



# Voice of the Shore

Congregation Torat El ~ Jersey Shore Jewish Center

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March 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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## CTE Bulletin Goes Green!

In an effort to go green and to save money as an added bonus, the Congregation Torat El "Voice of the Shore" bulletin will be going green as of our April issue!

When the bulletin is ready for publishing, a link will be e-mailed to you and you will be able to access the bulletin in pdf form where you can read it online or print it out for your reference during the month.

As always, the bulletin will also be available on our website [www.torat-el.org](http://www.torat-el.org).



If you do not have access to email and would like to continue to receive the bulletin as a hard copy, you **MUST** return this slip to the temple office no later than March 21st!

Please mail to CTE 1200 Roseld Ave. Ocean, NJ 07712

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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

**Family Friday Nights**  
Third Friday of each month

Family Service and Dinner

6:15pm 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.

## March Service Announcements...

**Friday, March 4, 2011**

**Erev Shabbat Services 6:30 pm**

**Candles 5:32 pm**

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS: Jung and Samuel Bornstein, Jane and Garry Grabelle, Karen and Paul Friedman

MEMORIAL PRAYERS: Esther Mary Bedell, Ethel Brand, Jacob Darrow, Lillian Fox, Rachel Hock, Anna Holtzman Monroe Javerbaum, Sidney Katz, Morris Maltz, Naftole Melnick, David Nissenblatt, Ruth Pincus, Henry U. Robinson Louis Rosenbloom, Barnett Schiff, Saul Simha, Samuel Skolnik, Dorothy G. Solomon, Lenore Trueger

**Saturday, March 5, 2011**

**Parsha Exodus 38:21-40:38**

**Haftarah: II Kings 12:1-17**

**Shabbat Morning Service at Monmouth Road~9:00 am**

**Bat Mitzvah of Gabrielle Michel**

**Friday Night Oneg and Saturday Kiddush sponsored by Suzanne and Gary Michel**

**Friday, March 11, 2011**

**5th Grade Shabbat Services 6:30 pm**

**Candles 5:39 pm**

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS: Marcy and Steven Cohen, Paula and Louis Eliscu, Vicki and Steven Fineberg, Emily and David Kaplan, Sheila and Barry Margulis, Aileen and Mark Woloshin

MEMORIAL PRAYERS: Fanny Banker, Nora Morgenstern Bart, Samuel Bedell, Celia Schwartzman Berger, Saul Berlin, Elias Bernstein, Minnie Bromberg, Rita Comer, Abby J. Deitch, Jeanne Feldman, Mary Fischer, Louis Funder Lena Gelfman, Miriam Gross, Leon Horenstein, Sophie Kaminsky, Ruth Kramer, Wilbur Krivins, Frances Lefton Rose Rosen, Malcolm Rosenthal, Louis Sobel, Victor Stern, William Wilk, Charles Zimmerman

**Saturday, March 12, 2011**

**Parsha Leviticus 1:1-2:16**

**Haftarah: Isaiah 43:21-44:23**

**Shabbat Morning Service at Monmouth Road~9:00 am**

**Bar Mitzvah of Joey Abrams ~ Friday Night Oneg sponsored by the Abrams Family**

**Kiddush Luncheon sponsored by Jeri Abrams and Eric Abrams**

## CTE MINYAN NEEDS YOUR HELP!

**Our minyanaires are a small group of dedicated individuals that attend minyan services to be there for all of us. NOW it is OUR turn to show we care! Please mark your calendar now to be sure you attend one minyan service this month. Thank you!**



**Monday - Friday ~ 8am at Roseld Avenue**  
**Monday - Thursday ~ 7:30pm at Monmouth Road**  
**Sunday ~ 8:30am at Roseld Avenue**



# March Service Announcements...

**Friday, March 18, 2011**

**Erev Shabbat Services 6:30 pm  
Family Friday Shabbat Service and Dinner 6:15pm**

**Candles 6:47 pm**

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS: Stacey and Glen Abrams, Jeanne and Arnold Chernin, Carol Lynn and Donald Chetkin, Joan and Irving Edelsberg, Alison and Jacob Friedman, Michele and Stewart Geboff, Odette and Mark Lichtman, Frances and Abe Morgenstern, Lauren and Arthur Sferlazzo, Liza and Sergie Waisman, Bonnie and Gary Zimerman

