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MARCH 2022

HAPPY PURIM

Megillah Reading Wed, March 16 7:00 PM online

Miniature Golf Outing Saturday March 13 at 10:30 AM

Game Day March 17 2022 at 12:00 Noon

Pizza For Purim March 18 2022 at 6:00

Purim Celebration March 18, 2022 at 7:30

Virtual Bingo March 24 at 7:00 PM



From the Bimah

In my newsletter article last month, I offered the thought that we might consider thanking God at the start of each day with a simple prayer. Studying a bit of Torah daily is also wonderful to add to our routine. The basis of Judaism is of course to be found in the Torah. How it plays out in our lives is a result of decisions we make regularly. Most of the people who will read this letter are committed to some level of Jewish practice and most are also members of Congregation Sinai. Many of us have decades of Jewish experience that vary. All of us have some things in common. They will include Jewish prayer, Shabbat and Holiday observance and of course memories of the Jewish lives of parents and grandparents. Robin and I are purposely involved in Jewish religious activity not only when we are physically at our synagogue, but also in our personal time with friends and acquaintances. May I humbly suggest that some of us gather together with friends for Havdalah every so often. More could join us each Saturday for Torah study. If the format is not exactly what you prefer, we are open to change the Congregation Sinai study or you could initiate a Torah study of your own. Some of us are attending Hebrew language courses our synagogue offers. There is plenty of room for more to join us. In closing there are many ideas not mentioned here in this letter, but the concept is the same. Let's get more involved. We hope everyone stays in good health and always continues to learn.

Joe & Robin



Dear Fellow Members,

It appears the Covid 19 pandemic is beginning to come under control. With the coming of Spring we have a boat load of activities in the works for us all. Speaking about boats, the Sisterhood and Bev Chern have put together two cruises one in March and one in May. Call Bev for details. Purim festivities will start with an online reading of the Megillah on the Wednesday evening and a pizza and salad party on Shabbat. Look further in this issue for details. In memory of our dear friend Al Rosen, we will all get together for the first annual miniature golf outing (with lunch) for the entire family and friends on March 13th, again details are in this issue. Then get ready for our family style Passover Seder in April. Details including a sign up and reservation form are included in this issue. Seats are limited, so sign up quickly so as not to be disappointed. Our Sisterhood has a Bingo night scheduled, Ava assures me it is not fixed, and also a game day among other events. The Men's club works hard to find new venues for their spirit nights and March kicks off with a sold-out performance of "Parade" at the Garden Theater in Winter Garden. Last but certainly not least is the Chai Brunch on June 3rd, celebrating Congregation Sinai's eighteenth birthday, again see details in this issue. Stay tuned also for an announcement of a live concert, starring our own Joe Goldovitz.

These events are your opportunity to get involved and shake off the lethargy that has overtaken us over the last two years. Get out, come to services, come to our events. If you need a ride, call me. It is time to get back to living.

Prez Jack



Hi Everyone!

Thanks to everyone who have been attending our Share Nights! We have had a great time, while earning something for the congregation. For March, we have:

Mar 1	Outback Steakhouse
Mar 8	BONEFISH GRILL!!!
Mar 22	Goomba's
Mar 29	Texas Roadhouse

We've added Bonefish Grill in Winter Garden. We will check the turnout before scheduling any future events there. Please note that you can use ShopWithScrip at Bonefish to increase our earnings!

Pete Sobel has been busy organizing our first AL ROSEN Memorial Mini-Golf outing. The outing will be Sunday, March 13th at TreeTops Golf in Lady Lake. We will all begin golfing at 10:30 AM, followed by lunch and prizes. Lunch will be provided by TooJay's or Flipper's Pizza. Everyone is welcome, including friends and family, children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren and their friends and families. Tickets are \$36 for adults, and \$20 for children 12 and under. Contact Pete, or pick up a flier at the temple.

