



Temple Shir Shalom

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2016

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Mark Your Calendar!

All services led by Cantor Kim Singer

Monday • October 24th

Simchat Torah Service at 7:15 pm
(dinner prior at 6:30 pm with RSVP)

Friday • October 28th

Shabbat Special Blessings at Temple Israel
at 7:30

Friday • November 4th

Shabbat Service at Temple Israel
at 7:30 pm

Friday • November 11th

Shabbat Service at Temple Israel
at 7:30 pm

Friday • November 18th

Shabbat Special Blessings at Temple Israel
at 7:30 pm

Friday • December 2nd

Shabbat Service at Temple Israel
at 7:30 pm

Temple Shir Shalom services are held
at
Temple Israel,
50 S Moss Road, Winter Springs FL



FROM THE BIMA Cantor Kim Singer

New Adventures for a New Year

As we settle into 5777, it's important not to settle! Jewish tradition wisely gives us an extended period of time after the fall holidays to acclimate back into "normal" life. After the whirlwind of special days in Tishrei, the current month, Marcheshvan, has no holidays at all other than Shabbat. And, of course, on Simchat Torah we renewed our reading of the Torah, starting again with the stories of creation. So it's a fitting time to gather our energies for new, or renewed, activities.

I'm happy to tell you that monthly Friday night Torah readings will be resuming on November 4—if you'd be interested in being a reader for an upcoming month, please contact me! We're also adding a monthly Tot Shabbat service for our families with young children. Elsewhere in this newsletter you will find information about other programs that are starting up, or getting re-energized.

But in order to succeed as a vibrant community, we need you! Yes, we need you to participate in the various activities that are being planned, but we also need your suggestions and ideas for how and where else to expand our programming. What one or two things would get you more excited about TSS? What events would you rush to attend—and want to share with your friends? Let us know!

After each day of creation, God surveys the work that has been done and evaluates it before moving on to the next step. Sometimes we are so eager to rush ahead with our plans that we skip over that important step. So, before your hard-working Board and committees finish planning the rest of our year, how have we done thus far, and what else would you like to see?

There's a danger in asking this question, of course, because we're a diverse bunch. What is meaningful innovation to one person may be a distraction to someone else, so no one thing is liable to please everyone. But hopefully by increasing both the number and the range of our programming, we will be able to incorporate a variety of activities and events so that everyone can find their niche.

In a few more weeks we'll read the story of Joseph the dreamer. Let's make this a year of dreams for Temple Shir Shalom. Let's dream big—and then work to make those dreams a reality.

LEADERSHIP TEAM MESSAGE

True Value is in Each of Us and in All of Us

Value, just like beauty, is in the eye of the beholder. Value is perceived through the eyes and the hearts of the givers and the receivers. As members of our Temple, we are often in the position of giving—we give time, effort, and support. Occasionally, circumstances place us in the position of receiving. The Value of what we give and what we receive as individuals makes up the Value of the Temple as a whole. Together, we pray, sing, celebrate, mourn, and nourish our bodies and our spirits. The Value of our Temple is in this togetherness, in connecting with others who share similar backgrounds, ideals, passions, commitments, and causes. From the moment we walk through the doors of the Temple, we become part of the collective; we encompass its congregation. The Value of belonging to Temple Shir Shalom is in our congregation. It is in this group of people who hug you when you enter through the doors, who smile at your good news, who wrap their arms around you when you share your hardships, who walk by your side at charity events, who mobilize volunteers and pull in resources when you are in need, who come together to sustain the Temple.

Together, we ushered in the New Year, filled with dreams and hopes. Together, we atoned for the lesser road we may have taken. Together, we will gather to unroll the Torah, support it gently with our palms and take in all of its ancestral splendor. Together, we will light our Hanukkiyot, spin the dreidel, abandon calorie counting and bring out the Latkes and other fried delicacies. Together, we will enjoy the fruit and spices at the Tu B'Shevat seder. Together we will greet Purim, praising Esther and vilifying Haman, while enjoying delicious Hamentaschen. Together, but a bit apart, we may face off in a lively debate on the virtues of Latkes versus Hamentaschen. Together, we will commemorate the Exodus from Egypt, gather for the seder, enjoy Charoset, and marvel at each other's creativity in making dishes out of matzah. We will then count the days from Passover to Shavu'ot and remember the giving of the Torah to our people. Together, we will mark the passage of the year, pausing to commemorate holidays, to comfort those members of our family in need of support, and to celebrate each other's good news. And in between we will gather for dinners, wine tasting, brisket cook-offs, charity events, Shabbat services, Onegs, and B'nei Mitzvahs. These moments of togetherness form the fabric of our Temple. These moments impact our lives; they leave us fulfilled and enriched. Each of us beholds Value individually, and each of us contributes to the Value of the whole—the Value of Temple Shir Shalom.

