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Sivan 6 & 7

Wednesday & Thursday

MAY 19th and 20th

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The mission of the Federation is to support and further the common interest of the Jewish Community through Jewish Education, Social Services and Support of Israel.

# Just for Kids Art Contest

Sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Brevard and Indian River Counties



## 1st Place - Winners of \$75.00 Savings Bond

Sarah Kirschenbaum  
Ryan Mayer  
Sophia Friedman  
Courtney Roy

## 2nd Place - Winners of \$50.00 Savings Bond

Ty Weinbaum,  
Cortlyn Weinbaum  
Daphna Krause  
Mitchell Roy

## 3rd Place - Winners of \$25.00 Savings Bond

Brooke Pinsky,  
Gregory Crouch  
Jacob Liberman  
Louie Rosasco

## Honorable Mention

Morgan Diadie-Mosely,  
Jeremy Gluck  
Daniel deZayas

### Additional Participants:

Zev Barden - Nathan Bohbot - Josh Brown - Max Clevens  
Samantha Chamberlain - William Cohen - Randi Daniel  
Sophia deZayas - Josh Freeman - Daphne Furman - Marcie Goldfarb  
Daniel Gearin - Kayla Gelman - Tyla Gelman - Lucas Goldfarb  
Jaime Haggard, - Jordana Haggard, - Isaac Hildt - Samuel Hyatt  
Sophia Hyatt - Brandon Isenman - Sam Karman - Becca Kirschenbaum  
Maurice Kodsi - Marlee Krause - Jack Kronman - Rachel Kutcher  
Gabriel Leff - Zach Mayer - Eliana Perlman - Max Pinsky  
Myles Reader - Chloe Reese - Adam Roger - Mica Simms  
Jordan Spira - Nat Stember - Alexis Steinberger - Jared Widerman

*A very big thank you to three very talented artists and instructors from our local Jewish community who took time out of their busy schedules to judge the art contest.*

*Victoria Chadbourne, Barbara Perlmutter and Diana Seminer used their expertise in determining how well these young artists understood the use of the Exodus theme, color, technique, and presentation.*

**All artwork was displayed at the Jewish Heritage Festival and can be viewed on the Federation website, [myjewishfederation.org](http://myjewishfederation.org).**

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The Board of Directors meets the third Thursday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at 210 E Hibiscus Blvd, Melbourne. The next meetings will be May 20, 2010. All Federation members are welcome to attend. For more information please call 321-951-1836.

### Editor:

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The front page of the CONNECTION is generally limited to coverage of past Federation events or future events within our community (both federation or otherwise.) The Federation does not guarantee publication of all material that is submitted.

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## Synagogues

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Affiliation: Conservative  
Spiritual Leaders: Eric Smitt  
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West Melbourne, FL 32902-1144  
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Thursdays 10 a.m.  
Services: Friday 6 p.m.  
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Web: [www.BethSholomBrevard.com](http://www.BethSholomBrevard.com)

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Fridays 15 minutes before sunset  
Saturdays 9:30 AM  
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*Please send any information or stories that you would like us to consider placing in the Connection to [Connection@Bellsouth.net](mailto:Connection@Bellsouth.net)*

*The deadline for the next issue is*

**May 15, 2010**

*and will cover the period of*

**June 1—July 31, 2010**

All decisions remain subject to discretion of the Jewish Federation of Brevard and Indian River Counties, Inc.



## **Mt. Hebron Garden at Florida Memorial Gardens and Funeral Home**

For Information please call:

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## JEWISH HERITAGE FESTIVAL by Jeff Fishkin

Jewish Festival 2010 was a great success that attracted almost 2000 people from all over Central Florida. It was a day full of fun for everybody, with much to see and do, and plenty of food for everyone. The entertainment kept people in high spirits throughout the day, especially in light of the theme for this year's Jewish Festival, "The Exodus, and the Celebration of Passover". It was also the 22<sup>nd</sup> year in a row for the Jewish Festival itself. Overall, it was a great day for the entire family and a proud moment for Jews all over the world. The feedback I got was that everyone had a wonderful time.

There were many booths displaying all types of Judaic arts and craft, as well as many types of food from our local Jewish Congregations and other vendors from outside Brevard County. We even had local Jewish people advertising their professions, and they too were well received by the crowd.

