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Member of U.R.J.



Tu B'Shevat Seder

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18TH 6:00 P.M.

PASTA DINNER WITH ALL THE FIXINGS
MEMBERS \$10.00 - NON-MEMBERS \$13.00 - CHILDREN UNDER 13 FREE

PLEASE MAIL YOUR CHECK BY JANUARY 11TH TO:
TEMPLE BETH SHALOM
P. O. BOX 313
WINTER HAVEN, FL 33882

PLEASE CONTACT SANDI GRINKER FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AT SANDIGRINKER@GMAIL.COM OR 863-207-7440

PLANT A TREE CEREMONY –

We will be planting some palms Saturday, Jan. 19th at 12:00 p.m. that we hope will grow an abundance of branches that will adorn our Sukkah roof annually.



7th Annual International Holocaust Remembrance Day Ceremony Sunday, January 20th, 2019 • Registration starts at 2:00 pm, Ceremony begins at 3:00 pm

The International Diplomatic Corps of Florida, in cooperation with The United Nations Association of Tampa and Tampa Sister Cities International will be hosting their 7th Annual International Holocaust Remembrance Day Ceremony at the Italian Club of Sunday, January 20th. The hosts are happy to share this day with Holocaust survivor, Rifka Glatz of Sarasota and Mayor Rick Kriseman of St. Petersburg and other honorary dignitaries from around Tampa Bay.

RSVP Required due to limited seating. Please RSVP to Jana at jmelamut@idcfl.org



Calendar

January

January 4	7:30 p.m.	.....New Member Shabbat Service
January 6	9:30 a.m.	..... Brotherhood Breakfast
	10:00 a.m.	..... Adult Hebrew
January 8	12:00 p.m.	.....Mah Jongg
January 13	9:00 a.m.	..... TBS Board Meeting
	10:00 a.m.	..... Adult Hebrew
January 15	12:00 p.m.	..... Mah Jongg
January 18	6:00 p.m.	..... Tu B'Shevat Seder
January 19	9:30 a.m.	..... Torah Study
	12:00 p.m.	..... Plant a Tree Ceremony
January 20	10:00 a.m.	..... Adult Hebrew
January 22	2:00 p.m.	..... Holocaust Remembrance Day Celebration/Tampa (see article page 1)
January 22	12:00 p.m.	..... Mah Jongg
January 27	10:00 a.m.	..... Adult Hebrew
January 29	10:30 a.m.	..... Needlework
	12:00 p.m.	..... Mah Jongg

February

February 1	7:30 p.m.	..... Shabbat Service
February 2	9:30 a.m.	..... Torah Study
February 3	9:30 a.m.	..... Brotherhood Breakfast
	10:00 a.m.	..... Adult Hebrew
February 5	11:00 a.m.	..... Book Club
	12:00 p.m.	.....Mah Jongg
February 9	7:00 p.m.	..... Murder Mystery Party
February 10	9:00 a.m.	..... TBS Board Meeting
	10:00 a.m.	..... Adult Hebrew
February 12	12:00 p.m.	.....Mah Jongg
February 15	7:30 p.m.	.....Shabbat Service / Guest Speaker Joy Katzen

Donations

- Donations in memory of Art Feder have been received from: Angelo Telesco, Ursula Telesco, Paul Telesco, Gordon and Martha Cronk, Irwin & Brenda Kleinman, Barbara & Clint Brooks, Hollis & Debbie Hooks, Arlene Greenberg, Douglas & Jane Boerner, Bert Devorsetz & Dottie Fitch, Sandy Gasson, Janis Koike and Irene Clark. Aase Feder and family thanks everyone for their kindness and generous donations to our Temple in memory of Art.
- Sandy Gasson has made a donation in memory of Ela Deniz, daughter of Laurel Friedman and granddaughter of Barry Friedman and Sharon Hodges.
- Herb and Diane LeShay have made a yartzeit donation in memory of Frances Cornell and Sarah LeShay.
- Arlene Greenberg has made a yartzeit donation in memory of her father, Jay Browde.
- Sharon Shuller has made a yartzeit donation for her family members: Isadore Shuller (father), Florence G. Shuller (mother), Stephen Shuller (brother), Abraham Shuller (grandfather), Martha Shuller (grandmother), Victor Golfman (grandfather) and Sarah Golfman (mother).
- We have received over \$500 in donations towards our \$1800.00 Torah Restoration Fund goal. A list of contributors will be included in next month's Chai Lites.

*Warm thoughts and prayers to Rabbi Herzfeld
for a speedy and full recovery.*

Thank You's

- To Judy and Michael Richter for hosting Dinner with the Rabbi on December 14th
- To Phil Grinker, Meryl Crews and Margo Fleisher for leading the New Member Service on January 4th in honor of new members Nathan Herbig and Howard Kerner.

