

SEPTEMBER 2015  
 BULLETIN

SEPTEMBER SERVICES

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

7:00 PM Selichot Program & Service

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

5:30 PM Shabbat Rocks!

7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service



OFFICE CLOSED:

LABOR DAY Monday, September 7<sup>th</sup>

ROSH HASHANAH Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup>

ROSH HASHANAH Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>

YOM KIPPUR Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>

SUKKOT Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup>

SUKKOT Tuesday, September 29<sup>th</sup>

OFFICE HOURS

Mon.—Fri. 9:00 AM—4:00 PM

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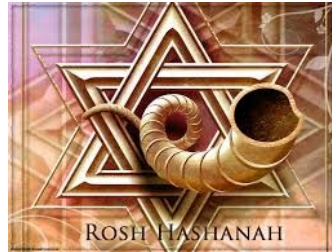
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Educator Rabbi Jody Cook

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High Holy Days  
 Service Schedule

Selichot

Sat, Sept 5 Selichot Program & Service 7:00 PM

Rosh Hashanah

Sun, Sep 6 Rosh Hashanah Cemetery Visit  
 & Memorial Service (Mt. Hope Cemetery) 4:00 PM

Sun, Sep 13 Erev Rosh Hashanah Service 7:30 PM

Mon, Sep 14 1st Day - Egalitarian Traditional Service 9:00 AM

Reform Service 10:00 AM

Jewnior Congregation 10:00 AM

Community Reception 12:30 PM

Children & Family Service 2:30 PM

Tashlich at Maynard Lake

(access lake between 1846 & 1850 Maynard Dr.) 5:00 PM

Tue, Sep 15 2nd Day Egalitarian Traditional Service 9:00 AM

Yom Kippur

Tue, Sep 22 Egalitarian Traditional Kol Nidre 6:15 PM

Erev Yom Kippur (Kol Nidre) Reform Service 7:30 PM

Wed, Sep 23 Egalitarian Traditional Morning Service  
 with Yizkor 9:00 AM

Reform Service 10:00 AM

Jewnior Congregation 10:00 AM

Yom Kippur Study Session 1:30 PM

Children & Family Service 2:30 PM

Reform Neilah & Yizkor 4:00 PM

(Followed by Break-the-Fast)

Egalitarian Traditional Mincha with Neilah

(Followed by Break-the-Fast)

4:45 PM

Sukkot

Mon, Sep 28 1st Day Egalitarian Traditional Service 10:00 AM

Wed, Sep 30 Sukkot Dinner & Celebration 5:30 PM



The process of writing sermons for the High Holidays is frequently a challenging one. I do my best to consider a number of factors in choosing topics, cognizant of the fact that these four addresses will reach more ears than any other words I say over the course of a given year. So, I try to think about the “hot topics” of the day, about what will challenge and inspire the congregation

spiritually, what lessons from Jewish tradition I want my listeners to take away from the moment, and what the moral challenges are for which I feel Judaism has called me to take a stand. It's a tough balancing act, but it's an undertaking I have embraced for these thirteen years that I have been in the rabbinate. Most of the time, I'd like to believe that I get it right. But we Jews are a diverse group and the beliefs and opinions of those at Sinai Temple may be even more variegated than in other Jewish communities, and so I know that my words will not always be met with universal agreement. I nevertheless have a great deal of respect for all of you, even those with whom I may disagree on one issue or another, and thus desire to ensure a safe and sacred space here at Sinai where we come together as one Jewish family.

