



TEMPLE SINAI BULLETIN



NEW SENIOR RABBI

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We are pleased to announce that the Board of Trustees at its April meeting, unanimously approved the candidacy of Rabbi Matthew Reimer to be the next Senior Rabbi of Congregation Temple Sinai as well as the related contract. This action is subject to a vote of the congregation at the Temple Sinai Annual Meeting on May 27. Rabbi Reimer comes to us from a New York congregation, the Shul of New York, where he is the solo Rabbi. He has served in many Rabbinic roles, including many years at Congregation B'Nai Jeshurun of NJ. He is a graduate of Vassar College, HUC-JIR New York, and studied in Jerusalem. Matthew is married to Leah and they are the parents of four daughters that range in age from two to seven. They are all incredibly excited to become part of Temple Sinai and our New Orleans community.



In addition to our search committee, many past presidents, the Board of Trustees, and many of our congregants helped to evaluate Rabbi Reimer on one of his three trips to New Orleans. All who met him came away with a sense that he has the presence, intellectual capacity and spirit of Reform Judaism to fulfill the role of our Senior Rabbi. His prior experiences have given him great insight to engage all of our congregants, enhance our religious school experience and develop unique outreach to the next generation of congregants. His approach to his rabbinate is aligned with the core values that our congregation articulated as part of our focus meetings and survey results last fall.

As Temple President, I along with my successor, Robin Giarrusso, will be the points of contact with Rabbi Reimer at the moment. We are working with him to find a time he will return to New Orleans after Jazz Fest to be invited into congregant homes for meetings that will give opportunity for the entire congregation to meet him prior to our vote. Our communications for now are within the congregation, as we feel that you, our dear congregants should be the first to know of these positive developments. We will publish external releases after the congregation votes.

Temple Sinai, you should be proud of the way this entire congregation has participated in this process. Starting with a congregation wide survey that garnered over four hundred responses that was followed by several focus group meetings with over seventy participants, we renewed our priorities as a congregation. These priorities were focused on what we wanted in our Senior Rabbi and we began working with the CCAR to find eligible candidates. More importantly, we renewed our ties with each other. After many reviews of resumes, Skype interviews and four in person visits by some very talented Rabbis, we have enthusiastically chosen Rabbi Matthew Reimer to lead us into our future together. Thank you to our congregation, our supportive clergy and professionals, all whom have brought us to this announcement. Please continue to pay attention for further details of upcoming visits. Let us welcome our new Senior Rabbi and his family!

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SHABBAT SERVICES | MAY

FRIDAY, MAY 6

6:15 pm- Shabbat Service
Cantor Colman will speak.
Candles: Cathy Kahn
Kiddush: Harvey Herstein
Ushers: Kelly & Aaron Levy

SATURDAY, MAY 7

10:15 am- Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: Acharei Mot, Lev. 18:1-30

FRIDAY, MAY 13

6:15 pm- Shabbat Service
Ela Weissberger will speak.
Candles: Ann Zivitz Kientz
Usher: Ariane Rung

SATURDAY, MAY 14

10:15 a.m.- Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: K'doshim, Lev. 19:1-20:27
Luna Holub will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah.

FRIDAY, MAY 20

6:15 pm- Shabbat Service
Rabbi Cohn will speak on
"LOOKING BACK", Part 3, "Pittsburgh"
Candles: Doris Baron

SATURDAY, MAY 21

10:15 am- Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: Emor, Lev. 21:1-24:23

SUNDAY, MAY 22

CONFIRMATION 6:00 PM

FRIDAY, MAY 27

6:15 pm- Annual Meeting
7:15 pm- Shabbat Service
Rabbi Cohn will speak on
"LOOKING BACK", Part 4, "New Orleans"
Candles: Irene Hirsch
Ushers: Judge Robin Giarrusso & Jenny Rich

SATURDAY, MAY 28

10:15 am- Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: B'har, Lev. 25:1-26:2

JUNE SERVICES ARE AT TOURO SYNAGOGUE

FRIDAYS AT 6:00 PM

SATURDAYS AT 10:30 AM

JULY SERVICES ARE AT CONGREGATION GATES OF PRAYER

FRIDAYS AT 8:30 PM

SATURDAYS AT 10:30 AM

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**TEMPLE SINAI EVENTS
MAY 2016/5776**



**Golden
Gala
Honoring
Rabbi
Edward
Paul
Cohn**

May 21,
2016

Don't miss this elegant evening!

