



# Voice of the Shore

Congregation Torat El ~ Jersey Shore Jewish Center

February 2014

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## 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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## Purim for Grown Ups

Saturday, March 15th  
8:00pm

## Disco Death

Murder Mystery  
Dessert Reception

See page 10  
for details

## Sisterhood's Hamantashen Bake-A-Thon

Sunday, March 9th - 8am - 1pm

*Please give us your help any time between these hours. Do a mitzvah while the kids are in Sunday School!*

**Wanted: Kneaders, pinchers, fillers, bakers, counters and your smiles! Please, no children under the age of 13.**

**Our delicious cookies are provided to our college students, our religious school students and teachers, our Shalach Manot recipients and at all of our Purim celebrations! Pre-orders gladly accepted 1 dozen \$6 - 2 dozen \$10. Orders must be placed by March 5th**

**To place a hamantashen order or to volunteer your time contact: Kim Sherman 732-493-1971 [kimsherm@gmail.com](mailto:kimsherm@gmail.com) or Carri Silverberg 732-245-8939 [bruce.silverberg@verizon.net](mailto:bruce.silverberg@verizon.net)**

## Purim Sunday, March 16th

**Full Traditional Megillah Reading ~ 8:00am**

**Frolicking Frenzy and Folly of Fun (Family Friendly Megillah Reading) ~ 10:00am**

**Bring your family and friends as the Religious School Students present the Megillah to the tunes of favorite refrains from contemporary as well as classic melodies! It's sure to be a rockin' good time!**

## Purim Carnival ~ 11:30am

**Carnival Games \* Music\* Balloons\* Bounce House\* Crafts\* Face Painting\* Photo Booth\* Hot Dogs\* Popcorn\* Cotton Candy\* Video Games\* Costume Parade!!**

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**Cantor**.....Bruce Siegel  
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**Youth Advisor**.....Jane-Rachel Schonbrun

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# February Service Announcements

**Friday, January 31, 2014**

**Sixth Grade Shabbat Service 6:30 pm**

**Candles 4:55 pm**

**Yahrzeits:** Usher Albert, Leo Ashkenaz, Dina Bercovicz Stauber, Marvin P. Berns, Isaac Bernstein, Lillian Bernstein, Esther Brockman, Edward A. Cantor, Milton M. Cohen, Isidore Crystal, Minnie Curtis, Hedy Dorn, James Felt, Rita Fight, Sonia Freidlin, Yetta Friedman, Alexander Froimowitz, Pauline Giugno, Florience Gluck, Herman Gruber, Charles M. Herzog, Susan Hipschman, Anna Hoffman, Harry Hyman, Rebecca Jacobs, Ida Kessel, Paula Kessler, Benjamin Koblenz, Frieda Krengel, David Krivins, Frances Kurtz, Nathan Lachow, Samuel Laken, Max Landsman, Louis Lanman, Leonard Leibowitz, Anna L. Lieberman, Aaron Mandelbaum, Lillian Margulis, Gerald Michelson, Joseph Mintzer, Walter Pepis, Anna Sall Popok, Saul Poretzky, William F. Renz, Anita Resnick, Pauline Retholtz, Henry A. Ritterman, Leonard Robin, George Rosen, Irving Rosenberg, George W. Rosenstiel, Lena Rosenthal, Isaac Roth, Ellen Rosen Sanabria, Herbert Schwartz, Irma Schwartz, Zelda Schwartz, William A. Shakin, Marion Sherman, Eva Singer, Frances Sobol, Herman Steinberg, Magdalena Stern, Mary Suskin, Abraham Tepper, Stanley Thomas, Beryl Vinik, Yetta Weisman, Sam Weiss, Fay Wittes, Sidney Zimmerman, Irving Zisblatt