As always, the high point of the Jewish Festival was the entertainment. By popular demand, the Klezmar Band was back again. They had everyone on their feet with their blend of traditional and modern Jewish music. We had Jenny Hickman, an aspiring young singer, and the daughter of Cantor Patricia Hickman, thrilling the crowd with a number of well known traditional Jewish songs, and the Temple Israel Choir, led by Cantor Patricia Hickman, with their rendition of traditional Jewish Songs. Also back were the dancers from the First Assembly of God, L'Ahavat Zion, lead by Rhonda Burnett, and the dance group from Project Restoration, lead by Theresa Miles, and Kathy Mardirosian. Also dancing were Rokdanim, a group organized by Wendy Roy, the Jew Crew, a group organized by Courtney Roy, the Temple Beth Sholom Religious School Grade K-2, organized by Melanie Kaplan, and Roz Kantor, and the Israeli Folk Dancers of Brevard, organized by Wendy Roy and Rhonda Burnett. All these groups did a fantastic display of traditional Jewish dances, which showed the spirit of the Jewish People. Outside the auditorium we had a bunch of children's activities that kept the kids very busy. Overall, the entertainment and other activities put everyone in the proper mood that was needed to enjoy the Jewish Festival.

Once again the Jewish Festival was held at the Melbourne Auditorium. The Jewish Festival Committee and the Jewish Federation of Brevard want to thank the City of Melbourne for allowing us the use of this wonderful facility. The staff at the auditorium did a great job helping us setup, and being available during the Festival.

The Jewish Festival Committee did a wonderful in putting Jewish Festival 2010 together. This is not an easy task, especially since every member is a volunteer and each has other important obligations. Their dedication was tremendous, and without this wonderful, dedicated group of people the Jewish Festival would never have occurred.

As chairperson to the Jewish Festival Committee I am proud of the wonderful job done by the committee members. They worked very hard and deserve congratulations for a successful Jewish Festival.

I want to thank Dee Crouch for her work on the Publicity. People tend to underestimate the importance of publicity without realizing how valuable publicity is to any event. No matter what work you do in preparation for an event it is the publicity that brings the people in. Without good publicity there can be no Jewish Festival.

I want to thank Kathy Kneapler for her work on the Setup/Vendor Subcommittee, and as my Assistant Chairperson. She did a wonderful job organizing setup and vendor participation. This is one of the more important functions of the Festival Committee that can make or break an event. It takes a lot of time, energy, and many headaches to organize/reorganize something this large. I also want to thank Kathy for keeping me in line, for her advice, and reminding me about meetings and other Festival related activities.

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Festival, continued:

I want to thank Robin Heard for her work in getting volunteers and arranging their assignments before, during and after the Festival. Without volunteers it would be almost impossible to accomplish any task.

I want to thank the Entertainment Sub-Committee Chair, Shlomo Fleischmann for his work in bringing entertainment to the Jewish Festival, and for organizing the Festival Program. Entertainment adds gaiety to the Festival that brings a positive feeling to the people who attend, plus a richness that makes one very proud to be Jewish.

I want to thank Ziva BarNavon and her team of Marvin and Trudi Horkin, Gadi Zik, Paul Licker, and Wendy Roy for their work in organizing the wonderful decorations used at the Jewish Festival. Ziva's posters on Israel and about Pass-over were main attractions to the many people in attendance.

I want to thank Roz Kantor and Melanie Kaplan for their work in setting up the Children's art work, which was very popular among the children, and the children's dancing, which the audience was thrilled with.

I want to thank Wendy Roy for setting up the "Just for Kids Art Contest", assisting with the decorations, helping with the Festival Entertainment Program, and in organizing the Rokdanim and Israeli Folk Dancing Groups.

I want to thank Lisa Pietruszewicz for her wonderful work in getting the Program ready with all the advertisers and the many phone calls she received daily about the festival. Her assistance to the other sub-committees was of major importance.

I want to thank Rick Kneapler for his wonderful work as the MC. He kept the show going from the beginning till the end, which added to the excitement of the Festival.

Most important of all, I want to thank all the volunteers who worked the Jewish Festival at the front door, at the Federation Booth, helped in the setup and teardown, or did some function before and during the festival.

It is the goal of the Jewish Festival to provide a way to share the culture and heritage of our Jewish Community with our non-Jewish neighbors, and to provide a forum for JFB member Congregations and Organizations to gather in a community-wide event. For 22 years we have accomplished this. With a small Jewish population within Brevard County it is difficult for our non-Jewish neighbors to understand who we are and what we are all about. In conversations that I had with many non-Jew they were thrilled with what they saw, and even more thrilled with the knowledge of Judaism that they got from being at the Festival. Now they know what Judaism is all about and why we are different.

