



H A R S I N A I T E M P L E

Bulletin

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2004

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Har Sinai Members,

Our Annual Congregational Meeting was held on June 21, 2004. Since many members were not able to attend the meeting, my message to the Congregation follows:

I'm sure that everybody wants to hear about our land search. While we are currently negotiating a contract on the site in Pennington, we have had to deal with some unforeseeable setbacks this past year. As soon as the land search process is declared over, I'll spell out exactly what we've been through in a bulletin column and it will make fascinating reading. Until then, please bear with us. Judy (Millner) and I are always available to answer your individual questions.

It's not about the land or the building; it's still about the people. I've learned that each individual wants to participate in his or her own way, and their way may be to not participate at all. It's important for us to be here whenever a congregant decides they are ready.

We have to keep in mind that we are first and foremost a religious institution and not a business. We're here to provide spiritual fulfillment, a Jewish anchor in the lives of our members. And we really do fulfill that mission for a lot of people. All you have to do is walk through our doors. Come to a Shabbat service. Take advantage of the social action opportunities we've made available to you. I guarantee you'll feel better after helping someone in need, someone who really appreciates what you do. Even though we make it easy to participate, you still get the spiritual fulfillment you need.

One of the most important measures of the overall health of a congregation is membership statistics. Despite the uncertainty of our exact future location, we have been able to keep our membership steady over the past year. I give credit to Karen Friedland and Abbie Katz, our membership co-chairs, for their untiring efforts on our behalf, but it also speaks well of our congregation in general that we are attractive to new members.

Our Religious School, under the direction of our educator, Magda Reyes, continues to do an excellent job of teaching our children. We offered an innovative program to our Confirmation class, and will be tweaking the program going

Worship Services

...will continue to take place every Friday evening at 7:30 PM in our air-conditioned Social Hall. We will return to worship in the Sanctuary on Friday evening, September 10, at 8:00.

forward. A strong Religious School is key in attracting new member families and I thank Magda for her leadership of our school.

We're working to revive our youth groups. We're starting with the younger grades, and working our way up. We have some very interested parents who are poised to make it happen.

Har Sinai's Sisterhood, led by outgoing president Fay Zelenko, hosted a number of successful events last year, most notably the Dinner and Fashion Show in the Fall and, more recently, Bingo Night. Going forward, Sisterhood will be led by Linda Geyer-Bolder and Ina Katz who will most certainly continue the good work that Sisterhood has done in the past.

Janis Kind, Harriet Gould and the Renaissance Steering Committee continue to develop one strong program after another for Renaissance. If only we could apply their formula for success to other areas of Har Sinai we'd be in even better shape.

Thank you Rabbi Pollack not only for your spiritual leadership of our congregation, but for the well-reasoned guidance you have given me through this past year. I will encourage more of our members to take advantage of the many adult educational/enrichment opportunities you offer. Your Saturday morning classes have been inspirational and thought provoking. Your Adult Hebrew reading program, of which I am a proud graduate, could help many others brush up on their Hebrew reading skills with only a modest investment of their time while their own children are in Sunday school.

Cantor Wisnia, your expert preparation of our B'nai Mitzvah candidates is a source of pride to all of our members. The education you give to your students goes way beyond

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

STEVE MILLER president@harsinai.org

prayers in ways that they themselves may not realize for years to come. Your work on the "Voices of Har Sinai" CD was a great demonstration of the scope of your musical talent. Thank you for your hard work on our behalf and the guidance you have given me as President.

Laura, your dedication to Har Sinai is second to none. I can't imagine getting through this past year as president without you to lean on. You've been of indescribable help as I tried to do a good job as president. You have answers when I need them, and good guidance when I need it. Most importantly, you give me guidance when I don't know I need it.

Peggy, you help keep me up to date and handle much of the day-to-day Har Sinai routine, which is so important. Thank you Peggy.

Michael, I always knew it wasn't easy keeping a 75 year-old building in shape. Thank you for always being here and keeping us running. Michael and John, thank you both for providing such a warm welcome to all of our members and guests alike.

I am very fortunate to serve with such a dedicated Executive Board and Board of Trustees. Next year will be even better. Our upcoming Board Retreat will serve to inspire us all and teach us how to be more effective in leading Har Sinai into the future. Most of you have been extremely active in Temple business, and to those of you who are trying to find your niche,

or are new to the board, I look forward to working with you individually. We are all grateful for your commitment to the betterment of Har Sinai.

I'd like to thank Judy Millner for her dedication and hours of work toward finding our new site and the building project in general. I don't think you realize how much you have helped me settle into my presidency, not only by working with me, but by leaving Har Sinai in such good condition for me when I took over.

