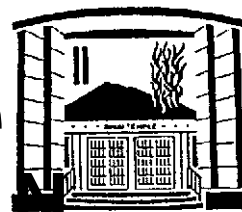


# Sinai Temple

## BULLETIN



Celebrating Israel @ 60

## For Your Consideration

Rabbi Mark Dov Shapiro

The “holidays” have come and gone, but, as we all know, life carries on with its satisfactions and frustrations day by day. That is why I am always so thankful that, in addition to the “holidays” with their grand themes, we also have the weekly opportunity of Shabbat for sanity and spirituality.

In fact, for the next several months I hope our congregational “theme” can be Shabbat. Saturday, November 15 will be our major Shabbat focus of the month. Something for every one of every age will be offered. (Check out the details on page 5 of this bulletin.) Beyond that, each of you should have the booklet containing no fewer than 52 ideas for tasting Shabbat. Please take a peak at the possibilities. If you’ve misplaced the booklet, everything you want to know about Shabbat is on our Sinai website, [www.sinai-temple.org](http://www.sinai-temple.org)

Meanwhile, some thoughts from my Yom Kippur morning sermon...

*I'm thinking of an artist who focuses intently on her painting. She applies the colors. She studies the angles of her composition. But, sooner or later, the artist stops, puts down the brush, and steps back to gain perspective. It's the only way to create great art. It's also the only way to create a life. All of us need to some way some time lay aside the brush and pause in our lives.*

*To put it in classic terms, on the seventh day we step away from the frenzy of the weekdays in order to create a space that is calmer, quieter, and sweeter. In a profound sense, Shabbat is about a favorite drink or book or even a hike you don't have time for in regular life. Shabbat is for experiences that remind you why you are alive to begin with.*

*Think of the Sabbath candles. Shabbat is summed up in the candles' flames. As our prayer book says, "Flames purify and renew, soften and refine, brighten and make warm."*

*That's what I think you and I need in our lives: beauty and warmth. That's what Shabbat is all about. Time out. Tme for holiness.*

### Saturday Torah Study

Every Shabbat morning.  
Learning at 9:00 a.m.

**How to Become a Better Person:  
Learning from Mussar**

### Congregational Shabbat

Saturday, November 15  
Prayer, singing, meditation, &  
storytelling.

### Saturday Morning Service

Services at 10:30 a.m.  
Mazal Tov to our Bnai Mitzvah  
November 22 - Rachel Wetsone  
Daughter of Leslie and Andrew  
Wetstone

### Special for Kids & Parents

The Wiggle Room is available  
during Family Services.  
Babysitting during the Kabbalat  
Shabbat Service.

### FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES - NOTE THE TIMES - 76-88

**FAMILY SERVICE at 7:00 p.m.**

**November 7**

Check out our new youth choir, Sheer Fun!

**KABBALAT SHABBAT at 6:00 p.m.**

**November 14**

In honor of Veteran's Day, we are hosting Springfield's  
Jewish War Veterans. (Veggies and snacks at 5:30 p.m.)

**INSTALLATION at 8:00 p.m.**

**November 21**

Two great events: the Installation of Cantor Levson plus  
the first time we use our new prayer book, Mishkan T'filah.

**FRIDAY NIGHT CLASSIC at 8:00 p.m.**

**November 28**

Shabbat Shalom!

**Take Back Your Time: Rediscover Shabbat**

### Mission Statement

Sinai Temple is a welcoming and inclusive Reform Congregation where our members pursue a continuing journey of Jewish growth. We are guided by the history and traditions of the Jewish people as we encounter the challenges of the modern world. We encourage participation in prayer, life-long Jewish learning, and social justice within a joyful, creative, and compassionate community.

## Welcome to Sinai!

*We're so glad you decided to join Sinai Temple in the past month.*

Susan Cash Cannizzo and Frank Cannizzo and their children Hannah and Samuel.

Dianna Goldberg and Kevin Garibian and their daughters Teah and Gabby.

Mark and Anita Hurwitz and their children Noah, Tia and Ethan.

