SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1
9:00 AM - Torah Study
10:00 AM - Egalitarian Traditional Minyan

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7
7:30 PM - Erev Shabbat Service

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8
9:00 AM - Torah Study

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14
7:30 PM - Sinai Loves Our Golden Members Shabbat Service

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15
9:00 AM - Torah Study
10:00 AM - English Service

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21
6:00 PM - Family Dinner
7:30 PM - Gimmel & Dalet Shabbat Service

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22
9:00 AM - Torah Study
10:00 AM - Egalitarian Traditional Minyan

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28
5:30 PM - Shabbat Rocks!
7:30 PM - Erev Shabbat Service

SATURDAY, MARCH 1
9:00 AM - Torah Study
10:00 AM - Soloveychik B’nai Mitzvah

Sinai Temple Loves
OUR GOLDEN MEMBERS

Friday, February 14, 2014, 7:30 PM

We would like everyone to join us for this very special service, commemorating those who have maintained memberships for thirty-five years or more. Rabbi Alan will honor all of our members who have been a part of Sinai Temple since 1979 or earlier with a special blessing and a certificate of appreciation.

We’ll continue the festivities with an expanded oneg following the service. No RSVP is required.

In cases of inclement weather the office may be closed. Please call ahead to make sure someone is here. Rabbi Alan and Kate Meghji will both be reachable in case of emergency. 352-8140
Ah, February. The month that, in our secular American culture, has come to be associated with love. Certainly I am grateful for all the love I experience in my life: my wonderful wife, Jody; our children, Gabe and Orli; my parents; my siblings and sisters-in-law and their families; our extended family; and our friends all throughout the world who have become like family. To that list, I am honored to now add you, my dear friends at Sinai Temple.

Of course, Hallmark and their compatriots tend to focus on romantic love during February; yet it is important to embrace and celebrate the abundance of other expressions of love that exist in our world: the love of friends, for instance, or the love of community. I, for one, am also grateful that this year residents of Illinois, joining with sixteen other states and the District of Columbia, have recognized the right of all individuals to love (and marry) whomever they choose.

And yet, I am aware that there are times when it may be hard to appreciate that there are people out there who love us. There may be times when we feel the deck is stacked against us, when we feel that no one cares. I’d like to use this platform to reassure you, if you are currently experiencing such feelings, or if you’ve experienced them in the past, that you are loved (and I encourage you to hang on to this article for the future, so you may look back on it and perhaps adjust your mood if times get rough). Momentary setbacks may be upsetting, but life does get better. I’d ask that parents particularly share this message with their teens, who often get bombarded with messages about who they should be or how they should behave in order to be accepted. But please know that whatever your age or identity, if you feel my words speak to you, then they are meant for you.

I want each of you to know, whomever you may be: whether you are gay, straight, bi or transgendered, or just plain confused, Judaism teaches that each individual is created B’tzelem Elohim, in the image of God. It doesn’t matter what other people think about you as you struggle to figure out what you think about yourself.

What does matter is that you feel comfortable being who you are—at Temple, at school or in your workplace, in your community, and in your home. And you need to know what sometimes may feel incredibly hard to appreciate—that no matter how badly you feel about how things are going in your life, you will always have someone to talk to, and a community that will accept you, support you, and love you for who you are.

Any of you are always welcome to email me (rabbialan@sinaitemplecu.org) or call me (217-352-8140). Please reach out to me if ever you feel you need help.

It is a sad truth that we live in an imperfect world that hurts or even kills people because they are different. People fear what they don’t understand, and so we are left with a twisted world where people are harmed because of who they are, or who they love. Others may be hurting due to acts of anti-Semitism, cyber bullying, social exclusion, or any of the countless other pressures that face us today. The effects of such harm won’t always be physical, but words and name-calling and lack of acceptance can leave scars just as deep as one who wields a knife. The good news is that there are more people in the world who uphold your right to be who you are than not. Please know that I support you and embrace you and want you to feel welcomed and honored and respected and loved.

The Jewish tradition teaches that we are all responsible for one another. So if you are reading this, and you are feeling sad or angry or scared or any of a myriad of confusing emotions and you need someone to talk to, please be in touch with me.

And always remember that you have a rabbi and a community that cares about you deeply and accept you for who you are. No matter what.

With love,

Rabbi Alan Cook
From the Board

I don’t like change.

