



TEMPLE CHAI

# CHAI LIGHTS

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# Come

# Celebrate



# Shabbat

# With Us

*Worship With Us*



Rabbi Mari Chernow



Cantor Ross Wolman



Rabbi Bonnie Koppell

**Every Friday - Nosh**

5:30 pm

**Every Friday - Kabbalat Shabbat**

6:15 pm

**Every Saturday - Shacharit**

9:15 am

*Light Kiddush Following*

**First Friday of Every Month**

**Tot Shabbat**

5:00 pm

# *Save the Date!*

## **Installation of Cantor Ross Wolman**

***Friday, November 20***

**Kabbalat Shabbat Service and Congregational Dinner**

***Saturday, November 21***

**Shacharit Service with Festive Lunch and Sing-Along**

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## Board of Directors - President

Dear Fellow Congregants,

There are two things you can do within the next month to help strengthen Temple Chai for the future.

First, make a donation to Chai Giving or join the Rabbi's Circle. As I mentioned on Yom Kippur, annual giving is vital to the financial viability of Temple Chai. Your gift will help our synagogue continue its trademark programming, allow us to help members in need and provide funds to maintain our property. Our synagogue cannot operate without your generous support!

Second, attend a Membership Meeting on November 15th. At that meeting, all members will have the opportunity to vote on two items of great importance to the future of our synagogue: the retention of our Senior Rabbi, Mari Chernow, and proposed amendments to the bylaws for Temple Chai.

Rabbi Mari Chernow has been with Temple Chai since 2003, and has been our Senior Rabbi since 2008. She is a strong and creative leader for our synagogue, continuing the Temple Chai culture of dynamic services, strong education and supportive community. Rabbi Chernow's current contract will end on June 30, 2016. The Board of Directors voted unanimously to recommend to the membership that she be retained as our Senior Rabbi. The next step in the process is a vote of the membership.

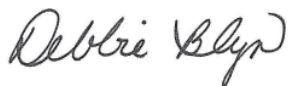
As I have mentioned in other communications this year, a small task force worked for a year to review our bylaws, which were last amended in 1999, and consider areas in need of update or change. This group looked at bylaws from other synagogues, and was knowledgeable in non-profit management. Most of our bylaws remain unchanged. However, there are some areas where updates made sense. The overall goal is to provide strong governance to enable Temple Chai to succeed in the future. The Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve the amended bylaws. On November 15th, the full membership will vote.

I am hosting three information sessions to discuss the bylaw amendments and answer any questions you may have. The sessions will take place on:

- Sunday, October 18th at 9:30 am
- Thursday, October 22nd at 10:00 am
- Wednesday, November 4th at 7:00 pm

Both votes will help Temple Chai enjoy a strong future. I look forward to seeing you on November 15th!

L'shalom,



Debbie Blyn,  
President, Board of Directors

### **Special Membership Meeting**

**Sunday, November 15th  
10:30 am, Temple Chai**

- Vote on Retention of Rabbi Chernow
- Vote on Amended Bylaws

***PLEASE ATTEND - 10 % Quorum Required***

**Breakfast will be served**

*Save the Date!*

*Temple Chai's Annual Gala  
Celebrating Our 40th Anniversary  
Saturday, January 23, 2016*



*and honoring  
Frank & Diane Blake and  
Howard & Sharona Silverman*

*Two couples with deep roots and  
deep involvement in our community*



*Gala Chairs*

*Bruce Selin - Nona Siegel - Jack and Debbie  
Waitkus*

*We hope you will mark your calendars and plan to join us for this wonderful evening*

Questions? Contact Joe Miller, Executive Director at [jmiller@templechai.com](mailto:jmiller@templechai.com) or  
Sheana Abrams at [sabrams@templechai.com](mailto:sabrams@templechai.com)

*What Will Your Legacy Be?*

*Help Ensure the Future of Temple Chai*

Temple Chai has been selected as one of twelve Valley Jewish organizations to participate in a new program designed to develop legacy giving. Offered by the Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Phoenix, along with the Grinspoon Foundation, this program will help develop planned giving among our congregants. There are several different ways in which you can include Temple Chai in your planned giving: wills, IRA's, life insurance, to name a few. We will be meeting with our members over the next two years to explain this in greater detail. We are truly honored to have been chosen and very excited to get our work started. Please be a part of this important effort. Watch for details in the coming weeks and months.