## Lunch and Learn Thursday, November 6 12:00 – 1:15 p.m.

Bring your lunch to the Oneg Shabbat room for a discussion of contemporary Jewish concern with Rabbi Shapiro. Future discussions are December 4, January 8, February 5, March 5, April 2, May 7, and June 4.

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## Sinai Temple – Monthly Prayer Men Discover the Service that Nourishes Your Spirit

### Week 1 ... 7:00 p.m. Family Service

This service features our new youth choir, called Shir Fun. The Rabbi also tells a story.

The overall service is designed to appeal to families with school-age children from approximately 5 years of age to 10 or 11.

### Week 2 ... 6:00 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat

This service is a pre-dinner, perfectly timed service. We invite congregants of all ages (kids too) to join us at the Temple before they go home for the evening. Veggie and snacks are available starting at 5:30 p.m. The one-hour service itself takes place in the auditorium with the seats set up “in the round.”

### Week 3 ... 8:00 p.m. Friday Night Live

Friday Night Live is the most musical of our various musical services. Instruments join the Cantor in this very participatory service where the focus is on community and involvement.

### Week 4 ... 8:00 p.m. The Classic

Our final service of the month began as a service that was supposed to be more the style of services of the past. It was supposed to be a kind of “classic” Reform service. Times have changed so that this service is full of the same upbeat spirit and life as all of our services. One difference - We do take the Torah out of the ark and read it at our “classic” 8:00 p.m. service

## Judaica Gift Shop Corner

We're getting ready for Chanukah. Every day more items are hitting our shelves. There is the largest selection of electric menorahs and lit decorations to be found! Our giftware will include many one-of-a-kind and something-for-everyone specials. Do come and browse often.

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*Please Join Us  
As We  
Celebrate the  
Installation  
Of  
Martin D. Levson  
As  
Cantor of Sinai Temple  
Friday, November 21, 2008  
Eight o'clock in the evening*

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*Special guest performers:  
Cantors Josée Wolff and Elizabeth Goldmann  
with vocalists Paul and Kathy Storfer*

*Introducing and dedicating  
our new prayer book, Mishkan T'filah*

*Reception to follow*

*(Installation evening is made possible  
by a gift from the family of the late  
Arthur and Arline Rogers.)*

## **Installation of Cantor Levson**

At the installation of Cantor Levson on November 21, our special guest performers will be Cantors Josee Wolff and Elizabeth Goldman.

### **Cantor Josée Wolff**

Cantor Josée Wolff is Director of Student Placement and an adjunct faculty member at the School of Sacred Music, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in New York. Cantor Wolff has served Reform congregations in the US and Europe for the past 15 years. A native of The Netherlands, Cantor Wolff holds a degree in flute from the Royal Conservatory in The Hague.

### **Cantor Elizabeth Goldmann**

Cantor Elizabeth Goldmann was born and raised in Closter, NJ. From 1991 to 2004, she served as cantor at Temple Beth Torah in Upper Nyack, New York. Though she loved her congregation in Nyack, she is quite happy to be working part time at a congregation in Teaneck, NJ, enabling her to spend more time with her family.

### **Paul and Kathy Storfer**

Paul and Kathy Storfer are members and musicians at the Jewish Family Congregation at South Salem, NY. They met Martin and Sheri Levson when Martin was the JFC's Student Cantor "many years back."



Cantor Josée Wolff



Cantor Elizabeth Goldmann

## Message from Sheila Shear Director of Education

*Sshalom Chaverim,*

I would shout it from the roof top of Sinai Temple, but given my recent track record, I don't think the underwriters of Sinai's insurance policy would let me up there. What would I be shouting? That Jewish education is not simply about becoming a Bar/Bat Mitzvah, though it is an important benchmark in the life of a Jew, and it's not just about *making it* to Confirmation, though it is another important benchmark. Jewish education is about community. It is about social action and it is about spirituality. Hebrew School teaches us the language vital to us in the study of Torah and Religious School begins to teach us what we must know to begin this journey we call living Jewishly. But this past couple of months my Jewish journey, that began so long ago in just that way, with attendance at Hebrew School and Religious School and becoming a Bat Mitzvah at 13 and, making it to Confirmation, has given me the spirituality and community that has been of such great help during a difficult time. My Jewish journey is far from over. My Jewish learning is far from over, and I know that it will continue to be the basis for celebration, support, and strength throughout my life. So, the next time your child asks, "Why do I have to go to Religious School?" please think of where the journey has taken you and if not you, where it has taken me, and the possibilities of where it will take them.. I am ever grateful that my parents saw the value in Jewish education and supported me in my endeavors to have it make sense in my life.

