

## Voice of the Shore

Congregation Torat El ~ Jersey Shore Jewish Center January 2016 - Tevet/Shevat 5776

## REMEMBERING DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

EDUCATION, EQUALITY AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Wednesday, January 13th - 7:30pm

PROGRAM TO INCLUDE:

Remarks by Rabbi Aaron Schonbrun of Congregation Torat El

EXCERPT OF "I HAVE A DREAM" SPEECH DELIVERED BY DR. DONALD D. WARNER FORMER SUPERINTENDENT OF RED BANK SCHOOL DISTRICT

PERFORMANCES BY THE SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH CHOIR OF LONG BRANCH AND THE LIVING WORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CHOIR OF NEPTUNE

KEY NOTE SPEAKER: Dr. LAMONT REPOLLET
SUPERINTENDENT OF ASBURY PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT

Personal Reminiscences of Dr. King: Dr. Frank Rother Dean of Social Sciences, Brookdale Community College

DESSERT BUFFET RECEPTION

Kindly contact the Congregation Torat El office if you will be joining us for this very special and meaningful program.

We welcome the entire community at no charge but do request an RSVP for planning purposes. 732-531-4410



Program made by possible by a generous grant from the B'nai Sholom/Beth El Foundation



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Friday, January 1, 2016

**Shabbat Service 6:30 pm** 

Candles 4:23 pm

YAHRZEITS: Ivy Altman, Shai Binns, Clara Blance, Louis Breslow, Zipporah Brodie, David Cooper, Rose Goldenberg, Leonard Jobreck, Kenneth Kobb, Annette Kurman, Shirley Levine, Bessie Lipson, Michael Maltzman, Gussie Michelson, Samuel Miller, Zelda Miller, Solomon Nanos, Stuart Nelson, Dora Osattin, Herman Preiser, Sol Reinman, Stanley Rubenstein, Charles Ruskin, Sarah Samuel, Esriel Schwebel, Shirley Shapiro Fein, Esther Singer, Jack Solden, Max Trauben, Rose Weiss, Sidney Zislin

Saturday, January 2, 2016

**Parsha: Shemot 4:18-6:1** 

Haftarah: Isaiah 27:6-28:13; 29:22-23

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am Learn & Burn ~ 9:00 am

Friday, January 8, 2016

Shabbat Service 8:00 pm

Candles 4:29 pm

YAHRZEITS: Max Adler, Burton Alexander, Ronald Arnold, David Askin, Reuben Blaustein, Abraham Block, Rubin Brenner, Murray Brudner, Fran Darrow, Belle Franks, William Gross, Edward, Horowitz, Sam Kantrowitz, Barry Kollins, Sandra Lazarus, Sam Lewis, Leonard Lieberman, Morris Lieberman, Rose Negnewitzky, Sylvia Nipon, Esther Pomerantz, Sol Rachman, Robert Roseman, Max Schletter, Sidney Solden, Bertha Steingart, Samuel Sulkin, Sylvia Sweigman, Edythe Wiser, Ruth Zimmerman

Saturday, January 9, 2016

Parsha: Va'era 8:16-9:35

Haftarah: Ezekiel 28:25-29:21

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am Lunch & Learn to follow services

Friday, January 15, 2016

Shabbat Service 6:30 pm

Candles 4:36 pm

YAHRŹEITS: Ruth Adler, Harris Anderman, Ducie Epstein, Bertha Fine, Chester Friedman, Levi Goldenberg, Diana Graber, Doris Gribin, Mildred Holub, Rose Horenstein, Harold Karasic, Lillian Kaye, Bessie Kirschner, Farha Koreen, Abraham Levitt, Abraham Maltzman, Maurice Marx, Gussie Newelsky, Milton Paperth, Morris Rauch, Bernard Resnick, Frances Richter, Norman Scheer, Doris Schultzer, Sidney Schwaber, Morey Singer, Alfred Stalford, Harry Steinberg, Miriam Tenzer, Sylvia Tillis, Charles Wilk, Ellen Winters

