



# Voice of the Shore

Congregation Torat El ~ Jersey Shore Jewish Center  
**April 2014**  
**Nisan 5774**

## Service Times:

### Weekday Mornings

Sunday: 8:30am  
Monday-Friday: 8:00am

### Weekday Evenings

Monday-Thursday: 7:00pm

### Shabbat Evening Services

1st, 3rd, 4th Friday ~ 6:30pm  
2nd Friday ~ 8:00pm

### Shabbat Morning Services

9:00am



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## CONGREGATION TORAT EL COMMUNITY SEDER

**TUESDAY, APRIL 15TH - 6:00PM**



## MENU INCLUDES:

### ***Appetizers:***

Matzoh Ball Soup, Gefilte Fish, Chopped Liver

### ***Main Dishes:***

Roast Chicken, Brisket, Matzoh Lasagna

### ***Side Dishes:***

Potato Kugel, Matzoh Stuffing, Roasted Mixed Vegetables

### ***Dessert:***

Cake & Macaroons, Fruit Platters

**Adults \$45   Children under 13 \$20   Children under 5 no charge**  
**Each table will be provided with its own Seder Plate, Matzoh, Charoset**

***Tables may be reserved for parties of 8 or more.***

***Reservations may be made by sending in the form below  
or online at <http://torat-el.org/events/community-seder/>***

**Pre-Paid** reservations must be received at the temple office no later than April 8th.  
Due to the amount of planning and preparation, please understand that this deadline cannot be extended.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

# Adults \_\_\_\_\_ # Children 5-13 \_\_\_\_\_ # Children 4 and under \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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# April Service Announcements

**Friday, April 4, 2014**

**Instrumental Shabbat Service 6:30 pm**

**Candles 7:05 pm**

Yahrzeits: Louis Becker, Helen Bergida, Ignatz Bergida, Frieda Blufstein, Sophie Boff, Sam Farber, Rubin Gerechoff, Ruth Goldenberg, Abraham Hoffman, Bella Kaufman, Andrew Knifel, Moshe Koreen, Evelyn Kramer, Simon Kreisler, Simon Kreisler, Freda Krongold, Louis Lefton, Wilma Lieberman, Dorothy Markowitz, Phyllis Marx, Eve Messner, Florence Morris, Faigy Ostroff, Abraham Silver, Faye Slotoff, Joseph Valenti, Esther Warshauer, Murray Weiss, Ada Werner, Benjamin Wilk

**Saturday, April 5, 2014**

**Parsha: Metsora 14:1-32**

**Haftarah: 2 Melakhim 7:3-20**

**Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am**

**Bar Mitzvah: Max Winters**

**Our Friday Night Oneg Shabbat is sponsored by proud grandparents of Max Winters**

**Kiddush Luncheon is sponsored by proud parents Michelle & Steven Winters**

**Friday, April 11, 2014**

**Traditional Shabbat Service 8:00 pm**

**Candles 7:12 pm**

Yahrzeits: Sylvia Anapol, Frank Balkin, Milton Bazer, Istvan Benjamin, Henry Block, Celia Brand, Annette Dampf, Fannie Dorfman, Sabina Edelsberg, Frank Eliscu, Manfred Fight, Max Fisher, Bernard Goldberg, Bernard Hirsh, Michael Jacob, Celia Kobb, Shirley Lehrer, Louis Prager, Beverly Propper, Clara Rubin, Julia Ruskin, Robert Slovin, Lillian Trauben

**Saturday, April 12, 2014**

**Parsha: Aharey Mot 16:1-34**

**Haftarah: Mal'akhi 2:4-24**

**Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am**

**Jr. Congregation ~ 10:30 am**

**Friday, April 18, 2014**

**Instrumental Shabbat Service 6:30 pm**

**Candles 7:19 pm**

Yahrzeits: Ellen Baker, Norbert Belfer, Victor Belicove, Louis Brodie, Hyman Fishbain, Irving Fishbein, Vivian Folkenflik, Sheila Holt, Josephine Hopkins, Sylvia Israel, Paul Kramer, Paula Kronengold, Waldmar Krongold, Blanche Lewis, David Maltzman, Fanny Marx, David Maurer, Natalie Mc Coy, Arthur Nussdorf, Abraham Rose, Philip Rose, Hannah Rosing, Sidney Rubenstein, Edwin Rubin, Roger Schoch, Arnold Schreiber, Charles Schultzer, Nathan Warm, Robert Weinstein, Lou Zuckerman

