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Upcoming Programs & Events

TAO Events to Schedule
Feb 5, 2010

Lots New this Week...

Special Guest at Friday Service

At Service tomorrow night, February 5, our guest clergy is the Reverend Israel Ilrael, a Haitian American with five village ministries in Haiti and a local church in Delray Beach. For eight days, he did not know the state of his daughter, Mariel-France, a young attorney in Port au Prince. Rabbi Marc passed around her photo at candelighting last Service; we prayed for her safety and she has survived. Reverend Israel is coming to thank TAO and share his experiences.

Our fellow congregant Cecile Dumornay, gifted author of *Whispers of My Soul* and Haitian American, will eloquently share from her heart. This Service is not to be missed. Please attend.

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#### Heart to Heart

There are new messages in the right column.

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Rabbi Help Request

We are looking for two volunteers to do a mitzvah and be responsible for and assist Rabbi Marc with Saturday morning onegs. The job includes some shopping, helping set up and clean up. Please contact Renee or Dee at the office at 954-888-1408 or TAOadmin@TAOcenter.net asap.

Next Service

Friday, February 5

Learn the Friday night Shabbos prayers. Click here to print [Prayer book](#).

Today's Parsha

Feb 4, 2010 - 20 Shevat 5770
Yitro: Exodus: 18:1-20:23

Wisdom by Rabbi Shoni Labowitz

Unconditional love is giving yourself fully and receiving fully. In letting go of your own agenda and expanding the possibilities for receiving and giving love, you are able to surpass stubborn obstacles and emerge through the narrow confinements of your perception to greater visions of holiness and goodness.

Reprinted from "Miraculous Living" Calendar. Special thanks to Dr. Lisa J. Sirota-Weiner.

Purim Havdallah

Saturday, February 27th. Join us at 7 p.m. for a Purim Havdallah Service at Rabbi Marc and Paulina's home. Potluck Desserts and libations only. No charge... but members only! Not a member? Join now. [Click here](#).

Meditation Mini Retreat

Sunday, March 7 from 2:00 - 6:40, TAO and the Broward Lotus Sangha are co-hosting a Meditation Mini-Retreat with Rabbi Jeff Roth. Full article below as well as links to website for details.

Saturday Morning Retreat

If you're scheduling all the Saturday Morning Retreats in your calendar, add this newest addition: May 15. Next session is March 13. Full schedule in article below.

Help Haiti

Father Michel is soon leaving for a one month trip to Haiti to live with and teach children at an orphanage. He will sleep outside with the children and staff as their building is not habitable. The following items are needed.

- Baby Formula, preferably powdered, both milk and soy are OK. Currently they have 6 babies.
- Medical Supplies for dressing wounds such as: Gauze (4" squares and larger), tape, antibiotic cream, bandaids
- Children's Tylenol and Children's Advil
- Single sheets, pillowcases and blankets
- Body Soap (Bars, Body wash, etc.)
- Baby Wipes, Baby Powder and Baby Oil
- Toothbrushes and toothpaste
- Vitamins
- Children's pajamas (no other clothing)
- Bug repellent

If you would like to help, please bring them with you to Services on Friday, or drop off at the Family Center at 840 NW 81 Avenue North, Lauderdale 33068 from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and tell this your donation is for Haiti.

Much love and prayers, Fr. Michel

Welcome to TAO

At TAO, you find joy, meaning & purpose to life. We identify universal truths rooted in Torah, Kabbalah and other traditional Jewish sources and draw deeply on our inner truths, communal wisdom and spiritual traditions in accordance with the ongoing process of the living Torah.

Meditation, dance, chanting, song and music, present in Judaism throughout the ages, is an integral part of our services.

Join us and embark on a spiritual journey into your Jewish soul!

Welcome New Member

We welcome **Joy Lasky, Robert Halprin** and **Claudia Rasso** as the newest members to TAO. We're looking forward to getting to know you.

Mazel Tov

To **Dottie & Robert Zveibil** on the birth of their sixth grandchild, Cory Alivia Tibstra who was delivered just 13 minutes after the midwife arrived!

Adam's Bar Mitzvah

Read about and see photos of Adam Atkin's Second Bar Mitzvah at Services a week ago last Saturday. [View photos.](#)

Road Rally - March 20, 2010

Did you have a fabulous time at last year's Road Rally? Oh my goodness... did you only hear about it and wish you had attended? This year, plan to come, and plan to help. We're looking for committee members for this super fun event. **To help plan the event**, call Rhonda at 954-205-3441 or Lowell at 954-240-1944

Wait a Minute... What's a Road Rally?

