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## Introduction to Judaism

Mt. Sinai will be offering a nine-month Introduction to Judaism course. If you are interested in conversion or if you want to brush up on the basics of Jewish belief and practice, then this class is for you. The day and time have not yet been set. Please call the office and indicate if you would prefer to meet on Thursday evenings or on Sunday during the day. The class time will be chosen to accommodate the most number of people.

The Communications Committee is trying to create an e-mail list that will enable us to put out a weekly e-mail with upcoming events and news for the week. Dr. Georgia Young, committee chair, is compiling this list. Please contact her with yours or send it to [info@mtsinaicheyenne.org](mailto:info@mtsinaicheyenne.org).

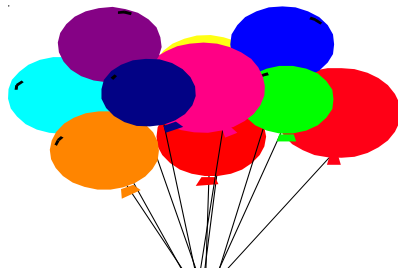
Rabbi Moon and the Mt. Sinai Board of Directors are in agreement that the retention of existing members, as well as the recruitment of new members is of utmost importance. To help accomplish these two goals Mt. Sinai is undertaking ambitious social and educational programming. Social plans call for a series of films, cooking classes, monthly dinners before services, and dance lessons. Educational offerings will include introduction to Judaism, basic Hebrew, developing of lay leadership and torah study. A plan is in the works to honor long time members.

## Wondering about our landscaping project?

Larry Ross and Jimmie Shultz have been working very hard on the grounds. They have trimmed the trees and as you may have noticed stripped of grass (and weeds) from the front of the building. The plans are to replace the grass with rock. The problem has been the sprinkler system. There was a major leak that Larry and Jimmie believe they have fixed. The rock is scheduled to be delivered this week. When this is done not only will it be a great improvement but will also cut down on our water bill.

## August Birthdays include:

Ashley Ginsberg  
Priscilla Golden  
Katie Lerner  
Logan McLoud  
Warrie Means  
Ali Weinstein



If you know someone that is having a birthday or anniversary please contact the office so we can share their happiness.

Rabbi Moon officiated her first wedding on the second week of July. Four years ago her mother, 80 years young, retired from Denver to New Hampshire. There she met Ed and fell in love. Family members from both sides were in attendance. The wedding was held outdoors in a rural setting. Rabbi Moon teamed up with her brother to sing a duet as part of the ceremony.

## Security Committee

Individual (or Couples) interested in serving on the security committee please contact Joe Golden at 634-1215 or [jgolden28@msn.com](mailto:jgolden28@msn.com).

Please take the time to answer these two questions by mail (P.O. Box 1012) or e-mail ([info@mtsinaicheyenne.org](mailto:info@mtsinaicheyenne.org)). We will be putting all the names of responders into a drawing for one of Helen Zigmund's magnificent challahs.

What do you like about Mt. Sinai? \_\_\_\_\_

What would you like to see more of? \_\_\_\_\_

Arinna's Arena

Dear Congregants,

I am so pleased to be embarking on this new journey as your rabbi. It is exciting for me to be joining the community and I hope to provide you with vision and leadership as the congregation expands in numbers and deepens in wisdom and learning.

As many of you may know, I was born and raised in Denver so I am no stranger to the Rocky Mountain region. College took me to the Twin Cities and from there I moved to Seattle where I spent twenty-four years developing my career in social services and healthcare. Unable to resist the calling to become a rabbi, I moved to Los Angeles five years ago to attend rabbinical school. Working in Cheyenne is in many ways like coming home again. The sense of familiarity and a return to my roots is a comforting feeling.

We have many opportunities ahead of us to deepen our knowledge of Jewish tradition, to enrich our connections with each other as a community, and to welcome new members as the congregation grows. To those ends, new programming is underway and you will begin to see additions to the scope of activities available at Mt. Sinai. One of those activities is a monthly dinner prior to Friday night services so that people can socialize, get to know each other better and welcome in new people.



