

Voice of the Shore

Congregation Torat El ~ Jersey Shore Jewish Center

Iyar/Sivan 5771

June 2011

Weekday Mornings Roseld Ave.

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

Weekday Evenings Monmouth

Road

Monday-Thursday: 7:30 pm

Shabbat Evening Services* 6:30 pm Monmouth Road

Shabbat Morning Services* 9 am at Monmouth Road

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Congregation Torat El Slate of Officers & Trustees 2011-2012

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CONGREGATION MEETING

SUNDAY, JUNE 5th ~ 7PM MONMOUTH ROAD

VOTE ON THE UPCOMING BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND 2011-2012 BUDGET!

BOARD OF TRUSTEES INSTALLATION AND DINNER

FRIDAY, JUNE 17th ~ 6PM

Adults ~ \$18 Children (7-13) ~ \$12 Children (3-6) ~ \$5 Max per family ~ \$70

Please send check to the temple office by June 10th. RSVP to 732.531.4410.

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Shabbat Evening Services A Choice for the members of our Congregation

Kabbalat Shabbat Service

First & Third Friday of each month

Instrumental Musical Service

6:30pm Monmouth Road

Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Second & Fourth Friday of each month

Traditional Service

6:30pm Monmouth Road

Yahrzeits are honored at Friday night services prior to the Yahrzeit date.

June Service Announcements...

Friday, June 3, 2011

Erev Shabbat Services 6:30 pm

Candles 8:04 pm

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS: Alyssa & Greg Bahary, Maddy & Bob Cohen, Anita & Steven Feldman, Ellen & David Grossman Barbara & Robert Isaacson, Kim & Barry Kantrowitz, Rita & Steven Knittel, Randi & Monte Pellmar, Regina & Bert Pickover Marilyn & Marvin Rosen, Phyllis & Allan Solden, Robin & Fred Stern, Stevie & Jonathan Shutman, Elizabeth & Paul Weiss

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Saturday, June 4, 2011

11 Parsha Exodus 4:21-5:10 Haftarah: Judges 13:2-25
Shabbat Morning Service at Monmouth Road~9:00 am
Bat Mitzvah: Samantha Estin
Oneg Shabbat is sponsored by proud parents Mindy and David Estin

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Kiddush Luncheon is sponsored by proud grandparents Harriet and Gary Wiser
in honor of Samantha becoming a Bat Mitzvah

Friday, June 10, 2011

Erev Shabbat Services 6:30 pm

Candles 8:08 pm

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS: Ellen & Michael Breslow, Abbe & Steve Deitch, Joan & Marc Feldman, Libby & Arnold Friedman Linda & Kenneth Ganz, Barbara & Lawrence Lucisano, Robin & Frederic Milstein, Sylvia & Bernard Reich, Bernadine & Bernard Rosenthal Carole & Stanley Shapiro, Anne & Bruce Siegel, Ellen & Gary Theodore, Anne & Jeffrey Weinstein, Laura & Jay Yudof

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Saturday, June 11, 2011

Parsha Numbers 8:1-12:16 Haftarah: Zachariah 2:14-4:7 Shabbat Morning Service at Monmouth Road~9:00 am

Please excuse the inadvertent omission of **Leonard I. Kraut** from the May 4th Yahrzeits.

June Service Announcements...

Friday, June 17, 2011

Board of Trustees Installation Shabbat 6:00pm

Candles 8:11 pm

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS: Fern & Michael Aaron, Debra & Mitchel Alpert, Susan & Stuart Chavis
Elaine & Joseph Cooper, Linda & Edward Dlugosz, Margo & Arnold Gelfman, Wendy & Kenneth Granet, Deborah Sidran
Hertz & Seth Hertz, Sheryl & Gary Kaplan, Honey & Lawrence Karasic, Cheryl & Al Lipp, Diane & Steven Resnick, Debbie &
Steve Segerman, Carri & Bruce Silverberg, Penny & Lawrence Turtel, Joy Weinstein & Bruce Forman, Grace & James Wolf

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Saturday, June 18, 2011

Parsha: Number 13:1-14:7 Haftarah: Joshua 2:1-24 Shabbat Morning Service at Monmouth Road~9:00 am

