



# *Voice of the Shore*

Congregation Torat El ~ Jersey Shore Jewish Center

June 2014

Sivan/Tammuz 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

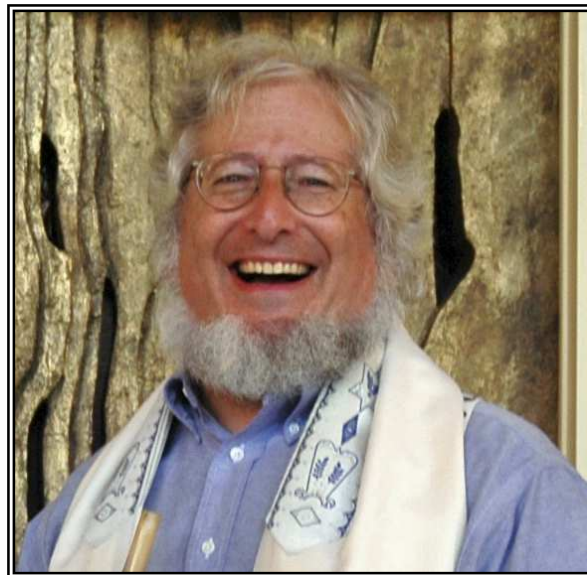


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שירו לה' שיר חדש

*Sing a new song to Adonai.....Psalm 96*



*With gratitude to Bruce and Anne for all  
of their years of service and dedication  
to our synagogue!*

*As you begin this new chapter in your life,  
your music and melodies will continue  
to live on in our community for  
many years to come.*

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**School Principal**.....Ben Laskowitz  
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Junior Congregation will continue the second  
 and fourth Saturday of each month at 10:30am  
 throughout the Summer.



# June Service Announcements

**Friday, June 6, 2014**

**Instrumental Shabbat Service 6:30 pm**

**Candles 8:04 pm**

YAHREZITS: Bessie Barnett, Menashe Brand, Beatrice Burke, Sara Cooper, Sidney Forgang, Sam Greenberg, Beatrice Kempler, Joseph Kempler, Samuel Kramer, Louis Kreisler, Albert Lehrer, Josephine Leshnik, Golda Levine, Ruth Madnick, Eva Maltz, Harriet Miller, Mildred Rose, Ethel Rosenfeld, Meyer Rothman, Lillian Sacher, Susan Samuel, Grace Schreiber, Ethel Schutzer, Ruth Starrett, Lea Tuchfeld, Maurice Webman

**Saturday, June 7, 2014**

**Parsha: Behaalotkha 8:1-9:14**

**Haftarah: Zechariah 2:14-4:7**

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

**Bat Mitzvah: Amanda DiBenedetto**

**Kiddush Luncheon is sponsored by proud parents Wendy & Joe DiBenedetto**

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**Friday, June 13, 2014**

**Traditional Shabbat Service 8:00 pm**

**Candles 8:08 pm**

YAHREZITS: David Alterman, Lillian Amada, Jeff Brustein, Albert Cannava, Samuel Chernin, Elliot Dulberger, Lewis Friedman, Harold Gade, Sarah Goldenberg, Dorothy Heiferman, Tessie Krivins, Ethel Leibman, Adeline Marowitz, Max Miller, Ida Opatosky, Joseph Popok, Philip Rosenbloom, Samuel Rosenfeld, Emma Schiff, Gail Schreiber, Milton Secol, Jean Sukinik, Stuart Yaskulka

**Saturday, June 14, 2014**

**Parsha: Shelah-Lekha 13:1-14:7**

**Haftarah: Joshua 2:1-24**

**Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am Jr. Congregation ~ 10:30 am**

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**Friday, June 20, 2014**

**Instrumental Shabbat Service 6:30 pm**

**Candles 8:11 pm**

YAHREZITS: Florence Brown, John Carchman, Anita Caslar, Sally Connors, Frieda Cotler, Samuel Friedman, Howard Grabelle, Eva Greenberg, Anna Gruber, David Holub, Dorothy Kaplan, Helen Leicht, Judith Lester, Ralph Lutz, Fanny Netkin, Evelyn Phillips, Ann Pollock, Michael Posnock, Hirsch Roth, Moshe Roth, Joyce Scheer, Hilda Schnabolk, Peggy Shutman, Isadore Vorchin, Evelyn Warm, Sally Weizenkorn, James Wolf

