



Voice of the Shore

Congregation Torat El ~ Jersey Shore Jewish Center

October 2014 Tammuz, Av, Elul 5775

Services

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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5775 HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICES



YOM KIPPUR

Kol Nidre, Friday, October 3rd ~ 6:00pm

Yom Kippur, Saturday, October 4th ~ 8:30am

Mini-Minyan (ages 2 thru K) with a parent & Jr Congregation (1st - 7th Grade)
After Haftarah (appx 11:00am) - After sermon (appx 12:15pm)

Yizkor ~ 11:15am (approximate time)

Conclusion of Service ~ 1:30pm (approximate time)

Yizkor Service Open to the Community ~ 2:30pm

Mincha/Neilah ~ 5:00pm/6:30pm

Communal Shofar Blowing ~ 7:30pm

Break Fast



SUKKOT

Erev Sukkot, Wednesday, October 8th ~ 6:30pm

1st Day Sukkot, Thursday, October 9th ~ 9:00am & 6:30pm

2nd Day Sukkot, Friday, October 10th ~ 9:00am



SHEMINI ATZERET / SIMCHAT TORAH

Hoshanah Rabbah/Shemini Atzeret, Wed, Oct 15th ~ 8:00am & 6:30pm

Shemini Atzeret /Yizkor, Thursday, October 16th ~ 9:00am

Simchat Torah, Thursday, October 16th ~ 6:00pm

Simchat Torah, Friday, October 17th ~ 9:00am

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October Service Announcements

Friday, October 3, 2014

Kol Nidre Service ~ 6:00pm

Candles 6:16 pm

Yahrzeits: Morris Abraham, Max Aronowitz, Evelyn Aronson, Naomi Axelrod, Norman Benson, Sophia Blitt, Bernard Bogner, Morris Bohm, Rose Brudner, Bessie Dishler, Herman Goldstein, Pacey Gomberg, Katie Gordon, Philip Gottlieb, William Jacobs, Marsha Kaplinsky, Goldie Kasson, Frieda Klein, Tillie Koslow, Benjamin Mortkowitz, Max Moses, Rachel Negin, Isadore Nelson, Abraham Retholtz, Samuel Rothenberg, Ann Weg, Irwin Wiener

Saturday, October 4, 2014

Yom Kippur Service ~ 8:30 am

Parsha: Vayikra 16:1-34; Maftir: Bemidbar 29:7-11

Haftarah: Yeshayahu 57:14-58:14

Friday, October 10, 2014

Shabbat Service ~ 6:30 pm

Candles 6:05 pm

Yahrzeits: Rose Abraham, Seymour Abramowitz, Helen Acker, Ralph Baker, Samuel Blitt, Jerrold Cohen, Robert Comer, Norman Feinstein, Murray Feller, Hinda Forman, Dorothy Gordon, Cecille Gould, Dora Kaufman, Irving Kessel, Anne Kessler, George Ostroff, Albert Platt, Pauline Prager, Malka Roth, Eleanor Skora

Saturday, October 11, 2014

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am

Jr. Congregation ~ 10:30 am

Parsha: Ki Tissa 33:12-34:26; Maftir: Bemidbar 29:17-22

Haftarah: Ezekiel 38:18-39:16

*Kiddush Luncheon is sponsored by Dr. Vicki Raab and Steven Fineberg in honor of Adult Trope Graduates
Lunch & Learn to follow services*

Friday, October 17, 2014

Shabbat Service ~ 6:30 pm

Candles 5:54 pm

Yahrzeits: Myron Belicove, Lena Bernstein, Anna Brodsky, Hyman Cohen, Jeanette Davies, Anna English, Dorothy Epstein, Ida Fishbain, Helen Friedman, Ruth Gershon, Sylvia Glazer, Jack Gold, Irene Gordon, Paul Gould, Irving Granet, Alice Greenhut, Ray Grossman, Milton Grubman, Samuel Karasic, Monroe Kurman, Bernard Lewis, Hannah Lipszic, Eugene Opatut, Leah Ostroff, Fanny Preiser, Jacob Segner, Lena Shooman, Julius Slotoroff, Marion Taxin