A Road Rally is a scavenger hunt with teams in cars. Pile in the car with your friends where you'll get clues and be on the road to laughter and merriment as your team strives to win the first (or second) place trophy. The clues ultimately lead you to the location for the fabulous dinner that will top off the night!

Don't know who you'd ride with? Come and we'll match you up with a great group!

Plan for loads of fun! More details will follow. Right now, save the date!

Read about [Road Rally 2009](#).

Women of Distinction - Recap

Sometimes the stars line up perfectly, and a day you spent months planning flows like warm honey. On Sunday, January 31, TAO's Women of Distinction was such a day with some 115 attendees. It was a success from the moment it began as we honored the achievements and contributions to both TAO and the greater community of four outstanding citizens: Renee Greene, Lisa Lachs, Marcia Sweedler and Ethelind Wiener.

Our honorees glided into the Hyatt Bonaventure's Florida Ballroom on a breeze of love and admiration. The afternoon began with shopping and mingling, followed by a delicious luncheon. Time sailed by as a tightly-run program began with Weston City Commissioner Mercedes Henriksson officially proclaiming January 31 as Women of Distinction day.

Healing Prayers



The following people may need help remembering they are whole and healthy. Please, whenever you are with them and whenever you think about them... see them as whole and perfect.

Florence Ross, Robin (Stephen Einbinder's sister), Harry Feder (Irene Yovu's father), Arnie Katz, Rabbi David Novak, Michael Antonelli, Linda Sharon Carroll, Joan Rosenwasser, Richard Grove, Elaine Bloom, Abby Siegel, Joan Sadik, Rita Feuerman (Rhonda Hey's mother), Roberta Vogel (Sister of Rick Vogel), John BiFolco (Trudi's son-in-law), Blanche Gulko (Bayla Rivkah bat Batya) - Mother of Judith Gulko, Maxine Brodsky (Malcha Bat Fraeda), Wayne Abbott, Joyce Goobic, Anya Rudzinski, Steve Covert, Ilene Joseph, Sharon Raddock, Ron Price, Sara Rosenbaum, Mark Friedman, Elyse Blum, Jules Hochman (father of Carole McConnell), Barbara Berg, Iris Susser, Paula Rubin (Jenae's mother), Robert Perlmutter, Andy Leeds, Jenae Rubin, Marilyn Gnapp (sister of Doris Baker), Caren Vivado, Angela Weiss, Karen Tina Sheskin, Brianna Dalnas, Cathy Spencer-Lane.

Please contact the office with requests for additions to the Healing Prayers and Condolences lists. We respect your desire to privacy and will only list with your permission. Please notify TAO office to remove names from healing.

We then had the privilege hearing Rabbi Shoni Labowitz (who has not spoken publicly in more than eight years) talk about how each of these women dared to be different, had the courage to break out of convention's boxes that clip the wings of many. Her words certainly woke me up to the boxes around me that I need to open. Thank you Rabbi Shoni for making us think, laugh, explore and expand our inner most being. Thank you for being a part of this day.

With a nod to "Inside the Actor's Studio" (and questions from Bernard Pivot) as well as a few questions of my own, I interviewed each of the honorees about the events that formed who each is today. The interviews were distilled to a 15 minute presentation that wove personal photos into the stories they shared with us. Everyone agreed the video was a hit!

[Full Article Online](#)
[View Tribute Keepsake](#)
[Read Honoree Introductions](#)

Coming up...

This Week...

Feb 04 - Men's Spirituality Group (last in this series)
 Feb 05 - Friday Service
 Feb 07 - Challah with Galia & Pampered Chef

This Month...

Feb 09 - Wisdom Class
 Feb 15 - Women's Spirituality Group
 Feb 18 - Wisdom Class
 Feb 20 - Peaceful Pairings
 Feb 27 - Saturday Shabbas Service
 Feb 27 - Purim Havdallah

Save the Date...

Mar 07 - Meditation Mini Retreat
 Mar 13 - Saturday Morning Retreat
 Mar 20 - Road Rally

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Express the unique spiritual grace and energy that reflects our loving Oneness. That's our Tree of Life.

