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September Services

*NOTE: Join us for services in our Sanctuary OR by livestream video.
Links to services can be found on our website.*

Friday, Sept. 3	6:00 PM	Erev Shabbat Service: Prospective Member Shabbat
Monday, Sept. 6	7:30 PM	Erev Rosh Hashanah Service
Tuesday, Sept. 7	9:30 AM	Rosh Hashanah Morning Service
	9:30 AM	Rosh Hashanah Family Service (in Weintraub Community Room)
	11:30 AM	Rosh Hashanah Service including Torah Reading and Rabbi's Sermon
	12:45 PM	Tashlich
Friday, Sept. 10	6:00 PM	Erev Shabbat Service
Wednesday, Sept. 15	7:00 PM	Kol Nidre Service
Thursday, Sept. 16	9:30 AM	Yom Kippur Morning Service
	9:30 AM	Yom Kippur Family Service (in Weintraub Community Room)
	11:30 AM	Yom Kippur Service including Torah Reading and Rabbi's Sermon
	1:00 PM	Yom Kippur Healing Service (in Ehrenfried Hall)
	3:00 PM	Yom Kippur Forum/Panel Discussion
	4:30 PM	Yom Kippur Afternoon Service
	5:30 PM	Yom Kippur Yizkor Service
	6:15 PM	Yom Kippur Ne'ilah Service
Friday, Sept. 17	7:30 PM	Erev Shabbat Service
Friday, Sept. 24	6:00 PM	Erev Shabbat Service
Saturday, Sept. 25	9:00 AM	Tot Shabbat
	10:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service, including the B'Mitzvah of Max "Ollie" Kirsner
Monday, Sept. 27	6:30 PM	Simchat Torah Celebration
Tuesday, Sept. 28	9:30 AM	Shemini Atzeret Service, including Yizkor

High Holy Days 5782 Celebrate with us In-Person or via Livestream Video!

*A Message from Rabbi Vogel and
Rabbi Stein: Important Information
for This Year's High Holy Days*

After the past 18 months of the deeply challenging COVID pandemic, like most of our community, we are personally eagerly awaiting the High Holy Days 5782, an opportunity to renew ourselves, reflect on our lives, and reconnect with one another. The highlight of this message is that *{drum roll...!}* we will be joining in-person in our Sanctuary and other spaces within Temple Sinai's building for the High Holy Days this year, and we will also provide livestreaming video options for those members and guests who wish to join us remotely.

Whether you choose to join us in person or via your computer for the upcoming Elul events, Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, we pray that the promise of a new beginning for ourselves and our world will bring us goodness and blessings, life and health, and strength and courage in the Jewish New Year 5782. Our High Holy Day prayer book says, "Return us to You, O, God, and we shall return, renew our days as You have previously"; let us pray that this year will, indeed, be a year of strengthening our ties within the Temple community by enabling us to connect in-person (and virtually). May the High Holy Days help us renew our lives!

- Rabbi Andy Vogel & Rabbi Talia Stein

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For a complete listing of upcoming events at Temple Sinai, go to our website: www.sinaibrookline.org.

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Temple Sinai's Thursday Evening Book Group

Temple Sinai's Thursday Evening Book Group meets on the **4th (or 3rd) Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom**. A link will be posted on the Temple's website the day before. Contact **Elynn Finkelstein** (elynn912@yahoo.com) for details.

Here's the list of books for the next four months. Hope to see you there!

- **Thursday, Sept. 23:** *The Jew Store* by Stella Suberman
- **Thursday, Oct. 28:** *How to Fall* by Edith Pearlman
- **Thursday, Nov. 18:** *What We Talk About When We Talk About Anne Frank* by Nathan Englander
- **Thursday, Dec. 16:** *The Giver of Stars* by Jojo Moyes

Read About Temple Activities This Past Year!

Chairs of Temple committees, project task forces, and members of the staff have written reports describing their activities and programming over the past year. These have been compiled into a document available to all members and friends. Check our website for a link to a copy of the 2020-2021 report. Read the report and learn something new about Temple Sinai!

A Note from Rabbi Andy Vogel

This is a time of deep concern for all of us, and a time for us at Temple Sinai to "double down" on being a caring community. We are here for you, as always. Please contact me for any reason, at times of joy as well as times of sadness, so I may offer support, express sympathy, join with you in prayer, celebrate with you, and otherwise be present for you in your life. If you become sick because of coronavirus, or if you are in self-quarantine, please let me know. **In the case of a death in your family**, please notify me, even if the funeral is out of town. Please contact me in the case of any kind of illness as well, so I may be helpful to you and your family.