Saturday, October 18, 2014

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am

Parsha: Bereshit 2:4-4:26

Haftarah: Isaiah 42:5-43:10

Friday, October 24, 2014

Shabbat Service ~ 6:30 pm

Candles 5:44 pm

New Student Welcome

Yahrzeits: Sam Adler, Ann Barr, Marian Burday, Joseph Cook, Marcus Deitelbaum, Sally Detzky, Muriel Dulberger, Rose Epstein, Jennie Farber, Ruth Friedland, Charles Glatter, Lena Horvitz, Bernard Isaacson, Sheldon Kaplan, Abraham Kurman, Jesse Lager, Hyman Negin, Dora Nelson, Harold Rebhun, Sophie Rothenberg, Arthur Salaman, Charles Schulman, Kitty Secol, Dorothy Tillis, Irving Yarmeisch

Saturday, October 25, 2014

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am

Jr. Congregation ~ 10:30 am

Parsha: Noah 8:15-9:29

Haftarah: Isaiah 66:1-24



Building Sukkot, Strengthening Relationships

The holiday of Sukkot is nearly upon us! Sukkot has always been one of my favorite holidays. As a child I loved helping my mother put together our Sukkah, collecting Palm fronds for the *skakah* at the top of the Sukkah (a California tradition), and filling our Sukkah with holiday memorabilia -- complete with paper chains, childhood drawings, and plastic fruit! When I left home for the first time to go to college in St. Louis, I missed participating in this yearly ritual with my friends, neighbors, and family members.

Fortunately, through my connections with the Hillel on campus, and a local synagogue that was open and welcoming to students, my connection with Sukkot was both nourished and strengthened. It was during my college years that I first came to realize that while my previous experience of building and decorating the Sukkah was important, what we actually do once we have built the Sukkah is equally important.

Sukkot is one of our most welcoming holidays. Like Pesach, it is a time where we should strive to invite friends, family, and acquaintances to join us for a festive meal. Sukkot is a wonderful excuse to gather with others in celebration of the gifts of our life and the blessings of abundance that we all share. This type of festive gathering is something that comes naturally to many Jews on Passover. Most statistics of American Jews demonstrate that nearly all of us have some type of Seder experience during the Passover holiday. Unfortunately when it comes to Sukkot, I have a feeling that the statistics are not nearly as strong.

Many of us, particularly in the more liberal streams of Judaism, have failed to take advantage of the opportunity that Sukkot provides to dwell outdoors, surrounded by food and the beauty of nature, with family, friends, and loved ones. Part of the challenge is that many are unsure about how to build a Sukkah and some may not even be sure where to look to get started (for a great website and instructions, check out *The Sukkah Project* at www.sukkot.com). Yet another challenge is one that I hear regularly when discussing Sukkot. Many who are unfamiliar with Sukkot, or have not celebrated Sukkot for many years -- somehow feel as if they don't know enough, or their house isn't nice enough, or kosher enough, or their Sukkah isn't "fancy enough" to invite guests over. Ironically, one reason that our tradition asks us to build Sukkah in the first place is to remind ourselves that the material things in our home, and the way our home looks, are far less important than the fact that we are blessed to have a roof over our heads in the first place. On Sukkot we are taught to worry less about appearances and more about making meaningful connections with others. The following Hassidic story illustrates this point nicely:

On the eve of Sukkot, a carpenter attired in work clothes and carrying his tools slung over his back was wending his way homeward through the forest to observe the festival. To his great distress, he lost his way and wandered aimlessly. When darkness fell, he saw lights in small dwelling place not far ahead. Approaching cautiously, he opened the door slightly and peeked in.

In the room he saw Rabbi Israel of Rizin and a group of Hasidim in festive garments seated in a beautifully decorated Sukkah, partaking of a sumptuous meal. Ashamed because of his appearance, the carpenter was on the verge of leaving when Rabbi Israel, in a cordial tone, called to him. "What are you staring at? Is it beneath your dignity to sit in my Sukkah? Come into my Sukkah and join us."

