



Temple Sinai

of Marblehead & Swampscott

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Tu Bishvat Seder!

AND HOMEMADE ISRAELI DINNER

Friday,
February 10th

Service at 6:00 PM
Dinner at 6:45 PM



Winter getting you down? Think Spring!

Join us in celebrating Tu Bishvat -
A New Year for the Trees and Spring in Israel!

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Morning Minyan

Monday - Friday 7:15 AM
Sundays at 9:00 AM

Evening Minyan

Monday – Thursday
7:00 PM

Shabbat Services

Friday Evenings 6:00 PM
Saturday Mornings at
9:30 AM

Knesset Katan

Selected Saturdays at
10:30 AM (ages 3 - 7)

Noar Program

Selected Saturdays at
10:30 AM (ages 8 - 12)



Name: _____ Phone: _____
 Total Adults: _____ \$15/Adult
 Total Children: _____ \$8/Child (12 & under)
 Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ \$45 Family Maximum
 Additional contribution to help defray food costs: \$ _____

RSVP by Monday, February 6th, 2012

Would you like to help?
Call Rosalie Miller at 781-631-1440 or email millerfam4@comcast.net

Your check, made out to Temple Sinai, is your reservation.



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A Message from the Cantor



During the Month of Shevat, Look for the Low Hanging Fruit at Temple Sinai.

As many of you know, during the month of Shevat, we celebrate the holiday of Tu B'Shevat. Tu B'Shevat, the 15th day of Shevat, is also known as the New Year for trees. Although Tu B'Shevat is not mentioned in the Torah, it was used in calculating the age of the trees as was required in Lev. 19:23-25 which says that the fruit from the trees may not be eaten during the first three years. The fourth year is for God and thereafter can be eaten by all. Jews being Jews, there was even a dispute as to the exact day the holiday should be celebrated. Beit Shammai said it should be on the first day of Shevat. I will let you guess when Biet Hillel said the holiday should occur.

In later years this holiday took on other significances to become more like Arbor Day. It is a day to celebrate and improve the environment. Many people plant trees and eat various types of fruits. On Friday, February 10th, Temple Sinai will celebrate Tu B'Shevat by having a Tu B'Shevat Seder. The seder includes eating four types of fruits as well as drinking different types of wines. This year, the Seder will also include a homemade Israeli dinner and ice cream sundae bar.

Tu B'Shevat is also the start of spring in Israel. It is a new beginning. The flowers are sprouting, the grass is growing and the feeling of newness is in the air. At Temple Sinai, we too have newness in the air. Great new and exciting events are continuously happening. Rabbi Fine in conjunction with NSTI went skiing with our youth; we are starting a new and exciting Shabbat program on February 4th, a meditation Shabbat, a family Shabbat, as well as many more great activities. Please check the bulletin on our web site for the most up to date information.

On February 25th, we will debut our first time Torah readers. For the past few months, five members of our congregation have studied the art of Torah reading and will chant from the Torah. There will be a special kiddush following the service.

As Tu B'Shevat brings in spring and a new beginning in Israel so should we look at ourselves to try something new at our temple. The low hanging fruits of Sinai are there for the taking. Come down and enjoy.

Calling All Cooks & Wannabe Cooks!

Thursday, February 23rd at 7:30 PM

Join us as we prepare something special
in honor of Cantor Aronson's 'Learn to
Chant Torah' class reading Torah on
Shabbat, February 25th.

If you are interested, please call the
Temple Office at 781-631-2763.



We thank Brenda & Michael Silverman for their contribution of Salad Spinners to the Temple Kitchen!

We also would like to thank Lainie, Jay, Josh and Rafi Okon's contribution of the beautiful challah cover from Israel, formerly belonging to Lainie's mother, Taube Goodman, in honor of Josh Okon's one year anniversary of becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

Happy Birthday!

