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Shalom Y'all!

While visiting family and friends in Houston during my winter vacation, I was asked time and time again how we were doing in Florida. Every conversation, at some point, centered on Temple Beth Shalom and our Jewish family here in Ocala. Last year, everyone wanted to know how the "new congregation" was...this year, they wanted to know if we "still loved it." Each of these conversations ended with a resounding YES by all 5 Boxt's.

January 2024 – where has the time gone? Wasn't it just the High Holy Days? Oh wait – it was just Hanukkah, right? And before we know it, it will be time for Purim and then Passover! Let us not forget, though, of the holiday that is just around the corner: Tu Bishvat (the 15th of the month of Shevat), the Holiday for the trees! The official secular calendar date for Tu Bishvat is January 25.

Saturday, January 27 is Shabbat Shirah – the Shabbat of Songs. This is often a service that focuses on the Song of the Sea – when the Israelites are singing and celebrating their redemption from slavery in Egypt. In many Reform congregations, the service is filled with Debbie Friedman music...and **Friday, January 26** will be no different! However, we will also be celebrating Tu Bishvat – beginning the service with Debbie Friedman's Ode to the Trees, "Plant a Tree for Tu B'shevat."

May 2024 be a year of happiness, health, joy, friendship, and love. May our Temple Beth Shalom family continue to grow each day...and most importantly, may we do so together!

Dear friends – remember to stay safe and tell your family members you love them every day!

B'Shalom,
Rabbi Boxt



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The President's Message

**Board Meeting Tuesday,
Jan 9 at 6:30 PM**

2022— 23 Temple Board

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Beth Shalom

We have all regular services this month meaning Shabbat services, our monthly Saturday service and Sunday school. One new event is the Ocala Tree of Life Sanctuary dance on January 13th. Please come and just have fun dancing and socializing! Tickets are \$10.00 in advance or \$15.00 at the door.

By now you've received your \$150.00 bill for security. I think we all understand with world events we need to be safe.

February is a different story. We have lots going on. The 2nd annual Fashion Show and Tea is February 4th. This year should be even bigger and better than last year's, so mark your calendars! We have an active shooter training on February 18th. None of us want to think about this but we need to be prepared just in case so PLEASE come. February 25th. we have a blood drive. If you are able, *please* come and donate - it could save someone's life.

Board Highlights

Advertising for events has to be much better.
We Need Publicity Chair.
MLK March January 15, 2024. We will participate.

Dear TBS Members,

As your treasurer, I have the responsibility of making sure our temple runs smoothly, that bills are paid and that members know their financial standing.

I am looking for an assistant to help me out when I travel, which will start mid 2024. I will teach you everything you need to know. It is only a temporary position. If you find that you enjoy the job, I would be very happy to have you work with me long-term.

Contact me anytime to discuss this.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Janet
Treasurer
kreismanj9@aim.com

Oneg Reminder

Temple Beth Shalom shall maintain a Kosher style kitchen, which means no treif food may be prepared, cooked, plated and/or served. Milk and meat items must be kept separated. The Social hall is a shared space, but during Temple events we will maintain the same standards of Kosher style and no treif food will be served and milk and meat items will remain separated.



WOMEN OF REFORM JUDAISM

Sisterhood News by Betsy Brody

Nosh & Nibbles
Jan 10 at The Club at Candler Hills
Call for more information

Sisterhood has a scholarship fund to help defray some costs for our Temple children to attend Jewish Summer Camp programs. If your child is interested in attending and you have the camp's information, contact Joan Brand with the camp information and a letter from your child requesting our help or contact Joan with your questions. All applications must be received no later than March 1, 2024.

The most recent General Meeting of Sisterhood was held on December 10, 2023. After a brief business meeting everyone enjoyed a Chanukah party with games, jokes and Simcha cake. Our next General Meeting will be February 25, 2024 and will be held in the music room.

Our next Nosh and Nibbles will be held at The Club at Candler Hills on January 10, 2024 at noon. If you want a place reserved for you at our table you must contact Cindy Stone to rsvp, preferably before January 8. Cindy can be reached at cindyandlarrystone@gmail.com or (561) 699-6474.