**Saturday, June 21, 2014**

**Parsha: Korah 16:1-17:15**

**Haftarah: 1 Samuel 11:14-12:22**

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

**Kiddush Luncheon is sponsored by Melanie & Mark Engel**

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**Friday, June 27, 2014**

**Traditional Shabbat Service 6:30 pm**

**Candles 8:12 pm**

YAHREZITS: Clara Arm, Max Barr, Maurice Brodman, Adolph Frankel, Milton Goldberg, Bernard Grossman, Martin Israel, Ethel Karasik, Rose Kirsch, Herman Kreisler, Charles Kullback, Abram Lavene, Eleanor Maron, Abraham Meyer, Herbert Michelson, William Miller, Martin Moshel, David Pomerantz, Ben Remar, Mary Shapiro, Tillie Shear, Abraham Talansky, Matthew Warshauer, Neal Weber

**Saturday, June 28, 2014**

**Parsha: Hukat 19:1-20:13**

**Haftarah: Isaiah 66:1-24**

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

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

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**The Fabulous Mazeltone Farewell Tour ~ June 6 and June 20 at 6:30 pm**

Your last chance to hear the band that critic Rex Borschtbelt called "a band." Enjoy the final Mazeltone Kabbalat Shabbat Services featuring Seth Hertz, Steve Segerman, Jon Shutman, and Anne and Cantor Bruce Siegel. No admission, no cover.

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Congregation Torat El wishes **Rabbi William Gershon**, the Senior Rabbi, Feldman Family Senior Rabbinic Chair of Congregation Shearith Israel in Dallas, Texas, a hearty mazal tov on his installation as President of the Rabbinical Assembly. Rabbi Gershon grew up at heritage Temple Beth Torah under the mentorship and guidance of Rabbi Jacob S. Friedman, one of a number who inspired him to become a Rabbi. We extend a mazal tov as well to Rabbi Gershon's father Simon who continues to be a member of our Torat El community. We are confident that the Rabbinical Assembly and the Conservative Movement will be strengthened, thrive, and inspire the American Jewish community under the capable leadership of Rabbi Gershon. For those who wish to see Rabbi Gershon's installation and remarks at the Rabbinical Assembly, you can go to the following website: <https://www.youtube.com/user/RabbiAssembly/videos>

# Building Relationships, Learning As A Community

Clergy transitions can be incredibly difficult, but when done well, they can also be very meaningful and important in the life of a sacred community. In a few days we will spend the morning celebrating and honoring Cantor Bruce and Anne Siegel for all that they have brought to our congregation over these past 14 years. For those who are unable to attend, below is the letter that I wrote to Cantor Siegel for inclusion in the ad journal/tribute book upon his retirement. I will be making separate remarks on the morning of the brunch.



Bruce,

It is hard to know where to begin thanking you for all that you have brought into the life of our congregation, and for the friendship, support, and kindness that you have shown me and our family during these past four years. In thinking about a particular piece of text that would give meaning to this moment in your life and in the life of our congregation, I repeatedly found myself back at *parshat Beshalach* (Exodus 15) and the Song of the Sea. Looking through the words and hearing your chanting of our most ancient Torah melody, I found two lessons appropriate to this moment and to you as a Hazan, a teacher, a student of Torah, and a lover of grammar!