In other words -- whether we are invited to someone's home, or we are inviting someone else, this story teaches that regardless of how much we know, or what we have, or how we are dressed -- each of us is precious to God and each of us should feel self confident enough to celebrate this holiday with our family, friends, and neighbors. Some people may come to synagogue on Sukkot, others may have not. Some people may be working or at school, others may be taking off for the holiday. Some people may be veterans when it comes to celebrating Sukkot, others may be building their Sukkah for the first time. Regardless of where we are along the Jewish journey of your life, Sukkot reminds us of the sense of connection and renewal that comes along with simply "dwelling" with others and sharing the blessings of enjoying a meal together. How many of us spend time throughout the year running around from one place to the next, simply wishing for more quality time for others? Why is it that so many of us limit our time with extended family and friends to holidays such as Hanukkah, Passover and Thanksgiving? Sukkot gives us an additional week during the year to "dwell" with those who are important in our lives -- as we appreciate the gifts of nature, and the many blessings of having reached another year in our lives. This year -- will you take advantage of the opportunity? Will you build a Sukkah? Will you come to the synagogue to celebrate Sukkot? Will you be dwelling with family or friends in their Sukkah? How might you make Sukkot a more significant part of your life? How will you use Sukkot to "build up" your connections to your loved ones, to your community members, to your tradition, and to your God?

Moadim L'simcha- May this Sukkot bring a deep sense of meaning and joy into your life!



The President's Message

Sustaining a Community

The topic of synagogue dues is one of the more difficult issues for congregations. Too often we view the need for dues as putting a price on prayer. We ask "why does our relationship as a holy community need to involve money?"

Of course, the answer is both layered and complex. Our Torah is replete with examples of how our ancestors were called upon to support our earliest holy communities. Tithes, donations to the building of the *Mishkan* (the Tabernacle), and many prescribed offerings, are the subject of many of our Torah readings. That historic precedent, alone, does not alleviate the angst created by charging for membership.

In our hearts we know that running an institution like our Congregation Torat El -- hiring clergy and staff, paying for our operations, and running our programs requires funding. All of the work we do -- visiting the ill, counseling those in need, creating space for prayer, and providing social and educational opportunities for all ages -- happen because we, collectively as a community, make it happen. Part of how we make it happen is through our dues. However, there is often a disconnect between **how** we collect dues and **why** we collect dues.

As part of our implementation of our Strategic Plan, we have been working to reassess our dues current structure. During that process we have focused on whether there are better ways to connect the **how** and the **why** we collect dues. Our Financial Sustainability Committee has studied a variety of approaches that have been successfully implemented by other congregations. As a result we have identified an approach that has increased both revenues and engagement and in so doing created a healthier holy community.

Over the past decades, congregations across the country have worked to find a revenue structure to replace the traditional "fixed dues" model. They have learned the hard way that when faced with a fixed dues structure many community members opt out. While most congregations, like ours, provide a dues relief mechanism, some congregants prefer to withdraw rather than pursue dues relief. Younger families too often defer becoming members until their children approach bar mitzvah age choosing to limit their engagement as part of a community. Congregations have searched for alternatives that focus on increasing engagement will still providing the revenue needed to keep the congregation running.

The new approach focuses on **why** we all come together as a community to "sustain" our congregation.

Under the "Sustainability Model" the focus is on matching our desire to have an institution that enriches our community with the financial needs of that institution.

Under the "Sustainability Model" the congregation is provided with a "*sustainability level*" -- the amount that represents what each member would need to contribute if everyone contributed the same amount. Each community member is then asked to identify a dues giving level after balancing: (i) our collective financial needs and how our congregation enriches our community; (ii) the individual or family's financial means and their connection to our holy community.

Our Congregation will be exploring this new alternative to our current dues structure over the next months. Summaries will be mailed over the next weeks. We will be meeting together to discuss a new approach first in larger sessions and then in smaller focus groups.

Informational meetings are scheduled on October 26, November 13, December 10 and December 21 focusing solely on the proposed approach. We will also be discussing the new approach during our Congregational meeting to be held on November 23rd at 9:00am.

Then over the winter we will be scheduling smaller group sessions. At the end of February, we will be asking each family or individual member to identify their personal dues giving level. We will then assemble and assess those responses in March and April to determine if a new dues approach can move forward without jeopardizing our financial stability.

