

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### **SPECIAL PROJECTS:**

CHAIRMAN: BARRY MANKES

MEMBERS: Helen Baimel, Beverly Morshenson, Nancy Wolff

The final stages of planning for the 2006 Free Kosher Picnic are underway.

The beginning stages for the Dinner Dance (set for November 9, 2006, are underway.

November 10 is the celebrated holiday)

New shirts, pins and hats are available

### **CHARITY AND WELFARE**

CHAIRMAN: IRV HELLER

MEMBERS: Paul Weiss, Harvey Meshel, Shaya Weberman, David Weberman

### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

CHAIRMAN: MIKE BENTOLILA

MEMBERS: Steve Kaufman, Steve Leibowitz, Frank Piloto, Ken Goodman

The new format for the Newsletter is being used for the first time this month

### **MEMBERSHIP:**

CHAIRMAN: LOU BORNSTEIN

MEMBERS: Irv Heller, Michelle Sabag, Jeff Wander, Paul Weiss

Three new members joined this month

### **SCHOLARSHIP**

CHAIRPERSON: MICHELLE SABAG

MEMBERS: Rhonda Walenda, Jennifer Siller Lasry

Steve Leibowitz, a long time member of the Committee, resigned from the Committee

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

**MARCH 14, 2006 - PURIM**

**APRIL 2, 2006 11:00 AM TO 4:00 PM MACH'N A PIKNIK CB SMITH PARK**

**APRIL 13-20, 2006 - PESACH**

**APRIL 25, 2006 - YOM HASHOAH - HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY**

**APRIL 30, 2006 10:00 AM - MONTHLY MEETING - FEDERATION BUILDING**

**MAY NEWSLETTER WILL ANNOUNCE SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES**

**MAY 2, 2006 - YOM HAZIKARON - ISRAELI INDEPENDENCE DAY**

**JUNE 25, 2006, MONTHLY MEETING - AVENTURA POLICE STATION**

**JULY 30, 2006, MONTHLY MEETING - FEDERATION BUILDING -  
SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED THIS DAY**

## **South Florida Shomrim Society Membership Application**

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Rabbi Jeremiah Burstyn, Spiritual Adv

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MAZEL TOV:

To Richard and Jennifer Lasry (and the entire family) on the birth of son Benjamin Ariel Meir Lasry

To John and Rhonda Walenda on the birth of son Albert

### WELCOME

To new member and Brother Israel Melamed who is with Miami-Dade County Corrections

To new Brother and member Robert Greenberg, a Captain with Indian Creek PD

Tonew member and Brother Randy Goldberg who is a Lieutenant with the Broward Sheriff's Office

To new member and Brother Matthew Kaplan who is a Sergeant with Miami-Dade PD's Northwest District

# MACHN A PIKNIK

## SOUTH FLORIDA SHOMRIM SOCIETY ANNUAL FREE KOSHER PICNIC SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2006 11AM TO 4 PM CB SMITH PARK - PAVILLION 15 FLAMINGO ROAD AND PINES BLVD PEMBROKE PINES, FLORIDA *SAME PLACE AS LAST YEAR*

Food provided by Weberman's Traditional Foods:  
Hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken, shwarmas  
Plus all the sides, sodas and water

There will be a Bounce House Rock Climbing Wall  
and this year we are adding a face painter!!

Please let us know how many will be attending  
Barry: jml1@aol.com 786-355-4670  
Steve: leibotrio@bellsouth.net 305-219-4235

## NEXT MEETING

APRIL 30, 2006  
JEWISH FEDERATION  
4200 BISCAYNE BLVD  
(NO MARCH MEETING - PICNIC  
IS APRIL 2 - BE THERE!

## THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF JEWISH PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYEES

The organization held its first educational seminar this past January (24-26) on Miami Beach. More than 30 attendees heard from notable speakers on Crisis Management for Law Enforcement. The topics were covered under the sub heading of *Addressing the Mind, Body and Soul*

Day 1 was about the Soul and it included addresses from Rabbi Pinchas Weberman on the Chaplaincy Program and what it does; Cantor Alan Edwards on the response to a natural disaster (Hurricane Katrina); and Rabbi Abraham Cooper, Associate Dean, Simon Wiesenthal Center, who spoke about Hate Groups and Terrorism on the Internet and displayed a new interactive training video for police.

DAY 2 was about the Body and included topics

## RABBI'S MESSAGE

Rabbi Pinchas Weberman is the spiritual leader of Temple Ohev Shalom and the South Florida Shomrim Society. He is also a Chaplain for Miami Beach PD, ATF and MDPD.

The Fast of the Tenth of Teves marks the blockade of the Holy City. This set the tone for a series of tragic defeats that befell our people. AT the time that we remember the threats to our people as a whole, we should assess our personal lives and how there exist threats against our personal welfare on physical, financial and spiritual levels.

The air around us harbors an abundance of toxic germs, bacteria, viruses, cancer-causing matter and assorted pollutants. Changes in weather threaten our respiratory system. Travel, whether by automobile, rail, ship or aircraft, puts us in hazardous circumstances.

Walking as a pedestrian is also dangerous. Even one's own household is not immune from dangers.

Every financial venture pits the buyer against the seller, the employer against the employee, each one wanting to negotiate a price resulting in a gain to one and a loss to the other. Merchants compete with one another for customers, professionals for clients and workers for jobs. Everyone's financial position is insecure. On top of all that, all levels of government are constantly devising means to extort money through exorbitant taxation

Threats to our spiritual well-being abound wherever we turn. We are continuously faced with laziness, wanting to oversleep and fail to attend synagogue; with stinginess, failing to respond to calls for charity; with greed, wanting to

like Relaxation Techniques, instructed by Dr. David Muransky; Surviving Trauma by Jackson Memorial Hospital's Trauma Surgeon Dr. Mauricio Lynn (also an 18 year veteran of the IDF in Israel); and Deputy US Marshal Rob Evans, New York who spoke on non-lethal defensive tactics and the preparation for a confrontation.

Day 3 was for the Mind. Guest lectureres Dave Barnett, DEA's Training Center, Quantico, Virginia, spoke on inter-agency cooperation; Judge Israel Reyes from the 11th Judicial Circuit of Florida talked about what Judges want to hear during testimony; and Marv Goldsmith and Scott Widitor, each formerly with the California Attorney General's office spoke on expert testimony and surviving the cross examination.

The kosher lunches each day provided the energy needed to retain all this relevant information. We are planning next year's event already.

acquire wealth undeservingly; with lust, driven to overindulge and with vanity, longing for undeserved honor.

We must start by vigorously warding off the spiritual hazards that loom before us. We will then be Divinely protected from physical and financial threats. The merit of each individual's spiritual elevation will accumulate to remove dangers and bring redemption to our people generally and to the world as a whole

*The fast of the fourth, the fifth, the seventh and the tenth shall be to the House of Judah joy and gladness and festive times, love, truth and peace.*