Saturday, January 16, 2016

Parsha: Bo 12:29-13:16

Haftarah: Jeremiah 46:13-28

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am

Friday, January 22, 2016

New Member Shabbat Service 8:00 pm

Dessert Reception

Candles 4:44 pm

YAHRZEITS: Vivian Baime, Sylvia Berman, Alex Block, Shirley Brown, Jeanne Chernin, Jerome Dampf, Dorothy Davidow, Stanley Drossman, Helen Franklin, Michael Friedman, Milton Goodman, Philip Gordon, Abraham Horvitz, Annette Korn, Raymond Messner, David Negnewitzky, Frances Pellmar, Harry Richter, Anita Schonbrun, Joseph Semel, Dorothy Stazyn

Saturday, January 23, 2016

Parsha: Beshallah 14:26-17:16

Haftarah: Judges 4:4-5:31

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

Friday, January 29, 2016

Shabbat Service 6:30 pm

Candles 4:53 pm

YAHRZEITS: Charles Anapol, Bessie Cohen, Paul Dorfman, Samuel Ellton, Lena Gaber, Sophie Goldwasser, Rosalie Goodman, Anna Hoffer, Anne Jupiter, Fran Karasic, Esther Karasic Bogage, Eleanor Karasic Gould, Henry Kirk, Harold Koyner, Harold Krivins, Nissan Krongelb, Arnold Levin, Emma Marshal, Edwin Marx, Henry Safian, Harry Schwartz, Richard Shutman, Joseph Singer, Koppel Steinberg, Bryan Taxin, Irving Vorchin, Charlotte Webman, Robert White, Betty Zolten

Saturday, January 30, 2016

Parsha: Yitro 19:1-20:23

Haftarah: Isaiah 6:1-7:6; 9:5-6

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

**Weekday Mornings** 

Sunday: 8:30am

Monday-Friday: 8:00am

Service Schedule Weekday Evenings

Monday-Thursday: 7:00pm

**Shabbat Morning Services** 

9:00am

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

#### #ShabbatShalom



Over the past few months our congregation has been undergoing a quiet, inspiring, and energetic transformation by embracing one of our tradition's most ancient, and wise practices -- the gift of Shabbat. As you may recall, over the High Holidays I laid out a Shabbat Challenge of sorts to all of our members, inviting everyone to embrace the spiritual discipline of bringing the practice of Shabbat into their lives. I am proud to say that many of you have taken me up on my offer. Our Shabbat morning attendance has continued to increase thanks to the efforts of Ben Laskowitz to include our adults and youth in all aspects of the service,

and thanks to our wonderful Shabbat School program. As our religious school students are now with us during Shabbat, I have noticed an increase in parents attending services, or joining us for the kiddush oneg after services. And whether our students are dressed up for Shabbat, or coming in uniform before (or after) a sports activity, I have been delighted to have them join their synagogue family to celebrate Shabbat on a weekly basis. The sight of such a great number of our youth joining us each week to conclude our Shabbat service is beautiful and brings a new-found energy into our service. In addition, our new monthly "Learn and Burn" program incorporating an informal learner's service, with a more spiritual, meditative hour of rest and reflection, has brought the gift of Shabbat to members who prefer an alternative experience to our traditional service.

But that is not all! This quiet Shabbat revolution is taking place outside of the building and outside of Shabbat services as well.

I have noticed many people taking the Shabbat cell phone "sleeping bags" (which I handed out on Rosh Hashanah) home to try and take time to "re-charge" on Shabbat by putting the phones away for a period of time. The realization that the more we are connected, the less that we really connect with one another on a deeper level, and the more tired and stressed out we sometimes become, has resonated with many of our members. And though some may only be able to give up the phone for a few hours of Shabbat that is a wonderful Shabbat gift. There are still some Shabbat sleeping bags on the front table by the entrance to the main sanctuary. Feel free to stop by and pick one up at any time.

