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**NEWSLETTER**

**Upcoming Events**

# Join us for a Living Room Conversation among Friends

Settler Violence in the West Bank: What  
should the Alliance say or do publicly?



**Sunday, May 17 at 5 PM**

**Hosted by Debbie & Ron Fellman**

**We're planning a potluck and would love for you  
to bring a favorite dish.**

**Please RSVP to  
[suncoastjewishalliance1@gmail.com](mailto:suncoastjewishalliance1@gmail.com)**

**By May 10**



TEMPLE SINAI

# WHO'S IN OUR COMMUNITY?


You are invited to  
a *Lunch and  
Learn*



**GUEST SPEAKER:**

**NORM OLSHANSKY, PRESIDENT**

Learn about the people shaping our local Jewish community. Dessert and beverages served.

**Wednesday, May 27 | 12:00 PM** 

Temple Sinai Social Hall

**Free** & open to guests

Please **RSVP** so we can plan for seating and desserts



**RSVP: [Templesinai-sarasota.org](https://templesinai-sarasota.org)**

# March & April Recap

Julie Friedman played a central role in both planning and execution of the **Save Democracy for All** Conference, alongside Karen Kade, whose efforts were instrumental throughout. Members of our Security Committee, David Kaufman and Joel Servitz, also contributed their time and expertise in support of the program.

Our Secretary, Wendy Wicks, warmly represented the Alliance at our community table. President Norman Olshansky led a breakout exploring the complexities of Christian nationalism.



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**Alliance President Norman Olshansky, joined by Board Member, Wendy Wicks, shared an overview of SJA's mission and growing impact at Temple Beth Israel on Longboat Key. The conversation was thoughtfully moderated by Rabbi Jessica Mates.**

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**Mark Blaweiss, SJA Board Member, led a compelling Living Room Conversation on antisemitism in higher education. His insightful presentation invited reflection, meaningful dialogue, and connection. These warm gatherings continue to deepen our collective understanding while strengthening the fabric of our community.**

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# **VOLUNTEERS Needed**

**The Alliance is growing and we'd appreciate your voice at the table. Join one of our committees: Programming, Education, Immigration or Fundraising and help shape meaningful community connection.**

**Contact**

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# Taco

'bout a good time!

Or 2 tacos for  
**\$5**



**Where? ¿Donde?**

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL UCC  
1031 SOUTH EUCLID AVE  
SARASOTA FL 34237**

A fundraiser to support local families facing hardship due to detainment and deportation

benefiting



**Tacos that always hit the spot**

**Tacos \$3.00 Each**

**-Beef/Carne Asada**

**-Nopal/Cactus**

**Dessert/Postre \$10.00**

**Fruit Cocktail/Cotel de Fruta**



**WHEN? ¿CUANDO?**

**MAY 16**

**16 DE MAYO**

**4PM - 7 PM**

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