**Saturday, February 1, 2014**

**Parsha: Terumah 25:1- 40**

**Haftarah: Yesha'yahu 66:1- 24**

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

**Friday, February 7, 2014**

**Sisterhood Shabbat Service & Dinner 6:00 pm**

**Candles 5:03 pm**

**Yahrzeits:** Lillian Adler, Pauline Atlas, Jacob Benofsky, Alfred Bergmann, Isaac Bernstein, Lillian Drimmer, Rose Dulberger, Max Epstein, Rose Field, Sylvia Fisher, Gertrude Flato, Israel Friend, Roslyn Gaber, Clara Garr, Ozzie Gnesin, Julia Greenblatt, Bernard Greenwald, Cynthia Gruber, Flora Gurman, Sydney Emanuel Harber, Samuel Philip Heller, Herman Hirschfield, Rona Kalika, Mary Korman, Samuel Kriezman, Adolf "Al" Krongold, Bennett Krupkin, Jerome (Liebesman) Leban, Arnold Lipschitz, Malvina Lowy, Maxwell Margulis, Miriam Mayerowitz, Ada Mintzer, Beatrice Noritsky, Dr. Marca Plante, Paula Popok, Nathaniel Portman, Nat Ravine, Fishel Reuven, Molly Rosenstein, William Rosner, Rose Rothberg, Anne Schnur, Matthew Schwartzman, Leah Stern, Nathan Troum, Milton Weinberg, Joseph Weiner, Suzanne A. Weiss, Ignaz Winkler, Helen Zemel.

**Saturday, February 8, 2014**

**Parsha: Tetsavveh 27:20-28:30**

**Haftarah: Yehezkel 43:10 - 27**

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

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

***Kiddush Luncheon is sponsored by  
Mike Gordon in honor of his special birthday***

**Friday, February 14, 2014**

**Traditional Shabbat Service 8:00 pm**

**Candles 5:12 pm**

**Yahrzeits:** Esther T. Aaron, William Abramson, Abraham Altschuler, Stanley Joel Anderman, Jacob Anschelewitz, Oscar Bazinsky, Mildred Berlin, Mildren Brasovankin, Fred Brown, Aaron Cyderowitz, Robert Drazin, Morris Ellberger, Florience Farber, Chaim Feldman, Nat Feldman, Joseph Friedman, David Garber, Philip Garber, Murray Gordon, Julian M. Gottlieb, Michael Gottlieb, Barnet Isaac Halpern, Rose Hoffman, Sam Kaplan, Jacob Kleiner, Philip Klompus, Kenneth E. Kouri, Ed Kronisch, Doris Kurtz, John Jacob Landa, Herbert Levine, Etta Lichtman, Benjamin Maron, Harry Marshall, Gertrude Mass, Alexander Mazur, Feiga Mortkowicz, Sylvia Raab, Rose Ring, Irwin Rosen, Anna Samuels, Arthur Samuels, Stasia Schindel, Helen Jennie Schneider, Irving Schreier, David Schwartz, Louis Schwartz, Blanche Segerman, Douglas Stephen Silver, Hyman Skora, Joseph Solomon, Abraham Spitz, Elizabeth Spitz, Sara Stein, Belle Stern, Joseph J. Stern, Louis E. Sternberg, Dr. Ira Vineburg, Joseph Vogel, Pauline Vos, Carl Waldman, Sally Weinstein, Sigmund L. Weinstein, Dr. Joseph Weissman, Gertrude Weller, Martin Wiggdortz, Lottie Wirth