For many years, I’ve been in the same job, lived in the same house and driven the same car. I am comfortable in my ways and generally see no reason to change things. Just because I don’t like change, though, doesn’t mean that I refuse to do so. I will make changes in my life if they are the right thing to do.

I bring this same philosophy to the Sinai Temple Board. My goal has never been to change policies or temple structure simply for the sake of change. But the Board has been discussing, and will continue to discuss, areas where change may be the right thing to do. For instance, the Board has recently approved changes to our employee handbook and the temple’s committee structure/descriptions. We will soon publicize all the changes but let me give you a preview.

The Board spent several months reviewing the temple’s employee handbook. During our discussions and after consulting with employees, the Board realized that there were parts of the handbook that were vague, outdated and did not reflect current policies. Therefore, the Board unanimously amended the handbook to create employee classifications, clarify benefit time, clear up vague language, etc. The Board also spent several months reviewing the temple’s committee descriptions and structure. After consulting with committee chairs, the Board realized that many committees were unnecessary and duplicative while others could be merged together due to similar missions. We also found that many committees did not have descriptions or that existing descriptions were insufficient. Therefore, the Board unanimously agreed upon some descriptive and structural changes. The restructuring eliminated some committees (e.g. Tree of Life) and merged others together (e.g. Oneg put into Kitchen). The Board also created two new committees. The Caring Committee combined condolence, flowers, and nursing home committees to provide support to those with various needs. The Religious Affairs Committee provides an opportunity for congregants to discuss religious practices with the rabbi. The restructuring reduces the number of committees (which we believe will make it easier to find chairs and volunteers) and the new descriptions clarify committee responsibilities.

In the coming months, the Board will be reviewing the temple’s purchasing policy, creating uniform contracts and evaluations for all employees and considering policies that do not currently exist such as a gift-acceptance policy and a board conflict of interest policy.

None of these changes are being done to make people’s lives difficult or to create more bureaucracy. Changes are always intended to clarify policies and procedures, treat employees and others fairly and equally and to generally make the temple a better functioning organization. I am hoping the Board discusses many of these issues in my first year as president so that we do not have to make any changes in my second year.

I don’t like change.

Randy Rosenbaum, President

Volunteer Opportunity: Development Committee Chair Needed

Job Description

Work with staff, the board chair, board members and other volunteers to prioritize, shape and implement the development programs and activities of Sinai Temple.

- Create an annual agenda for the Development Committee
- Chair meetings of the Development Committee
- Serve as the volunteer liaison between the Development Committee and the Board of Trustees
- Recruit committee members in collaboration with the Board of Trustees
- Help establish and monitor fundraising and other development policies, projects, and events
- Work with staff and committee members to identify, cultivate, solicit, and steward prospects
- Encourage volunteer involvement at all levels of giving

Interested in volunteering for this position, or one of the many active committees at Sinai Temple?

Contact Kate Meghji in the Temple office: 217-352-8140 or stoffice@sinaitemplecu.org
Good Deeds Day
On Sunday, March 9, we will join with others in the CU Jewish community for “Good Deeds Day,” our chance to engage in acts of tikkun olam by helping local social service organizations and those less fortunate than us. Be on the lookout for a list of projects and registration details!

Second Seder
“Let all who are hungry come and eat,” is the exhortation of our Passover Haggadah. This year, we will celebrate the communal spirit that is such an integral part of Pesach by joining with the community for a Second Seder. On Tuesday, April 15, Rabbi Alan will conduct the community seder at the UIUC Hillel. Further details and pricing will be announced soon!

Book Group
During February, The Book Group will meet at 2:00 PM on SUNDAY, February 16th: The Chaperone by Laura Moriarty at the home of Ann Sapoznik, 308 Yankee Ridge Lane, U. (367-5262). Facilitator: Joyce Francisco

Save the Date
Rabbi Alan is beginning to explore the possibility of a Spring 2015 congregational family trip to Israel. If you’d be interested in such a trip, please contact Rabbi Alan so that you can stay informed as plans develop.

Bulletin Submission
The deadline for the March Bulletin is February 15 at 9:00 AM. All submissions may be edited for length and content. Email submissions to Kate Meghji: stoffice@sinaitemplecu.org.