Friday, June 24, 2011

Erev Shabbat Services 6:30 pm

Candles 8:13 pm

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS: Deborah Scheer Alpert & Russell Alpert, Janet & David Attner, Paula & Stevens Bass, Kimberlee Sherman & Robert Einhorn, Melanie & Mark Engel, Judith & Hal Feldbaum, Ina & Paul Gluck, Alyce & James Isaacson, Loretta & Jerome Kessel, Thelma & Harod Krivins, Robin & Edward Lacey, Karen & Howard Lang, Rachel & Stephen Lazar, Suzanne & Gary Michel, Joanne & Steve Nelson, Suzanne & James Pincus, Elaine & Stanley Rubenstein, Shirley & Milton Sabin, Barbara & David Saint John, Ilene & Robert Singer, Judy & Robert Solomon, Sharon & Marvin Talansky

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Saturday, June 25, 2011 Parsha Numbers 16:1-17:15 Haftarah I Samuel 11:14-12:22 Shabbat Morning Service at Monmouth Road~9:00 am

Bat Mitzvah: Allyson Bazer



Our Synagogue Families



Mazel Tov to:

Beverle and Howard Richelson on the birth of their new granddaughter, Anna Jo, daughter of Ari Richelson and Jessica Harms.

Jacolyn Reich, daughter of **Lisa and Richard Reich** and granddaughter of **Sylvia and Perry Reich**, graduating Suma Cum Laude from the College of New Jersey.

Rachel Sprung, daughter of Susan and Craig Sprung, on her graduation from her dual degree program at Boston University.

If you have a simcha to share with your CTE family, this is the place to do it. Please call the temple office (732) 531-4410 or email bulletin@torat-el.org.



We are pleased to welcome

Rachel, Isaac, Benjamin and Omri Abitbul

to the Congregation Torat El family

From The Rabbi's Study...

Shavuot: A Chance for Renewal and Rededication

In a few weeks we will be celebrating the festival of Shavuot. Like the other pilgrimage festivals, Sukkot and Passover, Shavuot has Agricultural roots. The Torah tells us that beginning on Passover we are to count "seven weeks (Shavuot)" from the beginning of the grain crop until the end of that harvest. In Israel the spring harvest begins during the Passover season, and in the biblical period people would bring an offering of thanksgiving, as well as their new crop, to Jerusalem during this time of year to be eaten as a sign of appreciation and thanksgiving for God's beneficence. The agricultural aspects of this holiday are commemorated today by the counting of the Omer, a biblical measurement of grain that was to represent a portion of the crop that was brought daily during the forty-nine days between Passover and Shavuot. But the truth is that by the rabbinic period, with the Temple no longer standing. Shavuot became associated with the giving of the Torah—an event that traditionally occurred during this time of year as well. It was from that point on that the giving and receiving of Torah became the primary focus of Shavuot.

As Shavuot approaches, the question we must all ask ourselves is this: What does it mean to receive Torah? We view the revelation of Torah at Sinai as an ongoing event in our lives and not simply as something from our past. That is why the blessings before and after the Torah praise God for "giving" us Torah (*Noten Ha Torah*). Here and now, in its broadest sense, the Torah is here for us to embrace in every aspect of our lives. The fact that Shavuot follows Passover is a reminder to us that we were freed from Egypt *for a purpose*. That purpose is to live lives of Torah and bring Torah values into the world. Torah has the power to profoundly affect our lives, the lives of our neighbors, and the world around us. On Shavuot, we join together to open ourselves to the wisdom, power, beauty, and potential of this holy gift.

So how exactly do we do this? How can we bring Torah into our daily lives? Below is one text that gives us some insight into this question. It is a rich and challenging text that I invite you to study, perhaps with family and friends, in an effort to re-commit yourself to the mitzvah of receiving Torah in your life.

The Torah is acquired by forty-eight (qualities); study; attentive listening; ordering one's lips, understanding of the heart

(mind), a perceptive mind, awe, reverence, humility, joy, purity, listening to the sages, association with colleagues, arguing with disciples, patience in study, (knowledge of) Bible, Mishnah, limited income, limited sexual relations, limited pleasure, limited sleep, limited discussion, limited laughter. slowness to anger, a good heart, belief in the sages, acceptance of suffering, the one who knows his place, who is happy with his lot, who sets a limit to his words, and does not seek credit for himself, who is loved, who loves God, who loves people, who loves righteousness, who loves justice who loves criticism, who stays away from honor, who does not arrogantly show off learning, who does not enjoy judging others, who accepts the yoke of his friend, who judges his friend favorably, and sets him on the path to truth and peace, and sets his heart on his studies, who inquires, who responds, who listens, and who contributes, the one who studies in order to teach, and the one who studies in order to act, the one who sharpens his teacher, and who is precise in his teaching, and the one who says something in the name of his fellow for you have learned: Everyone who mentions something in the name of his fellow it is as if he has brought redemption to the world: as it says: Then Esther said to the king in the name of Mordechai.... Pirkei Avot, 6:6