**For more information**

Please contact Joe Miller, Executive Director, at 602-971-1234 or  
[jmiller@templechai.com](mailto:jmiller@templechai.com)



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# Valley Beit Midrash Upcoming Events

Rabbi Dr.  
Shmuly Yanklowitz



Rabbi David  
Wolpe

**Sunday, October 11, 7pm**  
Rabbi David Wolpe  
"Why Faith Matters"  
*Temple Chai*  
The 2015 Sy Sacks Memorial  
Lecture



Rabbi Dr. Seth  
Farber

**Tuesday, October 20, 7pm**  
Rabbi Dr. Seth Farber  
"Are You Jewish (Enough)?:  
Conversion and Jewishness  
Then and Now"  
*Temple Kol Ami*



Rabbi Steven  
Exler

**Monday, October 26, 7pm**  
Rabbi Steven Exler  
"The Ultimate Sacrifice: Wrestling  
with the Binding of Isaac. Different  
Perspectives on Faith!"  
*Temple Chai*



Professor  
Jonathan Sarna

**Wednesday, October 28, 7pm**  
Professor Jonathan Sarna  
"Lincoln and the Jews"  
*Congregation Beth Israel*  
Co-sponsored by "Center for Jewish Studies  
at Arizona State University, a research unit  
of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences"



Rabbi Arthur  
Kurzweil

**Wednesday, November 4, 7pm**  
Rabbi Arthur Kurzweil  
"20 Profound Lessons From  
Kabbalah that I Made Sure  
to Teach my Children"  
*Congregation Beth Tefillah*



Rabbi Sherre  
Hirsch

**Wednesday, November 11, 7pm**  
Rabbi Sherre Hirsch  
"How to Thrive Through Life's  
Transitions to Live Fearlessly  
and Regret-Free"  
*Congregation Or Zion*



## *Bat Chai - Save the Dates!*



Mark your calendars and be part of our  
engaging and exciting programs

### **Our Sister Story**

Tuesday, November 24  
7:00 pm

Join Rabbi Mari Chernow with her sisters  
Rabbi Ilana Mills and Rabbi Jordana Chernow-Reader

Whether you grew up with sisters or not, this  
joint program with Temple Solel will explore these  
relationships.

You won't want to miss this!

### **A Story of Light and Strength Hanukah and our White Elephant**

Sunday, December 13  
3:00-5:00 pm, off site location

(please mark the date change from our original publicity)

### **Women's Retreat 2016 The Story Project**

Friday, January 29 - Sunday, January 31  
Please look for further information and registration  
in your email and echai.

To RSVP for these programs or for more information  
please contact Joan Neer at [jneer@templechai.com](mailto:jneer@templechai.com)

## *2016 Congregational Trip to Israel*

**Led by Rabbi Mari Chernow  
June 23 - July 3**

with Makor Educational Tours

### **Highlights include:**

- 4 nights in Jerusalem
- 3 Nights in Tel Aviv
- 2 Nights in beautiful northern Israel
- Sessions with World-Class Teachers
- North to Caesarea, Zichron Yaakov, Kafr Kara and Kibbutz Manara
- Modern Jerusalem: Mahane Yehudah Food Market, Diverse Neighborhoods, Eim Kerem Galleries
- Western Wall and the Old City of Jerusalem
- Masada
- Dead Sea and Ein Gedi
- Yad Vashem
- Bike Ride on the Tel Aviv Promenade
- Time for Shopping and Relaxing
- Cafes and Nightlife

For more details, contact Joan Neer at 602-971-1234 or  
[jneer@templechai.com](mailto:jneer@templechai.com)



## *B'nai Mitzvah*

**September 26**  
**Ha'azinu**



**10:30 am**  
**Allie Rose**, daughter of  
Rich and Meryl Rose



**October 10**  
**Bereshit**

**8:45 am**  
**Reece Calvin**, son of  
Tami Smith

**October 10**  
**Bereshit**



**9:15 am**  
**Sophia Webb**, daughter of  
Marty and Stacey Webb



**October 31**  
**Vayera**

**10:30 am**  
**Dylan Brooks**, son of  
Adam and Cindy Brooks

## *Veteran's Day Shabbat*

**Are you a Veteran?**

**Do you know a Veteran?**  
**Please bring them along**

**Please Plan to Join Us**  
**for Kabbalat Shabbat on November 13**

As is our tradition at Temple Chai, at our Kabbalat Shabbat service following Veterans Day, we will honor our veterans and their service to our country.

