxim “Arrive early to perform a mitzvah!” is an invitation to all. I look forward to fulfilling this mitzvah with you weekly at 9 AM Shabbat Morning Minyan!

B’vrakhah,

Susan

High Holy Day Alternative Services in the Abrahams Family Chapel!

On Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur, we reflect on the year past and look expectantly to the year ahead. The High Holy Day Alternative Services (Rosh HaShanah morning at 11:45am and Yom Kippur Morning at 11:45am) are ideal for those who prefer a more intimate gathering, as well as for those new to Judaism. While the services will be complete and authentically in keeping with our High Holy Day traditions, the more informal setting will enable time for contemplation, for gentle guidance through the liturgy and rituals, and for explanations that will enhance the worship experience.

Cantor Regina Heit, Cantor Emerita of Temple Emanuel in Denver, will co-lead these services, enriching our High Holy Day worship with traditional, contemporary and folk melodies. We invite you to join us in the Abrahams Family Chapel to welcome the New Year 5779 and to celebrate our sacred heritage at this time of reflection, repentance and renewal.

B’vrakhah,

Susan
LORETTA CAWELTI

We are happy to announce that Loretta Cawelti has joined the Temple as the Interim High Holy Day Coordinator and New Member Liaison. Loretta has over 20 years of experience as a past Executive Director of Temple Sinai and BMH/BJ. Her background, knowledge, and passion for Temple Sinai make Loretta the perfect person to guide us through the High Holy Days. Her warm and friendly demeanor will provide prospective congregants a wonderful experience as they get to know Temple Sinai. We couldn’t be more fortunate to have Loretta’s assistance during this very busy time of year, as we search for our new Executive Director. If you have any questions about the upcoming High Holy Days, Loretta can be reached at 303.759.1827 x310 or loretta@sinaidenver.org.

Temple Sinai is a Dynamic Jewish Community!

Our members are friendly and diverse and we offer wonderful activities for people of all ages and interests. We are a family of families committed to Judaism from generation to generation. Check out our worship services, our many educational and social events, and experience the spiritual and intellectual richness of our community!

We offer a variety of worship opportunities to engage our multi-generational congregation. Temple Sinai is under the religious leadership of Rabbi Rick Rheins, Rabbi Susan Rheins and Cantor Sheila Nesis. In addition, we are fortunate to have our founding rabbi, Rabbi Ray Zwerin as our Rabbi Emeritus.

Temple Sinai is proud to provide outstanding programs such as: Chavurot, Youth Groups, Adult Education, Social Action, Leadership Training and Development and a plethora of additional programs.

To inquire about membership, please contact Loretta Cawelti at 303.759.1827 or loretta@sinaidenver.org

Activity Chavurah

We had a well attended and enthusiastic first event! Twelve of us rode 14 miles on the South Platte River Trail followed by a delightful brunch outside.

Our monthly meeting will feature an outside event (unless there is inclement weather). A portion of our meetings will incorporate a Jewish theme, such as outdoor services.

We are open to new members. This is an adults only group. All those interested contact Gary or Nancy Eisenberg at GME433@yahoo.com.
How do you teach 150 curious preschoolers about the High Holy Days using an Emergent Curriculum? Immerse them in the sights, smells, tastes, and wonders of our tradition! Gone are the days of cookie cutter apple and honey dishes. Instead the sweet new year begins by providing our kiddos with apples of all shapes and sizes, whole, peeled, cubed, and quartered, and gobs of sticky sticky honey to touch, taste, and explore. You also won’t find any kazoo shofars at Temple Sinai Preschool. Instead, you will find our youngest learners experimenting with real rams horn shofarot. In our classrooms students are comparing the sounds of the shofar to those of other instruments big and small, loud and quiet, high and low. And Tashlich, it is a beautiful opportunity for our big thinkers to explore sending their sorries away while experimenting with the properties of moving water using ramps, tubes, and tunnels.

By providing our students with real materials and real experiences we are honoring them as capable learners and giving them the best of our holiday. We also honor the Jewish tradition of layered learning. Temple Sinai Preschool is providing the first layer, the foundation, for a lifelong journey of Jewish education. Here is where the love of learning begins.