In looking at the very first phrase in the song *Az Yashir Moshe*, "Then Moses and the Israelites sang," the commentators are troubled by what exactly the word "then" is modifying, and how the literal meaning of the phrase ("Then Moses *will* sing") makes any sense. The Hassidic Rabbi David Kotzk, taught that our text is phrased in such a way because the angels wanted to be the first ones to sing songs of praise to God after the Israelites crossed through the sea. God told the angels to *wait and let Israel sing first because human beings are only able to praise when they are inspired*. Bruce, you have inspired our congregation to sing praises to God for these past 14 years under your leadership as our Hazan. Whether on the High Holidays, at bnei mitzvah, on a regular Shabbat, or through your teaching, and pastoral care, you have continually helped us to discover and praise Adonai through your leadership and example.

The Mekhiltah also points out that throughout the Hebrew Bible, the word "then" can sometimes refer to the past and sometimes refer to the future. In other words, our text teaches that song can only be brought into our life when we are able to look back at our past, even as we envision our future. Bruce, as you look back on your years at Congregation Torat El, please know that you have brought so much richness and music into the lives of Torat El family, and know that all of us here wish you and Anne a bright, meaningful, (and relaxing) future!

On a personal note, Jane-Rachel, Aviva, Gavriel, Leora and I will always cherish the meals, magic tricks, and memories of the past few years. I cannot thank you enough for your advice and generosity during this time.

*Hazak, Hazak, v'nithazek*- may you continue to grow from strength to strength, knowing that all of us have been strengthened thanks to your presence in our lives!

חזק חזק ונתחזק

# A Message From Andrew Robins, CTE President

Milestones -- a time to take stock

By the time you read this I will be marking some milestones – I will be beginning my second year as your President, passing another birthday, moving our two youngest back from their respective colleges, and marking the ninth year since my father's passing. For me these are all significant milestones and like most milestones, each presents an opportunity to reflect and take stock. If any of you want to hear my reflections on my growing a year older, or success of my children as young adults in college or grad school, or my memories of my dad, I am happy to share when we see each other next. For this article, allow me to focus on where I see our Congregation as we enter our fifth year.

Our Congregation has been moving forward, transitioning from our unification into a community of Conservative Jews positioned for meeting the needs of our people into the future. Our leadership, our Clergy, and our staff continue to work to create an environment that fosters growth and sustainability without disturbing the connections each of us have to our community. That work is harder than one may surmise. Our connections are personal and unique. Our connections to our Congregation and to Judaism are colored by our individual experiences, our personal understanding of spirituality, and steeped in our traditions. With that background it is a given that each of us will view changes differently. How then do we make changes without risking alienating someone?

Our path has been guided by a few fundamental principles to aid our leadership and staff as we work to transition to the Congregation Torat El our Strategic Plan envisions. First, we work with the goal of increasing transparency. Our goals are set forth in the Strategic Plan for all to see. We report regularly to the Congregation and publicize our plans to meet those goals. Second, when we make a change it is for a reason that is tied to our Strategic Plan and our values. Policy is developed through discussion as to how best meet our goals consistent with our values. Third, we work to encourage engagement. We consistently strive to increase each congregant's participation in our Congregation's work. Committees are open to new members, we continue to increase opportunities for input and discussion, and our leadership is available for your feedback, suggestions, and inquiries.

Our world is evolving and the needs of our people are changing. We must change if we are to continue to sustain our Congregation. But true to the fundamental precepts of Conservative Judaism, we work hard to change when change is truly needed and consistent with our goals and not for the sake of change itself.

So, where are we? We are on the way to achieving our goals. Each week, each month, you can see some of the fruits of our collective labors. Participation is on the rise in virtually every facet of our Congregation -- attendance in services, participation in youth programming and education, support of our congregants during difficult times, adult education, outreach to the unaffiliated, and engagement in our committees and programs. The forward momentum is building.

The main ingredient in all of our work is for each of us to do what we can to strengthen our connections -- our relationships. Your engagement is the key. Come and participate. If you have ideas, share them with us. We are here. Our leadership and our staff will continue to work hard to reach out to you -- but you do not need to wait for us to come to you. Torat El is our Congregation and all of us are needed to make it work and move forward.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, our Clergy, and our staff, we are looking forward to seeing you, working with you, and fostering relationships.