Judith Meltzer
Sheila Simons
Amanda Low
Adam Zell
Jordan Kratz
Larry Lodgen
David Noymer
Heather Greenberg
Jack Meltzer
Elana Aronson
Carol Brand
Merrill Cohen

Herb Zimmerman
Mordechai Kamel
Robert Kimmel
Barbara Marberblatt
Harry Schrater
Ruth Sugarman
Barbara Ingber
Bernard Kravitz
Herbert Cooper
Marla Samost
Helen Rosenthal
Michele Rosenthal

Alan Kalikow
Jordan Horowitz
Eleanor White
Marla Feldbau
Micah Rosenfield
Alexandra Wittner
Gail Woodrow
Marilyn Epstein
Eli Pearlstein
Julia Saxe
Hannah Cohen
Alan Barnett

Bernard Klickstein
Rebecca Shelkan-Remis
Jerry Wittenberg
Sara Gindes
Lawrence Slater
Hannah Dubrovin
Alissa Garfinkle
Steven Green
Andrew Greenseid
Wendy Sharff
Bruce Barlam
Adam Grossman

Happy Anniversary!

Jay & Barbara Rosenfield
James & Robin Low
Melissa Volk & Darren Aizman
Joel & Marion Kaplan

Andrew White & Michelle Hasty
Jacob & Ruth Aronson
Richard & Tammy Rosenblatt

We gratefully acknowledge the following contributions to the Temple Sinai Funds:

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Marking the Yahrzeit of:

- Benjamin Goldstein
by Merrill & Eleanor Cohen

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- Mollie Schildkrout, grandmother of Emily Fine
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A Speedy Recovery to:

- Ruth Aronson
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- Bertram Grand's Man of the Year Award
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- Cyndy Anselmo's mother
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- Barbara "Bunny" Kaplan, sister of Hal Rosenthal
by Lainie, Jay, Josh & Rafi Okon

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- Ethel Gould
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by Roz Weinstein

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- William Mack
by Wendy Mack

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In Memory of:

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by Ruth & Herb Cooper
- Minnie Seiden
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- Shirley Freedman
by Murray & June Davis

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A Speedy Recovery to:

- Albert Goodman, father of Lainie Goodman-Okon
by Jim & Judy Sherman

In Memory of:

- Barbara "Bunny" Kaplan, sister of Hal Rosenthal
by Jim & Judy Sherman

RICHARD BERMAN EDUCATION FUND

In Honor of:

- Alan & Sonia Kalikow's Wedding Anniversary
by Sylvia Berman

CALENDAR CHAIGHTS

Contemplative Minyan

Every Tuesday @ 7:00 PM

Could you use a peaceful reflective time in your week? Join us for meditation and Jewish chant, every Tuesday night with Rabbi Fine.

Israeli Dancing

Every Sunday @ 8:00 PM

Join the North Shore Israeli Dance Team at Temple Sinai to learn all types of Israeli Dances integrated from around the world. Beginners are welcome at 7:00 PM.

Knesset Katan & Noar

Saturday, February 4th

Bring your Children for some fun learning and energetic music and more with Noar Leader, Cantor Aronson and Knesset Katan Teacher, Lauren Goldman.

Hebrew Connection

Beginning Saturday, February 4th

9:30 – 10:30 AM

Want to learn or improve your Hebrew reading skills? Join us for our kick-off "Hebrew Connection" led by Nancy Sorkin.

Rhythms of the Soul: Drumming Circle Continues!

Sunday, February 12th @ 5:00 PM

A Hebrew themed gathering utilizing ancient to present day rhythms and spiritual practices from around the world. All ages welcome!

Meditation Mini-Retreat

Saturday, February 18th

2:30 - 6:30 PM

Feeling worn out? Whether you are experienced or interested in exploring meditation for the first time, we invite you to join us for this peaceful afternoon with a light meal and music.

SAVE THE DATE!

Tot Shabbat at the JCC!

Friday, March 2nd 5:00 PM

Youth & Family Shabbat

Saturday, March 3rd 10:00 AM

JCC Purim Carnival at the JCC

Sunday, March 4th 11:00 AM – 1:30 PM

Sisterhood Chinese Dinner

Tuesday, March 6th 7:30 PM

Purim Celebration & Costume Concert!