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**Saturday, March 19, 2011**

**Parsha Leviticus 6:1-7:10  
Shabbat Morning Service at Monmouth Road~9:00 am**

**Haftarah: 1 Samuel 15:2-34**

**Friday, March 25, 2011**

**Erev Shabbat Services 6:30 pm**

**Candles 6:54 pm**

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS: Helen Sue and Emanuel Abraham, Karen and Bill Belfer, Florie and Sol Bunin, Helen and Milton Kott

MEMORIAL PRAYERS: Bessie Albert, Mae Bross, Otto Eisert, Dr. Otto Eisert, Bernice Faulkner, Jerome Feldman Henrietta Goldberg, Abe Greenberg, Rose Harris, Jacob Hausner, Manya Kahn, Max Kasson, Mollie Mark, George Milstein Leigh Moshel, Evelyn Rokaw, Adam Rubin, Lucille Shapiro, Rose Simon, Esther Skora, Leslie Slavin, Louis Sorblum Dr. Sidney R. Vineburg, Fanny Weitzenkorn, Jack Woda

**Saturday, March 26, 2011**

**Parsha Leviticus 9:1-10:11  
Shabbat Morning Service at Monmouth Road~9:00 am**

**Haftarah Ezekiel 36:16-38**

**Bat Mitzvah of Allison Segerman ~ Kiddush sponsored by Debbie and Steve Segerman**



*Congregation Torat El  
Family Friday Nights :  
A Shabbat To Renew, Rejoice & Relax*



Do you have children? Have you had a long week? Are you looking for a way to bring a little bit of Shabbat into your life? Then come and take a break by joining us for an evening of supper, schmoozing, and spirituality! These family friendly services will feature songs, a story, prayer, and companionship, plus a wonderful Shabbat dinner to follow! Come as you are!! Don't worry about getting dressed up! Bring your family and friends and join us. We look forward to seeing you!

**The third Friday of each month at 6:15 pm ~ Dinner to follow**

**Please note that this service will run in addition to our regular 6:30 pm service**

## ***Dinner Reservation for Friday, March 18, 2011***

Please return to the Temple office, 1200 Roseld Avenue, Ocean, NJ 07712 by March 11.

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

Email \_\_\_\_\_

# Adults @ \$12 \_\_\_\_ # Children 13 and under @ \$7 \_\_\_\_ \$36 per family Max

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

# From The Rabbi's Study...



## A Purim Reminder: Drink In Moderation

I often find that as Purim approaches junior high and high school students love to ask the following question: "Rabbi, is it true that you are supposed to get drunk on Purim?" While this question is honest and rooted in tradition, the mitzvah of drinking on Purim is often misunderstood. The concept of drinking on Purim originates from a statement in the Talmud that on Purim a person is supposed to drink until they do not know the difference between the megillah's claims, "Cursed be Haman" and "Blessed be Mordechai." Unfortunately, this Talmudic text is often taken as a blank check to drink in excess on Purim. There are many Seudot Purim (Festive Purim Meals) in which participants use this text as an excuse to engage in destructive and irresponsible behavior as they drink with complete disregard to their own health, or the behavior that they are modeling for everyone else in the room. While this behavior is all too common in observant circles, in the past few years there have been particular calls from the Orthodox community to condemn such behavior. In an article entitled *The Role of Alcohol in Simchat Purim* found on the website of The Orthodox Union, Rabbi Dr. Tzvi Hersch Weinreb, the Executive Vice President of the Orthodox Union, warns that Purim should not be used as an excuse for drunkenness and discusses the educational campaign launched by the OU in recent years educating about the dangers of alcohol abuse.

One does not have to look very far in the classical sources to discover that, while drinking in moderation is permitted in general, and even encouraged on Purim, getting completely drunk is forbidden. In the classic legal code of the Shulchan Arukh, Rabbi Moses Isserles writes:

**'On Purim a Person should drink until he does not know the difference between 'Cursed be Haman' and 'Blessed be Mordechai.'** *There are some authorities who say that it is not necessary to get completely drunk, but merely to drink more than one's normal allowance, so that he may fall asleep and, because he is asleep, not know the difference between 'Cursed be Haman' and 'Blessed be Mordechai.'* **It is immaterial whether one drinks a lot or a little as long as his thoughts are directed to God.** "Shulchan Arukh, 695: 2 (15<sup>th</sup> Century)

Isserles is very clear here. Drinking in moderation is fine, but drinking in excess in a way that causes us to forget that we are holy (and what implications this has for our actions) is forbidden. In fact, the Hebrew word for drinking in this text, (*le-basumei*) indicates a less intense type of drinking than the more common Hebrew word, *le-shaker*, meaning "to get drunk."