Sheila Purdin
Preschool Director
It is indeed a pleasure to write my first greeting for the Temple Sinai Kesher. I’m so excited to be here as your Director of Education. As I write this article it has only been a few weeks since I began and I’m so appreciative of the welcome and support that I have received. I’ve met many of the wonderful teachers that give of their time and energy to engage our children in learning. I’ve met with Board members who have offered their continued support. I have also had the opportunity to meet with the clergy and staff and am looking forward to being a part of this dynamic team.

During August we begin the month of Elul in the Jewish calendar, the month preceding Rosh HaShana and Yom Kippur. Our preparations for Rosh HaShana and Yom Kippur provide two important insights to share with our children - insights which can help to shape the way they grow and develop.

The first lesson: No matter what one has done before, we can always make a new beginning. While we have to take responsibility for what has already happened, we can always start again to make things better. That is the essence of Rosh HaShana.

The second lesson: A person is always responsible for what he/she does. When we make a mistake, when we miss the mark, we have to do more than feel sorry. We have to both do our best to correct the hurt we caused another person, and do our best to see to it that we never do the same thing again. This is teshuvah (repentance), the action required during the High Holy Day period.

On behalf of my family, I wish you and your family a year filled with good health, happiness and Jewish learning.

L'Shalom,
Ron Leff, RJE
Director of Education

Religious School Registration Is Now Open!

We are busy planning for the 2018-2019 school year! If you haven’t already registered, now is the time. Temple Sinai Religious School strives to provide our students a meaningful educational, social, and spiritual experience where all learners create lifelong, joyous Jewish memories. Our school offers classes from Kindergarten through 10th grade students. Visit our webpage at www.sinaidenver.org/religionsschool.

First Day of Class

Join us September 16 from 9:00am - 12:00pm for Parent/Student Orientation, visit classrooms, meet teachers and a family BBQ!

Our First Day of Class of Religious School will be:
- Sunday, September 16, Kindergarten – Sixth grades
- Sunday, September 23, Seventh and Eighth grades
- Sunday, September 30, Ninth and Tenth grades

We look forward to beginning the year with opportunities to meet teachers, learn together and create community. Watch for more information!

Changes to our Religious School Schedule

We sent a survey to our Seventh - Tenth grade families and based on the responses received, we’re making changes to the schedule for the coming 2018-19 year:

- Seventh grade will meet on Sunday mornings, 9:00am - 12:00pm.
- Eighth - Tenth grades will meet on Sunday mornings, 10:00am - 12:00pm. Students will be able to participate in our Madrikhim program (Teaching Assistants) from 9:00 - 10:00am.
Join Us for Kabbalat Shabbat As We Say L'hitraot to Teen Israel Emissary (Shinshinit), Hadar Curiel
August 17 at 6:00pm

For the past year, Temple Sinai has been honored to host Teen Israel Emissary Hadar Curiel. Working with our youth from preschool through 12th grade, Hadar has shared with our community her love of, passion for, and knowledge about Israel.

Please join us in thanking Hadar and wishing her well as she returns home to Israel and begins her service in the Israel Defense Forces (IDF). During the service, Shlichah (Israel Emissary) Osnat Fox will speak about the partnership between JEWISHcolorado and Temple Sinai which makes the Teen Israel Emissary program possible.

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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 do not have a reserved date for a service, please call Rabbi Rick or Rabbi Susan Rheins and we’ll answer all your questions and help you find a date that works for your family.

Date selection request forms are available in the Temple Sinai Office and can be mailed 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.
**B'NEI MITZVAH**

*Jake Bridge - August 4, 2018*

Jake is the son of Rachel and Jeff Bridge and the brother of Dylan (10). He attends Stem School and enjoys reading and playing games.

For his Mitzvah Project, Jake is working with the Wild Animal Sanctuary to provide supplies for the animals and to provide support for the large animals.

*Owen Bernstein - August 11, 2018*

Owen is the son of Chantel and Curtis Bernstein and the brother of Evan (10) and Adam (7). He attends Stem School and enjoys reading, computers and video games.

