



# *Voice of the Shore*

Congregation Torat El ~ Jersey Shore Jewish Center

May 2015 Iyar/Sivan 5775

CONGREGATION TORAT EL PROUDLY PRESENTS

## A DECADE OF DEDICATION

*A Celebration Honoring Past Presidents 1974-1984*

Robert Isaacson ~ 1975 CBS

Bernie Karasic ~ 1975 TBE

Jules Resnick ~ 1977 TBT

Linda Maltzman ~ 1977 CBS

Mark Abrams z"l ~ 1978 TBE

Myron Samuel ~ 1979 TBT

Lois Barrett ~ 1979 TBE

Barry Shapiro ~ 1981 TBT

Zeke Rose ~ 1981 CBS

Floyd "Kris" Krengel ~ 1982 TBE

Howard Wiener ~ 1983 TBT

Robert Lieberman z"l ~ 1983 CBS

Larry Lorman ~ 1983 TBE

Sandra Bernstein ~ 1984 CBS

Sunday, June 14, 2015

11:00am

Elegant Brunch Buffet

Adults - \$54

Children 4-13 - \$25

*See Page 14 for Details*

# Congregation Torat El Contact Information

## Torat El Professional Staff

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<b>Assistant Rabbi</b>	Sara Metz
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<b>Dir. Of Ritual Engagement</b>	Ben Laskowitz
<b>Bookkeeper/Admin.</b>	Joanne Bass
<b>Administrative Asst.</b>	Lisa Arnold
<b>Youth Advisor</b>	Jane-Rachel Schonbrun

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# May Service Announcements

**Friday, May 1, 2015**                      **Shabbat Service 6:30 pm**                      **Candles 7:33 pm**  
***Oneg Shabbat sponsored by proud parents Stacy & Bob Wiener***

Yahrzeits: Rebecca Becker, Rae Breslow, Morris Brodsky, Rita Levine Casey, Ruth Celso, Sigmund Chapman, Dorothy Chester, Naomi Glickman, Benjamin Karasik, Jeanette Kirschner, Rose Kurman, Lillian Levine, Nathan Lichtman, Sigmund Lipson, Sigmund Lipson, Rae Littenberg, Helen Meckler, Eugene Meyer, Harry Negin, Minnie Rachles, Stanley Robins, Gerald Schneider, Clara Segner, Bernice Shutman, Charles Singer, Bessie Slovin, Yetta Wilk, Ruth Wolf

**Saturday, May 2, 2015**                      **Parsha: Ahareymot-Kedoshim 17:8-19:14**                      **Haftarah: Amos 9:7-15**  
**Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am**  
**Bar Mitzvah: Aron Wiener**  
***Kiddush Luncheon is sponsored by proud parents Stacy & Bob Wiener***

**Friday, May 8, 2015**                      **3rd Grade Siyyim/4th Grade Service 6:30 pm**                      **Candles 7:40 pm**  
**Please note there is no 8:00pm Service this week**

Yahrzeits: Dora Anderman, Albert Bloomfield, Larry Cohen, Irving Davis, Dorothy Horwitz, Yetta Jobreck, Robin Kaufman, Melvin Kirsch, Melvin Kirsch, Eileen Klang, Dora Koyner, Hyman Lakoff, Perle Lifshotz, Isidore Lipschitz, Johanna Marx, Elihu Michnoff, Max Posner, Jacob Przytyk, Aaron Rieven-Goldenberg, Sylvia Rumaner, Julia Selikowitz, Eli Shooman, David Silverstein, Philip Solowey

**Saturday, May 9, 2015**                      **Parsha: Emor 22:17-23:22**                      **Haftarah: Ezekiel 44:15-31**  
**Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am**                      **Jr. Congregation ~ 10:30 am**  
**Baby Naming: Ziva Stern**  
***Lunch & Learn to follow services***