We have more than 90 people signed up to take my once-a-month "Shabbat Bucket Challenge." This is simply incredible! These individuals have taken their Jewish practice to the next level by agreeing to try one new Shabbat challenge which I send out to them once a month for a year! From lighting Shabbat candles, to making challah, to avoiding driving, money, or the cell phone for nearly 25 hours, all initial reports and feedback indicates that these individuals are having transformative Jewish experiences as they take ownership over their religious practice. To say that I am inspired is an understatement.

And lastly, but certainly not least, our *Guess Who's Coming to Shabbos* dinner program is off to a wonderful start! In December, nearly 15 different host families invited members of our community to their homes for a Shabbat dinner experience. With more than 60 people celebrating Shabbat dinner together at one time, we both embraced the gift of Shabbat and lived up to our mission as a community building relationships with our tradition and with one another. I want to give a huge thank you to Michele Robins and Estelle Gildenberg, as well as all of our first hosts, for helping us with this program! Our next round of Shabbat dinners will be happening in February, and will continue throughout the winter and spring. If you are interested in hosting, or in being hosted, please contact Michele Robins at 732-918-9054. The responsibilities of the host are relatively small, and the program is fairly simple and straight forward. The idea is simply to create more opportunities for our members to get to know one another, and celebrate a Friday night meal together in a traditional (chicken soup and kugel), or less traditional (sushi, pizza and beer on the deck) way... complete with candles, challah and wine.

Ahad Ha-Am (Asher Zvi Hirsch Ginsberg), a Hebrew essayist and an early Zionist thinker used to say: "More than the Jews have kept Shabbat, Shabbat has kept the Jews." I am delighted, honored, and so proud to be in a community that is coming to recognize the truth and beauty in this statement. If you have not yet participated in any of the activities above, I encourage you to do so. Let the gift of bringing Shabbat into your life in a more serious way be one of your New Years' resolutions.

May this year of Shabbat engagement continue to inspire all of us to appreciate our world, our God, our tradition, and one another in deeper ways. May we be renewed, refreshed and recharged as we embrace this amazing spiritual practice for many years to come!



# 2015-2016 RABBI SCHONBRUN'S COURSE OFFERINGS

#### Two Rabbis, Three Opinions: Taking A Closer Look At Jewish Law

Have you heard of the Committee on Jewish Law and Standards (CJLS) of the Conservative Movement? Did you ever wonder how decisions were made in our communities, or how the mechanisms for changing and adapting the law actually work in our movement? Ranging in topics from ritual practices, to interpersonal relationships, gender issues, technology, business and biomedical ethics, this robust body has produced a wealth of literature on a variety of topics intended to guide our lives and inform our behavior. Come and join us as we take a close look at the CJLS, explore and grapple with its relevance, and study some of the actual responses that it has produced during the past century. No previous knowledge required. Bring your questions and bring a friend! RSVP to the temple office if you will be attending.

Wednesdays: 7:30-8:30pm - January 20, 27, February 3, 10

#### **Study Through Story**

Eli Wiesel once wrote that "God created man because He loves stories." In Judaism it seems that there is a story for every occasion in life. From secular stories, to religious stories, cultural stories to national stories, or even stories that we have adapted from other traditions - the power of Jewish storytelling speaks to our heart and soul in a uniquely profound way. Come and join Rabbi Schonbrun as he shares some of his favorite Jewish stories and we explore their lessons and practical applications together. As we approach the Festival Of Passover we will also look at the way in which storytelling can play a central role in our Seder experience. No previous knowledge required. Bring a friend, and perhaps a story or two! RSVP to the temple office if you will be attending.

Wednesdays: 7:30-8:30pm - April 6, 13, 20, 27

#### **Wednesday Lunch 'n Learn (Jewish Ethics 101)**

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? Join us and take one hour out of your busy week to engage in Jewish learning.

We are exploring Rabbi Joseph Telushkin's "Code of Jewish Ethics" series. Discussions will center around a wide range of topics from judgment of self and others, civility and good manners, forgiveness, anger, humiliation, the laws of fair speech, and proper versus improper criticism. Come and join us for this interactive, informal, and engaging experience. Please bring a friend!