Andrew Robins, President

Congregation Torat El

"A Community Building Relationships"

**Congregation Meeting - Vote on Proposed Slate and Budget Presentation**  
**Sunday, June 8th ~ 7:00pm**

**Board of Trustees Shabbat Installation Service & Dessert Reception**  
**Friday, June 13th ~ 8:00pm**

*We invite the entire CTE Family to join us as we look forward to a year filled with continued growth and excitement. Our Shabbat Service will begin at 8:00pm with dessert reception to follow.*

**Congregation Torat El**  
**Proposed Slate of Officers & Trustees**  
**2014-2015**

President	Andrew Robins
1st Vice President	Larry Shapiro
Vice President	Warren Goode
Vice President	Suzanne Michel
Vice President	Michelle Winters
Vice President	Steve Fineberg
Vice President	Neil Weitzenkorn
Treasurer	Michael Breslow
Secretary	Linda Pickelny

**Trustees/Term Ending June 2017**

Dawn Barofsky	Susan Berkowitz
Marjorie Cotler	Maddy Cohen
Mindy Estin	Sherrie Robinson
Sara Turian	Cynthia Walsh

**Trustees/Term Ending June 2016**

Bill Belfer	Laurie Gross
Harvey Jacob	Howard Lang
Alan Morris	Beverle Richelson
Judy Solomon	Mark Steinberg

**Trustees/Term Ending June 2015**

Robin Bauer	Marvin Goldin
Lisa Guss	Alyce Isaacson
Rich Marlieb	Judy Rosner
Dorothy Secol	Sonny Winters

<b>Sisterhood</b>	TBD
<b>Men's Club</b>	TBD
<b>Past President</b>	Alan Winters



# Our Synagogue Families

**Baruch Dayan Emet**

***The Torat El family extends condolences to:***

***Doris and Ludwig Selikowitz*** on the loss of their son, Paul

***Sam Kaye*** on the loss of his brother, Murray Kaye

***Irene Landis*** on the loss of her brother, Ronald Albert

***Mazel Tov to:***

***Wendy and Joe DiBenedetto*** on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Amanda

***Sandi Friedman*** on the birth of her grandson, Lincoln

***Steve and Ilene Schwaber*** on the birth of their granddaughter, Norah Evana

***Jane and Garry Grabelle*** on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter, Alexa

***Sheryl and Gary Kaplan*** on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter, Shoshanna



## *Yasher Koach to our Bat Mitzvah*

My name is Amanda DiBenedetto, I am 12 years old, and I will become a Bat Mitzvah on June 7th. For my mitzvah project, I teamed up with This Star Won't Go Out, an organization that helps families with kids with pediatric cancer to pay for their treatments. The organization was founded in honor of Esther Grace Earl, a 16-year-old girl who died of thyroid cancer. Esther was the inspiration for two books: *The Fault in Our Stars* by John Green, now being turned into a movie, and her own scrapbook-like biography of Esther, including her drawings, handwritten notes, a letter from one of her doctors, stories from her family, and diary entries. I talked to Esther's mother, Lori Earl, and told her that I wanted to do something to help raise money for other kids and to help keep the memory of Esther alive. I sold green and white bracelets that say "This Star Won't Go Out" across them. Being a part of something like this has been extraordinary and the opportunity to help other people in need is absolutely amazing. I loved every minute of helping this foundation and I certainly do not see myself stopping anytime soon.



## Thank you from Ben Laskowitz... Moving Forward!!!

Dear Friends,

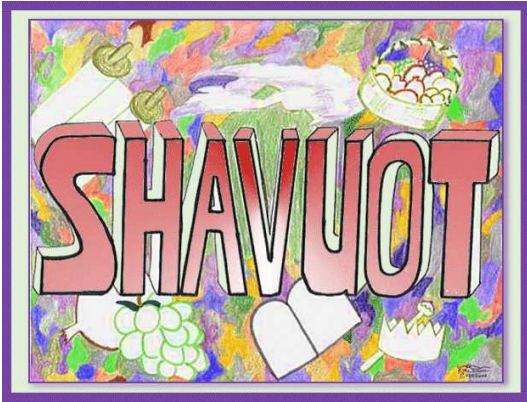
As all of you know, on July 1, 2014, I will complete my term as Religious School Principal, and I will assume my new responsibilities as the Temple's Director of Ritual Engagement.