**Friday, May 15, 2015**                      **Shabbat Service 6:30 pm**                      **Candles 7:47 pm**  
Yahrzeits: Belle Balkin, Ruth Birn, Miriam Block, Rae Bloom, Sidney Blume, Eleanore Botney, Ida Deitch, Malcolm Deitch, Dorothy Eliscu, Aaron Gaber, Philip Gaber, Jane Gabrielson, Reva Goldberg, Ethel Halle, Ethel Hornstein, Sam Lerner, Frances Levine, Mildred Levy, Beverly Needel, Betty Needle, Bernard Reich, Walter Schwarz, Rose Weiner, Sarah Wolin, Mary Zimmerman

**Saturday, May 16, 2015**                      **Parsha: Behar-Behukkotay 25:39-26:46**                      **Haftarah: Jeremiah 16:19-17:14**  
**Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am**  
***Kiddush Luncheon is sponsored by Neil & Marcia Weitzenkorn in honor of the 50th anniversary of Neil's Bar Mitzvah***

**Friday, May 22, 2015**                      **Shabbat Service 6:30 pm**                      **Candles 7:53 pm**  
Yahrzeits: Barney Barrett, Shalom Brand, Ethel Brenner, Sara Cooper, Raymond Dweck, Rose Eliscu, Sylvia Gaffin, Bertha Goldberg, Sarah Goldstein, Maxine Green, Robert Haiken, Gertrude Hoffman, Samuel Kramer, Josephine Leshnik, Eva Maltz, Harriet Miller, Meyer Rokaw, Ethel Rosenfeld, Meyer Rothman, Jacob Rubin, Susan Samuel, Stanley Scheer, Frederic Schneider, Bernard Schreiber, Grace Schreiber, Meryl Sherman, Eugene Shutman, Henry Silverman, Ruth Starrett, Arthur Theodore, Morris Warar, Maurice Webman, Meyer Weinstein

**Saturday, May 23, 2015**                      **Parsha: Bemidbar 2:1-3:13**                      **Haftarah: Hosea 2:1-22**  
**Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am**                      **Jr. Congregation ~ 10:30 am**

**Friday, May 29, 2015**                      **Shabbat Service 6:30 pm**                      **Candles 7:59 pm**  
Yahrzeits: Bessie Barnett, Menashe Brand, Beatrice Burke, Albert Cannava, Samuel Chernin, Carol Dichter, Mark Donner, Ida Gallay, Sarah Goldenberg, Sam Greenberg, Dorothy Heiferman, Beatrice Kempler, Joseph Kempler, Louis Kreisler, Albert Lehrer, Golda Levine, Ruth Madnick, Max Miller, Ida Opatosky, Mildred Rose, Lillian Sacher, Ethel Schutzer, Jean Sukinik, Lea Tuchfeld, Anne Weiner

**Saturday, May 30, 2015**                      **Parsha: Naso 5:11-6:27**                      **Haftarah: Judges 13:2-25**  
**Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am**

# Choosing Judaism

Life is about choices. Coffee or Tea? Chocolate or Vanilla? City or Suburbs? Work or time at home? Actual vacation or "work vacation?"

The upcoming Festival of Shavuot, which begins on Friday night May 23rd, is also all about choices. One of three pilgrimage festivals, in biblical times, Shavuot commemorated the start of the wheat harvest in the land of Israel and the bringing of the "first fruits" to the Temple. By the rabbinic period, Shavuot also came to be understood as the holiday in which we celebrate the giving and receiving of the Torah on Mount Sinai. It is here that the whole notion of "choice"



comes into play. On Shavuot we celebrate the idea that God chose to enter into a relationship with the Jewish people that was to be rooted in Torah. While this notion has led, historically, to an understanding that Jews are "the chosen people," I have always understood "chosen" to mean something more like "special" instead of "superior." For me, to be "chosen," simply means to have a unique and special relationship with God that is expressed through the lens of Torah. But like any relationship, this covenant is meaningless unless we, as individuals, choose to be "chosen." Or, as has been said before, as Jews, we should really call ourselves "the choosing people" and not "the chosen people."