So, let's prepare ourselves for Jewish Festival 2011, which will be held on March 20<sup>th</sup>. Planning for this event will be occurring soon. If you want to help out (and we need all the help we can get) contact me, or the Federation Office.

See you next year, and thanks for all your support.



More Jewish Heritage Festival pictures can be viewed on our website, [www.jewishfederationbrevard.com](http://www.jewishfederationbrevard.com) or [www.myjewishfederation.org](http://www.myjewishfederation.org)

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## Yom Ha'Atzmaut : Israel Independence Day



Yom Ha'Atzmaut marks the establishment of the modern state of Israel in 1948. It is observed on the 5th of Iyar in the Hebrew calendar, this year on Monday April 19th.

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### Lag B'Omer, Iyar 18, Sunday May 2, 2010

Lag B'Omer is observed on the 18th day of the month of Iyar in the Jewish calendar. Many Jewish communities light bonfires on Lag B'Omer.

The Counting of the Omer is a time for spiritual growth and a time of celebration. Many people hold picnics or barbecues, sing, dance, and encourage their children to play outside.

#### Background

The Lag B'Omer holiday originates from the time of Rabbi Akiva, a scholar and teacher of Jewish law who lived approximately during the years 50 to 135. In a number of Jewish documents, there are passages, which report that 24,000 of his students died in a plague, because they had not respected each other. The plague ended on the 33rd day of the Counting of the Omer, a period of 49 days between the Jewish holidays of Passover and Shavuot.

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### Shavuot, Sivan 6 & 7, Wednesday & Thursday, May 19 & 20th

The Torah was given by G-d to the Jewish people on Mount Sinai. Every year on the holiday of Shavuot we renew our acceptance of G-d's gift and G-d "re-gives" the Torah.

The word Shavuot means "weeks." It marks the completion of the seven week counting period between Passover and Shavuot.



The giving of the Torah was a far-reaching spiritual event—one that touched the essence of the Jewish soul for all times. Shavuot also means oath and on this day G-d swore eternal devotion to us, and we in turn pledged everlasting loyalty to Him.

The holiday of Shavuot is a two-day holiday, beginning at sundown of the 5th of Sivan and lasting until nightfall of the 7th of Sivan.

## Become a Member of Federation's Major Donor Society

We are very fortunate that there are those in our relatively small Jewish community who not only have the means to be a "Major Donor", but also recognize the traditional concept that every Jew is responsible one for another, and the ideal of Tzedakah—righteousness, charity and social justice. We are blessed with pledges of \$1,000 and more from individuals and families who realize the importance of the Jewish Federation. We are the central communal organization that promotes and advances the quality and values of Jewish life in our community.

Every year we recognize and thank our Major Donors at a Campaign Kickoff event featuring a sumptuous gourmet dinner and entertainment. This year's event, which was scheduled to take place January 16, had to be canceled at the eleventh hour due to scheduling conflicts encountered by many of our invited Major Donors. This was a first, but we learned an important lesson. In the future, we will make every effort to clear the date with our invited guests before we send out the invitations!

If you would like to become a member of Federation's Major Donor Society, please make your pledge of \$1000 or more today. Pledges can be paid in installments and can be paid by major credit card. Remember, our Federation's sole means of funding is through the generosity of our members. If you have questions, feel free to call our 2010 Campaign chairperson Jerry Trachtman at (321) 723-8281 for additional information.

### Federation Scholarships

Jewish Educational Summer Camps: Deadline May 15, 2010

Religious School/Day School: Deadline September 1, 2010

#### TO APPLY:

- go to: [www.factstuitionaid.com](http://www.factstuitionaid.com)
- Select the Federation as the "institution"
- Fill out the application online
- Call the Federation Office, 951-1836 with any questions

### Donate Your Scrap Gold To The Federation

The Federation is currently accepting donations of scrap gold and other precious metals. We will weigh your donation and provide a receipt to you. The material will then be forwarded to a refinery and the Federation will receive payment for the value of the gold. This is a great way to clean out your jewelry box with old items that you do not use anymore or items which are damaged or tangled.

You can make a donation by contacting the Federation office and scheduling a time to donate the material and process it. We will even make house calls to receive donations. Please contact our office and help Federation help the Jewish community by donating your scrap gold to a good cause.



### Don't throw out your old cell phones!

Bring them to the Federation or any drop box location .



If you are like most people, you have been saving them. Now you can help the Federation provide many great programs. This is an easy way to contribute. All we need now is your old cell phones. Call Lisa for more information. (951-1836)

Are you willing to place a drop box at your business location? Call or email today!