**Saturday, February 15, 2014**

**Parsha: Ki tissa 30:11 - 31:17**

**Haftarah: Melakhim 18:1 - 39**

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

**Friday, February 21, 2014**

**Instrumental Shabbat Service 6:30 pm**

**Candles 5:20 pm**

**Yahrzeits:** Max Aaron, Gabriel Barnett, Harry Barnett, Bertha G. Barr, Leon Basin, Estelle Bass, Harry Bass, Dinah Bohrer, Ruth Borden, Jane Chazen, Marcia Chazen, Harry Cowen, Marilyn Dansky, David H. Davis, Barbara Claire Dunn, David Epstein, Alexander Fine, Mamie Friedman, Florence Ginsberg, Sylvia Glasser, Nathan Goldwasser, Sabine Goldwasser, Pauline Goodman, Yetta Harber, Rita Hunter, David Kaplan, Ira Katz, Mae Kirchner, Doris Krasnow, Mollie Krupkin, Isadore Lapidus, Charles Levinson, Emmie Levinson, George Levinson, Mary Michelson, Beckie Singer Morgenstern, Esther Mortkowicz, Albert Nierenberg, Philip Ostroff, Monroe Pincus, Mae Rediker, Lillian Reinsteint, Lynda Rosanoff, Gertrude Rosen, Harry Roth, Jack M. Roth, Samuel Rubin, Cypora Safier, Joseph Schwartz, Morris Elliot Shachnow, Louis H. Shear, Mildren Sklar, Miles Sobol, Samuel Spector, Frances Sperber, Etta Sprechman, Trudy Stauss, Ethel Rediker Steiner, Paul M. Trueger, Sidney Vinebeerg, Blanche Wasserman, Bertha Weiner, Milly Weitzenkorn, David Wiener, Ruth Wiener, Leo Wilk, Esther Zalusky, Jennie Zimmerman, Rose Zisblatt

**Saturday, February 22, 2014**

**Parsha: Vayakhel 35:1 - 36:19**

**Haftarah: Melakhim 7:40 - 50**

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

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

# Celebrating and Cultivating A Community of Caring



*"Rabbi, Sarah Goldberg just had a baby girl!"*

*"Rabbi, Max Cohen's daughter just gave birth to a baby boy!"*

*"Rabbi, did you know that Shlomo Schwartz is at Jersey Shore?"*

*"Rabbi, my mother, a long time member of the congregation, just passed away. Can you officiate at the funeral? What do I need to do?"*

*"Rabbi, we have a member who is in her 90's and would love a visit? Would you, or someone from the synagogue be able to stop by?"*

What all of these questions have in common (other than fictitious names) is that they come up in our synagogue on a regular basis. *But what most people do not know*, is that in addition to your clergy, we have a chesed (caring) committee that quietly and lovingly works tirelessly to celebrate with our members in times of joy, and support our members in times of suffering. This committee is unfortunately, one of the best kept secrets of our congregation.

People are often surprised when they get a call, or receive a shiva platter, or small gift from the synagogue. But "as a community building relationships with God, Judaism, and each other" this is exactly the type of holy work that our community should be engaged with. It is my hope that eventually this does not come to be surprising, but rather becomes an expected part of what it means to belong to Congregation Torat El. Recently, someone who is extremely involved in the synagogue was contacted by the chesed committee because they wanted to deliver a meal for this individual upon his return home from the hospital. The congregant was so grateful and remarked that he had no idea that such a committee even existed.

But they do exist and the work that they do is incredibly holy. This chesed committee is available for delivering a platter to a shiva home, calling someone when they are in the hospital, or bringing a gift to a family that recently celebrated the birth of a newborn. We are currently working on putting together a list of people in our congregation who are elderly, have trouble getting out, and do not have many family members or friends in the area. I recently had the honor of sitting with two such members on the same day who are 98 and 102 years old. It was my privilege to help bring a smile to their faces, and of course, I received much more from them than I gave by stopping by for a short visit. And this is not something reserved for your clergy or chesed committee members. If you would like to volunteer to sit with someone for a visit on a semi-regular basis (and if you know someone who could benefit from such a visit), please e-mail me or contact Alyce Isaacson, our chesed committee chair person at [alyce1492@aol.com](mailto:alyce1492@aol.com).

This brings me to my last point: whether we are talking about mazal tov phone calls and gifts, or hospital visits, or supporting someone after a loss, or sitting with someone who is elderly and alone -- **we are only as good as our information**. There are times when people "assume" that the synagogue knows about a situation- but that assumption is usually incorrect. So if you know of someone who could benefit from some personal contact from either myself, Cantor Siegel, or your chesed committee, please call the office to let us know (732) 531-4410. We would love to be helpful to you!

