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What’s the newest news regarding our property?

Many people have been questioning what’s going on ever since our informational meetings where we discussed exciting opportunities. We promised to keep you informed but at the moment, there’s nothing concrete about our concrete to report. We’re still working diligently on revisions to the proposed agreement in the best interest of our congregation. We will present accurate and complete information as soon as it’s ready!



Our **Greeting Corps** welcomes all to Temple Israel! With their friendly smiles and direction, they are a welcoming first impression to our visitors and guests. We are so appreciative of them and would love to have others sign up as Greeters too!



Other **volunteers** help us in myriad ways, including with our mailings. What else do volunteers do? They become committee members!

Our **Worship Committee** will soon be making calls to invite those celebrating a birthday or anniversary to come to services on the night of a special group blessing by Rabbi Salkin.

Our **Membership Committee** will be making calls to coordinate Shabbat dinners after services, grouping our members by zip codes – what a wonderful way to meet your neighbors (and possibly even help with carpools for those who no longer drive.)

At Temple Israel, we love engaging our members. Join us for our birthday and anniversary celebrations, enjoy dinner with other members and friends, share some inspiration at services and good conversation and a nosh at our onegs... and let us know how you would like to be more involved!

If you too would like to be a greeter, please contact Mark Simkowitz (mgoose54@aol.com, (561) 762-7947) or Hugo Ottolenghi (hugott@aol.com, (561) 818-2946)

While Rabbi Salkin is away this month (read about his intriguing Shalom Hartman Institute program in his Koleynu article), several of our congregants and others have stepped up to the plate... we mean bimah... to lead services and facilitate our Torah Study. Please show your support and appreciation of these dedicated stand-ins by joining us on the following days:

Erev Shabbat Services (Fridays, 6:30pm)

- July 1 Rabbi Richard Address (assisted by Kodi Laskin and Carol Anne Albee)
- July 8 Charlie Eaton
- July 15 Charlie Eaton

Torah Study (Saturdays, 9:30am via Zoom)

- July 2 Jerry Schwartz (Temple Sinai, Newington, CT – different Zoom link)
- July 9 Iris Koller
- July 16 Iris Koller



From the Rabbi

Rabbi Jeffrey Salkin

“Ten measures of beauty descended upon the world. Jerusalem got nine of them, and the rest of the world got one.”

Those are the words of the ancient sages. Whether it is true or not, and what the rest of the world thought about Jerusalem grabbing so many measures of that which should be immeasurable – beauty – I cannot say.

Neither can I say whether Jerusalem is, in fact, the most beautiful place in the world. No doubt you have your own nominations for that prize.

It is like speculating whether your father is the most handsome man in the world (I write this on the eve of Fathers’ Day). Of course, he is – to you. Whenever I visit her, Jerusalem plugs that hole in my soul, especially because it is two years since I have been there, which is the longest time that I have been away from Jerusalem in decades.

What brings me to Jerusalem in July? As many of you know, for fifteen years I have been a student at the Shalom Hartman Institute (SHI) in Jerusalem, a think tank and educational center that was founded by the late Rabbi David Hartman, and now led by his son, Rabbi Donniel Hartman, who has been our guest at Temple Israel. Check it out: <https://www.hartman.org.il/>

SHI runs an annual summer program for rabbis, always centered on a particular theme. This summer’s theme is “Overcoming the Moral Status Quo: A Torah of Human Agency.” It is clear that the moral status quo is insufficient for us to confront the massive problems that beset the Jewish people, Israel, America, and the world – gun violence, the erosion of rights, the environmental crisis, Jewish demographics, and the future of democracy in Israel.

So, what do we do? Mornings are for *hevruta* study in small groups, then a lecture from the day’s featured teacher. Afternoons are for electives. Evenings are for special guest speakers and cultural events. We devote one day to touring. And, throughout it all, there is the constant stimulation of being with old friends in Jerusalem, catching up (especially after two years of COVID), and engaging in deep conversations about the inner Torah of the heart.

I am counting down the days until I go. You might choose to do the same, knowing that I always return with my intellectual and spiritual gas tanks topped off, ready to teach, share, and help this community explore all that it can be.

Which, by the way, is a lot. Because that is also what the Hartman approach is – a Judaism of aspiration.

I look forward to aspiring with you in this coming year. Have a great and restful summer.

We’re Back in Action! Our **TI Shababeque** will be sponsored by our Brotherhood on Friday, August 19th. Save the date for some delicious chow and fun family time! More information is forthcoming.



From the Executive Director

Karen Sztejnberg, Temple Administrator/Executive Director

For 15 years, I worked at an organization that runs programs for children with cancer. I can share stories of love, stories of hope and stories of the pain these families incur. Children splashing in a pool with their chemo ports exposed. Children in a hematology/oncology unit lethargic from their treatment and yet anxious to play games with us.