Haifa Symphony Orchestra of Israel
Free to Students

Sunday, February 23, at 3pm, Krannert Center presents a very special, invitation-only concert by the Haifa Symphony Orchestra of Israel, in the Center’s world-renowned Foellinger Great Hall. As part of Krannert Center’s commitment to breaking down the barriers to explorations of classical music, and as a celebration of the enthusiasm of students of all ages for classical music, this outstanding performance will be presented FREE OF CHARGE for students from middle school through graduate school and their accompanying teachers and parents.

This exclusive free event will serve as a celebratory encore to the orchestra’s performance for the general public on February 22. (Tickets can be purchased now: $51 standard admission, $46 senior citizen, $15 student, $10 U of I students and youth, and $10-$15 choral balcony.)

Seating for this special free event will be assigned, and tickets are required. To request your tickets, please phone the Krannert Center Ticket Office at 217/333-6280 or visit the Ticket Office in person at 500 S. Goodwin Avenue, Urbana, between 10am and 6pm, seven days a week. Tickets are available now on a first-come, first-served basis. Tickets are not available online for this performance. Tickets that are requested and then unused can prevent other students from attending. To help encourage ticket use, we ask that you request only what you know you can use. The maximum number of tickets that can be requested at one time is 25. If you request 25 and find you can use them all, you are welcome to request additional tickets.

If you find you cannot use your tickets, please return them to the Ticket Office at your earliest convenience, in order to allow others to attend the concert.

Formed in 1950, the Haifa Symphony Orchestra of Israel encompasses a rich mix of players who are immigrants and native Israelis; are seasoned and younger performers; and hold Jewish, Christian, Muslim, and other beliefs. Conductor Boguslaw Dawidow, internationally renowned for his musical knowledge, immense enthusiasm, and extraordinarily charismatic stage presence, presented Krannert Center audiences with a stirring performance from the Opole National Philharmonic of Poland in 2011. Now, Dawidow and the Haifa Symphony bring us Dvořák’s beloved “New World Symphony,” written when the Czech composer was working in New York in the 1890s. Pianist Roman Rabinovich, who made his debut with the Israel Philharmonic at the age of 10 and “whose mature, self-assured playing belies his chronological age,” takes his vivacity and virtuosity to Tchaikovsky’s Piano Concerto No. 1—the work Van Cliburn performed to win the First International Tchaikovsky Competition in 1958 at the height of the Cold War (San Francisco Classical Voice).
Announcements

URJ CAMP OPPORTUNITIES
Did you know that the URJ sponsors fifteen different summer camp programs, including specialty camps for both sports and science? We are excited that more than a dozen of our young people will be attending OSRUI in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin this summer. Rabbi Alan and Stephanie Pregent will also be serving on faculty there at various points during the summer. The URJ also provides a number of other options for youth during the summer, such as Mitzvah Corps and Israel programs, and there are great job opportunities for camp counselors as well. If you have a kid, teen, or college student whose plans for the summer are not yet firm, please contact Rabbi Alan or Stephanie for more details on how to get involved with the URJ camping movement.

ADULT EDUCATION AT SINAI TEMPLE
Sundays 10:00 - 11:00 AM in the Board Room
Feb. 2 - Darin Henigman - Prayerbook History Part 2
Feb. 9 - NO Class
Feb. 16 - Lee Melhado - Chevra Kadisha, Burial Society

Midrash at Minneci’s
Monday, February 24, 11:30 AM at Minneci’s at the Crossing: Join Rabbi Alan for lunch and discussion.

Take Out Judaism
Would you like to host a one-time adult education class in your home? Contact Rabbi Alan if you’d like to order in a topic, or to find out about a Take Out Judaism opportunity hosted by another member.

Sinai Temple Gift Shop

FEBRUARY SPECIALS
20% OFF all in-stock jewelry!
Remember to check out the Inventory Clearance Table:
40% OFF everything on the table!

Mark your calendar! Sundays, March 9th and 16th from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM: Haggadah Book Sale. Each year, in the weeks before Passover, we feature a variety of available Haggadot, leaving enough time to receive special orders in time for your Seders!

Upcoming B’nai Mitzvah
March 1, Ethan & Isaac Soloveychik
March 8, Noah Johnson
May 10, Jackie Ross (Adult Bat Mitzvah)
May 24, Rachel Bernstein
May 31, Lia Dankowicz

2014 Maj Jongg Cards!
Order you 2014 Mah Jongg card through the Gift Shop. New cards will be out the first week of April.
Call or e-mail Natalie (390-4168) nataliefr@comcast.net by February 15th.