We wish you all a safe, Healthy and Happy Secular New Year and hope to see you at one of our events soon.

There has been some confusion about DIRECTED donations at Temple Beth Shalom. Sisterhood's Bimah Flower/camp scholarship fund goes only to honor Simchat. The Temple's Tree of Life also goes only for Simchat.

Sisterhood sells Uniongrams, has YES Fund cards and TREE certificates for trees in Israel which can be purchased for Simchahs or remembrance. The Temple has prayer book dedications and accepts contributions to many funds which can be made for any type of occasion. The Temple also has Memorial Plaques and accepts Yahrzeit donations only in remembrance of a deceased loved one. Members who wish to donate for something specific must select one of the appropriate destinations for their money.

YOUR DONATIONS SUSTAIN US FINANCIALLY AND ARE VITAL TO THE FUTURE OF OUR CONGREGATION

There are various funds which are essential to maintaining a broad scope of activities and services, as well as continued growth.

General Temple Fund
 Rabbi's Discretionary Fund
 Religious School Fund

Security Fund
 Cemetery Fund
 Harold Liberman Music Fund

For information on any of these funds, please contact our Treasurer. All unspecified donations go to the General Temple Fund. Donations in any amount may be sent to the Treasurer. Please note on the check or in an accompanying note what the donation is for and the fund, if you wish to designate one. We accept **VISA, MasterCard, and Discover** credit cards*

Janet Kreisman / **Treasurer**,
 Temple Beth Shalom, 6140 SW 78 Avenue Road, Ocala FL 34474

100% of your donation goes right to work.

Thank you all for your continued support.

“LIVE GENEROUSLY”

♦ a 3% fee will be added to your credit card charge

♦ If you need assistance with your Rakefet online account, please contact Janet Kreisman

BIMAH FLOWERS BIRTHDAYS

Michele Kolsky in honor of her birthday and the birthdays of Ann Conley, Kris Switt, and Elka Malever (correction to the December bulletin)
Wayne Hastad in honor of Sophie and Stella Goldstein's birthdays
Nancy Miner in honor of Cordel and Kevin's birthdays
Stephen Dantzig in honor of Stephen's birthday
Deborah Johnson in honor of Susan Jarosh's birthday
Sarah Wilson in honor of her grandfather John Robertson
Wayne Hasted in honors of Robin's Birthday

ANNIVERSARIES

Selig and Barbara Adler in honor of their wedding anniversary
Deborah Johnson in honor of her anniversary

ONEGS

Kay Fleischaker
Ted & Thommie Williams in honor of their birthdays
Barbara Wolinsky

SPONSOR AN ONEG

Bimah Flower Coordinator
Deborah Johnson 352-509-4897

Onegs can honor birthdays, anniversaries, life events or for any reason. You don't even need a reason to sponsor an Oneg.



Oneg Contact
Sarina Handelman
561-289-8771



Sisterhood's Calling Circle

Sisterhood has a calling circle for those members of our congregation that live alone.

If you wish to be a caller or if you live alone and want a regular phone call please contact Michelle Kolsky.

TAX BENEFITS FROM YOUR RMD

The IRA charitable rollover (also called a Qualified Charitable Distribution or QCD) is a smart-tax way to support the Temple. The IRS has declared that charitable donations made directly from one of your tax-deferred accounts will be exempt from taxation up to \$100,000 as long as the distribution comes from a qualified account and is donated to a charity that meets the IRS stipulation.

Temple Beth Shalom meets the requirements. This means that a Temple member who has a tax-deferred account and must take a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) may request the custodian of the account to send directly to the Temple whatever amount they request, and that payment will count toward the required distribution, but that amount will not be considered taxable income. This is a great way to make a donation, pay your dues, satisfy your RMD, and reduce your taxes at the same time.

Sisterhood Reminders.....

Please don't forget that Uniongrams can be ordered from Toby Burros-Topiol and Trees in Israel can be ordered from Amy Schwartz.

Contributions in honor of birthdays, anniversaries and other Simchas can be made to the attention of Deborah Johnson.