In every oncology unit and throughout our program spaces, there were bright, beautiful butterflies on the walls. Butterflies, like children, fill our lives with joy and delight; they make us smile. Their metamorphosis represents transformation, hope and the renewal of life. A caterpillar hides in its cocoon, not knowing the journey ahead except that life will be changed. For pediatric oncology patients, they too are sheltered within their own cocoon, waiting to bravely encounter the world again.

Recently I thought about the butterfly and how it relates to a person with dementia – a reverse metamorphosis. I was visiting my mother who is afflicted with Alzheimer's. This disease has transformed her from a lively butterfly, spreading her wings and joy to so many, to someone living in a cocoon with little communicative skills, less mobility and significant cognitive decline. But somewhere within, she is still a butterfly – her beauty, the sparkle in her eye when we put on music or dance with her, the hope that emits whenever she recognizes us, or the clarity of a few intelligible words.

Whether cancer has debilitated a body or dementia has stolen the mind, neither can encroach upon the soul itself. I have seen this in oncology units and memory care units; there is a vibrancy within the soul even as the body or mind is succumbing to disease. Familiar activities, such as listening to a childhood melody or prayers sung in temple, often provoke a sense of recognition, of normalcy, and it's important to maintain that experience. The disconnect that these individuals feel is real and they need the reassurance that they are still instrumental and loved, despite repeating a story for the tenth time or being unable to play ball with friends. Their soul still needs to feel the connection, the love.

The image of a butterfly also disturbs me. It is a symbol for the 1.5 million children murdered in the Holocaust. Concentration camp victims used the butterfly symbolically in their art and poetry. School projects for Yom HaShoah transform the horrid yellow Jewish stars into yellow butterflies and Pavel Friedmann's poetry of the Holocaust, entitled "The Butterfly", sadly speaks of the last butterfly as none can live in the ghetto. So while the butterfly can be a symbol of hope and freedom, it is also a reminder of the oppression and tragedies we experience.

But every experience transforms our soul. In Judaism, the quality of a soul, our *neshama*, is related to performing mitzvot and reaching higher levels of understanding. Our Mussar teachings focus on much of this. Although a body or mind may wither, the soul remains. Look for the soul, nourish it and embrace your loved ones. Even a faded butterfly can bring joy.





The *Mussar* Moment

Rabbi Emeritus Howard Shapiro

What's New in Mussar?

So, I googled that as a prompt to help me figure out what I could write about for this column. I feel as though I have been saying the same thing for a while now. And up comes a Mussar Institute article on how Mussar is practiced. No theory here, no big Rabbis quoted, no stupendous insights – just some good old/new advice on what to do if you want to walk the path of self-improvement and work on refining that part of you that is uniquely you. That piece we call the soul. Because that is what Mussar is all about. It is a spiritual structure by which we can become even better persons than we already are using what we call Middot.

What are Middot? They are these personality traits we all have in various degrees. They are things like anger, impatience, arrogance, pride, stubbornness, etc. – and, by the way, all of their opposites. We encounter them in our daily pursuits. At the supermarket. In the car. At work. We meet them mostly in our interactions with other people. How we react to a given situation that pushes our buttons. Mussar teaches that we are not prisoners of these emotions. We can choose our paths. We can breathe into any given situation and change its outcome. Just by being aware, just by being open.

Here is the link to the article: <https://mussarinstitute.org/mussar-practice/> And here is my summary. Each morning wake to an intent for the day. Find a teaching that motivates you. Here's one: "Each of us is created in the image of God." Write that on a post-it note on the mirror above your sink or next to your coffee maker. During the day, seek ways to honor the people you meet. (Remember your note: They have a spark of the Divine in them.) Try for three. They don't have to be hard to do. Let someone in line in front of you. Bring a cupcake to a co-worker. Compliment someone unexpectedly. And at night: Journal your experience of the day. And you don't need a diary to do that. Text message or email yourself or whatever works for you.

Mussar is not just theory; it is practice that elevates your humanity.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL & YOUTH GROUP – 2022/2023

Our Religious School & Youth Group Registration is underway, with classes starting in August. Forms are available through the Temple Office and on our website, and Early Bird prices have been extended to July 11th! Our religious school incorporates both the acclaimed Shalom Learning curriculum and monthly social action projects, and our smaller class sizes allow for more personal attention and one-on-one bnai mitzvah tutoring. Our Confirmation Class, Madrichim Program and Youth Groups are always fun learning and social opportunities. Check out our calendar in this Koleynu! For more info, go to our website (www.temple-israel.com) or contact our Temple Office at (561) 833-8421 or tioffice@temple-israel.com.



Peri Smilow, Cantorial Soloist Extraordinaire

On Friday, June 17th, we bade adieu to Peri Smilow, our artist-in-residence cantorial soloist, as she led her last regular Erev Shabbat service at Temple Israel. It was a bittersweet evening after being inspired and charmed by her these last twenty months. Peri brought her heart and soul to Temple Israel, touching *our* hearts and souls with kind words and beautiful music. Thank you, Peri, for being a captivating member of our family. We hope to see Peri soon for special occasions at Temple Israel.