I give special thanks to my wife Laurie who covers for me both at home and at work while I attend to the business of Har Sinai. You have also taken on responsibility for making yourself available every week as a friend to an older member of the Jewish Community in need of companionship. Laurie also devotes her time to support sisterhood and many social action projects. Laurie, I certainly couldn't do this job without you behind me.

Lastly, I'd like to thank everyone here for attending this evening. Please continue to support Har Sinai by participating in our programs and events. It's true that everything at Har Sinai is better when you are here.

Thank you,
Steve Miller

RABBINIC REFLECTIONS

Two weeks ago, Senator John Kerry, the presumptive Democratic candidate for President, chose John Edwards of North Carolina as his running mate. There are many considerations involved in the choosing of a Vice-Presidential candidate. Vice-Presidential candidates are chosen to balance the ticket geographically and, most especially in Senator Kerry's situation, to balance personality. The President and the Vice-President do not have to be simpatico on a social level as long as they can relate on a professional political level. Unfortunately, that has not always been the case.

The salient example of this was Franklin Roosevelt's relationship to Harry Truman. Roosevelt had very little respect for Truman's ability to grasp the geopolitical structure of the world and that is why when Roosevelt died it came as a shock to Truman to learn of the existence of the atomic bomb.

Based on this horrendous decision of Roosevelt's not to update Truman, presidents afterwards made sure that their vice-presidents were better informed even if there was no personal chemistry between them. Subsequently, Eisenhower's relationship to Nixon was at best cordial; history records the legendary ill feelings between Kennedy and Johnson.

These sometimes personal feelings of animosity

between presidents and vice-presidents do not and should not reflect their professional relationship especially in the open exchange of information needed to govern the country effectively. We know that Bill Clinton's relationship to Al Gore was very solid and that Al Gore had a tremendous amount of influence within the White House.

After all, a vice-president is only a heartbeat away from the presidency. Therefore it would be a dereliction of responsibility for any president not to inform the vice president of important issues. Of course, many believe that George W. Bush's relationship to Dick Cheney is to the point that Vice-President Cheney is more than just a confidant; that, in many respects, he actually makes crucial decisions.

The choosing of a running mate is important even though we know that many do not vote based on the qualifications of the vice-president. John Edwards definitely balances off John Kerry in that he is from the South and that he is endowed with a warmer personality. Some find this to be very advantageous.

I always found it curious that when you are chosen to be a running mate you have that incredible opportunity if elected to actually be a part of history. The vice-presidents of this

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nation hold more than footnotes in American history but are actually within the body of historical text itself. Even though historically they do not do much, their tenures are the stuff of history books and historical novels. Even the personal relationships between presidents and vice-presidents are grist for historical dialogue. Therefore, if the presidential candidate is elected, the vice-presidential candidate has an opportunity to also be a part of history.

But in a presidential defeat, the vice-presidential candidate is not mentioned in the same breath. His not having to take responsibility basically leaves him as a Trivial Pursuit question. He is neither as tragic nor as interesting as the failed presidential candidate.

If the presidential candidate does not succeed in his quest for the presidency, history books still will recount his efforts. Political scientists for generations will try to decipher why he wasn't successful and what he did wrong. Even a failed presidential candidate garners some fame.

I find it fascinating that so many want this position of vice-presidential candidate knowing that history will not even consider them as worth mentioning if they fail. Their fates are tied to someone else.

Amazingly, they take this chance for public service and they should be commended. We see throughout the Bible the names of those who were successful such as Moses and David; they are engraved on the consciousness of the Jewish people. And we see the tragic figures such as Esau and Jonathan. But what of the "second bananas," those who are mentioned but who could not rise to being a leader or a tragic

figure— what about them?

For example, there were the Levites who helped so much in the organization and building of the tabernacle and the temple but who never rose to great leadership; they are relegated to the bypaths of Jewish study. They are the classic second bananas of Jewish history.

My favorite example is that of the prophet Uriah. He was a protégé of Jeremiah's. All the evidence, the little that we have from the Bible, gives us an indication that he was a great prophet but he never had the opportunity to transcribe his thoughts for eternity. He should have been next in line to take over from Jeremiah; unfortunately, Judah was ransacked before he was able to emerge as a great spiritual figure.

The rabbis tell us that even though Uriah is overlooked as a great prophet and cast into the dustbin of history, still we need to see him in some ways as even greater than Jeremiah. Uriah knew that his words and thoughts would not echo throughout the millennia. Yet he still preached even under the most adverse conditions; because of this, he was blessed. He served the Jewish people out of sheer altruism. And for this the rabbis tell us he might have even inspired Jeremiah.