Thank you to all have helped us with this endeavor thus far (Alyce Isaacson, Leah Zimmerman, Susan Sprung, and Mike Gordon). And thank you to those who have recently joined the committee. We are honored to have you helping us and so appreciative of the work that you do!

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**\*\*One footnote** to those who are interested in this type of caring work beyond the needs of the synagogue. **The Jewish Federation of Monmouth County** is sponsoring a **"Caring Conference" kickoff event on Sunday, February 9**, from 11am-4pm at Centra State Medical Center in Freehold, NJ. This conference is being arranged to train and support volunteers in our Jewish community who are interested in reaching out to others in times of crisis and need. If you are interested, RSVP by February 3 or call Rabbi Michelle Pearlman at 732-866-4300.

## Our Synagogue Families

### Baruch Dayan Emet

*The Torat El family extends condolences to:*

**Arnold Chernin**, on the loss of his wife Jeanne Chernin

**Lesli Poznak**, on the loss of her mother Jeanne Chernin

**Bonnie Zimmerman**, on the loss of her father Al Bonner

**Laura Shapiro**, on the loss of her father Arnold Levin

*Our sincere thanks to our friends and CTE family for their kindness  
and support during a difficult time for the Meyer Family.  
- Robin, Stuart, Meredith and Megan Meyer*

**When you are in the hospital our clergy want to visit but... HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996) stands between you and your clergy.**

**ONLY a personal communication from you or a family member will allow us to know that you or a family member are in the hospital. It's heartbreaking to learn that you or a loved one were in the hospital without the opportunity to call or visit you, and without having our Chesed Committee get the chance to send a meal to your home to help lighten the load a bit.**



**Please contact the temple office at 732-531-4410 to tell us when you or a loved one are in the hospital.**

## Assistant Rabbi/Education Director Search Committee

The search committee has been formed to fill our new position of Assistant Rabbi/Education Director and we have gathered together the information and posted the position with the Rabbinical Assembly. At this time we have received a number of resumes, they have been reviewed and some phone interviews have been completed. As resumes are received, they will be reviewed. In February we will be visiting the Jewish Theological Seminary to conduct interviews with graduating seniors from the rabbinical schools at JTS (NY) and the American Jewish University (LA). Based on the phone interviews and the in-person interviews at the JTS we will schedule in person visits by the candidates and they will be spending a weekend with us to get to know us and for us to get to know them. These "audition" weekends will take place towards the end of February through March, if needed, so watch your e-mails and bulletin for specific information. This is a very exciting time for all of us. Your feedback on each candidate will be very valuable to enable us to make the right decision for us so that Congregation Torat El can grow and fulfill our vision.

Our committee members are:

Alan Morris

Linda Pickelny

Michelle Winters

Randi Kervick

Harvey Shooman

Kim Sherman

Rabbi Schonbrun

If you have any questions or comments please contact me via e-mail at [neilweit@gmail.com](mailto:neilweit@gmail.com) or at 732-984-7204.

Neil Weitzenkorn

Chair – Search Committee

## RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CHAI LITES

**ATTENTION PARENTS, BROTHERS, SISTERS, GRANDPARENTS,  
GREAT GRANDPARENTS, AUNTS, UNCLES,  
COUSINS, NEPHEWS, NIECES, AND FRIENDS:**

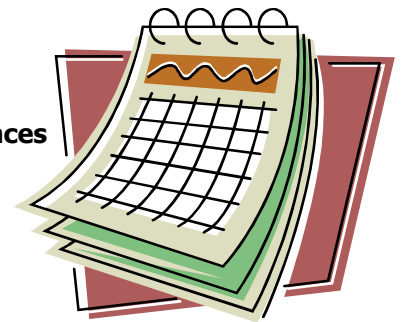
Once again, the Religious School classes will be participating in this year's Purim Megillah.