**Saturday, April 19, 2014**

**Parsha: Ki Tisa 33:12-34:26**

**Haftarah: Ezekiel 37:1-14**

**Pinehas 28:19-25**

**Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am**

**Friday, April 25, 2014**

**Family Friday Shabbat 6:30 pm**

**Candles 7:26 pm**

**Congregation Dinner to follow**

Yahrzeits: Edward Barnett, Jeanne Berger, Katie Bookbinder, Selma Cohen, Lester Cutler, Lillian Eder, William Furie, Abe Goldberg, Reba Greenspan, Bob Grill, Nathan Haber, Donald Horowitz, Noreen Hunt, Leonard Kraut, Anne Kreizman, Sharon Lager, Gerald McGrath, David Meckler, Stella Meyers, Celia Miller, Chaye Przytyk, Itzyack Przytyk, Joseph Robinson, Beatrice Schreiber, Alice Schultz, Rivka Servetnick, Hyman Shapiro, Berthold Sherman, Robert Sukinik, Nettie Sulkin, Bess Walden, Benjamin Welt, Philip Wiser, Betty Zuckerman

**Saturday, April 26, 2014**

**Parsha: Kedoshim 19:1-37**

**Haftarah: Amos 9:7-15**

**Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am**

**Jr. Congregation ~ 10:30 am**

**Bat Mitzvah: Danielle Horowitz**

**Kiddush Luncheon is sponsored by proud grandmother Ruth Horowitz**

## Passover Service Schedule

**Tuesday, April 15 9:00 am; no evening minyan**

**Wednesday, April 16 9:00 am; Mincha Service ~ 7:00 pm**

**Monday, April 21 9:00 am; Mincha Service ~ 7:00 pm**

**Tuesday, April 22 9:00 am Pesach Yizkor; Pesach Service ~ 8:15 pm**

# Lessons From The Four Children

I have always loved the section in the Hagaddah that describes the four children. As a young child I would eagerly watch as the usual scene unfolded around our Seder table. My father was chosen to be the wicked son, and my uncle was chosen to be the "wise one"- I laughed every time! Many years later I would come to discover the richness of this text and the numerous messages that it is trying to convey to us each year.



The first lesson from these four children teaches us that we are to approach our Passover experience, and our Judaism in general, with a recognition that differences are to be validated and not simply ignored. When it comes to individual levels of Jewish knowledge and practice, some individuals are "wise" and others are "rebellious," some have a very basic knowledge of Jewish practice and belief, and some are not even sure where to begin. But our text reminds us that we are all a part of the same family and we are all sitting around the same table of Judaism. The narrative of the Exodus from Egypt, along with all of its implications, belongs equally to each one of us.

And yet, even in this multi-faceted Jewish family, the midrash seems to celebrate the "wise" child and understand that there is such a thing as being "wicked." We are taught:

*What does the wise child say? "What is the meaning of the statutes laws, and rules that the Eternal our God has commanded you? (Deuteronomy 6:20)?" You must tell him some of the laws of Pesach (from the Mishnah, such as...): "We do not proceed to any afikoman after eating the Pesach lamb.."  
What does the wicked child say? "Whatever does this service mean to you (Exodus 12:26)?" This child emphasizes "you" and not himself! Since the child excludes himself from the community and rejects a major principle of faith, you should "set his teeth on edge" and say to him: It is because of this that the Lord did for me when I went free from Egypt" (Exodus 13:8). "**Me**" and not **him**! Had he been there, he would not have been redeemed.*

Traditionally, the wise child is seen as one who *wants to learn* about Passover and sees him/herself as a part of collective of the Jewish people. The wicked child is understood to excludes him/herself from the Jewish people by the very question that he/she asks. The problem, however, is that the language of both questions are actually very similar. *Both* children ask questions that seem to be wondering what the laws and practices of Passover have to do with them, and *both* seem to be questioning the relevance of Passover to their daily lives.

