



A Progressive Conservative Synagogue



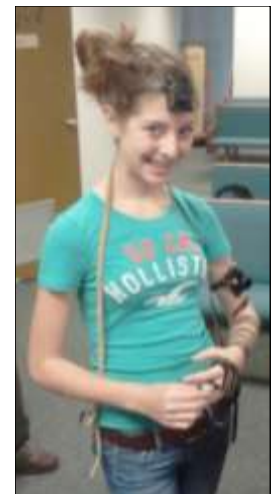
A Program of the Federation of  
Jewish Men's Clubs, Inc.



Get ready to  
wrap & roll!

**Join TI's Men's Club**

Participate in the Mitzvah!  
Experience the wonder & joy!  
All members are welcome!



Remember to bring any and all tefillin you may have for our  
Sunday Shot of Spirit Morning Service.

Sunday, February 5, 2012  
9:00 am - 10:00 am  
In the Chapel

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## From Our Rabbi:

By Rabbi Joshua Neely

Thanks to the Gregorian calendar, many of us start thinking about romance come February. Valentine's Day prompts or prods many people to find ways to demonstrate their affection. Judaism has its own day of romance Tu B'Av, the 15th of Av.

In the ancient world, young men and women would go out into the fields near town and meet up. This was a day when many of them would get engaged and plan futures together. It also served as a yearly reminder of the day that husband and wife had come together. Thanks in large part to Fiddler on the Roof and other cultural remnants, many people don't realize that Judaism has long idealized romantic love and romantic marriage.

Although betrothals were often arranged before children could agree, when they came of age they were given the right by Jewish law to accept or reject any match made by their family.

Tu B'Av serves another important function. Coming less than a week after Tishah B'Av (the day which commemorates the great pre-Modern tragedies of Jewish history), it helps to revitalize us. Coming less than a week later, it also reminds us that true love is not about the gifts we give each other on special occasions but about the dedication we show to our beloved day after day and especially through moments of crisis.

This is also deeply reflected in the ongoing love between the children of Israel and God. Our devotion to God is not conditional on the blessings we receive nor is God's dedication to us contingent on our observance. Like all true love, it is unconditional. Like all true love, it inspires us to do more.

L'Shalom,  
 Rabbi Joshua Neely  
 joshua.neely@gmail.com

Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday, Sunday  
 Please call or e-mail for an appointment.



## From The President:

By Arlene van de Rijn

The title of this article is *A Weekend in the Life of a TI President*. I want to give you a sample of our busy synagogue life.

**Friday:** In the afternoon, Eric Hoffman and I prepared the food to be served in the evening at our monthly Family Shabbat Dinner which was followed by the 6th & 7th grade Shabbat. The service was very well planned with musical instruments for everyone and lots of participation on the bima by the children. The highlight was Rabbi Neely's sermon which was about Torah fairies. He held in his hand a box with a lid, and after he had talked about God and the Torah, he talked about the Torah fairies that spread the Torah's good word among the people. The children were asked if they had ever seen a Torah fairy, and their group answer was, "No." So Rabbi Neely invited them to stand around him while he opened the box and showed them a Torah fairy who was inside. There was much anticipation and excitement among the children as they awaited the opening of the box. Finally, *finally*, the Rabbi opened the box. Everyone looked inside. What did they see? They saw a mirror in the box! It was a clever way to send an important message. The Oneg Shabbat after the service was lively with lots of children and a cake in honor of Simcha Shabbat.

**Saturday:** I arrived at the synagogue for our morning Shabbat service. As always, lay participation opportunities were plentiful ranging from service leaders to Torah readers. Following the service, there was a Kiddush luncheon where everyone ate and schmoozed until Rabbi Neely began his "Judaism in a Nutshell" presentation. His "nutshell" subject on this day was anti-Semitism. Comments and questions are always welcome at the "nutshell" class, and it provides a forum for learning not only about the subject matter being presented but also about our congregants' inner-most thoughts and feelings. It serves as another dimension of connection among us. Following services, I had to get home and prepare to attend our annual fund-raiser event, Oy Veygas, that evening. Many thanks to Geanne Share and her devoted team for providing us with a fun-filled, well-orchestrated evening which benefited the synagogue.