**This year, the Family Friendly Purim Megillah will take place on Sunday morning March 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 A.M. – During Religious School!!! Bring family and friends! This is an event that is not to be missed!!!**

Please note: On March 16<sup>th</sup>, Religious School will begin at 9:00 A.M. as usual, and at 10:00 A.M., all of the students will go into the Main Sanctuary for the Purim Megillah!!

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

<b>Fri. Jan. 31</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Grade Friday Night Service</b>
<b>Sun. Feb 2</b>	<b>No Religious School – Parent / Teacher Conferences</b>
<b>Sat. Feb 8</b>	<b>Junior Congregation</b>
<b>Sun. Feb 9</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Grade Bnai Mitzvah Workshop</b>
<b>Sun. Feb 16</b>	<b>No Religious School – Presidents' Day Weekend</b>
<b>Sat. Feb 22</b>	<b>Junior Congregation</b>

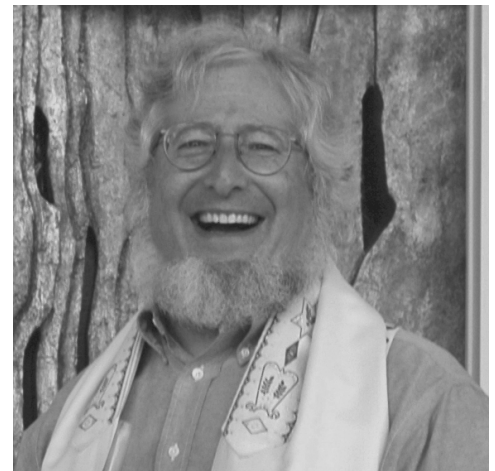


## SAVE THE DATE

SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2014

### RETIREMENT CELEBRATION BRUNCH

WATCH FOR DETAILS



JOIN US AS TOGETHER  
WE HONOR AND BID  
FAREWELL TO OUR  
BELOVED CANTOR  
BRUCE SIEGEL!

*See page 14 for Tribute Journal details*



# CTE Sisterhood Chai Lites

**Temple Grams:** To send a gram (\$6 each, checks payable to CTE Sisterhood) call Beverle at 732-493-1595.

**College Packages:** We are gathering addresses of students that are studying away from home. Congregation Torat El Sisterhood will be sending out 2 more packages this year. The two packages will be Purim (March 16-17, 2014) and Passover (April 15- April 22, 2014). The package usually consists of something relating to the holiday (Hamantashen for Purim, Matzoh for Passover) and other kosher snacks. The packages are compliments of Sisterhood.

If you would like Sisterhood to send a package to your college student, please send their Spring semester college address to Jackie Rosenheck by March 1<sup>st</sup> to **ctesisterhood@gmail.com** Please type "college packages address" in subject line. Packages are sent the week before the holiday. **If you already sent in your address for Hanukkah you do not need to send again unless there is an address change. If your student will not be at college due to their Spring break or studying abroad during any of the dates noted above please let us know so we do not send that package.**



## March Mah-Jongg Madness

**Sunday, March 30th  
Congregation Torat El  
9:30am-4:30pm**



6 Rounds of play  
(3 in the morning and 3 in the afternoon with lunch in the middle)

Play begins promptly at 10:00am

**Advanced registration only by March 23rd**

RSVP to Carol Klein at 732-922-3603

Sisterhood members \$25.00 ~ Guests \$30.00

Cash Prizes

**Remember to bring your current 2013 card**

## Hazak Light Brunch and Speaker

Monmouth County Undersheriff will join us again for an interesting and informative discussion about senior driving.

**\$5 per person**

Please RSVP to the temple office

**Sunday, February 23rd ~ 11:00am**



*Join us at CTE Sisterhood's Annual  
Naomi Axelrod Shabbat Dinner*

Friday, February 7, 2014

SISTERHOOD SERVICE STARTS AT 6:00pm followed by  
A TRADITIONAL SHABBAT DINNER PREPARED by OUR  
SISTERHOOD MEMBERS

Adult (14 and up)	DONATION - \$20.00
Children (8 - 13)	DONATION - \$14.00
Children (3 - 7)	DONATION - \$9.00
Children under 3	No Charge
Maximum Per Family Unit	DONATION - \$70.00

RSVP TO: VERA GITTEN AT 732-643-0013

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY!