So whether we are Democrat or Republican we should still maintain a certain degree of respect and admiration for the first time vice-presidential candidates of all political campaigns. At least, if President Bush loses, Dick Cheney will have already made his mark. But John Edwards, with a loss, can soon be forgotten. The rabbis always tried to glorify those who served despite the possibility of never being honored for their efforts.

Library News



Rita Allen, Librarian (ritaallen@sbcglobal.net)

It is truly a pleasure for a librarian to see that the books so carefully and thoughtfully selected for the library collection are being frequently borrowed by the patrons. But it is equally a great disappointment for a librarian to realize that they are not being returned to the library. Students, teachers, parents, congregants – all are guilty of failing to return borrowed materials, ignoring repeated post-cards and attempts to recover lost books. This is sad.

Our library has an excellent collection, chosen to complement and supplement the curriculum of the Religious School, and for the interests and information of everyone in our congregation who would like to increase their knowledge of Judaism. With the advice and consultations of Rabbi Pollack and Principal Magda Reyes, we are constantly seeking ideas for acquisitions, and we always welcome additional suggestions from interested congregants.

As always, the support and assistance of Laura, Peggy and Michael make the work go easier. We welcome help from anyone in the congregation. If you would like to be a member of the Library Committee, please contact me at 215-295-0115 or on line (see above). We thank those who have donated materials or money to our library although we don't always know their names. We greatly appreciate those who, borrowing and enjoying the library books, remember to return them.





HAR SINAI INSTALLED 10 NEW BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBERS AT THE JUNE 21st ANNUAL MEETING

NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Ellen Buchsbaum

Ellen is no stranger to active involvement in temple - and Jewish - life. Growing up in Connecticut, her mother was the office administrator of Temple Shearith Israel and her father was Board Treasurer there for several years until becoming President. Ellen was a member of the choir, and after moving to New Jersey with her family as a teenager, became active in Temple youth organizations like JFTY and USY. After college, she taught Sunday School at Congregation Beth Chaim alongside Magda Reyes, and was also a Youth Group Co-Advisor. In 1992, Ellen joined National Council of Jewish Women and quickly became a life member. In 1993, ten years prior to joining Har Sinai, Ellen and her husband Tony were married by Cantor Wisnia and his son, Rabbi Eric Wisnia. They now live in Lawrenceville with their two sons, Jeremy, 8, and Ian, 4, and are professional writers currently working in advertising. Ellen is very excited that her family's legacy has now come full circle with her new role at Har Sinai, and looks forward to serving the Temple during this historic time in Har Sinai's history.

Karen Friedland

Karen was born and raised in Trenton and grew up at Har Sinai. After graduating from The Hun School, she went to school in Florida, Washington and graduated with a degree in Finance from Rider College. She lives in the Lawrenceville/ Pennington area with her husband Steven and their three children, Dara, Adam, and Marc. Karen co-chairs the Membership Committee and is pleased to watch the enthusiasm of new and prospective members as they learn what a special place Har Sinai is. Karen is a Realtor with Prudential Fox and Roach in their Princeton office. She has helped many people locate to the area and enjoys knowing she has had an important role in helping them find a place they love to call home. Karen's commitment to Har Sinai is due in part to fond memories of growing up here with her family, and to the joy of watching her own children



Pictured above are President Steve Miller (center) with new Board Members, left to right: Nancy LaPosta, Karen Friedland, Graham Tebb, Jeanne Nahan, Phil Ozaroff, Ellen Buchsbaum, Greg Rapport, and Sharon Kahn. (Not pictured) Barry Haftel and Fay Zelenko.

become aware of the traditions and responsibilities of being Jewish and part of a synagogue as well as a belief that Har Sinai should and will serve an enormous role to our Jewish community.

Barry Haftel: Not available at press time



Sharon Kahn

Originally from the New York area, Sharon and her husband, Bob, have lived in Yardley, PA for 23 years. Both graduated from the University of Pennsylvania, where they met. They have one son, Jeff, who, in following family tradition, is currently a student at Penn. Jeff became a Bar Mitzvah at Har Sinai in 1997.

Sharon is a paralegal at the Princeton office of the law firm of Fox Rothschild LLP. She is looking forward to helping the Har Sinai tradition continue and thrive.