Wednesday, March 7th 6:00 PM

Sisterhood Passover Workshop

Sunday, March 11th 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Sisterhood Shabbat Service

Saturday, March 17th 9:30 AM

Temple Sinai goes to Brandeis

March 18th 10:45 AM

Brotherhood Breakfast

March 25th 9:30 AM

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Office Hours:

Monday – Friday 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

On Sunday, June 24, for the first time ever, the Massachusetts Tour De Shuls will be coming to the North Shore! (<http://www.tourdeshuls.org/>). This is not only a unique opportunity to combine a great day of riding with some wonderful tzedakah, it also lends itself to all kinds of chances to volunteer and provide community service. The planning process is just starting, but I am sure there will be needs for:

- Riders
- Ride day volunteers (refreshment stops at various synagogues)
- Publicity
- Help with a myriad of pre-ride activities. Etc...

I plan on attending the next organizational meeting on the evening of Feb 1 and would welcome company. It would be great for Sinai to be active and visible, especially as the event will attract riders from all over the metropolitan area. Let me know if you're interested, and let others know as well.

Michael Silverman

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TOUR de SHULS

It is our pleasure to announce that Phyllis Sagan of Sagan Realtors will be sponsoring the Kiddush on Shabbat Yitro, February 11, in recognition of the sale of the Temple Parsonage on Community Road and the members of the House Committee who worked tirelessly in seeing the sale come to fruition.

We hope you can join us in this celebration!



SINAI SISTERHOOD

Kosher Chinese Dinner at Temple Sinai!

March 6, 2012 at 7:30 PM

\$25/person

Join your fellow Sisterhood members (women only please!) for a Kosher Chinese Dinner from Taam China in Brookline. Rides to the Temple will be available to those who need them. Payment is due at time of reservation. Please make check payable to Temple Sinai Sisterhood and send to the Temple office.

Community Passover Expo

March 11, 2012

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Educational and art workshops for adults and children led by community leaders and professional artists. Displays, passover wine available for sale, cooking demonstrations and recipe swaps. More information to follow. We will need many volunteers that day - please e-mail sinaisisterhood@yahoo.com if you are available to help.

Sisterhood Shabbat

March 17, 2012

Please join us on March 17th for our annual Sisterhood Shabbat. Sisterhood members will be conducting the service, and preparing the kiddush.

If you are interested in participating in the service, please e-mail sinaisisterhood@yahoo.com or contact Carol Dinnes at 781-507-1916.

If you are interested in helping to prepare the Kiddush, please e-mail sinaisisterhood@yahoo.com or contact Rosalie Miller at 781-631-1440.

Donor Dinner

Please save the date of May 15th for Donor Dinner. More details will follow.

If you are not receiving e-mails from Sisterhood, and would like to, please e-mail us at sinaisisterhood@yahoo.com to let us know.

Our planning committee meets about once a month.

If you would like to join us - just let us know!

Our next meeting is scheduled for February 7, 2012.

SINAI BROTHERHOOD

Temple Sinai's

Brotherhood Breakfast

Sunday, March 25, 2012

9:30 AM



Save the date for a delicious
**Brotherhood Breakfast with Frank
Novack! Frank will be joining us to
speak on the topic of antique cars!**

**Want to help? Volunteers will be
needed for this event.**

**Contact Alan Barnett at
781-584-6003 for any questions or to
volunteer.**

The Brotherhood is off to a great year! Plans are now being made for a March 25, 2012 Brotherhood Breakfast with Frank Novack who will be speaking on the topic of antique cars. Volunteers are still needed for this event. Thanks to Julian Rich for setting this event in motion.

Also in the planning stages is a family bowling league! Thanks to Steve Seller for his efforts in getting this off the ground. In the initial planning stages is a trail climb and BBQ in New Hampshire.

Please watch for details on these events. Our next meeting will be on February 14th, 2012. Dues statements have been sent. Please send in your \$18 as soon as possible.

Alan L. Barnett
Brotherhood President



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YOUTH & TEENS

Attention High School Students!

Want to make a difference? Need community service hours? Building your college resumé?