I invite you to please join in this process. Attend our information sessions and then small group meetings. On behalf of your Board of Trustees, we look forward to speaking and working with all of you as we work to move our Congregation forward as a "**Community Building Relationships**". Andrew Robins



That A-ha Moment

How many times in the last five years have we heard the expression "Kehilah Kedoshah," our holy community? How many times have we heard Andy Robins talk about CTE being a community building relationships? Have any of you had that a-ha moment, where you suddenly realize what those questions mean? I recently experienced it and wanted to share it with all of you.

Building relationships

In early February Emily Fineberg began volunteering in the temple office. As the months passed, Emily became part of our "staff family." We depended on her and she was so extremely helpful to us. When it came time for her to return to college Emily told us she had "prepared a few words" she wanted to share with us. Those few words ended up being 3 pages front and back which we all laughed about! Her remarks began with the mention of kehilah kedoshah and how what she did for us addressed the **community** part of that expression.

As the staff sat around the table having a nice lunch together we each wished Emily the best and thanked her for working so hard. Here's where the a-ha moment comes in... The conversation evolved into a realization about how much support we receive from each other. Unfortunately over the past six months many of us have had personal issues to deal with and the strength we get from each other is of great comfort. After some tears and words of gratitude, Rabbi Schonbrun turned to Emily and told her that what had just happened, the comfort and closeness we all discovered was the **holy** part of the kehilah kedoshah.

A couple of weeks after Emily left for school Jacob's mom passed away. As 12 of us sat in the church attending the funeral that sense of closeness crept back in. This community building relationships is real. It's there for all of you to experience. I hope you take advantage of the opportunity because the feeling is wonderful.

Wishing you all a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year.

Pam Cardullo

Pam Cardullo, Executive Director

Challah Baking Fun!



“Dialogue on Dues” Information Discussion Sessions

This fall we will be exploring a new dues model. Our Financial Sustainability Committee has studied a variety of dues models that have been successfully implemented by other congregations. As a result we have identified an approach we hope will increase both revenues and engagement and in doing so will create a healthier holy community.

We have scheduled 5 sessions (**Oct. 26th at 9am**, Nov. 13th at 7:30pm, Nov. 23rd at 9am, Dec. 10 at 7:30pm, and Dec. 21st at 9am) during which we will discuss:

- Highlights of the “Sustainability Dues Model”
- Our “Sustaining Number” determined based on our budget
- How the approach removes financial barriers to synagogue membership
- The advantages of members voluntarily selecting the amount they wish to commit
- How each family or single member sets their own giving level
- Our timeline for implementation

Holiday Gift Fair

**Sunday, October 26, 2014
10:00am - 3:00pm**

Open to the community

**Clothing * Jewelry *
Housewares * Gifts for kids
* Refreshments* Raffles
Gift Auction**

*Come visit for all of your
holiday shopping needs!*



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

Bring your family and friends and join us for an evening of supper, schmoozing and spirituality.

Our family friendly service features songs, stories and prayer.

Our main service is a traditional Shabbat service.

Friday, November 7th ~ 6:30pm

Traditional Shabbat Dinner

Please note that both services begin at 6:30pm and then join together for dinner.

Dinner Reservation for Friday, November 7th to be returned NO LATER THAN November 3rd.
Please return to the temple office at 301 Monmouth Road, Oakhurst, NJ 07755

Name _____ Phone _____
Email _____ Attending Family Service _____ Main Service _____

Adults @ \$18 _____ # Children 13 and under @ \$10 _____ \$50 per family Max

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

sisterhood congregation torat el



Boutique Drop Off:

**Sunday, November 9th, Monday, November 10th
and Tuesday, November 11th
9am-12pm & 3pm-7pm**

Rummage Sale Drop Off:

**Wednesday, November 12th
9am-7:30pm**

**Sunday, November 16, 2014 9am - 3pm
Monday, November 17, 2014 9am - 12pm**

The "boutique" area was very successful last year so we will do it again this year! Please limit these items to high end designer leather goods, vintage or collectible jewelry and gift items, designer clothing, new toys and baby items. Please pack them separately from rummage sale items and label the box "boutique."

On behalf of Sisterhood and our committee, thank you in advance for your help and support. We could not do this fantastic fundraiser without YOU!

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please call Beth Cotler at 732-776-788.