Mark in the memo of your check (payable to "Sisterhood, Temple Beth Shalom") that your check is for Uniongrams or Trees or the Bimah Flower/scholarship Fund.

Tree Certificates

Donations for 1 tree start at \$15.00, which includes a
TREE CERTIFICATE.

Amy Schwartz 854-9440
onlyamys421@embarqmail.com
Sisterhood JNF representative

Simchas for December

ANNIVERSARIES

Jason & Jennifer Miner
David & Ruth Santman
Brent & Frances Malever
Dale Berman & Raoul Garfinkel

BIRTHDAYS

Harley Michelson
Fred Posner
Susan Ahern
Deborah Perry
Emily Rochlin
Marti McLean
Charles Scott
Marilyn T. Scott
Susan Schwartz
Joseph Switt
Adriana Lopez
Raoul Garfinkel
Susan Grossman
Nancy Meininger
Brett Rockower
Arlene Mathews
Stan Webman
Melissa Yarger
James Lopez
William Schwartz
Dale Berman
Ted Williams Jr
Amy Lawrence
Fern Topiol
Steven Brauman
Mikael Estrada
Lyn Silberman
David Santman

Rakefet Portal News

If you have trouble connecting
to your account
on the Rakefet Portal,
please contact
Janet Kreisman
at (609) 273-6955

Prayer Book Fund



These are new prayer books for the regular services and High Holidays

To order, please make your check payable to
Temple Beth Shalom

Be sure to include a note stating how nameplates should be inscribed for the dedication.

You may dedicate the books as you always have in honor of or in memory of someone.

Bimah Flowers

Benefiting the
Temple Sisterhood
Summer Day Camp and
Education
Scholarship Funds

\$12 for each *simchah*

Contact

Bimah Flower Coordinator
Deborah Johnson 352-509-4897



Please direct all mail for TBS to the building address
6140 SW 78th Avenue Road, Ocala, FL 34474.

Uniongrams

Send birthday and anniversary wishes to friends and family with a UnionGrams. Show them you were thinking about them while supporting the WRJ YES fund. Circle the name (s) of the friends or family from above that you would like to send a card. Tear out this page and send it to:

Enclose \$3 for each UnionGrams. Checks should be made out to Temple Beth Shalom Sisterhood. Please include the address for anyone not in the Temple Directory. _____ Uniongrams @ \$3 Each.

Sign my card as _____
You can place an order by phone 352-509-7845 or by sending an e-mail to tobyburros@gmail.com but you still must mail a check.

Donations 11/27/23- 1/1/2024

Cemetery Maintenance Fund

Elka Malever: in honor of Jean Aptak
 Elka Malever: Yahrzeit of S. Stanley Malever

Memorial Plaques

Philip & Dana Olstein: Memorial Plaque

Capital Fund

Larry & Sarina Handelman
 Hillary & Chuck Zeleznik

Donations

Vinnette Marson
 Bruce & Carol DeWitt: In honor of Rochelle Brauman's 75th Birthday
 Robert Rockower: Yahrzeit of Bernice Rockower-Mother of Robert
 Jay & Holly Rubin
 Marvin & Fran Schreiber: Yahrzeit of Samuel Schreiber-Father of Marvin

Yahrzeit Donations

Marilyn T. Scott: Yahrzeit of Carl Tepper-Father
 Barry & Barbara B Adler: Yahrzeit of Sylvia Barron
 Francine Askenas: Yahrzeit of Jeffrey Askenas
 Michael & Roxanne Baron: Yahrzeits for Frieda Rutkowsky & Lenaa Katuna
 Susan Bernstein: Yahrzeit of Toni Gantman-Mother, Jacob Gantman Father
 Rochelle Brauman: Yahrzeit of Max Kufsky-Father of Rochelle
 Michael & Betsy Brody: Yahrzeit of Gertrude Ehrlich-Aunt of Betsy
 Michael & Betsy Brody: Yahrzeit of Rose Gordon-Grandmother of Betsy
 Fred & Ann Conley: Yahrzeit of Laurence Conley-Father of Fred
 Rochelle Gerofsky: yahrzeit of Gladys Gerofsky-Mother in law of Rochelle
 Edward & Barbara Gorin: Yahrzeit of Helen Bernstein-Mother of Barbara
 Edward & Barbara Gorin: Yahrzeits of Ester Gorin-Mother of Edward
 Nathan & Susan Grossman: Yahrzeit of Sonia Grossman-Mother of Nathan
 Larry & Sarina Handelman: Yahrzeit of Ronald Paley-Husband of Sarina
 Bob Levenson & Grace Dunlevy: Yahrzeit of Daniel Levenson
 Bob Levenson & Grace Dunlevy: Yahrzeit of Kay Levenson
 Michael Nusinov: Yahrzeit of Cookie Nusinov-Wife of Michael

