

Temple Sinai Adult Education Calendar 2009-2010

(Information will be updated on a regular basis – please check back often for new programs)

October

- 13 at 10:00 am** Adult Education with Rabbi White (Monthly) - **When Judaism Meets Life** *During our sessions together we will discuss the wisdom and guidance that Judaism grants, as we tackle some of the most perplexing and challenging contemporary ethical issues.*
- 16 at 11:00 am** **Havurat HaSefer: The Fellowship of the Book** will discuss *Rashi's Daughters, Book 1* by Maggie Anton
- 19 at 7:45 pm** **Herbert Tarr North Shore Institute for Adult Education***
Keynote Address: *The Foreign Policy Challenges for the Obama Administration Re: Israel, Iran and the Middle East.* John Bolton, former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations.
- 26 at 7:30 pm** **Herbert Tarr North Shore Institute for Adult Education***
Courses 5 & 5A (6 weeks – week 1) **Rabbi Michael White and Rabbi Benjamin David**
*A six-part session on the ways in which Jews have combatted extremist behavior within and outside of Judaism over the centuries. The Sages of our tradition have forever viewed Torah as a tool to promote understanding and peace, rather than bring violence and division. How might we do the same? A lively and engaging course, based on age old literature and modern day issues. Followed by guest lecturer at 8:40 pm. Guest Lecturer: Dr. Neil Gillman *Judaism and the Afterlife: What Can We Believe?**
- 30 at 11:00 am** Adult Education with Rabbi David – **Monthly Talmud: Tractate Shabbat**
Join Rabbi David for monthly Talmud study designed for all learners. This year we will read Talmudic stories on the theme of Shabbat, learning not only about the holy day of Shabbat, but how the Talmud itself operates. What is Talmud, after all? Who wrote it? How is it ultimately very much a Reform document?

*The Herbert Tarr North Shore Institute for Adult Jewish Education will take place at Temple Judea. Nominal charges and registration are involved. Call the Temple Sinai office for details.

November

- 2 at 7:30 pm** **Herbert Tarr North Shore Institute for Adult Education***
Courses 5 & 5A (6 weeks – week 2) **Rabbi Michael White and Rabbi Benjamin David**
Guest Lecturer: Marcia Haddad Ikonopolous *Jews of Iran*
- 9 at 7:30 pm** **Herbert Tarr North Shore Institute for Adult Education***
Courses 5 & 5A (6 weeks – week 3) **Rabbi Michael White and Rabbi Benjamin David**
Guest Lecturer: Dr. Suzanne Vromen *Hidden Children of the Holocaust*
- 10 at 10:00 am** Adult Education with Rabbi White (Monthly) - **When Judaism Meets Life**
- 12 at 6:30 pm** Adult Activity Club Pre-Thanksgiving Dinner followed by renowned author **Arthur Kurzweil** speaking on *I Can't Read Hebrew, I Never Went to Yeshiva, but I Want to Study Talmud* (sponsored by the Adult Education Committee)
- 16 at 7:30 pm** **Herbert Tarr North Shore Institute for Adult Education***
Courses 5 & 5A (6 weeks – week 4) **Rabbi Michael White and Rabbi Benjamin David**
Guest Lecturer: Rabbi Marvin Tokayer *Jews of India*
- 20 at 11:00 am** Adult Education with Rabbi David – **Monthly Talmud: Tractate Shabbat**
- 23 at 7:30 pm** **Herbert Tarr North Shore Institute for Adult Education***
Courses 5 & 5A (6 weeks – week 5) **Rabbi Michael White and Rabbi Benjamin David**
Guest Lecturer: Prof. Mark Rosenblum *Obama and Netanyahu in the Muddle East: Strategic Partnership between Rupture and Rapture.*
- 30 at 7:30 pm** **Herbert Tarr North Shore Institute for Adult Education***
Courses 5 & 5A (6 weeks – week 6) **Rabbi Michael White and Rabbi Benjamin David**
Guest Lecturer: Dr. David Roskies *"Yiddishlands: A Memoir"*

December

4 at 11:00 am **Havurat HaSefer: The Fellowship of the Book** will discuss *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak

7 at 7:45 pm **Herbert Tarr North Shore Institute for Adult Education World Jewish Music Concert**
An enchanting evening of beautiful voices. Under the direction of Cantor Abby Sher, Cantor Gabi Arad, Cantor Ofer Barnoy, Reb Irwin Huberman and Cantor Gustavo Gitlin, Cantor Yosef Karavai and Parveneh Sarraf will perform an exciting medley of Israeli, Yiddish, Sephardic and Persian melodies to make the final session of this year's institute most memorable.

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18 at 11:00 am Adult Education with Rabbi David – **Monthly Talmud: Tractate Shabbat**

January

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29 at 11:00 am Adult Education with Rabbi David – **Monthly Talmud: Tractate Shabbat**

February

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26 at 11:00 am Adult Education with Rabbi David – **Monthly Talmud: Tractate Shabbat**

March

8 at 11:00 am Springtime Learning with Rabbi David (3 Weekly Sessions) – **Psalms** *Join Rabbi David for three Monday morning sessions on what many consider to be our tradition's most inspiring and beautiful writings, the Book of Psalms. We will study a series of Psalms, approaching each from a variety of angles. When were they written? Who wrote them? How have they been read over time? In what way are they now part of our liturgy and why?*

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April

13 at 10:00 am Adult Education with Rabbi White (Monthly) - **When Judaism Meets Life**

30 at 11:00 am Adult Education with Rabbi David – **Monthly Talmud: Tractate Shabbat**

May

11 at 10:00 am Adult Education with Rabbi White (Monthly) - **When Judaism Meets Life**

28 at 11:00 am Adult Education with Rabbi David – **Monthly Talmud: Tractate Shabbat**

Of Special Interest to Temple Sinai Members Brand New Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah Program

For those interested in pursuing a truly memorable life cycle event, regardless of background or age, we invite you to take part in a fulfilling and inspiring course of study that will culminate on the bimah with the great simcha of your Bar/Bat Mitzvah in the Spring of 2011. Students will learn a series of subjects over the coming eighteen months, including Modern Hebrew, liturgy, rabbinic literature and Reform Jewish theology, before working with the Rabbis and Cantor to prepare a D'var Torah portion of the special service. Please contact Rabbi David for more information: RabbiBPD@gmail.com.