For his Mitzvah Project, Owen is volunteering to make lunches for the homeless and delivering them to local shelters around Denver. He is also making and handing out bags of necessities/toiletries and food to the homeless around Denver.

*Joshua Weiner - August 11, 2018*

Joshua is the son of Annette and Michael Weiner and the brother of Matthew (16) and Scott (10). He attends Campus Middle School and enjoys baseball, golf, Boy Scouts and playing Fortnite and the saxophone.

For his Mitzvah Project, Joshua will be collecting personal hygiene products for St. Francis Center of Denver.
Elan Brown - August 18, 2018

Elan is the son of Michelle and George Brown and the brother of Naomi (10). He enjoys playing soccer, skiing, Science, Global Studies and going to the movies. For his Mitzvah Project, Elan is educating children about Alzheimer’s Disease with a particular emphasis on interacting with a loved one with the disease.

Janie LaBarge Landgraff - August 25, 2018

Janie is the daughter of Caroline and Peter Landgraff and the sister of Thomas (13) and Jack (17). She attends Kent Denver School and is a dancer and loves all of the disciplines she studies: ballet, pointe, lyrical, jazz, contemporary, and hip hop. Janie loves to compete and perform throughout the year and she also loves to travel. She took her first trip to Europe this summer and is hooked!

Thomas R. Landgraff - August 25, 2018

Thomas is the son of Caroline and Peter Landgraff and the brother of Janie (13) and Jack (17). He attends Kent Denver School and loves to ski, hike, mountain bike, lacrosse, Shwayder Camp, all sorts of outdoor/camping activities, ride his scooter, visit skate parks, and hang out with all his friends.
**Electronic Recycling Fundraiser, October 2-14**

Drop off your old electronics in the Temple's Main Office or Preschool Office along with the suggested donation of $18 and we will take care of the recycling from there!

Here is a list of items we can recycle:

- Desktops and Laptops
- LCD Monitors
- CRT Monitors ($20 per monitor)
- LED Monitors
- Cell Phones
- Computer Accessories
- Computer Mice
- Keyboards
- Copiers
- Digital Cameras
- Game Consoles
- Printers ($8 per printer)

**No TVs PLEASE!**

**25-Year Pre-Neg, October 5**

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, 35 and 45-year members, followed by Kabbalat Shabbat services at 7:00pm. There will be a special oneg following services. For additional information, please contact Lisa Thorner at 303.759.1827 or lisa@sinaidenver.org.

**Oy Vey 5K, October 7**

Join us for the 3rd Annual Oy Vey 5K/1K Family Walk/Run at DeKoevend Park in Littleton!

**Schedule**

- 9:00am        Check-In
- 9:30am        1K Family Walk/Run
- 10:00am      5K Race
- 10:45am      Post Race Celebration

**Cost**

- Adults               $25                               $30
- Kids 13-18        $15    $20
- Kids 6-12          $10    $15

Registration includes a race t-shirt. Kids 5 and under are free and can purchase a t-shirt for $5. In lieu of Religious School classes, we hope your family will join us for the morning. Please meet us as the park.

To register, go to SinaiDenver.org/OyVey5k. Register by September 23 to choose your own t-shirt size (extra t-shirts will be available for late and same-day registrations with limited size options).

**Shred-A-Thon, October 14**

Come drop off documents to be shredded from 9:00am - 12:15pm. We hope that you can join us for this community-wide event. We are asking for a suggested donation of $18.

**Lifelong Jewish Learning**

Back by Popular demand...Lifelong Jewish Learning - every other Wednesday night starting October 10 from 6:30- 8:00pm and ending on December 12. We will list all speakers in next month’s Kesher. All programs are free and open to the public.

**Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Program with Rabbi Raymond Zwerin**

Coming Soon!

**Sinai Sunday Classes Will Begin In Early November**

In this 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 issue independently in order to enhance our subsequent discussions. The full listing of the issues will be announced shortly.