Arnold & Mildred Olstein: Yahrzeits of Bertha Caminsky, Ida Olstein, Samuel Olstein
 David & Ruth Santman: Yahrzeit of Arthur Santman - Father of David
 Marvin & Fran Schreiber: Yahrzeit of Miriam Alice Schreiber-Mother of Marvin
 Theodore & Marcelle Schwimmer: Yahrzeit of George Newman-Marcelle's Father
 Theodore & Marcelle Schwimmer: Yahrzeit of Shirley Schwimmer-Mother of Ted
 Steve & Dayle Silver: Yahrzeit of Emmanuel Silverstein - Father of Steve
 Steve & Dayle Silver: Yahrzeit of Hannah Sherman-Mother of Dayle

Rabbi Discretionary

Luis Isaza

Temple Volunteer Services and Committee DIRECTORY

Rabbinic Duties	Rabbi Erin Boxt	(352) 329-2031
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Bimah flowers	Deborah Johnson	(352) 509-4897
Book Club	Betsy Brody	(352) 347-5597
Calendar	Naomi Berman	(352) 804-3301
Cemetery	Joe Switt	(352) 489-1855
Education	Susan Jarosh	(352) 361-3843
Fundraising & Script	Julie Rochlin	(352) 207-5385
Interfaith meals	Betsy Brody	(352) 347-5597
JNF Tree Certificates	Amy Schwartz	(352) 854-9440
Judaica shop	Rochelle Brauman	352) 509-7681
	Jackie Kokot	(352) 533-2976
Memorial Plaques	Elka Malever	(352) 732-7030
Newsletter & Publicity	Mark Rochlin	(352) 875-5062
Onegs	Sarina Handelman	(561) 289-8771
Ritual	Rachel Leikach—Etheridge	(770) 310-3162
Sisterhood	Joan Brand	(352) 566-4648
Social Action	Thommie Williams	(443) 742-2818
Sunday School	Emily Rochlin	(352) 875-2070
Tree of life (leaf / rock)	Rochelle Gerofsky	(352) 875-4223
Union grams	Toby Burros-Topiol	(352) 509-7845
Yearbook	Julie Rochlin	(352) 207-5385
NIFTY Sponsor	Arlene Matthews	



January Yahrzeits



Week of Saturday 12/30 to Friday 1/5

<u>Name</u>	<u>Observed on (civil)</u>
*Albert Colen Uncle of Ken Colen	Saturday, 12/30/2023
*Ruth Dittman Congregation	Saturday, 12/30/2023
Cosmo Sherengos Father of Gail Sherengos	Saturday, 12/30/2023
Hannah Sherman Mother of Dayle Silver	Saturday, 12/30/2023
Katherine Sigler Mother of Jules Sigler	Saturday, 12/30/2023
Ronald Paley Husband of Sarina Handelman	Sunday, 12/31/2023
Esther Gorin Mother of Edward Gorin	Monday, 1/1/2024
Harry Heyman Grandfather of Melissa Yarger	Monday, 1/1/2024
Simon Milberg Grandfather of Marti McLean	Monday, 1/1/2024
Louis Simmons Father of Jacqueline Kocot	Monday, 1/1/2024
Seymor Zeleznik Father of Chuck Zeleznik	Monday, 1/1/2024
*Sigmund Falk Congregation	Wednesday, 1/3/2024
Bruce Richter Husband of Elaine Richter	Wednesday, 1/3/2024
Samuel Schreiber Father of Marvin Schreiber	Wednesday, 1/3/2024
Shirley Schvimmer Mother of Ted Schvimmer	Wednesday, 1/3/2024
Naomi Stein Friend of Wayne & Raelynn Omel	Wednesday, 1/3/2024
Thelma Weiss Mother of Hillary Zeleznik	Wednesday, 1/3/2024
*Meyer Diamond Father of Diana Lawrence	Thursday, 1/4/2024
Helen Bernstein Mother of Barbara Gorin	Friday, 1/5/2024
Miriam Ruth Taub Mother of Alan Taub	Friday, 1/5/2024