## Jewish Summer Camping Can Make All the Difference in Preparing a Jewish Child for the Future

Our Reform movement runs two remarkable summer camps in the Berkshires. One is called Eisner; the other is called Crane Lake. Last year several Sinai students attended each of the camps. Your child would love either camp. Scholarships are available for sessions in July or August. Please speak to Rabbi Shapiro as soon as possible.

## News About SPFTY Andy Chaet, SPFTY Advisor

*Sshalom SPFTYites,*

I am writing this soon after listening to Rabbi Shapiro's Yom Kippur day sermon regarding taking back Shabbat. As Reform Jews, Rabbi impressed upon us the importance of making room for Shabbat in our own unique way. I feel the same way about our Teen group SPFTY.

At first impression SPFTY appears to be a Jewish Teen Social group that gets together for pizza and has fun. TRUE! However we go deeper than that. These teens are committed to a Reform Jewish way of life that encompasses our religion, our beliefs and our values.

NFTY, our national organization, sponsors dances and conclavettes that involve these teens in Tzadaka and Tik-kun Olam. As the Teens perform in these activities they realize they have made friends and have helped make the world a better place.

Now, one person cannot move and shake the whole world, nor can one person be asked to partake in every activity. Again, as Rabbi suggested, give one hour to Shabbat. What am I asking of the Teens? Attend one meeting (with pizza), attend one function. Attend with someone who is already a SPFTY member. One never knows where it may lead.

Our November calendar is as follows:

Nov.9 -Gleaning for Gladness-More to follow

Nov.15 -Social activity at Temple

There will be a meeting near end of month .We will let you know.

Andy Chaet  
achaet@sinai-temple.org

## Scholarships for Free

If your son or daughter is planning to attend any kind of Jewish program this summer, please take advantage of the Temple scholarship program. Thanks to the Joseph Emanuel, Rabbi Herman Eliot and Adele Biederman Snyder Memorial Fund, scholarships are available in small and larger amounts. We are also thankful to the family of Edna Simon and Judy and Michael Cohen who support summer scholarships as well.

**Take Back Your Time:  
Rediscover Shabbat.  
Saturday, November 15  
For EVERYONE of EVERY age**

**At 10 a.m.**

Everyone is invited to the most creative, joyful, participatory service ever planned for Sinai Temple. We'll meet in the round in the Auditorium!

**At 10:30 a.m.**

*For Adults* - Guest teacher, Rabbi Devorah Jacobson, will introduce us to the world of the Talmud and some very unusual and unexpected glimpses of Shabbat.

*For Families (with children)* - Cantor Levson will lead us in a combination of Torah study and theater. It's called Bibliodrama. You'll be moving and thinking from start to finish.

**At 11:15 a.m.**

*For Adults* - Cantor Levson, who has great experience with meditation, will offer an introduction to Jewish meditation.

*For Families* - David Arfa, master storyteller, will tell stories about the magic of the seventh day and the beauty of creation. Lots of participation guaranteed.

**At noon**

LUNCH, music, and more stories from David Arfa

**At 1 p.m.**

For those who wish, we'll head to the JCC for intergenerational games! See the Cantor and Rabbi in shorts!

*This program is made possible by the Religious School Special Projects Fund.*

**Take Back Your Time:  
Rediscover Shabbat - Continued**

**Reading Gates of Shabbat**

Rabbi Shapiro has written an invitation to Shabbat in the form of a book. If you would like to learn more about the book, please contact the Rabbi.  
markdov@sinai-temple.org

**Saturday morning services??**

Sinai does not currently offer a Shabbat morning service unless there is a Bar/Bat Mitzvah. Should we change? Should we offer a service for the congregation every Saturday morning? A task force will soon begin to consider this possibility. If you would like to join the group or offer suggestions, please contact the Temple office.