Wednesdays: 12:00-1:00pm

#### **Caregiver Support Group**

Share, Learn and Support One Another

The Caregiver Support Group provides a supportive and educational environment to caregivers taking care of parents, spouses and family members in a safe and non-judgemental environment. The group provides comfort to members by creating the opportunity to share common experiences and learn coping strategies.

Cindy Hyman, LCSW once again facilitates this on-going monthly support group.

The Caregiver Support Group meets on the 3rd Monday of each month at *7:30pm*.

Next meeting is January 18th.

This program, which is held at Congregation Torat El, is open to the community and has been made possible by a grant from the Jewish Federation in the Heart of New Jersey.

#### Weekly Bereavement Group at CTE, Mondays - 2:00-3:00pm

A Space to Provide Support and Comfort Following the Loss of A Loved One

For additional information please contact: Rabbi Deborah Miller, BCC - Group Facilitator rabbi.deborah.miller@gmail.com

This group has been made possible by a generous grant from the Jewish Federation in the Heart of New Jersey

#### HAPPY NEW YEAR!

What a great year 2015 has been at Congregation Torat El. We have grown in number of members. We have successfully implemented Shabbat School. We have expanded our lay leadership and participation in services and ritual events. We have moved from a dues paying model to a sustainability commitment model with great success. We have maintained our full and diverse offering of programs including everything from our Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Schonbrun to Learn and Burn yoga on Saturdays. Finally, we successfully hosted one of the most recognizable leaders and speakers on legal, Jewish and Israel related issues in the country and indeed the world, Alan Dershowitz. So let's celebrate our accomplishments in 2015.

Let's also look ahead to what is coming in 2016. We will recognize and welcome our new members at a Friday night service on January 22nd. More social events, including A Night at the Races on February 20th. We are working to update and amend our Constitution which will be introduced to the Congregation in June. We will continue our Annual Brunch on May 15th, with the honoree(s) to be announced. We will look to make upgrades and improvements to the physical plant of the Temple building. Our Social Action Committee and outreach efforts into the Jewish and greater community will continue, including our annual Martin Luther King Day Celebration on January 13th with this year's theme being Education, Equality and Community Partnership.

So, keep your eyes peeled and your ears open to all the good things happening in your community, at your Temple. Spread the word of our open and welcoming family of families. Invite a friend to our events. Let's keep the positive momentum going!!

Wishing you and yours a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Larry

## Please join us as we welcome the following new and returning members and their families to our Torat El family at our New Member Shabbat:

Richard & Marci Abramowitz

Ira & Jan Baum

Neil & Zelda Becourtney

Russell Bev

Sara Breslow

**Dulce Cavalcanti** 

Terrence & Karen Crockford

Matthew Eilenberg & Helene Santo

Marshall & Debbie Field

Lewis & Diane Goldberg

Marcy Gottlieb-Dodds

Elliot & Beverly Greenstein

Anthony & Gloria Gribin

Harold & Jodi Heinz

Lawrence & Ellen Hirshfield

Alice Kessler

Stephen & Jana Klotzkin

Rita Levin

Matthew & Tracie Lissauer

Ken & Marcy Malc

Rvan & Nicole Malc

Jeanine Nagrod

Ira & Rachel Port

Harold & Barbara Rappaport

Hilary Krosney-Rediker

**David Schwartz** 

Susan Sferas

Arnold & Joan Silberman

Jason & Kristin Stern

Ryan & Victoria Taffet

Richard & Joy Tretsky

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Joshua & Lindsay Walter

Steven and Margery Weiner

Kerri Weiss

#### Friday, January 22, 2016 - 8:00 pm ~ Service followed by dessert reception

Unaffiliated friends are encouraged to attend To RSVP, call the temple office at 732-531-4410 by January 15th

#### **OUR SYNAGOGUE FAMILIES**

#### The Torat El Family extends condolences to:

Carol Weinstock on the loss of her brother Michael Bernardo Odette Lichtman on the loss of her mother Messody Thomas Herb Popok on the loss of his brother Morton Popok

#### The Torat El Family wishes Mazel Tov to:

Tammi Horowitz, Director of Operations and Sales of the Shrewsbury Executive Offices, which recently won the 2015 "Best of Tinton Falls" for Executive Suite Rental Agency.



