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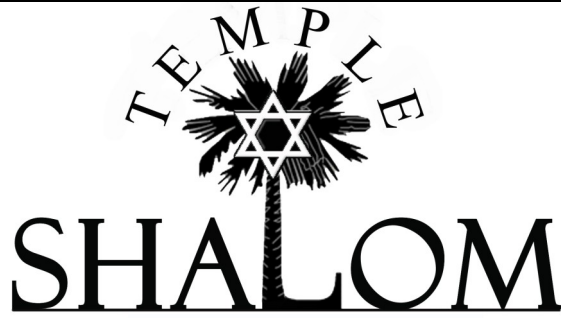
Tu B'Sh'vat, the 15th day of the Jewish month of Sh'vat, is a holiday celebrated as the *New Year for Trees*. The date is used for the purpose of calculating the age of trees for tithing. Each tree is considered to have aged one year as of Tu B'Sh'vat.

Tu B'Sh'vat is not mentioned in the Torah. Only one reference to it has been found in the Mishnah, and the only thing said there is that it is the new year for trees, and there is a dispute as to the proper date for the holiday.

There are few customs or observances related to this holiday. One custom is to eat a new fruit on this day. Some people plant trees on this day. Many people collect money to buy trees that are then planted in Israel. Some partake in a Tu B'Sh'vat Seder.



In modern times Tu B'Sh'vat has become a more ecologically significant holiday and some people practice green ideas related to recycling and the environment in celebration as well. If you are interested in purchasing trees here is a link for a list of different certificates to use for purchasing trees: [Jewish National Fund](#)



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Our **Friday evening** services begin at 8:00pm. We use the small chapel at Trinity Episcopal on the ocean side corner of Business 17 and 30th Ave North in Myrtle Beach. Enter the parking lot from 30th Ave. Then, from the parking lot, enter the building thru the main side doors in the courtyard. Follow the first hall to the left and zig-zag back and forth into the sanctuary. There is an Oneg after services

On **Saturday mornings** services begin at 10:30 am. We use the Grand Strand Senior Center located at 1268 21 Ave. N., just east of Robert Grissom Parkway in Myrtle Beach. Attendees will enter through the door to the left of the main entrance. A small Kiddush is celebrated after services.

Plots For Sale

There are six plots available for purchase by our members in the cemetery.

Should you be interested in making this type of advance need purchase please direct your query to LilyAnn Revitch.

Thank You ...to our January hosts for their delicious onegs



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Temple Shalom Newsletter

Please send notices of events and information you wish to share to:

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FROM THE RABBI

Many years ago, when I was a U.S. Army recruit, I was given some advice. I was told, "Never volunteer."

This advice is not confined to the military. Many of us who have never worn the uniform have made "Never volunteer" the golden rule of our lives. In fact, this all-too-human trait motivated someone to write the following ditty:

*There's a clever young fellow named
SOMEBODY ELSE,
There's nothing this fellow can't do.
He's busy from morning to late at night
Just substituting for you.
You're asked to do this or asked to do that,
And what is your reply?
"Please get somebody else,
He'll do it much better than I."*

All religious and community organizations need volunteers. Yet, often when people are asked to volunteer to accept a position or help to perform a task that needs to be done, the response is, "I have no time. I'm just too busy." We're all willing to benefit from the efforts of other people, but when we're asked to volunteer our own time, we're often too busy. But having no time and being too busy is not simply a matter of the number of minutes and hours in the day. For it seems that the busiest people always seem to have time to volunteer to perform tasks that need to be done. And on the other hand, it seems that for some of us, being too busy and having no time is just a state of mind. We're all familiar with the old saying that if you want to get something done, ask a busy person to do it.

So it's really not a question of being too busy or having no time. It's really a question of priorities. It's really a question of what we consider important in our lives.

The purpose of life is not to be constantly taking. We also have to give. We have to both take and give. As Hillel said, "If I am not for myself, then who will be for me? But if I am only for myself, then what am I?"

So the next time you're asked to volunteer and your first impulse is to say that you don't have the time, ask yourself if that is really true. Don't we all have some responsibility beyond just satisfying our own immediate needs? Is our sole role just to benefit from the efforts of others? It is good to receive. But an important part of life is to give.

Rabbi David Weissman

FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Temple Members,

It has been an interesting and difficult six months. Rabbi Weissman has been our spiritual leader for just over six months and I am sure you have noticed some changes at services and other programs. We now have an Adult B'nai Mitzvah class this first group of adults will celebrate being called to the Torah this June. This will be another first for our Temple. We also now have religious classes for our children, we feel it's a parents responsibility to give their children a Jewish education it is our responsibility to provide the means for that education. Rabbi Weissman is also leading an adult education course that many of us are enjoying and learning more about the lessons of Torah and other text.

Our Rabbi also conducts Friday evening services as well as Shabbat morning services. So as you see there is a lot to take advantage of around the Temple. We had a wonderful Chanukah Celebration and now we are looking ahead to Purim and then Passover, our Jewish Calendar always makes sure that something is on the horizon. I am very pleased that our Rabbi has taken on all of these activities and I know he would like to see all of you coming out to whatever pleases you.

It has also been over six months since the fire destroyed our home, and I can tell you it has not been an easy time for Ze'ev and me, but by the time this goes to print we hope to be able to move back into our restored home, may it be G-d's will. In the past six months there were many lessons to be learnt, tolerance, patience, how to stay calm under such circumstances, and to smile as often as one can.