Items Needed:

Clothing, Shoes & Boots, Handbags, Luggage, Tools, Glassware, Jewelry, Working Electronics, Art Work, Curtains, Sporting Goods, Music, Movies, Linens, Small Working Appliances, Toys, Games, Bikes, Furniture

Our Synagogue Families

Baruch Dayan Emet

The Torat El family extends condolences to:

Donald Nissim on the loss of his brother, Robert
Garry Grabelle on the loss of his stepmother, Midge
Charlotte Vineburg on the loss of her brother, Ike Askin
Jacob Fineran on the loss of his mother, Patricia Minue

The Torat El family wishes Mazel Tov to:

Paul and Janice Holub on the birth of their granddaughter
Alexandra Izabel

First Annual Sukkah Raffle

We would like thank all those who purchased raffle tickets and congratulate this year's winner Russell Scheer and family.
A special thank you to the Men's club members who assembled and took down the sukkah.

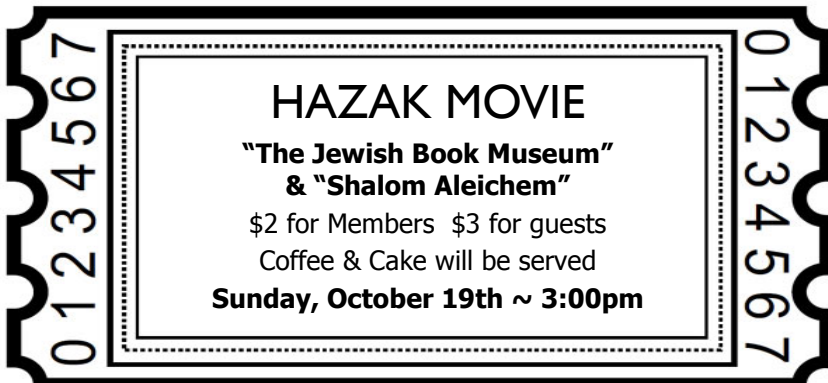


Thank You to Laurie Gross and Gale Mark for the beautiful changes made to our main entrance landscaping
- Yasher Koach -

Thanks to Sherrill Kobb, Marian Warshauer and Be Yeamans for volunteering in the office during the High Holy Days "crunch."

They tirelessly labeled and stuffed the envelopes that held your tickets to services.

If anyone would like to volunteer in the office, please give us a call! There is always something going on and we are thrilled to have extra help.





HAZZAN ALISA POMERANTZ-BORO
accompanied by Cantor Leon Sher

**In Concert at
Congregation Torat El**

FROM THE SHTETL TO BROADWAY

**AN EVENING OF JEWISH
AND JEWISH INSPIRED MUSIC
Sunday, November 2, 2014
7:00pm**

**Ticket Prices:
\$18 students
\$36 general admission
\$75 reserved seating**

- National and International performer
- Featured in television and cable specials
- Performed at the invitation of the U.S. Embassy
- Music available on iTunes, Amazon, CDbaby.com and Sirius/XM radio

**Tickets may be purchased through the temple office or on our
website www.torat-el.org**

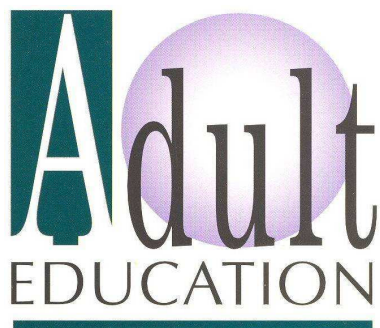
This program has been made possible by a generous grant from the B'nai Sholom/Beth El Foundation

We are honored to invite you to join us for the installation of Rabbi Sara Metz

*Saturday, November 22nd ~ 9:00am
301 Monmouth Road*

Kiddush Luncheon to follow service

Please R.S.V.P. to the temple office by November 17th



2014-2015 RABBI SCHONBRUN'S COURSE OFFERINGS

Chai Mitzvah Program

And now for a "less traditional" adult education option!