All this is a precursor to telling you that I will not be speaking these High Holidays on a topic that has garnered much attention in the Jewish community and the world community: the proposed nuclear treaty with Iran. Though it is a major “elephant in the room,” perhaps, for the Jewish community at this moment, I do not feel that I have any great insight into how to parse the potential outcomes if the deal is accepted or rejected. I am troubled by the prospect of a nuclear Iran, as I'm sure many of us are, and I personally remain uncertain as to whether the JCPOA would be effective in alleviating those concerns either in the short-term or for future generations. However, I am equally concerned by the level of vitriolic rhetoric that has accompanied debate on this issue within the Jewish community. As my colleague Rabbi David Glickman put it in a similar message to his community, “Intelligent people can read history and imagine the future in different ways.” I believe that these High Holidays that will soon be upon us are for building community and seeking spiritual growth. The divisiveness that we have seen arise out of the discussions of this issue is not likely to advance this goal.

So, what *will* I be speaking on? I'll provide a “sneak preview,” but I hope that you will be with us on these holiest of days, not merely to hear my words, but to join in the majesty and introspection that marks this season, and to renew ourselves as a community. On Erev Rosh Hashanah, I'll reflect on this summer's movie “Inside Out,” exploring how the formation of our core Jewish memories shapes us

for a lifetime. On Rosh Hashanah, I'll look at trends in parenting, and what positive (and negative) lessons we can learn from Abraham's relationship with Isaac. This sermon will be delivered on both days of Rosh Hashanah.

For Kol Nidre, we'll explore our human longing for peace, whether it is indeed a universally shared goal, and how we might work to make it a reality in our lifetimes. Finally, on the morning of Yom Kippur, I'll discuss the task of *teshuvah* (repentance), by analyzing the skill sets one needs to transform ourselves in the way we are called to do.

It is my hope that these sermons will serve to guide and inspire us as we contemplate the ways in which we seek to grow and change in the coming year. I look forward to sharing our holy days together in sacred community with one another.

My family and I wish you a sweet and happy 5776.

L'Shalom,

Rabbi Alan Cook

P.S. On the first morning of Rosh Hashanah, we will have three group *aliyot* to the Torah to celebrate our congregation's past, present, and future. We will call upon those who have joined the congregation in the past two years; those who have been members of our community for 25 years or more; and those who have served as board members of our congregation. If one or more of these groups applies to you, we hope you will plan to join us on the *bima* for this special moment.

Every other year, the Union for Reform Judaism (URJ), with which Sinai Temple is affiliated, holds a Biennial Convention so that Jews from all over North America may come together to pray, learn, sing, and share community with one another. This year's conference will be held in Orlando, FL from November 4—8 and will feature speakers such as Anita Diamant, Nicholas Kristoff, and Ari Shavit. Sinai Temple is working to assemble a delegation to take advantage of slightly discounted registration rates. Please visit <http://urj.org/biennial> to find further information about the convention, and please contact Rabbi Alan if you are interested in joining our delegation.

As I sit here, a week after picking up my daughter from OSRUI (and 3 weeks before you are able to read these words) I am reflecting on a piece that I saw during the Tiferet showcase. My daughter was in the Tiferet eidah (or arts unit) and in particular the Drama Studio. The theme of the showcase was Kohelet (Ecclesiastes). One of the short scenes that the studio performed was about being the change you want to be. As I was sitting there listening to the teens talk about being the change you want to be, I was also thinking about our temple and the quote from Hillel: "If I am not for myself, who will be for me? If I am only for myself, what am I? And if not now, when?". It occurred to me how these two tenets go together and how they relate to our community.

We often talk about change that we want to see in our lives, in our temple and in our community. As I continue to have conversations with all of you, I hear about changes that we would like to make to either the way the community works and interacts or about changes we would like to see made to the building. I hear about things such as: more social action events; internet access for the classrooms; building updates; building

maintenance upgrades; and others. Many of these ideas are good ideas and have been around for a long time. What do they need to become a reality? Some need funding. Some need someone (or a group of someones) to work to make it happen. Most need both.

Will you be the person to bring about the change you want to see? Will you be the person who helps to improve our community? Are you modeling the change you want to see? I believe that if some of us model the change and start the process of change; then others will join in. This will have a snow ball effect that will move our community forward and to new heights of cooperation. It takes all of us getting involved to make it happen; because it takes a village . . .