Yet initial appearances can be deceiving. While on the surface, the questions asked by the wise and wicked child seem the same, they are actually very different. As Dr. Aviva Zorenberg points out in her book The Particulars of Rapture:

The wise son's question is a real question. On one level, it asks for information, it questions the meanings of a detailed list of laws. What makes [the wise child's question] a real question, however, is not the encyclopaedist categories of laws, but precisely the awkward word, *etchem*- "commanded you." This is awkward because it seems akin to the wicked son's terminology...

The wise son, however, articulates his question with exquisite care:... "which **our** God commanded *you*."

As Rashi says, "He does not exclude himself by the word "you," because he says "our God." "Our God" is the expression of relationship, of responsibility for the Other. He is both inside and outside, committed to God and His commandments, but not directly present at the original site of commandment."

(Zion, A Night To Remember, 43.)

In other words, the wise child's question is both similar and different from that of the wicked child. It is similar because the wise child correctly points out that he was not a part of the original Exodus from Egypt. He is not in the same generation as those who came before him. But it is different because, unlike the wicked child, the wise child also sees herself as *connected* to her people, her God, and her Jewish community. As Dr. Zorenberg teaches, the child's question indicates that she "is both inside and outside."

**The lesson for us is this:** To be wise, in Judaism, means to hold onto an ancient tradition that is beautiful, wise, and incredibly deep. To be wise is to take advantage of the thousands of Jewish opportunities that surround us in this day and age, as we seek out a Judaism that is a rich and relevant part of our daily lives. But *true wisdom* comes in recognizing that we must also take ownership over our Judaism. True wisdom comes in working to both honor our grandparents' and parents' Judaism, while blazing our own Jewish paths in life. The wise child understands that he/she must honor the past while striving to create a living Judaism that is a part of his/her daily life. As we gather around our Passover tables this year, it is this challenge to which we should aspire.

So, in the spirit of asking good questions on Passover, I invite you to think about the following.

In what way do you honor the past of those who came before you? In what way is your Judaism similar to theirs? How have you worked to make your Judaism a different, meaningful, and serious part of your daily life?

*Hag Kasher V'sameach*- I wish you and your family a happy and meaningful Passover.

## Siyyum Bechorim ~ Calling All First Born (Men and Women)

**Monday, April 14th at 8:00am**

According to Jewish tradition, the first born son of a mother or father is required to fast on the day before Passover as an expression of thanks for the deliverance of the first born Israelites who were spared from the Tenth plague. One midrash teaches that both women and men were affected by this plague, and the Shulchan Arukh offers an opinion that women who are first born should fast as well. It is in that spirit that we also encourage first born females to join us for our siyyum festivities. However, individuals who are obligated to fast are exempt from fasting if they have the opportunity to participate in a **seudat mitzvah**, a festive meal that follows the performance of certain mitzvot. Therefore, it has become customary for synagogues, on the day before Passover, to make a **siyyum**, a public completion unit of study, which is followed by a **seudat mitzvah**, thus exempting the first born participants from their obligation to fast. The siyyum will be preceded by the morning minyan and followed by a feast with lots of delicious chametz. Study and feast is held in memory of Esther and Ed Deitelbaum and is sponsored by their family. All are welcome to join us even if you are not a first born.

### Sale of Chametz

During the week of Pesach, it is forbidden for any Jew to own chametz. To avoid the unnecessary financial hardship that could result from requiring Jews to dispose of all items that are chametz, it is tradition to sell items of chametz to non-Jews for the week of Pesach. If you would like to sell your chametz to ensure that you abide by the Jewish law of not owning any chametz during the week of Pesach, please fill out the form below and return it to the Temple on or before end of day Friday, April 11th.

Dear Rabbi Schonbrun,

I/we \_\_\_\_\_ (name) would like to appoint you as my/our agent to sell all items of chametz that will be in my/our possession at: \_\_\_\_\_.

This sale will be effective at 10:30am on Monday, April 14th.

\_\_\_\_\_ signature



Have you ever wondered how all those holes get in the Matzah?

Come join us we unravel the mysteries of Matzah!!

Congregation Torat El Religious School Presents:

"Matzah Baking"

When: Sunday April 6, 2013

Where: Congregation Torat El Kitchen

Time: 9:15 -10:15am (4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grades), 10:15-11:15am (K-3<sup>rd</sup>)

Also what would a program be without Crafts!!

Program is open to the community

**Women & Teens are Cordially Invited to  
SISTERHOOD'S PRE-PASSOVER  
WOMEN'S SEDER**

Join Sisterhood (before the hard work of your own Seder) and expand the telling of the Exodus with a celebration of women.