**Baking Challah**

Do you bake? Would you consider baking a challah for Shabbat November 15 or another time? The Rabbi will bake a challah for that morning. We could use five more challahs that day. Please let the Temple office know if you can bake that morning.

**Website**

Go to [www.sinai-temple.org](http://www.sinai-temple.org). Find the link Take Back Your Time: Rediscover Shabbat. You'll see the blessings for Friday night plus other sources. Also an opportunity to share your own responses to the Shabbat initiative.

**Jewish and Decent:  
How to Become a Better Person  
Saturday mornings at 9 a.m.  
November through - December 20**

Ten Saturday morning conversations about living life with less anger and worry. Finding patience, simplicity, balance, happiness, and zest for living itself.

Rabbi Shapiro will lead the journey as we turn to Judaism's hidden treasure - Mussar literature - the practice of goodness. (The Mussar sessions will be Torah Study for these ten weeks.)

## Message from Men of Sinai

We have been getting a number of forms with the information requested in our newsletter sent in September. Thank you to those who have, and especially to those who sent donations as well. If you have not done so, please send in your name (including middle initial), address, phone, cell phone and email to me at [president@menofsinai.org](mailto:president@menofsinai.org). We want to make sure our emails and snail mails get to the right place. If you wish to make a contribution to our efforts this year, please send a check made out to Men of Sinai to the Sinai Temple office. Thank you!

As I write this our evening with Cantor Levson is still some weeks away. I hope we had a great turnout. Cantor Levson is quickly becoming a great asset to our Sinai community.

Thank you to those who assisted in assembling the Sukkah for Sukkot. It was a rainy morning but the work was done in pretty short order.

We decided to have our October Breakfast in spite of there being no Religious School. I am pleased to say that our regulars came and enjoyed themselves and that the new stoves in the kitchen worked very well.

Special: Can you help me recall some of the men who led our organization in the early days? I have done research with our old bulletins, but could not find the names of our leaders for several of our early years. As we are approaching our 70th Anniversary in 2010, I thought I would ask you for some help.

Our first president, in 1904-1941 was Alfred Bettigole. I do not know who led from 1941-1947. It may have been Mr. Bettigole, but I could not find anything in the documents I read.

David Berg led from 1947-1949, followed by Abe Simons from 1949-1951. From 1951-1955 I am also missing data. If any of you can help fill in the blanks, please send me an email to [president@menofsinai.org](mailto:president@menofsinai.org)

Now that the major holidays are over for now, this will be a relatively quiet month. The currently planned events for November are:

*November 7:* Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.  
Food, 7:30 p.m. Meeting. All are welcome.

*November 16:* Breakfast 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

As always, you have an open invitation to please come join us and have fun, perhaps work a little, and get to network with other men of the congregation.

Scott M. Sherman, President MEN OF SINAI  
(formally Sinai Temple Brotherhood)  
[president@menofsinai.org](mailto:president@menofsinai.org)  
413.283.9696

## Monthly Morning Service Wednesday, November 5 at 7:30 a.m.

A chance to start your day with a different focus. We meet on the bimah for a service of 20 minutes. Breakfast follows. The feeling of togetherness is wonderful. The spirit is unique. Those who need to leave for the rest of the day are free no later than 8:15 a.m.

Future "morning minyan" services will take place on Wednesdays, December 3, January 7, February 4, March 4, April 1, May 6, and June 3.

## First Thursdays (mostly): Research Study

If you are a non-Jewish mother raising Jewish children with a Jewish spouse or partner, I would like to invite you to participate in a research study to explore your experiences. This study is being funded by a Clinical Research Grant from the Smith College School for Social Work and the Brown Foundation. I am particularly interested in those women who are members of the Mother's Circle but would be delighted to talk with anyone . . . parents of older children or young adults are also welcome. Thank you!!