As we approach the High Holidays, I will end by wishing that all of us L'shanah tovah tikatevu. Join me in being the change to improve our community in the coming year.

Gary Bernstein

## SINAI TEMPLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

August 2015

- ✧ Approval of June 25, 2015 minutes: Sanford made the Motion to approve the proposed minutes with some changes. Rob seconded the motion. All in Favor.
- ✧ Warren Lavey has resigned from the temple board. As President, Gary proposed to appoint Julia Robinson to fill his term. There was a Motion made by Randy to accept the appointment of Julia Robinson to fill the term of Trustee Lavey. Art seconded. All in Favor.
- ✧ There are 2 new member applications this month: Faye Jones and Sheryl Goldberg. Art made the Motion that we approve both memberships. Rob seconded. All in Favor.
- ✧ Financial Reports: Some financial documents were distributed and discussed about last year's budget and this year's budget. We did better than Jennie thought we would, ending with a deficit of about \$15,000 as opposed to the projection of \$20-25,000 from the annual meeting.
- ✧ There was a discussion about some necessary tree trimming. We have received two bids for this work: Hendrix Tree Service for \$3900 and "Leaf it To Us" for \$1675. "Leaf It" also gave a bid to clean up the Cohen Gardens for \$1050. (this work was included in the recommendations from the Cohen Gardens renovation committee). There was a Motion to approve the bids from "Leaf it to Us" on both proposals, made by Jennie. Seconded by Sena. All in Favor.
- ✧ There has been a discussion about Donation boxes. These would not just be present during the High Holidays, but all year round. Donations could go to the general fund but monthly donations could also go to a specific purpose. Motion was made by Sanford to spend no more than \$200 to buy two donation boxes, with mounting hardware, with the money to come out of new line items. Seconded by Sena. Discussion followed. All in Favor.
- ✧ There was discussion about what security to have for the High Holidays. Last year, the police increased their patrols and also parked a police car in the parking lot. We also hired an off-duty officer during services. There was a Motion made by Carmen to do the same and that we authorize between \$1000 and \$1100 for an off duty police officer for the High Holidays. Seconded by Art. All in Favor.

It doesn't matter where you are—if you look up, you are likely to see signs which advertise or identify something. A red and white bullseye? Target. One store with everything you need—if you go there, you will find what you need or hit the target. And we all know that Wheaties is the “Breakfast of Champions”. Businesses create slogans all the time. They invest a substantial amount of time and money trying to figure out a motto or slogan to define their companies in short, memorable statements.

Many years ago, when I was responsible for the education program at a URJ camp near Seattle, I encouraged campers to create their own bumper stickers. Most people have had some experience writing a mission statement, but coming up with a short slogan to define oneself takes this challenge to a completely different level. My personal motto, which I worked on at the same time as a group of campers, is

Living Judaism. To me, this takes on two meanings. First, it helps me to remember that being Jewish is something that is alive. Judaism today, my Judaism, is not the same as it was for my ancestors. Second, it allows me to consider the Jewish moments in my life. While I am fully aware that I am Jewish 100% of the time, I find that I have moments when I look at things through a different lens. It is a goal of mine to “live Judaism” always.

With so many starts upon us—the New Year, a new school year, new friends, new classes, new experiences, I would like to challenge members of our community to think about their motto. How do you want to be known? If you take time to design a personal or family logo, motto or slogan please bring a copy to Rabbi Jody. Perhaps others in the community can guess who is behind each one!