January Yartzeits

John Mixer husband of Lorraine Mixer
Robert Stiles perpetual Yahrzeit
Anna Starlight grandmother of Steve Zwerling
Charles Starlight grandfather of Steve Zwerling
Herman Zwerling father-in-law of Susan Zwerling
Lena Briklod grandmother of Meryl Chayt
Charles Herbert Lacombe perpetual yahrzeit
Joseph Greenberg father-in-law of Arlene Greenberg
Isadore Shuller father of Sharon Shuller
Gladys Spitzer sister of Joe Epstein
Jeanne Sundheim Siegel sister-in-law of Adrienne Sundheim
Sadie Heyman Bergman mother of Jerry Heyman
Morris Kohen grandfather of Margo Fleisher
Meyer Studiem father of Sheila Watkins
Leo Kleinman father of Irwin Kleinman
Stanley Sundheim father of Rabbi Frank Sundheim

Martha Shuller grandmother of Sharon Shuller
Stanley Friedman father of Scott Friedman
Norman Greenberg husband of Arlene Greenberg
father of Steven Greenberg
Abraham Silverstein father-in-law of Dick Ross
Charlotte Browde sister of Arlene Greenberg
Herman Greenbaum father of Korina Masters
Pola Bromberg mother of Varda Rotenberg
Stephen Zwerling husband of Susan Zwerling
Martin Morrison father of Alan Morrison
Bella Polley mother of Polly Weinmann
Phyllis Smith mother of Julia Smith
Harry L. Podoll grandfather of Janis Koike
Debra Segal mother of Jett Segal
Charles Cooper perpetual yartzeit

Cemetery Update • Planning for the Future

IN THE LATE NINETIES, after years of negotiation with the city of Winter Haven, Temple Beth Shalom, under the leadership of Stan Friedmann, purchased land in Rolling Hills Cemetery for the establishment of a Jewish cemetery. Two stone pillars donated by Beth Shalom families ((Dr. Robert and Pat Lerner, and Major (Ret) Jesse and Betty Mehrlust)) mark the entrance. Temple Beth Shalom has title to these lots and resells them to Jewish families and friends who choose to be buried in Rolling Hills.

Our current prices are in line with those charged by the city of Winter Haven. We were recently advised that the city will increase the cost of lots 2.5% per year. The Board has agreed that Beth Shalom should follow suit. Therefore, at the beginning of each fiscal year (May 01), Beth Shalom will increase the price of a lot by 2.5%. Current prices are \$1,000 for members and \$1,500 for non-members.

Note that this cost is for the lot only. Burial costs are determined by the city and the funeral home.

Beth Shalom, in keeping with tradition established in the Talmud, permits the burial of non-Jewish people in our cemetery.

The Talmud (Gittin 61a) states: “We bury dead gentiles along with dead Jews because of the ways of peace (darchei shalom).” Rashi writes that the Gemara means we bury them together if we find them together. But according to the Ran (ibid., 28a, s.v. “kovrin”), we bury non-Jews with Jews even if we find the bodies of gentiles by themselves.

Temple Beth Shalom will assist members and the Jewish community with ritual arrangements regardless of the burial site.

If you have questions or are interested in purchasing lots, please contact a member of the cemetery committee: Steven and Meryl Chayt, Janis Koike.

More information on our cemetery is available in a brochure found on our website.



A Murder Mystery Party

February 9, 2019 • 7:00 pm

You, the guest, will be playing the roles of staff, entertainers and guests at The Cat's Meow Jazz Club a joint during the 1920's. Social revolution meets Prohibition. Club owner, the big cheese, Felix Fontano is having a hooch party. You are welcomed to join the revelry of sophisticates, artists, and hoods, sugar daddies, vamps, skirts, dolls. No ragamuffins or killjoys.

Murder Mystery is improvisational acting, storytelling, and creative problem solving. You, the guest, will assume the role of a particular character and will play the part of the character throughout the course of the game. Each character has specific

personality traits, goals, secrets, and information, all of which is included in your character sheet. At some point during the party, an EVENT will occur that will force the players to come together in order to solve or unravel the mystery problem.

Get dolled up and hip to the jive for at the end, guests will vote best actor/actress, best 1920's dressed player, etc.

Do not be a flat tire or killjoy: Contact Meryl Crews or Joseph Rodriguez [561-301-1268] with any questions or suggestions.

We need help transforming our building into The Cat's Meow Jazz Club.



Temple Beth Shalom

Yahrtzeit Plaque Order Form

\$150.00 contribution.

Arrangement for payment to be made with the Temple Treasurer, Meryl Chayt, 294-6976

Requested by _____

Telephone Number _____ E-mail _____



Actual size sample shown.

Line One English date of death _____

Line Two Memorial Name in English _____

Line Three *optional, please check.*

_____ Memorial Name in Hebrew.

_____ or Memorial Name in Hebrew transliteration.

_____ son / daughter of _____ and _____
Hebrew name Father's Hebrew name Mother's Hebrew name

(If you do not know the Hebrew names we will gladly look them up)

Line Four *optional, please check.*

_____ Date of death in Hebrew.

_____ Date of death in Hebrew transliteration.

Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

(If you do not know the Hebrew date we will gladly look it up)