For further information about the research please contact Joan G. Lesser, PhD at [jlesser@smith.edu](mailto:jlesser@smith.edu) or 413-533-4546.

## **Introducing our new prayer book, Mishkan T'filah Friday, November 21 at 8 p.m.**

As part of the Cantor's installation, our new prayer book will be used for the very first time. We thank Daryl and Lynn Schwartz for underwriting the purchase of this new book for Sinai. If you wish to purchase your own copy of the book, you can do so through the Gift Shop. A single volume copy including prayers for Weekdays/Shabbat/Festivals costs approximately \$36.00. The book can also be purchased in two volumes. The Shabbat volume costs approximately \$34.00. The Weekdays & Festivals volume costs approximately \$22.00

## **Special Opportunities to meet Cantor Levson A series of home coffees**

If you would like to meet our new cantor in a relaxed, informal setting, our Transition Committee is offering a series of HOME COFFEES this fall. These will be opportunities in people's homes for an evening of conversation with the Cantor. It's what you might call a "meet and greet" for the Cantor and all of us. You can host such a coffee or just attend a home coffee. For information, please call Pamela Kalman at 565-2278.

## **Parents, Spending Friday Nights At Sinai Just Got A Little Easier ....**

**Wiggle Room** - Sometimes sitting still for the entire Family Service can be difficult. That's why we offer parents the chance to accompany their little ones to our "wiggle room" on the first Friday of every month during Family Services. This space in the Kindergarten Classroom has age appropriate toys plus the service can still be heard from the hallway.

**Babysitting** - Free babysitting is available every second Friday of the month during our Kabbalat Shabbat service. Mingle with the congregation over snacks at 5:30 p.m. Then enjoy the Kabbalat Shabbat service while your children who may be too young to sit still are cared for by Sinai teenagers.

## **You're Invited to Israel July 5 – 17, 2009**

Dear Friends -

Let's go to Israel! We are going to see old sites as well as very new sites. There will be museums as well as active days of kayaking on the Jordan River and exploring the Golan Heights by jeep. Financial details, including travel subsidy information, will soon be available. A detailed itinerary is on our website. [www.sinai-temple.org](http://www.sinai-temple.org)  
Subsidies and scholarships will be available for both adults and children.

Shalom,  
Rabbi Mark Shapiro

### ***Our Tour will include:***

Roundtrip airfare from New York to Tel Aviv  
2 nights in Tel Aviv, 2 nights in the Galilee  
6 nights at the Inbal Hotel in Jerusalem  
Breakfast daily & five dinners  
Transfers, entrance fees, and portage

## **You're also Invited To an Information Session On the Israel Trip Tuesday, December 9 7:30 p.m.**

Everything you wanted to know about going to Israel with Sinai Temple this summer.

A slide presentation, an overview of our trip scheduled for July 2009.

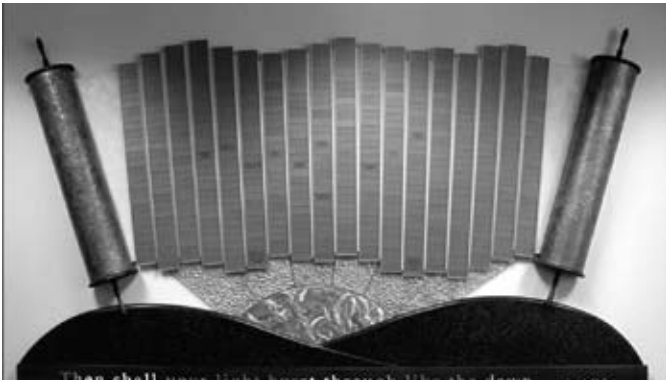
What we're planning to see. Hotels, sites, packing tips. Scholarship details.

For further questions, please call the Rabbi at 736-3619.

## **Check our the Website for Rabbi Shapiro's Sermons**

The Rabbi's High Holidays sermons as well as much more information on many, many issues can all be found by visiting our Temple website.  
[www.sinai-temple.org](http://www.sinai-temple.org)

## Scroll of Life



The Scroll of Life is a work of art in the Oneg Shabbat Room. It was created by Presentations Gallery of New York. The Isaiah quote at the bottom of the Scroll was taken from the Yom Kippur Haftarah as an expression of hope.