Nancy La Posta

Nancy was born in Connecticut and grew up in Chappaqua, New York (well before it was made famous by media celebrities and political residents). She is a graduate of Hobart and William Smith Colleges in Geneva, New York. Nancy has lived and worked in Manhattan, Washington, D.C., and Rochester, New York, managing the construction of a variety of building projects from academic buildings to government facilities to commercial hotels and office buildings. Nancy, her husband Vince, and their two children moved to Pennington about a year ago when her husband moved from working for Wyeth in Rochester to Bristol-Myers Squibb in Lawrence. In Rochester Nancy sat on the board of their Temple and was Temple President prior to moving to Pennington. She enjoys reading and skiing in the Canadian Rockies.



Jeanne Nahan

Jeanne lives with her husband Arthur and three children in Lawrenceville. She was born in Morristown, NJ and graduated from Lancaster Country Day School in Lancaster, PA. She earned a Bachelor of Music in Piano Performance from the Boston Conservatory of Music and completed her studies for teacher certification at Boston University. She has taught music, grades K-12 in Fort Myers, Florida and Mercer County High School of the Performing Arts. She is currently the music director at Princeton Charter School. Jeanne has been active in Lawrence Hadassah and enjoys attending as many Sisterhood functions as possible. She has been a volunteer as Religious School class parent for her three children. Her oldest child, Rachel, is a sophomore at Quinnipiac University. Her son, William, will attend Lawrence High in the fall, and her son, Bruce, will be in 5th grade at the Intermediate school. Arthur and Jeanne have had the pleasure of having their two older children become a Bat and Bar Mitzvah with Cantor Wisnia and Rabbi Pollack. They want to see this tradition continue. Jeanne is very excited about the future for Har Sinai Temple and is looking forward to helping it reach its goals during this exciting transition.

Phil Ozaroff

Phil was born and raised in Brooklyn, New York. He became a Bar Mitzvah in March 1970. Phil attended Brooklyn College earning a degree in Accounting. Shortly after graduating, he earned his license to practice as a Certified Public Accountant. Phil worked as a public accountant for Ernst & Whinney and as a Controller for Drexel, Burnham, Lambert before starting his own business as a distributor and service provider of telecommunication products.

Phil met his wife Linda in 1987 and they were married in 1990. They moved to Yardley in 1991 and now live in Newtown with their three children Mariel, 13, Jack, 11 and Evan, 7. The family has been members of Har Sinai since 1996 and has recently celebrated Mariel's becoming a Bat Mitzvah.

One of Phil's great loves is baseball and he enjoys the opportunity to share it with his kids. Baseball and softball practice or games consume most of his free time these days. On the rare occasion when there aren't scheduled events, he and the kids usually end up having a catch in the backyard. Phil wouldn't change it for the world!

Phil is happy to be able to contribute his time to Har Sinai and is looking forward to working with the Board of Trustees.

Greg Rapport

Greg Rapport was born and raised in the Atlantic City area.

After graduating college in 1976, he taught music at The Atlantic County Hebrew Academy until 1981. During that time, Rapport produced a full-length recording of the school's choir and performed in bands with noteworthy Israeli performers including Rabbi Shlomo Carlebach. Rapport also wrote and produced radio jingles and commercials for Atlantic City businesses.

Rapport moved to New York in 1983 to work at The Village Voice. After a promotion by Rupert Murdoch to management at New York Magazine, Rapport became sought after for his ability to make magazines profitable. He was one of the first Publishers in the world to make magazine content available online.

With wife, Robin (also an accomplished writer), and children, Gavin and Jackie, Rapport moved to Lawrenceville in 2001. Together, as Rapport Communications, LLC, the Rapport's serve the marketing needs of an impressive array of international companies including Canon USA, Inc and Aventis Pharmaceuticals. In addition, Rapport is still involved in music as the leader of a high-energy event band tailored for weddings and Bar Mitzvahs. He also volunteers with Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts as Troop Musical Director and for Har Sinai as Publicity Chair.

Graham Tebb

Graham was born in England and studied Physics at the University of Leeds, where he was a member of the Jewish Students' Association and *Hechalutz b'Anglia* (Pioneers of England). However, the field of computers held more appeal, and after working in Tewkesbury for two years, he spent the next 4 years in Munich, Germany, fixing software problems with Racal-Redac. On his third trip to Israel in 1983, Graham found Kibbutz Yizre'el, where they specialized in robotics, had a national championship rugby team, and cooked Chinese food on Thursdays. Could there be a better place? Well, yes, because they all voted Likud and were broke. Graham met Gail Coplein and joined an Ulpan program on Kibbutz Ein Hashofet. They were married in England and decided to settle in Gail's birth state of Pennsylvania. Graham completed his Master's degree in Computer Science at Drexel and has worked for Computer Sciences Corp. for the last 13 years, where he is a Systems Process Manager. His family joined Har Sinai in 2001 and his children Elizabeth, Ariane and Nathaniel all attended the Religious school, and where Graham and Gail both teach in our Hebrew High School.

