A Message from the Rabbi, September 2017

Dear Friends,

This September fall in love all over again with Temple Sinai. Usher in the Jewish New Year with excitement and anticipation with your friends and family here at shul. We will bring the world of Judaism right to your doorstep and all are welcome to share in the excitement we have in store for you.

This upcoming year we are in for a treat as our programming will whisk you to all parts of the globe. You will be moved by our musical guests, enlightened by visiting artists, writers and educators. And most importantly you will be in great company for a number of Hampton Roads firsts and exclusives.

Please mark up your calendar for all the events this month...

I am pleased to announce on Sunday September 24, as part of the 10 a.m. Brotherhood Breakfast, Richard Michelson will be our special guest. Michelson is not only a mogul in the art world but also a poet praised by the great Nobel Laureate Elie Wiesel.

Since that incredible moment he has not stopped earning accolades nationwide for his writing on American culture from the Lindy Hop to home run king Lipman Pike.

And if you love Spock, Michelson will transport us to the final frontier as he talks about his close relationship with his dear friend Leonard Nimoy.

I am ever so grateful to our sponsors the Seymour and Lillian Glasofer Fund of Temple Rodef Sholom Temple and Weymouth Funeral Home for helping make this special program possible.

Our youngsters at both Rodef Sholom Temple and Temple Sinai will not miss out on the fun as Michelson will speak in a separate program for our religious school students on his instant classic on the rebirth of Hebrew, The Language of Angels, among other hit children's titles.

This is going to be an incredible year for those hungering for knowledge and also for those with an appetite for Jewish cuisine. Back by popular demand and inspired by my wonderful students I will be serving up more Jewish cooking classes.

Rise and shine, and brighten your day, starting September 9th, about once a month, we will meet at 9 a.m. in the kitchen to prepare an authentic Moroccan or French dish that will complement our truly special Community Luncheons. We will feast on these delicacies after Shabbat morning services.

On Sunday September 3rd, from 1-2 pm, at the synagogue, we will enjoy a special music program led by Master Musician and Congregant Jena Chenkin. It will feature Temple Sinai's newest musical group, Shalom Strings. Come and learn about string instruments and enjoy some Jewish songs!

Also on September 3rd, at 4 p.m., join us along with your guests at the home of Judy Kline and Gary Dohey for a barbecue with your Temple Sinai family. The event will benefit the Sisterhood. It will be a lovely get together and it is for a good cause!

Keep an eye on the Temple Sinai bulletin and e-blast for more information about these programs and for the latest exciting developments.

Wishing you all a Shanah Tovah, a Happy New Year, filled with only good things and in anticipation of terrific times ahead,

Rabbi Severine Sokol