# We Wish You A Sappy Thanksgiving



# Congregation Sinai 2024

Did You Vote?

Did you Change your Clocks?

Are You Gonna Eat Turkey?



## From the Bimah

Here we are now, more than a year later and the war in Israel continues. This is very unusual as Israel's wars are normally shortterm events. Is it that somehow this is very different? Many Israelis, perhaps as many as 80,000 are displaced and cannot as yet return to their homes north of the Kinneret. The media in Europe and America is distressed for the Palestinians but there is no mention of displaced Israelis. There is also the situation of the hostages. I am supposed to offer newsletter articles that have something to do with spiritual or Torah matters. I am ultimately unable to separate the spiritual from the physical wellbeing and existence of the people of Israel. When a non-Jewish person goes through a conversion process to become Jewish by choice they are asked several questions. Among them is this "Do you embrace" your identity as a part of Am Yisrael and do you rejoice when Israel rejoices and are you distressed when Israel is in distress?". The religious, or spiritual, becomes part of the day-today reality of a people. There is no less expected of people who are born Jewish. I don't know of another faith that works the same way. Either way in this new year we have just entered I will pray

and hope for a proper resolution to the current conflict in Israel that is fair to all concerned. The continued safety and wellbeing of Israeli Jews is paramount. I hope that you will join me in this effort with your prayers and actions. Joe and Robin



## President's Message November 2024

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Hi Everyone! We are just past the High Holidays and have a lot to look forward to. First, a recap of the High Holidays. We had wonderful services led by Joe for Selichot, Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Robin was great on her harp (Thank You, Robin). Our choir was great, which I'm reluctant to say since I'm part of it, but we received many positive comments.

Our events all went well, including the Lunch & Learn, the second day of Rosh Hashanah, and the Break the Fast. My thanks go to Michele Sobel for running the Lunch & Learn, the Sisterhood for the Selichot Oneg and the second day of Rosh Hashanah, and Lew Blass for the Break the Fast.

The only comment that probably doesn't apply to those who read the Tablet is that attendance was low. In the past, the vast majority of members would attend the High Holidays. I realize that some people may have been ill or out of town, but I would be interested in hearing why other members chose to not attend, and if there is anything that we can do to help.

We lost one of our Founders this past month, Steve Silpe. Steve always took part in anything that he could help with. He was always positive, and looked to help or advise. A memorial Service is scheduled for Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, so hopefully you attended already.

Another loss this month was Caren Weiss. I didn't know Caren personally, but I've been told of her role with the Sisterhood for fundraising. A memorial service is scheduled for Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>.

Now for Milton. The temple lost power for a day and a half, but it returned on Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup> in the morning ( the morning before Kol Nidre). However, our internet did not return. I contacted Spectrum, who told me that a crew was onsite for the repair, and that it was expected to be working by 1 PM. That was good news. But 1 PM came and went, and the next message said 5 PM. That would have been fine, since Kol Nidre was scheduled for 6:30 PM. But it never came back, even by the next morning for Yom Kippur day. I was done with Spectrum and cancelled our service. We signed up with T-Mobile Business WiFi and were running by Tuesday night, the 15<sup>th</sup>. We will see how it performs. Coming up in November we have a Craft Fair on November 10<sup>th</sup> at the Clermont Arts & Recreation Center. I'm sure that everyone will be celebrating Thanksgiving at the end of the month.

Have a great month! Lou

Just one joke –

So the son-in-law picks up the ringing phone. It's a call from a cousin in Israel. "I'm sorry to tell you this, but your mother-in-law passed away here in Israel". He continues .. "now we can have her buried here and the cost only \$150, or send her home to the states for \$5,000".

The son-in-law thinks for a moment then replies ... "There was a man that died in Israel 2,000 years ago, that rose again, in three days".

Then continues .... "I can't take that chance".



#### **Beverly Chern, Sisterhood President**

Wow. I'm really glad October is over!!! It was a very stressful month for many of us with Hurricane Milton but together we managed to get thru it. I personally believe there definitely is a higher power since we regained electricity in our temple hours before the start of our Yom Kippur service. Wishing everyone a Happy and especially Healthy New Year.

On a sad note, we lost one of our sisters, Caren Weiss after a long illness. Caren was very talented and involved in many things outside our temple. She was very artistic and came up with the designs and decorations for our annual fashion shows. Despite her illness Caren was able to obtain numerous sponsors over the years to help donate money and gifts for our fashion show fund raising events. Our Sisterhood prepared the food for her memorial service. Caren will be greatly missed. May she rest in peace. We finally had our Sisterhood Paid Up Membership Luncheon which was postponed from September. Sisterhood has a lot of fun and exciting events planned for the upcoming year starting with our game day on November 21<sup>st</sup>. It's not too late to get your teams together and contact Ava McKean for your lunch order as food will be ordered from TooJay's. Instead of having our annual fashion show in January, we are excited to announce that we will be doing a Murder Mystery Night on January 25, 2025 so please save that date. This will be an inter-active evening open to everyone and promises to be a fun evening. Details will follow

Also in 2025, Sisterhood has awesome cruises planned on Princess Cruise Lines. See the attached flyers. Remember, what happens on the ship, stays on the ship.