Fay Zelenko: Not available at press time.



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REPORT

Magda Reyes, Director of Education

How Does The Brain Learn?

How Can We Use Chunking To Promote Learning? (No, We Don't Need To Feed Kids Chocolate Bars!)

What Does The Brain Learn Best?

How Many "Rehearsals" Does It Take For The Brain To Achieve Mastery Of A Subject?

What Kind Of An Environment Should We Strive To Create In Order To Facilitate Most Effective Learning?

What Are The Five Theatres Of The Mind?

Judging by the terminology, one might think that I attended a workshop in theatre and acting this summer. I actually spent a very enjoyable and productive three days at a National Association of Temple Educators (NATE) Kallah in Miami, Florida with a group of Reform educators from all over the country. We learned, worshipped and sang together over a long Shabbat weekend, as well as had the pleasure to study with Dr. Pam Robbins, an international educational and corporate consultant with expertise in Brain Research, Brain-compatible Training and Emotional Intelligence.

Starting with the premise that "...the central purpose of a school is to invent and then to provide the conditions under which profound levels of human learning can flourish" (Roland Barth in Educators as Learners: Creating a Professional Learning Community in Your School), Dr. Robbins introduced research in how the brain learns, what are the optimal conditions and strategies for acquiring and

retaining information and how to best implement these theories in the classroom. We learned that the brain remembers best that which comes first, and next best, that which comes last. It takes twenty-four "rehearsals" or reviews to achieve about 80% mastery of a subject. A successful learning environment should take into account five natural learning systems or "theatres of the mind" of the student. And humor will increase retention by about fifty percent.

To find out more about this brain research and its implications for teaching, feel free to contact me or join our religious school staff at the opening faculty meeting as we explore ways to implement these and other learning strategies and seek to create more effective ways of teaching your children in the coming school year.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CALENDAR

August 2004 -

Religious School Book Orders and Calendars will be mailed out!

(Please return Religious School registration materials, if you haven't done so already!)

Sunday, September 12 -

First day of Religious School 2004-2005, K-7th grade
Please watch for a new schedule for the first day of school.

RENAISSANCE

Jan Kind and Harriet Gould, Co-Chairpersons

Sunday, August 15

Cruise New York Harbor Aboard

"THE SPIRIT OF NEW YORK"

9:00am: Departs Yardley Park and Ride

NOTE REVISED PRICE: \$75.00

(package includes transportation, buffet lunch and narrated sight-seeing tour aboard the "Spirit", admission to New York's Madame Tussaud's Wax Museum, and all gratuities.)

Chair: Lee Rosenberg (215-321-4892)

Limited Availability

Sunday, September 19

11:00 AM

A SUNDAY BRUNCH

Har Sinai Social Hall

Featuring Lecturer/Entertainer

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HAR SINAI THANKS

...Charlotte and Herb Levin, for hosting the June 9 meeting of the Home Study Group.

...Mary Kirsch, chair of the Annual Meeting Dinner, for facilitating a lovely meal in celebration of the successful completion of another Har Sinai year...special thanks to Nikki Miller who served as the official photographer of the evening.

BULLETIN BOARD

HAPPY JULY BIRTHDAYS

5	Hannah Levy	9 yrs
7	Evan Ellenbogen	13 yrs
9	Gabriel Lewin	13 yrs
	David Shaffer	12 yrs
10	James Duthie	4 yrs
12	Samuel Chertock	13 yrs
16	Gabrielle Gallo	6 yrs
	Matthew Schwartz	13 yrs
20	Nathaniel Tebb	9 yrs
21	Marc Friedland	10 yrs
22	Rachel Potter	5 yrs
23	Rose Dafilou	3 yrs
25	Devon Harris	13 yrs
	Rebecca Marrow	13 yrs
28	Evan Ozaroff	8 yrs
29	Max Rigie	13 yrs
31	Natalie Bernstein	12 yrs

SPECIAL JULY BIRTHDAYS

1	Natalie Marcus
2	Beatrice Zabłudoff
13	Alyce Farber
18	Minnie Pollak
20	Betty Platt
22	Sidney Rosenthal
24	Ruth Siegle
25	Beatrice Frey