Another activity is a film festival to which everyone is invited to attend. Jewish films will be shown on a regular basis over the next year along with a discussion and/or speaker, and of course there will be popcorn and drinks. Our first film is a documentary on Yiddish Theatre on August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM. Adult education classes are being expanded. I will be teaching on Shabbat afternoons at 3:30 when I am in town. We will also be offering a yearlong Introduction to Judaism class, Hebrew language, Jewish cooking and more. All of our activities will be posted on a calendar for your convenience.

**I am looking forward to getting to know each and every one of you. One way for me to meet you is over a meal. Please feel free to contact me and let's set up lunch or dinner.** I am available in the office to meet with you any weekend I am in town. You are also welcome to contact me by phone or e-mail whether I am in Cheyenne or not.

Together we can enrich our Jewish community and make it a holy place of learning and light.

With blessings,  
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## This 'n That

Visiting in Laramie recently were Ann and Dan Bagatell of Phoenix and their new son, Samuel. Guests of Harvey and Lois Gelb. The tiny one is the 14th grandchild for this blessed couple. Mazel Tov!!

A quickie to the Frontier Days festivities and to visit a great uncle, Dr. Leslie Stark and her husband Cameran Dogerty and their daughter of Denver kept Norman Stark busy.

Congratulations to Roslyne Kaufman on the marriage of her daughter Susan Perlman to Sam Cheris on July 13 in Denver. The late George Kaufman would be proud. The couple will reside in Denver. Also - Roz's granddaughter Dr. Stacy Perlman and her husband Aaron Moskowitz welcomed a son Martin Sal on July 7 in Colorado Springs in Penrose Hospital.

John Langley home from a recent hospital stay - children and grandchildren have been in and out of their home - recently Ruth took two teenagers from Houston to Pikes Peak; and family from Newhawken, New Jersey, the Purdys, spent a few days here. Get well soon John!!

Rabbi Sol Mendelson, new Chabad Rabbi moved to Jackson recently. He is scheduled to speak at the Laramie home of Wendy Berelson on August 6th at 7:00 P.M. and Cheyennites are welcome. His topic will be "The Importance of Community".

The Centennial Committee responsible for the book representing Cheyennites from the earliest settlers to today will meet on Friday August 1 at 10:00 A.M. in the Library Wildflower Room on the 3rd floor. Please plan to attend - there is much to be done.

The Education Committee recently formed under Rabbi Moon's direction will meet on August 10 to formulate plans for several topics to be introduced by mid September. These include Basic Judaism, Beginning Hebrew and a Cooking Class to introduce traditional food and their preparation. You will be contacted for input and more suggestions.

We congratulate the Laramie Schniders on the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son Joshua on August 16th at the Iverson Mansion.

Glad to hear Dorothy and Marvin Wolf are better - stay that way!

A spectacular trip to an international folk festival in Nitra Slavakia was enjoyed by Shelby and Jacob Means - both vocalists and string instrumentalists. Specializing in true American Bluegrass, these two, both University of Wyoming students, with their band were the only representatives from the US, enjoyed free time in Europe and Sicily and are thrilled to be home again.

Leaving for the East coast this week are Jacquie and Walt Westover, Sabrina and Jacob. Sabrina will spend time with her great grandmother, Ada Wallach in New Jersey and join her parents on their way home.

Visitors to Helen Zigmond & Zolie Gancz from Haifa Israel were nephew Amnon & his daughters Leore & Hosnat. Cheyenne Frontier Days was a joyful event for them. The group spent a weekend in Boulder hearing of Helen's grandson Frankie Zigmond's experiences as he backpacked Europe for several months. After Leore 's required IDF duty she has been on an extended vacation backpacking throughout South America. After a short break Zolie's son Bernie from Las Vegas along with a lady friend are in Cheyenne.

Becky Gardner and her daughter Alma recently visited her parents Morris and Harrit Gardner. They have also had their grandson Nathan from Chicago staying with them. His mother Sadie will be in town for Morris's retirement party on August 1st.