We have two consecutive weeks with Sunday conflicts (Parade at the Garden Theater, and the Mini-Golf outing), so rather than push back our meeting, we will skip March and have our next meeting Sunday, April 3rd.

We also need volunteers to set up the temple for Sisterhood's Game Day. The setup will be Monday, March 14 at noon.

Have a great March! Lou



I'm so confused

Where to go? When is it? How much? Who do I pay? What do I do?

March

6 Men's Club Show "Parade" at Winter Garden Theater. **SOLD OUT**

13 Men's Club Al Rosen Golf Tournament adult \$36.00 Under 12 \$12.00. Tee Time 10:30 Check to Congregation Sinai Men's Club

16 Reading of Megillah online with Joe at 7:00.

17 Sisterhood Game Day at Synagogue **SOLD OUT**

18 Pizza for Purim 6:00 at Synagogue \$5.00 per person \$12.00 family Make check out to Congregation Sinai and give to Karen Miller by March 11

18 Purim celebration with costumes, groggers and hamantashen, short Shabbat Service and tons of fun. Join us for fun No Charge

24 Sisterhood Virtual Bingo 7:00 PM 1 card \$10, 2 cards \$15 , 3 cards \$18 Checks to Marsha Norden. Deadline March 17.

APRIL

3 Chai Brunch Join us when we celebrate our Chai Year with a wonderful brunch(lox, bagels, kugel) and all the trimmings. \$18.00. Checks made out to Congregation Sinai..Any questions, contact Michele Sobel

16 Congregation Sinai Community Seder. Traditional Menu Cost \$18.00Adult, \$ 10.00 Children 5-12 Free for 4 and under. Checks made out to Congregation Sinai Contact person Michele Sobel 352-989-4900 Limited Seating.



Dear Sisters,

We had an enlightening meeting in February with Trish Kry from Faith Neighborhood. She reminded us that our help is very valuable and much appreciated. Sisterhood presented her a check and many Sisters contributed as well. Your generosity is so wonderful. Upcoming in March is Game Day on the 17th and we are sold out! On March 24th at 7 p.m. Sisterhood is sponsoring Virtual Bingo. Cards are 1 for \$10, 2 for \$15, and 3 for \$18. Please send your checks (made out to Congregation Sinai Sisterhood) to Marsha Norden at 21348 Royal Troon Drive, Leesburg, FL. 34748. Checks must be received by March 17th. A heads up for April, we are changing our meeting date because of Passover. A mini trip is planned to the Chocolate Museum in Orlando on April 28th. Sisterhood is also sponsoring a cruise on May 15th. Please call Bev Chern if you need info on it or ShopWithScrip. A few more individuals have joined our ShopWithScrip participants, and thank you! In case you want to send a check to Faith Neighborhood, the address is: 14727 Timber Village Rd, Groveland, FL. 34736. Hope to see you soon!

Ava



A tip from shopper Phil Bloom: Publix in Kings Ridge has

Hebrew National Salami in their deli and will slice it fresh for you.

He is a salami maven !!!!!



Bagels and Bible Torah study

These are the sidras we will be studying for the month of March:

- 1). 3/5/22 Pekudei, Ex 38:21 -- 40:38
- 2). 3/12/22 Vayikra, Lev 1:1 -- 5:26
- 3). 3/19/22 Tzav, 6:1 -- 8:36
- 4). 3/26/22 Shemini -- 9:1 -- 11:47

Please join us each Saturday morning as we pray a little, nosh a little and study our ancient history and traditions. Pete

Steve's Last Will and Testament;

Steve lived all his life in the Florida Keys and is on his deathbed and knows the end is near. His nurse, his wife, his daughter and two sons are with him. He asks for two witnesses to be present, and a camcorder be in place to record his last wishes, and when all is ready, he begins to speak:

"My son, Doug, I want you to take the Ocean Reef houses"

"My daughter Kelly, you take the apartments between mile markers 100 and Tavernier."