**Sunday:** At 9 a.m. I arrived for my "Sunday Shot of Spirit," aka morning minyan, another occasion when TI provides its congregational family members the opportunity to gather together. At 9:30, I headed for the social hall to participate in the religious school's festivities. It just so happened there was a debate planned for the children between two of our own congregants—Daniel Wise who was dressed as a Hamantaschen and Joe Ihns who was dressed as a mad scientist in love with potato latkes. The debate centered around, "Which is better, a Hamantaschen or a potato latke?" I have to tell you I was laughing out loud throughout the entire thing. Daniel and Joe were terrific, well-prepared, and very, very f u n n y! (By the way, the judges deemed the debate to be a tie.) At 11 o'clock, I went to meeting room 1 to participate in Rabbi Neely's adult b'nai mitzvah class. What a great way to meet new people and bond even more closely with the ones you already know.

I headed for home with a smile on my face. Temple Israel is a special community busily humming away. We're a spiritual center. We're a center for learning. We're the temple that never sleeps. We respect one another. We're family. I love it! Please come as often as you can.

Shalom,  
 Arlene van de Rijn  
 asvdr1026@aol.com





## From Our Education Director

By Debra Ruth Kira

January was a month of ups and downs and ins and outs. The Religious School had vacation and classes and vacation again. The weather was hot and cold and hot again. Members of the congregation maneuvered to find their new place, post elections. Meetings were scheduled and re-scheduled. People stepped up and helped breathe new life into old committees.

February promises to be a month of full steam straight ahead. The Men's Club will host our annual World Wide (Tefillin) Wrap. On Sunday February 5th all of the students in Admon Jaffe's class will be invited to the Chapel to learn to lay Tefillin. This year we will be loading up February 5th with many activities. We will be celebrating Tu B'Shevat with a Tu B'Shevat seder and the creating of family trees. Remember to help your child collect names of your relatives. Gather as many as you like and in which ever direction you like. (Out with cousins, aunts and uncles or up with grand and great grand parents.)

During Kabbalat Shabbat on February 17th, our Sanctuary will turn into the Hundred Acre Woods. Our First Graders and younger will lead the service with the help of Winnie-The-Pooh. Join us as we discover which resident of the Hundred Acre Woods is truly Jewish. Enjoy Shabbat as we take pleasure in old memories and come together to create new ones.

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

#### February 5, 2012

World Wide Wrap  
Creating Family Trees

#### February 8, 2012

Tu B'Shevat

#### February 17, 2012

Family Shabbat - Featuring Winnie-the-Pooh

#### February 19, 2012

No Religious School - President's Day

#### February 26, 2012

Education Committee Meeting - Noon

Debra Ruth Kira  
educator@tiflorida.org



## From Our Youth Director

By Michael Weiss

Shalom Temple Israel!!!!

So we are back in the swing of things now and better than ever! Between our programs, our new songs and cheers, and our excitement, Temple Israel's youth group officially cannot be stopped. L'dor V'dor is meeting, Kadima is meeting, and even our high schoolers in USY are having a blast!

I know I speak about it often in these articles about how Temple Israel has become my family, but I cannot say it enough. Every time I turn on to Moss Road, I can never stop smiling. Each Shabbat seeing all of the kids smiling and jumping around, I love it. Thank you to everyone for being my amazing Jewish community here in Orlando.

This month highlights one of the largest get-togethers on the whole youth group schedule. On February 19<sup>th</sup>, our USYers and Kadimaniks will be going to the happiest place in the world, Disney World!!!! We will be going to Magic Kingdom, meeting other temple youth groups from Miami all the way up to North Carolina. We will see friends from convention, along with meeting many new ones. It is quite the experience to walk around Magic Kingdom seeing Jewish kids from all over the Southeastern region of the United States. It is truly going to be amazing, I hope all of you are coming along for the ride!

Also, as many of you hopefully know, we are now selling Temple Israel Youth Group T-shirts to fundraise for our youth department!!! Please help and support our youth by buying our t-shirts! You can wear them around temple, during the week, or even on the weekend when you are just dressing to be comfortable. Please contact the youth director at [israelusy@gmail.com](mailto:israelusy@gmail.com) if you are interested in ordering a shirt!

May all of you have another great month and I look forward to more exciting, fun-filled activities with everyone!

Talk to you soon!  
Mike

## NEEDED



Digital Camera  
(to save memories)

Jewish Children's  
Books

Quiet Indoor  
Games & Puzzles



# JEWISH TRIVIA



## NEW MONTHLY TRIVIA QUESTIONS



Submit your answer on an index card by the end of this month. A winner will be drawn from all of the correct answers. Prizes will be awarded and the winners will be named in the bulletin.