SIGNIFICANT JULY ANNIVERSARIES

16	Robin & Jeffrey Scheiner	15 yrs
29	Johna & Robert Bingham	15 yrs
	Bernadette & Barry Truchil	25 yrs

HAPPY AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

1	Allison Deitchman	12 yrs
3	Leah Schaeffer	11 yrs
	Samantha Schaeffer	11 yrs
6	Andrea Wexler	8 yrs
7	Jonah Dafilou	6 yrs
	Jacklyn Rapport	8 yrs
8	Gavin Davis	10 yrs
9	Tyler Goldberg	10 yrs
11	Allison Levine	9 yrs
14	Aaron Biro	11 yrs
16	Jennifer Sherman	9 yrs
18	Rachel Schondel	7 yrs
	Alexandra Weinroth	12 yrs
19	Jack Davis	8 yrs
20	Bruce Nahan	11 yrs
21	Brianna Rivkin	8 yrs
24	James Kaltman	9 yrs
	Henry Kline	1 yr
27	Joshua Edelman	11 yrs
	Samuel Freedman	9 yrs

	Steven Millner	11 yrs
28	Ian Buchsbaum	4 yrs
29	Eli Pollack	11 yrs

SPECIAL AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

1	Rita Rosenthal
3	Ruth Busch
	Richard Hochman
4	Rose Movitch
10	Ruth Chamlin
14	Evelyn Gerofsky
	Sidney Hofing
18	Norma Byer
	Fred Byer
19	Freda Riger
25	Sherman Gould
	Unice Levie

SIGNIFICANT AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

1	Gwen & Edward Rubin	30 yrs
2	Carol & Barry Belt	40 yrs
4	Rebecca Hutto & David Gottlieb	20 yrs
	Hana & Edward Kahn	30 yrs
6	Jane Zamost & Gary Karlin	10 yrs
19	Louise & Alfred Dean	53 yrs
23	Lois & Gerald Sternberg	40 yrs

Oneg Shabbat Sponsors

JUNE

Nancy and Lewis Freimark, in honor of son, Joshua, a Bar Mitzvah.
Jodi and Andrew Krasna, in honor of their son, Jesse, a Bar Mitzvah.

Pulpit Flowers

JUNE

Nancy and Lewis Freimark, in honor of their son, Joshua, who became a Bar Mitzvah.
Jodi and Andrew Krasna, in honor of their son, Jesse, who became a Bar Mitzvah.



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Mazel Tov to...

Peggy and Richard Dickson, on the July 5 birth of their grandson, Spencer Morgan Dickson. Spencer is the son of Jessica and Matthew Dickson.

Judy and Jack Seelig, on the July 3 marriage of their son, Ben, to Laura Hall.

Roberta and Franklin Flacks, on the engagement of their daughter, Rachel, to David Mottern, son of Edward and Ele Mottern of Whitehall, MD.

Barry Haftel, on his July 10 marriage to **Gail Hodson**.

In Memoriam

May we extend our deepest sympathy in remembering



Rebecca Deitz Levy
Wife of James Levy
Mother of Jonathan Levy and Rachel Levy
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SISTERHOOD NEWS AND VIEWS

Linda Geyer Bolder and Ina Katz, co-Presidents

ROSH HASHANAH "NEW YEAR'S" GREETING CARDS
Sisterhood will be selling "New Year's" Greeting Cards
\$2.00/each or 3 for \$5.00
Flyer will soon be in the mail.

Thursday, September 9, at 7:30 pm
SISTERHOOD BOARD MEETING
Location to be announced

Sunday, October 17, at 1:30 pm
SPEAKER: "GENETICS COUNSELING"
Refreshments served

Coming in 2005
A SISTERHOOD COOKBOOK
Chaired by Jill Shaffer
This fall, we will be beginning the collection of recipes so,
ladies, start looking for your favorites to contribute!

Wednesday, October 20, at 6:00 pm
DINNER/SHOP TILL YOU DROP
/FASHION SHOW EXTRAVAGANZA
Mark the date...details to follow

Models needed for this event. AND we are looking for Vendors catering to ladies. Contact Linda Bolder (evenings only) at 215-321-3341.

Sunday, November 14, at 1:15 pm
RABBI'S BOOK CLUB
The Red Tent
By Anita Diamant
Bring a bag lunch and we'll supply the refreshments and dessert.
Start reading....