Note as well that Assistant Rabbi Talia Stein is also available for spiritual support for members in life cycle and life crisis moments, officiation at many life cycle events, and consultation on Jewish matters, in addition to her Jewish engagement work throughout the temple community. And, as always, our Caring Network volunteers are available to support you in a variety of ways—let us know how we may be helpful to you.

How to Reach Rabbi Vogel or Rabbi Stein

By phone: Call the Temple Sinai office at 617-277-5888. Please leave a voicemail message if we are unavailable when you call. **By email:** Email us at RabbiVogel@SinaiBrookline.org or RabbiStein@SinaiBrookline.org. We check email regularly, but please call for more urgent matters. **To set up an appointment:** Please call or email either of us directly, or contact Paul Kelly, our administrative assistant, who schedules appointments for Rabbi Vogel. If you need to change an appointment, please call Paul Kelly in the Temple office. **In an emergency or a death in your family:** If outside regular office hours, please call Rabbi Vogel on his cell phone at 617-257-6848. (Email is less reliable in this instance.)

Temple Sinai honors individual journeys of Judaism, joyfully embracing and connecting our members in community. We are enriched by engaging in lifelong study of Torah, seeking holiness through meaningful worship, and bringing justice, healing and caring to our world. We each aspire to deepen communication, broaden commitments, and gain inspiration bound only by the limits of our dreams.

Be Part of Temple Sinai's Caring Network – It's a Mitzvah!

Temple Sinai's Caring Network is made up of congregants who've agreed to be contacted when another member is facing an important life event—the birth or adoption of a child, a death in the family, or an illness or injury—and needs support. Our volunteers do a variety of tasks: they might make a phone call, deliver a meal, attend a shiva, or help out with shopping or errands. Most tasks are **one time only** and volunteers can do as much or as little as they wish.

Our most frequent activity is **providing a meal** and—although many committed members have signed up to help—given the frequency with which we provide meals (typically 2-4 times each month!), we sometimes have to scramble in order to meet the needs. So if you haven't done so already, **please consider adding your name to our volunteer list**. And if you're already on our list, **please consider responding next time a request goes out**. (Remember that while home-cooked meals are always appreciated, take-out is fine too, and reimbursement is available if needed.) We rely on our volunteers to care for our congregants and your actions are very much appreciated by the recipients.

Welcome to our new Caring Network coordinators!

- **Mayara Felix, Joel Match, and Jane Silberberg** will be handling issues related to Grief & Mourning. A big thank you to outgoing coordinators **Julie Johnson and Mel Stoler!**
- **Wendy Weiser** will continue coordinating issues related to Illness & Injury.
- **Andrea Fein** will continue to coordinate with families welcoming new children through birth or adoption.
- **Hildy Neumann** chairs the Caring Network and **Emily Case** writes notes and cards on our behalf.
- **Rabbi Andy Vogel** and **Rabbi Talia Stein** direct our activities.

Will you join us? Our goal is 100% member participation!

Questions? Email us at
CaringNetwork@SinaiBrookline.org.

Temple Sinai CALENDAR LU'ACH

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The deadline for material to be included in the Sinai Calendar/Lu'ach is the 1st of the previous month. (news@sinaibrookline.org) For advertising rates and information please call the Executive Director, Linda Katz.

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Maintaining Health & Safety, Inclusivity, and a Return to Our Sanctuary

At the start of the summer, Temple Sinai's Re-Opening Advisory Committee expressed its "cautious anticipation" about the trends of higher vaccination rates in Massachusetts, and lowered its restrictions on Temple activities in our building due to COVID-19. Vaccination remains the best way to lower health risk, both personally and to other community members. The Committee reiterated the multiple values that have informed its recommendations about High Holy Days Services: safety, inclusion, and the return to a sense of normalcy.

As of this writing at the end of July, we are planning on holding services in-person without restricting capacity. We will also ensure that everyone is included in our activities, particularly those who are unable to be vaccinated or are unable to attend in person. Information about mask-wearing policies for services will be provided later in August; please watch for announcements. We are aware as well that public health trends may change as the summer proceeds, and, with the recommendations of our Re-Opening Committee, Temple Sinai may update its policies if the need arises. Please watch for additional announcements closer to the start of the High Holy Days season.