Hours of Operation
Sundays: 9AM to 1PM; Wednesdays: 4 to 6PM;
Thursdays: 10AM to 1PM; or by appointment: Natalie Frankenberg, Jessica Kopelow (344-6683), or Pam Olson (384-4335); we accept Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover.
Ethan and Isaac Soloveychik will be called to the Torah as the B’ni Mitzvah on Saturday, March 1 at 10:00 AM at Sinai Temple.

Ethan and Isaac recently moved to Champaign with their parents Anna and Vitaliy, and siblings Dina and Aaron. Both Ethan and Isaac are seventh graders at Next Generation School.

Isaac loves sports and is playing on soccer and basketball teams. Ethan enjoys playing guitar and singing, as well as acting in theater productions. Both boys share love for Jewish camping and go to OSRUI every summer.

Ethan and Isaac would like to thank Rabbi Cook, all the educators at Sinai, and especially Rob and Diane Ore for helping them prepare for this event. We hope you can join our family in this celebration!

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**SHWARMA WINGS**

Shwarmash is the fast food of the Middle East - grilled meat with Middle Eastern spices, typically served in a pita pocket. Dip these flavorful wings in hummus for a sababa (cool, fun) shwarmash experience.

**Ingredients**

1 tsp each: paprika, cumin, parsley flakes, garlic powder, onion powder, turmeric

Salt & pepper to taste

2 lbs chicken wings, split at joint

1 tbls olive oil

1. In a small bowl, mix the herbs & spices
2. Put the chicken wings in a large re-sealable plastic bag. Add the olive oil & shake well.
3. Pour the spice mix into the bag & shake again.
4. Grill or broil the wings over high heat on both sides until the center is no longer pink.
A Note From Rabbi Alan

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Special Additions

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**CUTY'S SHABBAT SERVICE & SOCIAL**

**What is it??**
A fun service with friends, followed by a tasty oneg, a gaga tournament, and a photobooth!

**Wow cool, when is this??**
Friday, February 7, at 7 PM.

**Totally rad! Where will this sweet event be?**
In the Davis Chapel!

**Why should I go?**
A service, the fun way! Free food! Prove your gaga skills! Keep the memories forever with pictures at the photobooth!

**I’ll be there for sure! But what should I bring?**
Just yourself, and some food if you would like to! This event is free.
February seems like it would be such a quiet month, however, as you can see, there are many things going on in the Sinai Temple Religious School. One special event on Sunday, February 2nd is a performance for the Religious School students by Liz Robinson Kruger and Sally Robinson Heckelman. Over the last several years, music has become an important part of the Religious School experience. Students begin in the Hand-in-Hand program going to music for a half-hour each Sunday. They are exposed to Hebrew words, Jewish songs, and movements to them. Students continue through seventh grade with unique music opportunities taught by Larry Adelston and Mark Hafter.

This year, the Temple created Kol HaShalom, a youth choir. These students have participated in the High Holiday services, the Hanukkah Cabaret, and led the congregation in a couple of songs during the Martin Luther King, Jr. Dedication service.

On Friday, February 21st, our fifth and sixth grade students will assist leading our congregation in an Erev Shabbat Service. Along with the Rabbi and the Sinai Family Folk Singers, the students will lend their voices to prayer.

Jeffrey Klepper, former cantor and composer, wrote, “Music touches and embellishes every facet of Jewish life. It is our spiritual language. It can create memories which have a lasting impact on us.”

We are thankful to all of our Friends of Sinai Temple Religious School and others who continue to make it possible to provide such diverse musical opportunities to our students.

B’Shalom,

Music has a long history in Judaism as can be found in the stories of Miriam and her Timbrel, King David and his Lyre, and the Songs of Solomon. Music has a special way of connecting to children of all ages. It connects children to language, history, liturgy, and their nefesh, (soul/spirit).

To the left is a table showing the February/March Religious School Calendar:

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KEY: HS = Hebrew School, RS = Religious School

Spring Break—March 23-March 30

PURIM BASKETS
Ordering opens Sunday, February 16th

**If you are in a Chavurah, Book Group, or other group and would like to have that added to the available groups, e-mail the member names to educator@sinaitemplecu.org by February 12.**

DISCOVER TREASURE AT THE STUDENT SHABBAT SERVICE
Saturday, February 8th 10:00 AM

Our service will be followed by a potluck kiddush lunch (families are asked to contribute a salad or side dish for 6-8 people). This is a great way to familiarize yourself with the Shabbat morning service and to help fulfill your service requirements. All students should be accompanied by a parent.