Natalia and Nolan Rapp are helping at the camp for the blind on Casper Mountain.

Katie Lerner having a great time playing the villainess in the Old Fashioned Melodrama.

## Recent Donors

Steve Borin & Carol Fischer pledge

Sue & Dan Dyer in honor of Sadie Gregory

Dorothy Feldman pledge

Mark & Susan Feldman pledge

*Thank You*

Howard & Lila Gallensky pledge

*Thank You*

Lila Gallensky in memory of her mother Gussie Helfand

*Thank You*

Joe, Morris, & Harriet Gardner pledge

*Thank You*

Roz Kaufman

Ruth & John Langley pledge

*Thank You*

Rose Levin in memory of Mendy Goldstein

*Thank*

Sherri & Warrie Means in memory of brother, Michael Wynn

*You*

Dr. Harlan Ribnik

Elaine Rosenthal in memory of Chas & Sidell Brill

Anna Slutzky quarter dues

Lester & Agnes Weinstein pledge

Marv & Dorothy Wolf

Thank you to all that have made  
quarterly pledge payments.



I would like to make the following donation to Mt. Sinai Congregation:

My name \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

anniversary • birth • graduation • appreciation • birthday • marriage • bar or bat mitzvah

The contribution amount \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to Mt. Sinai Congregation and mail to P.O. Box 1012, Cheyenne, WY 82003

The following is a list of funds to which contributions can be made. Please circle your choice.

B'nai B'rith • Gift Shop • Library • Yiddish Food Festival • Rabbi Fund  
Endowment Fund • Trust Fund • Cemetery Fund • Uri Neil Window Fund

Please send acknowledgment to \_\_\_\_\_

To donate to Sisterhood, Hadassah, or Jewish Women International contact Lila Gallensky.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
<h1>August</h1>						1 29 Tammuz	2 Morris Klein 1 Av
3 2 Av	4 Moses Agre Frances Rayor Levine 3 Av	5 Bernard Kuperstein 4 Av	6 5 Av	7 Solomon Shapiro 6 Av	8 Dorothy Zolot 7 Av	9 Teaching Session 3:30pm Educ Comm Meeting Tish B' Ave Services 8:30pm Harry Wallach 8 Av	
10 Rabbi Moon here 10:00 am Sisterhood Meeting 12:00 Nathan Gallensky Jean Schwartz 9 Av	11 Max Goldhammer Joseph Goodman 10 Av	12 Nathan Smith 11 Av	13 Hyman Medow Betsy Liebe Rayor 12 Av	14 Ben Vissenberg 13 Av	15 14 Av	16 Rose Lee Rosenberg Helen Wolin 15 Av	
17 Charles F. Montross Gussy Weinstein 16 Av	18 Dr. Louis Hyman Forman Joshph Ambush Max Ghelber 17 Av	19 Martin Bernstein 18 Av	20 Board Meeting 7:00 P.M. 19 Av	21 Anna Quiat 20 Av	22 Shabbat Dinner 5:30 at Mt. Sinai Jean Bernstein 21 Av	23 Teaching Session 3:30pm Yiddish Theater 7:00pm Anna Leah Caminsky Ida Bobb 22 Av	
24 Rabbi Moon here 23 Av	25 William Goldstein 24 Av	26 Dora Stark Julia Dasha Todd Rose Weinstein Morris Wolf 25 Av	27 Leo Veta Martin Kalman Gottlieb 26 Av	28 Julia B. Weisz 27 Av	29 28 Av	30 29 Av	
31 Goldie Ruth Zuckerman 30 Av							

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**The Synagogue Board Meeting Date** has been changed to the third Wednesday of the month. This will allow the accountant time to generate a treasurer's report after we receive our bank statements.

The communication committee is compiling a data base. We need everyone's e-mail address, birthdays, and anniversaries. Please contact Georgia Young.

Deadline for next issue is the third Tuesday of the month. Letters and comments are welcome!

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