



# *Voice of the Shore*

Congregation Torat El ~ Jersey Shore Jewish Center

October 2017 - Tishri/Cheshvan 5778



**Congregation Torat El Presents  
MOTOR CITY REVUE**

**8 Piece Band Rockin' the Hits of Motown, 60s & 70s**

**Saturday, November 4, 7:00pm**

**Dinner, Dancing, BYOB - \$50 per person**

**Coming with friends? Reserve a table (8-12 people)  
Visit [www.motown.torat-el.org](http://www.motown.torat-el.org) to make your reservations!**

*Sometimes it only takes one song to bring back great memories!*

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# October Service Announcements

**Friday, October 6, 2017**

**Erev Shabbat Service ~ 6:30 pm**

**Candles 6:11pm**

Yahrzeits: Seymour Abramowitz, Robert Agris, Ralph Baker, Samuel Blitt, Jerrold Cohen, Robert Comer, Elaine Cooper, Norman Feinstein, Murray Feller, Dorothy Gordon, Larry Jupiter, Dora Kaufman, Irving Kessel, Anne Kessler, George Malek, Toby Marder, George Ostroff, Albert Platt, Pauline Prager, Sylvia Shuzman, Edna Silberman, Eleanor Skora, Gerald Vogel

**Saturday, October 7, 2017**

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

**Parsha: Ki Tissa 33:12-34:26**

**Haftarah: Ezekiel 38:18-39:16**

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**Friday, October 13, 2017**

**Erev Shabbat Service ~ 8:00 pm**

**Candles 6:00pm**

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

**Saturday, October 14, 2017**

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

**Parsha: Bereshit 2:4-4:26**

**Haftarah: Isaiah 42:5-43:10**

***Kiddush Luncheon is sponsored by proud parents Kim Sherman & Rob Einhorn  
in honor of Mady becoming a Master Torah Reader***

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**Friday, October 20, 2017**

**Erev Shabbat Service 6:30 pm**

**Candles 5:50pm**

***Oneg is sponsored by proud grandmother Fran Rediker in honor of Noah's Bar Mitzvah***

Yahrzeits: Sam Adler, Edward Baron, Ann Barr, Karin Bogner, Joseph Cook, Marcus Deitelbaum, Sylvia Dennis, Sally Detzky, Muriel Dulberger, Rose Epstein, Jennie Farber, Ruth Friedland, Charles Glatte, Lena Horvitz, Bernard Isaacson, Esther Kaplan, Sheldon Kaplan, Abraham Kurman, Jesse Lager, Hyman Negin, Harold Rebhun, Sophie Rothenberg, Arthur Salaman, Charles Schulman, Kitty Secol, Dorothy Tillis, Ruth Wahl, Leonard Weinstein, Irving Yarmeisch

**Saturday, October 21, 2017**

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

**Parsha: Noah 8:15-10:32**

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

**Bar Mitzvah of Noah Rediker**

***Kiddush Luncheon is sponsored by the Rediker Family in honor of Noah's Bar Mitzvah***

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**Friday, October 27, 2017**

**New Member Shabbat Service ~ 8:00 pm**

**Candles 5:40pm**

***Oneg is co-sponsored by proud parents Larry & Laura Shapiro in honor of Sydney's Bat Mitzvah  
and the Congregation Torat El Membership Committee***

Yahrzeits: Ronald Barrett, Sylvia Bennett, Sylvia Cook, Ruth Elson, David Epstein, Bradd Feldbaum, Ida Gerechoff, Stanley Goldfus, William Goodman, Dora Grabelle, Marshall Klein, Herman Klorman, Martin Landis, Arthur Leibman, Esther Lieberman, Morris Mandel, Paul Morris, Stanley Rediker, Benjamin Sacher, Mildred Shapiro, Miriam Zimmern