### ANSWERS FROM LAST MONTH:

*What material is mostly used in building houses in Jerusalem?*  
Jerusalem stone

*What is the name and what are the colors of the Jerusalem soccer team?*

Beitar Jerusalem—Black and Yellow

*Who served as mayor of Jerusalem for 28 years?*  
Teddy Kollek

### 1st Graders & younger please answer this question:

What type of tree branch did the dove bring back after the flood?

### 2nd - 4th Graders please answer this question:

What is associated with both Chanukah and Tu B'Shevat?

### 5th Graders & older please answer this question:

Which tree branches are on the Israeli country emblem (on both sides of the Menorah)?



## Tu B'Shevat Seder

Sunday, February 5

10:00 am - In the Social Hall

Tu B'Shevat Seder - during Religious School

The entire congregation is invited to attend!

At the seder, we will learn how trees connect us and how they hold the world together. We will learn how our family connects us and how they hold us together.

We will learn how Judaism connects us and how it holds us together.

We learn the blessings associated with each of these foods  
(and some wine or grape juice, of course!).



## COUPON SWAP

Bring in coupons you don't use  
and take those you do

As we begin a new year and look forward to our tax return let us remember that there are other ways of saving money and of helping others to save money as well. There is now a blue file in the office that holds coupons. Feel free to come and look at the coupons that have been filed and drop off your cut coupons to be filed.



## March of the Living 2012

An Experience of History and Destiny

Attention all 11th graders!!!

Join thousands of Jewish teens from around the world on a two-week, life-altering journey that marks the tragedy of the Holocaust in Poland followed by a celebration of the establishment of the State of Israel in the Jewish Homeland.

**April 16-30, 2012**

For more information go to: [www.bbyo.org/march](http://www.bbyo.org/march)

**Scholarship** for students of Temple Israel families are available through the **Tess and Abe O. Wise March of the Living Temple Israel Endowment Fund**. Contact the synagogue office at 407-647-3055 for more information.

# Family Shabbat Dinner

February 17, 2012



6:00 pm - Family Shabbat Dinner  
\$10 Per Family

7:00 pm - Pre-K - 1st Grade  
Shabbat Services

Please RSVP to the office:  
407-647-3055 or  
[templeisrael@tiflorida.org](mailto:templeisrael@tiflorida.org)

# Temple Israel Sisterhood - Welcome Home!



Shalom:

Well, it's another exciting month for Temple Israel and the Sisterhood.

We enjoyed Sisterhood Shabbat in January. What a beautiful service for the entire congregation. It's wonderful that so many of our members were able to participate in the Shabbat service. I especially appreciated the service leaders, the Torah readers and all the ladies who had aliyot, readings and other duties. Of course, Kiddush luncheon was delicious. Very special thanks to Edie Fenster, Nicki D'Amato and Patty Rose for coordinating the entire service from beginning to end. Fabulous job.

The Florida Region on Wheels is also a great Women's League activity. February 12-14, 2012, we are going to Ft. Lauderdale and surrounding South Florida for some great programs and activities including a cruise on the Jungle Queen for a tropical tour and the Holocaust Memorial in Miami. What an experience it will be!

In March we'll continue our Hiddur Mitzvah Project. Florida is using the entire month to give all Sisterhoods a chance to have a project or program. WLCJ has many resources for us to use. There are so many materials to access at the WLCJ website, [www.wlcj.com](http://www.wlcj.com). Create an account and enjoy the site to get ideas and to keep track of your sisters in distant Hoods.

If you would like Sisterhood to set up a project around one of your personal mitzvahs from your list, simply contact the synagogue or email Val @ [vkahn54@gmail.com](mailto:vkahn54@gmail.com). You can also call 407-319-2768 (cell).

We are also hoping to host one of the Education Directors, Lisa Kogen, from Women's League, to offer a study session. Details will be in the next bulletin. There will be updates in emails and the weekly Shabbat handout.

Last, if you are interested in participating in a congregation wide catering committee (not chairman), please contact the office. Don't forget we are also working on our endowment funds in the Sisterhood for updated guidelines and applications. We need your input. So consider joining us to decide how we will utilize our hard earned funds to enhance the education of our children. Summer is just around the corner! Just kidding.