**Kabbalat Shabbat**  
Friday, November 13  
Nosh - 5:30 pm  
Service - 6:15 pm

## *Early Childhood Center*

**Coffee and Conversation w/Mary**  
Thursday, October 22  
9:00 - 10:00 am

**Farmers Breakfast**  
Friday, October 30  
11:00 am - 1:00 pm

**Tot Shabbat**  
Friday, November 6  
5:00 - 6:00 pm

All events are held at Temple Chai

For more information about ECC events, contact Mary Passell at [mpassell@templechai.com](mailto:mpassell@templechai.com)

## *Religious School*

**2nd and 3rd Grade Chat & Chew**  
October 25  
12:15 pm

**Schoolwide Parent B'Yachad Tzedakah Program**  
November 1  
9:30 am

**Mitzvah Mall Agency Fair**  
November 1  
9:30 am

**5th Grade Mitzvah Project at Family Promise**  
November 8  
10:00 am

For more information, contact the Religious School Office at [school@templechai.com](mailto:school@templechai.com)

## *Youth Engagement*

**TCTY Jr (6th-8th grades) Pool Party at Allie Rose's House**  
October 18  
12:30-2:30

**Fall Kallah**  
October 23-25

**TCTY Event**  
November 1

**NFTY6 Mini Maccabi Games**  
November 14

**TCTY Event**  
November 15

For more information about TCTY Events, contact Erin Wynn at [ewynn@templechai.com](mailto:ewynn@templechai.com)

## Shalom Center Programs

### **Caring for Our Loved Ones: A Jewish Support and Resource Group for Families and Caregivers**

Monday, October 26 and November 9  
7:00 – 8:30 pm, House

### **Chevra Kadisha Training**

Sunday, October 25  
2:00 - 3:00 pm, Mt. Sinai Mortuary  
RSVP to the Shalom Center

### **Healing Handiwork**

Sunday, November 8  
1:00 - 4:00 pm, House  
Contact Nona at nona.siegel@gmail.com for more information on the group.

### **Hope for Today**

Tuesday, October 20 and 27, November 3, 10 and 17  
3:30 – 4:30 pm, House  
Spiritual program of recovery for those who suffer from the debilitating effects of chronic pain and chronic illness, based on the Twelve Steps of AA.  
Contact: cpa-az@cox.net.

### **JACS: Support Group for Jewish Alcoholics, Addicts, and their Friends and Family**

Wednesday, October 21, November 2 and 16  
7:30 pm, Ina Levine Jewish Community Center, 2nd floor Conference Room Call the Shalom Center for more information or email jacsarizona@gmail.com.

### **Knitting with Kavannah**

Tuesday, October 27  
1:30 - 3:00 pm, Small Sanctuary

### **Living Through Loss**

Monday, October 19 and November 2  
4:30 – 6:00 pm, House

### **People of the Book Group**

Wednesday, November 19  
2:00 – 3:30 pm, House  
Join us to discuss *Songs of the Butcher's Daughter* by Peter Manseau. RSVP to the Shalom Center.

### **Shacharit Meditation Service**

Saturday, October 17 and November 21  
11:15 am, House

### **Sit and Be Fit Chair Yoga**

Monday, October 26, November 2 and 16  
1:30 - 2:15 pm, Small Sanctuary  
For all ages and abilities.

### **Working From Home – A Networking and Conversation Group**

Thursday, Thursday, November 11  
10:00 - 11:00 am, Coffee Plantation (Shea & 74th St.)  
Join us for monthly networking and conversation for a cup of tea or coffee (on behalf of the Shalom Center). Bring your computer or a book if you want to stay awhile.  
RSVP to the Shalom Center.

For information on any of the above programs, please contact the Shalom Center at 602-971-1234 or [ssilverman@templechai.com](mailto:ssilverman@templechai.com) or [mbeliak@templechai.com](mailto:mbeliak@templechai.com)

## Adult Education

### **Torah Study**

#### **Leviticus:**

*Studying the middle before we start again at the beginning...*

Sundays, 9:45 - 10:45 am  
(when Religious School is in session)

Exploring the book of Leviticus, one verse/word/letter at a time.

### **Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah Program**

**Begins in January 2016**

**Informational Meeting**

November 18  
7:00 pm, Temple Chai

**Led by Rabbi Bonnie Koppell**

Bring your questions and hear more about this joyful process!

### **Intro to Judaism**

For ongoing start dates, call the Temple office or go to [www.urj.org](http://www.urj.org) to register.