What parts of this text do you find compelling? Challenging? How does this text play out in your daily life? Are there some qualities that you think are missing from this text? As always, I would love to hear your thoughts, insights, and questions. Please feel free to call or e-mail. For more on practical ways to bring God and Torah into your life, please join us on Tuesday night, June 7th at 7:30 pm, as we partner with Temple Beth Miriam for a joint Tikkun Leil Shavuot, night of study, (and cheesecake!). Shavuot services will also be held on June 8th and 9th. We look forward to celebrating with you!

Save the Date
Sunday
September 18, 2011
7:00 pm
Elie Wiesel



Writer, professor, political activist,
Nobel Laureate, Holocaust survivor and winner of the
Nobel Peace Prize in 1986,
will be speaking at Congregation Torat El
in honor of our new congregation.
We look forward to seeing all of you at this wonderful event.

If you would be interested in helping to sponsor our wine and dessert reception, please call Pam in the temple office at 732-531-4410.

Sponsors of \$2500 or more will receive two free VIP tickets.

From the Desk Of Alan Stern, President

Gratitude

As I reflect on the past two years as president, one very trite phrase keeps popping into my head—it's been an incredible run! From a meeting at the Americana Diner some 3- ½ years ago when my good friend, **Dr Bill Belfer**, ignited a spark in me to push Temple Beth Torah to finally unify with Temple Beth El came a series of events that were, to say the least, eventful, historic, and, in a very good way, stunning!

And as I prepare to hand over the reins of leadership to a wonderful group of devoted people, I feel the need to give thanks to the many people who have helped me and, in many instances, kept me focused on the huge reward we are about to reap. In reality, the successes of the past two years are not mine alone. I got by with a little help from my friends, and this column is for them. At the risk of an error of omission or two for which I'll apologize now, I will name names.

Rabbi Jacob Friedman reintroduced me to my Judaism shortly after I moved to this area. His impact on my life continues to be profound. His inspiration drove me to become an active member of a Jewish Community and his wise and gentle guidance before and throughout this process have helped me immeasurably. I am so fortunate to have this incredible man as a teacher and friend.

Very few people know how much Vice President **Fred Singer** does here. Not only is he willing to take on tasks that no one else would; he was always there for me to hear what was on my mind, help me process my thoughts, and put them in historic perspective to make good decisions. Fred is one of the kindest, most generous people I have ever met. Fred, you are a gift to me – and to our community— that keeps on giving.

Peter Gurman led 3 rabbinic searches for this community methodically, brilliantly, and effectively. His quiet, principle-centered leadership was critical to the formation of Torat El and to the hiring of Rabbi Schonbrun. Peter, you do not stand on ceremony, but you, too, deserve a ton of credit for what's gone on here.

Six months into her presidency at Temple Beth El, **Maddy Cohen** was informed that her synagogue was going to undergo some dramatic (and traumatic) changes, and was asked to curtail her presidency. True to her own greatness, Maddy not only allowed me the privilege of becoming Torat El's first president, but also worked to the end of her energy to support the effort. I am nothing less than delighted that Maddy will continue to serve CTE.

Andy Robins worked very hard to forge a bond of trust and respect with and among everyone around him and has emerged as a great leader, confidante, and adviser. His work behind the scenes and under the radar was among the most constructive help CTE has had. You'll be seeing and hearing a lot from Andy in his ongoing roles at CTE, which will be very, very good for our community.

Warren B. Goode, our long-time Board member has been a quiet voice of reason and a wonderful advocate. Warren, on behalf of CTE and of myself personally I cannot thank you enough.

Mike Friedman and Gary Zimmerman are nothing less than awesome. These two great gentlemen strengthened, and continue to strengthen our congregation. Their business and negotiating skills have helped us in ways most of us will never see. We may not have agreed on every issue, but we did come to consensus, we trusted each other, and the result was great.

Steve Fineberg, our treasurer, has finally gotten our budget under control. The amount of hours he has put in can neither be counted nor properly compensated. As we grow and flourish, I hope Steve takes great delight in his work!