DROP OR MAIL YOUR CHECK TO THE TEMPLE OFFICE.

THE DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS JANUARY 31, 2014

Only paid RESERVATIONS will be ACCEPTED

RESERVATION FORM:

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

_____ Adults @ \$20	_____ 8-13 @ \$14
_____ 3-7 @ \$9	_____ UNDER 3 NO CHARGE
Family Unit @ \$70 (_____ Adults _____ Children)	
Total Enclosed: \$ _____	

PLEASE RETURN TO TEMPLE OFFICE  
PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CTE SISTERHOOD



# MEN'S CLUB UPCOMING EVENTS

## World Wide Wrap and Breakfast

**Sunday, February 2nd ~ 8:30am**

Open to all men, women and teens in our congregation. A chance to wrap ourselves in tallit and tefillin on the same day as tens of thousands of our fellow Jews worldwide.

Special 8:30am Minyan followed by a deluxe breakfast

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## MEN'S CLUB 2013-2014 PAID UP EVENT:

### *Trivia Challenge*

**Sunday, February 9, 2014 at 4:30 PM in the Social Hall**

with your Host, Neil Warar!

RSVP to [robeinhorn@gmail.com](mailto:robeinhorn@gmail.com) by February 3, 2014

Join us for a delicious dinner and see who wins the Trivia Challenge. Prizes will be awarded and bragging rights for the team with best brains. After the contest, we can sit and watch some of the action of the 2014 Olympics on the projection TV.

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## CAMP HAZAK

Camp was June 26 – July 3 at Kutsher's. Next year will be June 25 – July 2. We don't know if we'll be returning to Kutsher's or go somewhere else. We should know after the holidays. There was something for everyone at the Hazak camp this year with 200 attendees.

We were treated to music by Kern, Porter, and Berlin by Dr. Randal Woodfield.

Dr. Eric Goldman explored the American Jewish experience through movies (I didn't realize that "The Way We Were" did that).

Dr. Chaim Lauer blew life into David, Moses, and Henrietta Szold.

Dr. Rabbi Michael Kaplowitz explored the many influences of Maimonides and talked about Jewish medical ethics.

Rabbi Robert Kaplan was the Shabbat Scholar in Residence and was a wonderful speaker.

Sheldon Horowitz discussed Jabotinsky and other Israeli topics.

Gloria Goldreich used a different format this year – Book Club. In advance, we read Nemesis by Philip Roth, The Young Lions by Irwin Shaw and a short story anthology Including Bellows, Malamud, and Chabon.

Al Kustanowitz: The Jewish Humor Central. This was a lot of fun: jokes and U Tube.

Nancy Stern Scholem: Genealogy: A Great-Granddaughter's Obsession. She has traced her family's branches to the 1700's.

All this in one week! Stimulating. Exhilarating. I'm trying to approximate the effect it had on me. These presenters thanked the organizers Rabbi Moshe Edelman and Jo-Anne Tucker-Zemlak for inviting them. They found our group of participants inspiring. The Kutsher staff is outstanding. From the man who led us on the 7:15 AM walk to those that led Yiddish discussion, told tales of the Catskills and led various exercises, all are engaging and effective. Scott Eckers, a young man who studied Yiddish in college and now speaks quite well, has a marvelous voice. He entertained us on a couple of evenings. It is gratifying to realize that he teaches 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

Sheila Morris and Be Yeamans

# Purim for Grown Ups

# Disco Death

***DANCE! DISCO!! DEATH!!!???***

Join us for a wild & wacky comedy disco murder mystery.

Slip on those platform shoes and get ready to boogie on  
back to the polyester '70s.

Funky on down with Murder On Cue's zany actors for an  
uproarious evening, dancing, dessert and murder to solve!