I am proud and honored to remain an integral part of Congregation Torat El's team as the Temple moves into its next phase of growth and development. I am excited to have the unique opportunity of helping our youth and adults develop into competent Service Leaders and Torah and Haftarah readers. This new phase of my career will also afford me the opportunity to spend more quality time with my wife, children, and grandchildren.

Special thanks to my wife Lainie, and to my entire family for your patience, and for helping to see me through all phases of my career. Thank you to Rabbi Schonbrun, Pam Cardullo, Sherrie Robinson, and to the faculty, staff, parents, and students for being so incredibly supportive. I wish Cantor and Anne Siegel well as they move on to the next phase of their lives. Their incredible legacy at our Congregation will remain evident for a long, long time.

Let's all join together as we welcome the Metz family to our Congregation. I will work very hard to help Rabbi Metz transition very smoothly and succeed as Congregation Torat El's Assistant Rabbi/Educator.

L'Shalom,  
Ben Laskowitz



# JOIN CONGREGATION TORAT EL FOR SHAVUOT 5774 Tuesday, June 3, 2014 *Celebrating The People Of The Book*

As Jews we are often called the "people of the book." Come and join us for an evening of study (and delicious desserts!) as we explore Jewish text, literature, and wisdom on a variety of levels.

Topics will include a closer look at the Ten Commandments, an informal and informational tour of our Torat El library, and an in-depth exploration of a piece of modern Jewish literature.

Classes will be taught by Cantor Bruce and Anne Siegel, and Rabbi Schonbrun.

6:30-8 pm                      Maariv Service & Religious School Graduation  
Dessert Reception

8-11 pm                        Tikkun/Study Session: *Celebrating The People Of The Book*  
Dessert Reception

**Please join us and bring your friends for this enjoyable evening of study.  
For planning purposes, kindly RSVP to the Temple office by May 27<sup>th</sup>.**

## ***LOOKING FOR SPEAKERS***

If you are interested in speaking at either Sisterhood, Men's Club, Hazak or a temple program, please let the temple office know of your expertise and ideas for a program. We are trying to compile a speakers bureau from within the temple to choose from.



**PLEASE LEND A HAND AND SUPPORT BLOOD DONATION  
YOU CAN SAVE LIVES!  
BLOOD DRIVE AT CONGREGATION TORAT EL  
MONDAY, JUNE 9TH  
4:00-9:00PM**

Please contact Mike Gordon at [Gordonwallach@att.net](mailto:Gordonwallach@att.net) for your donation appointment. Walk-ins are also welcome.



Don't Forget:

- ◆ DONORS must present signature ID
- ◆ PLEASE drink water before donating
- ◆ DONORS must be healthy, 16 years of age with parental consent (forms provided by CJBC) and weigh at least 120 pounds



# RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CHAI LITES

## *Special Event at the 2014 Religious School Graduation*

Mazel Tov to this year's graduates and their families: Amanda DiBenedetto, Danielle Horowitz, Carly Solomon, and Jessica Weinstein.

A few weeks before this year's graduation, the 7<sup>th</sup> grade students interviewed three survivors of the Holocaust. Under the direction of 7<sup>th</sup> Grade teacher Rachel Weitzenkorn, the students wrote essays summarizing the experiences that each of these special individuals and their families and friends endured during the Holocaust. The students will read their moving essays at the Religious School graduation on June 3.

A donation has been made to the Center for Holocaust, Human Rights and Genocide Education at Brookdale Community College in honor of these special individuals, courtesy of the Magdalena Stern Holocaust Memorial Fund. The individuals that were honored are: Judy Meisels, Helen Terris, and Eva Wiener. The donation was presented to them by Dr. Alan Stern. The Magdalena Stern Holocaust Memorial Fund was established by Dr. Alan & Fran Stern, and Michael & Connie Stern, in memory of their dear mother, Magdalena Stern.