Preparing Your Heart in Elul

The Hebrew month of Elul precedes the High Holy Days and is a month for personal preparation and reflection. Again this year, we are pleased to provide a number of safe outdoor gatherings in public spaces for Shofar blowing during Elul, pre-Rosh Hashanah Tashlich, Singing Circles, and more, as opportunities for members of our community to greet one another and to engage in the critical spiritual preparation that allows before the High Holy Days themselves arrive. Please watch for announcements about the times, dates, and locations of these events, which will be led by Rabbi Vogel and Rabbi Stein, and which will deeply enhance your appreciation of the High Holy Days and the possibility of change and renewal for ourselves and our lives.

New Enhancements to Our Sanctuary

We eagerly await a Sanctuary full of people celebrating the High Holy Days and greeting one another joyously and safely. We will provide hand sanitizer and masks for those who want them for health and safety, in addition to providing optional *kippot* and *tallitot* as ritual items.

We are happy to announce that we installed a new hi-resolution camera at the rear of our Sanctuary to broadcast our services on video, which will allow for close-up views as well as a nearly full bird's-eye view of the Sanctuary, for those participating via livestream video.

We are also happy to note that this summer, nearly all the windows in our historic Sanctuary were repaired and restored, and we are now able to open them for increased air ventilation in the Sanctuary for improved health and safety, and for cool breezes (we hope!) to lower the room's temperature on hot days.

To guide our prayer, our congregation will again use the Reform *Machzor* (High Holy Day prayer book) *Mishkan HaNefesh*, which draws from the wellsprings of Jewish tradition and adds its

own beautiful and modern sensibilities to our High Holy Days. If you are attending in person, you can pray from one of the Temple's prayer books, which our greeters will hand to you as you arrive. For those participating by video, the Machzor will also be screen-shared during the livestreamed version of the service. Those who wish to borrow a Machzor from the Temple for the High Holy Day season may do so by contacting Paul Kelly in our office; you may also purchase the two-volume *Mishkan HaNefesh* at one of the excellent Jewish bookstores in Brookline.

We are delighted that our former Rabbinic Intern and Vocalist Leah Carnow will lend her voice to our High Holy Day services on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, before she leaves for Israel to spend the year studying there. Our pianist Hannah Shields will join us once again, with other musicians.

Torah Reading and Sermon Services

Like last year, our services on the mornings of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur will again be separated into two distinct time-blocks, with the Morning Service held from 9:30-11:15 a.m., followed by a 15-minute break, and then at 11:30 a.m. we will begin the Torah Reading and Sermon service until 12:45 p.m. Please feel free to participate in whichever service(s) you wish, in person or remotely.

Family Services: Mornings at 9:30 A.M.

We are providing an opportunity for families with children to celebrate Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur mornings together in Family Services in the Weintraub Community Room, led by Rabbi Stein and musicians, from 9:30 to 11:15 a.m. on both days. Masks will be required for all participants in these services. Anyone may attend; these joyful and participation-oriented services are especially geared for families with elementary school-age children, but all are welcome. Because space is limited in Weintraub, **pre-registration is required by Wednesday, Sept. 1**. See our website for registration details.

Children's Activities During Morning Services

We are providing children-only activities in our Religious School classrooms for students in grades Pre-K-3, for those who wish, during Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur Morning services, from 9:30 until 11:15 a.m., with teachers and Madrichim providing engaging, fun holiday activities and a children's service. **Pre-registration is required by Wednesday, Sept. 1** for these activities, and all children participating must wear masks. See our website for registration details.

Oneg in the Street!

Join us for a festive Rosh Hashanah Oneg for the New Year outdoors on Charles Street in front of the Temple's main staircase after the evening service! We have asked the Town of Brookline to block off the street to traffic so we can gather and celebrate outdoors together (weather permitting) with dessert and refreshments.

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Tashlich on Rosh Hashanah

On Rosh Hashanah morning, services are followed by the traditional *Tashlich* service for symbolically casting sins and regrets into a body of water. Please meet at the Temple steps at 12:45 p.m. to walk to the Muddy River at the Longwood MBTA Station to observe this ritual together, and cast bread crumbs into the water with singing and meditation.

2nd Day Rosh Hashanah Picnic and Shofar-Blowing

Our community will celebrate the 2nd day of Rosh Hashanah on Wednesday, Sept. 8, at Larz Anderson Park in Brookline (Goddard Avenue entrance, at the Shelter) at 10:30 a.m. with a community picnic and Shofar blowing. Please bring a Shofar if you own one, a blanket, and your own Rosh Hashanah lunch; our Music, Prayer, & Ritual Committee will provide apples and honey.