## Religious School Calendar—Upcoming Events



**School Dates:** Wednesdays, September 16, 30  
Sundays, September 20, 27

**Special Events:** Saturday, September 5—Selichot Services  
Monday, September 7—Labor of Love  
September 14 -15—Rosh HaShanah  
September 18—Shabbat Rocks! and Consecration  
September 22 - 23—Yom Kippur  
September 30—Community Sukkot Event



## CONSECRATION

We mark the formal beginning of a child's Jewish education through our Consecration service. At this service, our Pre-K and Kindergarten students, along with any other students who are new to our program, will receive a special blessing and a miniature Torah scroll. Additionally, we mark this occasion with a picture of the 2015 Consecration students. Please plan to attend this special occasion and welcome our newest students to Sinai Temple Religious School!

**Friday, September 18.**

## CUTY—Champaign Urbana Temple Youth

### Introduction of New Advisors

We are so excited to begin our first year as the Youth Directors for CUTY! When we joined Sinai Temple last year, we were not sure of where we would find our “place” in this community. A few months ago, Rabbi Jody approached us about running CUTY and something seemed to click for both of us. Ben grew up in Champaign and attended Hebrew School at Sinai Temple, so this is a way for him to give back to his first Jewish community. As a high school student in New York, Jess was very involved in her temple youth group and now hopes to create similar experiences for the next generation. So here we are, ready for a great year as directors of CUTY!

We are looking forward to a year of fun and engaging programming with strong foundations in Jewish values, culture, and community. We also hope to build CUTY into a strong, sustainable organization in which all Sinai temple teens feel welcomed, involved, and heard. Please feel free to contact us with any questions you have about CUTY or to just say hi and have a chat.

Ben and Jess LeRoy  
[sinaitempleyouth@gmail.com](mailto:sinaitempleyouth@gmail.com)

### A quick guide to NFTY/CUTY/URJ Youth Group:

- URJ** Union for Reform Judaism is the umbrella organization for congregations that identify as Reform congregations.
- NFTY** National Federation of Temple Youth. This is the URJ's national youth group for high school students.
- NFTY MV** Missouri Valley Region, includes youth groups in the central states.
- NFTY CAR** Chicago Area Region, includes Chicago area youth groups.
- CUTY** Champaign Urbana Temple Youth, our local NFTY group. Our members will have opportunities to participate in local, regional (MV and CAR) and national programming. CUTY is open to students in 8th—12th grades.



# Announcements



## BOOK GROUP

**Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM**

We usually meet on the third Monday of the month, with this month being the exception.

This month we will be reading *Under the Wide*

*and Starry Sky* by Nancy Horan at the home of Susan Cohen, 3506 Vine St., Urbana (384-7871). Facilitator: Susan Cohen. Contact Person: Susan Schomer (359-2938).

## SUNDAY ADULT EDUCATION

**Sundays, 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM**

**Classes will begin the second week of Religious School, September 27<sup>th</sup>.**

Watch for a new slate of exciting classes coming soon! Rabbi Alan will offer a series of exciting and engaging Adult Education courses in the North Pod. Classes are designed to generally be self-contained, so feel free to come to one session or all of them.

## TORAH STUDY

**Saturdays, 9:00 AM**

The Sinai Temple Torah Study Group meets in the Sinai Temple Library, and all are welcome to attend our stimulating lay-led discussions.

## GENTLE CHAIR YOGA

**Thursdays, 9:45 AM to 10:30 AM**

SHAL\*OM! Please come and try your first class for free! People have said the class is calming, refreshing and provides a nice, gentle stretch and great start to their day.

**Be sure to let Robin know that you are coming by email** at [robinfans1@gmail.com](mailto:robinfans1@gmail.com) or by phone at 217-367-8053.

## VIMs

**Thursday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11:45 AM**

Calling all women 55 and older, come join us for lunch and fellowship at the Urbana Country Club. We meet the first Thursday of the month. If you would like to join us, please email Joyce Eisenstein at [joyjoyce3939@gmail.com](mailto:joyjoyce3939@gmail.com).



## ONEG VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We have several dates available listed below for anyone interested in serving as an Oneg Host(ess) for our Temple Services.