Camp Scholarships
There are several opportunities to receive financial assistance for Jewish overnight camp.

First time campers: CUJF—$350
Sinai—$50/any camp; $75/URJ camp
Foundation for Jewish Campe—$1,000 for 19 days or more; apply at www.onehappycamper.org


**Applications are typically due during January and February! Get yours in today.**

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Learning

Special Musical Guests: The Robinson Sisters

Sunday, February 2nd—During Religious School

Liz Robinson Kruger and Sally Robinson Heckelman began singing together when they were growing up in Buffalo, New York. They now both live in Silver Spring, MD, where they raise their families and share their musical talents with children and adults in the greater Washington area.

For more information about Sally & Liz, check out their websites:

http://www.lifelinesongs.com

http://www.sallyandthedaffodils.com/

Sally and Liz are both thrilled to bring their music to their brother Gene's synagogue in Champaign.

Parent Meeting

“Understanding Our Curriculum”

Sunday, February 9th
10:15 AM—Light Refreshments
10:30 AM—Presentation of Curriculum

Over the last ten years, there has been an effort to examine the purpose, mission, and goals of the Sinai Temple Religious School. When Beri Schwitzer began in 2003, she created the framework and structure for a multi-strand spiraling curriculum. Over the years, there has been much effort to look at each grade level and create more detailed objectives and content specific benchmarks.

Come to this parent meeting to learn about the overall mission, goals and grade level specific learning objectives. Parents will have an opportunity to see some of the breadth of material available to our teachers and students. Learn how you can become an active part of continuing the ongoing development of the Religious School program.

Save a Child’s Heart

Sunday, February 9th—10:00 AM
Living Our Jewish Values

This organization embodies the Jewish philosophy of “Tikkun Olam,” repairing our world.

SACH (Save a Child’s Heart) is an Israeli based international humanitarian organization. As its name suggests, its mission is to assist with pediatric cardiac needs in developing countries where availability of quality pediatric cardiac care is limited. David Litwack, Executive Director of SACH US will host a Skype session between the 6th - 10th grade students at the Religious School and SACH patients in Israel.

Sponsored by Champaign-Urbana Jewish Federation & University of Illinois Hillel

Shabbat Rocks!

Friday, February 28th
5:30 PM Dinner ~ 6:30 PM Service

This 45-minute musical service is an inviting, entertaining, and participative service.

Join us for dinner at 5:30 and/or services at 6:30 PM all at Sinai Temple.

Dinner: We will enjoy a pasta dinner from Za's, with salad too! Cost is $6 for adults, $4 for children; payment is expected at the event.

RSVP by 3:00 PM THURSDAY, February 27th. to Laura at lwbleill@gmail.com or (217) 417-6671.

Gimmel (5th) & Dalet (6th) Family Shabbat

Friday, February 21st
6:00 PM Dinner ~ 7:30 PM Service

Please join Rabbi Alan, the Sinai Family Folk Singers, and our Gimmel & Dalet students as they lead our congregation in an Erev Shabbat Service.

Our Gimmel students have been studying the Amidah, also known as “Shimona Esrei” and “T’filah,” for the week as well as the special Amidah for Shabbat. Our Dalet students have been studying the Torah service for Shabbat mornings. Both classes have been learning about the Shabbat evening service and its components.

Come, pray, sing, and share the Shabbat Experience with them.
**ALPINER STERN FLOWER FUND**
Loretta Dessen, a thank you for the flowers

**BUILDING FUND**
Alice Novak, in honor of Bill & Candace Youngerman’s marriage

**CONDOLENCE FUND**
Ted, Steve & Marcy Kurland, in gratitude for the Meal of Condolence for their mother, Jewel Kurland

**FRIENDS OF THE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL**
Ira & Lynn Wachtel, in honor of Meredith Belber & Michael Rakotz’s marriage for Shabbat Rocks!
Sybelle Timberlake & Scott Rohde, in memory of David & Frieda Sherman
Elizabeth Weiss