The Scroll has space on it so that Sinai members can commemorate either joyous events or memorialize loved ones. Each contribution of a plaque on the Scroll will be used to enrich the life and strength of Sinai. The cost of each plaque is \$200. The inscription may be 3-4 lines with a maximum of 27 spaces per line.

### LEGACY WHAT WILL YOURS BE?

What will you bequeath to future generations? How will the ideals you cherish now be sustained then? Who will articulate your principles for the sake of your grandchildren, your faith, your community and your country?

There is an answer.

With your help, Sinai Temple will endure as a powerful voice, sustaining those beliefs you hold dear. Now. And for future generations.

To obtain more information about remembering Sinai Temple in your will or estate, please contact:  
Dave Roberts, Temple President,  
Geoff Berman, Legacy Society Chair,  
Or Rabbi Shapiro

## "Green" is the Color of the Future Adapted from - This Old House, October 2006

### Install a programmable thermostat

With an estimated annual savings of \$100 and an initial outlay of only about \$50 few upgrades pay for themselves as quickly as this one can. With a programmable thermostat, you can automatically adjust your heating and air-conditioning systems to match your family's seven-day-a-week schedule. During the winter, for example, you can set it to turn off the heat after everyone is in bed, switch it back on in time for a warm wake-up, then putter along at a lower temp until people

### Install smart ceiling fans

In theory, a ceiling fan saves energy because the breeze evaporates moisture on your hot, sticky skin, cooling you down without the benefit of air-conditioning. In practice, though, it doesn't always work that way. People keep fans running with the AC going full blast, or leave them on when no one is in the room, which wastes their cooling power. Here's what to do instead. First, make sure any fan you buy is Energy Star rated. Lighted ones use florescent bulbs instead of hot-burning incandescents or halogens and are up to 50% more efficient than standard models. Second, once the fan is installed, raise your air conditioner setting by 5 degrees. (Experiment with your heater setting, too. You may be able to lower it a degree or two if you run the fan backward so it pushes rising warm air down. And finally, install an occupancy sensor switch that shuts the fan off if no one is in the room.

## Hebrew Free Loan Association of Greater Springfield HFLA@springfieldjcc.org Elaine Geha, Executive Director

Committed to the dignity of individuals, the Hebrew Free Loan Association provides interest-free loans to those in the Jewish community otherwise unable to obtain loans. Learn more about the Jewish tradition of helping others stand on their own two feet...with optimism, dignity, and hope.



## Ten Minutes of Torah From our Reform Movement The Union for Reform Judaism

Study that Matches Your Lifestyle – Sign up at [www.urj.org/ten](http://www.urj.org/ten) for a brief daily teaching or reflection. Each day has a different theme:

Monday – reform voices of Torah

Tuesday – Hebrew Connection

Wednesday – Israel Connections

Thursdays – Lessons from our Traditions

Friday – Jewish World and Social Action

“Who among us is so busy that he cannot spend 10 minutes a day in the study of a Jewish text? Just 10 minutes? ? Such a commitment would enable us to meet our Jewish obligation to make Jewish study a fixed occurrence. If we make time to answer our cell phones a dozen times a day and to check our email five times an hour, surely we can find 10 minutes to contemplate sacred words that nourish the soul.”

Rabbi Eric Yoffie, President of the URJ

E - Study

### Torah on the Web:

[www.urj.org/torah](http://www.urj.org/torah) - An excellent commentary on the Torah portion.

[www.urj.org/shabbat](http://www.urj.org/shabbat) - The Reform Movement's weekly commentary designed to inspire discussions at your Shabbat table.

[www.urj.org/torah/ten](http://www.urj.org/torah/ten) - 10 Minutes of Torah – Receive weekly emails of Torah commentary and reflections on current events (see above).

[www.urj.org/torah/ten/eilu/](http://www.urj.org/torah/ten/eilu/) - A point/counterpoint model with dialogue between two scholars and opportunities for your own participation.