Suzanne Guinane, Cantorial Soloist Candidate

Our Cantorial Search Committee has been working hard to find us an incredible Cantor/Cantorial Soloist. On Friday, June 24th, they brought us candidate Suzanne Guinane to help lead our Erev Shabbat services. With a voice ranging from opera to contemporary, Suzanne was warmly welcomed, chanting prayers in both familiar and new melodies. It was also wonderful having so many members chat with her afterwards at our oneg. We will keep you informed of any decisions or news from our search committee as we proceed.



Sisterhood Corner

Deborah Hirsch, Communications Vice President

Sisterhood's annual Rosh Hashanah fundraiser, **Honey From the Heart**, is in full swing. The 8-ounce gift jars of kosher honey are decorated with a festive label and a personalized card, and come complete with a print-out of the appropriate blessing. Be sure to wish family, friends and business associates a happy and healthy new year with the gift-wrapped bottles. Your honey will arrive in time for the holiday if ordered by September 1, although it is still possible to place orders up until erev Rosh Hashanah. Contact Ruth Salkin at rfsalkin@gmail.com or 561-254-9012 to order your honey at \$18 per jar. The deadline for free shipping is August 1. Afterwards, up until Rosh Hashanah, there is an additional \$6.50 per bottle shipping fee. It is also possible to order the honey online by going to either of the following links:



www.orthoney.com/TIW or www.honeyfromtheheart.org/TIW

The Sisterhood board will be using the next month to plan our upcoming calendar of events. Please contact any Sisterhood board member with your ideas and/or suggestions.

All female members of Temple Israel are automatically Sisterhood members. However, our Supporting Members go the extra mile in helping to expand our programming. If you aren't already, please consider becoming a Supporting Member for only \$36. Simply send your check (indicating Sisterhood in the memo line) to the temple office or include it with your upcoming statement payment.

From Our Membership Committee

Summertime is a wonderful time to socialize and get to know your temple family! Come support your fellow congregants and answer our phone calls for our **"Social Fridays"** to join your TI friends and enjoy dinner together at an outdoor restaurant after our Erev Shabbat services. Our first dinner outing is scheduled for July 8th. Contact our temple office if you'd like more information from a member of our committee.

Do you enjoy **photography**? We're looking for someone to take photos of our members to be used in future Membership Directories, our database and more. If you have a good eye for photography and have your own camera, let us know by contacting our temple office – 561.833.8421 or tioffice@temple-israel.com

BIMAH FLOWERS

Our Sanctuary is stunning and flowers can add to its beauty! Whether in honor of a special occasion or in memory of a loved one, consider sponsoring a floral arrangement for our *bimah* (\$175). You can specify the Erev Shabbat date or consider contributing to the Vineberg Floral Fund for our ongoing floral décor needs. For more information, contact the Office at (561) 833-8421 or tioffice@temple-israel.com



HOLIDAY SCHEDULE 2022/5783

as of 6/22/22

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Elul: Preparing for the High Holy Days

CELEBRATING OUR TORAH RESTORATION Brunch with the Scribe	Sunday, September 11	11:00 a.m.
SELICHOT – <i>Havdallah</i> , Program & Worship Service	Saturday, September 17	7:30 p.m.

Tishrei: The Holiest Month of the Jewish Year

EREV ROSH HASHANAH Evening Worship Service	Sunday, September 25	7:30 p.m.
ROSH HASHANAH MORNING Family Worship Service Morning Worship Service followed by <i>Tashlich</i> *Alternative Teen <i>Tashlich</i> Program following Service	Monday, September 26	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. approx. 12:00 p.m.
EREV SHABBAT SHUVAH (“Sabbath of Return”) Service UNDER THE STARS in our courtyard	Friday, September 30	6:30 p.m.
EREV YOM KIPPUR (KOL NIDRE) Evening Worship Service	Tuesday, October 4	7:30 p.m.
YOM KIPPUR DAY Family Worship Service Morning Worship Service A Taste of Mussar Discussion Coordinated Meditative Walk along Flagler Drive Educator Discussion (Topic TBD) Study/Discussion Opportunity (Topic TBD) *Special Teen Program Yom Kippur Afternoon Service Yizkor/N’ilah (Concluding Service) (<i>services conclude at approx. 7:00 pm</i>) Break-the-Fast	Wednesday, October 5	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. approx. 7:00 p.m.
EREV SUKKOT Service	Sunday, October 9	6:30 p.m.
SUKKOT – BYOLunch & Learn in the <i>Sukkah</i> (Adult Ed – Open to All)	Monday, October 10	12:00 p.m.
EREV SIMCHAT TORAH Dinner & Special Program to Celebrate the Torahs	Monday, October 17	6:00 p.m.
SH’MINI ATZERET/SIMCHAT TORAH Short Service with Yizkor & BYOLunch in the Sukkah with the Rabbi (available only in-person)	Tuesday, October 18	11:45 a.m.