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**REGISTER NOW.....**

Registration is in progress for the 2010-2011 school year. Don't miss out on the opportunity to offer your child a challenging academic experience.

Classes are being offered for:

- Two-Year-Old Program
- Pre-School
- Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten
- Academy (Grades K-6)

The student curriculum is diversified, integrated and centered around the individual child. The learning skills are foundation building and develop life-long learners. Ethics and values are an integral part of the daily curriculum. BJCS is SACS/CASI accredited and rated as a "School of Excellence".

Call today to arrange a tour of the school and to learn more about the opportunities available for your child.

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***Mazel Tov! The TBS Youth Inspire.  
They collected \$225.20 for Team Israel in Haiti.  
Thank you to everyone who donated.***

*A special thank you to the Jewish Federation for donating supplies,  
and those who helped with Youth tzedakah boxes:*

***TBS Religious School  
Temple Beth Sholom  
TBS Deli  
BJCS  
Roz Kantor  
Jewish Federation***



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## **Chabad of the Space and Treasure Coasts**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **Lag B'Omer Sunday, May 2 5:30 PM**

Come celebrate with us as Chabad will mark the joyful day with a picnic, bonfire and other joyous events at Pelican Park, 1495 Highway A1A in Satellite Beach. Reservations at [jewishbrevard.com](http://jewishbrevard.com).

#### **Shavuot Wednesday & Thursday May 19 & 20**

*On Wednesday, the first day of Shavuot, Jewish men, women and children go to the synagogue to hear the reading of the Ten Commandments.*

*At 11:00 AM Rabbi Konikov will read the Ten Commandments. Following the reading, there will be a giant ice cream party. We are encouraged to bringing of even the youngest of children to the reading of the Ten Commandments.*

#### **Camp Gan Israel**

##### **June 28 - July 23**

Check out our website: [www.campganizzy.com](http://www.campganizzy.com). EARLY BIRD SPECIAL: Register before May 15 and save \$50! To register, send \$35 (non-refundable) to our office or make a secure credit card payment on our website, [www.campganizzy.com](http://www.campganizzy.com) or [www.jewishbrevard.com](http://www.jewishbrevard.com). Do you want to know more about CAMP Gan Israel? Call 777-2770.

*"A CAMP With a Reputation Worth Raving About"*

#### **Shabbat Services – Saturdays 11:00 AM**

*Join our warm and friendly weekly synagogue services just in time for Rabbi Konikov's contemporary message on the Torah portion and lively discussion. Our friendly, non-judgmental atmosphere offers a place to talk to G-d in Hebrew and English. Kids are encouraged and have a special place in our Synagogue. Membership or affiliation is never required. A delicious sit-down Kiddush follows the services at approximately 12:30 PM, a warm setting to socialize and meet new friends.*

#### **Rabbi's Tuesday Night Torah Class – Tuesdays 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM**

The Rabbi's class focuses on Jewish history, Tradition, Laws & Customs, the Torah & the Prophets, and Talmud through the eyes of Kabbalah. Free of charge for all Jews regardless of your level of knowledge and no matter what your affiliation...or if you have no affiliation at all. We promise to get you thinking on the relevance of the Torah in our modern lives. Try it out. You will be surprised how many newcomers like you are made to feel right at home!

#### **Hebrew High**

*Each meeting features fabulous discussions, fun and interactive activities that promote Jewish values and friendship. Special emphasis is placed on Jewish customs and culture. Hebrew High for ages 12 through 14, meets twice a month on Sundays.*

#### **CJCC Hebrew School – Sundays 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM**

Open for any Jewish student and offering classes on Sundays and Wednesdays, this award winning, meaningful and accredited program allows the joys, values and traditions of Judaism to be brought to life. Our qualified staff lives what they teach and offers students the desire to learn and to look forward to returning each week. Our school instills in your children feelings of pride and affection for their heritage and will be an enjoyable chapter of your child's maturing process.

#### **Torah Academy Brevard Jewish Community Preschool Ages 3 - 5**

Torah Academy Brevard Jewish Community Preschool provides a warm environment that nurtures self-esteem and helps build the foundation for successful development and growth. Our comprehensive and developmentally appropriate program, integrated with Torah values and Jewish tradition promotes each child's intellectual, social, physical and emotional growth.