The Talmud also issues a warning about the dangers of drinking in excess on Purim. In a slightly humorous story found in tractate Megillah we read that:

Rabbah and Rabbi Zera joined together in a Purim feast. They became somewhat drunk, and Rabbah arose and cut Rabbi Zera's throat [and killed him]. The next day Rabbah prayed on his behalf and revived him. Next year Rabbah said to Rabbi Zera: Will you come next year and we will have the Purim feast together? Rabbi Zera: A miracle does not take place on every occasion! **Babylonian Talmud, Megillah 7b**

Again, the message of our text is clear: Celebrate with caution. Unfortunately, dangerous things can happen when we drink too much and not everyone is as lucky as Rabbi Zera!

Drinking on Purim, or on any other day, is only acceptable in moderation. As our tradition reminds us, we must always beware of the dangers of drinking in excess and strive to behave in a way that is befitting creatures made in the image of God. This Purim let us take this message to heart by reminding our children and ourselves that "celebration in moderation" is the Jewish way.



# From the Desk Of Alan Stern, President

## Welcoming

I am, or shall I say, I have been a disabled runner since the late 1980s. A few years ago I went through a very intense rehabilitative process that had me feeling progressively better and stronger. I hit one of those high points of life last Friday when, for the first time in 23 years (and 23 pounds), I ran 3 miles on the Belmar Boardwalk. It felt great. The weather was mild and the ocean was beautiful. I ran into an old neighbor of mine and we ran and chatted for a while. And there were the familiar nods and waves I exchanged with random people of all ages walking or running on the boards. It was as though a whole batch of strangers welcomed me back to the world of running, sharing a brief moment with me as though they knew I belonged there with them. At the end of my run, I was exhausted, exhilarated, and pain-free. I cannot wait for my next chance to get out there again!

Our newly-created congregation is a lot like that Boardwalk. Those of us who attend services and/or participate in Men's Club, Sisterhood, or *Hazak* know what I'm talking about. Our communities of like-minded people do some pretty wonderful stuff and offer great opportunities for newcomers. We greet each other by name and with a smile each time we see each other as we engage in activities to which we all are dedicated. We are also learning new ways to welcome people to our services, social events, and other functions. Indeed, our growth as a congregation depends *critically* on our ability to

make everyone feel comfortable from the moment they walk into our spiritual home.

On Sunday, March 13, we will have the opportunity to hear from the man who literally wrote the book on creating a welcoming community. Dr. Ron Wolfson, the visionary who has created a model for synagogue success to which we aspire, will be spending the day with us, discussing The Spirituality of Welcoming.

Ron is an entertaining, engaging speaker whose ideas are brilliant in their simplicity. He will show us how to break down barriers and encourage people to freely come to synagogue for whatever reason they feel is important to them. His vision of a bustling, dynamic, thriving community is clearly attainable here. Mike Friedman and I had the pleasure of hearing this remarkable gentleman a few years ago at a United Synagogue Convention; his presentation was an eye-opener for us!

Anyone who wants to learn where we are going as a community or who wants to help CTE go beyond his or her expectations would love Ron Wolfson's presentation. You do not have to be a Board member to attend! I guarantee that you'll come away feeling great about being a member of a Conservative community that welcomes and cares for all.

I hope to see and greet you there..... after my (weather – permitting) early morning run on the Belmar Boardwalk!

*Alan*



## Our Synagogue Families

### Baruch Dayan Emet

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

**Lynn Kraft** on the loss of her father, Max Landsman  
**Ken Ledwitz** on the loss of his daughter, Cindi Ledwitz  
**Carol Wilk** on the loss of her father, Al Krongold  
**Mick Kless** on the loss of his father, M. Albert Kless

#### **Mazel Tov to:**

**Abby and Steven Deitch**, on the birth of grandson, Jordan Ari. Proud parents are Ilana and Andrew Ochner.  
**Pam and Steve Berkowitz**, on the birth of granddaughter, Danielle Leah. Proud parents are Naomi and Andrew Berkowitz.