Love,

Val  
Sisterhood President

## Sisterhood Movie Club

Thursday February 16 at 7:00 pm at the home of Mollie Savage

### **Movie: The Help:**

Set in Mississippi during the 1960s, a southern society girl returns from college determined to become a writer, but turns her friends' lives and a small Mississippi town upside down when she decides to interview the black women who have spent their lives taking care of prominent southern families. Aibileen, Skeeter's best friend's housekeeper, is the first to open up to the dismay of her friends in the tight-knit black community. Despite Skeeter's life-long friendships hanging in the balance, she and Aibileen continue their collaboration and soon more women come forward to tell their stories and, as it turns out, they have a lot to say.

# Torah Fund

women ensuring Conservative/Masorti Jewish education



A very important aspect of Sisterhood is to raise money for the WLCJ Torah Fund campaign. Your donation to the Torah Fund is used in countless ways to assure that our Conservative/Masorti traditions, rituals and culture continue to thrive.

With a donation of \$180 or larger you will receive the 5772 Torah Fund pin (titled Hiddur Mitzvah).

If you have any questions, please contact Carol Albert Temple Israel Sisterhood, Torah Fund Chairperson  
carol@mindspring.com / 407-862-2868



5772 Torah Fund pin

A campaign to ensure our legacy to future generations of Conservative Jews by providing:

Rabbis  
Cantors  
Educators and Administrators  
for Day Schools and Synagogue Schools  
Synagogue Administrators  
Social Workers  
Scholars  
Lay Leaders  
Researchers

## Sisterhood Meeting

February 26, 2012

From 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

In the Social Hall

Temple Israel Sisterhood invites you to come and listen to Sara Gabriel Nalley, a Jewish "Ori-Yenta." She will take you on an entertaining journey through her school days and tell of growing up in Harbin and Shanghai, China.

Sara Gabriel Nalley is the daughter of early Jewish Pioneers who fled their home in Russia prior to WW1 to make a new life in China. Born in Harbin, Manchuria, she grew up in Shanghai, and attended the Shanghai Jewish School which was run by Sephardic Jews.

Her family, including her parents, moved to Israel in 1948. She was married in Shanghai after WW2, moved to New York, and later to Miami. She moved to Orlando where she is presently residing.



WITH THESE HANDS-A TASTE OF TEMPLE ISRAEL SISTERHOOD  
\$30.00 plus \$5.00 for shipping and handling

If you would like to have a copy of our sisterhood cookbook, please let us know.

Synagogue Office: 407-647-3055, [templeisrael@tiflorida.org](mailto:templeisrael@tiflorida.org)

Marion Daitzman: 407-843-3406, [daitzm@aol.com](mailto:daitzm@aol.com)

Sandy Oser: 407-295-3393, [tzaindl@aol.com](mailto:tzaindl@aol.com)

Proceeds will benefit the charitable projects supported by Sisterhood.

## Aprons

Temple Israel Sisterhood members are sporting beautiful aprons thanks to a generous donation from Bette Ann Leider.

Sisterhood is selling them as a fundraiser in our gift shop for a low price of \$12. Be a part of the "Hood" and pick one up to spread the joy of Sisterhood from our kitchen to yours.



# *Temple Israel's Gift Shop*

*We have gifts for the memories you will cherish...*

**TODAY**



*Forever*



**Tomorrow**

## *Gift Shop Hours:*

*Wednesdays 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm and  
Sundays 9:30 am - 12:00 noon  
(during Religious School)*

## **Ma'asim Tovim - Birthday Party**

February birthday party at the Boys & Girls Club in Altamonte Springs, Tuesday, February 14, 4:30 pm  
For info or to participate, call Arlene van de Rijn at 407-761-1243.



Do you want to do something sweet for your synagogue?

Purchase 2 Costco cakes for one of our Boys and Girls Clubs Birthday Parties!!!!

Only \$36

Make check payable to Temple Israel with a memo that says **Ma'asim Tovim. THANK YOU!!!**

## *Reading the Megillah*



Purim begins on Saturday, March 7th.  
Please contact Debbie Meitin at  
407-788-7277 or [dmeitin@cfl.rr.com](mailto:dmeitin@cfl.rr.com)  
if you are interested in reading the  
Megillah (Hebrew or English).  
CDs will be provided.

### Kol Hakavod To Bill Kahn & Thank You For Sharing!

Protect yourself against being scammed or defrauded.

Temple Israel member Bill Kahn developed his own website that helps you do just that.