Please join us as we participate in this nationally recognized, individualized framework for deepening your engagement with Judaism and your community. Our inaugural Chai Mitzvah cohort will meet every three weeks from the Fall through the Spring, using the Chai Mitzvah curriculum to help participants grow their Judaism in their own way. We will study a variety of topics together as a group during the sessions listed below. Between sessions, students, in conjunction with Rabbi Schonbrun, will be encouraged to follow their own program designed to help them grow and deepen their Jewish lives in any way that they choose (eg. areas of social action, ritual, or study). For more details on how other communities have taken advantage of this program, check out: www.chaimitzvah.org.

Sundays: 9:30-10:30am - October 26, November 30, December 21, January 11, February 8, March 8, March 29, April 19, May 10

Wednesday Lunch 'n Learn (Jewish Ethics 101)

Are you looking for a way to add more meaning to your life? Do you enjoy learning and meeting new people? Do you like to eat lunch? Join us and take one hour out of your busy week to engage in Jewish learning.

This year we will be exploring Rabbi Joseph Telushkins "Code of Jewish Ethics" series. Discussions will center around a wide range of topics from judgment of self and others, civility and good manners, forgiveness, anger, humiliation, the laws of fair speech, and proper versus improper criticism. Come and join us for this interactive, informal, and engaging experience. No experience or background necessary. Please bring a friend!

Wednesdays: 12:00-1:00pm - beginning November 5

Jewish Mysticism 101- Beyond Red Strings and Madonna

What are the basic concepts, beliefs, and practices of Jewish Mysticism? What is the Kabbalah and why has it become so popular in the past decade? Do the secrets of Jewish Mysticism, particularly Kabbalah have something to say to our daily lives in the year 2014? Come and join us as we explore this topic. Come with your topics and your questions and please bring a friend. We look forward to learning with you!

Wednesdays: 7:15-8:15pm - November 5, 12, 19, 26, December 3, 10

The Joys and Challenges of being a Parent to Jewish Teens

Being a parent is one of the most rewarding experiences in the world, but it can also be one of the most challenging-- especially during the teenage years. During this course we will explore the joys and challenges of being a Jewish Parent. We will use our tradition to guide us as we study Jewish voices and texts together, and create an environment that allows for thoughtful reflection on your personal experiences. Using the book, "*The Blessing of a B- Using Jewish Teachings To Raise Resilient Teenagers*" by psychologist and author Dr. Wendy Mogul, we will delve into topics such as teenage narcissism, living with rudeness, risk taking, and when to step in versus when to step back. Judaism has much wisdom to offer when it comes to being a parent. Come join us as we learn and share together in a thoughtful, safe, and engaging environment.

Wednesdays: 7:15-8:15pm - January 21, 28, February 4, 11, 18, 25, March 11, 18, 25

Caregiver Support Group

Share, Learn and Support One Another

The Caregiver Support Group will provide a supportive and educational environment to caregivers taking care of parents, spouses and family members in a safe and non-judgemental environment. The group will aim to provide comfort to members by creating the opportunity to share common experiences and learn coping strategies. Members will gain perspective and caregiver stress management tools that come from hearing others talk.

Cindy Hyman, LCSW will facilitate this on-going monthly support group.

The Caregiver Support Group will meet on the 2nd and/or 3rd Monday of each month. Specific dates to follow.

This program which will be held at Congregation Torat El, is open to the community and has been made possible by a generous grant from the Jewish Federation of Monmouth County.



Kitah Zayin News

The students of Kitah Zayin (seventh grade) will be supporting the Long Branch Ronald McDonald House by beginning a Pop Tab collection program at CTE. The RMH provides a nurturing environment for families whose children are undergoing treatment at local hospitals by providing home-cooked meals, and a room for rest and renewal. Families are asked to pay \$10 a night, although no one is ever turned away. But all that *chesed* costs a lot more, so that's where we come in: our students will be collecting pop tabs from the tops of beverage cans. The RMH brings those little tabs to a local recycler where they generate needed funds. So, please start saving those little tabs and look for collection containers very soon.



Todah rabah!



