

# The First Hebrew Congregation



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## Important

### Members Please Note

Our fiscal year now ends August 31<sup>st</sup>; dues are due September 1st. We need to elect four members, serving two year terms, at our annual meeting the third Sunday in September. If you wish to run for the Board, please submit a short bio which will be part of the ballots sent to members. Please send bio by email or snail mail by July 25<sup>th</sup>. Please consider serving and being a part of the wonderful success story of the FHC. If you think meetings will be

inconvenient, just remember you can attend meetings by phone. To qualify to run for the Board, you must have been a member for at least one year and be a current member with dues payment up to date. The Board members with expiring terms are Lou Price, Hy Warshawsky, Rickey Rothner, and Mike Slotnick. These members are eligible to run again

What a long way we have come at the FHC. In having the busiest summer in recent years starting with a wonderful Passover Seder, followed by our first Shavuot weekend in years, with a large contingency from Detroit joining us for the holiday weekend. Our Rabbi Cohen held our Conservative service in the sanctuary, while the Orthodox minyon davened in the Teitel Hall, followed by a joint for a second service upstairs and a great Kiddush. In the evening, Rabbi Cohen taught a well-attended a study group about Shavuot, followed by an ice cream social. A very fulfilling weekend was capped by a Sunday Yizkor service.

### Catskills

Catskills of the Midwest exhibit officially opened June 26th and will continue throughout the summer at the Historical Association of South Haven (HASH) on Hubbard St. The weekend started with a buffet served at HASH, followed by dessert at FHC, where the Klezmedics performed. Over 250 people toured our shul, being impressed with the restoration. At 3 p.m., a group toured by trolley all the old resort sights. Tour director

Joe Ashen knew the old north side in detail and had great stories to tell! Special thanks for all the help from Deb Zuckerman, Deb Ehrlich, Shelly Sommerfeld, Lou Price, Joe Ashen, Barry Fidelman, Karen and Tony Riffer-Reinert, Remey and Julie Rubin.

### Lox Box

July 3rd was our annual Lox Box fundraiser and was a resounding success! 180 people enjoyed Lox, bagel's cream cheese, onion, tomato, cucumber, juice and homemade blueberry muffins. Special thanks to Steve Tolen and Tony Martorano, our bakers extraordinaire; to Remey Rubin for your organizational skills; and to Pat Martorano, Lou Price, Kim Boysen, Julie Rubin, Renee Kaplan and Barry Fidelman for your much valued help.

### Services

Summer is really here-- we have had a Steinfelds sighting! Joe and Chavie will lead the Orthodox Shabbat service starting June 25<sup>th</sup>, starting at 10 a.m., followed by a Kiddush at 12 p.m. Orthodox service will continue every Saturday thru Labor Day. Reform services will be held on four Friday nights at 8 p.m. Rabbi Nina Mizrahi will conduct services on July 15th and August 26th. Rabbi Ellen Dreyfus will conduct services on July 25th and August 19<sup>th</sup>.

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## Thank You

Our board has been busy: Deb Ehrlich was in charge of the Catskill weekend and did a great job! Barry Fidelman has made lots of happy people with the food and Kiddush herring. Bob Abel and Ricky Rothner getting our finances in place. Thanks to Ricky we now have a complete set of Passover Haggadah's and a well-stocked Kiddush Kabbinet. President Remey Rubin has directed all facets of the operation. Hy Warshawsky has attended all meetings and given us his wise advice.

Thanks to Joe and Chavie Steinfeld who make the Shabbat and Kiddush so memorable.

A special thank you to the kitchen committee (Joyce Berman, Shelley Sommerfeld, Julie Rubin, and Karen Riffer-Reinert) and all who help at many of our events.

Thank you to Steve for your tireless work at the Shul. I have to be very careful with my verbal wish list because even if I am just talking to myself about something I find it done the next week. Thanks, Steve.

Thank you Karen Tolen for your hard work in keeping our garden looking beautiful.

Deb Zuckerman, thank you for the time and effort to select the perfect frame and framing each art work or photo hanging on the walls of our Shul.

A huge thank you to Barry Fidelman for his hard work in creating this newsletter on a regular basis.

Thank you to Phillip and Joyce Weisberger for their donation to the synagogue in memory of Loretta Rose.

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## News

Best wishes to our Board member Michael Slotnick who will have knee surgery soon and just had hand surgery.

Congratulations to Julie and Remey Rubin on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Karolyn, and the graduation of their grandson Rudy from Iowa State University.

Jerry and Rosie Chip have moved to 231 Golden Harbor Trail, Bradenton, Fla. 34212. Their phone is 941-567-4669 and email address is jerrychip1012@gmail.com. We wish them well in their new abode and miss them very much.

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