Local columnist Greg Dawson wrote an article about Bill's website in the October 24, 2011 edition of the Orlando Sentinel. Greg stated the following, "The website, [www.stopthescam.org](http://www.stopthescam.org), helps consumers navigate the treacherous waters of the marketplace. It's one of the smartest and most user-friendly sites of this sort I've ever seen." It is different from other sites because it gets to the essence of crooks' actions quickly with bulleted lines of how to detect scams, frauds and cons."

The website is a continually expanding encyclopedia that quickly identifies crooks' actions. It presently contains 16 major topics, and over 60 sub-topics, 80 video clips, mostly from TV news investigative reporters and news anchors, and over 1,000 scam/fraud/con items to watch out for.

Check it out by going to [www.stopthescam.org](http://www.stopthescam.org)

## Monthly “Conversations with the Rabbi”

Sunday, March 4, 2012 @ 4:00 pm

Topic: The End is Nigh - 2012 and all that

Event Location:

**WineStyles.**

Winter Springs Town Center  
1196 Tree Swallow Drive #1314  
Winter Springs, FL 32708  
Questions? Contact- 407-672-2049



June 26, 2011 Event at Borders Bookstore

## TEMPLE ISRAEL LIBRARY NEWS



*A TRAIN IN WINTER: An Extraordinary Story of Women, Friendship, and Resistance in Occupied France*,  
Caroline Moorehead. Harper/HarperCollins Publishers.



In January 1943, 230 women of the French Resistance were sent to the death camps by the Nazis who had invaded and occupied their country. This is their story, told in full for the first time - a searing and unforgettable chronicle of terror, courage, defiance, survival, and the power of friendship. Caroline Moorehead, a distinguished biographer, human rights journalist, and the author of *Dancing to the Precipice* and *Human Cargo*, brings to life an extraordinary story that readers of Mitchell Zuckoff's *Lost in Shangri-La*, Erik Larson's *In the Garden of Beasts*, and Laura Hillenbrand's *Unbroken* will find an essential addition to our retelling of the history of World War II - a riveting, rediscovered story of courageous women who sacrificed everything to combat the march of evil across the world. They were teachers, students, chemists, writers, and housewives. Eventually, the Gestapo hunted down 230 of these women and imprisoned them in a fort outside Paris. Separated from home and loved ones, these disparate individuals turned to one another, their common experience conquering divisions of age, education, profession, and class, as they found solace and strength in their deep affection and camaraderie.

In January 1943, they were sent to their final destination: Auschwitz. Only forty-nine would return to France.

*A Train in Winter* draws on interviews with these women and their families; German, French, and Polish archives; and documents held by World War II resistance organizations to uncover a dark chapter of history that offers an inspiring portrait of ordinary people, of bravery and survival—and of the remarkable, enduring power of female friendship. --*HarperCollins*.

If you need assistance in finding a book, or a blue Library Patron Card, please contact your Librarian, Sylvia Schafer, at 407-388-9933, or [raamses@cfl.rr.com](mailto:raamses@cfl.rr.com).

## Library Hours

The Library is open for your convenience on  
Sundays from 10:30 am - 12:00 noon and other times by appointment.

## Men's Club

Attention all Temple Israel Men.

Come out and join Men's Club.  
All ages and backgrounds



**We Need  
Your Support!**

welcome  
for  
fellowship,  
fun  
and  
service  
to Temple Israel.

Remit \$35 annual  
dues to the  
synagogue office to  
the attention of  
Men's Club.

## Men's Club Meeting

**Everyone is invited!**

**Sunday, February 12**

9:30 am in the Social Hall

## Hadassah Shabbat



On Friday, February 24th Hadassah members will be involved with Shabbat services across our nation. One hundred years ago on February 24th, Henrietta Szold met with a group of women to start the amazing Hadassah Program. The Orlando Hadassah Chapter is pleased to participate and celebrate the significant anniversary at Temple Israel.

## New at Temple Israel Services

### Sunday Shot of Spirit

9:00 am - 9:30 am Every Sunday-Morning Services (Chapel)

Please use the signup to help us guarantee a minyan (10 people) at the service.

You can check the signup anytime to see how we're doing.