MID-SUMMER 2004 DONATIONS

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Stella Goldmann: Evelyn Gerofsky
Samuel Goldmann: Evelyn Gerofsky
Kathryn Horowitz: Ann Persichetti
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Henry Krezor: Hope & Stuart Kadash

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Samuel Koplin: Doris Silverstein
Rebecca Levy: Frederica Dreskin, Maxene & Saul Feinberg, Jane & Eugene Meyers, Judy & Don Millner
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In Honor Of:
Linda & Arthur Finkle's 40th Anniversary: Gilbert Gold
Marilyn & Howard Goldstein's 50th Anniversary: Frederica Dreskin
Myra & Milko Pesa's 10th Anniversary: Ruthellen & Marc Rubin
The Marriage of Ben Seelig to Laura Hall: The Jaslow Family, Ruthellen & Marc Rubin

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Louis Lavine: Audrey Lavine
In Honor Of:
In Appreciation: Pat Garfing, Evelyn Weinstein
Marie & Ronald Berman's 50th Anniversary: Sandra & Richard Nitzberg
Edi Joseph's Return to Good Health: Renaissance Steering Committee
Barbara & Donald Kimmelman's 50th Anniversary: Sandra & Richard Nitzberg
Dr. Mathew Lapin's Recovery From Illness: The Lapin Family
Rachel's Graduation, Granddaughter of Biff & Jerry Montana: Janis Kind
Baru & Bailey Saul, Whose Son, Isaac Became a Bar Mitzvah: Sandra & Richard Nitzberg
Marjorie & Harvey Silk's 50th Anniversary: Sandra & Richard Nitzberg
Our 50th Wedding Anniversary: Marjorie & Harvey Silk
Amy Straus Becoming a Bat Mitzvah: James & Cathy Straus
Stephen Wolff Becoming a Bar Mitzvah: Judy & Brian Wolff

CANTOR'S FUND

In Memory Of:
Maxine Fisher: Edye Discount & Jack Fisher
Charles Letter: Lorell Levy
Rebecca Levy: Lois & Jerry Sternberg
Benton Ressler: Daisy Garfunkel
Jack Shlute: Muriel Zeltmacher
Rosamond Selzer: Daisy Garfunkel
In Honor Of:
Engagement of our Daughter
Rachel Flacks to David Mottern: Roberta & Franklin Flacks
Stephen Wolff Becoming a Bar Mitzvah: Judy & Brian Wolff

PRAYERBOOK FUND

In Memory Of:
Rubin Alan Hirsch: Ellin & Stuart Hirsch
Ida Gross: Ruth Siegle
Harry Gross: Ruth Siegle
William Kravitz, Beloved Husband: Rita Kravitz
Edward Haskell Schulick: Bernard & Barbara Goldberg
Sadie Smith: Marilyn & Harold Zeltt
Nettie Zeltt: Marilyn & Harold Zeltt

SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE FUND

In Honor Of:
Dorothy & Philip Albert's 50th Anniversary: Janis Kind
Daniel Millner's Graduation: Susan & Jed Weisberger

LIBRARY FUND

In Memory Of:
J. Stewart Husid: Roberta & Franklin Flacks
Irving Kunes: Ruth Kunes

YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In Honor Of:
Chad Bernstein's Graduation: Myra & Milko Pesa
Scott Klein's Graduation: Myra & Milko Pesa
Noah Norman's Graduation: Myra & Milko Pesa
Rabbi Morton & Lila Rosenthal's 45th Anniversary: Linda & Arthur Finkle
Allie Rubin's Graduation: Myra & Milko Pesa
Garrett Sussman's Graduation: Myra & Milko Pesa

ROBERT H. BLOOM SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In Memory Of:
Irene Posner: Mary & Lou Posner
Herman Posner: Mary & Lou Posner

STEPHANIE MANN MEMORIAL FUND

In Memory Of:
Helene Miller Deitz: Joanne & Richard Hochman
Joseph Deitz: Richard & Joanne Hochman
Dr. Julian Levin: Thelma Weston
Rebecca Levy: Nancy & Barry Frost, Lynne Miller
Edward Magod: Carol & Buddy Magod
Sophie Magod: Carol & Buddy Magod
Sidney Neuman: Thelma Weston
Harry Rubin: Betsy Weston
In Honor Of:
Birth of Spencer Morgan Dickson, Grandson of Peggy & Richard Dickson: Judy & Lowell Mann
The Marriage of Esther Fried's Daughter: Betsy Weston
Jeff Reiser Receiving his MBA: Lynn & Keith Pilot
The Marriage of Ben Seelig to Laura Hall: Judy & Lowell Mann, Susan & Rick Wilson
Karen Welt Receiving her MBA: Lynn & Keith Pilot

