

Temple Israel of Highlands County
1305 Temple Israel Drive
Sebring, Florida 33870
863-382-7744 JUNE 2022 / 5782



Temple Israel's Web Page www.templeisraelofhcfi.org

Temple Israel is a Reform Temple that promotes the enduring and fundamental principles of Judaism.
Through prayer, study and friendship we strive to enrich our lives and ensure Jewish continuity in Highlands County.



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Dear Congregants,

Our summer schedule of services rolls in this coming Friday with our June 3rd service. Many times, due to our every other week of temple services, we celebrate a festival or special day not quite on the actual day. But this Friday, June 3rd is the actual 49th day of the counting of the Omer. We have been counting the Omer with its special chant together at each of our services since counting of the Omer began on the second day of Passover. On the 50th day, which will begin Saturday at sundown, we commemorate the revelation of the Torah on Mt. Sinai to the Jewish people – Z'man Matan Torateinu – The Season of the Giving of the Torah – Shavuot!

The Kabbalists explain that the 49 days that connect Passover with Shavuot correspond to the 49 drives and traits of the human heart. Each day saw the refinement of one of the sefirot – the ten emanations through which The Infinite reveals itself both in the physical realm and the chain of higher metaphysical realms. Each day brings the people of Israel one step closer to their election as God's chosen people and their receiving of God's communication to humanity.

The giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai offers us the spiritual significance of the holiday of Shavuot. It is a seminal event of Jewish memory, namely entering into a covenant between God and Israel – Israel's acceptance of the covenant with God to live according to Divine law. This is a joyous time – a simcha – the moment at which God and Israel entered into a figurative marriage with each other, the hopeful springtime of their relationship.

So let us begin our summer together this June 3rd – the 49th day of the counting of the Omer and one day away from the celebration of Shavuot with joy! We can be thankful for all the goodness we have shared together. We will sing and pray and thank God for Torah. And since it is customary, enjoy some delicious dairy sweetness at our Oneg.

Wishing you all a wonderful summer filled with health and goodness.

Cantor Riselle Bain



Message From the President

JUNE 2022/5782

Julia Ruden

Dear Friends and Family;

As we begin another fiscal year, I'm so thankful for somewhat "normal" to be back! We are so lucky to have Facebook & internet technology to have our services online with Cantor Riselle and we will continue to do so.

Our next service is June 3rd this Friday and our Shul doors will be open.

I give thankxoxoxo with hugs and kisses to our Board Members that remain year after year. All of you amaze me with your continued efforts in the successful running of our Temple. For those of you who work anonymously and endlessly - Thankxoxo you also Soooo MUCH!!

Another year begins and dues are due, an invoice is attached to this newsletter, please mail your checks to the Temple if you have not done so already.

I hope everyone remains safe and enjoys their families and friends responsibly over the Sumer.

Prayers for all those who mourn or are sick!

May we continue to go from strength to strength!

Be thankful for everything, everyone, everyday – I am!

Thankxoxo you ALL for ALL you Dooooooo!!

Love,
Julie



Announcements

JUNE 2022/ 5782

Onegs are sponsored by
The Board for 3 June



Challah, wine, decaf coffee & fruit are the basics for our onegs. If you would like to sponsor an Oneg contact Karen delValle 863-260-0325

LUNCH BUNCH

The next Ladies Lunch Bunch Group **Monday**, June 20 at 12:30 P.M. Havana Days Restaurant & Bakery US 27, Sebring.



Contact Renee Tepper **863-414-8811** or **reneetepper@gmail.com**

תודה רבה - Thank You Alan Wildstein for your continued and generous support for Alan Jay Automotive for our transportation to and from Services! Please Contact Cantor Riselle Bain 813-600-8013 if you need assistance to get to services.