**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2ND  
7:15PM**

**CTE SOCIAL HALL**

**DESSERTS AND COFFEE**

**RSVP TO THE TEMPLE OFFICE**

**CTE MEN'S CLUB INVITES YOU TO JOIN US AND LET US HELP YOU GET RID OF YOUR  
LIQUID CHAMETZ (BEER & SCOTCH)  
Thursday, April 10 at 7:30 PM**



**We will be watching either Yankees vs. Red Sox;  
or Mets vs. Braves. We'll supply the snacks; you  
supply one or more beers and we can share and  
explore the different styles of beer.**

**Please RSVP to [robeinhorn@gmail.com](mailto:robeinhorn@gmail.com) by April 8<sup>th</sup>  
so we have enough snacks.**



## RECIPE: Sweet & Sour Meatballs

- 1 lb. ground beef
- 1 - 15oz can whole berry cranberry sauce
- 1 - 15oz can tomato sauce
- 1 - 15oz can crushed pineapple in juice

Shape beef into meatballs. In a large pot combine cranberry sauce, tomato sauce and pineapple with juice. Heat until just under boiling and drop in meatballs. Simmer for 30-40 minutes and serve over quinoa.

# Recipes and Ideas for your Passover Meals



## RECIPE: Chocolate Chip Smooches

- |                            |                              |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 3 egg whites               | 1/3 cup roughly chpd walnuts |
| 1 cup sugar                | 1/2 cup roughly chpd pecans  |
| 1/2 tsp vanilla (optional) | 1/3 cup chocolate chips      |

Beat egg whites until they form peaks. Gradually beat in the sugar and vanilla until the whites are stiff. Gently stir in the nuts and chocolate chips with a spoon. Drop the batter on a cookie sheet lined with parchment paper in tear drop shapes. Bake for 20 to 30 minutes in preheated 300 degree oven until smooches are hard but still white.

### Breakfast Ideas:

- ◆ Take your left over sponge cake and use it to make your favorite french toast recipe!
- ◆ Take your bananas that are turning brown, mash them up and add potato starch and eggs for yummy banana pancakes!
- ◆ Matzah Brei - My personal favorite is with lots of sugar! Soak your crumbled matzah in hot water to soften, add beaten eggs and fry. Yummy!

## RECIPE: Broccoli Potato Kugel

- 4 potatoes, shredded
- 4 carrots, shredded
- 2 - 10oz boxes chpd broccoli, thawed and drained
- 5 eggs
- 3/4 cup mayonnaise
- 2 tbs. onion flakes
- 1 tbs. salt

Beat eggs. Add mayonnaise, salt and onion flakes. Add all vegetables to beaten egg mixture and pour into greased 9x13 baking dish. Bake uncovered at 350 for 45 minutes.

### Lunch & Snack Ideas:

- ◆ Matzah with cream cheese topped with cranberries, nuts, raisins or your favorite dried fruit
- ◆ Baked or Mashed Potato Bar: put out your favorite toppings (Kosher for Passover of course)
- ◆ Stuffed Portobello Mushrooms - Mix cooked quinoa with chopped spinach, sautéed onions, parmesan cheese

## RECIPE: Passover Spinach Frittata

- |                                    |                          |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2 - 10oz boxes chpd frozen spinach | 3 tbs. butter            |
| 3 boards of matzah                 | 2 tbs. grated parmesan   |
| 4 eggs, beaten                     | salt and pepper to taste |
| pinch of ground nutmeg             |                          |

Heat the spinach in a sauce pan with 1/2 cup of water until completely thawed. Strain the spinach, reserving half the liquid. Crumble the matzah in a mixing bowl and add the spinach and reserved liquid. Mix thoroughly until the matzah softens. Add the parmesan, eggs, salt, pepper and nutmeg. Coat a 12" skillet with butter or margarine. Add frittata mixture, cook on medium heat uncovered 5 minutes on each side. Sprinkle with add'l parmesan.

### Dinner Ideas:

- ◆ Portobello Mushroom Parmesan - Top large Portobello mushrooms with mozzarella and marinara and bake
- ◆ Of course the old stand by; Matzah Pizza. Top matzah with your favorite pizza toppings and bake
- ◆ Latkes. Make your favorite latke recipe but use matzah meal as your binding agent.