Sushi in the Sukkah

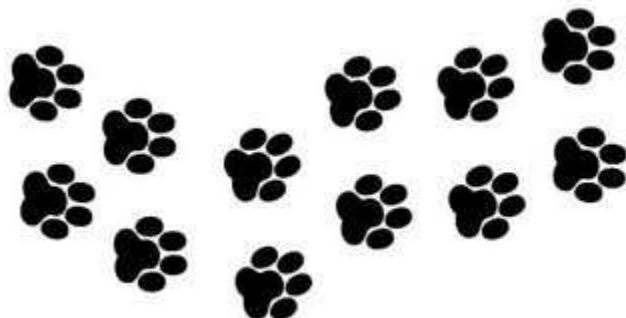
Come check out the stars with
Rabbi Metz
Monday, October 13th 6-8PM
at Rabbi Metz's home

RSVP to rabbimetz@torat-el.org

Dance with USY Regional Hagalil

October 18th, in Millburn

For more information email:
youthgroup@torat-el.org



Sunday, October 19th ~ 11:00am
Celebrate reading the Torah Portion of Noah with the blessing of our CTE family pets. **Have your parents bring your pets to Religious School at 11am** and we will meet outside for Rabbi Metz to give our pets a special blessing remembering how Noah brought each animal onto the ark!

Sisterhood Chai Lites

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, November 22nd - 8pm
Count Basie Theater, Red Bank
Cost: \$36 (center orchestra)



To benefit
The Sisterhood Scholarship Fund
Everyone welcome! The more the merrier!
Make checks payable to CTE Sisterhood.
Paid reservations due by October 9th.

RSVP to Elaine Schreiber
email: speshulmom@aol.com
or call 732-922-4129



You're invited to

Sisterhood's Annual Paid-Up Event

**Thursday, October 23rd - 6:30 PM
Congregation Torat El Social Hall**

**Join us for an evening of fun, food, friendship
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No charge for Sisterhood members

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Dairy dinner will be served

**Please RSVP by October 15th
Lauried144@aol.com
or CTE office 732-531-4410**



College Packages

We are gathering addresses of college students that are studying away from home. Congregation Torat El Sisterhood will be sending out Hanukkah (December 16-December 24, 2014) Purim (March 4-5, 2015) and Passover (April 3- April 11, 2015) packages this year. The packages usually consist of something relating to the holiday (Hamantachen for Purim, Matzoh for Passover) and other kosher snacks. The packages are compliments of Sisterhood.

If you would like Sisterhood to send a package to your college student, please send their college address to **Laurie Gross:**

lauried144@aol.com by November 1, 2014. Please type "college packages address" in subject line. Packages are sent the week before the holiday. If your student will not be at college due to their Spring break or studying abroad during any of the dates noted above please let us know so we do not send that package. If you have sent us an address last year we must receive updated information. Please do not send same as last year without sending the actual address.



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High Holy Days for the Kids

Yom Kippur - Saturday, October 4th

Crafts and Games for grades K-5 ~ 9:30-10:30am

Mini Minyan for ages 2-K (parents asked to attend) ~ 10:30-11:45am

Jr. Congregation for grades 1-7 ~ 10:30-11:45am

Crafts and games for grades K-5 ~ 11:45am 'til main service is over



Congregation Torat El
invites you to Break Fast with your CTE Family
Saturday, October 4th
Immediately following services (appx. 7:30pm)

Bagels, Salads and Sweets
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RSVP's requested for planning purposes.
Please contact the office if you will be joining us.
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Simchat Torah

Thursday, October 16th 6:00pm



Mac and Cheese Dinner and Make Your
Own Sundaes!

The fun continues unrolling the Torah
Friday, October 17th ~ 9:00am

All activities free of charge. RSVP requested for planning purposes

Congregation Torat El Kol Nidre Silent Appeal 2014 / 5775

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When our ancestors brought gifts from their hearts for the construction of the Tabernacle (Exodus 35), they did so to help create a community. So do we ask you to give from your heart in support of our *Kehillah Kedosha*, our sacred community.

As a "Community Building Relationships," our spiritual home can only be as strong as the support we receive from one another.

We make this appeal by mail silently rather than during Yom Kippur in order to preserve the sanctity of our High Holy Days services, but we pray that your response, by its generosity, will be loud and clear. May you be inscribed in the Book of Life for a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

L'Shanah Tovah,
Andrew Robins, President
Rabbi Aaron Schonbrun

The needs of our congregation are great. Please return your pledge appeal commitment to the temple office today. Thank You for your continued support and generosity.