September 18 Erev Shabbat Service  
September 25 Erev Shabbat Service  
October 9 Erev Shabbat Service  
October 16 Erev Shabbat Service

To sign up, please email  
Lisa Sherrin Margolin  
[Lisa.Sherrin@gmail.com](mailto:Lisa.Sherrin@gmail.com).



## Birthday & Anniversary Blessings

If you celebrate a birthday or anniversary in August, please join us at our services on Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 PM. Rabbi Alan will invite all those marking a milestone to join him on the bimah for a special blessing. After the service, we will enjoy treats at the Oneg in your honor! No RSVP is necessary to participate!



**OFFICE CLOSED**

**LABOR DAY**



**Monday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**

# Special Events

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



to help build our

## SUKKAH

**Sunday, September 27th at 9:00 am**



If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Tony Soskin at [tonyoskin@gmail.com](mailto:tonyoskin@gmail.com) or contact the Temple Office at 217-352-8140.

## SUKKOT DINNER & CELEBRATION

**Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM**

You and your family are invited to join our Temple family for a delicious festival dinner. Dinner will begin at 5:30 PM in the Sukkah and/or Davis Chapel. Following dinner everyone is invited to join Rabbi Alan in the lulav and etrog ritual. Then, please enjoy listening to and singing along with The Shabbat Singers as they sing festive Sukkot melodies. Temple will provide a vegetarian entree for your eating pleasure. (We ask that everyone bring either an appetizer or side dish appropriate to the harvest season (e.g., vegetables, grains or fruit) or a dessert.) Join us for a Chag Sameach!!

Please bring a side dish in accordance with the list below:

Last names A-G: Salad or vegetable side dish

Last names H-N: Fresh fruit

Last names O-S: Juice

Last names T-Z: Cookies, quick breads or coffee cake

Suggested Donation: \$5 per person or \$15 per family

\$10 per person or \$25 per family if you do not bring a dish

Please **RSVP** to the Temple office (352-8140) or [assistant@sinaitemplecu.org](mailto:assistant@sinaitemplecu.org)

## Yom Kippur “Break-the-Fast”

## LOOK

for more information in  
the weekly email blast and  
the Friday Order of Service.

## SAVE THE DATE!

## Labor of Love

**Monday, September 7th**

**8:30 am—12:30 pm**

Rain or shine, come join your temple friends to help beautify Sinai Temple and its grounds. There will be projects for all ages and abilities, both indoors and outdoor, including trimming trees, working in flower beds, setting up chairs/books for Rosh Hashanah, organizing boxes and general cleaning. Just bring your enthusiasm (but feel free to bring any supplies you may have such as gloves, shovels, etc). Some snacks will be provided.



## New Member Spotlight: Sheryl Goldberg

Sheryl Goldberg has lived in Champaign-Urbana for one year. She is originally from Columbia, Missouri, but has lived many places including

Little Rock, Arkansas, Washington D.C. and New Jersey. As it turns out, her Rabbi in Little Rock was one of Rabbi Alan's mentors, Rabbi Gene Levy. Sheryl came here to start a new office at the University of Illinois that focuses on proposal development for research grants to mostly federal funding agencies.

Sheryl was raised in a Hillel environment, because at the time Columbia did not have a congregation. Rabbi Abraham Pimontel was the Hillel director. He was Orthodox and Sephardic; he had to serve a transient population of Orthodox, Conservative, and Reform students, as well as the local Jewish community. He was both learned and accessible. Sheryl is proud to say that Rabbi Pimontel marched on Selma (and that her sister did door-to-door fundraising to help pay for his trip!)

Sheryl joined Sinai because she is interested in the concept of "Jewish community" and especially Friday night services. She can't really classify how she practices because she appreciates aspects of Conservative Egalitarian, Reconstructionist and Reform Judaism, because she was raised in such a "mixed" environment. Sheryl doesn't prefer one holiday or tradition over others, except to say that the emphasis on scholarship and community in Judaism is important to her.