**[www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044BACAF23A31-minyan1](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044BACAF23A31-minyan1)**

### Friday, February 3, 2012

6:30 pm - Meet and Greet (Lobby)

7:00 pm - Shabbat Matters - find out why (Sanctuary)

### Friday, February 10, 2012

6:00 pm - Shabbat Dinner (Social Hall)

6:30 pm - Meet and Greet (Lobby)

7:00 pm - Musical Simcha Shabbat (Sanctuary)



Wi-Fi now available  
anywhere in our building.

Use key/password

**torah123**

to log onto

The following Wi-Fi sites:

tioffice1

tioffice2

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**Please not on Shabbat.**

We are grateful to the  
late Jennie Arkin for  
leaving Temple Israel in  
her will. A yahrzeit  
plaque for both Harold  
and Jennie Arkin has  
been ordered for the  
sanctuary.



## HOT OFF THE GRILL-GREAT OPPORTUNITY

Be part of our new Catering Team for  
One Friday Family Dinner and  
One Saturday Havdalah a Month

Arrange for set up of Social Hall  
Purchasing  
Food Preparation  
Serving

Want to be part of the recipe?

Contact Michelle: [office@tiflorida.org](mailto:office@tiflorida.org) Subject: Catering Team



8  
OVER  
80



Pictured left to right  
(standing):

- **Harvey Arnowitz**
- Al Gross
- Dr. Norman Wall
- Lester Mandall

Pictured left to right (sitting):

- **Tess Wise**
- **Elaine Lustig**
- Helen Greenspun
- Bea Kellogg

*Congratulations to Temple Israel's very own:  
Harvey Arnowitz, Elaine Lustig & Tess Wise*

The Kinneret Council on Aging will proudly pay tribute to 8 individuals over the age of 80 who have made significant contributions to the Central Florida community.

Kinneret Council on Aging 8 over 80 Banquet  
Sunday, February 26, 2012  
4:00 pm - Cocktails  
5:00 pm - Dinner & Program

Please respond by February 15, 2012  
Reservations required, \$100 per person  
For reservations, greetings or ads in tribute book  
call Leslie Collin at 407-425-4537 or email [lcollin@bellsouth.net](mailto:lcollin@bellsouth.net)



Elise Schilowitz of Temple Israel Honored by Jewish Pavilion  
By Reva Shader, Pavilion volunteer

The Jewish Pavilion produces a yearly Gala to acclaim with enthusiasm the success of all our extraordinary volunteers in their bringing love, joy, and life to our needy and elderly confined to retirement centers and nursing homes. We honor every one of them, and on this auspicious occasion, our Gala, we spotlight special members who have given far beyond the call of duty. One of these outstanding volunteers is a member of Temple Israel, and we are delighted to announce that Elise Schilowitz is on our list of honorees.

Elise had been working as a volunteer when she was invited to become a member of The Board of The Friends of the Jewish Pavilion, and it was with great pleasure she accepted. Eventually, she was invited to step into the President's position where she still presides, and with that responsibility, she also sits on the Board of the Jewish Pavilion. She has thoroughly enjoyed all the activities involved within the organization and her fellow board members. Elise has played a tremendous role working with the planning committee and actually setting up for the Gala each year, and continues to do so. Her vivacious demeanor, dazzling smile, and cheery disposition places everyone she meets at ease, and is a sheer delight to those in the facilities she visits. Elise's beautiful mother, Esther Hoffeld, resides at Oakmont Village, and our frequent visits continue to convey a sense of warmth, friendship and caring to all the residents.

Elise and her husband, Henry, have been members of Temple Israel since 1971 when they first arrived to this community, and their two sons and daughter observed their bar and bat mitzvahs there as well.

The Gala is being held on April 22, 2012 at the Westin Hotel in Lake Mary at 5:00 pm. Please celebrate with this wonderful woman, along with Susie Kleiman and Carol Feuerman, our two additional honorees, and share in the wonder of this occasion!



Dues are not enough



to keep the lights on.

Consider becoming a

## ***"Keeper of the Flame"***

Choose an annual dues level

Benefactors	\$15,000 and up
Pillars	\$10,000 to \$14,999
Defenders	\$7,800 to \$9,999
Guardians	\$5,300 to \$7,799
Protectors	\$3,300 to \$5,299
Preservers	\$2,400 to \$3,299
Kindlers	\$2,000 to \$2,399

It is with the support of our members who are able to give more than the minimum requirements that we are able to sustain our synagogue, staff and facility.

In appreciation of your support, Keepers of the Flame are welcome at all Shabbat Dinners, Seders, and have admission to all events. A reservation is all that is required.