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Week of Saturday 1/06 to Friday 1/12

<u>Name</u>	<u>Observed on (civil)</u>
* Edward Mark Congregation	Saturday, 1/6/2024
* Bernerd Delman Father of Marcia Morris	Sunday, 1/7/2024
Max Kufsky Father of Barbara Adler	Sunday, 1/7/2024
Father of Rochelle Brauman Bernice Rockower	Sunday, 1/7/2024
Mother of Robert Rockower Jean Adler	Monday, 1/8/2024
Mother of Barry Adler Albert Stern	Tuesday, 1/9/2024
Grandfather of Ruth Stern * Maurice Himelfarb	Thursday, 1/11/2024
Congregation Miriam Alice Schreiber	Thursday, 1/11/2024
Mother of Marvin Schreiber Susan Petrie	Friday, 1/12/2024
Sister of Rochelle Gerofsky	

Week of Saturday 1/13 to Friday 1/19

<u>Name</u>	<u>Observed on (civil)</u>
Richard Rademaker Husband of Dorothy Rademaker	Saturday, 1/13/2024
* Phillip Beshany Congregation	Thursday, 1/18/2024
* Margret Gilman Congregation	Thursday, 1/18/2024
Geraldine Sugre Grandmother of Julie Rochlin	Thursday, 1/18/2024
Kenneth Kaplan Father of Bruce Kaplan	Thursday, 1/18/2024
Theodore Farrar Father of Thomasine Williams	Friday, 1/19/2024
Bea Trauner Mother of Toby Topiol	Friday, 1/19/2024

Week of Saturday 1/20 to Friday 1/26

<u>Name</u>	<u>Observed on (civil)</u>
Joel Greenwald Brother of Joyce Fox	Saturday, 1/20/2024
Lena Simon Grandmother of Harriet Brinker	Saturday, 1/20/2024
* Hyman Caminsky Grandfather of Arnold Olstein Great-Grandfather of Philip Olstein	Sunday, 1/21/2024

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*Lawrence Conley Father of Fred Conley	Sunday, 1/21/2024
*Manuel Goldstein Father of Frances Malever	Sunday, 1/21/2024
Congetta Campanile Mother of Kathleen Katz	Sunday, 1/21/2024
*Max Rochlin Son of Eli Rochlin Brother of Mark Rochlin Uncle of Rachel, Katie and Emily Rochlin	Monday, 1/22/2024
Ruth Handelman (Weiss) Mother of Larry Handelman	Wednesday, 1/24/2024
Israel Katuna Grandfather of Roxanne Baron	Wednesday, 1/24/2024
*Lewis Jacobson Congregation	Thursday, 1/25/2024
Mae Burros Toby Topiol-Burros	Thursday, 1/25/2024
Ben Simon Uncle of Harriet Brinker	Thursday, 1/25/2024

Week of Saturday 1/27 to Friday 2/2

<u>Name</u>	<u>Observed on (civil)</u>
*Florence Jacobsen Congregation	Saturday, 1/27/2024
*Howard Jacobsen Congregation	Saturday, 1/27/2024
*Sydney Schacter Congregation	Saturday, 1/27/2024
Rose Gordon Grandmother of Betsy Brody	Sunday, 1/28/2024
Peter Zuckerman Father of Stephen Zuckerman	Monday, 1/29/2024
George Katz Father of Herb Katz	Tuesday, 1/30/2024
*Richard Siemans Father of Scott Siemans	Thursday, 2/1/2024
Joan Cohen Sister of Michael Baron	Thursday, 2/1/2024
Roslyn Fox Mother of Dorothy Rademaker	Thursday, 2/1/2024
Chaim Leikach Grandfather of Rachel Leikach-Etheridge	Thursday, 2/1/2024
Rachel Leikach Grandmother of Rachel Leikach-Etheridge	Thursday, 2/1/2024
*Harry Grossman Father of Nathan Grossman	Friday, 2/2/2024
Bessie Brauman Mother of Gary Brauman	Friday, 2/2/2024
Helen Greenwald	Friday, 2/2/2024