One of the activities Sheryl enjoys the most is reading, including the New Yorker and other periodicals. The last book she read was "Her First American" by Lore Segal. She recently started "Michaelangelo's Nose" a serious bit of art history despite the title. She plans to read "The Gathering Storm" and "Paris 1919" in tandem but hasn't found the time yet.



## SAVE THE DATE! Sinai Temple's Glaser Concert Weekend October 23-25, 2015

We are honored to welcome Rabbi Deborah Zecher as our artist-in-residence for this year's Glaser concert weekend. Rabbi Zecher, an accomplished cabaret performer, is the rabbi emerita of Hevreh of Southern Berkshire. She

has studied at the National Cabaret Conference at Yale University, and has been a student at Julliard. Rabbi Zecher's weekend will include her serving as a musician at Shabbat evening services, a cabaret concert called "Broadway Bible" on Saturday evening, and special sessions with our Religious School students on Sunday morning. We hope that you will plan to join us for these events. Sponsorship opportunities are available; please contact the Temple Office for details.



# Around the Temple

WE LOVE  
OUR VOLUNTEERS

Where would we be without our volunteers? There are many people working behind the scenes contributing their time, energy and talents to the weekly tasks that keeps the Temple running smoothly. And we would like to give a **BIG THANK YOU** to everyone of you who volunteer for these essential tasks. We will be featuring different groups of volunteers each month in the bulletin.

There is a special group of ladies who have volunteered their time and energy every month to help us in the office. They walk into the office with a smile on their faces and a cheerful greetings that brightens our day, and a service to lighten our load. These are the ladies that fold, label and seal the bulletins, a valuable service that assures that you receive your monthly bulletin on time. We give a heartfelt thank you to Hilda Banks, Ruth Morhaim, Eleanor Finkin, Shirley Newman, Reva Egherman, Chris Stevens, Doreen Halberstam and Joyce Eisenstein. And thank you Bill Egherman for filling in for Reva.

Thank  
you

**T**hank You:  
*To everyone that helped make our  
Spooner Bar Mitzvah Kiddush lunch  
so successful. A very special thank  
you to Tonya and Abigail Bernstein.  
The Spooners*



Mazel Tov to **Bill & Phyllis Gingold** on their 50th wedding anniversary!



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**Bulletin Submission:** The deadline for the October Bulletin is September 15th at 9:00 AM. All submissions may be edited for length and content. EMAIL submissions to Kathy Douglas at: [stoffice@sinaitemplecu.org](mailto:stoffice@sinaitemplecu.org).



## Sinai Temple Gift Shop

**THE GIFT SHOP WILL BE OPEN SUNDAYS**  
10:00 AM —1:00 PM until September 20<sup>th</sup>,  
the first day of Sunday School.

**REGULAR HOURS OF OPERATION RESUMES**  
**SEPTEMBER 20th:**

**Sundays** 9AM—1PM  
**Wednesdays** 4PM—6PM  
(during Hebrew School)  
**Thursdays** 10AM—1PM

### September Special

**20% OFF ALL** in-stock Apple & Honey Plates,  
Shofars and Etrog Boxes.

**CHECK OUT THE CLEARANCE TABLE BARGAINS!**

**40% OFF MERCHANDISE ON OUR INVENTORY**  
**CLEARANCE TABLE!**

We've cleared our shelves to make room for new  
items from the New York Gift Show.

**Upcoming B'nai Mitzvah**  
**Bryn Gerwin, 10/10/15**  
**Zachary Donnini 10/17/15**

**We are ALWAYS open by appointment.**

Email: nataliefr@comcast.net or call Natalie Frankenberg (390-4168), Jessica Kopolow (344-6683) or Pam Olson (384-4335). Cash or checks are always welcome. Credit cards accepted for charges over \$25. We now accept Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover using SQUARE.