The Book of Ruth, which we read on Shavuot, is a clear example of this Jewish value. A woman who chose to connect with our people and with our God, it was Ruth who chose to remain with her mother-in-law Naomi when there was nothing left keeping her connected to her Israelite family. It was Ruth, who chose to cast her lot with our people saying to Naomi: *"Wherever you go, I will go. Your people will be my people and your God will be my God."* And that is why it was Ruth who became the model for what it means to convert and actively "choose Judaism."

Over this past year, I have worked with two students and their significant others as they study for conversion. I must say that I am always so inspired by working with individuals and couples like this. They are always so eager to learn, and the spark of their Jewish souls tends to shine very brightly. The convert to Judaism tends to look at our heritage as a gift to be explored, treasured, protected, and lived each and every day. She often finds a deep sense of comfort, history, and connection in the celebration of our rituals, holidays, and the Hebrew of our prayers. He understands that every choice he makes, from the most profound to the most simple, has the potential to be infused with our Jewish teachings and traditions. She understands the message of Shavuot: that Torah, Jewish practices, values, and beliefs can only be meaningful and relevant to a person if they actively "choose" to bring them into their lives.

The message seems obvious, but in our 24/7, "always on" and fast-paced society, it is often a challenging choice for individuals. Because choosing Judaism is not always so easy. Choices, by their very nature, involve sacrifice. The family choices that we make, the financial choices that we make, and the professional choices that we make, can all be extremely difficult. The Jewish choices that we make are no exception. Choosing to pray, to celebrate Shabbat, to observe Kashrut, to be honest in our business dealings, to reach out to those less fortunate than us, to make time to study and learn the ways of our tradition, or to send our kids to Hebrew school, USY, and Hebrew High School, are not always easy choices to make. **But the easy choice is not always the wisest choice and it is certainly not necessarily the most valuable choice.** The most meaningful and rewarding choices in life are often the hardest to make. The choice to get married, for example, may seem easy at first -- but a healthy approach to marriage understands that a lot of work is involved. The choice to have a child may seem simple, but the realities of having children are often anything but that. And yet most people would likely say that their marriage and their children are the most precious things in their lives.

As we approach Shavuot this year, let us remember that we are the "choosing people." As we celebrate Ruth, and the converts to Judaism who serve as an inspiration to all of us, let us ask ourselves the following questions: What are we doing to actively "choose" Judaism in our lives? What Jewish choices have we made in this past year and what Jewish choices have we avoided making? As the summer approaches, will we choose to come to services more often in search of deepening our connection to our inner selves, our God, and our community? Will this be the time in our life that we choose to celebrate Shabbat by lighting candles, sitting down to dinner as a family, or taking time to read and study some Judaic material? What will our synagogue involvement look like next year, as we approach the fall holidays? Will we strive to become more involved, socially, religiously, financially, and educationally in our community?

There are consequences to every single Jewish choice that we make, and to every single Jewish choice we fail to make. As we say each time that we put the Torah back into the ark, the Torah can only be a *tree of life* to those who are willing to *grasp hold of it*. So with Shavuot around the corner, let us each endeavor to be more proactive in creating spiritual lives which are meaningful, relevant, and fulfilling on a regular basis. And let us remember that the wisdom, beauty, and depth involved in living an active daily Jewish lifestyle is ours for the taking.

# HOW WE COMMUNICATE IS NOT ONLY IMPORTANT - IT IS CRITICAL

The tone of our discourse can have a profound impact on how our community functions. As we get ready to install Larry Shapiro in June as our fourth President, I want to take the time to reflect on the efforts started by our first two Presidents that I have worked to continue in setting a tone that reflects our values and our goals.

Our first five years as a Congregation have seen tremendous strides forward in establishing a **Community Building Relationships**. Those strides are the result of work by many but they are also the result of a concerted effort to set a tone in how we communicate.