During the High Holidays, we asked you to consider the

Value of giving and receiving. We asked for your support to help us sustain our temple. And you responded with heartfelt enthusiasm, warmth, goodwill, and generosity. We are grateful to all of you for your donations, which will allow us to continue to grow our community and to take care of our members. Your gifts ensure that we remain a strong and thriving congregation.

We greatly value your commitment to our Temple.

With gratitude and appreciation, Svetlana, Josh, and the Temple Board

Our High Holiday services and Break Fast are volunteer efforts. Thank you very much to all those who helped out as volunteers:

Break Fast Setup and Cleanup - Christie Greenberg, Josh Greenberg, Svetlana Shtrom, Jennifer Sherman, Mary Moskowitz, Dale Mester and Patricia Torrence
Sanctuary Teardown - Harvey Kansol, Austin Kansol, Connor Kansol, Michal Bianco, Jeff Goldblatt, Josh Greenberg, Rob Smith and Dylan Smith

I also know there were many of you who helped collect books from the pews after the Neilah service, but whose names I missed. To all of you, and to everyone else who helped or offered help, I offer you my sincere thanks and appreciation on behalf of the congregation!

Aaron Sherman



Thanksgiving Food Drive

It's that time of year, TSS Social Action, in partnership with the Meitin Alliance for Growth and Learning (MAGAL) will be making Thanksgiving Baskets. They will be delivered to much needy families at Evan Elementary School here in Oviedo. We need boxed and canned donations of holiday items and healthy food for there pantry. There will be a Tzedakah box at religious school for cash donations as well. That money is used to purchase fresh turkeys and fruits and veggies the day we deliver the baskets. Food will be collected at religious school, 9:00am – 12:30pm on Sundays, 5-6:30pm on Wednesday nights, or may be dropped off at Temple Israel during office hours.

EDUCATION INFORMATION



Our new Religious School adventure continues! In September we celebrated our first MAGAL Shabbat service. Thanks to the families who participated and contributed to the oneg. In October we will celebrate Simchat Torah and the Consecration of students just beginning their religious education.

Starting in November—Bagels and Blocks, our new PreK “me and my grown-up” program, which will meet on the second Sunday of every month from 9:30-11, featuring songs and stories, activities, snacks (of course!) and a chance for parents to get to know each other. Bagels and Blocks is open to anyone age 5 and below. Students must attend with an adult. Cost is \$10 per family for a single session, or \$50 for the entire year. Please spread the word!

If you have not done so already, we encourage you to “Like” our Facebook page!

DONATIONS

Aaron Ullmann in honor of the following:

Susan Holstein's reading on Rosh Hashanah morning.
Dale Mester's reading on Rosh Hashanah morning.
Meryl Poweski's honor during the Kol Nidre service.



Have you ever wanted to help out with the cooking for Temple Israel, MAGAL, or Temple Shir Shalom events at Temple Israel? Not sure how to handle keeping things Kosher? It's easier than you think. Rabbi Neely will give a class on how to prepare things in your own kitchen that fit with our kosher kitchen.

Participants will be able to cook at home following these guidelines and bring their delectable results to share with the community. You'll also learn a little more about how the TI synagogue kitchen works. Please RSVP to Rabbi Neely. November 6, 2016 at 10:45 in the Roth Social Hall, Temple Israel.

High Holiday Donors

We are grateful to the following donors for their generous contributions to our Temple:

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10 Years of Connections



Tea and Torah Tuesdays with Cantor Kim

aka "Judaism 201," conversations on a wide range of Jewish topics in a casual atmosphere. New participants always welcome! Meetings usually 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month.

November 1 - Blessings and Commandments

November 15 - Turkey and Torah? Jewish roots of Thanksgiving

December 6 - Christianity and Judaism--similarities and differences

December 20 - Hanukkah, more than Dreidles and oil.



Panera near Oviedo On The Park, 205 E Mitchell-Hammock Rd, 7:30pm - 8:30pm (or so).

SHFTY Mail Scavenger Hunt



Sunday,
November 13th

1700 Oviedo Mall
Blvd, Oviedo, FL
32765

This event will be
combined with big
SHFTY

Please bring money
for lunch in the food

court 1pm-3pm after Sunday School

Thank you Oneg Sponsors!

October 28th

Annette Romaine, Rheda Epstein
& Florence Kramer

November 4th

Pot-Luck

November 11th

Rachel Hart's family [TI] in honor of her Bat
Mitzvah

November 18th

Lynn Howard and Svetlana Shtrom

New! Please sign up to sponsor an Oneg by
using SignUpGenius at:

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0B44ACA82CA3F49-oneg

We ask that all members sponsor or co-sponsor an Oneg each
year for a Shabbat evening service in honor of any simcha—
birthday, anniversary, graduation, or any happy occasion.

Every family is encouraged to sponsor at least one Oneg each year.