#### Shabbat Learn 'n Burn

A spiritual experience to restore your mind, body and soul Saturday, January 2nd



Come and join us as we celebrate Shabbat in a variety of ways at our monthly "Spirit of Shabbat" Program. With a recognition that no one size fits all and a commitment to encouraging multiple points of entry for participants, this Shabbat morning seeks to offer multiple ways for you to bring the gift of Shabbat into your lives. Join us for our main service from 9am-11:30am. Or participate in our "Learn 'n Burn" program starting at 9am with a study session followed by a refreshing yoga/meditation class run by Phyllis Jacobs at 10am. Feel free to join us for any or all of our programming and dress in comfortable clothing. Everyone is invited to gather together for our kiddush oneg/luncheon following the programs as we celebrate Shabbat as one community.

#### ATTENTION SNOWBIRDS!!

Before you leave us for warmer climates, please call the office and let us know so we can use your winter address for future mailings!

Thank you



#### **RITUAL ENGAGEMENT**

Yasher Koach to Jonathan Horowitz for leading services on Friday night and Shabbat morning, and for chanting Torah and Haftarah so beautifully on your Bar Mitzvah!

Yasher Kochech to Emma Barofsky for leading services on Friday night and Shabbat morning, and for chanting Torah and Haftarah so beautifully on your Bat Mitzvah!

Yasher Kochech to Julia Barofsky for receiving a Yad in recognition of your 18th Torah reading! Mazel Tov!

Yasher Koach to Jules Resnick for chanting Torah so beautifully in honor of the anniversary of your Bar Mitzvah!

During the month of **November 2015**, the following individuals performed the Mitzvah of reading Torah, chanting the Haftarah, and/or leading Shacharit, Musaf and the Torah Service:

Alana Barofsky Steve Fineberg Forrest Kelly Emma Barofsky Lewis Fisher Ben Laskowitz Jonathan Barofsky Warren Goode David Neuwirth Julia Barofsky Mitch Grayson Jules Resnick Noa Bass Danielle Horowitz Marcia Sacks Julia Comer Jonathan Horowitz Rabbi Schonbrun Mark Engel Harvey Jacob Neil Weitzenkorn

Yasher Koach To All!!!

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SHABBAT SCHOOL?

This month, our classes have been very busy learning and having fun. Here is a bit of what they have been doing:

**Ganon**: After their musical Tot Shabbat service, Ganon has circle time and each student is given a role. They are reading the wonderful book about the Chanukah story: "Judah Who Always Said No!" and the children are acting it out!

**Kitah Bet & Gimmel (2nd & 3rd Grade):** Last month the students learned about our Torah heroes – Isaac and his sons, Jacob and Esau and performed a skit of their story. The 3<sup>rd</sup> graders are able to decode all of the letters and vowels they have learned so far, and are very proud of their reading skills. The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade children practiced Chanukah blessings, sang Chanukah songs, played "dreidel", and helped create a bright and lively bulletin board that depicts "Chanukah."

**Kitah Dalet (4th Grade):** Our Kitah Dalet students have been busy reading, reviewing, and writing their Hebrew letters. They used these skills, making Chanukkah cards for their loved ones. They also made cards to be distributed to Jewish Family and Children's Service. They have also learned about creation, Adam and Eve, Noah's Ark and Abraham and Sarah.

**Kitah Hey (5th grade):** Our Kitah Hey students have been working hard learning to read, sing and understand the prayers for Kabbalat Shabbat. They have experienced Biblical narrative through dramatic play and skits.