**Dates and Times to come!**
**Bible, Beers & Brotherhood**  
**August 8 at 6:00pm**  
**MEN TALKING TORAH WITH RABBI RHEINS**  
Join Rabbi Rheins at Darcy's Pub to talk Torah!  
Darcy's Pub is located at  
4955 South Ulster Street, #103, Denver, Co 80237

**Lunch & Learn**  
**Thursdays, Noon to 1:00pm**  
**August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**  
Come to learn, discuss, debate & meet friends  
- We'll review ethical & moral issues in selected Jewish texts  
- Discuss hot current topics  
- Debate the important issues of the day  
- Bring your lunch! We will serve the text and topics!  
Bring your lunch and join in the discussion! It's a great way to learn and meet new friends --- and it's all FREE!

**Sinai Circle**  
"Human Nature"  
Our endowment committee has been gradually contacting our members, gently encouraging each of you to create or amend a so-called estate plan, while “remembering” Sinai in that process. Several already “belong” to Sinai Circle, members who have provided a written acknowledgement that they’ve done that. Others respond with a written commitment that they’ll “take care of it” eventually.  
It’s only human nature to procrastinate. “Hey, thanks for reminding me to review my estate plan. But there’s really no hurry; my spouse and I are in good health and frankly, we have a full plate of other, more pressing issues to contend with now.” Or, “I heard there are some new federal tax laws that might impact my financial plans. But my accountant is probably busy. I’ll give him a call in a couple months.”  
Our goal is to obtain a commitment from every Temple member to remember Temple Sinai in his/her will (or other means of estate planning). The term “estate planning” unfairly connotes a future financial plan for well-to-do members only. But everyone needs a forward-looking financial plan for his/her family and his/her favored institutions. The beauty of a commitment to enhance our endowment, regardless of amount, is that we can “pledge now, but for payment in the future.”  
As each of you is eventually contacted by a volunteer on our endowment committee, please consider creating or revising your own estate plan, in a timely manner, with a provision for Temple Sinai, too. That is how we can assure the financial integrity of our Temple for future generations.  
Steve Susman  
Chair, Endowment Committee

**Knitting for Charity**  
**August 12 & September 16**  
Suzan Markman's Home  
1617 South Rosemary, Denver, CO 80231  
If you would like to donate yarn, contact  
Suzan Markman at 303.770.4014

**55+ Singles Group**  
Did you know that there is a phenomenal group for single men and women who are 55+? We meet once a month and have a great time. It has become a truly amazing group of people!  
Come join the fun. For more information, please call Gayle Glucksman at 303.908.0455.

**Waterway Car Wash**  
Temple Sinai is pairing with Waterway Car Wash. Purchase a full-service Waterway car wash for $16 and $8 goes to Temple Sinai. The certificate is good for any Waterway Car Wash in Colorado.  
Contact Lisa Thorner at 303.759.1827 or lisa@sinaidenver.org to purchase your car wash certificate.

**Brick Project**  
Pave the way for Temple Sinai's future by purchasing a commemorative engraved brick. Your engraved brick(s) will provide an opportunity to commemorate life's simchas, acknowledge a special event, celebrate milestones or inscribe a family name. These legacy bricks are proudly displayed outside the front entrance of the main Temple building for you to enjoy for years to come. All members of our community are encouraged to participate in this special project that will build a more beautiful entrance to the temple and make a permanent mark by investing in the future of Temple Sinai.  
If you would like to purchase a brick, please go on-line to http://www.sinaidenver.org/brick-by-brick.html or call Temple Sinai to obtain a form. For additional information, contact Lisa Thorner at lisa@sinaidenver.org or 303.759.1827.
Sick? Struggling?
Want a Call or a Meeting?
Inform the Rabbis!

Adding to the agony and frustration of dealing with illness or struggling with a difficult time is the thought that you are forgotten. 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 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. Please call or email our Rabbis and let them know that you’d like their help.

Rabbi Rick Rheins: rabrheins@sinaidenver.org
Rabbi Susan Rheins: rabbisusan@sinaidenver.org

King Soopers Cards

How does it work?
You buy a gift card from Temple Sinai for $25 and there is $25 pre-loaded on the card. The card can be reloaded for any amount up to $500. You give the card to the cashier before your purchases are scanned so the reloading is paid as a separate transaction. You can reload as often as you want!