Ritual Engagement Chai Lites

AUGUST LEADERS & READERS

During the month of **August 2014**, the following individuals performed the Mitzvah of reading Torah, chanting the Haftarah, and/or leading Shacharit, Musaf and the Torah Service:

Brian Bauer	Lewis Fisher	Rabbi Schonbrun
Emily Bauer	Harvey Jacob	Joshua Schor
Jeffrey Bauer	Ben Laskowitz	Lori Schor
Matthew Eilenberg	Rabbi Metz	Jaclyn Shapiro
Mark Engel	Alan Morris	Jon Shutman
Joshua Estin	Joshua Pickelny	Stevie Shutman
Samantha Estin	Marcia Sachs	Toby Sukinik
Emily Fineberg	Helene Santo	Neil Weitzenkorn

Altogether, more than 40 individuals helped make our Service inspiring and meaningful during the summer by reading the Torah and Haftarah, and by leading the different parts of the Shabbat service. **Yasher Koach!!!**

'GRADUATES' OF TORAH TROPE CLASS WILL CHANT TORAH ON OCTOBER 11

Please join us on Shabbat morning Oct. 11, 2014, as the 'graduates' of this summer's Torah Trope class will chant the Torah reading. **Yasher Koach** to Steve Feinberg, Mike Gordon, Randi Kervick, Sheila Morris, Zel Steinberg, Neil Weitzenkorn, and Rachel Weitzenkorn.

RE-LEARN TO CHANT YOUR BAR/BAT MITZVAH HAFTARAH

Some congregants have expressed interest in chanting their Bar/Bat Mitzvah Haftarah. If you are interested in chanting your Bar/Bat Mitzvah Haftarah, or if you are interested in learning to become a CTE Leader/Reader, please contact Ben Laskowitz at benlaskowitz@torat-el.org, cell # 732-861-7450.

YASHER KOACH TO BARBARA BODEN, WHO CHANTED HER BAT MITZVAH HAFTARAH SO BEAUTIFULLY IN COMMEMORATION OF A 'SPECIAL' ANNIVERSARY OF HER BAT MITZVAH!!!

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			1	2 Sisterhood Board Mtg (offsite)	3 Erev Yom Kippur Temple Office Closes at 12pm Candle Lighting 6:16pm Kol Nidre Service 6:30pm	4 Yom Kippur Service 8:30am Community Yizkor 2:30pm Mincha/Neilah 5pm/6:30pm Break Fast following services
5 HHD Chair & Book Breakdown, Building Sukkah 9am	6	7 Board of Trustees Mtg 7:30pm	8 Erev Sukkot Temple Office Closes at 12pm Candle Lighting 6:08pm No Religious School Sukkot Service 6:30pm	9 Sukkot 1 Temple Office Closed Sukkot Service 9am Sukkot Service 6:30pm	10 Sukkot 2 Temple Office Closed Candle Lighting 6:05pm Sukkot Service 9am Shabbat Service 6:30pm	11 Sukkot 3 Shabbat Service 9am Lunch & Learn Sponsored Kiddush Jr. Congregation 10:30am
12 Sukkot 4 No Religious School Congregational Breakfast In The Sukkah 9:30am	13 Sukkot 5 Sushi in the Sukkah at Rabbi Metz's House! USY/Teens 6pm	14 Sukkot 6 Ritual Mtg 7:30pm	15 Sukkot 7 No Religious School Hoshanah Rabah Service 8am Shmini Atzeret Service 6:30pm	16 Temple Office Closed Shmini Atzeret/Yizkor Service 9am Simchat Torah Celebration 6pm	17 Temple Office Closed Candle Lighting 5:45pm Simchat Torah Service 9am Shabbat Service 6:30pm	18 Shabbat Service 9am
19 Men's Club Mtg 9am Hazak Movie 3pm	20	21	22	23 Sisterhood Mtg 6pm Sisterhood Paid Up Dinner 7:15 pm	24 Shabbat Service 6:30pm Candle Lighting 5:44pm New Student Welcome 6:30pm	25 Shabbat Service 9am Jr. Congregation 10:30am
26 Dialogue on Dues 9am Holiday Gift Fair 10am	27	28	29	30	31 Candle Lighting 5:36pm Shabbat Service 6:30pm	