Gift a leaf as to your loved ones. Each honors a person or couple. Celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, births, marriages... life! [Order a leaf](#) and show someone how much you love them... forever.

Special thanks to **Sharon Raddock** for sponsoring our new Tree of Life Plaque. We thank you so very much for this eternal gift.

Photo by Elyn Zerfas.

Yahrtzeit Plaque



Jewish tradition externalizes our beloved departed by honoring the blessed memory of family members who passed on (parents, siblings, aunts/uncles, children). The Yahrtzeit Plaque is a permanent memorial to your loved ones.

To add your loved one to the plaque, [click here](#).

We need to order a new Yahrtzeit Plaque. If you would like to sponsor the plaque, call the office to participate in this eternal gift. 954-888-1408.

Photo by Elyn Zerfas.

Classified: Vacation to Peru & Nepal/Bhutan

Click [here](#) for printable flyer.

Stockler Expeditions

February 2, 2010

PERU TRIP DATES: JUNE 12-18 DESTINATIONS: Lima / Cusco / Machu Picchu / Sacred Valley / Lake Titicaca	Sunie Stockler is leading two fabulous tours this year. Join us for an experience of a lifetime.	NEPAL & BHUTAN TRIP DATES: OCTOBER 1-13 DESTINATIONS: Katmandu / Tigers Nest Monastery / Wangdue / Thimphu / Paro & Fabulous Regional Festivals
		
For reservations or for information on these trips contact our office: stocklers@Usa.net 1-800-591-2955 954-472-7163		
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Job Opportunities

TAO members looking for employers and employees are welcome to place an announcement in this newsletter at no charge.

Employers wishing to [give Tzedakah](#) are invited to do so.

Email your announcement to Jenae@SalesPowerhouse.com

Heart to Heart



Share what's in your heart: love, simchas, gratitude, life events, appreciation. . . or help promote an event that is meaningful to you. This is a sacred space where we give each other the gift of our words. \$18 donation per listing.

Thanks for the outpouring of love at the Women of Distinction Luncheon last Sunday. My cup runneth over! What a warm, beautiful event! Thanks to my folks & hubbie & kids for celebrating my being honored. Thanks to family & friends who traveled from far & near to be with me & to all who sent voice messages & tribute ads. A special thanks to the Rabbis & my TAO family for bestowing this honor upon me and for all of your hard work. Thanks to our friends at Laffing Matterz. I love you and thank you all for celebrating me!

Renee J. Greene

Classified: Laffing Matterz



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Join Our Mailing List!

Feb 4 - Men's Spirituality Group



8-week session

Session #8
7 p.m.

This open and ongoing inquiry into the nature of being male emphasizes the joys, privileges, and constraints of being a Jewish male in today's world. Designed to facilitate the unfolding of our uniqueness as individual males as well as our inseparability from and bond with other men; here is an opportunity to be a "man among men."

You are encouraged to take your mask off and learn how to be intimate with other men, build empowering relationships and support other men as only men can do for each other.

Congratulations to Renee Greene, Lisa Lachs, Marcia Sweedler and Ethlind Wiener, and thank you for your presence and contributions to TAO and to myself. I love you all.

Cecile Dumornay

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Past events...

[Planet Florence](#)
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[Chanukah 2008](#)

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[July 4, 2008](#)
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Tikkun Olam

Ongoing TAO Program Cartridges for kids

Please save your used **printer** and **fax cartridges**, **laptops** and **PDAs**. Bring them to services or office. You will help save the environment and raise much needed funds.

If you own or work at a business that is willing to help collect these items, contact Renee at the office. We will arrange for pick-ups at businesses throughout Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties. Thank you for helping.

Help Repair the World Building & Remodeling

We continue and expand our exploration of the myth, mystery and reality of being a Jewish male, which we began in Session 1. Each week, other spiritual topics are introduced as well.



All TAO men are invited to this unique strictly-male opportunity. Please call Dr. Richard Hey if you have any questions 954-806-6601.

Once a new eight-week session has begun, the group is closed to new members until the next session begins.

Facilitator

Dr. Richard Hey has been actively involved in the Men's movement on a variety of levels since 1984. He can be reached at 954-806-6601 or DrRichardHey@gmail.com.

Location

Second Floor Conference Room at Office - 10200 West SR 84, Davie 33324.

Non-members may attend the first two sessions after which TAO membership is required.

