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#### **STARS SHABBAT**

Today, March 8 10:00 - 12:00 p.m.; Gold Hall

# CHAI SOCIETY KIDDUSH LUNCH

(advanced registration is required) 11:30 a.m. in Lower Traub

# MINCHA & KABBALAT SHABBAT

in Kohn Chapel
Every Friday at 5:45
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#### **DAILY MINYAN**

in Kohn Chapel

Monday–Friday at 7:30 a.m.
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Saturday 9:00 p.m. (online only)

Sunday (and National Holidays, when held in-person) 8:30 a.m.



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## PARASHAT T'TZAVEH / תְּצַנֶּה SHABBAT ZACHOR

Torah Reading Begins: *Exodus* 29:19 (P. 513) Maftir: *Deuteronomy* 25:17-19 (P. 1135 bottom) Haftarah Begins: *I Samuel* 15:2 (P. 1282)

"Problems and Solutions:" Sermon by Rabbi Erez Sherman

## SHABBAT SERVICE

in Ziegler Sanctuary at 9:00 a.m. Also available to watch on YouTube

The Bat Mitzvah of Allegra Nazarian

## **TORAH AT THE TABLE**

in Blumenthal Library from 9:15 - 10:30 a.m.

## TORAH IN THE ROUND

in Kohn Chapel at 9:30 a.m.

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The Bar Mitzvah of Aaron Kadkhoda

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# A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT MEHRZAD ROSHAN

Purim is a joyous holiday that commemorates the salvation of the Jewish people of Ancient Persia from Haman – the royal advisor who plotted to destroy them – as told in the Book of Esther. The holiday is a celebration of hope, resilience, faith, and bravery, marked by the reading of the Megilah, giving gifts to friends, giving charity to those in need, and dressing up in costumes.

As Purim approaches on Thursday, March 13, and Spring begins to blossom, we are reminded of renewal, and joy, filling us with hope for the future.

Just as the world awakens with new life and the air fills with the scent of jasmine and orange blossoms, Purim calls us to laughter, celebration, and togetherness. In a world where joy and sorrow are interwoven within Israel and our daily lives, Purim teaches us to embrace moments of happiness.

Let us come together as a community to celebrate for ourselves, our children, and the strength of our Jewish souls.

Please join us on Thursday, March 13 for our Purim celebration and Megilah reading.

## **TEMPLE EVENTS**

#### **Purim Carnival**

Sunday, March 9 from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. This year taking place at Sinai Temple!

Tickets can be purchased at the door. Free entry for adults.

- Activities for Ages 0-6: Petting Zoo, Train Ride, Animal Crawl, Balloon Typhoon and Face Painting.
- Activities for Ages 7+: Slam Dunk Game, Bungee Experience, Swift Kick Soccer, Selfie Station and Go Kart.
- Activities for Adults 21+: Lounge, Kosher BBQ, Coffee Cart.

To sponsor a booth or explore other sponsorship opportunities, please contact Jackie Ahdout at jahdout@sinaitemple.org or call 310-481-3225.

### A Wicked Wicked Purim Spiel Thursday, March 13

- 5:00 5:45 p.m.: Dor Chadash Purim Party in Gold Hall
- 5:45 p.m.: Pre-Spiel Pizza Party
- 6:15 7:00 p.m.: Wicked Wicked Spiel
- 7:00 8:00 p.m.: Full Megilah Reading

#### Don't forget your costume!

Get ready to sing and celebrate Purim at our Sinai Temple Purim Spiel on March 13! You are invited to an evening that will defy gravity... Join us for a Wicked, Wicked Purim!

#### **Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class**

Starting March 11 thru May 27 Tuesdays, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

A weekly class with Rabbi Kornsgold, for members only. Be called up to the Torah as a B'nai Mitzvah!

### **Hebrew Crash Course**

Wednesday nights, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. March 12 - April 11

Learn to read and write in Hebrew in just 5 weeks, with master teacher Tina Kaminski!

# American Universities and the Threat of Foreign Influence in the Post-Oct. 7 World A conversation between Rabbi Wolpe and

A conversation between Rabbi Wolpe and journalist and author Roya Hakakian Tuesday, March 18 at Sinai Temple

- 6:30 7:00 p.m. Wine and Cheese Reception
- 7:00-8:30 p.m. Conversation

How did a senior Iranian diplomat who had white-washed the regime's horrific crimes become a tenured faculty at a storied American college? How do Iran and some Arab states wield their money and influence over our colleges and universities? What does such influence mean for Jewish life and the future of democracy in America? Has anything really changed since last year's campus riots? Renowned journalist and author Roya Hakakian will address these questions in an interview by Sinai Temple's Rabbi David Wolpe. The tireless efforts of the sister of one of the Islamic Republic's victims will also be recognized.

# The Case for Dual Loyalty with Rabbi Nolan Lebovitz

Thursday, March 20 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. in Kohn Chapel

Come join us for an enlightening discussion with Rabbi Nolan Lebovitz on the topic of dual loyalty. This in-person event will delve into the complexities of balancing multiple loyalties in today's world.

# Shabbat Club: 35+ Singles Shabbat Dinner Friday, March 21 from 7:00 – 9:00pm

Come join us for a delightful evening at Sinai Temple! If you're single and over 35, this event is perfect for you. Connect, mingle, and make new friends in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere!

### **Torah at the Table**

Would you be thrilled to find an "aha!" moment from a Torah verse? Join a group of dedicated adults who engage in in-depth study and conversation about the Torah portion of the week every Shabbat morning, in person at Sinai or on zoom, 9:15 to 10:30 AM. The session ends in time for the Musaf service and the Rabbi's sermon. The group is lay-led, and no prior knowledge of Hebrew is necessary. Sessions are held in either Lower Traub or the Blumenthal Library.

## **SISTERHOOD**

# Please join us for Sisterhood's Annual Torah Fund Luncheon!

Honoring Shan Farahi and Cici Hallegua Tuesday, March 25 at 11:30 a.m. in Barad Hall

\$50 per ticket / Please register online at member.sinaitemple.org/events. Advance registration required by Tuesday, March 18, 2025

## **GALA HONORARY COMMITTEE**

We invite you to join the Honorary Committee in celebrating 13 years of Cantor Marcus Feldman's inspirational music. By purchasing an ad or tickets, you can help make this milestone event truly special. As a member of the Committee, your name will be listed on the forthcoming invitation. For more info, please email us at songandcelebration@sinaitemple.org or contact Jackie Ahdout directly at 310-481-3225.

# DON'T MISS THESE UPCOMING EXCITING CHAI SOCIETY EVENTS

#### **Shabbat Kiddush Lunches**

Immediately following services (approx. 11:45 a.m.). We are excited about the upcoming Shabbat Lunches, where we will gather for delicious meals and meaningful conversations.

**COST:** \$10 Sinai Temple members and \$18 non-Sinai Temple members.

Be sure to mark your calendars for the following

dates: April 5, May 17, June 7
RSVP on the Sinai Temple website.



Scan the QR code to RSVP and to learn about more events.

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