[www.myjewishlearning.com](http://www.myjewishlearning.com) – Resource on everything from holidays to mysticism.

## TWO PERFECT FUND RAISERS NO cost to Temple members; \$\$\$\$ for Sinai!

### 1. Big Y Gift Cards

The cards are in the office NOW. When you purchase these gift cards, Sinai gets back 2% of the value of your purchase. So come in NOW and stock up!

### 2. RECYCLE PROGRAM

Give New Life to old technology.

Keep toxic e-waste out of our landfills.

A new Fund Raising program through [recyclefirst.com](http://recyclefirst.com). at NO cost to Sinai Temple. Sinai in return will receive money back for each item donated and members will be able to get rid of old devices cluttering up their homes!

**Please donate your old cell phones, laser and inkjet cartridges, laptops, PDA'S, iPods, DVD's, GPS systems, video games and consoles, and digital cameras to Sinai Temple.** Electronics donated through this fund are given a new life to people living in developing nations at the same time as keeping them out of our landfills.

Recycle boxes will be in the Temple from October through December.

## Question 1 May Be Dangerous to Your Health

Question 1 will appear on this November's ballot. It calls for the elimination of the state tax in Massachusetts. If passed, the state income tax would be eliminated immediately, costing the state 40% of its budget or over \$12 billion.

If passed, every community in the Commonwealth, will not be able to meet the most basic needs of its citizens. The ability to care for children, elderly, sick and needy is at stake. Without adequate fire and police protection, without safe roads and bridges, without snow plows on our streets, risk touches all. Without quality education, not only do children suffer, but the prospects for economic health grow even dimmer.

You can learn more by going to <http://votenoquestion1.com>

## Thank you to ...

Lee Grayboff and family for creating the "Fix-It" Fund at Sinai in memory of Howard. The fund was used over the past summer to purchase new equipment for our Temple kitchen.

Claire Cohen-Stelzer for underwriting the Yom Kippur music interlude in memory of her husband, Robert Stelzer. Thank you to Claire also for underwriting the Sukkot luncheon in memory of her mother, Jeanette Levine.

Joel Cohen for making possible the purchase of a new database to be used by the Cantor and Rabbi in order to make on-going and more complete contact with congregants in need. This database is dedicated in memory of Joel's wife, Marilyn Cohen.

## Mazal Tov To:

Steven Sussman on completing his term as a member of the Northeast Council of Leaders of the Union for Reform Judaism.

Nancy Posnick and Avi Kushner on the birth of their grandson Jacob.

Michael and Sally Ginsburg on their son Elliott's engagement.

Elaine Nathan and Ken Schusterman on the occasion of their marriage .

## Kristalnacht Annual Interfaith Commemoration Monday, November 10, 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. Alumnae Theater Library at Elms College, 291 State Street, Chicopee.

The Keynote speaker is Henry Knight, Director of the Cohen Center for Holocaust Studies at Keene State College. This event is being co-sponsored by Hatikvah Holocaust Education Center, Elms College and the Community Relations Committee of the Jewish Federation of Western MA. This program is open to the public and there is no charge to attend.

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## The Memory of the Righteous is a Blessing

All of us at Sinai Temple extend condolences as we remember the following.

Their memories are precious to their relatives, their friends and to each of us who form the community of Sinai Temple.

We remember those who have passed away from September 8, 2008 to October 6, 2008:

Margaret Miller, mother of Rina Miller.

Louis Snyder

Edward Cohen, brother of Marsha Roth.

Bernard Tuttle, father of Sheila Shear.

Leah Nesin

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## SINAI TEMPLE – COLLEGE ALUMNI

### ***REMINDER: Parents of College Age Children!!!***

Sinai Temple wants to keep in touch with your college age children. They will hear from us throughout the year with news of Jewish related issues relevant to them to help them maintain a sense of community and home - even a gift at Chanukah and Passover ... plus who knows what else as the year unfolds.

**BUT WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOUR HELP!!!**

If you haven't already provided ALL the information requested below, PLEASE do so RIGHT NOW. You can most easily share all this information through our website: [www.sinai-temple.org](http://www.sinai-temple.org).

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