# December 2011 Donations

## CEMETERY FUND

In Honor Of Donor  
**The B'nai Mitzvah of Rachel Brown & Daniel Brown**  
 Phyllis Englander

## GENERAL FUND

In Memory Of Donor  
 Anne Siegel, sister Ruth Donenfeld  
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## HAROLD & HANNAH ROSENBLUM EDUCATION FUND

In Memory Of Donor  
 Morris Lifshitz, uncle Edith Fenster

## KITCHEN FUND

In Memory Of Donor  
 Fannie Friedman, mother Rosalind J. Levitt

## LIBRARY FUND

In Memory Of Donor  
 Harry Baum, father Miriam B. Cohen

## MARLENE A. DAVIS ART EDUCATION FUND

In Memory Of Donor  
 Marlene Davis Sharon & Lee Sisselsky  
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## December Kiddush Luncheon Hostesses:

- |                   |                     |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| ★ Lauren Brown    | ★ Valerie Kahn      |
| ★ Marion Daitzman | ★ Phyllis Kamenoff  |
| ★ Sara Danziger   | ★ Fabienne Kaplan   |
| ★ Julia Fineberg  | ★ Sarabecca Rosier  |
| ★ Shirley Gold    | ★ Barbara Weinreich |



# We Welcome New Members

Emely Katz & Natan Brener

A Big THANK YOU goes out to:



Sally Sosnoff  
Steve Berg  
Erica Michaels

For donating books to our Library

## Mazel Tov!

*Natasha Agee &  
Jonathan Chisdes  
in honor of  
their marriage.*



*Our condolences to...*

***Marjorie Dreayer and family  
on the death of her beloved brother,  
Dr. Donald Siebert.***

*Thank You!*

Kris Crane, Joe Ihns, Sandy Oser,  
Penelope Neely & Arlene van de Rijn.

For volunteering in the office  
during the month of January.

If you are interested in being an office  
volunteer, please call 407-647-3055.

# Birthdays

February

- 1 Robert Kaplan
- 3 Jacob Fuller
- 4 Danielle Dobbs
- 5 Bennett Buxbaum
- 5 Joanne Goetz
- 5 Sharon Sachs
- 8 Lori Kimelman
- 9 David Allison
- 9 Arla Crane
- 9 Michael Fineberg
- 9 Bill Kahn
- 10 Rachael Fuller
- 10 Sharon Sernik
- 11 Leigh Schwartz
- 11 Benjamin Share
- 13 Morris Feldman
- 13 Richard Knapp
- 13 Elise Schilowitz
- 14 Nicki D'Amato
- 14 Rebecca Kira
- 17 Laurence Richman
- 17 Howard Sherman
- 18 Alan Moss
- 18 Morris Sorin
- 20 Marjorie Dreayer
- 20 Gary Reilly
- 20 Bernard Weinstein
- 21 Julia Fineberg
- 21 Dorie Goldberg
- 22 Gladys Leckart
- 23 Yang Berg
- 23 Henry Schilowitz
- 23 Brenda Seligson
- 25 Steven Berg
- 25 Jessica Sheffler
- 26 Joe Ihns
- 27 Michaela Shimer
- 28 Ellen Lang

**We hope to  
see you at  
Simcha  
Shabbat  
at 7:00 pm  
on Friday,  
February 10.**

**Your  
anniversary,  
birthday,  
or any other  
simcha, will  
be recognized,  
and you will be  
blessed from  
the pulpit.**

# Anniversaries

February

- 3 Sunnie & Meyer Lichtenstein
- 6 Erin & Andrew Katzman
- 15 Doris & Robert Glasser
- 18 Kathy Rosenbluh & Michael Stern
- 20 Lori & David Kimelman
- 21 Allison & Kevin Hayden
- 24 Irene & Chet Herman
- 25 Linda & Raymond Gerber



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# Board's "Bulletin"

## Want An Issue Discussed?

Please call or e-mail someone on the board so the issue can be put on the agenda.

## Next Board Meeting

Thursday, February 7  
7:00 pm in the Social Hall  
(meetings are open to  
congregation.)

## Sunday Shot of Spirit

9:00-9:30 AM Every Sunday-

Morning Services (Chapel)

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a minyan (10 people) at the service.

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how we're doing.