"My son, Kevin, I want you to take the offices over in the Marathon Government Center."

"Cathy, my dear wife, please take all the residential buildings on the bay side on Blackwater Sound."

The nurse and witnesses are blown away as they did not realize his extensive holdings, and as Steve slips away, the nurse says, "Your husband must have been such a hard-working man to have accumulated all this property."

The wife replies, "The asshole had a paper route."

Remember, next time you hate your life, it's all about perspective. I have a friend who reads 2-3 books a week, works out twice a day, and has people who want to have sex with him all the time, yet complains about how much he hates prison.



Virtual Bingo Night



March 24th at 7 p.m.

Everyone can play! Invite your friends!

Bingo cards can be purchased ahead of time with 1 for \$10, 2 for \$15, or 3 for \$18. Checks need to be made payable to Congregation Sinai Sisterhood. Please mail them to Marsha Norden at 21348 Royal Troon Drive, Leesburg, FL. 34748. Bingo Card checks must be received by Marsha by March 17th. The bingo cards will be emailed to you and can be printed at home. Prizes given to all our winners!

CAN YOU BELIEVE!

**Congregation Sinai is celebrating its 18th
year!**

We will be having a “Chai Brunch” on
Sunday, April 3, 2022 at Congregation Sinai at 11:00AM

Cost: \$18.00 per person

Bagels and lox brunch, with all the trimmings
Come join us for brunch, friendship, and enjoy seeing

“chai-lites” from the past 18 years.

Any questions, call Michele at 352-989-4900

Send check to Congregation Sinai, 4327 S. Highway 27

P.O. Box 315 Clermont, FL 34711

Chai Brunch

Name_____ **Phone** _____

of people_____ **check amount**_____

*****Please make check out to Congregation Sinai. Write
“Chai Brunch” in the lower left hand corner of the check and
the envelope. Thank you.**



**One of the things that makes Purim special is the giving of
Mishloach Manot**

What are Mishloach Manot? There's no special requirement for what goes into your mishloach manot, but they usually contain sweets like hamantaschen or cookies. It is also traditional to include two portions of food for sharing.

Let's embrace the Purim spirit and bring non perishable foods to donate to our more needy neighbors. Please bring them to services or to our Purim celebration. Let's feel good this Purim that we have filled some hungry tummies.

Jahrzeits



In Memory Of

Al Schlazer

By Basha Schlazer

Esther Raiffa

*By Rosalind and
Steven Silpe*

Gussie Weinberg

Charlotte Gomer

Meyer Gomer

Joseph Kahn

By Stewart Kahn

Morris Skrabacky

By Linda Simontacchi

Dorothy Feldman

*By Russell and Tobie
Koskie*

Alec Scott Friedman

*By Olene and Andrew
Feldman*

Samuel Morrison

Jennie Berger

Samuel Friedman

Harry Davison

*By Rosalyn and Pierre
Haskelson*

Mollie Faskowitz

By Barbara Cronson

*By Bunnie and Walter
Friedman*

Gail Epstein

Oscar Schneider

Drene Sherman

Anna Cohen

*By Letty and Len
Reeser*

Reuben Sherman

Aaron Cohen

Alfred Lovitz

By Ellen Rosen

Evelyn McKean

*By Carole and Harold
Lovitz*

Margaret Weinberg

By Shirley Goldber

*Thinking
of
You*

TRIBUTES

Get Well

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

To: Karen Mandel

From Janet and Phil
Bloom

**To Harold Lovitz
Stuart Milchman**

**Stephanie
Morgenstern**

From Gwen Levy

To: Alberto Behar

To: Marvin Cohen

From Phil and Janet
Bloom

Gwen Levy

GET WELL

To: Forest Coleman

From Janet and Phil
Bloom

**Mazel Tov to Ava
McKean on your
Aliyah**

From Shirley Goldberg

To: Russell Koskie

From Karen and Joel
Mandel

Karen and Stu Miller

To: Andrew Feldman

From Steffi and Alan
Morgenstern

To: Ellen Rosen

From Michele and Pete
Sobel

THANK YOU

Barry Levy

From Karen and Stu Miller

**CONGRATUL
ATIONS**

Mandell Law

From Susan and David
Mandell

**IN MEMORY
OF**

Evelyn McKean

**To: Ava and David
McKean**

From:: Rhonda and Randy
Hunt

Bunnie and Walter
Friedman

Janet and Phil Bloom

Roz and Pierre Haskelson

Susan and David Mandell

In Memory Of:

Sandra Moses

From Steffi and Alan
Morgenstern

Karen and Stu Miller

Gwen Levy

Juanita Montanez

**To Robin and Joe
Goldovitz**

From Karen and Stu Miller

Gwen Levy

Gail Assiden

To Sybil Schultz

From Steffi and Alan
Morgenstern



MAZEL TOV

Happy Birthday

To Roberta Gapin on March 3

To Larry Oskin on March 4

To Deb Schumacher on March 6

To Franklin Cyzick on March 8

To Gail Steinberg on March 25

Happy Anniversary

**To Deb and Mike Schumacher on
March 23**



Hello Everybody.

Changes are here again. Our club will not be meeting in March, but will meet at our regular meeting time in April. - First Thursday.

Our book is still The Wish by Nicholas Sparks and our presenter is Michele Sobel. We will also discuss Banned Books and perhaps select one to read at our Club.

The reason for the change of date is that the Men's Club has a new share day restaurant for this day - Bonefish - and they are open for lunch. Perhaps our group might be interested in having lunch at Bonefish on March 8th.

Any Takers??? Let me know

Roz



Adult Education

On Monday nights at 7 PM , a new class has replaced Monday Hebrew at 7:00 PM . Translating Hebrew which has been more challenging. We have finished the first story book and are on to the second. A Beginning Hebrew class with some translating is held on Wednesdays, at 7:00 PM for those who wish to learn Hebrew or began the first class and had to drop out. Please reserve your spot with Gwen Levy or Joe Goldovor Gwenlevy3606@gmail.com. Adult Ed on Tuesday mornings will meet on the 8th and 22nd and our focus will be the in depth holiday of Passover



Nate Tayer Vincent Milchman Gabby Milchman Anna Palen

Hard at work studying Torah

Congregation Sinai Religious School

Religious School is now meeting in the synagogue from 10:00 AM -12:00 AM with prayers and Judaic studies. . We accept children from Grade 1-Grade 6. We have small classes, taught by knowledgeable teachers toward complete Jewish learning which will lead to Bar/Bat Mitzvah studies and ceremony. We presently have 3 students studying for Bar and Bat Mitzvah in the spring. We are excited to see what we can learn In addition to our Sunday School classes as our teachers work with the children.

March

2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Cruise Meeting 1:00 Outback Spirit Night Outback	2 Beginning Hebrew online 7:00 PM	3	4 Kabbalat Shabbat Service 7:30 Oneg to Follow	5 Mini Shabbat Service 10:00 AM Torah Study 10:30
6 CS Religious School 10:00 AM	7 Hebrew Translation class 7:00 PM	8 Adult Education 10:00-11:30 Spirit Night Bonefish Grill	9 Beginning Hebrew online 7:00 PM	10 Sinai Board Meeting 7:00PM	11 Kabbalat Shabbat Service 7:30 Oneg to Follow	12 Mini Shabbat Service 10:00 AM Torah Study 10:30
13 AI Rosen Mini Golf Tournament Tee off at 10:30	14 Hebrew Translation class 7:00 PM	15	16 Sisterhood Board Meeting 10:00 AM Megillah Reading 7:00 online	17 Sisterhood Game Day 12:00 Noon	18 Pizza For Purim 6:00PM Purim Shabbat 7:30	19 Mini Shabbat Service 10:00 AM Torah Study 10:30
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