Directions

From Nob Hill Road, just south of SR 84, turn as if you are going into Burger King and follow the road as it curves to the right. We are just west of Imperial Lighting. There is ample parking.

Please arrive a few minutes early as the front door to the building locks at 7pm.

RSVP

954-888-1408 or TAOadmin@TAOcenter.net

Contractors

To find building contractors who follow the Environmental Protection Agency's [Energy Star Homes Program](#), view the [Green Building Professional Directory](#).

REFUSE - REUSE - RECYCLE - REPURPOSE

Repurpose & reuse your trash. Turn it into art! Take it to *Trash to Treasure*. Here's a list of items they take. If you have something not on this list, call them, they might want that too!

- ALL Plastics #4 - 7
- Bottle caps - all types
- Scrap wire, fabric, string, rope
- CDs, DVDs
- Carry-out drink trays
- Wire hangers (even tiny plastic hooks from socks packaging)
- Baskets - all sizes, including veggies and berries
- Landscape timbers
- Broken garden fences
- Working ceiling fans

Set aside a carton to collect items every day... the same as you do with your Recycle Bin. **Bring it to Services** when it's full, and we'll take it to Trash to Treasure... or take it yourself.

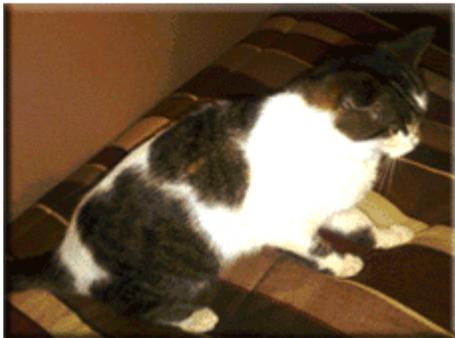
Trash to Treasure
1100 NW 53 Street, Suite 1
Fort Lauderdale 33309
888-282-8242

Classified: Loveable Kitties Need Homes



Hi we're *Little Boy* and *Tweetie*.

Debra and Glenn are fostering us until we find a permanent home. They do this for all the kitties my vet gets, 'cause they don't want any of us to go to sleep prematurely. We're all neutered and vaccinated.



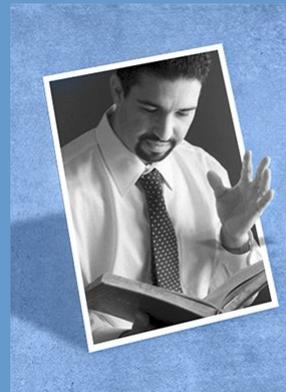
Tweetie is a four paw declaw, friendly and mellow. She's cleaned and groomed, and ready for someone to play with and

love.

Debra and Glenn take great care of us, but we need to find a home where we can have the run of the house and one person to fall in love with. Is that you? If so, call 954-448-8422 or [email](#) Debra and Glenn. Tell them your friend Jenae sent you.

For details on running newsletter ads, [click here](#).

Wednesdays with Rabbi



By appointment

To schedule a private meeting with Rabbi Marc Wednesday afternoon, call 954-888-1408.

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Mitzvah Corner

Send a Soldier a Smile

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Ads for Israel

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Help members who need rides

On occasion, members need rides to the doctor. If you're willing to help, we'd like to keep a list of people to call. Remember, we also have members looking for rides to Services as well. Please call or [email us](#) if you're willing to help.

Sponsor an Oneg

Without your help, this delightful finale of our Shabbos gatherings will change its shape. We are told that it is a wise practice to contribute to a worthy charity before praying. What better time than sponsoring an Oneg. Call the office to reserve your Oneg: 954-888-1408.

Community Service Hours for High Schoolers

We have many opportunities to fulfill service hour requirements. Call Anne Goldberg at 954-476-0110 to volunteer.

Donate Timeshare

Please contact the office with details: 954-888-1408.

Feb. 5 - Friday Service



Bring a friend, your children and grandchildren

Share the joy.

In our sacred services, you will feel a sense of belonging to a committed and loving group.

Learn the Prayers

[Click for free prayer book](#)

Services

First & Third Fridays
Fourth Saturday (Unless noted otherwise)
Summer Schedule Varies

Regular Friday Night Services

7:10 - Cantorial Chants
7:30 - Services Begin

Please help setup and cleanup after Services.