* Youth programs

Livestreaming of our services (and saved for future viewing) can be found on our website: temple-israel.com

Temple Israel's Youth and Family Calendar 2022/2023

Religious School – Sundays 9:30am-12:00pm

Aug 14 – No class (training date for Madrichim)	Jan 8
Aug 21 – First day of class and Open House	Jan 15 – No class; special MLK Service Weekend
Aug 28	Jan 22
Sept 11 – Celebrating our Torah Restoration	Jan 29
Sept 18 – (Madrichim can choose to be in class or at training in the afternoon or both. Teachers will be at both class and training.)	Feb 5 – Tu B'Shvat special program
Oct 2	Feb 12
Oct 9	Feb 26
Oct 23	Mar 5
Oct 30 – Regional Program (off-site)	Mar 12
Nov 6	Apr 2
Nov 13	Apr 16
Dec 4	Apr 23
Dec 11 – Boca Limmud Program (off-site)	Apr 30
Dec 18 – Chanukah program (1 st night)	May 7 – Last day of class

Hebrew School – Tuesdays 5:30pm (in-person)

Sept 6	Dec 6	Feb 7	Apr 4
Sept 13	Dec 13	Feb 14	Apr 18
Sept 20	Jan 10	Feb 21	Apr 25
Oct 25	Jan 17	Feb 28	May 2
Nov 1	Jan 24	Mar 14	
Nov 15	Jan 31	Mar 21	
Nov 29		Mar 28	

Confirmation Program – Monthly Tuesdays 5:30pm

Dates to be determined

Madrichim Training Dates – Monthly Sunday Afternoons

Aug 14	Sept 18	Oct 30	Jan 29
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Mark Your Calendars – Holiday Observances & Special Events

Aug 19	Special Israeli Shabbaton at a Boynton Beach hotel (teens only)
Aug 23	Special Day with Visiting Israeli Teens (note PBC schools are closed)
Sept 11	Celebration of our Torah Restoration with Brunch and the Scribe
Sept 25	Erev Rosh Hashanah
Sept 26	Rosh Hashanah (Family Service at 9am, Teen Tachlich at approx. 12pm)
Oct 4	Erev Yom Kippur / Kol Nidre
Oct 5	Yom Kippur (Family Service at 9am, Special Teen Program at 3pm)
Oct 9-16	Sukkot Special Youth Activities
Oct 17	Special Simchat Torah Celebration
Oct 22	Aliyah Ballay's Bat Mitzvah
Oct 30	Regional Religious School Program (sponsored by Jewish Federation of Palm Beach)
Dec 4	Simply Jewish: Jennifer Grey
Dec 18	First Night of Chanukah
Dec 23	Night of 100 Menorahs
Dec 25	Chanukah Teen Sub Regional Teen and Youth Program
Jan 13	MLK Erev Shabbat Service
Jan 28	Sophia & Jack Feuer's B'nai Mitzvah
Feb 3	Special Presentation by URJ President Rabbi Rick Jacobs
Feb 5-6	Tu B'Shvat
Feb 11	Noah DeChalambert's Bar Mitzvah
Feb 12	Simply Jewish Event: Bret Stephens
Mar 6	Purim
Apr 5	Erev Passover (First Seder)
Apr 6	Second Night Community Seder
Apr 5-13	Passover
Apr 14	Service Commemorating Yom HaShoah
Apr 21	Service Commemorating Yom HaZikaron and Yom HaAtzmaut
Apr 22	Maggie & Sy Douglas' B'nai Mitzvah
May 5	Education Erev Shabbat Service
May 20	David Partheniou's Bar Mitzvah
May 26	Shavuot Service

In addition, we will be acknowledging those celebrating a birthday or anniversary each month at our Erev Shabbat service on the first Friday of that month.

Religious School and Youth Group Registration forms can be found through our office or on our website – temple-israel.com. Please continue to check your emails or our website for calendar updates, to confirm dates and for more information.

Questions?

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JUST A SCAM, 'MAM

How to identify and what the scam is all about

Karen Szteinberg

Have you ever received a call from your travelling grandchild in need of extra cash or FPL looking for payment so they don't shut off your lights? Have you ever gotten email or a text message from Paypal, Amazon or your bank saying there's fraudulent activity or from friendly tech people willing to get rid of a computer virus for you? If so, you're among the majority of people who have experienced this!

Research shows that people are generally trusting as that's easier than using doubt and making assessments. Research also states that many people find it difficult to believe they have made a mistake or are being scammed. Our instincts are to solve urgent and quality-changing issues immediately, including when our grandchild is in need or your parent's utilities will be discontinued for failure to pay. But we do need to stop and think before trusting!

So what are common scams today?