What’s 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 that month, the balance rolls forward to the next month and continues accumulating.

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

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

DONATIONS NEEDED!

Jewish War Veterans Post 344 is looking for donations of NEW or USED baseballs! The baseballs will be decorated and sent overseas in support of our troops.

Please drop off donations in the Temple Sinai Office.

Jewish Interest Free Loans

Jewish Interest Free Loans (JIFLCO) was founded in 2000 and has helped over 400 households find economic relief. To qualify for a JIFLCO loan, you must be Jewish, be a Colorado 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

Temple Sinai at Mt. Nebo Memorial Park

Temple Sinai has a section of burial plots within Mt. Nebo Memorial Park (located at 13th Ave, just 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.

If you are interested in purchasing burial plots, please contact Lauren Bubis at 303.759.1827 or lauren@sinaidenver.org

Jewish War Veterans

September 16 at 9:00am

Ari Greene Harrison, proud Gold Star son of West Point graduate and US Army Captain Ellis David Greene (1st Calvary, 227 Aviation Battalion) who was killed in Vietnam and whom our Jewish War Veterans Post 344 is named in memory of, will be speaking about his involvement in Sons and Daughters in Touch. SDIT’s mission is to locate, unite and provide support to Gold Star sons and daughters and the family members of those who died or remain missing in Vietnam. They also promote healing, networking and regularly address other organizations, high schools and college classes in hopes of providing education on the historical and emotionally legacy of the Vietnam War.

Ari will also speak about how his father’s death in the Vietnam War has affected his outlook on life and how his involvement with SDIT has helped him.

Please join us for breakfast and wonderful speaker! For more information, please call Ruth at 303.955.6974
SAVE THE DATE!

8TH ANNUAL TEMPLE SINAI BROTHERHOOD GOLF TOURNAMENT

BENEFITING THE ISRAEL STUDY TOUR

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19
WELLSHIRE GOLF CLUB
TEE TIME IS AT 7:30 AM
COST PER PLAYER IS $136
(LUNCH INCLUDED)

ALL ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE!

FOR SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES,
CONTACT LAUREN BUBIS AT LAUREN@SINAIDENVER.ORG
OR AT 303-759-1827 EXT. 322
NEW SUMMER SESSION BIBLE STUDY/DIscussion
TROUBLING TEXTS IN GENESIS
“READING BETWEEN THE LINES”

TUESDAYS: JULY 31, AUGUST 7, AND AUGUST 14
10:30 AM – NOON
AT TEMPLE SINAI

It is our pleasure to have Rabbi David J. Zucker, PhD teaching his latest series “Troubling Texts in Genesis, Reading Between the Lines.” Delve into Genesis 16, Genesis 21 and Genesis 27 and discover what is really happening behind the scenes. Each interactive study/discussion session is stand alone, but when studied together you will have a better understanding of how the three passages are linked. Materials will be provided; feel free to bring your own Bible.

July 31: Genesis 16: Hagar, Sarah (and Abraham)
August 7: Genesis 21 Sarah, Hagar (and Abraham)
August 14: Genesis 27 Rebekah, Jacob (and Isaac)

Please register at https://www.sinaidenver.org/event/bible-study-with-rabbi-david-zucker. $18.00 for the series. Scholarships available, please contact Rabbi Rick Rheins at 303-759-1827 or rbrheins@sinaidenver.org

Dr. Zucker is a nationally known author, educator and chaplain who has recently returned to Denver from London, England where he served as Interim Rabbi for a local congregation. Before retiring, Rabbi Zucker served as the Shalom Park Chaplain for 17 years. Read more at www.davidjzucker.org.

Optional texts:
David J. Zucker (with Moshe Reiss), The Matriarchs of Genesis: Seven Women, Five Views (Wipf & Stock)

Copies for sale of The Matriarchs of Genesis: Seven Women, Five Views will be available at the sessions and the Temple Sinai office.
IN MEMORIAM

Linda Mae Brandwein, wife of Milt Brandwein
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Judy Greenberg-Levin, mother of Kenneth (Anna Maria) Greenberg
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