You'll make it a lot easier on the Rabbi and the few people who are helping now. To help with set up, show up at about 6:30pm. Thank you so much!!

Help sign in attendees

Call Dee at the office: 954-888-1408.

2010 Schedule

February 19
March 5, 19
April 2, 16
May 7, 21
June 4, 18
July 2, 16

Oneg Sponsors

Celebrate *your* special occasion (birthday, anniversary, promotion) or say thank you or honor someone special by sponsoring an Oneg. Full and partial sponsorships are possible. Sponsorships benefit your business too as it is publicized at the service and in our newsletter. The Rabbi will personally acknowledge and thank you.

Tell Someone You Appreciate Them

Write a Heart to Heart message.
Donation is only \$18. What a mitzvah!
Click [here](#) to start.

Transportation As One (TAO)



People from Miami to Aventura to Boca to Palm Beach want to attend TAO Services and Wisdom Class and are unable or uncomfortable driving. If you will take someone with you, please [email Jenae](#), and we'll update the list to help make it easy for everyone to attend and participate in our events.

Plus, it's the green thing to do!
Carpooling conserves gas and offers the opportunity to enjoy your TAO friends at the same time.

Click [here](#) for a list of volunteers.

Galia & Ocean Funds

In the spirit of Tzedakah, Paulina and Rabbi Marc set up two funds at TAO - a Galia fund and an Ocean fund. A portion of these funds will be used to send toys and other needed items to Jewish and non-Jewish organizations that serve children, including Jafco.

When you share your sweetness to celebrate Galia's birthday (December 6) and Ocean's birthday (June 28) and other occasions, please donate to TAO and specify the Galia or Ocean fund instead of generously offering toys, clothing and other gifts. In this way, children will benefit from your sweet generosity.

Paulina and Rabbi Marc will be informed that you gifted their children and performed an act of Tzedakah in their children's honor.

Both Paulina and Rabbi Marc appreciate

To sponsor an upcoming Oneg, call the office to schedule: 954-888-1408.

Feel free to bring a dish to share too! Please write your name on homemade dishes for people who would like recipes. Thanks!

Shabbos Food Drive

Please bring canned food to services for those who are hungry every day of the year. We are supporting Jewish Family Services and the Food Bank. Please bring non-perishable food to services. Each time we bring our dancing feet to prayer and to The Holy One, we can fill our hands with cans. Help continue our mission.

Location

ArtServe, 1350 East Sunrise Blvd, Ft. Lauderdale.
Click here for [Directions](#).

Feb. 7 - Challah with Galia, Pampered Chef

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Challah-making with Galia and Linda Weissman. Pampered Chef consultant, Myrna Wolf, will make a delicious recipe and demonstrate products.

Visit party website:
www.PamperedChef.biz/myrnascookin. Click "Products" and type "Linda Weissman" as host.

RSVP: Linda (954-981-7400) days

Admission \$10 donation to TAO plus a percentage of sales are donated to TAO.

[Printable brochure](#)

Location: 3650 North 36th Avenue #64, Hollywood.

the health, toys and love their children have and want to give others the opportunity to share as well. To donate, [click here](#), and indicate in the Notes box which fund (Galia or Ocean) this tax deductible gift is for.

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Participating on a committee enriches your life and builds meaningful relationships. Call a Committee Chairperson or the office 954-888-1408. Thank you.

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Feb. 9 - Wisdom Class



Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.

At Wisdom Classes, we begin with a sweet prayer set to music. We sing, chant and dance together, opening our hearts and our minds. Then Rabbi Marc leads us through a magical, mystical journey into the wisdom of our sages. We are transfixed by his wisdom, compassion and humor. You must experience this class to understand how powerful it is. Join us and see for yourself how wise and special our teacher is and how refreshed you will feel when you leave from this evening.

Join the Kabbalah series at Wisdom Class

This series is for beginners and experienced students alike. Though we'd like you to join us every week, the program is designed so you can attend when it fits your schedule. Bring your friends!

\$10 donation [online](#) or at the door.

Location

JCC - Pine Island & Stirling Roads
Main Building, Holocaust Learning Center
[Map and directions](#)

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Feb. 15 - Women's Spirituality Group

7:00 p.m.



Women's Spirituality Group is a sacred circle of spiritual women who want to grow and share their souls. Participation requires no prior experience, just an open heart and willingness to be in the company of loving, accepting friends. We neither solve problems nor give advice; we listen and learn, love and accept. Please join us.