**Saturday**  
**March 15th**  
**8:00pm**

**Evening includes Adult Megillah Reading, Murder Mystery and Dairy Dessert Buffet**  
**Bring your own Kosher wine and/or liquor (set ups will be available.)**

**\$25.00 per person**

*Paid reservations (envelope marked "Adult Purim Social") due to the temple office by March 7th*

**Come dressed in your 70's attire!**

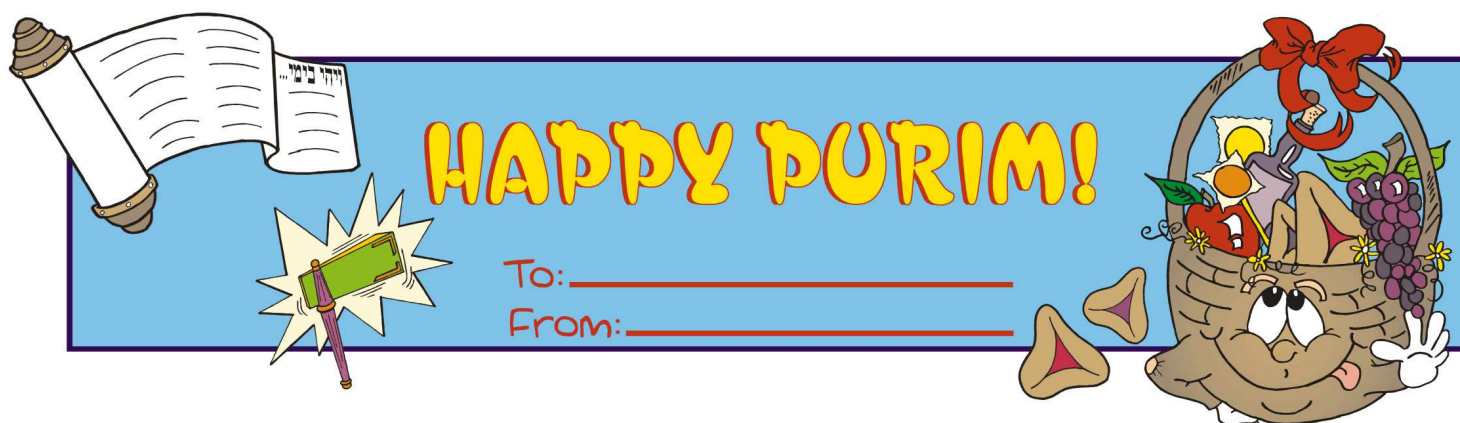
Open seating or reserved tables available. Please send in all names along with full payment for the table  
with form if reserving a table. Any questions? Call temple office 732-531-4410

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Total Guests @ \$25 \_\_\_\_\_ Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Reserved Table (include names on other side)

# Shalach Manot Purim Baskets



Fulfill one of the mitzvot of Purim by ordering Purim baskets for Congregation Torat El members, staff, teachers, family and friends. Send a basket for only \$5.00! Recipients receive one basket with a card listing the name of all who sent it to that home. The basket of **homemade** hamantaschen, candy and other goodies will be delivered by the start of Purim on Saturday, March 15, 2014.

The four mitzvot of Purim are: hearing the reading of the Megillah, giving monetary gifts to the poor, giving a gift of two different foods to at least one person and eating a festive Purim meal. Sisterhood is here to help!

## **PURIM BASKET ORDER FORM ON BACK OF THIS SHEET**

\*Checks payable to Congregation Torat El Sisterhood  
\$5.00 PER BASKET

\$15.00 per BASKET for NON-Temple Members **\*within delivery area**

Are you visiting relatives, going to a Purim party, need a house gift?  
We assemble the basket - you pick it up at CTE on Sunday, March 9th

**ORDER DEADLINE: Friday, February 21, 2014**

*Completed forms and payment may be dropped off at the temple office or mailed to:  
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**Wednesdays from 12:00-1:00PM**

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**Second Shabbat of each month following services unless there is a Bar or Bat Mitzvah**

### THE FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Join Cantor Siegel in finding out where and how the Friday Night Service originated? From Bar'chu to Yigdal we examine and explore how the service came to be the way it is, what it really means and how Jews around the world, through this service, begin Shabbat.