All processed foods should be marked Kosher for Passover

# RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CHAI LITES

## 5<sup>th</sup> GRADE STUDENTS LEAD CONGREGATION IN PRAYER!

On Mar. 28, 2014, the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade students led Congregation Torat El in Friday Night Services. The students did an outstanding job leading the Congregation in Prayer. Congratulations to the students, to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade teacher Sarah Bercovicz, and to all of the other teachers for creating and maintaining a foundation that led to this meaningful experience.

## 2014-2015 RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Congregation Torat El is once again proud to now offer two methods to register for the 2014-2015 Religious School year:

**Online Registration (preferred)** – All student registration forms are completed online. Payment is made online using PayPal or any Major Credit Card.

**Paper Registration** – Print out and complete the forms, and return with your check to the CTE Office.

To complete Online Registration or download forms for Paper Registration, please go to [www.registration2014.torat-el.org](http://www.registration2014.torat-el.org). Early Bird Discount if registered and paid by April 24th!!



### Mark Your Calendars:

Sun. Apr 6	Passover Matzah Bakery & Craft
Wed. Apr 9	Model Seders for Grades 3-7
Wed. Apr 12	Junior Congregation
Sun. Apr 13 – Sun. Apr 20	No Religious School – Passover/Spring Recess
Wed Apr 23	Religious School Resumes
Thurs. Apr 24	Early-Bird Registration Deadline
Sat. Apr 26	Junior Congregation

## The Amazing Jewish Calendar: *When the Moon Hits Your Eye Like a Small Piece of Pie, It's Rosh Chodesh*

Jokes about “Jewish time” notwithstanding, Jews mark the passage of time with a precision and consistency unmatched by any other ethnic or religious group. Nothing influences Jewish life as much as the Jewish calendar. And yet, most Jews have no idea how their calendar works. Or how it came to be. Or why the Holy Days seem to move around (they don't, actually). Or how the calendar's been able to function perfectly for nearly 17 centuries without any adjustment.



**Sunday, April 20 and 27 at 10am**, Cantor Siegel will hold a 2-part seminar on the history and the mechanics of the Jewish calendar.

Join Cantor Siegel in exploring the simply astonishing and astonishingly simple Jewish calendar.

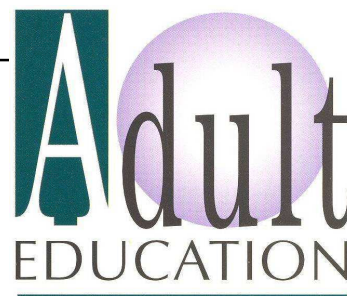


### Wednesday Lunch n' Learn Program

**Spring: Walking With God** (explore a variety of Jewish perspectives on God)

Are you looking for a way to add more meaning to your life? Do you enjoy learning and meeting new people? Do you like to eat lunch? Joins us and take one hour out of your busy week to engage in Jewish learning. Come and join us for these wonderful introductory courses. No experience or background necessary. Please bring a friend!

**Wednesdays from 12:00-1:00pm**



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**Sunday, April 20th & 27th ~ 10:00am**

## Rabbi-In-Residence Weekend

Friday, May 16th, Saturday, May 17th, Sunday, May 18th



Rabbi Shawn  
Fields-Meyer



*Your  
Spiritual  
Checkup*

**Friday, May 17th ~ 6:30pm**

#### Holy Arrogance...! The Spiritual Art of Brutal Honesty

Join us as we celebrate together a Shabbat of warmth and learning. We will share a Shabbat Dinner with Rabbi Fields-Meyer and then have an opportunity to learn from this inspiring scholar. The Torah offers us ideals for how to live lives of kindness, humility and generosity. But the ideal is often far from the real.

#### Shabbat Service Dinner and Program to follow

*Shabbat Service open to all; dinner by  
paid reservation only*

**Saturday, May 18th ~ 9:00am**

#### The Giver's Dilemma: Ethical Challenges in Generosity in this Economy

Following an informal luncheon, Rabbi Fields-Meyer will discuss what it means to be a Jew who cares for others: the poor, the oppressed, the vulnerable - those who live in the margins of society. But in this world of brokenness, financial hardship and shifting economic realities, how far does our obligation go? The Torah states that we must support our brother, but where do the lines of brotherhood start and stop?