If you have any questions please contact Svetlana Shtrom at
shtroms@yahoo.com

6-9 PM

October 22

Optional Lock in - 10AM pick up October 23

Bring blankets and sheets to help
building the sukkah -- These will be
returned to you

Bring sleepover essentials for the lock in and a bathingsuit

Come for fort building fun!

We ask for an IDF donation of \$5+

Will take place at: 3975 flowering stream way, ovedio florida - geismar household

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We welcome Little SHFTY to join us for this event as well!!!

Sukkah building SHFTY event

Pizza and snacks provided

RSVP with Shane:

7047712647

Cost for non members is \$5

Membership forms will be
available

BBYO Kallah

When: Friday October 28th at 6:00 PM - Sunday October 30th at 11:00 AM

Where: Camp Wewa, 221 S Binion Rd, Apopka FL 32703

Who: BBYO Members Only in grades 9, 10, 11, 12

Cost: \$200.00 due by 10/23/2016

Deposit Required: \$50.00

Scholarships Available: Please contact an event organizer for more information.

RSVP: [http://b-linked.bbyo.org/event/88807_NFR_Kallah_2016_\(PC3000\)](http://b-linked.bbyo.org/event/88807_NFR_Kallah_2016_(PC3000))

Kallah 2016 will be a unique convention sure to be memorable for all involved! This weekend-long convention for the members of North Florida Region at beautiful Camp Wewa will bring together Alephs and BBGs to be one community together and define values upon which they feel that they and the world around them should base action. Scholarships are available through this link: <https://bbyo.org/regionalscholarship/>

****Orlando teens can not drive themselves to convention, they must be dropped off by a parent.**

BBYO Fear Factor Night

When: Sunday, October 23rd 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Where: Sarah Cooper's House, 1020 Wellington Ct., Oviedo FL

Cost: \$5.00

RSVP: http://b-linked.bbyo.org/event/89100_Fear_Factor_Night

Compete against your friends in this fear inducing set of challenges.

JTEN VOICE YOUR VOTE

a program by the Jewish Federation of Greater Orlando

WHEN: Monday November 7th 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

WHERE: CRJ, 928 Malone Drive, Orlando FL 32810

WHO: All Jewish 8th-12th Graders

Your voice is important and deserves to be shared! Most high school students can't vote, so why should teens become involved in our political system? The answer is simple - your future depends on it! Join local teens, rabbis, synagogue educators, youth directors and Jewish political community leaders as we: ~ Discover the important roles Jews play in the U.S. political system, ~ Learn about issues through a Jewish lens, ~ Discover both sides of issues important to teens, ~ Learn how YOU can make a difference, and ~ "Vote" for our next president of the United States of America! This program is open to all Jewish 8th - 12th grade students in Central Florida free of charge, but pre-registration is required! Dinner will be provided by Bagel King. Register today!

<https://goo.gl/forms/A4FirT9vHxmK3C3z2> Brought to you by the Jewish Teen Education Network (JTEN), a program by the Jewish Federation of Greater Orlando.



MAKING STRIDES AGAINST BREAST CANCER

Join Team "Shir Pink" at the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk on October 29th! Registration starts at 7 am, with the walk taking place at 9 am. To join the team and walk, or just make a donation, click on the button below.

http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR/MakingStridesAgainstBreastCancer/MSABCCY16FL?team_id=2092023&pg=team&fr_id=77280&_ga=1.220838096.97129533.1476820979

All donations appreciated!

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1 Julia Geismar
 3 Jeremy Holstein
 3 Kimberly Isaacson
 3 Sarah Schulman
 5 Sarah Schafer
 10 Valorie Karter
 13 Rose Moskowitz
 16 Joseph Glusky
 16 Jennifer Paster
 17 John Harry
 17 Samuel Kaplan
 17 Jennifer Sherman
 17 John Harry Zielinsky
 18 Michael Sonnenschein
 24 Toby Gutman
 26 Anna Lesnick
 27 Rachel Wood
 28 Amber Alter
 28 Gabriel Barnert
 31 Adam Collin

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

6 Sam Nager
 9 Michael Bianco
 10 Steven Levine
 10 Marc Vogin
 18 Brent Terwilliger
 19 Reva Fedigan
 24 Aaron Ullmann
 25 Jake Hopkins
 26 Ana Weiser
 26 David Zishuk
 27 Sheila Cooper
 30 Karyn Schulman

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

1 Shawn & Reva Fedigan
 8 Jerry & Beth Hutcheson
 10 David & Daun Cooper
 13 Brent Terwilliger
 & Mary Moskowitz
 26 Jason & Samatha Goodowens
 29 Cliff & Shari Geismar
 29 Joshua & Christie Greenberg

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

14 Marc & Tracy Vogin
 15 Shep & Fern Burr
 25 Harry & Kim Glusky
 25 Michael & Nancy Raymond



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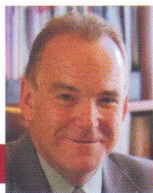
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