For more information about dates and registration, contact Joan Neer at 602-971-1234, ext 291 or [jneer@templechai.com](mailto:jneer@templechai.com)



## Todah Rabah

### Temple Chai Funds

#### General Fund

##### In Appreciation of

Gary and Debbie Blyn  
 Judi Glass  
 Jill Pleasant  
 Charles and Carol Knoppow  
 Howard and Sharona Silverman  
 Judi Glass

##### In Honor of

Cindy and Adam Brooks  
 Sonnie Schepps Robinson  
 Foundation  
 Jim Fischer's Conversion  
 Shira Zerner

##### In Memory of

Phyllis Bobier  
 Mike and Julie Bobier  
 Jerome Brezner  
 Jack and Judy Bernstein  
 Gary and Debbie Blyn  
 Kaye Habib  
 Pam Hollander  
 Barry and Becca Hornstein  
 Phillip and Cheryl Jaloweic  
 Gil and Susan Rudolph  
 Diana Suchoff  
 Freida Chemirovsky  
 Jacob and Sophia Chemirs  
 Don Fann  
 Joe and Marcia Unell  
 Joseph Grollman  
 David and Laurie Kline  
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 Shel and Phyllis Pierson  
 Yakov Kats  
 Ida Kats  
 Dr. Norman Kurzer  
 Marty and Judy Solomon  
 Ralph Pappo  
 Rachel Segal  
 Zelda Perlman  
 Dan and Robin Rubenstein  
 Lois and Mark Roth  
 Rhonda Kimmel  
 David Rubenstein  
 Dr. Michael Margolis  
 Shira Zerner  
 Max Staman  
 Paul and Pauline Staman  
 Dan Suchoff  
 Shira Zerner  
 Ronald Toughill  
 Michael Greenland and Lisa  
 Jennis  
 Fishel Vinnik  
 Jerome and Alla Glazov  
 Todd and Betsy Walter's Grandmother  
 Nayna Lad

#### Wishing a Speedy Recovery to

Neal Pleasant  
 Charles and Carol Knoppow

#### Rabbi Chernow's Discretionary

##### In Appreciation of

Rabbi Chernow  
 Jan S. Carp  
 Carol Ginsberg  
 Charles and Carol Knoppow  
 Shel and Phyllis Pierson  
 High Holy Days Services  
 Sally Turner  
 Ally Resnik and Whitney Jacobson's  
 Wedding

David and Lynn Jacobson  
 Rob and Denise Resnik

##### In Honor of

Paul and Flo Eckstein's 75th Birthdays  
 Mayor Shanken and Sharon  
 Lewis  
 Of our Son, Brooks Micha Masserman's  
 Bris

Tal and Danielle Masserman  
 Yom Kippur Aliyah  
 Arnie and Laural Sigel

##### In Memory of

Robert Belker  
 Barrett and Barbara Silver  
 Rachel Druker  
 Joseph and Sarah Levine  
 Gwendolyn Feldman  
 Robert and Deborah Feldman  
 Leonard and Phyllis Friedel  
 Alan and Randi Jablin  
 Beatrice Glickman, George Davis and Alex  
 Freedland  
 Shirley Glickman  
 Sydney Glickman  
 Shirley Glickman  
 Morrie Gorman  
 Allan and Emmy NewDelman  
 Henry Holden  
 Jerry and Helen Holden  
 Myra Holden  
 Jerry and Helen Holden  
 Adolph and Esther Horowitz  
 Flora Abramson  
 Kenneth Klein  
 Ruth Klein  
 Jennie Rose Levy  
 Gerald and Sandy Levy  
 Marilyn Madsen  
 Bert and Ada Levin  
 Ida Ross  
 Chet and Paula Ross  
 Harold Rubenstein  
 Jerry and Helen Holden  
 Herbert Silberman  
 Marianne Silberman  
 Charles Simberg  
 Rowena Simberg  
 Max Tannenbaum  
 Clarie Bickel  
 Emanuel Thomashow  
 Davvid Flax and Sandra Kane  
 Jacqueline Verbin  
 Mayor Shanken and Sharon  
 Lewis

Steven Waterman  
 Mrs. Robin, Rissa and Mindi  
 Zudekoff

Alex Wilson  
 Chet and Paula Ross

Mark Zudekoff  
 Robin Zudekoff

#### Rabbi Koppell's Discretionary

##### In Appreciation of

Sue Coore  
 Charles and Carol Knoppow  
 Rabbi Koppell  
 Carol Ginsberg  
 Robert and Charla Itkoe  
 Charles and Carol Knoppow  
 Shel and Phyllis Pierson  
 Sunday Torah Study  
 Sunday Torah Study Group