If there is a program that you would like to see get started please let us know. Getting involved and volunteering is the right thing to do.

Lily Ann Revitch
President



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Steve Firestone, **President**

Birthdays This Month

25 Harriet Lurey-Lutz

January Yahrzeits

2 Barabara C. Buchanan

9 Max Weiss

12 George Hall

15 Arlene Ratigan

17 Helen E. Jacobson

19 Eva Marks

22 Ann Pollack

25 Gretel Hamerov

28 Alexander Simon

28 Harry Warshafsky

28 Cheryl Reich

28 Alexander Revitch

28 Eve Wasserman

29 Debra Wasserman

Mi Shebeirach

We extend wishes for quick and complete recovery
to our members who are facing health issues.

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If you have someone you'd like to make a
special prayer request for, please give a note
to the Rabbi with the person's name
and your relationship before the service begins.

~Sisterhood~






We had our monthly meeting with a white elephant
exchange and raised a little money for sisterhood's
coffers. Thank you to all who attended. We also
made plans for our next Shabbat pot luck dinner
which will happen on Friday, March 20th at the
Temple in the hall. Please bring a covered Dairy
Dish to share. You can coordinate with Carrie.
Cost will be \$5 per person. More details to follow.
Next meeting will be: February 23rd 6PM at
Friendly's.

Carrie Selig, **President**

February 2009

7 Sh'vat to 4 Adar 5769



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>I</p> <p>SUPERBOWL SUNDAY BROTHERHOOD Pizza Party @ East of Chicago</p> <p>7 Sh'vat</p>	<p>2</p> <p>8 Sh'vat</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9 Sh'vat</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Religious School 6:05 pm Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah 7:10 pm Adult Education 8:15 pm</p> <p>10 Sh'vat</p>	<p>5</p> <p>11 Sh'vat</p>	<p>6  5:32 PM</p> <p>Service: 8:00PM Oneg: Carol Rosenbloom & Rachel Hess</p> <p>12 Sh'vat</p>	<p>7 Parashat Beshalach Morning Service 10:30 am Havdalah 7:03 PM</p> <p>13 Sh'vat</p>
<p>8</p> <p>14 Sh'vat</p>	<p>9 </p> <p><i>Tu B'Shvat</i></p> <p>15 Sh'vat</p>	<p>10</p> <p>16 Sh'vat</p>	<p>II</p> <p>Religious School 6:05 pm Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah 7:10 pm Adult Education 8:15 pm</p> <p>17 Sh'vat</p>	<p>12</p> <p>18 Sh'vat</p>	<p>13  5:38PM</p> <p>Service: 8:00PM Oneg: Cookie & Gabe Brenner</p> <p>19 Sh'vat</p>	<p>14 Parashat Yisro Morning Service 10:30 am Havdalah 7:09PM</p> <p>20 Sh'vat</p>
<p>15</p> <p>21 Sh'vat</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Brotherhood Meeting 6PM @ Tanger Golden Corral</p> <p>22 Sh'vat</p>	<p>17</p> <p>23 Sh'vat</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Religious School 6:05 pm</p> <p>Board Meeting 7:30 PM @ Senior Center</p> <p>24 Sh'vat</p>	<p>19</p> <p>25 Sh'vat</p>	<p>20  5:45PM</p> <p>Service: 8:00 PM Oneg: Stan & Roberta Atkins</p> <p>26 Sh'vat</p>	<p>21 Parashat Mishpatim Morning Service 10:30 am Havdalah 7:16 PM</p> <p>27 Sh'vat</p>
<p>22</p> <p>28 Sh'vat</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Sisterhood Meeting 6PM @ Friendly's</p> <p>29 Sh'vat</p>	<p>24</p> <p>30 Sh'vat</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Religious School 6:05 pm Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah 7:10 pm Adult Education 8:15 pm</p> <p>I Adar</p>	<p>26</p> <p>2 Adar</p>	<p>27  5:51PM</p> <p>Service: 8:00PM Oneg: Lynn & Lou Sostrin</p> <p>3 Adar</p>	<p>28 Parashat Terumah Morning Service 10:30 am Havdalah 7:22 PM</p> <p>4 Adar</p>

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Monday, March 9, 2009

A Purim Celebration

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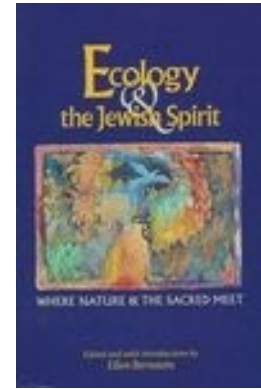
Friday, March 20, 2009

Shabbat Pot Luck Dairy Dinner

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Book of the Month:



Ecology & the Jewish Spirit: Where Nature and the Sacred Meet

"According to Berrin, humanity's task of sustaining the environment is central to the Jewish belief that all "Creation is sacred." This splendid anthology shows just how deeply rooted ecological thinking is in ancient Jewish texts and practices. Berrin divides the collected essays into three sections "Sacred Place," "Sacred Time" and "Sacred Community" that reflect the intersections of nature and the sacred in Jewish thought. ... Drawn together by their belief that Judaism contains within itself the seeds for the practice of an environmental ethic, the variety of voices contained in this collection present lively and compelling reflections on taking care of the earth. (Quoted from page about this book on half.com)

If you have any suggestions for a "Book of the Month" - Or a great Movie or Music that you'd like to share—with a Jewish theme, please e-mail it to me at tsmb@rdhess.com

Thanks!



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