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Mother of Joyce Fox
Michael Massing
 Friend of Erin Boxt

Friday, 2/2/2024

Week of Saturday 2/3 to Friday 2/9

Name

Observed on (civil)

Henry Garfinkel

Saturday, 2/3/2024

Father of Raoul Garfinkel

Dina Leikach

Saturday, 2/3/2024

Mother of Rachel Leikach-Etheridge

Rose Stone

Saturday, 2/3/2024

Mother of Larry Stone

***Geraldine Gordon**

Sunday, 2/4/2024

Mother of Michele Kolsky

Steven Gregory Adelman

Sunday, 2/4/2024

Brother of Eric Adelman

Dorothy Heitner

Monday, 2/5/2024

Mother of Rita Hoffman

David Walden

Monday, 2/5/2024

Friend of Wayne Omel

Alfred Webman

Monday, 2/5/2024

Father of Stan Webman

***Milton Sanderson**

Tuesday, 2/6/2024

Father of Mildred Olstein

Blanche Santman

Tuesday, 2/6/2024

Mother of David Santman

Lester Adler

Wednesday, 2/7/2024

Father of Barry Adler

Marlene Siegel Rosol

Wednesday, 2/7/2024

Wife of Philip Rosol

***Hilda Mark**

Thursday, 2/8/2024

Congregation

***Allen Silverman**

Thursday, 2/8/2024

Congregation

***Joseph Farrell**

Friday, 2/9/2024

Congregation

Ruth Ozaroff

Friday, 2/9/2024

Grandmother of Batya Boxt

Ellen Calig

Saturday, 2/10/2024

Sister of Fran Schreiber

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Interfaith Emergency Services Monthly Dinners

The Temple Beth Shalom commitment to provide dinner for the residents at the Interfaith homeless shelter on the first Wednesday of each month has been kept alive for another year! thanks for this go to Joe and Kriss Switt, Deborah Johnson, Nancy Miner and her friend Barbara(2x), Sarina & Larry Handelman, Bob Levenson and Grace Dunlevy(2x), Raelynn & Wayne Omel, Rita and Larry /singer, /Susan & Michael Ahern, Kay Fleischer and Karen, Ted and Thommie Williams, Betsy and Michael Brody (2x) and Linda Donaldson.

The new year of 2024 is off to a great start with new volunteers taking on the task for January 3. Thank you Barbara & Selig Adler and Rochelle Brauman. If every member would accept the challenge once every 2 or 3 years we'd have this job covered with no problem. Please consider signing up to provide a dinner February 7 or March 6. Contact me, Betsy Brody as soon as possible [esb501@yahoo.com or 352-3347-5597]. Leave your preferred date and your contact information and I'll get back to you within 48 hours.

PFLAG Ocala

PFLAG Ocala holds a monthly support and educational meeting for LGBTQ+ individuals, family members, and caring allies.. For those in need of support, or are willing to learn how to be the presence of love and support to those in our families and our community, we hope you will come and connect with us. If you have any questions, contact PflagOcala@gmail.com or call (352) 316-7995

email PflagOcala@gmail.com or call (352) 316-7995 for support or a referral.

Temple Beth Shalom Book Club News

The Book Club met on Wednesday. We discussed both "the Last Summer at the Golden Hotel" AND "Benjamin Franklin, an American Life". We decided that in the future we would permit the introduction of some (30-40%) books that have no Jewish connection. We also decided that discussion is more comfortable in peoples' homes than around a table in a formal setting - in fact this meeting was held in the TBS lobby. The votes were tallied and the books that received the most votes were each assigned a month:

February 21, 2024. - will be held at Michele Kolsky's home 9679 SW 90 St in OTOW Central at 10:30 AM...Please mark your calendars now and plan to attend, even if you haven't read the book. The book to be discussed is "**Don't Forget to Write**" by Sara Goodman Confino.

