

PREPARATION FOR AN ONEG SHABBAT

Please plan to arrive to Temple Beth David **at least** an hour before the service is scheduled to begin. If you would like to deliver items for the Oneg Shabbat prior to Friday night, it is requested that you make arrangements with the office staff to drop items off during regular business hours.

When you determine approximately how many guests and congregants will be attending services the evening of your celebration, you will need to provide enough of the following basic food items:

Oneg items to provide for usual service (30 people). For events of 50 or more please double the amounts as necessary.

Challah-one to two unsliced, available at Whole Foods, Panera, Einstein Bros. and Pavilions or other such purveyors. Call ahead for availability or ordering instructions.

Cream Cheese-large size; soft kind is easiest.

Cake, cookies, fruit, nuts, etc.-for example: 3 packages of cookies, 2 cakes and a fresh fruit tray.

Kosher Wine-1 bottle of Manischewitz, Carmel or any other sweet wine for Kiddush to be poured into individual 1 ounce cups.

Grape Juice-1 bottle (for the Kiddush).

Juices, Fruit Punch, Lemonade Please no High Fructose Corn Syrup.

Bagged Ice – 2 each 7lb bags (More as needed based on attendance and weather.)

Tea and Decaffeinated coffee-There is often coffee and basic tea bags in stock in the kitchen. Check with the Oneg chairperson to determine whether or not additional supplies are needed. If you prefer to use herbal tea, you will need to provide it.

Creamer, Sugar and Sugar Substitute- There are usually enough of these items in the Sisterhood cabinet. Half & Half or milk is preferable to creamer. Check with office to determine whether or not additional supplies are needed.

Paper Goods-Unless you want to use special colors, the temple will provide the paper goods.

If you are hosting an Oneg Shabbat for a Family/Religious School Shabbat or other special service you should plan for additional food since those services are generally well attended. A large sheet cake decorated for the occasion and/or a fruit platter would be attractive and enable you to serve large numbers of guests more easily.

A kiddush cup, challah cover, cutting board and knife are available but you may wish to bring your own from home. Sisterhood has tablecloths available for an additional fee of \$40 (to cover cleaning costs).

If you would like the custodian to set up the tables and chairs for you, you will need to provide him with a diagram to follow. Be sure to provide at least one week's notice. On your diagram, place the date and time that you will need the set up. The diagram should be provided to the office staff no later than the 10 days before the service.

If deliveries are to be made to the temple for the *simcha*, be sure to coordinate the times with the office staff. If you need to come to temple to supervise, set up and make other arrangements, check that someone will be available to open the facilities. The temple office is open from 12:00-4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The temple office will be more than happy to assist you in your plans and answer any questions you might have. Don't wait until the last minute to ask!

FRIDAY NIGHT SHABBAT DINNER

Some families choose to provide a Shabbat dinner for immediate family, out of town guests, etc., usually a smaller, more intimate evening than the reception will be. This can be done at a local restaurant, or can be hosted here at the Temple with our in-house caterer, ***Chefelle***. You may reach the chef, Loretta Vigil at 626-841-1601 or www.chefelle.com.