Non-members may attend twice before joining TAO.

Location & Directions

Myrna Wolf's home

Facilitator

Joyce Finn - February
Rhonda Hey - March

RSVP

MyrnaWolf07@comcast.net
954-370-4528

2010 Schedule

Even months, third Monday. Odd months, third Thursday.

Mar 18 (Thurs)
Apr 19 (Mon)
May 21 (Thurs)
Jun 21 (Mon)
Jul 15 (Thurs)

Aug 16 (Mon)
Sept 16 (Thurs)
Oct 18 (Mon)
Nov 18 (Thurs)
Dec 20 (Mon)

To be included in the email list for Women's Spirituality Group, email Marcia Sweedler
MSweedle@nova.edu

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Mark your calendars!

Chanukah
Purim
Sukkot Havdallah (MO)
Shabbat Retreats (MO)

Wisdom Classes

Women's Spirituality Group (MO)

Men's Spirituality Group (MO)

Sunday Salon (MO)

Shabbat Services - Twice a Month (Free)

Saturday Shabbat Service at Rabbi's house (MO)

New Year's Day Shabbos for 2010 (MO)

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Feb 20 - Peaceful Pairings

4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

The subject of the Peaceful Pairing between The Islamic Foundation of South Florida and TAO - The South Florida Center for Jewish Renewal is General Worship and Holidays. We will each speak 10 minutes and open for discussion. We hope to see you there!

Location: Islamic Foundation of South Florida, 5457 West 108 Avenue, Sunrise, FL 33351. 954-741-8130.

Feb. 27 - Saturday Shabbat Service



10:30 a.m. Service *Oneg Follows*

Fourth Saturdays
Date exceptions noted below

Intimate... Connected... Joyful. This is how TAO does Shabbos. **Bring your drums, tambourines and your hearts** as they will be touched. What a wonderful way to start the day!

After the Service, enjoy Oneg with your congregants. **Will you sponsor Oneg?** Call the office 954-888-1408.

Upcoming Services

2010

Mar 27, Apr 24, May 29, Jun 26

Please bring non-perishable food items for our food drive as you join us in Shabbat spiritual prayer.



Members Only

Services at Rabbi Marc and Paulina's home are for TAO Members Only.

Members are welcome to bring out-of-town guests. Dress comfortably!

Location

Saturday Service is at Rabbi Marc & Paulina's home. Call Office for address: 954-888-1408.

Parking

To keep the ability to enjoy services at the Rabbi's home, please follow this parking procedure:

At the Rabbi's house, an attendant will give you a handout with the places you may park. Rabbi Marc did a lot of work to secure parking places acceptable to his development's Board and the City. We must heed the allotments and not park elsewhere.

Please respect the neighbors if they should ask you to move your car or not park in their swale - even if they previously gave permission to park there. By being respectful of their wishes, we assure fewer problems in the future.

Feb 27 - Purim Havdallah



7:00 p.m.

Purim Havdallah Service at Rabbi Marc and Paulina's home.

Potluck. Desserts and libations only.

Mar. 7 - Meditation Mini Retreat

2:30 - 8:30 p.m.

TAO and the Broward Lotus Sangha are co-hosting a Meditation Mini-Retreat with Rabbi Jeff Roth.

Rabbi Jeff Roth is founder and director of the Awakened Heart Project for Contemplative Judaism. His teachings offer a fresh take on meditation that focuses on using the distilled wisdom of Judaism and Buddhism as a way to learn from life experience. By combining these two traditions, he presents a model that allows Westerners - Jews and non-Jews - to embrace timeless Eastern teachings without sacrificing their birth traditions. Through didactic presentations and the time to practice with the teachings, participants will learn the basic skills needed to continue practice on their own.

TAO and BLS member Emunah (contact info below) is one of Jeff's enthusiastic students and has participated in several retreats with him. She will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Fee: \$12.00 (a simple vegetarian dinner included)

Location: ArtServe, 1350 East Sunrise Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, FL

For more info and to register: Contact Emunah

Herzog (954) 940-0563 or Emunahh@aol.com.

Additional information:

www.AwakenedHeartProject.org
www.BrowardLotusSangha.org.

Mar. 13 - Saturday Morning Retreat

10:30 a.m.