**Saturday, October 28, 2017**

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

**Parsha: Lekh-Lekha 14:1-15:21**

**Haftarah: 40:27-41:16**

**Bat Mitzvah of Sydney Shapiro**

***Kiddush Luncheon is sponsored by proud parents Larry & Laura Shapiro in honor of Sydney's Bat Mitzvah***

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**Weekday Mornings**

**Sunday: 8:30am**

**Monday-Friday: 8:00am**

**Shabbat Morning: 9:00am**

## Service Schedule

**Weekday Evenings**  
**Monday-Thursday: 7:00pm**

**Shabbat Evening Services**  
**1st, 3rd, 4th Friday ~ 6:30pm**  
**2nd Friday ~ 8:00pm**

# EMBRACING IMPERFECTION



When I was in rabbinical school I always enjoyed celebrating Sukkot at the Jewish Theological Seminary. A few weeks prior to the holiday, JTS would start putting up two sukkot that were large enough to fit 150 guests each! These sukkot took weeks to put together, were beautifully decorated, had retractable canvas roofs in case it rained, and were so sturdy that they could weather a major storm. They were almost "perfect," in part, because they were used for a major fundraiser during the weeklong holiday.

But looking back on it, the structures themselves were a bit too sturdy, a bit too durable, a bit too "perfect." Sukkot are supposed to be rickety; they are supposed to be simple. Traditionally put together immediately after Yom Kippur, with only a few days to get the job done, we are to build a structure that can have four, three, or even 2½ walls! There should be some natural covering on top that once grew in the earth, but is no longer attached to the ground. And there must be more shade than sunlight when the skakh, covering, is on the roof. That's it. It doesn't have to be fancy. It doesn't even have to be sturdy. I can remember building one of my first sukkot and watching as it precariously leaned to one side. Thinking that it might fall over when we were eating in it that night, we tied a rope from the roof of the sukkah to a nearby tree to balance things out a bit. It wasn't pretty. It wasn't perfect. But it worked. It was good enough.

Good enough is one of the lessons of Sukkot. Those of us who strive for perfection, who want things to go a specific way in life, who insist that there is often one "correct" way to do things in order to ensure that they are done "perfectly," who work hard in school or at work to make things "perfect," often do ourselves a disservice. We are striving for a goal that is often unattainable, and generally unhealthy. Sukkot comes to remind us that life is not perfect. We cannot control every detail in life. Perfection is not even something that God asks of us in this world. Notice that when God created the world in the story of Genesis, God continually said that God's creation was "good." God even said that creation was good twice on the third day. But the text never uses the word "perfect" to describe God's creation. The story of Genesis, and the mitzvah of building our sukkot come to remind us that perfection should not be our goal in life.

As Rabbi Bonnie Koppel writes:

The mitzvah of the sukkah is just to sit there, to sit there and take it in. To sit there and realize that the sukkah is no home that we would want to live in on a permanent basis, yet, for one week, we call it good enough. Directly following all that effort during the Days of Awe focusing on the perfection of our souls, we are forced to contemplate, to surround ourselves, to just sit with imperfection.

Good enough is a hard concept. (On Sukkot)...Everything eventually fades, and while we try to keep these things alive and beautiful as long as possible, we recognize that nothing in life lasts forever... No matter how beautiful and perfect our etrog is, it will wither and lose its fragrance. Sukkot and perfection

All of this is not to say that we cannot strive for excellence in all that we do in life. But excellence is not the same as "perfection." Sukkot reminds us that we should strive to put forth our best effort in life while understanding that this is often "good enough." Sukkot reminds us to have more reasonable expectations and standards of ourselves and others. It reminds us that there is no such thing as true "perfection" in life.

Society does not do us any favors when it comes to internalizing this message. From TV to social media, to advertisements, we are sent messages that imply that there are "perfect" families, "perfect" marriages, "perfect" children, "perfect" careers, "perfect" skin, hair, clothing, etc... But as we sit in our rickety sukkot, just days after beginning a new year filled with hope, possibility, and a sense of renewal, we are taught to remember that life does not come in a neat, perfect, gift-wrapped package. Life is messy, complicated, and often imperfect. Our relationships take work, and this year (as happened last year), things will likely not always go exactly as planned. We will encounter disappointments, we will experience a lack of control; things will not go perfectly. And that will be okay. Because a healthy and well-balanced life, a life in which we value all that is sacred in this world, is one in which we learn to work with, and value, the imperfections that life throws our way each and every day.