##### In Honor of

Aliyah on Rosh Hashanah  
 Maurice and Wendy Gralnek  
 Charles and Carol Knoppow  
 Ira L. Snider  
 The Birth of Helena Ruth Rubenstein  
 Folmer

Evelyn Feibusch  
 Lori Mangel  
 Jetta Melnick  
 Ira and Joanie Snider  
 Engagement of Sarah Rubenstein and Tim  
 Wypiszynski  
 Judi Glass

##### In Memory of

Jerome Brezner  
 Michael and Marilyn Starrett  
 Samuel Checkoway  
 Dennis and Laurie Checkoway  
 Ann Finberg  
 Stephen and Barbara Finberg  
 Joesph Grollman  
 Dana and Julie Shinbaum  
 Sam Herlich  
 Syd and Faye Sandys  
 Merrill Krenitz  
 Irv Krenitz and Bernice Antonos  
 Roger Brown Maass  
 Eric and Joan Maass  
 David Rubenstein  
 Barb Honiberg and Tamsky  
 Family  
 Robert and Robin Kaplan  
 Aaron Pratt and Jean-Luc  
 LeProvost  
 Mayor Shanken ad Sharon Lewis  
 Jetta Melnick  
 Richard and Sheryl Quen  
 Terry and Madelon Yarows  
 Huna Yampolsky  
 Jacob and Sophia Chemirs  
 Betty Zaft  
 Terry and Madelon Yarows  
**Cantor Wolman's Discretionary**  
**In Appreciation of**  
 Cantor Wolman  
 Carol Ginsberg  
 Jeffrey and Mara Greenberg  
 Charles and Carol Knoppow





## Todah Rabah Cont'd

### **In Honor of**

Shel Pierson's 90th Birthday  
Harry and Barbara Lewis  
Cantor Wolman  
Ron Kushner

### **In Memory of**

Jerome Brezner  
Michael and Marilyn Starrett  
Harry Kleiman  
Jeff and Cindy Kleiman

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#### **In Appreciation of**

Joe Miller  
Charles and Carol Knoppow

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#### **In Appreciation of**

Rabbi Berk  
Charles and Carol Knoppow

### **In Honor of**

Rabbi Berk  
Joel and Marilyn Zolondek

### **In Memory of**

Abraham Finberg  
Stephen and Barbara Finberg

### **Cantor Emerita Feller**

#### **In Memory of**

Pauline Wilkoff  
Barb Honiberg and Tamsky  
Family

### **Rabbis' Sabbatical**

#### **In Memory of**

Zipporah Sandys  
Syd and Faye Sandys

### **Adult Education**

#### **In Appreciation of**

Temple Chai  
Betty and Paul Leavitt  
Shel and Phyllis Pierson  
Arnie and Laural Sigel

### **In Honor of**

Sander Nassan  
Arnie and Laural Sigel  
Shel Pierson's 90th Birthday  
Wendy Margolis and Matt  
Schaaf

### **In Memory of**

Bernice Conn  
Arnie and Laural Sigel  
Dr. Augusta Kressler  
Betty and Phil Levitt

### **Deutsch Family Shalom Center**

#### **In Memory of**

Jerome Brezner  
Phil Johnson and Suzi Abramson-  
Johnson  
Marty and Wendy Kaye  
Chet and Paula Ross  
Sandy and Nanci Walker  
Bubbe Pauline Ellis  
Douglas and Sandy Jardine

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Lori Mangel  
Michael Mangel  
Lori Mangel  
Philip Marx  
Irv Krenitz and Bernice Antonos  
Paul Steen and William Steen  
Laurie Steen  
Dan Suchoff  
Roni Blonde & Family  
Barb Honiberg and Tamsky  
Family

### **Wishing a Speedy Recovery to**

Ben Liss  
Kavannah Chavurah  
Laural Sigel  
Kavannah Chavurah

### **Eckstein Scholarship**

#### **In Honor of**

Paul and Flo Eckstein's 75th Birthdays  
Evan and Kim Green  
Esther Shapiro

### **Efrem Melnick Fund For Senior**

#### **Education**

#### **In Appreciation of**

Jetta Melnick  
Arnie and Laural Sigel

#### **In Honor of**

Shel Pierson's 90th Birthday  
Irv Krenitz and Bernice Antonos  
Jetta Melnick  
Arnie and Laural Sigel