**Sunday Mornings - 10:00-11:00am**

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Are you not able to stop by the synagogue to enjoy some learning? No problem- we will come to you! You choose the topic and we will provide the Rabbi. Rabbi Schonbrun will lead a group discussion in your home on a topic of your choosing as it relates to Judaism. Invite your friends and neighbors to join us. Please e-mail "rabbi@torat-el.org" to set up an evening. Groups of at least ten participants are requested.

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Come join Rabbi Schonbrun and doctors from our congregation as we explore a number of critical and complicated medical issues from a Jewish perspective. We will discuss topics ranging from infertility, mental health issues, organ donation, Jewish perspectives on health and wellness, and end of life issues. Bring a friend and come with your questions. We are looking forward to learning with you! This program is open to the community.

**Wednesday Nights at 7:30PM (Feb. 12, 26, March 5, 12, 19)**

### SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE WEEKEND

We are excited to welcome Rabbi Shawn Fields-Meyer to CTE! Rabbi Fields-Meyer serves as school Rabbi at the Milken Community High School and is also Instructor in Bible at the Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies. She is co-author of the book, *A Day Apart: Shabbat at Home*, a practical and spiritual guide to the home rituals of Shabbat. She frequently serves as Scholar-in-Residence at congregations around the country, addressing issues of prayer, spirituality, and parenting, and she facilitates support groups for parents of children with special needs. Rabbi Fields-Meyer is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and received her rabbinic ordination from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. She and her husband Tom, a writer, have three sons. While topics for the weekend haven't been confirmed, some choices include *Texting, Technology & Torah: Spirituality and the Digital Age*; *Your Spiritual Toolbox: Bringing Jewish Prayer to Life*; *Family Guy? Mamma Knows Best? Cheaper by the Dozen? The Art of Spiritual Parenting in an Age of Spirited Kids* and *Lady Elijah: The Mystery Woman of the Torah*. There will be a Shabbat Dinner, Kiddush Luncheon and Sunday Brunch (yes, it's also all about the food!)

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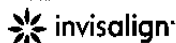
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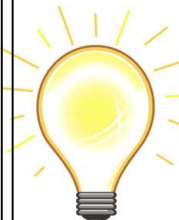
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						1 Shabbat Service 9:00am
2 No Religious School  Religious School Conferences  World Wide Wrap 8:30am	3	4 Board of Trustees Mtg 7:30pm	5 Lunch & Learn w/ Rabbi 12:00pm  Adult Ed w/Rabbi 7:30pm	6 Sisterhood Board Mtg 7:30pm	7 Candle Lighting 5:03pm  Sisterhood Shabbat Service and Dinner 6:00pm	8 Shabbat Service 9:00am  Lunch & Learn  Sponsored Kiddush Lunch Jr. Cong 10:30am
9 6th Grade B/M Workshop  Men's Club Paid Up Event 4:30pm	10	11	12 Lunch & Learn w/ Rabbi 12:00pm  Adult Ed w/Rabbi 7:30pm	13	14 Candle Lighting 5:12pm  Traditional Shabbat Service 8:00pm	15 Shabbat Service 9:00am
16 No Religious School	17 Temple Office Closed	18 Men's Club Mtg 7:30pm	19	20	21 Candle Lighting 5:20pm  Instrumental Shabbat Service 6:30pm	22 Shabbat Service 9:00am  Jr. Cong 10:30am
23 Hazak Light Brunch & Speaker 11:00am	24	25	26 Lunch & Learn w/ Rabbi 12:00pm  Adult Ed w/Rabbi 7:30pm	27	28 Candle Lighting 5:28pm  Traditional Shabbat Service 6:30pm	