#### Lunch and Program to follow Service

*All are cordially invited to join us.  
There is no fee however, reservations  
would be appreciated*

**Sunday, May 19th ~ 9:30am**

#### Texting, Technology and Torah: Spirituality and the Digital Age

In daily life, everything has changed: the way we communicate, educate, shop and entertain ourselves. In a deeper sense, too, our fundamental notions of self and community have changed. Does the digital age fill us or empty us? Does it strengthen or deplete communities? What is the spirituality of living in the technological world?

#### Coffee Klatch Program followed by Teacher Appreciation Breakfast

*All are cordially invited to join us.  
There is no fee however, reservations  
would be appreciated*

Please return reservation form and payment to: Congregation Torat El - 301 Monmouth Road - Oakhurst, NJ 07755 no later than May 9th

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Friday Night Service, Dinner & Program - # Adults \_\_\_\_\_ (\$18 per person) # Children under 13 \_\_\_\_\_ (\$12 per person)

Saturday Morning Service, Luncheon & Program - # Adults \_\_\_\_\_ # Children under 13 \_\_\_\_\_ (Free of charge to all)

Sunday Morning Program - # Attending \_\_\_\_\_ (Free of charge) Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_



# CTE Sisterhood Chai Lites

Scholarship applications for high school students going on a USY or any other Jewish organization trip this summer are due by April 15th. Applications are available by emailing [ctesisterhood@gmail.com](mailto:ctesisterhood@gmail.com)

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## FIRST ANNUAL SUKKAH DRAWING



Cost of the Ticket: \$18.00

How this works: Winner receives the use of a 12'x12' sukkah. Men's Club will set up and take down the sukkah at your home for Sukkot 5775 (October 8-October 15, 2014).

Drawing: Congregation Meeting - Sunday June 8, 2014

Tickets are available at temple office and at every temple function for purchase or fill out form below and send your check made out to CTE Sisterhood. We will mail your tickets to you. You do not have to be present to win.

I want to win a Sukkah set up for 5775 and create memories for my family that they'll never forget!

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Number of tickets wanted \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Sisterhood Spring Program

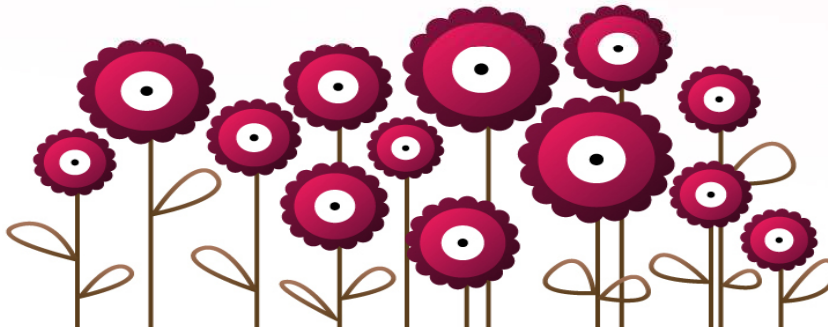
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Mazel Tov to Gabrielle Michel who had the opportunity to portray Anne Frank at the Axelrod Theater's performance of "The Diary of Anne Frank."

Mazel Tov to Anne and Jeff Weinstein on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Jessica.



## Smile, You're on Candid Camera!

Next time you are at the synagogue, you may notice cameras hanging in various locations both inside and outside the building. These additions are part of a significantly upgraded security system that we have just installed with the help of a Department of Homeland Security Grant and your donations.

The cameras will run continuously, but there is no audio feed. We will have the video footage archived in the event we need to review it.

Additional security upgrades include a new intercom system and key-card access through the Religious School door. The keypad will be removed and only those issued a key card will be able to enter the building without being "buzzed in." Naturally the school entrance door will continue to be open when students are arriving for classes. An earlier enhancement to our security initiative involved the replacement of all parking lot lighting, which was also funding through the DHS Grant.

While these measures may seem extreme, they are for the benefit of us all. We hope you will be patient as our new systems are installed and we continue to make Congregation Torat El and safe a secure place.