I have had the pleasure of building on the strong foundations set by our first Presidents - Alan Stern and Gary Zimmerman - who worked hard to create a focused approach of creating dialogue and communication that matches our dedication to our values. That approach is centered on the following core principles:

*During all discussions we treat each other with respect as we are all created in God's image;*

*When presenting a problem or complaint we strive to also present a possible solution;*

*Our first response when meeting any visitor or any fellow congregant must be to greet and to welcome;*

*We strive to listen before we speak;*

*We must remain open to new approaches and points of view; and*

*Every moment is a teachable moment.*

Coupled with the approach on how we communicate is an increased focus on transparency. We have continued to provide more information, more detail, and more substance as to what our Congregation is doing and where we are going. While there are a few aspects that remain highly confidential out of respect for the personal privacy of our members and our staff, we must never forget that **the Congregation is "owned" by all of us**. Each of us and all of us need to be engaged in our Congregation's business if we are to continue to move forward. Transparency is of limited value in the face of apathy, and true engagement cannot endure in absence of information. **Transparency and Engagement go hand-in-hand**, and we need to continue to remain committed to increasing both. All of us – not just our staff and our lay leadership – all of our congregation needs to be committed to working together towards our common goals.

The world is not always predictable. Not every effort will result in success. Yet we must continue to have the courage to explore new ways to engage and enrich our community. The key, however, is that by staying true to our values and the principles outlined above, we will continue to be positioned to fulfill our mission as a **Community Building Relationships**.

Andrew Robins

President, Congregation Torat El

## Adult Education with Rabbi Schonbrun

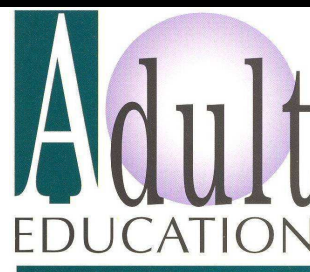
### Wednesday Lunch 'n Learn (Jewish Ethics 101)

**Wednesdays: 12:00-1:00pm**

#### Jewish Views On The Afterlife:

As Jews, we tend to place our daily focus more on this world, and less on "the world to come." But what exactly is "the world to come?" Do Jews even believe in heaven? What about the concept of hell? What exactly do Jews believe about what happens after we die? How have Jewish views of the afterlife changed over time? Come and join us as we explore these questions and more. Bring your questions and feel free to bring a friend!

**Wednesdays: 7:30-8:30pm - May 6, 13, 27**



## Our Synagogue Families

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

Samra Kanter on the loss of her mother Cecil Rennick  
Joyce Jaffee on the loss of her father Raymond Van Tassel  
The family of Dr. Emanuel Abraham  
Harvey Slovin on the loss of his brother Stanford Slovin  
Steve Fineberg on the loss of his father Sidney Fineberg  
The family of Susan Sager  
Marian Warshauer on the loss of her mother Isabel Pincus  
James Pincus on the loss of his mother Isabel Pincus



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

Rachel & Ira Port on the birth of their granddaughter Jolene Rose  
Ben & Lainie Laskowitz on the birth of their granddaughter Cassidy Grace Hoffman  
Jason & Kristin Stern on the birth of their daughter Ziva  
Fred & Robin Stern on the birth of their granddaughter Ziva  
Suzanne & David Wiser on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Peri  
Harriet & Gary Wiser on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter Peri  
Russell Scheer, son of Abby & Steve Scheer, on making Honor Roll at Syracuse University

#### The Torat El Family Welcomes:

Sara Breslow

*If you have a simcha to share with the CTE family  
please call the temple office at 732-531-4410!*

## Yasher Koach to our Bar Mitzvah



Hi, my name is Aron Wiener, a seventh grader at Oak Hill Academy, in Lincroft. I will become a Bar Mitzvah on May 2. I would like to share my Mitzvah Project with you. Since June of 2014, I have been playing the piano at Lunch Break, a Red Bank soup kitchen for community members in need. Playing the piano at Lunch Break has been an extremely rewarding experience. At Lunch Break, I play many different pieces, such as Sonatas by Mozart and "The Entertainer" by Scott Joplin. The people eating at Lunch Break greatly appreciate my performances. My Mitzvah project has given me the opportunity to share my love of music with others.