The TAO Shabbos Hour Retreat is a sanctuary of silent inner reflection and sacred presence. Give yourself this hour to be soothed and transformed, through quiet prayer, euphoric chanting, gentle (Renewal-style) yoga, and holy meditation, all in a tranquil, loving environment with your TAO community and friends.

This glorious hour, led By Rabbi Marc, is fabulous for your physical and mental health.

Upcoming Morning Retreats

- April 10
- May 15
- June 12

Location

At the home of Rabbi Marc and Paulina. *This is a members only event.*

Note: There is no Oneg.

Myrna's Musings...

"I am filled with joy and fulfillment after last Saturday's yoga/meditation/chanting Shabbos Hour Retreat at the Rabbi's home. It set the tone for my entire week. I feel so lucky to be part of this incredible community.

"I used to think Friday night TAO services were the most precious place to touch God. The love and energy swirled and then rested and then gathered momentum and then quieted again and my soul connected.

"Then I found Saturday mornings at our private sanctuary in Davie. The music and the intimacy and

the soulfulness touched me deeply, and I knew this was the most precious place for me to touch God in the presence of my beloved community.

"Then I returned to our sanctuary for a gentle yoga/meditation/chanting morning, and I truly knew that this was my most precious place and time to open my heart to my God. My eyes filled with tears of joy and my soul filled with the love and fulfillment that sacred silence in the presence of loved ones can bring.

"I find the connection in many places, the mountains in the early morning, walking with a loved one on the beach, the silence of the in-between places of my life. How grateful I am to be able to share this incredibly loving God space. And I am so grateful that I know it. Really know it."

Mar. 20 - Road Rally



Save the Date!

Wait a Minute... What's a Road Rally?

A Road Rally is a scavenger hunt with teams in cars. Pile in the car with your friends where you'll get clues and be on the road to laughter and merriment as your team strives to win the first (or second) place trophy. The clues ultimately lead you to the location for the fabulous dinner that will top off the night!



Don't know who you'd ride with? Come and we'll match you up with a great group!

Plan for loads of fun!

More details will follow. Right now, save the date!

NOTE:

TAO supports a cleaner planet! Greenhouse gasses generated from this event will be reduced through the

purchase of Carbon offsets. For more information on carbon offsets and how you can reduce your own carbon footprint, please visit www.TerraPass.com.

Reminders

Do you remember the sweet reminder calls

Rabbi Marc used to send on Thursdays prior to Services? We'd like to bring them back again. Will you sponsor the calls for the next 12 months? If so, we're seeking you. What a mitzva it will be to restart this lovely practice. Please call the office with your \$2,500 donation, or click here to [donate online](#) now. Please indicate "Reminder Calls" in the message box if donating online. Thanks... LOTS! Your sponsorship will bring much joy to our community.

Do you read Hebrew?

If so, join our team of people to help with the Virtual Siddur (PowerPoint presentation) for Friday night Services. Contact Rabbi Marc or Anne.

We'd like to help celebrate your birthday

Click here to [email](#) your birth date (we don't need the year).

We're out of room on our Yahrtzeit Plaque

Please sponsor a new one. Call Renee in the office for details: 954-888-1408. Thanks for helping us and everyone else who participates in this eternal gift.

TAO Networking...

A place where members showcase their business. Look for "Networking" on the home page. Members, add your listing by clicking "Join Network" in top right corner. Your listing will appear the day your membership status is verified.

If you wish to offer a discount to TAO members, indicate such.

Join TAO



**Have you been to a few
Services or classes?**

It's membership renewal time.

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Membership Benefits

- Free Admission to High Holy Days
- Saturday Shabbos Services at Rabbi's Home
- Discounts at most TAO Events
- Reduced Advertising Rates in this Newsletter
- Member Only Events like Women's and Men's Spirituality Groups

And most importantly, you support and are a part of a joyous, loving community where you expand your heart within a Jewish framework. *Nothing beats that!*

Your membership empowers TAO and Jewish Renewal. Your participation is crucial to the continuation and growth of a home for us. Just as in an election where each vote counts, your personal contribution tells us that you care and are willing to be counted as a supporter of our Jewish Renewal Center. Your membership allows the continued growth of our community.

Please consider donating the higher level of membership, for there are some who cannot afford even the basic level of giving. We turn no one away, and your donations help us support all who need us. Anyone who wants to pray with us is welcome.

What you derive from membership is priceless and often cannot be put into words, but without the price, we can't offer the service.

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