**Please note:** The Gift Shop is staffed by volunteers. Occasionally, we are unable to be open as planned (especially on Thursdays) so we suggest you call the Temple Office 352-8140 to make sure someone is in the shop.



## High Holiday Food Drive

**Wednesday, September 23rd**

It's time again for our annual Yom Kippur food drive for the **Eastern Illinois Food Bank**. Last year we collected 363 pounds of food and \$7519. Let's keep up the good work and do even better this year!

Bags and envelopes will be available in the Temple lobby. No glass or opened containers or past expiration date items. If you wish to make a monetary contribution, make your check payable to Eastern Illinois Food bank and write Sinai Temple on the memo line of your check. Food will be collected on Yom Kippur at the shed behind Temple from 8:30 AM—2:30 PM.

Questions: Call Eleanor Finkin at 355-0313.

## Mission Impact Award

Eastern Illinois Foodbank is awarding Sinai Temple the Mission Impact Award for our exceptional contributions in partnering with them to help feed the hungry.

**ALPINE STERN FLOWER FUND**

Richard & Judith Kaplan, in memory of  
Muriel Stolarsky

**GARDEN FUND**

Gary & Leslie Mason, in honor of the  
upcoming marriage of Jenny  
Topolosky & Brian Immerman

**GENERAL FUND**

Annette & John Buckmaster, in memory  
of Bernice Weinstein  
Julia Kling, in memory of Lotta Rosenberg  
Kling  
Barbara & Penn Nelson, in memory of  
Dora Kalis Joffe  
Judith Siess & Stephen Bremseth, in  
memory of Samuel Kranson

**MUSEUM FUND**

Don & Joyce Francisco, in memory of  
Harry J. Harrison and in memory of  
Ken Olson's father  
Natalie Frankenberg, in memory of Ken  
Olson's father

**KITCHEN/ONEG FUND**

Aaron & Trudy Averbuch  
Allen & Elaine Avner  
Carl & Carol Belber  
Gary & Tonya Bernstein  
Brian & Terre Braun  
Sena Cooper & Howard Gerwin  
John Davis & Terri Gitler  
Robin Goettel  
Nigel Goldenfeld & Joan Campagnolo  
Jason & Meghan Goldfarb  
William & Eileen Kohen  
Wynne Sandra Korr  
Lyle Konigsberg & Susan Frankenberg  
Ron & Joyce Levy  
Jeffry & Claire Newman  
Dana Rabin & Craig Koslofsky  
Judith Siess & Stephen Bremseth  
Ehud & Janie Yairi

**MEMORIAL PLAQUE**

Allen & Elaine Avner, school wing  
plaques in honor of Art Robinson

**MUSIC FUND**

Charles & Joan Kozoll, in memory of  
Harry H. Kozoll

**NEUMAN GARDEN FUND**

Cheryl Snyder, in memory of Rabbi Isaac  
Neuman Z"L

**RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND**

Richard & Shirley Newman, in memory  
of Sidney Newman  
Ray & Rae Spooner

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.



## TREE OF LIFE LEAF

Our synagogue is proud to possess the Eitz Chaim, a "Tree of Life". This beautiful sculpture, given to us by the Hymowitz family, is permanently displayed in the Sinai Temple lobby. The branches of the tree contain leaves which can be inscribed to highlight or commemorate such joyous events as births, weddings, anniversaries, B'nia Mitzvah, graduations or simply to honor parents, family or friends. Share your happy occasions by inscribing your family "Simchas" on our synagogue's "Tree of Life". This will be a permanent dedication to the meaningful, and happy events that touch our lives. The price per leaf is \$250. For more information, please call the Temple office at (217) 352-8140.