Paypal, Amazon, Banks – Notices claiming fraudulent activity or closing an account usually have an immediate representative, a “click here”, or a phone number to call them back asap. Don't click, call or chat. Instead, go directly to your bank or online account to verify the situation, using the official website or official customer service number. Never give out personal information or your password, not even to verify what they say they already have.



FPL/Comcast/IRS/Odd email requests/Etc. – Regardless of which utility or agency, it's a red flag when you're asked to buy gift cards for payment. You buy the cards, give them the scratched-off codes, and allegedly the issue is resolved since your lights stayed on. But you were never in default and your scammer has just bought a new TV with the \$500 worth of gift cards you gave him access to. Always verify requests by contacting FPL, Comcast or whoever they claim to be – and this includes fake email addresses allegedly from Rabbi Salkin! – by using an official phone number, not the one the scammer gives you to call.



Selling an item or service? Don't fall for customers who are willing to send you a check and ask you to send the item to them after the check clears. Their check can bounce days after it clears your bank when their alleged bank finds no account in their name... you'll have no payment and they'll have your item by then. Don't use Western Union, Zelle or other similar processes to send or receive funds for items or services sold to anyone that you do not personally know.



Medicare/Insurance – They'll claim they need your Medicare number to do more tests. But these are actually scam artists looking for your Medicare number to bill bogus tests to them. A call to your physician will confirm they already have your Medicare number and all the tests you need.



Social Security/IRS – Your check is being held back or your IRS filing is delayed. All the caller needs to release the check or filing is proof of your identity. However, no federal or state official will ever ask for payment or personal details over the phone. Hang up immediately.



Police Department – Scammers claiming to be police officers know this provides a sense of urgency and a willingness to help. I once received a message advising me that my phone number was used in a homicide and two plain clothes officers in an unmarked car would be at my house soon to discuss it. The unmarked car pulled up at 10pm. I had waited for them, as did two real officers initiated by my call to the police station. As a result, the case of several nearby burglaries was finally solved. Similarly, callers have claimed to be police officers who have made a drug arrest, say the perpetrator knows you, and they need you to identify him or her so you should meet them at... It's just a scheme to get you to an isolated place for more mischief! When you receive a call allegedly from an officer, call the police department directly to confirm. And if you're ever in a car and an unmarked car with a non-uniformed person is trying to pull you over, first call 911 to verify his/her authenticity.



Virus Protection – Lucky you! Your computer has been compromised or has a virus but these wonderful tech gurus have caught it, sometimes claiming to be from Apple or Microsoft, and they can quickly fix the problem. Sometimes they're just after your credit card payment to download unnecessary software. But even more common and drastic are the scammers who ask for access to your computer to resolve the issue. They go in and change some settings, go into your bank accounts to check for any viruses, go into your Amazon to make sure there's no unauthorized activities, check your emails... They're quick and good! What they're really doing is changing your settings so you no longer get emailed notifications of the Amazon purchases they just did in your name using your saved credit card, they just transferred money from your bank account to theirs, they copied all your contacts so they can now scam your friends, they stole your financial identity and more, and they changed all your passwords so it will take some time for you to realize what they just did. Never give remote access to your computer! If you see something fishy happening with your computer, power down immediately (even by pulling the plug on your desktop) and call a known, recommended professional.



Grandparent – “Grandma? It's me, your grandson. I'm in Europe and something terrible just happened...” “David, is that you?” “Yes, grandma. Help me.” Of course it's David, or any other name you just used. But your grandson is perfectly fine. He wasn't arrested, he hasn't lost his wallet, he didn't just wake up in the hospital and suddenly remembered only your phone number. Sure, your mind is racing and you want to believe it's him, but trust me, it's not. A simple text to your grandson or his parents will find him perfectly fine.



Love Interests – We all desire companionship and it's natural for many people to share personal tidbits with strangers and acquaintances, a comfort level as no judgement or opinion is expected. And who doesn't like to hear an occasional compliment anyway? Online dating combines these ingredients into a love potion. Your perfect mate will make you feel good about yourself and you'll want to continue getting to know each other better. But is your new friend truly interested in where you work and the name of your first pet, or is he collecting personal information on you? Is that photo of a 45-year-old model really her or does it look like it's cut from a magazine (yes, I've actually seen this)? Is your new soul mate from out of town and his credit card was stolen so he needs you to buy him airfare to meet you face to face (only to have him cancel the ticket and get a voucher for another trip)? The internet is a good tool to check out people... but it's also a tool for others to find out about you and create the perfect personae to please you. Enjoy yourself but proceed with caution – make sure to check out who you're really chatting with and never give out personal info or money to online connections!

Temple Israel – Memory Lane

As we continue planning our centennial celebrations, we reflect back on our last 99 years. Many of our members have been with us for 50 years and some over 60 years! Several of our families have had three generations at Temple Israel, and we love seeing our members gaze at our Confirmation and Religious School photos in our Cyber Café, looking for their class photo from 30 years ago.

