September 2019  
Dear Friends,

It gives us great pleasure to invite you to participate in our very exciting upcoming 2019-2020 season of programs. A wonderful slate of events not to be missed!

Your Membership Invitation/Renewal is enclosed and we urge you to respond, as soon as possible, to benefit from member admission rates and to help fund our activities.

Our successful partnership with the Adult Jewish Learning Collaborative (ADJLC) continues this year expanding even greater public awareness of our activities as well as providing significant event expense savings.

Sunday *Vijitas de Alhad* this year include compelling lectures and a fantastic International Ladino Day Concert. And our film series looks at the diversity of Sephardim in American history.

Thank you for your interest and support, especially to those who have been with us through so many years! We have become an extended family which truly cares about each other, and we look forward again to another year of being together.

"Asta ke mos vemos kon salud i vida.

"Until we see each other, with health and life."
2019-2020 Season Preview for the Sephardi Federation of Palm Beach County

Unless noted, all regular activities will be presented at Temple Shaarei Shalom, located at 9085 Hagen Ranch Road, Boynton Beach, FL 33472

**Sundays**

“Vijita de Alhad” Sunday Visits

Our **Vijitas** combine an educational presentation with social time and Sephardic style refreshments.

**Sundays at 2:00 pm**

**~ October 22, 2019: “Our Stories”** SFPBC Members $10/Members $12/Guests ~ Members of our Sephardi Federation share personal stories about their families and how they dealt with the American immigration experience.

**~ November 10, 2019: “Museum Update”** Marc Gueron $10/Members $12/Guests ~ Marc Gueron, trustee for The American Sephardi Federation, brings news on the progress of an exciting Sephardic/Mizrahi museum being planned in Israel.


**~ February 9, 2020: “Sefard In My Heart—Sefarad En Mi Korason”** SANCUTARY $15/Members $20/Guests ~ International Ladino Day Concert with Harmonic Motion Artists Myriam Eli and Joe Zeytoonian. Exhilarating presentation of Judeo-Spanish music and dance representing Sephardic diaspora lands including Egypt, Turkey, Morocco, Armenia, the Romany people, Flamenco and Andalus. A moving, colorful, remarkable and interactive event.

*12:30 pm Pre-Concert Bonus: Echar Lashon with Expert Ladino Panel led by Bryan Kirschen

*Admission includes concert, refreshments and optional pre-concert Echar Lashon

**~ March 8, 2020: “Archeology of the Holocaust”** Dr. Richard Freund SANCUTARY** $12/Members $15/Guests ~ Dr. Richard Freund is Professor of Jewish history and Director of the Center for Judaic Studies at the University of Hartford, Connecticut. His lecture about the remarkable intertwining of Vilna, Rhodes, and Holocaust Escape Tunnels spans 2300 years of the archaeology of Jewish Rhodes and brand new findings on European Holocaust research. Dr. Freund uses his lecture fees to help fund his archeological study of the Holocaust.

**Please note location is at Temple Tzadik Emet, 8600 Jog Rd, Boynton Beach, FL 33472

Reservations will be required for most events to ensure adequate seating and refreshments. Please follow the reservation requirements included in flyers and invitations that follow for each event. Thank you for your cooperation as we endeavor to make each event as pleasant as possible for all.

**Sunday at 12:00 Noon**

~ December 15, 2019: 27th Annual Luncheon ~

**Rafina Greek Taverna**

$35/Members $40/Guests

This special festivity includes our Annual Hanukah Party and Board Installation. Entertainment is provided by international musical performer **Thierry Khalfa**. This year we return to the beautiful **RAFINA Greek Taverna**, 6877 SW 18th St., Boca Raton, FL 33433. Invitations /details to follow.

The following activities are offered FREE in partnership with The Adult Jewish Learning Collaborative

**Monday**

~ January 27, 2020 “Wine, Women and Torah” Robert Altabet

**Rafina Greek Taverna**

At 2:00pm-4:00pm ~ $5 donation to cover refreshments.

A fascinating, educational and fun Soiree Lecture with refreshments: wine, cheese and crackers. Lay Torah scholar and Board Member, Bob Altabet, shares "The Hebrew Poetry of Medieval Spain.” The poets of Judaic liturgical pieces in the siddur also did lots of secular poetry about love, wine and women; they were multi-dimensional. These pieces are in the Sephardic liturgy, in traditional Ashkenazi liturgy – and also in Conservative and Reform liturgy. The lecture includes conversation and handouts for a sing-along of some of the most well-known piyyutim.

**Tuesdays**

“Viva Ladino” Ladino Language Study Group

**ROOM #203**

Twice a month at 11:00 am – 12:30 pm

This is a fun, classroom-setting activity using a variety of instructional and cultural resources to gain or improve one’s skills at reading, writing and speaking the Ladino language. Knowledge of Spanish helpful. Echar Lashon members are encouraged to attend.


**Wednesdays**

“Echar Lashon” Ladino Speakers’ Club

**ROOM #112-114**

Monthly at 1:00pm - 3:00pm ~ $1 donation to cover coffee and cake.

Immerse yourself in the language of the Sephardim. This is a social and cultural gathering for new and native Ladino speakers who meet in friendship to encourage the continuation of this rich, expressive language. Viva Ladino students are encouraged to attend.

2019: Oct. 2, Nov. 6, Dec. 4
2020: Jan. 8, Feb. 5, Mar. 4, Apr. 1 (Model Ladino Seder reservations required) see more on back…