The other books will be:

April - "**Shanda, a Memoir**" by Letty Cottin Pogrebin

October "**Not Our Kind**" by Kitty Zeldis

June. "**The Books of Rachel**" by Joel Gross

December "**Delicious!**" by Ruth Reichl

August "**Hotel Cuba**" by Aaron Hamburger

The exact date and location will be determined each session for the following meeting. Please spread the word and encourage friends who enjoy reading to join us.

COME TO OUR GIFT SHOP!

Welcome to the Judaica Shop! We have jewelry, books, talisim, kippot, and so much more! Our inventory is constantly changing, and we are happy to talk to you about your preferences and needs.

We are open before services, and by appointment
(10 - 3 any weekday, when the temple is open).

Contact Rochelle at (352) 509-7681, or Jackie Kocot at (352) 533 - 2976.
Come check us out!



Temple Events

January

Tues Jan 2 Beginning Hebrew 1:00; Advanced Hebrew 2:30
Wed Jan 3 Membership Committee 1:30; Adult Ed 1:30; Conversion Class 7:00
Thurs Jan 4 Ritual Committee 6:30
Fri Jan 5 Shabbat Services 7:00
Sun Jan 7 Religious School 9:45
Tues Jan 9 Beginning Hebrew 1:00; Advanced Hebrew 2:30; Congregation Board 6:30
Wed Jan 10 Sisterhood Board 10:00; Nosh & Nibbles 12:00; Adult Ed 1:30; Conversion Class 7:00
Fri Jan 12 Shabbat Services 7:00
Sat Jan 13 Shabbat Morning Services 10:30; Dance Night 7:00
Sun Jan 14 NO Religious School
Tues Jan 16 Beginning Hebrew 1:00; Advanced Hebrew 2:30
Wed Jan 17 Adult Ed 1:30; Conversion Class 7:00
Fri Jan 19 Family Services 5:45; Shabbat Services 7:00
Sun Jan 21 Religious School 9:45; Security Committee 2:00
Tues Jan 23 Beginning Hebrew 1:00; Advanced Hebrew 2:30
Wed Jan 24 Adult Ed 1:30; Conversion Class 7:00
Fri Jan 26 Shabbat Services 7:00
Sun Jan 28 Religious School 9:45
Tues Jan 30 Beginning Hebrew 1:00; Advanced Hebrew 2:30
Wed Jan 31 Adult Ed 1:30; Conversion Class 7:00

February

Fri Feb 2 Shabbat Services 7:00
Sun Feb 4 Religious School 9:45; Fashion Show 2:00
Tues Feb 6 Beginning Hebrew 1:00; Advanced Hebrew 2:30
Wed Feb 7 Membership Committee 1:30; Adult Ed 1:30; Conversion Class 7:00
Thurs Feb 8 Ritual Committee 6:30
Fri Feb 9 Shabbat Services 7:00
Sat Feb 10 Shabbat Morning Services 10:30
Sun Feb 11 Religious School 9:45
Mon Feb 12 Congregation Board 6:30
Tues Feb 13 Beginning Hebrew 1:00; Advanced Hebrew 2:30
Wed Feb 14 Sisterhood Board 10:00; Nosh & Nibbles 12:00; Adult Ed 1:30; Conversion Class 7:00
Fri Feb 16 Family Services 5:45; Classical Reform Shabbat Services 7:00
Sun Feb 18 NO Religious School; Active Shooter Training
Tues Feb 20 Beginning Hebrew 1:00; Advanced Hebrew 2:30
Wed Feb 21 Adult Ed 1:30; Conversion Class 7:00
Fri Feb 23 Shabbat Services 7:00
Sun Feb 25 Religious School 9:45; Blood Drive; Sisterhood General Meeting 2:00
Tues Feb 27 Beginning Hebrew 1:00; Advanced Hebrew 2:30
Wed Feb 28 Adult Ed 1:30; Conversion Class 7:00