I'm so excited and I just can't hide it, so I'll let you in on our big event. In the spring time, our really BIG fundraising event will be an evening of entertainment as we will be having a Casino Night. You can BET that will be a lot of fun. This will be set up and run by a professional company to help us with our fundraiser. This will be a night of entertainment and we will have blackjack, poker, craps and a roulette table. Of course, we will have other monthly events so look for emails from sisterhood.

Love, Bev

## Mens Club from Pierre Haskelson

- \* The next share the night is October 29 at the Texas Road house restaurant.
- \* The Men's Club is considering and would like input to adding a 15minute presentation at each of its meeting. This would be done by a volunteer on any non-political subject. It would be summarized and sent to the congregation for information and positive or negative comment.

### The subject could be:

- \*The growth of technology in the automobile industry.
- \*Comment on an Amazon article saying that placing a bar of soap under the mattress will help sleep.
- \* A member reporting on an important occurrence in his life or the life of a friend.
- \* The installation of a voltage smoothing device will save many \$ in your electric bill.

It might also provide participation by members who are unable to physically attend meetings.

Shalom,

**Pierre** 

# **Yahrzeit Contributions**

#### October 2024

**Donor Loved One** 

Connie Lawrason Paul Lawrason Sr

Judith & Michael Goldsmith Frank Gerber

Sylvia Gerber

Pierre & Rosalyn Haskelson Marthe Haskelson

**Cecile Haskelson** 

**Jacques Haskelson** 

Russell & Tobie Koskie Marnie Koskie

Trudy Burger Carrie Bieleous Burger

**Dr. Harold Burger** 



Happy Birthday to our November babies!

Susan Levy	November 05
Carole Pritzker	November 11
Karen Miller	November 14
Scott Schlazer	November 20
Mike Sail	November 22



# Happy Anniversary to November couples

Susan and John Levy	November 12
Alberto and Regina Behar	November 09

# ributes: Happy Birthday Tributes

Gwen Levy			
Karen Miller			
Lynne and Rick Vincent			
Gwen Levy			
Karen Miller			
Rick and Lynne Vincent			
Ruth Borsky			
Lynne and Rick Vincent			
Karen Miller			
Janet and Phil Bloom			
Ruth Borsky			
Marsha and Lee Norden			
Karen and Joel Mandel			
Barbara and Evan Cronson			
Evelyn and Stu Gold			
Pierre and Roz Haskelson			
Rochelle Coleman			
Ruth Borsky			
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Gwen Levy			
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## **Happy Anniversary**

Bonnie and Brad Farber	Gwen Levy	
	Karen Miller	
Ava and David McKean	Ruth Borsky	

## **Condolences**

To From

Kenny Weiss Sisterhood

**Michele and Pete Sobel** 

Vicki and Don Dingee

**Marsha and Lee Norden** 

Ava and David McKean

**Karen and Joel Mandel** 

**Gwen Levy** 

Roz Silpe Karen and Joel Mandel

### **Thank You**

Ava and David McKean Lynne Vincent

Sue Levy Lynne Vincent

Sisterhood Lynne Vincent

**Get Well** 

Joyce Cohen Ruth Borsky

Lou Chern Ruth Borsky

Lynn Vincent Susan Chern

Basha Schlazer Ava and David McKean

Gwen Levy

Sisterhood

Steve Schoninger Vicki and Don Dingee

Marsha Norden Barbara and Evan Cronson

Ava and David McKean

Karen Miller

Gwen Levy

David Bennett Lynne and Rick Vincent

# **CALENDAR**

November 2024						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
					1 Healing service 6:30 PM Shabbat Service 7:00PM	2 10AM – Torah Study Temple
Religious School 10:00 AM Mens Club Meeting 10:00 AM AED Class 12:30	4 Beginning Hebrew 7:00 PM	5 Your Choice Anti Semitism	6 Sisterhood Board Meeting 10:00 AM Torah Study 7::00:Online	7	8 Shabbat Service 7:00 PM	Torah Study online
10 Religious School 10:00 AM  CRAFT FAIR Clermont Arts and Rec Center	11 Beginning Hebrew 7:00 PM	12 ?????????	13 Torah Study 7::00:Online	14 Congregation Board Meeting 7:00 PM	15 7::00 Shabbat Service	16 10AM – Torah Study online
17 Religious School 10:00 AM	18 Beginning Hebrew 7:00 PM	19	<b>20</b> Torah Study 7::00:Online	21 Sisterhood General Meeting 12:00 GAME DAY	22 Services for Shabbat 7:00 PM	23 10AM – Torah Study online6
24	25 Beginning Hebrew 7:00 PM 5	26	<b>27</b> Torah Study Online 7:00 PM	28 THANKSGIVING	29 Services For Shabbat 7:00 PM	30 10:00 AM Torah Study online