#### **In Memory of**

Robert Brodsky and Freddy Brodsky  
Michael and Joan Neer & Betty  
Brodsky

#### **Sybel Heller**

Jetta Melnick

### **Elisa Lanes Healing Series**

#### **In Memory of**

Alex Lebed  
Ann Lebed

### **Freida and Robert Feinberg Family Learning Center**

#### **In Memory of**

Caryl Greenberg  
Mona Crandell

### **Ilana M. Solomon Fund for Special Needs Children & Their Families**

#### **In Memory of**

Lois Schaefer  
Eric and Nora Schaefer  
Gary K. Selman  
Florence Kulekofsky and  
Richard Merkin

Isaac Solomon  
Leila Bogan

### **Prayerbook**

#### **In Memory of**

Serge Mandell  
Jan Basil

### **Sam and Esther Rosen Israel Scholarship**

#### **In Memory of**

Joseph Grollman  
Elliot and Tammy Rosen  
Vic and Cori Rosen

### **Temple Chai Early Childhood Center**

#### **In Memory of**

Cathy Adams and Ben Malley  
Dan and Andrea Kravets  
Jerome Brezner  
Linda Gordon  
Irving Epstein  
Lee, June, Maddi, Brett and  
Cydney Weinstein

#### **Frances Feldman**

Mark and Cindy Brauner

#### **Sarah Kohn**

Arnie and Merle Weiner

### **Youth Scholarship**

#### **In Memory of**

Joseph Grollman  
Rick and Natalie Levy

### **Temple Chai**

### **Endowment Foundation**

### **Shirley and Al's Passover Pantry**

#### **In Appreciation of**

Mark and Cecille Schwartz  
Joe Miller and Martha Kimes

#### **In Memory of**

"Big Al"  
Mark and Cecille Schwartz  
Jerome Brezner  
Mark and Cecille Schwartz  
Sherry Folb  
Mark and Cecille Schwartz  
Yakov Kats  
Mark and Cecille Schwartz

### **Freedman Family Torah**

#### **In Appreciation of**

High Holy Days Candle Lighting Honor  
Marlyne Freedman



## Women's Programming

*Our Sister Story*  
Tuesday, November 24  
7:00 pm, Temple Chai

For more information about Bat Chai events, contact Joan Neer at [jneer@templechai.com](mailto:jneer@templechai.com)



## Senior Programming

**Opening Event with Rabbi Mari Chernow**  
Thursday, November 12  
12:00 pm - Lunch and Program

For more information about Dor L'Dor events, contact Sheana Abrams at [sabrams@templechai.com](mailto:sabrams@templechai.com)

### Ask me. I'll tell you...

By Sandy Rife, Mt. Sinai Cemetery

#### **Why are flowers not used at Jewish funerals?**

The Talmud tells us that in ancient days, flowers and spices were used at the funeral to offset the odor of the decaying body. Today this is no longer essential. Others have associated the perfume of flowers and spices with joy and gaiety, which is not appropriate at a time of mourning. Flowers at funerals are considered a non-Jewish ritual and are strongly discouraged. To honor the deceased, a charitable contribution to a synagogue, hospital or charity of the family's choice is a lasting and meaningful tribute.

**For information, call Sandy at 480-363-3854**



### The Tree of Life

Trees are important to our tradition. Leaves for this tree may be purchased for \$180 to honor a person or a family, to celebrate an anniversary, friendship, birth, wedding, a bar/bat mitzvah, or in memory of a loved one.

### Memorial Plaques

A memorial plaque is a wonderful way to honor the memory of a loved one. The cost for a Memorial Plaque is \$360 for Temple Chai members and \$500 for non-members.

To purchase a **Leaf or Memorial Plaque**, contact Sheana Abrams at 602-971-1234 or [sabrams@templechai.com](mailto:sabrams@templechai.com).

### Tzedakah Box



Clothing, toiletries and household items are always appreciated by Interfaith Cooperative Ministries (ICM). Collection bin is in the temple office.

Thank you all for contributing via our Tzedakah Box. Donations are used monthly by the Center for Tzedakah and Social Justice to help congregants in need. Please consider adding to the Tzedakah Box.

Contact Donna Hodax at [dahodax@gmail.com](mailto:dahodax@gmail.com) if you have any questions or suggestions for the donated funds.

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Please contact Holly Packer at [hollyfoxpacker@gmail.com](mailto:hollyfoxpacker@gmail.com) with any questions or for more information visit our website at [www.justthreethings.org](http://www.justthreethings.org).

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