Yom Kippur Healing Service and Forum Panel

We will again hold our Healing Service in Ehrenfried Hall at 1:00 p.m. on Yom Kippur afternoon, led by Temple Sinai members, an opportunity to join together in prayers for health, life, and strength for those who seek personal healing. This service will also be livestreamed on video.

At 3:00 p.m., please join us for our annual Yom Kippur Forum Panel Discussion, in which Temple Sinai members will share their reflections on particular topics relevant to the spirit of this holy day. Join us in person in the Sanctuary, or by livestreamed video.

Afternoon Services, Yizkor, and Ne'ilah Services

As in previous years, we will hold the final three services of Yom Kippur one after the next, beginning at 4:30 p.m., and this year all three services will be held both in-person and by livestream video. Our *Yizkor* service is an opportunity to remember loved ones, including those whose lives were taken by COVID-19 in the past year, or who died in any other year. Our *Ne'ilah* (concluding, closing) service, which is very dramatic and emotional, will conclude near 7:00 p.m.

Food Drive for the BMC Grow Clinic

We will again support Boston Medical Center's Grow Clinic's food pantry, which assists children in need with food items and other resources to support their physical nutrition and healthy growth. There are two ways to participate: bringing food and other items to the Temple when you come to High Holy Day services (see the list of items in the enclosed flyer), or by making a financial donation to the Grow Clinic through the Temple Sinai website or by check. Thank you for participating in this act of *tzedakah*, and for helping our community support the work of the Grow Clinic!

Welcoming Guests and Family Members

Temple Sinai members will receive High Holy Day tickets as a part of their membership. Members may also invite close relatives to attend our in-person services in the Sanctuary, and are asked to pay \$150 for a ticket for each guest.

We also welcome non-members to join us for the High Holy Days! People who wish to join us in our Sanctuary can purchase an admittance card at \$250 per ticket. One ticket covers admission to all our High Holy Day services. Non-members who wish to join us by our online video livestream may do so by visiting Temple Sinai's website, www.SinaiBrookline.org. There is no charge for online attendance, but donations are very much appreciated. Those contributions allow us to continue to offer the rich and diverse programming that we make available to the community throughout the year. Welcome!

Balancing Security and Welcoming

Temple Sinai strives to ensure our congregation's physical safety and security and also maintain our welcoming environment consistent with our core values. We strive to find the right balance between inclusivity and security. Our Board of Trustees and our Security Committee have consulted with local experts and law enforcement officials and developed thoughtful policies to achieve this balance. Our staff and greeter volunteers have previously participated in security trainings for Jewish institutions, we have taken steps to equip our building with the necessary security features, and we will have security professionals on site during the High Holy Days, as in previous years. Ensuring a safe community environment is of utmost importance to our congregation as we enter the New Year. If you have specific questions about Temple Sinai's safety and security policies or procedures, please contact our Executive Director, Linda Katz.

Exchange Tickets

If you would like courtesy seating at distant Reform congregations, the Temple office can provide you with an official URJ request form. If your out-of-town guests belong to a Reform congregation, we ask them to get a form from their home congregation so that they can attend our services without charge.

Parking

Parking can be challenging in Brookline. To minimize your chances of getting a Brookline overtime parking ticket, use only legal spaces and leave a Temple bulletin or a big note on your car indicating that you are attending High Holy Day services at Temple Sinai. We will inform the Brookline Police about the holiday, but a reminder may help the local patrol people. And please remember to avoid parking in all private parking lots (including avoiding parking in the Trader Joe's or Neena's lots on the other side of the post office, day or evening). We've had years when members' cars have been towed, which does not enhance anyone's holiday.

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Maurice Alkon	Milton Flier	Albert H. Levine	Marguerite Galimir Rollin
Ike Apfel	Louis Nathan Frankel	Earl Lieberman	Carolyn Baskin Rosen
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Prospective Member Shabbat

Friday, Sept. 3, 6:00 p.m.

If you know of anyone who is “shopping” for a synagogue or who may be interested in learning about Temple Sinai or our Religious School, please invite them to join us at our **Prospective Member Shabbat, Friday, Sept. 3 at 6:00 p.m.** This is an opportunity for them to learn about Temple Sinai, its clergy, school, and programs. Prospective members are always welcome! We are happy to talk to them, place them on our email list, or send them information about Temple Sinai and its school. Contact us at office@sinaibrookline.org or **617-277-5888** for information.