**FRIENDS OF SINAI**
Michael Shapiro & Elizabeth Klein

**GENERAL FUND**
Lee & Lisa Greenstein, in memory of Orie Greenstein
June Gronik, in memory of Ida & Milton Gorodetsky
Jack Price
Margaret E. Saks, a thank you to Sinai Temple for being here
Jean Stout, in honor of Meredith Belber & Michael Rakotz’s marriage.
Karen Aprill & Bob Stewart
Judy Seligman, in memory of Jacob Wigoda & Lester Seligman
John & Betty van Es, in memory of Clare Herman Perkel

**KITCHEN/ONEG FUND**
Jason & Meghan Goldfarb
Ronald & Leanna Cossman

**LIBRARY FUND**
Henrietta Schwartz, in memory of Henry & Bernice Schwartz

**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SCHOLARSHIP FUND**
Sharon Shavitt & Steven Zimmerman
Ehud & Janie Yairi
John Walter & Joy Thornton-Walter

**MUSIC FUND**
Ruth Morhaim, in memory of Jewel Kurland and in honor of Rabbi Cook and his family
Anne Heiles, in memory of Matthew Mischakoff & Ruth Galos
Elizabeth Weiss

**NEUMAN GARDEN**
Maury & Janis Topolosky, in honor of Meredith Belber’s marriage

**PAULA DECKARD FUND**
Maury & Janis Topolosky, in memory of Julian Frankenberg

**RABBI’S DISCRETIONARY FUND**
Shira & Dan Epstein, in memory of Jewel Kurland
Charles Kahn & Jennie France, in honor of Rabbi Cook’s Installation
Stephen Kurland

**SIEGEL SOCIAL ACTION FUND**
Anthony & Penelope Soskin, in honor of Meredith Belber & Michael Rakotz’s marriage

**TRADITIONAL MINYAN PRAYER BOOK FUND**
Gary & Leslie Mason, in honor of Esther Steinberg’s 90th Birthday
Maury & Janis Topolosky, in honor of Maury’s recovery to good health
Ruth Solom, in honor of Esther Steinberg’s 90th Birthday
Birgitta Steinberg, in honor of Esther Steinberg’s 90th Birthday

Please send your donations made payable to Sinai Temple. Only donations of $15.00 or more per fund and honoree will be listed in the Bulletin.

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**FUND HIGHLIGHT - The Alpiner Stern Flower Fund**

The Sinai Temple Flower Fund provides more than lovely flowers for the Friday night Bima. These flowers are distributed to members to brighten their day if they are in the hospital, at home recovering from an illness or in a nursing home. Joyce Nagel has taken on the role of working with the hospitals and Rabbi Alan to deliver the flowers. Please, consider this fund when you are looking for a way to honor someone or as a thank you.
# Memorials

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**Friday, February 28**

Adding memorials to your membership record is simple. Just call the Temple office (or email us at assistant@sinaitemplecu.org) and let us know the name of the deceased, their relationship to you, and the secular or Hebrew date you wish to observe their yahrzeit. If you are unable to attend services and wish to reschedule the observance, please let us know a few days in advance.

### Memorial Plaques

Honor the loving memory of a departed family member or close friend by having his or her name inscribed on a solid brass Memorial Plaque for placement on our Memorial Wall outside of the Sanctuary. Sinai Temple affords those who have lost a loved one the opportunity to perpetuate the cherished memory of their departed by donating a Yahrzeit Memorial Plaque. Each nameplate is inscribed with the name of the departed along with the English or Hebrew date of death. The name of the departed inscribed on the Memorial Plaque is also published annually at Yom Kippur in the Sinai Temple Roll of Remembrance. Cost: $325.00 each. Contact the Temple office if you would like to order a Memorial Plaque.
The purpose of Sinai Temple is to worship God in accordance with the Jewish faith; to cultivate a love and understanding of Jewish heritage through education; to stimulate fellowship in the Jewish community; to strengthen bonds of loyalty with Jewish people everywhere; and to bring nearer the Dominion of God on earth through an emphasis on righteousness (tzedakah), commandments (mitzvot), and goodwill (gemilut hasidim) to one another and to society at large.

PURIM 2014
SAVE THE DATE!
Saturday, March 15th

Featuring a delicious dinner with Diane Ore’s famous Mediterranean fish, a brief family-friendly worship service, our fabulous Purim Shpiel featuring the Muppets, and a traditional reading of Megillat Esther. More details will follow, but be sure to mark your calendars now - you won’t want to miss the fun! Of course, we’ll also have the terrific carnival on Sunday morning, March 16.