Happy Anniversary

Bruce Sherwood & Sara Rosenbaum	06/19
Cantor Riselle Bain & Michael Duncan	06/24
Millie & Bill Anderson	06/25
Nancy & Joe Rockhill	06/25
Denise & Lee Weisberger	06/30



**Mrs. Blumie's
Porcelain Doll Studio**

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June Yahrzeits
 ** *Memorial Plaque in our Shul*



Bonnie Ann Goergen	Judith Abrams
Seymour Fields-Elias	Martin Elias
George Albin**	Leon Novich**
Sadie Bellin	Theodore Romer**
Patricia G. Berzark**	Elizabeth A. Rosen**
Helen C. Dallas	Fannie Rosen**
Rose Frankel	Betty Rosenbaum
Louis A. Frank	Sarah Roth
Joseph Sewelson	Fanny Erskine
Sydney Kaphan	Robert Siegel
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William Mazen	Mildred Wasoff
Arnold Neumann	
	Edward Laveen
Selma R. Neumann	Dora Wolkove**

YAHARZEIT DONATIONS

Given by

Judy Albin
 Julia Ruden
 Mary Ann Romer

In Memory Of

Louis A. Frank, George Albin
 Arnold Neumann, Selma R. Neumann
 Judith Abrams, Theodore Romer



JUNE 2022 DONATION CARDS

(All donations go to our Temple.)

To send a birthday, anniversary, get well, sympathy or mazel tov card contact Mary Ann Romer at matromer@aol.com.

Write "Temple card" in the email subject box.

Send your minimum \$5.00 donation to Temple.

Anniversaries

By: Congregation, Board of Directors & Trustees, Cantor Riselle Bain

To: Herb & Kathleen Weiss, Robert & Roberta Goodman, Rachel & Eric Spero-Hoy

Get Well

By: Congregation, Board of Directors & Trustees, Cantor Riselle Bain

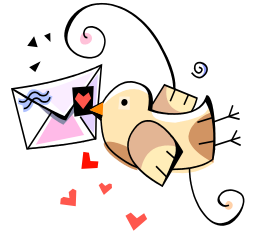
To: Julie Ruden

Thank You

By: Congregation, Board of Directors & Trustees, Cantor Riselle Bain

To: Bruce & Eva Roessler for donation to Temple Israel at services

To: Donna Wasson for planting a tree in the butterfly garden in memory of Howard Salles



Two trees have been planted in Israel in loving memory of Howard Salles, Vice President of our Temple, by our congregation.

A tree has been planted in Honor of Jonathan Carl Rapaport for his Birthday, June 6th by Marsha Gibbs, his sister-in-law.



Celebrate any occasion while benefitting Israel and our temple. For only \$18.00, plant a tree in *Eretz Yisrael*.

Simply e-mail the donor and recipient information to: jruden18@gmailmail.com

Mail your check to the temple, payable to Temple Israel.



Services will be at the Shul.

Here is the link to access the live services or the saved videos of our past services since we closed our doors due to the pandemic.

<https://www.facebook.com/662042600572611/live/>

The following is our schedule of services Fridays at 6:30:

- June 3 – Shavuot
- July 15 – Torah Balak
- August 12 – Torah Vaetchanan
- September 9 – Torah Ki Teitzei
- September 25-26 (Sunday-Monday) – Rosh Hashanah
- October 4-5 (Tuesday–Wednesday) – Yom Kippur
- October 21 – Sukkot/Simchat Torah/ B'reishit
- November 4 – Torah Lech L'cha – observe Kristallnacht (Actual date 11/9)
- November 18 – Torah Chayei Sarah
- December 2 – Torah Vayetzei
- December 23 – Chanukah

**Monarch Waystation Garden
Lovingly Planted by Donna Wasson**





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INVOICE

ANNUAL DUES

June 1, 2022 - May 31, 2023

NAME:

DUES \$ _____

***DUES ENHANCEMENT** \$ _____

WOMAN'S CLUB DUES \$ _____
(\$15.00)

**NEW YEAR'S
GREETINGS** \$ _____
(\$18.00) 09/2021

SECURITY DONATIONS \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

FAMILY: \$525.00

SINGLE: \$325.00

Please make check payable to
Temple Israel of Highlands County, FL
Dues payable upon receipt of
This invoice.

*If you are able to increase your dues, it
would be greatly appreciated!!

NOTE: Special arrangements must be made with the President and/or Treasurer prior to the end of the first quarter or by September 1, 2022.