Mazel Tov to the graduates and award recipients, and special thanks to the Stern family for establishing and maintaining this meaningful fund.

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### Mark Your Calendars:

Summer 2014	Religious School students should practice Hebrew reading and attend services as often as possible!
Sun., Sept. 14	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Religious School – Meet and Greet

### HAVE A TERRIFIC SUMMER!

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#### FIRST ANNUAL SUKKAH DRAWING - RAFFLE EXTENDED TO SEPTEMBER 14TH

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: Sunday, September 14th at Religious School Meet and Greet

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.

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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 \_\_\_\_\_





# Sisterhood Year End Wrap Up

As we complete our Co-Presidency of CTE Sisterhood we would like to thank the dedicated and hardworking women of our organization. Because these very special women always step up to the plate and volunteer we would like you to know what they have provided for CTE this year.

In September we began our year with our new and very successful fundraiser of sending **Apples and Honey**. October brought many of our women volunteering on **Mitzvah Day** to help clean up at Camp Oakhurst. Our speaker for our **Paid Up Brunch** focused on breast cancer awareness and the following week some of our CTE Sisterhood members participated in the **Breast Cancer Walk** in Point Pleasant. As the weather began to change in November we prepared for our annual **Rummage Sale**. This is our biggest fundraiser which requires many hours of preparation and work by the committee. Then there are the many volunteers during the two-day sale that allow it to run smoothly. Within six days of the sale we were helping to prepare and serve food at the **CTE Hanukkah Party**. In December we held our **Torah Fund Supper** which benefits the Jewish Theological Seminary. Even though January brought us extremely cold temperatures outside, our women attended a **Luncheon Program** with interesting speakers. This past February our volunteers provided the congregation with a wonderful and delicious homemade **Shabbat Dinner** which was preceded by our **Women's Shabbat Service**. March approached quickly and our annual **Hamantaschen Bake-A-Thon** was upon us. With all of our volunteers, more than 3200 hamantaschen were baked in just less than five hours!! Along with the hamantaschen, more than 275 **Shalach Manot** packages were packaged and delivered to our congregants by our Sisterhood volunteers. You could also find these goodies at the **Megillah Reading** and **Purim Carnival**. Finally to complete the celebration of Purim, Sisterhood and Men's Club teamed up and hosted a very entertaining **Murder Mystery Evening** event. Once our Purim activities were completed, our day-long **Mah Jongg Tournament** took place. In April we had an **Evening Program** with a speaker and of course celebrated Passover with our popular **Women's Seder**. At the end of May we will be handing over the reins of running CTE Sisterhood to a new president and her board at our **Installation Dinner**.

Along with what happens every month, our Sisterhood has a beautiful and well-stocked **Gift Shop** in the lobby of CTE. We make sure there are **supplies for the kitchen** and **wine and challah for new CTE members**. We send **packages to our college students** for Hanukkah, Purim and Passover. At our yearly blood drive, Sisterhood provides **juices and cookies for all of the donors**. When celebrating a milestone, remembering loved ones or cheering those that are ill, beautiful **templegrams** can be sent. There is our monthly **Min Pincow Raffle** which continues to be so successful. During the High Holy Days, our **Junior Congregation participants receive apples and honey** after their services and **babysitting is provided for CTE members** so they may attend services in the main sanctuary. Speaking of our sanctuary, one of our talented Sisterhood members made the **beautiful white silk floral arrangements** to be used for our holiday services. Our religious school students benefit from Sisterhood volunteers doing the **preparations for their Model Seder**. This year we were happy to **provide a scholarship** to assist one of our high school students to spend part of his junior year in Israel. Finally, we want to make sure that you take part in our first **Sukkah Raffle** being run by Sisterhood and Men's Club. These tickets can be purchased in the CTE office.