Pam Cardullo  
Executive Director



***Yom HaShoah Program - Wednesday, April 30th ~ 7:30pm***

***This program will feature a viewing of the documentary  
"Rescue in the Philippines: Refuge from the Holocaust"***

***Guest Speaker Dr. Jeffrey Roffman***

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## Friday, April 25th ~ 6:30pm

## Breakfast For Dinner!

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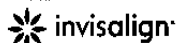
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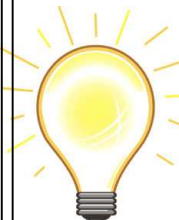
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		<i>1</i> <i>Board of Trustees</i> <i>Mtg 7:30pm</i>	<i>2</i> <i>Lunch &amp; Learn w/</i> <i>Rabbi 12:00pm</i>  <i>Women's Seder</i> <i>7:15pm</i>	<i>3</i> <i>Sisterhood Board</i> <i>Mtg 7:30pm</i>	<i>4</i> <i>Candle Lighting</i> <i>7:05pm</i>  <i>Instrumental</i> <i>Shabbat Service</i> <i>6:30pm</i>	<i>5</i> <i>Bar Mitzvah of</i> <i>Max Winters</i> <i>9:00am</i>  <i>Sponsored</i> <i>Kiddush Lunch</i>
<i>6</i> <i>Matzah Baking for</i> <i>Kids 9:15am</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i> <i>Ritual Mtg 7:30pm</i>	<i>9</i> <i>Lunch &amp; Learn w/</i> <i>Rabbi 12:00pm</i>	<i>10</i> <i>Men's Club Liquid</i> <i>Chametz Social</i> <i>7:30pm</i>	<i>11</i> <i>Sale of Chametz</i> <i>Deadline</i>  <i>Candle Lighting</i> <i>7:12pm</i>  <i>Traditional</i> <i>Shabbat Service</i> <i>8:00pm</i>	<i>12</i> <i>Shabbat Service</i> <i>9:00am</i>  <i>Jr. Cong 10:30am</i>
<i>13</i> <i>No Religious</i> <i>School</i>	<i>14</i> <i>Fast of Firstborn</i> <i>8:00am</i>  <i>Temple Office</i> <i>Closes at Noon</i>  <i>No PM Minyan</i> <i>Candle Lighting</i> <i>7:15pm</i>  <i>First Seder</i>	<i>15</i> <i>Temple Office</i> <i>Closed</i>  <i>Pesach Service</i> <i>9:00am</i>  <i>Community Seder</i> <i>6:00pm</i>  <i>No PM Minyan</i>	<i>16</i> <i>Temple Office</i> <i>Closed</i>  <i>Pesach Service</i> <i>9:00am</i>  <i>No Religious</i> <i>School</i>  <i>Mincha 7:00pm</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i> <i>Candle Lighting</i> <i>7:19pm</i>  <i>Instrumental</i> <i>Shabbat Service</i> <i>6:30pm</i>	<i>19</i> <i>Shabbat Service</i> <i>9:00am</i>
<i>20</i> <i>No Religious</i> <i>School</i>  <i>Candle Lighting</i> <i>7:21pm</i>  <i>Pesach Service</i> <i>7:00pm</i>	<i>21</i> <i>Temple Office</i> <i>Closed</i>  <i>Pesach Service</i> <i>9:00am &amp; 7:00pm</i>	<i>22</i> <i>Temple Office</i> <i>Closed</i>  <i>Pesach Service/</i> <i>Yizkor 9:00am</i>  <i>Pesach Service</i> <i>8:15pm</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i> <i>Early Bird</i> <i>Registration</i> <i>Deadline for</i> <i>Religious School</i>  <i>Sisterhood Spring</i> <i>Program 7:30pm</i>	<i>25</i> <i>Candle Lighting</i> <i>7:26pm</i>  <i>Traditional</i> <i>Shabbat Service</i> <i>6:30pm</i>	<i>26</i> <i>Bat Mitzvah of</i> <i>Danielle Horowitz</i> <i>9:00am</i>  <i>Sponsored</i> <i>Kiddush Lunch</i>  <i>Jr. Cong 10:30am</i>
<i>27</i> <i>2015 B/M</i> <i>Meeting with</i> <i>Parents 9:15am</i>	<i>28</i> <i>Yom HaShoah</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i> <i>Lunch &amp; Learn w/</i> <i>Rabbi 12:00pm</i>  <i>Yom HaShoah</i> <i>Program 7:30pm</i>			