**Kitah Zayin (7th Grade):** Our Kitah Zayin students participated in two special class Mitzvah Projects. They collected gently used and new stuffed animals to donate to the to Jewish Family and Children's Service food pantry and they have encouraged synagogue members to "donate" a night of Chanukah present to another person by giving a gift card to families in need at Toys for Tots and/or to Jewish Family and

Children's Service.

The seventh grade has also begun to explore ethical issues and how their ideas mirror or differ from Jewish perspectives.

All of our students made sand art Chanukiah's in class and finished them at our Chanukkah Party! Check out their amazing work!



#### **SISTERHOOD CHAI LITES**

#### Sisterhood's Annual Winter Luncheon

Thursday, January 21st - 12:00pm \$15 per person

#### Ask the Pharmacists and Over-the-Counter Medication Myth Busters!

Presented by Dr. Marija Markovic and Dr. Alyssa Gallipani, pharmacy practice residents at Monmouth Medical Center

They will provide answers to any questions you may have concerning your medications.

Plus, that day only, you may bring in any of your un-needed medications for proper approved disposal (no liquids or powders).

Please RSVP by January 15<sup>th</sup> to the temple office 732-531-4410 or email Marian Warshauer at cookstools@comcast.net



You don't have to be an artist, just a person who wants to create, to be a part of Sisterhood's 2016 handcraft project. This will be the creation of a new Bayn Gavrah to be used in the small sanctuary during Minyon Services. ( A Bayn Gavrah is used to cover the Torah in between the reading of the Torah portions, while people come up for their alliyah.) We will be distributing pieces of fabric, about 6 inches in size, for anyone to embellish with thread, buttons, permanent paints etc. Those pieces will be collected and stitched together to create a "patchwork" type Bayn Gavrah. Phyllis Jacobs, our handcraft leader, will have the fabric patches ready in January in the office and at Sisterhood meetings. She is available to offer suggestions and answer questions about designs and more. Anything "Jewish" will be our theme. Hebrew letters, holiday symbols, Israeli flags, photos transferred to fabric, Jewish stars etc. We need lots of participants and can use 20 or more so Please get involved and get your fabric in January to be returned anytime until

April.

#### **Mah Jongg Cards**

Standard \$8 Large \$9
Please make check payable to
CTE Sisterhood and mail to:
Jeryl Krupnick
521 Bridlemere Avenue
Interlaken, NJ 07712
All checks must be received by January 15

#### **Mah-Jongg Madness**

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

Cash Prizes

Sunday, April 3rd ~ 9:00-4:00 Play begins at 9:30a.m. Sharp

#### **Registration by March 10th**

Late registration accepted if space permits, call first, \$5.00 Late Fee
Registration Fee: \$30.00 Sisterhood Members, \$35.00 for Non-Members
\*Remember to bring your 2015 card\*
Questions? Call Carol at 732-922-3603

#### SISTERHOOD CHAI LITES CONTINUED

#### Sisterhood's Annual Hamantashen Bake-A-Thon Sunday, March 13th ~ 9am - 1pm

Wanted: Kneaders, pinchers, fillers, bakers, counters and your smiles!

Please, no children under the age of 13

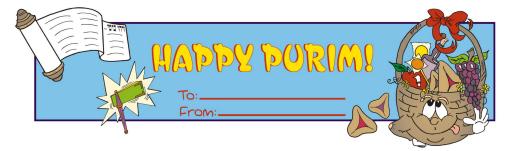
Our delicious cookies are provided to our college students, our religious school students and teachers, our Shalach Manot recipients and at the Purim celebrations!

1 dozen \$6 - 2 dozen \$10

To place a hamanstashen order or to volunteer your time contact: Kim Sherman 732-493-1971 or kimsherm@gmail.com Carri Silverberg 732-245-8939 or bruce.silverberg@verizon.net

Orders must be placed by March 1st

## 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 hamantashen, candy and other goodies will be delivered by the start of Purim on Wednesday, March 23, 2016.