As you can see, Sisterhood has many opportunities for CTE women as well as our congregants to volunteer and support our synagogue. Please consider joining us by attending events or volunteering at one of our functions. Our Sisterhood is filled with wonderful and caring women and we are always looking to increase membership. You can contact Sisterhood through our email: [ctesisterhood@gmail.com](mailto:ctesisterhood@gmail.com), or leave a message in the temple office. We look forward to hearing from you!!!

We especially want to thank our Executive Board and our Sisterhood Board for all the support you have given us this year. **Your dedication as volunteers is overwhelming!!** It has truly been a wonderful and meaningful experience to have had this opportunity to work with all of you!!

Todah Rabah!!

Jackie Rosenheck and Andrea Fishbein  
Sisterhood Co-Presidents, 2013-2014

# JERSEY SHORE BIRTHRIGHT GOLF OUTING

presented by Congregation Torat El &  
The Jewish Federation of Monmouth County

## Hollywood Golf Club



Monday, July 28, 2014

[www.golf.torat-el.org](http://www.golf.torat-el.org)

### Jewish Federation of Monmouth County

Jewish Federation supports Jews in need, strengthens Jewish community, and invests in a vibrant Jewish future by marshaling resources and facilitating collaboration to empower partners who deliver strategic programs, services, and solutions in Monmouth County, Israel, and around the world.

### Birthright Israel

Birthright Israel aims to change the course of Jewish history and ensure the continuity of the Jewish people by strengthening Jewish identity, Jewish communities, and solidarity with Israel via an all-expense-paid trip to Israel for young Jewish adults around the world.

**Congregation Torat El Men's Club** will hold its 19th Annual Charity Golf Outing this year teaming up with JFMC to support Birthright Israel and other charities. Past benefactors include USY, Solomon Schechter Day School, the Jacob S. Friedman Scholarship Fund, and Golfers for Cancer.

**WE ASK FOR YOUR  
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## From Ben Laskowitz, CTE's New Director of Ritual Engagement

Beginning July 1, 2014, I will assume the role as CTE's Director of Ritual Engagement. In addition to preparing students for their Bar/Bat Mitzvah, I will be engaging and preparing adults to lead the Congregation in prayer on Shabbat morning and to chant the Torah and Haftarah. In anticipation of this exciting endeavor, I am currently identifying individuals who will lead various parts of the Shabbat morning service, as well as those who will chant Torah and Haftarah portions. Whether you are already proficient, need a little 'refresher,' or can already read Hebrew and would like to learn how to lead the service and chant the Torah/Haftarah, please contact me at [benlaskowitz@torat-el.org](mailto:benlaskowitz@torat-el.org). You can also contact me by calling or texting my cell at 732-861-7450. I am honored to have this opportunity to work with you as we build a team of individuals capable of leading our Congregation in prayer. Thank you.

### Attention All Congregants

**The Dvar Torah at the July 12 Shabbat morning service will be a Workshop on how to lead the Musaf service. Come join us!**

**L'Shalom,  
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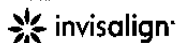
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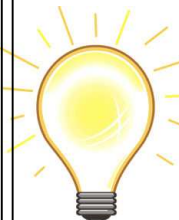
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8 <i>Congregation Meeting 7:00pm</i>	9 <i>Blood Drive 4:00-9:00pm</i>	10	11	12	13 <i>Candle Lighting 7:41pm  Board of Trustees Installation Shabbat Service 8:00pm</i>	14 <i>Shabbat Service 9:00am followed by Lunch &amp; Learn Jr. Cong 10:30am  Kadima LockIn 8:00pm</i>
15	16	17	18	19 <i>Ritual Meeting 7:30pm</i>	20 <i>Candle Lighting 7:47pm  Instrumental Shabbat Service 6:30pm</i>	21 <i>Shabbat Service 9:00am  Sponsored Kiddush Lunch</i>
22	23	24	25	26	27 <i>Candle Lighting 7:54pm  Traditional Shabbat Service 6:30pm</i>	28 <i>Shabbat Service 9:00am  Jr. Congregation 10:30am</i>
29	30					