Ocean Township High School senior, **Emily Kless**, for receiving the honor of representing OTHS at the Annual National Collegiate Women's in Sports Day at Seton Hall University on February 6, 2011.



*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](mailto:bulletin@torat-el.org).*

## ***Yasher Koach to our B'nai Mitzvah!***

### **My Mitzvah Project**

Hi, my name is **Julia Comer**, and I became a Bat Mitzvah on February 21, 2011, just a few days after my 13<sup>th</sup> birthday.

I am in 7<sup>th</sup> grade at TOIS and live in Ocean Township with my parents and older brother, Brad. I enjoy playing a variety of sports. I am on the school field hockey, basketball, and track (high jump) teams. I also play travel lacrosse and tennis, rec. soccer and basketball, and Little League softball. In addition, I play saxophone in the school band, participate in the forensics club and write for the school newspaper.

For my Bat Mitzvah project, I compiled a binder of directions for my mom to and from places that she typically goes. With her memory problems, this enables her to feel more independent and in control of her life. In fact, we purposely scheduled my Bat Mitzvah on a Monday to allow us to record the service so that my mom will have a way to remember it.

### **My Mitzvah Project**

Hello. My name is **Gabrielle Michel**. I am excited to be becoming a Bat Mitzvah on March 5.

I live in Wayside with my parents, Suzanne and Gary, and my older brother, Noah. My hobbies are acting, playing piano and xylophone, and making jewelry.

Since I love jewelry making, I decided to incorporate that into my mitzvah project. I collected water bottle caps and made bracelets out of them. The money will be donated to the environmental organization, Clean Ocean Action. Thank you to all those who donated water bottle caps and purchased bracelets. You are helping to make my dream of a greener, cleaner planet come true!

### **My Mitzvah Project**

Hi, my name is **Joey Abrams**. I'm a 7th grader at the Ocean Twp. Intermediate School. On March 12, I will become a Bar Mitzvah, signifying the milestone of becoming a man, as my father and grandfathers before me have done. Becoming a Bar Mitzvah brings with it a lot of responsibility. One of these responsibilities, I feel, is giving back to others who may be less fortunate than I.

I am a soccer player and a huge soccer fanatic. My daily schedule is eat, sleep and play soccer...but eating and sleeping are optional! My favorite team, since I was 8 years old, has been FC Barcelona. They have one of the most storied soccer traditions in the world. But as great as they are on the soccer field, they are incredible, off of it. They have signed an alliance with UNICEF, where they donate 1.5 Million Euros per year, to assist UNICEF in their Millenium Development Goals (MDG's), specifically where it pertains to MDG #6, Combating Disease, especially in children.

After researching UNICEF's programs, I decided to help. For my mitzvah project, I am raising money to help UNICEF buy mosquito nets, to prevent the spread of malaria in children in impoverished countries in Africa. A typical mosquito net costs between \$5-10, and can last up to 5 years. You can find more information about this at [WWW.UNICEFUSA.ORG/GOTO/BACKOFTHENET](http://WWW.UNICEFUSA.ORG/GOTO/BACKOFTHENET) .

### **My Mitzvah Project**

My name is **Allison Segerman** and I will become a Bat Mitzvah on March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011. I am in 7<sup>th</sup> grade at OTIS. I live with my parents and two brothers in Wayside.

For my mitzvah project I am currently volunteering at the Ronald McDonald House and I will participate in Relay for Life.

The Ronald McDonald House is a nonprofit organization that helps the families of hospital patients. Parents and siblings are able to stay at the "house" without pay, for as long as needed. Rebecca Ruben and I made dinners and helped with chores for several weeks. We also collected toiletries to help the residents.

In May, I am extremely excited to take part in Relay for Life. This will be my third year involved in this worthwhile cause. Relay for Life is an event that takes place all over the world. Right down the street from the synagogue, at Joe Palia Park, is where I'll be. I will raise money and stay up all night running the track. I plan to continue doing mitzvahs such as these after my Bat Mitzvah.

# Upcoming Hazak Events



## **Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr. Visits Congregation Torat El**

Sunday, March 6th ~ 3:00 pm

Roseld Avenue

Light Refreshments will be served.

Congressman Pallone will speak about  
health care and other hot topics.