May all of us be blessed to dwell in a *sukat shalom* throughout this coming year. May we learn to live in a state of peace, wholeness, and serenity, as we learn to accept a life of imperfection.

Hag Sameach!



# 2017-2018

## RABBI SCHONBRUN'S

### COURSE OFFERINGS

#### **The Ethical Life: Jewish Values in an Age of Choice; A course in Jewish Ethics from the Jewish Theological Seminary**

From political and financial scandals to rapid progress in biomedical science and technology, the complex issues of modern society are, at their core, issues of ethical and moral concern. Now more than ever, we require a solid understanding of how Jewish ethics can inform our discussions and decisions about the critical questions of the day. Judaism has a long history of wrestling with moral questions, responding to them in a way that considers all sides of an issue. Come and join Rabbi Schonbrun as we wrestle with today's most pressing ethical dilemmas. The class format will include videos from JTS faculty and other expert scholars. We will explore classical and contemporary texts as they relate to a wide range of ethical issues of the day. Topics include, but are not limited to: food production, fracking, mass incarceration, advanced directives and end-of-life care, disabilities, surrogacy, lying, and more. No past experience necessary. Come and join us with your questions and be sure to bring a friend!

#### **\$20 per person/couple for study guide**

In order for us to have enough study guides, please register with the office for this class by October 9.

***\*\*This course will take place in two parts. Please feel free to join us for either or both sessions.***

***Wednesdays, October 18, 25, November 1, 8, 15 and January 17, 24, 31, February 21 at 7:30pm***

#### **Lunch N'Learn: Journey Through The Prophets**

We read the Haftarah, a selection taken from the Book of Prophets, in synagogue every week. Often these Haftorot are challenging to understand both in terms of their context and relevance to modern day life. Just who were these "prophets?" Why were they so important to Biblical Israel and why do we continue to read about them today? When did they live? What did they preach? And what messages do they have for modern day society? Come and join us for an introductory look at the Prophets in the Hebrew Bible. Bring your friends, your questions, and an openness to the wisdom of some of our earliest teachers and leaders. No previous Bible study necessary. We look forward to seeing you!

***Wednesdays, beginning October 18 at 12:00pm***

#### **From The Writings of Dr. Abraham Joshua Heschel**

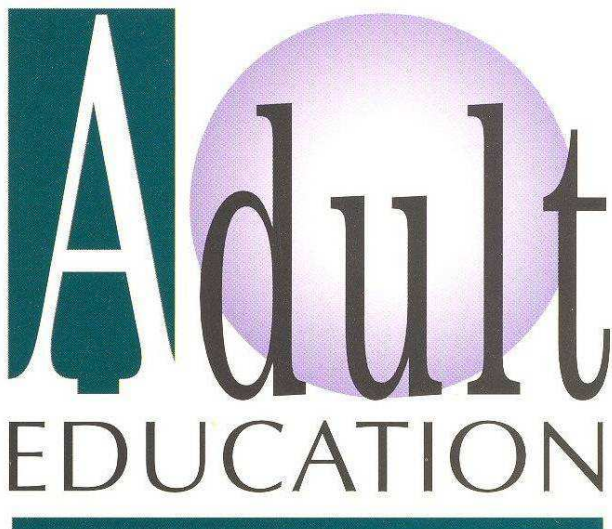
Rabbi, Dr., Abraham Joshua Heschel was one of the prominent Jewish figures of the 20th century. A leading rabbi, philosopher, theologian, and scholar -- Heschel's influence on the American Jewish community in general and the Conservative movement in particular cannot be overstated. Come and join us as we spend a few weeks scratching the surface of this towering Jewish figure by exploring some of Heschel's most significant thoughts and writings and their relevance today. As always, feel free to bring a friend; our classes are open to the community!