\$5.00 PER BASKET or \$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 13th

#### **NEW METHOD FOR ORDERING!!**

## WATCH YOUR MAIL AT HOME IN JANUARY FOR SHALACH MANOT ORDER FORMS!!

**ORDER DEADLINE: Friday, February 26, 2016** 

For questions, call/email: Jeanne Isaacson at 732-493-8375 or jeanneri76@gmail.com Janet Cohen at 732-493-0367, Linda Gurman at 732-493-0668

#### **ADULT EDUCATION AND HAZAK HAPPENINGS**

#### Adult Education Program: "I Shall Not Be Silent"

Award winning documentary about Rabbi Joachim Prinz. Rabbi at B'Nai Abraham in Newark

#### Sunday, January 17th 3:00pm



Movie Chinese Dinner

\$18 Temple & Hazak Members \$25 Guests

Admittance by prepaid reservation only. RSVP to temple office by January 12th

#### **Hazak Events Coming This Spring:**

March 6th - 3:00pm

Movie & Popcorn The Jewish Cardinal

#### April 10th

Congregation Kahila Kedosha Janina Tour & Kosher Greek Lunch at the Temple and Lower East Side Walking Tour
Transportation Provided

#### May 1st

Musical Theatre Trip "Pump Boys and Dinettes" Paper Mill Playhouse Lox, Stock & Deli Dinner Transportation Provided

## Men's Club Paid Up Event - February 28th



#### **BEACH HAUS BREWERY TOUR & TASTING**

Pencil this onto your calendar so that we can do a tour and beer tasting at the brewery in Belmar.

**Free for Paid Members** 

This is going to be a fun and informative event!

**Free Beer Samples!** 

Free Dinner!

Fun with friends from the temple!

Beach Haus Brewery 801 Main Street Belmar

Keep your eyes open for more info!!

## Photo Opp



## NITE AT THE RACES!

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Saturday, February 20, 2016 7:30pm

Hearts thumping...Hooves stomping...And they're off!!

All the fun and excitement of the Kentucky Derby right here at Congregation Torat El!!

Join us for an evening of Thoroughbred Racing, Dinner, Gift Auction and Fantastic Prizes!

## TICKETS \$50

Includes: Admission, Dinner, Beer, Soda & Mixers (BYOB) and Play Money

Join the fun, it's going to be a great night!!

Featuring Gift Auction and Great Prizes!

Visit races.torat-el.org for details and reservations

Make your reservation online at races.torat-el.org or return this form to the temple office by February 12, 2016.					
Name:	Email:				
# Guests: @ \$50 Total Enclosed:					
Names of Guests to be seated with:					

#### YOUTH HAPPENINGS - SAVE THE DATES! DETAILS TO FOLLOW



Wednesday, January 6th - 8:00pm

"College Choices, Jewish Choices"

Guest Speaker, Rabbi Esther Reed Senior Associate Director of Rutgers Hillel

**Open to 11th - 12th Graders (and parents)** 

Friday, January 29th - 6:30pm

**USY Shabbat Dinner** 

A delicious Chinese dinner and Game Night!

Open to 8th - 12th Graders





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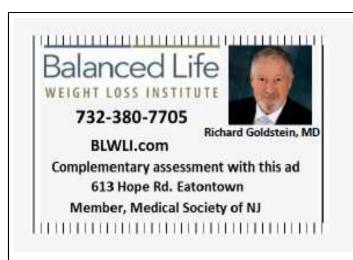
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					Shabbat Service 6:30pm	No Shabbat School
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Men's Club Breakfast/Speaker		Board of Trustees Mtg 7:30pm	Lunch & Learn 12:00pm	Sisterhood Mtg 7:30pm	Candle Lighting 4:29pm	Shabbat Service 9:00am
9:00am			Religious School Resumes		Shabbat Service 8:00pm	Lunch & Learn Kiddush
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		Ritual Mtg 7:30pm	Lunch & Learn 12:00pm		Candle Lighting 4:36pm	Shabbat Service 9:00am
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