Send in your reply card today!

**SUNDAY, MAY 22
CONFIRMATION 6:00 PM**

Confirmation Class of 2016/5776
Jessica Addvensky, Daughter of Jennifer & Michael Addvensky
David Fried IV, Son of Judy & David Fried III
Jarred Feibelman, Son of Morgan & Eli Feibelman
Rebecca Kornman, Daughter of Janice & Keith Kornman
Mose Mayer, Son of Jill Dupre & Joshua Mayer
Sam Moses, Son of Leann & Ted Moses
Leo Roos, Son of Rebecca & Christopher Roos
Axel Teboul, Son of Elodie Turries & Jacques Teboul

**Annual Meeting
Friday, May 27th at 6:15 pm**

Followed by Shabbat Services



**Brotherhood Bingo
Sunday, May 29th at 4:00 pm**

MAY YAHRZEITS

MAY 6-7

Hortense Israel Aron
Bernard J. Aronson
Lucile Jacoby Blum
Kathryn Cross Bressler
Mary Anna Feibelman
Rudolph Garfunkel
Benjamin R. Heninger
Nettie Hirsch Kern
Sol S. Kerner
Jeannette Sack Levy
Ernestine M. Metzger
Warren Gustave Moses
Carrie G. Steeg
Tennie Pressburg Toups
Herbert Leon Weinberger
Audrey Burka Wormser
Morris Wright
Hermina Finger Zeve

MAY 13-14

Justine Haas Abrams
Felicia L. Alcus
Samuel Sidney Birke
Moise B. Bloch
Cecilia Steeg Block
Barbara Schreier Edisen
Christine Lee Frank
Jack Stanley Hyman
Betty Margulis Jacobs
Matilda C. Katz
Amanda B. Levy
Edna M. Lichtenstein
Martin S. Litwin
Freda Dresner Polson
Isaac A. Sasso
Charles Schwartz
J. Philip Stein
Mervin Wallick
Benjamin B Weinstein
Mark J. Zelman

May 20-21

Isadore Brickman
Ann S. Corenswet
John William Field
Jennie Greenberg Goldstein
Mildred Harris Heller
Alfred Stanley Hirsch
Helen Aimee Hyman
Mayer Israel, Jr.
Sarah Bromowicz Kierr
Fanny Haasburg Lengsfeld
William Mayer
Claire Hyman Moses
Sara Dinkelspiel Moses
Miriam Hirsch Posner
Nathaniel B. Rosenberg
Max Scheinuk
Bertha Wolff Seidenbach
Ethel D. Stern
Paula Rubin Tuman
Anita Wolff Warshauer
Herman Aaron Yuspeh

May 27-28

Jake Buring
Edward (Fanny) Feibleman
Courtney Elizabeth Giarrusso
Cora Tanner Godchaux
Blanche Feitel Kollitz
Sadie S. Krauss
Loris Katten Levy
Leo Love
Henry Sigmund Mayer
Alan William Paillet
Goldie R. Rabin
Samuel Schornstein
Leah Beer Stern
George Mayer Stern
Walter H. Weil
Charlotta Wolf

We Come Together as a Community

Congregation Beth Israel's Rabbi Gabe Greenberg and his family recently experienced a tremendous loss from a fire in their home. If you would like to donate to assist the Greenberg family, you can send in a donation to Temple Sinai and we will send donations to the Greenberg family. You can also go to either the Go Fund Me page <https://www.gofundme.com/2g63ppys> or directly to the Beth Israel website; bethisraelnola.com.