Of course through the years things have changed – our clergy, facility, name, books and families. The beautiful songs and prayers we currently sing by Debbie Friedman were not yet composed when we began. Our name was Temple Beth Israel and our initial synagogue was on Broward Avenue with a sanctuary that could seat our 45 families but not significantly more. Twenty-five years later, with a dramatically changing community, membership had significantly increased; we had over 300 students in our religious school, outgrown our initial building and broke ground on our current location on North Flagler Drive.

Through the next 60 years, we renovated our facilities several times. At one point, we even added a balcony in our sanctuary to increase seating (which was removed later for a more artistic ceiling) and we turned our sanctuary around to face east.

Rabbis Herman, Singer, Cohen, Harr, Levine, Shapiro, Chapin, Olshein, Salkin – some of our older members recall studying under one of these rabbis with much love and respect. Cantors/soloists Weiss, Piddle, Taormina, Blum, Offenkrantz, Kruk, Smilow – such inspiring music. Many congregants gave of themselves to create who we are today – Max Sirkin Sr., Julius Lax, Harry Halpern, Harry Sirkin Sr. and Joseph Mendel were included as our initial officers; others who had a significant influence were Cy Argintar, Mrs. Nathan Spingold, Norman Minsky, Warren Canfield, Cissie Tishman, Elsie Leviton, Adele Sayles, Alice Warren Shook... and so many more.

But this is not just our history, this is our continuing story. *L'dor v'dor*. Generation to generation. Carole Klein follows in her parents' footsteps (Cissie & Jerry Tishman) just as Marty List does in his parents' (Cynn timer & Robert List), JD Small and Lisa Small Conde do in theirs (Ann & Michael Small), Larry Abramson and Sarajane Marell do as well (Ruth & Steve Abramson), and so many others. We continually create the next chapter of Temple Israel so that following generations can be a part of our Jewish lives, our traditions, our temple.

The importance of our very being as Jews and as community members is our identity within Temple Israel. Our buildings, clergy and times have changed but we remain strong. This coming year will see even more changes – new clergy, new staff and a wonderful opportunity for more growth and stability. It's an exciting chapter just waiting to be written.

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Temple Israel has 2 reasons to celebrate

Congregation marks 75th anniversary and Hanukkah at Meyer Amphitheatre.

By Marcia Colhart
Palm Beach Post Staff Writer

WEST PALM BEACH — Friends and congregants of Temple Israel celebrated an outdoor Festival of Lights Sunday evening as they commemorated both the first night of Hanukkah and their synagogue's 75th anniversary.

"We're here to celebrate the unity of our community," said 12-year-old Evan List, sitting on a lawn chair beside his parents, grandparents and 9-year-old brother, Braden.

The Lists were some of the 450 people, according to police estimates, who sat, slept, ate, played football or simply enjoyed the breeze at the Meyer Amphitheatre on Flagler Drive.

Many remained until sundown to join in prayer as the first candle brightened on a giant electric menorah onstage. The Lists also had a private ceremony gathered around a menorah they brought from home.

They all joined Jews through-

out the world in recalling the story of the rebel Maccabees, who some 2,500 years ago struggled for religious freedom and eventually seized victory over their Syrian army oppressors.

Those gathered at the Meyer Amphitheatre also took a moment to remember Gov. Lawton Chiles, who died Saturday.

During Hanukkah, a candle is kindled each night to celebrate the miracle of how oil burned for eight days, instead of just one.

"The temple planned this as a gift to the community, and what a perfect night," said Joanne Wilson, Temple Israel's executive director.

Commemorating its opening as South Florida's first synagogue north of Miami, the temple provided two hours of free entertainment, including two cantors, from California and Illinois, and a singing rabbi from New York.

For Evan's mother, Karen, the only thing missing were the traditional potato latkes. "We couldn't plug in the griddle," she said.

Rock of Ages after the lighting of the menorah at Meyer Amphitheatre Sunday to mark the beginning of Hanukkah.

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Hanukkah observance

WEST PALM BEACH — Eileen Shapiro (left), Evelyn Lilienfeld (center) and her husband, Curt Lilienfeld, of Palm Beach Gardens, hug as they sing

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Local News

Temple Israel 'Deconsecrated'

By DAVID BITNER
Staff Writer

For Temple Israel, oldest Jewish congregation in the Palm Beaches, Ne'ilah — the concluding Yom Kippur service whose name refers to the closing of the gates of repentance — had a special meaning last Saturday. Not only were the gates of repentance closing, but the service was the last held in the temple before its closing in preparation for a \$2.2 million renovation.

The occasion was observed in conjunction with Havdalah. As the twisted Havdalah candle was lit, the Eternal Light of the temple, which has burned since the temple was built in 1915, was extinguished in a "deconsecration" ceremony. It will be lit when the refurbished temple is reconsecrated next year.