No charge. Guests welcome. Reservations requested.  
(732) 531-4410

*The views of the speaker are neither endorsed by, nor do they necessarily reflect the views of  
Congregation Torat El and its members.*



**Join Shore Area Hazak for a zissen Pesach  
celebration at our not so traditional**

## **CHOCOLATE SEDER**

**Sunday, April 3, 2011 ~ 2:00pm**

**Roseld Avenue**

**Hazak members \$5 - Guests \$10**

**RSVP by March 25th to the office at  
732-531-4410. Reservations a**





# Congregation Torat El Welcomes



# Ron Wolfson

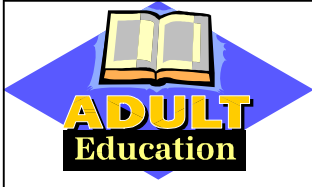
**Sunday, March 13th ~ 1:30pm - 4:30pm**  
**Monmouth Road Social Hall**

Ron Wolfson is a visionary Jewish educator whose enthusiasm for bringing Judaism alive in homes and synagogues has shaped his work in the community. He is the author most recently of *The Seven Questions You're Asked in Heaven: Reviewing and Renewing Your Life on Earth*, *The Spirituality of Welcoming: How to Transform Your Congregation Into a Sacred Community*, and *God's To-Do List: 103 Ways to Be an Angel and Do God's Work on Earth* (Jewish Lights Publishing). A pioneer in the field of Jewish family education, Ron has authored *The Art of Jewish Living* series of books (Jewish Lights Publishing): Three of the titles (Shabbat, The Passover, Hanukkah) are designed to enrich the celebration of Jewish holidays, and one (*A Time to Mourn, A Time to Comfort*) provides a guide to Jewish bereavement and comfort.

Ron is currently the Fingerhut Professor of Education at the American Jewish University (formerly the University of Judaism) in Los Angeles where he has been a member of the faculty since 1975. He has also served as Dean of the Fingerhut School of Education, Vice President and Founding Director of the Whizin Center for the Jewish Future and the Whizin Institute for Jewish Family Life. The book, *First Fruit: A Whizin Anthology of Jewish Family Education*, which he co-edited with Adrienne Bank, won the 1999 Jewish Book Award. Ron's interest in synagogues dates back to his involvement in a Conservative congregation, Beth El, in his home town of Omaha, Nebraska. Over the years, he has visited hundreds of synagogues across North America as a consultant, teacher and scholar in residence widely recognized for his passionate, insightful and often humorous presentations. Ron is a co-founder of Synagogue 2000 (with Rabbi Lawrence Hoffman) and currently serves as President of Synagogue 3000, a catalyst for excellence, empowering congregations and communities to create synagogues that are sacred and vital centers of Jewish life.

**Please RSVP to the temple office if you will be attending this event**  
**732-531-4410**

*This very important program has been made possible by the generosity of the  
Harry and Sadie Steinberg Fund and Steve and Vickie Raab.*



Call the synagogue offices to leave a message for the instructor to let him know that you are interested in the class.  
732.531.4410



### **Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Schonbrun**

#### **BYOB (bring your own bagel) Lunch & Learn:**

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 for our Lunch & Learn program led by Rabbi Aaron Schonbrun. Take one hour out of your busy week to engage in Jewish learning. It's free and open to everyone, just bring your own dairy/vegetarian lunch. Bring yourselves, your friends, and your questions! We look forward to seeing you!

**Wednesday afternoons, 12 pm - 1 pm at Roseld Avenue**

### **We Gotta Get Out of this Place Exodus: A New Look at an Old Book Taught by Cantor Siegel**

Dramatic narrative, character development, the underpinnings of Jewish law, and the emergence of our people as a people—Exodus has it all. Join us as we dig deep into the meaning, the sources, the commentaries old and new, and the relevance of this book to the 21st century. If you are looking to get to the heart of this amazing book, join us.

**Sunday mornings, 10 am at Roseld Avenue**

### **Living A Meaningful Life**

What does it mean to live a meaningful and purposeful life? That is the central question at the heart of Dr. Ron Wolfson's book: The Seven Questions You're Asked in Heaven. Using a mixture of traditional Jewish texts and contemporary resources, along with some societal and personal anecdotes along the way, Wolfson invites us to explore the way in which we live our daily lives. Are we living our lives according to our deepest values? Do our lives matter? And how can we work to live a meaningful and intentional life each and every day? Come join us as we explore these questions and more!