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# February 1 - 29, 2012 8 Shevat - 6 Adar 5772

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 am : Religious School</li> <li>9:00 am - 9:30 am : Morning Service</li> <li>9:00 am - 10:00 am : Men's Club World Wide Wrap</li> <li>9:15 am : Sisterhood Exercise Class</li> <li>9:30 am : 12:00 pm : Gift Shop</li> <li>9:30 am : Marketing Committee Meeting</li> <li>10:00 am : Religious School</li> <li>Tu B'Shevat Seder</li> <li>10:30 am - 12:00 pm : Library Open</li> <li>11:00 am - 12:00 pm : Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class</li> </ul>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7:00 pm : Board of Directors Meeting</li> </ul>	<p>8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tu B'Shevat</li> <li>4:00 pm : Religious School</li> <li>4:00 pm - 6:00 pm : Gift Shop</li> <li>4:30 pm : Sisterhood Exercise Class</li> <li>7:00 pm : Adult Education Committee Meeting</li> </ul>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6:00 pm : Shabbat Dinner</li> <li>6:30 pm : Meet &amp; Greet</li> <li>7:00 pm : Simcha Shabbat Services</li> </ul>	<p>11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:30 am : Shabbat Services</li> <li>11:00 am : Junior Congregation</li> <li>12:30 pm : Judaism in a Nutshell</li> </ul>
<p>12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lincoln's Birthday</li> <li>9:00 am : Religious School</li> <li>9:00 am - 9:30 am : Morning Service</li> <li>9:15 am : Sisterhood Exercise Class</li> <li>9:30 am - 12:00 pm : Gift Shop</li> <li>9:30 am : Men's Club Meeting</li> <li>10:30 am - 12:00 pm : Library Open</li> <li>11:00 am - 12:00 pm : Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class</li> <li>11:00 am : Membership Committee Meeting</li> </ul>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4:30 pm : Boys and Girls Club Birthday Party</li> </ul>	<p>15</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12:00 pm - 1:00 pm : Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Neely</li> <li>4:00 pm : Religious School</li> <li>4:00 pm - 6:00 pm : Gift Shop</li> <li>4:30 pm : Sisterhood Exercise Class</li> </ul>	<p>16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7:00 pm : Sisterhood Movie Club</li> </ul>	<p>17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6:00 pm : Family Shabbat Dinner</li> <li>6:30 pm : Meet &amp; Greet</li> <li>7:00 pm : Pre-K - 1st Grade Shabbat Services</li> </ul>	<p>18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:30 am : Shabbat Services</li> <li>11:00 am : Junior Congregation</li> <li>12:30 pm : Judaism in a Nutshell</li> </ul>
<p>19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Religious School</li> <li>9:00 am - 9:30 am : Morning Service</li> <li>11:00 am - 12:00 pm : Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class</li> </ul>	<p>20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>President's Day</li> <li>7:00 pm : Budget &amp; Finance Committee Meeting</li> </ul>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Washington's Birthday</li> <li>12:00 pm - 1:00 pm : Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Neely</li> <li>4:00 pm : Religious School</li> <li>4:00 pm - 6:00 pm : Gift Shop</li> <li>4:30 pm : Sisterhood Exercise Class</li> </ul>	<p>23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rosh Chodesh Adar</li> <li>7:00 pm : Executive Committee Meeting</li> </ul>	<p>24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rosh Chodesh Adar</li> <li>6:30 pm : Meet &amp; Greet</li> <li>7:00 pm : Hadassah Shabbat Services</li> </ul>	<p>25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:30 am : Shabbat Services</li> <li>11:00 am : Junior Congregation</li> <li>12:30 pm : Judaism in a Nutshell</li> </ul>
<p>26</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 am : Religious School</li> <li>9:00 am - 9:30 am : Morning Service</li> <li>9:15 am : Sisterhood Exercise Class</li> <li>9:30 am - 12:00 pm : Gift Shop</li> <li>10:00 am - 12:00 pm : Sisterhood Meeting</li> <li>10:30 am - 12:00 pm : Library Open</li> <li>11:00 am - 12:00 pm : Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class</li> <li>12:00 pm : Education Committee Meeting</li> </ul>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7:00 pm : Sisterhood Board Meeting</li> </ul>	<p>29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12:00 pm - 1:00 pm : Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Neely</li> <li>4:00 pm : Religious School</li> <li>4:00 pm - 6:00 pm : Gift Shop</li> <li>4:30 pm : Sisterhood Exercise Class</li> </ul>			

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