Congregation Beth Israel KOLEINU (Our Voice) March 2020

Service this week

On Friday, February 28that 6:30 at Jackie Ludmer's house; leader – Mary Chang

Services for March

On Friday, March 27th at 6:30 – at the Paprocki house; leader – Elaine Morrison

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Services for This Year

A committee headed by Andee met, and we have come up with a basic Shabbat service to be utilized at our services. It will encompass all of the important prayers and parts of a Friday Shabbat service. In addition a 'leader' will present a short program usually focusing on the Parsha for the week. This month I will be playing part of a podcast done weekly by Rabbi Rick Jacobs on mindfulness. I have included the URL and podcast name below. We will take turns each month with a host, leader, and oneg provider. Resources will be available for those who wish to lead. This month Jackie Ludmer will provide the oneg as well as hosting. Lois Gherman and Janet Sadowsky have been looking for a new venue. It seems possible that we have found a church which will for a reasonable fee allow us to conduct services on their premises. We will have more on this in the future.

https://reformjudaism.libsyn.com/ Podcast: "On the Other Hand" Editor:
Mary Chang
Board:
Janis Cohen
Don Donnenberg
Lois Gherman
Steve Lande
Richard Lawrence
Elaine Morrison
Andrea Paprocki
Judi Siegal

Upcoming Holidays: 2/10 -Tu B'Shevat 3/10 – Purim 4/08 - Passover

Membership

As of now the board has decided that there will be NO dues for the year 2020. *Please let us know if you do NOT intend to continue as a member by replying to this email.* We are getting together a new directory to share with all members.

Passover Seder

We will enjoy our Passover Seder this year at the Paprocki home on the first night of Passover, April 8th at 5:30pm. The cost is \$30 per person. Please send your check made out to CBI to our treasurer, Richard Lawrence at 9794 SW 89th Loop, Ocala, FL 34481. Andee will be preparing a sumptuous meal for us with including turkey and brisket and all the trimmings. We will have gluten free gefilte fish and matzo balls available for those with gluten issues. The Paprocki's will also be having a 2nd night Seder at their home and wish that anyone who desires would again join

them! Anyone who wishes to donate food, or who wants to attend the 2nd night Seder, please let Andee know. (chanamalkany@yahoo.com)

In conjunction with the JCNCF

Diana Lawrence will be delivering along with a couple of our other members Purim gift packages to nursing homes/assisted living facilities between March 9-11. If you would like to donate wrapped candies, cookies, or fruit to make each package more special, please bring goodies to our Shabbat service on the 28th or call Diana at 624-0666. Thank you for remembering these special Jewish residents on Purim.

Connections It has been a while since we ran a 'connections' program, but we are starting again in March! We will be showing the movie, "Denial" at Janet Sadowsky's home on Monday, March 23rd at 1:00 pm. For a suggested donation of \$5 per person which you will pay 'at the door' you will get delicious refreshments as well as have the opportunity to view and discuss a great movie with us! "Is it worth putting Holocaust deniers on trial? That's the question Holocaust historian Deborah Lipstadt had to ask herself when denier David Irving sued her for libel. Lipstadt and her team knew that anything other than a decisive victory could open the door to validating deniers of all stripes, so they had to do whatever it took to ensure that victory – even if it meant preventing survivors from taking the stand. In her role as Lipstadt, Rachel Weisz perfectly captures the tensions and triumphs of the high-stakes trial." – Alex Rose



Sisterhood

President: Judy Donnenberg 352-789-1270

Dues: \$18 for the year

All are welcome – you need not be a member of our congregation nor do you have to be Jewish!

Everybody LOVES Judy Donnenberg's sponge cake, and so it was the feature of February's Sisterhood meeting! Judy demonstrated how to make her sponge cake, taking each step at a time allowing plenty of time for viewing and questions. Now

we will all be experts! Thanks to Janet Sadowsky who supplied other refreshments and her lovely home for the demonstration.



Continuing the Sisterhood year:

A tour of the Judaica Suite in the Smathers Library of the University of Florida, Gainesville, will take place on Monday, March 2nd. The tour will begin at 10:00 a.m. Plans to car pool from On Top of the World to the University have been made. Guests are asked to contact Elaine Morrison at elmo72434@gmail.com if you have any questions. The tour will be followed by lunch at a Gainesville restaurant. The tour features artwork and sculptures and tapestries as well as more than 100,000 volumes of Jewish studies and secular literature. The library's memorial book collection is the largest in the Southeast.

April – a tour of Shalom Park with emphasis on its Jewish roots

May – Jewish cookbooks from various nations

for great salad, soup and pizza



ANNOUNCEMENTSYahrzeits for March

Rose Gruber mother of Mary Chang aunt of Mary Chang Hannah Bver Saul Gherman brother of **Ernie Gherman** Albert Hirschfield father of Martin Hirschfield Stephen Lawrence brother of Richard Lawrence **Birthday for March** Gale Lazarus Andee Paprocki

Donations Mary Chang – yahrzeits for mother and aunt

Jewish Events in the Area

JCNCF to Sponsor Traveling Exhibit: Pictures of Resistance

The University of Florida Center for European Studies is collaborating with the Gainesville Fine Arts Association to bring *Pictures of Resistance* to Gainesville. *Pictures of Resistance* is traveling exhibit of the photographs by Faye Schulman, the only known Jewish partisan to document the World War II experience on film.

The lives of partisans depended on their ability to remain unseen, undocumented and unidentifiable. But one fighter, Faye Schulman, had a camera. Schulman's rare collection of images captures the camaraderie, horror and loss, bravery and triumph of the rag-tag, tough partisans—some Jewish, some not—who fought the Germans and their collaborators.

The Exhibition runs **through March 14th** and will be displayed at the GFAA Gallery at 1314 South Main Street. Gallery hours are Tuesday – Saturday 11am – 5pm. More information can be found at gainesvillefinearts.org.



Purchase tickets through the JCNCF. Check their website for the schedule.