If you are interested in taking this course, please order the following book that will serve as our primary resource: The Seven Questions You're Asked in Heaven, Reviewing and Renewing Your Life On Earth, by Dr. Ron Wolfson.

**Where:** Roseld Avenue, Monday Nights, 7:10-8:00 PM

**When:** March 7, 14, April 4,

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Great  
Escape.**

For more  
information or to  
apply online visit  
[www.usy.org/escape](http://www.usy.org/escape)

### **North America**

"Classic" USY on Wheels  
USY on Wheels, Mission: Mitzvah  
USY on Wheels, Pacific Northwest  
*New for Summer 2011*  
USY on Wheels, East • Summer in the City

### **Israel Programs**

Eastern Europe/Israel Pilgrimage  
Israel Pilgrimage/Poland Seminar  
Italy/Israel Pilgrimage  
USY Israel Adventure • Israel Adventure PLUS  
*L'takayn Olam – New for Summer 2011*



# RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CHAI LITES



## This Year's Trip Was Amazing!!!

The students in Grades 7-12 were rewarded with a very special experience this year. On Sunday, February 13, the group took a Charter bus into New York City to tour the Yeshiva University Museum exhibit at the Center for Jewish History in Lower Manhattan. Following the tour, they went to the Foxwoods Theatre in Manhattan to see the new Broadway musical "Spiderman – Turn Off The Dark". Following the show, they had a fabulous dinner at Ben's Kosher Deli in New York City. 54 students and chaperones participated in this unforgettable experience!!!

## Mini-Minyan Update

Mini-Minyan for students up to and including 2<sup>nd</sup> grade (with parent) will be held at Monmouth Road on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Shabbat of every month from 10:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. In March, Mini-Minyan services will take place on Mar 12 and Mar 26.

## Junior Congregation Incentive Reminder

### BOWLING AND PIZZA WITH THE RABBI!! And the annual IPOD drawing!

At the end of the school year, all 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grade student who will have attended Junior Congregation a total of 4 times or more during the school year will be invited to Bowling and Pizza with Rabbi Schonbrun! There is still opportunity for 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grade students to earn this fabulous reward! And don't forget – All Junior Congregation attendees are eligible to win an IPOD at the end of the school year!

### **Mark Your Calendars:**

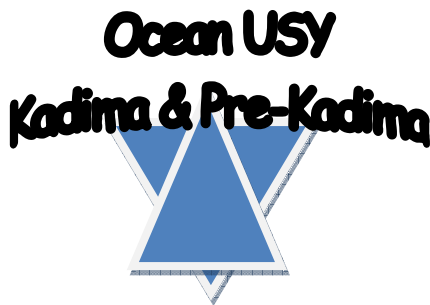
Sat. Mar 5	Junior Congregation at Monmouth Rd. (10:15-11:30)
Sun. Mar 6*	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Family Education Program at Roseld Ave.*
Fri. Mar 11	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Friday Night Service at Monmouth Rd.
Sat Mar 12	Mini-Minyan at Monmouth Rd. (10:30-11:30)
Sat. Mar 12	Junior Congregation at Monmouth Rd. (10:15-11:30)
Sat. Mar 19	Junior Congregation at Monmouth Rd. (10:15-11:30)
Sat. Mar 19	Megillah Reading at Monmouth Rd. (6:15 P.M.)
Sun. Mar 20	Purim Carnival following Religious School at Roseld Ave.
Sat. Mar 26	Mini-Minyan at Monmouth Rd. (10:30-11:30)
Sat. Mar 26	Junior Congregation at Monmouth Rd. (10:15-11:30)

\*Please note: The 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Family Education program, originally scheduled for March 13, will take place on March 6.



### **USY**

MARCH 5(SAT)-REGIONAL PROM-  
W.ORANGE  
7(MON)-MOVIE NIGHT  
20(SUN)-REGIONAL PURIM EXTRA-  
GANZA  
20(SUN)-PURIM CARNIVAL & ARC  
CARNIVAL  
SATO PASSOVER CANDY SALE STARTS



### **KADIMA**

MARCH 9(WED)-BOWLING  
11-13(FRI-SUN)-REGIONAL 8<sup>TH</sup>  
GRADE SHABBATON  
20(SUN)-PURIM CARNIVAL

### **PRE-KADIMA**

MARCH 16 (WED)—BOWLING





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**Temple Grams:** To send a gram (\$5 each, checks payable to CTE Sisterhood) call Beverle at 732-493-1595.