L'shaper is a new service learning program for Jewish teens on the North Shore. *L'shaper* is a Hebrew word meaning “to improve.” The program combines hands-on service work with discussion inspired by contemporary issues and core Jewish values relating to social and economic justice.

Teens will facilitate academic enrichment activities for 1st thru 5th grade students at the Ford School in Lynn (i.e. playing board games that help with math, vocabulary and strategy skills, and helping with creative projects). Prior to heading out to do their community service, each week, volunteer teens will have dinner together and engage in discussion led by Rabbi Fine, Adam Smith and other educators. (Dinner will be provided by Temple Sinai and NSTI, and Transportation is provided by JCCNS.)

WHEN:

Monday nights from 6:15 – 8:15 PM.

Sign up for one, two or three sessions. There are limited spots for each session so be sure to sign up in advance.

Teens may also sign up in advance for individual weeks if spots are available.

Session 1: 3/5, 3/12, 3/19

Session 2: 3/26, 4/2, 4/9

Session 3: 5/7, 5/14, 5/21

Visit www.nsteeninitiative.org/LSignup.html
for registration information.

SCHEDULE:

6:15 – 6:45 PM Dinner/discussion at Temple Sinai

6:45 – 7:00 PM Transportation to Ford School

7:00 – 8:00 PM Community service at Ford School

8:00 – 8:15 PM Transportation from Ford School

Questions? Contact Evelyn Rothbard at egs514@mail.harvard.edu or 781-929-2283

L'shaper is a joint collaboration between Temple Sinai and the North Shore Teen Initiative.

TEEN HAPPENINGS

Dear Sinai Members,

A few weeks ago the Temple Sinai “Jews on the Hill” teen group held a meeting to begin to create a new teen lounge at the synagogue. The get-together featured pizza baking, ping-pong games, and more fun as well as a chance to brainstorm some possible ideas for the room. We will use the teen lounge in the future as the meeting place for the new Sinai service-learning program - *L'Shaper* - Teen Action Core, and for other teen get togethers.

We decided on a few things to form the basis of the lounge and would be interested in any donations of the following items:

- Two couches
- Two individual couch chairs or cushy chairs
- Large floor rug
- Board games
- X-Box or PlayStation 3 Video Game console

We would love your help!

If you are interested in donating items or have any questions, contact Susan Weiner in the Temple office at (781)-631-2763 or by email, susan.temple Sinai@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Josh Kummins, Alex Rothbard, Aaron Rothbard,
Alyson Kummins, Elana Aronson, and Josh Okon



ADULT EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Join us for a wonderful day at Brandeis on March 18th. We have arranged for a lecture/luncheon with nationally known Professor Steve Whitfield who will be discussing with us the Early Days of Brandeis.

Our next stop on campus will be to the newly renovated Rose Art Museum for a private tour led by Brandeis students.

We leave Temple Sinai at 10:45am, and will return around 3:00pm. There is limited space for this wonderful trip so sign up early through the Temple Office. The cost is \$18 per person. Carpools will be arranged from Temple Sinai, but if we get 25+ participants, for an additional \$10 per person we will hire a bus.

If you have questions please contact the Temple Office at 781-631-2763 or Larry Lodgen, Adult Education Chairperson at Dadofsara@aol.com.



**Sunday, March 18th
10:45 AM**

Join Temple Sinai for a day at
Brandeis University!

Lunch & Lecture with
Professor Steve Whitfield
and...

Private and self-guided tours of
The Rose Art Museum!



\$18/Adult
(includes lunch, presentations and tours)

RSVP by March 12, 2012. Space is limited
Carpools will leave from Temple Sinai at 10:45 AM

Name: _____ Total Attending: _____
Email: _____ Phone: _____

I can help carpool Total Capacity including Driver
 I need a ride

Attached is a payment in the amount of \$ _____
*Please make checks payable to Temple Sinai.



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Interested in learning Hebrew?

Join us for the...
**Hebrew
Connection**
Begins Saturday,
February 4th!
9:30-10:30 AM



**An eight week course
designed for those looking
to learn the Hebrew basics.**



Led by Hebrew Teacher, Nancy Sorkin
Suggested donation: \$18

Please RSVP to the Temple Office by Friday, February 3rd.