# Memorials

Friday, September 4

Jorge Covarrubias (11 Sep)  
 William Konick (10 Sep)  
 Jerry Levant ( 8 Sep)  
 Abraham Levy (11 Sep)  
 Albert Abraham Liebovich (10 Sep)  
 Blanche Loeb ( 8 Sep)  
 Rachel Loeb (10 Sep)

Rozalia Kotarba Majda ( 7 Sep)  
 Wolf Shklair (26 Elu)  
 Estelle Siegel ( 6 Sep)  
 Ruth Siegle (25 Elu)  
 Samuel Slutsky (11 Sep)  
 Sarah Spitzer (11 Sep)  
 Rachel Towlen ( 9 Sep)

Malkah Wisotzky ( 9 Sep)

Friday, September 11

Carrie Wiener Adler (15 Sep)  
 Daniel K. Bloomfield (12 Sep)  
 Gloria Liss Bortman (18 Sep)  
 Florence Braverman ( 4 Tis)  
 Donald Brieland ( 2 Tis)  
 Jerome Ex (12 Sep)  
 Pauline Gitler (18 Sep)

Max Greenberg (17 Sep)  
 Beatrice Herman ( 5 Tis)  
 Dorothy Katz (13 Sep)  
 Abe Leavitt (14 Sep)  
 Marvin N. Lesht ( 5 Tis)  
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 Mordchai Neuman ( 1 Tis)

Sara Rachel Neuman ( 1 Tis)  
 Dorothy Selicovitz Novick (15 Sep)  
 Bert Reizman ( 4 Tis)  
 Cecelia Riaff ( 1 Tis)  
 Reva Seligman (12 Sep)  
 Anna Ruth Steigmann (18 Sep)  
 Rose Wisotzky (17 Sep)

Friday, September 18

John Berry (25 Sep)  
 Lucille J. Birkett (24 Sep)  
 Ralph L. Dietchweiler (25 Sep)  
 Marion G. Eskow (23 Sep)  
 Bertha Freudenstein (19 Sep)  
 Penny Elizabeth Magence-Ginsberg (20 Sep)

Zelda Hamburg Maus (19 Sep)  
 Elsie Mautner (23 Sep)  
 Sol Orden (20 Sep)  
 Louis Roddis ( 7 Tis)  
 Rose Rubinstein (19 Sep)  
 Joel Serlin (21 Sep)  
 Rachel Sitron (24 Sep)

Annette Winakor (23 Sep)  
 Baruch Yairi (10 Tis)

Friday, September 25

Solomon Bernstein Cohen (29 Sep)  
 Alvin Friedman (13 Tis)  
 Sol Goldberg (27 Sep)  
 Ann Braun Goldfein (30 Sep)  
 Shirley Zibel Gunther ( 2 Oct)  
 Jeffrey Paul Kaufman (17 Tis)  
 Becky S. Kozoll (30 Sep)

Allan Levy (29 Sep)  
 Sandra Lipson ( 1 Oct)  
 Milton Stanley Schneller (28 Sep)  
 David Sherman (17 Tis)  
 Esther Solomon (28 Sep)  
 David L. Stone ( 1 Oct)

Friday, October 2

Dr. Richard Back ( 5 Oct)  
 Mathilde Back ( 5 Oct)  
 Fela Bankier ( 5 Oct)  
 Sali Wintner Blum ( 3 Oct)  
 Louis Ferratier (24 Tis)  
 Harry Friedman ( 7 Oct)  
 Behrooz Gahvari (22 Tis)

Lewis Ginsberg ( 3 Oct)  
 Merle Garber Hamburg ( 6 Oct)  
 Max Kushner ( 8 Oct)  
 Isadore Jack Levy ( 7 Oct)  
 Dorothy Lowenstein ( 5 Oct)  
 Mortimer Merkel ( 4 Oct)  
 Leah Norian ( 7 Oct)

Emily Sara Peterman ( 6 Oct)  
 Charles S. Prince ( 8 Oct)  
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 Ceil Rubinstein ( 3 Oct)  
 Henry Sapoznik ( 7 Oct)  
 Abraham Simon ( 7 Oct)  
 William Martin Youngerman ( 8 Oct)

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