Neil Weitzenkorn and our Ritual Committee have deftly guided two slightly different sets of ritual practice into one. If you have any doubt about how much Neil has done, please ask for copies of the minutes of his committee. Neil put his personal agenda aside for a greater purpose. He is one of our best!

My colleagues on the **Steering Committee**, sometimes venerated, sometimes misunderstood, but always focused on doing the right thing, gave and sacrificed a lot to get us to our starting point. Mistakes were made along the way. Some things were misspoken; others misunderstood. Always, however, did these wonderful people devote themselves to securing our congregation. Though the process was imperfect, the result is great and getting better every day.

It has been a joy, and honor, and a privilege to work with the great men and women of the **Executive Board** and the **Board of Trustees.** We have weathered the storm and are well on our way to success. This community owes all of you an ongoing *yasher koach*!

There is nothing I can say about **Pam Cardullo** that has not already been said. No one I have encountered in my adult life has worked as many hours with as much intensity, through personal and professional stress, for the good of her organization. My understatement of the year is that we are fortunate to have her, **Joanne Bass, and Vickie Amron** on our team.

I thank **all of you** for allowing me to be CTE's first President. Aside from being a husband and a father, this role has been among the greatest privileges I have been given. And please give my friend, **Gary Zimmerman**, your trust and support. He's going to be a great President!

Lastly, and most importantly, to my wonderful wife, **Fran** and my outstanding children, **Neil and Tracey**, thank you for picking up the slack at home while I was out at meeting after meeting, year after year. *Your* contribution to CTE cannot be overstated. Your support when I needed it so badly was always there. You calmed me at times of indescribable stress; you made me laugh hysterically when things didn't seem so funny, and you helped me stay focused on the things that are truly important when minutia posed a distraction.

To all of you who were mentioned in this column, to all I may have forgotten, and to the entire CTE community- Todah Rabbah. Thank you for an unforgettable run!

Alan

And, Fran—in place of those meetings I went to, we have a standing dinner date the first Tuesday night of each month!

CONGREGATION TORAT EL CONGREGATION MEETING

SUNDAY, JUNE 5TH 7:00PM MONMOUTH ROAD

Please plan on attending this important meeting for the presentation and vote on the 2011-2012 Budget and Board of Trustees Slate!

Congregation Torat El Slate of Officers & Trustees 2011-2012

President Gary Zimmerman 1st Vice President **Andy Robins** Vice President Gidget Friedman Suzanne Michel Vice President Vice President Larry Shapiro Vice President Fred Singer Vice President Michelle Winters Treasurer Steve Fineberg Lisa Arnold Secretary

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Vacancy Beverle Richelson Sherrie Robinson David Wiser



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CHAI LITES



The 2011/2012 Religious School Graduation took place on Monday, May 23, 2011

Congratulations to this year's graduates and their families:

7th Grade Graduates

Samantha Estin Joey Abrams Samantha Scherr Allison Segerman Kevin Kevin Julia Jaffee Allyson Bazer Gabrielle Michel Mollie Tobin Talia Binns Alison Weinstein David Pirogovsky Hannah Rosner Julia Comer Lisa Woloshin Rebecca Ruben Matthew Engel

12th Grade Graduates

Adina Klein David Resnick Jordan Ardakanian Jeffrey Bauer **Emily Kless** Sharen Resnikoff Eric Chavis Ali Leitner Samantha Robinson **Daniel Chester** Noah Michel Mitchell Seninsky **Emily Fineberg** Leigh Nadell Arron Zimmerman Justin Glasser

Mark Your Calendars:

Summer 2011 Religious School students should practice Hebrew reading and attend services as often as possible!

Sun. Sep 18 1st Sunday of Religious School – Meet and Greet- 9:00 – 10:30 A.M.

Thank You

Many thanks to the families of our 12th grade graduating class for their generous gift to Congregation Torat El. With all of the anticipation of finally moving to just one building, the money will go toward something very special (almost as special as all of our graduates.)

Mazel tov to all of our graduates and their families

HAVE A TERRIFIC SUMMER!

Yasher Koach to our Bat Mitzvah!

My Mitzvah Project

Hi! My name is **Samantha Estin** and my Bat Mitzvah is June 4, 2011. I am in 7th grade at the Ocean Twp. Intermediate School and live in Wayside with my parents and younger brother, Josh. When I am not in school or Hebrew School, I enjoy doing competitive gymnastics, playing the clarinet and hanging out with my friends.