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Poems from the Days of Awe Prayer Books: A Discussion

with Temple Sinai member Jenny Barber



Join Jenny in looking at several poems from the two-volume *Machzor* for the Days of Awe that Temple Sinai uses. Poems might include, from volume I, Rosh Hashanah, “I Am the Blossom” by Jane Kenyon and “You Have Made Everything” by Alicia Ostriker, and, from volume II, Yom Kippur, “Every Day” by Marie Howe, “Try to Praise the Mutilated World” by Adam Zagajewski, and “Separation” by W.S. Merwin.

Jenny Barber taught literature and creative writing at Suffolk University from 2004 to 2018. She has also taught at Wellesley College, Bradford College, the Harvard Extension School, and the Brookline Adult and Community Education Program. She is the founding editor of the literary journal Salamander, and her most recent collection of poems is Works on Paper (The Word Works, 2016).

Sunday, Sept. 12, 9:30 a.m.

Mindfulness and Jewish Values

with Neil Motenko



This monthly class will explore mindfulness and its relationship to Jewish meditation, prayer, and the cultivation of Jewish values. Mindfulness practice can enhance well-being, improve our ability to meet life’s challenges, and enable us to live through truth, kindness, and wise discernment.

First Sunday each month at 11:10 a.m., starting Oct. 3. The remaining dates for 2021 are Oct. 3, Nov. 7, and Dec. 5.

Neil Motenko is an experienced mindfulness instructor. Retired from law practice, he offers mindfulness-based programs, with guided meditations, at our Temple and to seniors, hospice patients, and other interested individuals and groups.

Shabbat Morning Torah Study

with Rabbi Andy Vogel

Twice a month on Shabbat mornings, Temple Sinai members gather to discuss the ideas presented by the week’s Torah portion. We begin with a bit of singing and then study the text in English. You need not have any prior study of the Torah or Hebrew knowledge, simply an interest in considering the Torah portion as it relates to our contemporary experiences or those of Jews in previous generations. All are welcome for this friendly exchange of Jewish ideas! Come just once to try it out.

2nd & 4th Saturday mornings of each month, 9:00 a.m., starting Sept. 11

Thursday Morning Study

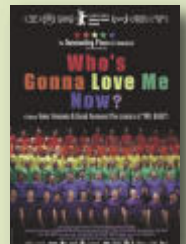
with Rabbi Andy Vogel

Join us each Thursday for a lively and friendly class with Rabbi Vogel. We study a wide variety of topics, rotating to a new field of study about every six weeks or so. Thursday Study includes discussions, museum trips, films, and text study. Previous years’ topics included American Jewish history, modern Israeli poetry, Jewish women’s issues, various books of the Bible, the Sephardic experience, and new Jewish thinking about God and spirituality. In 2021-2022, topics may include current events in Israeli politics, literature and culture, further explorations in the Bible, and topics in American Jewish history. Join us each Thursday or feel free to drop in just once! All are welcome. **Every Thursday, 10:15-11:45 a.m., starting Oct. 7**

Save the Date: Cinema@Sinai Returns!

- ***Who’s Gonna Love Me Now*: Screening online from Oct. 3-9; online discussion with the director on Sunday, Oct. 10**

At the age of 21, Saar Maoz arrives in the United Kingdom after being kicked out of his religious Kibbutz because he has AIDS. We follow him as he begins a new life.



- ***Sublet* (in English) Saturday, Oct. 16 at 7:30 p.m.**

An international prize-winning film about two men and the bond that transforms both their lives in unexpected ways as they explore the Tel Aviv that many do not know.



religious school

September School Calendar

Sundays in person: 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Tuesdays in person: 4:00-5:30 p.m.

Virtual Tuesday option: 4:00-5:15 p.m.

First Sunday picnic at Larz Anderson Park for Grades K-7 (rain location: Temple Sinai)
Sunday, Sept. 12, 9:30-11:00 a.m.

K'tonton for 3- and 4-year-olds at Larz Anderson Park (rain location: Temple Sinai)
Sunday, Sept. 12, 10:00 a.m.

Rosh Hashanah Children's Program (Grades PreK-3)
Tuesday, Sept. 7, 9:30-11:15 a.m.