**Shop with Scrip!
Help Support Our Shul!**

**Contact the office for a list of gift cards and
certificates you can purchase.
Orders are placed every Monday afternoon!**



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MEMBERSHIP

Welcome New Members!

Darren & Melissa Aizanman and family

Alec & Deborah Melnick and family

Deborah Korman & Jack Beerman and family

Dmitri Menn & Hanna Dubrovin and family

Bruce & Suzi Blyer and family

Kenneth & Jessica Weiner and family

Allie & Arnon Vered and family

Harriet Wallen and family

Kim Tarbox and family

Eileen Landy

Barbara Iandola

Know someone who might be looking for a shul to call home?

- Refer a Friend and receive a \$150 rebate on your Membership!

Want to know more? Contact Membership Chair, Michael Dale, at mfdale@verizon.net for details.

- Not a member? Check us out and learn about our exciting new membership packages!

COMMUNITY

Cohen Hillel Academy in Marblehead, MA is excited to announce Noah Hartman as its next Head of School. Noah will take over leadership in July, 2012, succeeding Ken Shulman, who is retiring as Head of School.

Noah comes to Hillel Academy from the nationally renowned Doris and Alex Weber Jewish Community High School in Atlanta, GA, where he is currently Dean of Student Life and the Arts. Among his many accomplishments, Noah has led the development of experiential education at the Weber School, which exposes learners to real life applications of the information and concepts they study in the classroom. Noah brings his passion for excellence, innovative vision, strong leadership skills, and engaging personality to the North Shore where he will strive to make Hillel Academy the premier school in the Boston area.

“Cohen Hillel Academy exemplifies the best in education. In addition to its rigorous and challenging curriculum, Hillel encourages students to dream, to take risks, and to recognize learning as a lifelong pursuit,” said Hartman. “My goal is to ensure that we are the leader in defining excellence. We must provide our students with the skills and confidence to thrive wherever they go, work with other leaders to harness our potential as a community, and ensure a bright and successful Jewish future for our children. I am eager to build on the strong foundation established by Ken Schulman, and lead Hillel Academy forward in its next phase of growth.”

“I am confident we have chosen a warm, inspiring educator and strategic, visionary thinker to lead our school forward,” said Jill Weiner, President of the school’s Board of Directors. “The decision to offer Noah the position was the culmination of a lengthy, thoughtful and extensive nation-wide search process through which we vetted many highly qualified candidates. And now, we are thrilled to welcome Noah to our community.”

Noah received his MA in Education from New York University, a MA in Jewish Education from the Jewish Theological Seminary, and completed the prestigious Day School Leadership Training Institute fellowship program. In addition, Noah has enjoyed success as a classroom teacher in public and independent schools at the elementary, middle and high school levels, and is an avid musician. Noah and his wife, Anna, an award-winning early childhood educator in her own right, have two children, Josiah, 5, and Juniper, 3.



On your mark, get set... for the JCC's 12th Annual Triathlon by the Sea! Sunday, May 13th at 8:00 AM

The beautiful, oceanside race is popular with athletes from all over.

The race filled up in less than two hours this year!

Hoping for a spot?

Get on the waiting list by contacting Race Director Andrew Dalton at 781-631-8330 or adalton@jccns.com.

Race Highlights

1/8 MILE SWIM • 10 MILE BIKE • 3.5 MILE RUN

Post-race activities include refreshments, prizes and an awards ceremony. Awards go to top male and female finishers in each category. All participants will have use of the JCC locker rooms.



TEMPLE SINAI

WALL OF TRIBUTE

BAT MITZVAH
BAR MITZVAH

SPECIAL
BIRTHDAY

GRADUATION

SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY
FROM YOUR FRIENDS

RETIREMENT

WEDDING

On which plaque do you wish to pay TRIBUTE to a friend or relative ?

For more information please call

Jessie Lipsen 781 581 3810 or the Temple office 781 631 2763