## Religious School in Photos



At our Matzah Bakery we:  
Decorated our own  
chef's hats with our  
Hebrew names

Heard the story of the  
Mouse in the Matzah  
Factory

Created pictures of us  
leaving Egypt with our  
families

+

Made matzah in under  
18 minutes

Thank you to our Parent  
volunteers!



Save the Date!

May 8th - 4th Grade service & 3rd Grade Siyyum

May 13 - Last Wednesday/Hebrew High session

May 17th - Teacher's Appreciation Breakfast

May 17th - Last day of Sunday Religious School

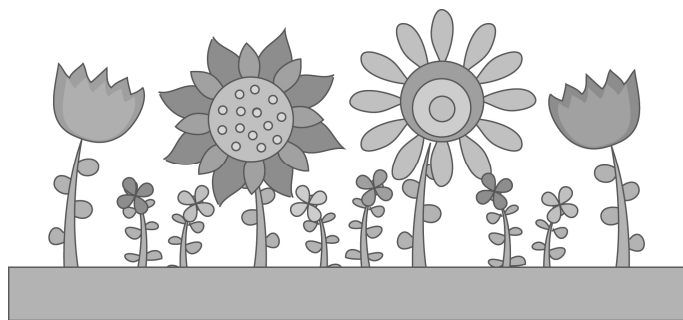
& Finish this school year with Torah. We are repairing one of our Torah scrolls and you can help write a letter in one. For more information see page 9.

May 20th - Religious School graduation

# Shavuot

In honor of Shavuot we are asking for donations to our Garden Fund to continue the beautiful landscaping work that has been started on the Temple grounds. We will transform the grounds into a symbolic flowering Mount Sinai as the congregation celebrates the "Revelation of the Torah."

Shavuot begins on Saturday night, May 23rd and continues through Monday, May 25th. If you wish to participate, please remit your donation to Congregation Torat El, along with the form below. Your name and dedication will appear in the Temple bulletin.



DONATION MADE BY: \_\_\_\_\_

IN HONOR OF: \_\_\_\_\_

IN MEMORY OF: \_\_\_\_\_

AMT ENCLOSED: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Please make checks payable to the CTE Garden Fund



## Kosher Wines Around the World

Celebrate Shavuot with Wine Tasting and Cheese  
(cake)

At the home of Rabbi and Jane-Rachel Schonbrun

**Saturday, May 23rd**

**Arrive - 8:00pm**

**Havdallah - 9:00pm**

For planning purposes, kindly RSVP to the temple office by May 18th  
(732) 531-4410



# I'll Take A Letter For \$18

Rabbi Wigodsky, the Sofer that is repairing our Torot is going to be here at CTE on Sunday, May 17, 2015 at 10:15 AM in the Main Sanctuary. He will be returning the Torot that we asked him to repair for our Torot Donation project.

One of the Torot is not yet finished. Rabbi Wigodsky will be finishing the repairs to the Torah here at CTE. This is the perfect opportunity to buy one of the 50 letters that he will be repairing, giving you the opportunity to be personally involved in the actual repair. Donors will be standing with Rabbi Wigodsky when he corrects the letter.

Like on "Wheel of Fortune" where you can buy a vowel for \$50, you will be able to buy a letter for \$18. This letter will be yours, one you can point to when we use the Torah. You can buy it in honor of your children, grandchildren or anyone you please.

The very last letter to be repaired is special. This letter, which is available for dedication for a minimum donation of 5 times chai (\$90) is extra special, since it will make our Torah "Kosher", acceptable for use on days when we read Torah.

Please complete the following form and return it to Neil Weitzenkorn, via the CTE office. If you have any questions, please contact Neil Weitzenkorn, at 908-675-0548 or neilweit@gmail.com.