Tuesday classes for Grades 3-6
Tuesday, Sept. 14

[Note: There will be no Religious School On Tuesday, Sept. 21 (Sukkot) or Tuesday, Sept. 28 (Simchat Torah)]

Yom Kippur Children's Program (Grades PreK-3)
Thursday, Sept. 16, 9:30-11:15 a.m.

Sunday classes for Grades K-7
Sundays, Sept. 19 & 26, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Tot Shabbat
Saturday, Sept. 25, 9:00-9:30 a.m.

All-School Family Education Program
Sunday, Sept. 26, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Simchat Torah Celebration
Monday, Sept. 27, 6:30 p.m.

Join Us for Tot Shabbat, Sept. 25, 9:00 a.m.

Join us for our first Tot Shabbat service of the year! **Rabbinic Vocalist Batya Ellinoy** leads these monthly Shabbat celebrations for families with children ages 0-7. We will sing Shabbat songs, hear a story, learn prayers and play together. The service is followed by a brief kiddush in Larkin Library.

B'Mitzvah

Max "Ollie" Kirsner
B'Mitzvah
Sept. 25, 2021



Ollie turned 13 in May and is entering the 8th grade at Meridian Academy in Jamaica Plain. (Ollie uses they/them pronouns.) They like to draw, play video games, and listen to podcasts. They play the ukulele and enjoy Dungeons & Dragons, and have been learning to drive a motorboat this summer in Boston Harbor. Ollie enjoyed Temple Sinai's online Hebrew school this past year, and they have appreciated D'var Torah meetings in which they can talk about and question different aspects of the Torah portion with Rabbi Vogel—both online and in person. Ollie has two cats, adopted last year, and one dog.

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in our lives

We are very sorry to inform you of the death of Margaret Little, mother of our member Terry Little, who passed away peacefully on May 16 at her home in South Yarmouth, MA, of heart failure. She was 90 years old. We offer our condolences to Terry, his wife Susan Laster, their children Jamie and Danny, and to their entire family. May Terry's mother's memory be for a blessing.

We offer our wishes of *mazel tov* to our members Mark and Lais Kornblueth on the birth of a baby boy, Noah, on June 29. A *brit milah* ceremony was held in their home on July 6 to celebrate his arrival into the world and to mark his entrance into the Covenant of the Jewish people. We wish them *mazel tov*!

We offer our wishes of *mazel tov* to Sharon Bertel-Nicholson and her husband Carl on the wedding of her daughter Kayla to Tim Lentini on July 4, in Newport, RI. Rabbi Vogel officiated. In addition to having attended Religious School at Temple Sinai and celebrating her Confirmation here in 2006, Kayla was a Religious School teacher in our congregation. *Mazel tov*!

Mazel tov to Rabbi Talia Stein, whose D'var Torah on *Matot-Massei* was published by *Tru'ah*, the Rabbinic Call for Human Rights. You can read her thought-provoking teaching, "People Over Property," at truah.org.

We are very sorry to inform you of the death of Justeen Hyde's father, Robert Hyde, who passed away on July 9 in Morro Bay, CA, of esophageal cancer. He was 87 years old. Justeen said that she was grateful that her father was comfortable and at peace when he passed away. We offer our condolences to Justeen and her entire family: her husband Eric Gordon, her children Elliot and Addie Gordon, and Justeen's sisters as well. We offer Justeen and her entire family our heartfelt sympathies. May her father's memory be for a blessing.

Aaron Beck, father of Daniel Beck and father-in law of Deborah Fisher, celebrated his 100th birthday on July 18. Aaron was born in Providence, RI and currently lives in Philadelphia with his wife of 71 years, Phyllis Beck. He has four children, ten grandchildren (including Sinai students Ezra and Ada Beck), and ten great-grandchildren. *Mazel tov* to the whole family!

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Dessert in the Sukkah!

Rabbi Andy Vogel and Martha Hausman invite the Temple Sinai community to their Newton home for dessert in the Sukkah on

Monday, Sept. 20, at 7:30 p.m.

to celebrate the **first night of Sukkot.**

For Temple Sinai members of all ages!

Please see the enclosed flyer for more information.

Simchat Torah Celebration

Monday, Sept. 27

6:30 p.m.

Join us in the sanctuary for our joyful Simchat Torah celebration! We will read the end and beginning of the Torah and sing and dance in the sanctuary and on the street accompanied by a great Jewish Klezmer band. A chocolate oneg follows the service. All ages welcome!