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**Adie Gordon Religious School Fund and the Naomi Axelrod Garden Fund:** Sisterhood has established these special funds, both operating on a continuing basis. To make a donation in honor of, or in memory of, etc., please call Joan Edelsberg at 732-918-0488.

**College Packages:** Would you like your college student to receive holiday college packages from Sisterhood for the 2010-2011 school year? Please send your student's name & address to Jackie Rosenheck by e-mail to: [therosenhecks@msn.com](mailto:therosenhecks@msn.com)

**Save the Date:** Thursday, May 12, 6:30 pm ~ Cooking demonstration with Ronnie Fein, author of *Hip Kosher*

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## Sisterhood's March Mah-jongg Madness



**Join us for a mini tournament**  
**Sunday, March 27th ~ 11:30-5:00pm at Roseld Ave**  
**Play begins promptly at 12:15**  
**Advanced registration only by March 20th**  
**Please RSVP to Elaine at 732-918-3377**  
**Sisterhood Members \$20 Guests \$25**  
**Light Nosh \* Snacks \* Cash Prizes**

# Upcoming Sisterhood Events

## MIN PINCOW 50-50 RAFFLE

Here is a chance to help support our Sisterhood and win up to \$500!

We have 100 numbers available for this raffle. Each month for 10 months starting in early April, (except August) we will have a drawing. The ticket cost is \$10; you can purchase tickets for 10 months at \$100 or 5 months at \$50. Each month the winner will receive half of the proceeds. If all 100 tickets are sold every month, the winner will receive \$500.

To purchase tickets or for more information, contact  
Phyllis Schwarz at 732.988.0928 or  
Gayle Ardakanian at 732.493.8877

**Raffle!**

## SHAKE YOUR SOUL WITH

### VIVIAN OF TAO MASSAGE

Dress for comfort and prepare to have a great time at the Sisterhood luncheon on  
April 14 at 12 noon.

Cost: \$10 per person

Vivian will lead us in a creative movement and dancing class.

RSVP to the Temple's office at 732.531.4410



## Sisterhood's Annual Hamantashen Bake-A-Thon Sunday, March 13th ~ 8am - 1pm

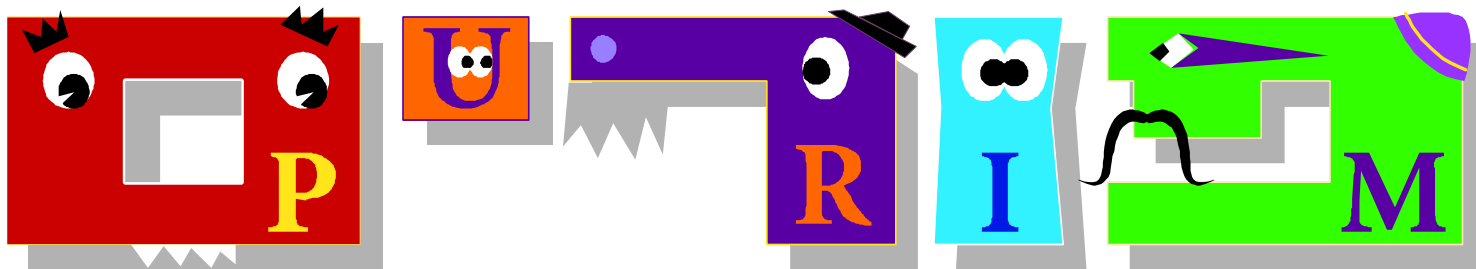
***Please give us your help anytime between these hours.  
Do your mitzvah while the kids are in Sunday School!***

**Wanted: Kneaders, pinchers, fillers, bakers, counters and your smiles!  
Please, no children under the age of 13 \*\* Lunch will be served to all our bakers \*\***

***Our delicious cookies are provided to our college students, our religious school students and teachers, our Shalach Manot recipients and at the Purim celebrations! Orders are welcome this year...contact Stacy!***

**RSVP to Help: Stacy Kless 732-922-9669 or curls217@aol.com  
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## IT'S CARNIVAL TIME!

SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2011

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One Ticket - \$1 Seven Tickets - \$5  
Twenty Tickets - \$10

**Come join the fun!**



**Megillah Reading**  
**Saturday,**  
**March 19th**  
**6:15pm**  
**Monmouth Rd**

**\* Costume Contest for children AND adults with Prizes**

Prizes to a boy and girl in each of the following categories:

Ages 5 and under, Ages 6-11, Ages 12 and up. Prizes to Adults: 1 woman & 1 man

♦ **Most Original Grogger Contest** for children AND adults with Prizes



Traditional Megillah reading will follow at the Sunday morning minyan, March 20th at 8:30 am at Roseld Avenue

# Vashti's Banquet



Join Congregation Torat El Sisterhood for an evening celebrating women. Fun, Food and Friendship.  
Creative Themed Costumes Encouraged

Thursday, March 17, 2011 - 7:00pm~ Roseld Avenue

\$25 CTE Sisterhood Members \* \$28 Guests

Henna Tattoo Artist, Belly Dancing Show and Lesson,  
Shuk (Market Place), Lite Mediterranean Supper

*Reservations by March 10th a must! Please send your payments to:  
CTE Sisterhood 1200 Roseld Ave. Ocean, NJ 07712*



## **ACAPELLA SINGING GROUP KOL SASSON OF UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND PERFORMS AT CTE!**

**Monday, March 21st ~ 6:00pm at Roseld Avenue**  
**Concert followed by baked ziti dinner**  
**\$5 per person if you're joining us for dinner**

Kol Sasson, which features CTE's own Samantha Scheer has brought rich and unique entertainment to local and national communities since 1997. Founded twelve years ago by college students who wanted to share their love of music with the local Jewish community, Kol Sasson has since recorded four original CDs, performed around the country for audiences ranging from religious school children to senior citizens, and provided music at functions spanning from Jewish Simchas (Celebrations) to government agency events. Most notably, Kol Sasson has performed for the National Security Agency, for the 2008 International Hillel Summit, for former Governor of Maryland Robert Ehrlich, and in the White House for President George W. Bush. Kol Sasson was again invited to sing at the White House for the 2009 Hanukkah reception.

*Please RSVP to the temple office at (732) 531-4410 by March 17th*

**This program has been made possible by a generous grant from the  
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6 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Family Ed 9am Adult Ed w/Cantor 10am Roseld Ave Hazak – Frank Pallone 3pm Roseld Ave	7 Adult Ed w/Rabbi 7:10pm Roseld Ave USY 8pm Roseld Ave	8 Ritual Mtg 7pm Monmouth Rd	9 Lunch & Learn w/Rabbi 12pm Roseld Ave Kadima 6pm Roseld Ave	10	11 Candle Lighting 5:40pm 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Shabbat Svc 6:30pm	12 B/M Joey Abrams 9am Jr. Cong 10:15am Mini-Minyan 10:30am
13 <b>Hamentaschen Bake- A-Thon 8am Roseld Ave</b> Adult Ed w/Cantor 10am Roseld Ave <b>Ron Wolfson 1:30pm Monmouth Rd</b>	14 Adult Ed w/Rabbi 7:10pm Roseld Ave	15	16 Lunch & Learn w/Rabbi 12pm Roseld Ave Pre-Kadima 6pm Roseld Ave	17 Vashti's Banquet 7pm Roseld Ave	18 Candle Lighting 6:47pm Instrumental Shabbat Svc 6:30pm Family Shabbat Svc & Dinner 6:15pm	19 Shabbat Svc 9am Jr. Cong 10:15am Purim Celebration & Megillah Reading 6:15pm Monmouth Rd
20 Minyan Megillah Reading 8:30am Roseld Ave Adult Ed w/Cantor 10am Roseld Ave Purim Carnival 10:30am Roseld Ave	21 Kol Sasson Concert & Dinner 6pm Roseld Ave	22 Exec Board Mtg 7pm Monmouth Rd	23 Lunch & Learn w/Rabbi 12pm Roseld Ave	24	25 Candle Lighting 6:55pm Traditional Shabbat Svc 6:30pm	26 B/M Allison Segerman 9am Jr. Cong 10:15am Mini-Minyan 10:30am
27 Adult Ed w/Cantor 10am Roseld Ave Sisterhood Mahjong Tournament 11:30am Roseld Ave	28	29	30 Lunch & Learn w/Rabbi 12pm Roseld Ave	31		