## TORAH LETTER DEDICATION REQUEST

I wish to dedicate \_\_\_\_\_ letter(s). My donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed (minimum \$18 per letter)

Or

I wish to dedicate the last letter to be repaired, making our Torah Kosher. My donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed (minimum \$90).  
(If we receive more than 1 request for the final letter, it will go to the highest donation).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (Please print)

Letter donated in honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

## Men's Club Golf Outing

### 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 Mens Club

Will hold its 19th Annual Charity Golf event this year teaming up with Congregation B'nai Israel Mens Club 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.

### Congregation B'nai Israel Mens Club

CBI Mens Club provides and supports programs and activities for young and old at Congregation B'nai Israel in Toms River. Our club is a multiyear winner of the Federation of Jewish Mens Clubs "Quality Club Award". We are pleased to partner with Torat El Mens Club in this charity golf outing benefiting Birthright.

**WE ASK FOR YOUR  
GENEROUS SUPPORT**



210 Jumping Brook Road  
Neptune, NJ 07753

**MONDAY JULY 27, 2015**  
**REGISTRATION 12:00**  
**LUNCH 12:00**  
**SHOTGUN START 1:30**  
**COCKTAILS and**  
**AWARDS DINNER 6:30**

The day will include Lunch,  
Driving Range, Locker Room  
privileges, Modified Scramble  
Golf Tournament, Refreshments  
throughout the day, Skills  
Contests, Cocktails, and Dinner



### Event Registration

<b>Individual Golfer</b>	<b>\$ 195.00</b>
<b>Individual Golfer/Sponsor</b>	<b>\$ 275.00</b>
<i>Includes Golf and Hole Sponsor</i>	
<b>Corporate Foursome</b>	<b>\$ 850.00</b>
<i>Includes Golf Foursome &amp; Hole Signage</i>	
<b>Non Player Dinner</b>	<b>\$ 60.00</b>

### Sponsorships

<b>Event Sponsor</b>	<b>\$1500.00</b>
<i>Signage at First Tee and the dinner and inclusion in all print advertising.</i>	
<i>Includes one foursome for golf.</i>	
<b>Dinner Sponsor</b>	<b>\$1000.00</b>
<i>Signage at Dinner and all print advertising.</i>	
<i>Includes 2 free golfers.</i>	
<b>Lunch Sponsor</b>	<b>\$1000.00</b>
<i>Signage at Lunch.</i>	
<i>Includes 2 golfers for the event.</i>	
<b>Cart Sponsor</b>	<b>\$ 750.00</b>
<i>Signage on Refreshment cart &amp; Halfway house and 1 free golfer.</i>	
<b>Hole In One Sponsor</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>
<i>Includes hole in one insurance for a \$10,000 hole in one prize, signage and inclusion in event program. <b>Two of these are available!</b></i>	
<b>Putting Green Sponsor</b>	<b>\$ 250.00</b>
<i>Signage at Putting Green and in Event program.</i>	
<b>Hole Sponsor</b>	<b>\$ 125.00</b>
<i>Signage at either a tee or green with your name and/or company.</i>	

**Visit us online for all registration  
and sponsorship benefits  
[golf.torat-el.org](http://golf.torat-el.org)**

# Ritual Engagement

## LEARN HIGH HOLIDAY TORAH TROPE!!!

Anyone interested in learning how to chant Torah for the High Holidays should email [benlaskowitz@yahoo.com](mailto:benlaskowitz@yahoo.com) or call/text Ben Laskowitz at 732-861-7450.