*· Warm & Dynamic, Certified Teachers · Superior Curriculum · Low Child-Teacher Ratio  
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#### **Women's Weekly Study Group – Tuesdays 1:30 PM**

Join women from all backgrounds and enjoy a round table discussion with Shulamit Konikov on interesting Jewish topics.

**Confused about a date?** Find a Jewish birthday calculator, Bar/Bat Mitzvah lookup, Yahrtzeit calculator and a general Jewish/Civil date converter at [www.jewishbrevard.com](http://www.jewishbrevard.com).

**Want to be informed of all Chabad events with no obligation or pressure? Call us at 321-777-2770.**

# Jewish Singles Social Club



Sylvia, Maxine, Jeff, Kandi and Mitch

Many exciting events are coming up in the near future such as: a Dolphin Cruise, Art Museum, Bowling, Dinners, Movies, House Parties, just to name a few. If you are a Jewish female or Jewish male ages 40-140, then we want you to come join us. Don't be left out of all the fun.....

For more information: Kandi (321) 432-3655 or email: [Momkandi@aol.com](mailto:Momkandi@aol.com)



Singles Group at TGI Fridays

## PRIME TIME

Prime Time meets the second Monday of each month at One Senior Place in Viera, starting at 11:00 a.m. The next meeting will be on May 10th. Attendees bring their own "brown bag" lunches. Dessert & beverages are provided.

Prime Time programs are different each month throughout the year. Meetings are open to all and all are welcome. For further information please call 636-3484.

## SENIOR TALKERS

Senior Talkers, a discussion and social group, meets the second Monday of each month at One Senior Place in Viera starting at 12 noon. The next meeting will be May 10th. Those attending bring "brown bag" lunches, dessert and beverages are provided. Lunch and socializing for half an hour is followed by an hour of open discussions on various current events and other topics of controversial nature follow, giving stimulation to keep our minds alert. Different moderators lead the discussions.

Meetings are open to all and all are welcome. For further information please call 254-5143

## PURIM AT CHABAD

What does a Rabbi say on Purim?

"Howdy, Partner."

This is what Rabbi Zvi Konikov said during this year's Purim banquet at Chabad. The theme this year was *Purim in the Wild West*.

Everyone dressed up in traditional cowboy and cowgirl outfits so it was hard to distinguish the Rabbi from the ranch hands.

The braver townsfolk rode a mechanical bull similar to those found in Texas watering holes.

The food was as good as you'd find at any cattle drive.

Chabad's annual Purim party takes on a different theme each year (in previous years it was Purim in the Shtetel, Purim in the Israeli Army and a number of other creatively themed events) and is looked forward to by all who have attended. You won't want to miss it next year!



Rabbi & Shulamit Konikov



Purim 2010 Cowgirls dancing

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## ISRAELI FOLK DANCING Spring Session: April 18 - May 30

Every Sunday Afternoon except January 31st.

- 12:30 - 1:15 **Youth:** (10 yrs +): taught by youth instructor  
1:30 - 2:30 **Intermediate:** dancers with a good understanding of dance vocabulary words, and the ability to quickly implement dance steps, will learn popular Israeli dances.  
2:30 - 3:30 **Beginner:** dancers will learn basic Israeli dances as they familiarize themselves with dance steps and dance vocabulary words.

**Everyone is invited - Dance music available**

For more details, please contact Wendy Roy at 321-723-4346 or email RoyGroup@aol.com

Sponsored by Temple Beth Sholom Sisterhood  
Lucy Podnos Education Center, 5995 N Wickham Road, Melbourne  
(located behind Temple Beth Sholom Synagogue)



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## Temple Beth Sholom Happenings

[www.BethSholomBrevard.com](http://www.BethSholomBrevard.com)

Here are just some of the activities keeping us busy during these early winter months.

### Special Guest Speaker -- Sunday, April 18, 2010 3:30 PM



Don't miss our special speaker, Dr. Norberto S. Schechtmann, MD. Dr. Schechtmann will speak about his personal experiences in Non-Democratic countries. Wine and Cheese will be served at 3:30 PM and the program will start at 4 PM. There is no charge for this event.

This speaker is not to be missed! For reservations, call Barbara Haas at 321-255-1361.

### Ongoing Events

**Sisterhood Book Club:** (every 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at 2 PM)

This ongoing club decides on a book, and then meets each month to discuss the selection. All are welcome – whether your reading assignment is current or not!

**Minyan:** Weekly minyans are held on Tuesday evenings at 7 PM and Thursday mornings at 10 AM. Participants share breakfast and Rabbi Margolis teaches passages from classical Jewish texts.