At the end of the ceremony, Rabbi Howard Shapiro said before the opened ark, "These doors have been opened one last time. In this ark is the secret of our people's survival; the Torah, the way we saw God, the Torah, the way God saw us; the Torah, the light, the values, the teachings, the lessons we live by. This is the sacred of sacred."

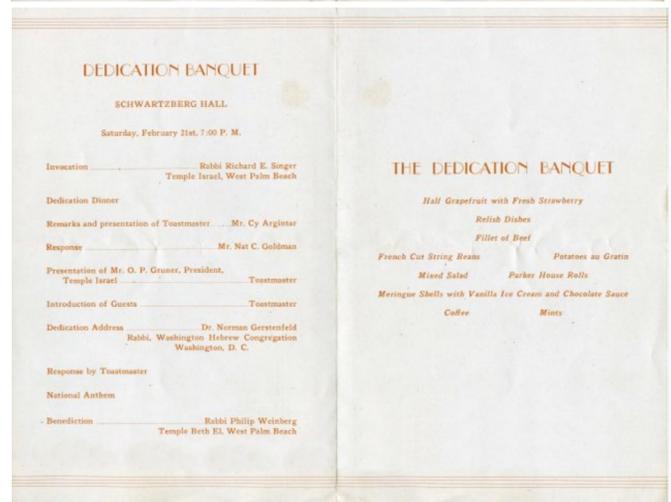
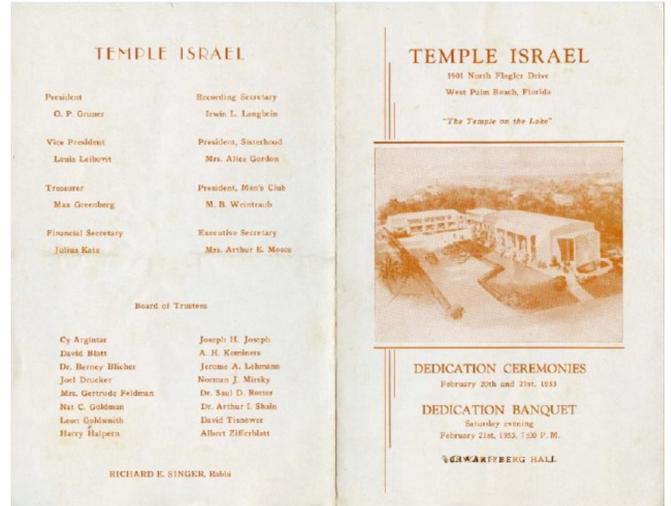
The Torahs were then carried out of the sanctuary and a groundbreaking ceremony was held outside the temple, where a sign announcing the renovation was unveiled. Participating in the ceremony were Marty Schwalberg, Judy Goodman, Bruce Fishbane, Barbara Ackerman, Marilyn Cohen, Sheldon Fromson, Rose Kraft, Ruth Abramson, Betty and Bob Marcus, Ron Parony, Zaida Mason, Temple Israel president Steve Rauch, Michael Jones, John Stoll and Dr. Richard Shagrirman.

Temple Israel will meet for Sabbath services in the auditorium of Good Samaritan Hospital and Sunday school will be held at St. Ann's Catholic Church in West Palm Beach.

Temple Israel deconsecration service



Groundbreaking for New Temple 1950 with Rabbi Singer



Sophie Tucker at Temple Israel February 26, 1951. With Kim Moran and Leon Goldsmith

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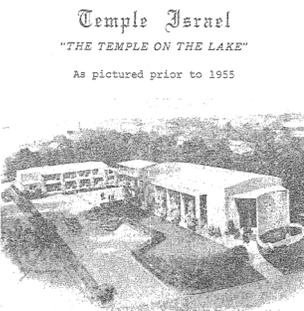
Services of reform Jewish Congregation Beth Israel will be held in Palm Beach each Friday evening, beginning with next Friday and continuing until April, it was announced Saturday by Dr. Carl N. Herman, temple rabbi, and the trustees.

Services will be held at 238 Sunrise avenue. The temple religious school will continue to meet each Sunday morning at 10 o'clock at the temple, 2014 Broward avenue.

The services in Palm Beach will be held each Friday evening at 8:15 o'clock opposite the New Palm Beach Hotel, it was announced. Congregational singing will be augmented by a choir. The change is made to accommodate the many Palm Beach winter visitors who have manifested an interest in the services, the trustees said.



Rabbi Richard Singer, Norman Mirsky, president of TI, Charles Coe, editor-publisher of the Palm Beach Post 1951



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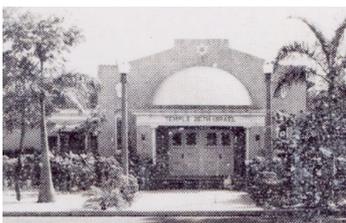
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Celebrating Freedom Day – Juneteenth

On June 16th, Temple Israel co-sponsored a special, meaningful program with the Historic Tabernacle Baptist Church, Urban League of Palm Beach County and Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC). This was a heartwarming evening of fellowship and solidarity, strengthening the relationships within our community and that between American Blacks and Jews in general, and a follow-up to our MLK Shabbat.