Over the past few years, I have participated in several community service projects. I grew my hair for "Locks of Love" and donated 10 inches to make wigs for those suffering from cancer. Through Jewish Family and Children's Services, I "adopted a grandmother" named Adele who is a holocaust survivor living in Marlboro. I visit Adele and speak with her often. We play cards, bake together, and talk about her experiences during the war. Adele has become part of our family and recently came to share a most memorable Passover seder at our home. Adele has certainly enriched our lives more than we hers.

My cousin, Elana, recently spent a month volunteering in an orphanage in Rwanda as part of her Hadassah Year Course in Israel. When we heard about the great needs of these teens at Agahozo Shalom Youth Village, my mom and I organized a bowl-a-thon that raised over \$3200 for school supplies, clothing, and sports equipment for these victims of the Rwandan genocide. We had over 70 bowlers participate. Thank you to so many of you for your time and generosity. In lieu of flowers on the bima at my Bat Mitzvah, there will be wrapped boxes that contain items we are sending to ASYV.

My family and I welcome the entire congregation to come and share in the service and Kiddush luncheon on the day

Bulletin Deadlines 2011-2012

For those of you who are submitting Mitzvah Project articles, items for "Our Synagogue Families" or any other articles or announcements please follow the schedule as shown below for deadlines.

Thank you so much.

Issue Month	<u>Deadline</u>
September	8/1/2011
October	9/1/2011
November	10/1/2011
December	11/1/2011
January	12/1/2011
February	1/1/2012
March	2/1/2012
April	3/1/2012
May	4/1/2012
June	5/1/2012

DONATE BLOOD

Every Precious Pint Counts! ~ Please help make a difference! Congregation Torat El sponsors the Blood Drive on June 6th

You can help by donating blood Between 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
To make an appointment to donate, please contact Mike Gordon at 732.922.3014

We MUST have 25 people pre-registered



DON'T FORGET:

- All equipment used during the procedure is sterile and disposable.
- Donors must be healthy, 17 years of age and older, and weigh at least 110 pounds
- Donors must present signature ID



CTE's Adult Education Committee has arranged with the Axelrod Performing Arts Center to provide discounted tickets for two productions in June. If you would like to take advantage of either of these productions, please call their box office at 732-531-9106 ext. 142 in advance and say that you are from Torat El. Axelrod is located at the JCC at 100 Grant Avenue in Deal.



Zalmen Mlotek's Magical World of Yiddish Song With Special Guest Daniella Rabbani





Wednesday, June 22nd at 2pm Tickets are at the special group rate of \$18 My Son The Waiter: A Jewish Tragedy



Hysterical Comedy weaving an intricate and bittersweet tale of one man's lengthy struggle to make it as an actor in New York.

Thursday, June 23rd at 8pm Tickets are at the special group rate of \$23

Shavuot Service Schedule (All services at Monmouth Road)

Crev Shavuot Service and Study Session with Temple Beth Miriam

(followed by cheesecake & refreshments)

Tuesday, June 7th ~ 7:30pm-10pm

<u>Shavuot Service</u> Wednesday, June 8th ~ 9:00am

<u>Shavuot/Yizkor Sørvieø</u> Thursday, Jung 9th ~ 9:00am



CTE MEN'S CLUB presents JEWISH HERITAGE NIGHT at the LAKEWOOD BLUE CLAWS

Wednesday, June 15, 2011



Join us on June 15th to watch a great game of baseball in Lakewood and watch our Blue Claws take on the Hagerstown Suns. As an added bonus, the first 2000 fans entering the game get a Free Blue Claws hat courtesy of Home Depot.

Gates open at 6PM. If you would like to be in the parade, there is a check in at the Great Lawn to the right of the flagpoles at 5:40 PM. Then we can march on the field before the game.

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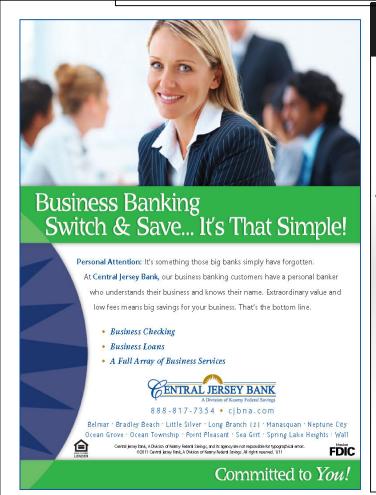
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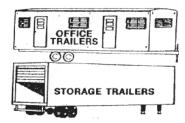
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