

# *Friend of a Friend* CHAVEROT

*The Temple Sinai Women's Group*



Come in and experience the warmth and caring that Temple Sinai brings to all who walk through our doors.

Temple **Sinai**

MAKE MY SINAI YOUR SINAI

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**Women's Seder:** *Lara Weinstock and Donna Bernstein*

**Ladies Night Out:** *Robyn Schreiber and Michelle Golden*

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## *Monthly Meeting Schedule*

*(We gather in the art room, 2nd floor.)*

*Meetings are offered both daytime and evening to accommodate all our members.*

*Meeting dates and upcoming events can be found every month in the Temple Sinai Scribe and Newsletter.*

***All the women of Temple Sinai are welcome to attend the monthly meetings. Over coffee, we share ideas, make new friendships, plan activities and experience a unique sense of fellowship.***

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*is the collective presence, voice, and strength of the women of Temple Sinai. We come together in friendship and plan, organize, laugh and learn, spiritually finding our inner selves as Jewish women. At our monthly meetings, we share milestones, celebrate simchas and support each other. Whether we are nursery moms, soccer moms, empty nesters, or grandmas, we share the special bond of being part of an extraordinary group of women.*

*Friend of a Friend provides the arena for women to connect and become part of a wonderful community while supporting other branches of Temple programming. Our various committees respond to the Temple's needs and those of the community at large. Through Friend of a Friend our opportunities are boundless. We offer religious study programs, explore spirituality together, participate in social action and tzedakah projects, and co-sponsor membership events. Friend of a Friend CHAVEROT's strength is its membership. We embrace the women of Temple Sinai, welcoming new ideas, encouraging each other and putting together programs that make a difference and enrich our lives.*

## **S**PIRITUAL INTERGENERATIONAL WOMAN'S SEDER



One of our most successful and joyous evenings, the women leave inspired, enriched and rejuvenated. Bringing together all generations of women and girls, we learn about the roles women played in the Passover story. Our Seder is led by our Cantor, incorporating readings, Miriam's cup and wonderful song and dance. We bring these treasures home to our own families and celebrate freedom, peace and femininity.

## **S**TUDY ROSH CHODESH GROUP



Rosh Chodesh signifies the beginning of the month, according to the Jewish calendar. The festival of Rosh Chodesh, new moon, is a sacred time for women and an opportunity to experiment with the rituals of Jewish prayer.

This year we are focusing on one of the most important parts of our faith, Shabbat. We are learning about its origin in the Torah and in other texts and the importance of the woman's role in its cherished traditions. As we study the meaning of the Shabbat prayers, their historic importance and gain a better understanding of what they mean, we will find our own individual paths to Shabbat observance.

***We are a social outreach branch of Temple Sinai for women, which enhances our connection to the Temple family and Judaism.***

## **S**OCIAL AN ELEMENT THAT BRINGS JOY



We enjoy getting together for Friday morning brunches, cooking lessons, mah jong classes, bridge, yoga, zumba and our special annual Mother's Day event. New on the horizon, in the planning stage, is "Friends Night Out".

## **S**ERVICE, TZEDAKAH AND COMMUNITY FRIEND OF A FRIEND CHAVEROT



is always looking for opportunities to help others, volunteer and have some fun. We deliver new member gifts in September, decorate the Sukkah with help from the children and teens, co-sponsor parenting education events such as guest speaker Dr. Wendy Mogel, provide latke parties for the Religious School and hold an annual Chanukah Boutique where the kids, their parents, and grandparents shop until they drop.

**"OH YOU'VE GOTTA HAVE FRIENDS..."** BETTE MIDLER

**JOIN US NOW AND SEE HOW MANY NEW FRIENDS YOU'LL FIND**

***Thanks to all of our members for making the following possible each and every year***

- ✧ Together with the Brotherhood, presentation of Kiddish Cups to the B'nei Mitzvah students as well as a variety of books that are given to the Confirmation Students.
- ✧ The Chanukah Boutique for our religious school students and Latke Parties for both the nursery school and religious school students
- ✧ The Sukkah decorations and decorating with the help of our fabulous Hebrew High students
- ✧ Annual donation to the WRJ, Women of Reform Judaism
- ✧ Annual donation to the Kol Nidre Fund
- ✧ Donations to the Rabbis' and Cantor's Discretionary Funds
- ✧ Donations to the Youth Activities Fund to help defray costs for Teen Trips
- ✧ Donation to the Adult Education Fund to help sponsor the Wendy Mogel Program
- ✧ Annual donation to PIC, Partners In Caring/JCC
- ✧ Annual donation to the EWRCC, East Williston/Roslyn Community Coalition for Drug Free Youth
- ✧ New drapes in the Simcha Room and refurbished cushions on the Bimah

***As our circle of friendship grows through membership, so do the opportunities to provide new programs and services. Send us an e-mail today to join our vibrant group at [foftemplesinai@gmail.com](mailto:foftemplesinai@gmail.com)***

# Friend of a Friend Through the Years



## Jewish Holidays 5772 - 5773

| JEWISH YEAR             | 5772                  | 5773                  | JEWISH YEAR   | 5772                  | 5773                  |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| SECULAR YEAR            | Sept 2011 - Sept 2012 | Sept 2012 - Sept 2013 | SECULAR YEAR  | Sept 2011 - Sept 2012 | Sept 2012 - Sept 2013 |
| S'LICHOT SERVICE        | Sat SEP 24            | Sat SEP 8             | PESACH  | Fri-Fri APR 6-13      | Mon-Mon MAR 25-APR 1  |
| ROSH HASHANAH           | Wed-Fri SEP 28-30     | Sun-Tues SEP 16-18    | YOM HASHOAH   | Wed-Thurs APR 18-19   | Sat-Sun APR 6-7       |
| YOM KIPPUR              | Fri-Sat OCT 7-8       | Tues-Wed SEP 25-26    | YOM HAZIKARON   | Tues-Wed APR 24-25    | Sun-Mon APR 14-15     |
| SUKKOT                  | Wed-Wed OCT 12-19     | Sun-Sun SEP 30-OCT 7  | YOM HAATZMA-UT  | Wed-Thurs APR 25-26   | Mon-Tues APR 15-16    |
| ATZERET - SIMCHAT TORAH | Wed-Thurs OCT 19-20   | Sun-Mon OCT 7-8       | LAG BA'OMER   | Wed-Thurs MAY 9-10    | Sat-Sun APR 27-28     |
| CHANUKAH                | Tues-Wed DEC 20-28    | Sat-Sun DEC 8-16      | SHAVUOT   | Sat-Sun MAY 26-27     | Tues-Wed MAY 14-15    |
| TU BISH'VAT             | Tues-Wed FEB 7-8      | Thurs-Fri JAN 24-25   | TISHAH B'AV   | Sat-Sun JUL 28-29     | Mon-Tues JUL 15-16    |
| PURIM                   | Wed-Thurs MAR 7-8     | Sat-Sun FEB 23-24     | NOTE: Each holiday begins and ends at sundown on the days listed. |                       |                       |

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