# SAVE THE DATE!

CASINO NIGHT AND SILENT AUCTION  
FUNDRAISER FOR FEDERATION EDUCATION PROGRAMS

SATURDAY EVENING AUGUST 20, 2010  
RADISSON OCEANFRONT HOTEL

# Sisterhood of Special Meeting



Place - Temple Beth Sholom

Date: April 18, 2010

Time- 3:30 PM for Wine and Cheese  
4:00 PM for Program

Speaker - Dr. Noberto Schechtmann

Subject- His experiences in  
Non-democratic countries.  
This is a speaker not to be missed!

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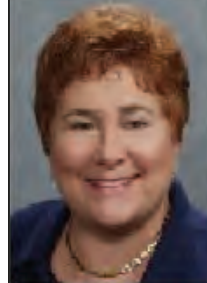
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# Temple Israel Mitzvah Day

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- Making sandwiches to feed someone who is hungry?
- Cleaning up the Sunday school play ground?
- Making cards and baskets to bring to a nursing home?
- Making cards to send to someone in the military?
- A rummage sale fundraiser?
- Bringing food to a food bank?
- Participating in the “penny project”?

All these projects will be taking place at Temple Israel on Sunday April 25<sup>th</sup> starting with the rummage sale at 7:30 a.m. Other events will begin at the start of religious school. We can use your help! If you are unable to assist by physically doing a mitzvah, it is still a mitzvah to:

- Donate toiletries for the nursing home baskets
- Bring items for the rummage sale
- Donate canned goods for the food bank
- Bring spare change for the “penny project”
- Make a monetary donation

Please contact Debbie Woodard to let us know how you and your family will be participating.

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## **HADASSAH NEWS**

Please join us as Hadassah installs a new Board of Directors for the 2010-2011 year at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Indialantic, at 11:30 AM on **April 20, 2010**. The cost of the luncheon is \$25.00 and will feature a choice of entrees. Please call Lois Siegel (321-951-1977) for reservations. Sharon Sisselsky, a member of the National Board of Hadassah will be our Installing officer. Hope to see you all there.

We also want to thank each and every one of you who participated in this year's Jewish Festival. We had a wonderful time at the Auditorium and raised money selling a variety of items, including shopping bags that you all admired. By the way, you can purchase these grocery shopping bags at the Federation Office for \$1.00 each. We also donated beanie babies to Hospice and books to the library, so it was a win/win situation for all.

Respectfully submitted,  
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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR, April 15 - May 31, 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11 Yom Hashoah At Temple Israel 10:00 AM Israeli Dance at TBS	12 Prime Time 11 am Senior Talkers at 12	13 Women's Study at CJCC 1:30 pm  Torah Class at CJCC 7:30	14	15 JFB BOD Mtg 6:30 pm	16 Match Chaim Service at the Fountains	17
18 Israeli Dance at TBS  TBS Sisterhood Wine & Cheese 3:30 PM 4:00 Norberto Schechtmann	19	20 Women's Study at CJCC 1:30 pm  Torah Class at CJCC 7:30  Bnai Brith Gourmet Dining Club	21	22	23	24
25 Mitzvah Day At Temple Israel  TBS Men's Club General Mtg Israeli Dance at TBS	26	27 Women's Studa at CJCC 1:30 pm  Torah Class at CJCC 7:30	28 TBS Sisterhood Book Club 2 PM	29	30	1
2 Lag B'Omer Picnic at Pelican Park Israeli Dance at TBS TBS Movie Night	3 Match Chaim BOD Mtg	4 Women's Study at CJCC 1:30 pm  Torah Class at CJCC 7:30	5 B'nai Brith BOD Mtg	6	7	8
9 Israeli Dance at TBS	10 Prime Time 11 am Senior Talkers at 12	11 Women's Study at CJCC 1:30 pm  Torah Class at CJCC 7:30	12	13	14	15 Champagne & Chocolate TI at 7:30 PM
16 Match Chaim Annual Meeting Israeli Dance at TBS	17	18 Women's Study at CJCC 1:30 pm Torah Class at CJCC 7:30 Bnai Brith Gourmet Dining Club	19 <b>SHAVUOT</b>	20 <b>SHAVUOT</b> Hadassah installa- tion 11:30	21	22
23 TBS Mens Golf Tournament Israeli Dance at TBS	24	25 Women's Study at CJCC 1:30 pm  Torah Class at CJCC 7:30	26	27	28	29
30 Israeli Dance at TBS	31 Memorial Day					



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