ISRAEL SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND

In Memory Of:
Sidney Newman: Sylvia Newman

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL PROGRAM FUND

In Memory Of:
Sylvia Levy: Lorell Levy
In Honor Of:
Edith Joseph's Speedy Recovery: Harriet & Sherman Gould

SOCIAL ACTION FUND

In Memory Of:
Ruth Jaroslow: Abby Jaroslow & David Robinson
In Honor Of:
Edi Joseph, In Appreciation for All She Has Done: Renaissance Steering Committee
Abby Jaroslow's & David Robinson's "Special Birthdays": Marilyn & Joel Orland
Rachel Truchil's Graduation from Brown University: Barry Truchil

SISTERHOOD GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGES:

HILDRED & I. IRVING GROSS MEMORIAL FUND:

In Memory Of:
Abraham Elfman: Frances Applebaum, Rita Graziano
David Krotosky: Roslyn Kushner
Sal Krotosky: Roslyn Kushner
Philip Segal, My Beloved Father: Evelyn Weinstein



HELP US PREPARE FOR THE NEW HAR SINAI YEAR

SAVE THE DATE

Save The Date

Sunday, September 12 at 10:15 am

SELICHOT SERVICE

Har Sinai Temple

A service for families to help us prepare for the coming of the High Holy Days.

HELP OUR SUMMER MEMBERSHIP DRIVE by Abbie Katz and Karen Friedland, Chairs

Hi, everyone! We're hoping your summer is going well. The Membership Committee had a fabulously productive meeting on July 1. Lots of ideas to get Har Sinai recognition in the community were introduced. We also refined the process of recruiting and welcoming new members to Temple. Feel free to join us at our next meeting in August.

We need all of you to be Har Sinai's outreach into your community. Most of our members join because they know other members. So if new Jewish

neighbors have moved into your neighborhood or you have friends or neighbors who are unaffiliated and have religious school aged kids, please don't hesitate to give them the Temple office's telephone number so we can at least introduce them to Har Sinai. Har Sinai is proud of its programs, services and Religious School. We want to tell them about our exciting Temple and everything we have to offer. *Please contact the Temple office with names and phone numbers of friends or relatives who might be interested in joining our congregation.*

KOL NIDRE APPEAL

Again this year, the Board of Trustees of Har Sinai Hebrew Congregation has approved an annual appeal to raise funds to maintain the integrity of our valuable building and to increase substantially the growth of our Endowment Fund. Contributions made in response to this Appeal will be divided equally between the Capital Improvements Fund and the Endowment Fund. The allocation to the Endowment Fund reflects our commitment to the future financial well-being of Har Sinai as a vital, progressive Reform congregation. During the month of August, you will be receiving your High Holiday Appeal packet. *Please be generous when considering your donation to this very worthwhile, once-a-year, request.*

USHERS NEEDED FOR THE HIGH HOLIDAYS

Our ushers, all volunteer members of our congregation, perform a wonderful service during our High Holidays. They offer a warm and friendly welcome to all who came to worship with us for the Holidays. They also help us find seats and are there in case of an emergency.

We invite everyone in our congregation to help usher during the holidays. *If you would like to volunteer to join our usher corps, please call the Temple office; we will pass your names on to Dan Surkin, chair of our Usher Committee, for scheduling.*

COMMITTEE OF HONOR

Throughout its history, Har Sinai has provided for the spiritual, educational, and cultural needs of each generation. Our Temple will remain strong only as long as our members continue to provide a solid base of financial support. A significant portion of our dues income comes from the 41 generous Temple families who participate in our Committee of Honor. These are the members of our Congregation who have voluntarily increased their annual dues commitment to a minimum of \$2,200 a family or \$1,200 for a single member. At this period of our history, when we are asking so much from all of our members, we are grateful for the additional support of the members of this group, whose names appear on a plaque found in the Tree of Life Room outside of the Social Hall. At this time, we depend more than ever on the members of the Committee of Honor.

If you would like to become a member of the Committee of Honor, please contact the Temple office, the rabbi, or an officer of the Congregation. Thank you.

REMEMBER!!

The High Holy Days will begin this year on Wednesday evening, September 15, Erev Rosh Hashanah. The Temple and School offices have already begun preparations for the opening of school on September 12 and for the Holidays soon after. All of the following important pieces of Temple business have either been mailed to our membership already or will be in the next few weeks. *We would appreciate it if you would please mail them back to the Temple office as soon as possible:*

- Book of Memory Card
- Religious School Registration
- High Holiday Tickets Request Card
- Payment Plan Request Card
- High Holiday Appeal Commitment Card
- Oneg Shabbat Donor Card