Many of our temple members attended the program which was held at the Tabernacle Baptist Church. In addition to Reverend Kevin Jones and Rabbi Jeffrey Salkin speaking, Josephine Gon from the Jewish Federation of Palm Beach spoke as well as a representative from the Urban League. So did Barbara Cheeves, the Church's Social Action Committee chair, who is very involved in racial issues throughout the county. Inspiration also came from a fifth grader who recited a beautiful speech and a young ballerina who danced. We thank Terry Resk, Rabbi Salkin and our Social Action Committee for coordinating this program, and also give accolades to all those who brought food and compassion to our community.



Our ResTORAH Project

We thank all those who have supported our Torah restoration project so far! Our goal is to have *all members* support our efforts; if you have not yet donated, please consider performing a real mitzvah by helping us restore our sacred Torahs. A *sofer* is currently repairing two of our Torahs and he will be present at our brunch celebration on Sunday, September 11th, when each sponsor will have the honor of filling in the final letter. On Monday, October 17th, we will again celebrate our scrolls with a joyful Simchat Torah dinner and dancing celebration including a Klezmer band sponsored by Nancy & Barry Horowitz.



If you haven't already given from your heart, it's not too late! For more information or to donate, contact Karen Szteinberg at (561) 833-8421 or karen@temple-israel.com.



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(No one was able to identify the location of the three items, so there is still a chance to win!)





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Thurs., July 21st at 7pm

Facilitator: Judy Goodman

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by James McAuley



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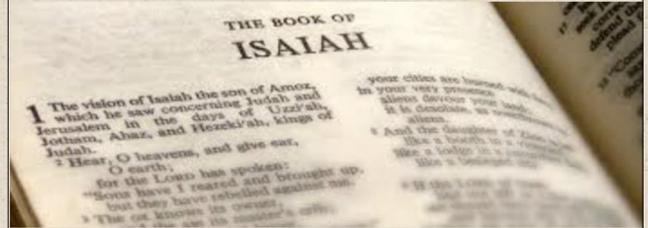
Look for Zoom access in our weekly emails. For more information, contact Mary Arpe at marpe@gmail.com or the Temple Office at (561) 833-8421 or tioffice@temple-israel.com

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1 Dana Bronstien	16 Harry Kaufman
3 Jay Kreisberg	16 Adrian Sandoval
3 Cady Sandler	16 Richard Yosinoff
3 David Weisman	17 Jack Levy
5 Michell Escobar	17 Alisa Maltz
5 Jack Krauser	19 Roger Lourie
6 Delia Hartley	19 Michele Matias
6 Barrett Smith	20 Jacqueline Michel
7 Suzanne Holmes	21 Ashley Cordes
7 Michael Small	21 Marcy Goldblatt-Greiter
8 Jack Ablin	21 Traci Pincourt-Braun
8 Madsen Hartley	22 Joanne Green
12 Keith Braun	23 Alison Belilty
12 Rhonda Gordon	23 Jacob Jacknin
12 Kristen Sloan	23 Howard Kaslow
13 Jeffrey Gingold	25 Linda Birnbaum
14 Michael Gelfand	27 Ellen Bernstein
14 Lily Tysinger	30 Robyn Rands
15 Mark Simkowitz	31 Naomi Braun
15 Diane Steiner	

July Anniversaries

- 3 Mindy & Hernando Mora
- 23 Sydelle & Donald Neustein
- 23 Tracy & Mark Simkowitz



MAZEL TOV TO:

Eileen and Rabbi Howard Shapiro on the marriage of their grandson Corey Shapiro to Dani Weinstein on May 22, 2022 in Westchester, NY.

Our Food Pantry Collection is Back!

Please drop off your donations of unperishable food in our Temple Lobby Collection Bin to be brought to the Food Pantry and distributed to those in need. Thank you!



ResTORAH Project

as of June 20, 2022

In addition to the kindhearted individuals whose names we had listed last month, the following have committed to our ResTORAH project this month. Thank you all! Don't forget to save the date of September 11th when we celebrate the return of our Torahs with a special brunch and our supporters have the honor of filling in the final letters with our scribe!

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26	27	28	29	30	01 6:30pm <i>Erev Shabbat</i> worship service led by Rabbi Richard Address	02 9:30am Torah Study (unique Zoom access) with Jerry Schwartz of Temple Sinai, CT
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Advanced notice and physical tickets will be required this year so please be sure to complete and return your ticket order form as soon as possible.

We're looking forward to seeing our congregation and friends together again for these holy days including at our Dinner & Dancing Simchat Torah celebration on September 11th with the scribe and our restored torahs!

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