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

Ari Binns  
Matthew Cohen  
Mark Engel  
Mitch Grayson  
Jacob Gutman

Harvey Jacob  
Ben Laskowitz  
Rabbi Metz  
Bonnie Reiss  
Rabbi Schonbrun

Steven Schwaber  
Jackie Shapiro  
Jon Shutman  
Stevie Shutman  
Neil Weitzenkorn

**Yasher Koach To All!!!**

***YASHER KOACH TO JACOB GUTMAN FOR LEADING SERVICES ON FRIDAY NIGHT AND SHABBAT MORNING, AND FOR CHANTING TORAH AND HAFTARAH SO BEAUTIFULLY ON HIS BAR MITZVAH!!!***

***YASHER KOACH TO MATTHEW COHEN FOR READING TORAH IN HONOR OF A SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY OF HIS BAR MITZVAH!***

## Blood Drive



**PLEASE LEND A HAND AND  
SUPPORT BLOOD DONATION  
YOU CAN SAVE LIVES!  
BLOOD DRIVE AT  
CONGREGATION TORAT EL  
MONDAY, JUNE 8TH  
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.

## Men's Club

**CTE Men's Club Breakfast Lecture  
Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 at 9:15 AM in the Social Hall**

***"Israel vs. Palestine: Is there a Workable Solution Now?" By Dr. Saliba Sarsar***

The presentation will touch on the history and current realities, the psychology of conflicting parties, peacemaking and peace building.

Dr. Sarsar earned a BA in political science and history interdisciplinary, with *summa cum laude*, from Monmouth in 1978, and a doctoral degree in political science, with specialization in Middle East affairs, from Rutgers University. Dr. Sarsar is active in Arab-Jewish dialogue and peace building, for which he received the Humanitarian Award from the National Conference for Community and Justice in 2001. His other awards include the Stafford Presidential Award of Excellence and the Global Visionary Award, which he received from Monmouth University in 2006 and 2007, respectively. In April 2003, he was featured in The *New York Times* article, "His Mission: Finding Why People Fight - A Witness to Mideast Conflict Turns to Dialogue and Peace."

Breakfast is included. Please RSVP by April 28<sup>th</sup> to [robeinhorn@gmail.com](mailto:robeinhorn@gmail.com) to register!

# Sisterhood Chai Lites

## SECOND ANNUAL SUKKAH RAFFLE



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 5776 (September 27-October 4, 2015).

Drawing: First day of Religious School

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*Friday, June 12th - 6:30pm*

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					1 Candle Lighting 7:33pm Shabbat Service 6:30pm	2 BM Aron Wiener 9:00am
3 Men's Club Breakfast and Speaker Program 9:15am	4	5 Board of Trustees Mtg 7:30pm	6 Lunch & Learn 12:00pm 2016/2017 B/M Parent's Meeting 5:15pm Rabbi Adult Ed 7:30pm	7 Sisterhood Board Mtg 7:30pm	8 Candle Lighting 7:40pm 3rd Grade Siyyum 4th Grade Shabbat Service 6:30pm No 8:00pm Service this week	9 Shabbat Service 9:00am Jr. Congregation 10:30am Lunch and Learn Luncheon following services
10	11	12 Ritual Mtg 7:30pm	13 Lunch & Learn 12:00pm Last RS Weekday/ HS Session Rabbi Adult Ed 7:30pm	14	15 Candle Lighting 7:47pm Shabbat Service 6:30pm	16 Shabbat Service 9:00am Sponsored Kiddush Luncheon
17 Last Sunday RS Teacher Appreciation Breakfast/Sofer on Site	18 Caregivers Support Group 7:30pm	19 Calendar Planning Mtg 7:30pm	20 Lunch & Learn 12:00pm Religious School Graduation Rabbi Adult Ed 7:30pm	21	22 Candle Lighting 7:53pm Shabbat Service 6:30pm	23 Shabbat Service 9:00am Jr. Congregation 10:30am Shavuot Tikkun at Rabbi Schonbrun's House 8:00pm
24 Shavuot Service 9:00am 31	25 Shavuot/Yizkor Service 9:00am Temple Office Closed	26	27 Rabbi Adult Ed 7:30pm	28	29 Candle Lighting 7:59pm Shabbat Service 6:30pm	30 Shabbat Service 9:00am