***Wednesdays, April 11, 18, 25, May 2, 16 at 7:30pm***

#### **Facing Our Mortality- Living a Purposeful Life**

Over the High Holidays I spoke about Atul Gawande's best-selling book, On Being Mortal, and the challenges of facing our mortality by avoiding discussions related to illness, death, or other challenges. Gawande's book reminds us of the importance of sharing our life goals, aspirations and hopes with our loved ones as we strive to live productive and meaningful lives from beginning to end. What do our Jewish values have to say about all of this? What are some of the practical questions that we should discuss and how do we begin having these conversations with our loved ones? Come and join Dr. Joshua Schor (Geriatrics specialist and Medical Director at the Daughters of Israel Nursing Home in West Orange) and Rabbi Aaron Schonbrun as we discuss these issues in a three-part workshop. Gawande's book is not required reading, but is recommended prior to attending the class.

***Dates to be announced***



# A MESSAGE FROM THE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

## ATTENTION PARENTS, BROTHERS, SISTERS, GRANDPARENTS, GREAT GRANDPARENTS, AUNTS, UNCLES, COUSINS, NEPHEWS, NIECES, AND FRIENDS:

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a wonderful summer! I am looking forward to a wonderful school year for the Religious School as well as Hebrew High. This month we will be focusing on the holidays coming up. In classes we will be making projects, learning about the meaning behind the holidays, and what we can do to celebrate at home.

Our Hebrew High focus this year is community service. Once a month on Wednesdays we will be meeting at a different community service location, instead of Torat El. We will be reaching out to the elderly, disabled, as well as the local library. I look forward to us making small differences in the lives of others!

Please remember: Come in to pick up your child on Shabbat. Dismissal on Shabbat is around 11:30-11:45 and on Wednesdays we dismiss at 6:15.

Please join us for the Simchat Torah Spectacular on Thursday, October 12th at 6:00. Mac and cheese dinner will be served and you will make your own sundaes! There is no charge for dinner, but please RSVP to the temple office by October 9th.

Jaclyn Ringer Leibowitz  
Religious School Director

### Mark Your Calendars:

**Wed. Oct. 4**  
No Religious School  
Erev Sukkot

**Sat. Oct. 7**  
No Religious School  
Columbus Day Weekend

**Wed. Oct. 11**  
No Religious School  
Shmini Atzeret

**Thurs. Oct. 12**  
Simchat Torah Spectacular



## SUSTAINING COMMITMENT 2017-2018

***Our sincere thanks to the following members who made membership commitments at or above our Sustaining Giving Level for this fiscal year!***

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***In addition, we gratefully thank the many donors who wish to remain anonymous.***

*Thank you for your support and generosity!*



# Congregation Torat El

## Kol Nidre Silent Appeal 2017/ 5778

With the holidays upon us, we are once again reminded of Congregation Torat El's presence in our lives. The holidays give us the opportunity to reflect on our relationship with God, with family, and with friends. As we come together in observance of our Jewish faith, we choose to share this time surrounded by our Temple community and enjoy the secure and inviting environment which it provides.

The foundation of our children's Jewish education, identity and connection to the Jewish people are nurtured and reinforced at CTE, and it is our responsibility to our children and to our congregation that we continue to provide that foundation for generations to come.

If you've already made your pledge, thank you for your support and generosity. If you haven't made your pledge yet, please keep in mind that thanks to a generous donor, any increase in pledges from last year will be matched.

More importantly, *your* pledge will be matched by *our* pledge to build upon your trust and ensure Congregation Torat El continues to serve our Jewish spiritual needs, as well as those of our community as a whole.

May you be inscribed in the Book of Life for a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

L'Shanah Tovah,

Steven Fineberg, President

## RITUAL ENGAGEMENT

During the month of **August 2017**, the following individuals performed the Mitzvah of reading Torah, chanting the Haftarah, delivering the Dvar Torah, and/or leading Shacharit, Musaf and the Torah Service:

Matthew Eilenberg  
Mady Einhorn  
Mark Engel  
Michael Gordon  
Ben Laskowitz  
Alan Morris

Ethan Morris  
Hannah Morris  
Paul Morris  
Bonnie Reiss  
Michele Robins  
Helene Santo

Rabbi Aaron Schonbrun  
Joshua Schor  
Lori Schuldiner Schor  
Joel Schulman  
Steven Schwaber  
Neil Weitzenkorn

**Yasher Koach To All!!!**

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](mailto:benlaskowitz@torat-el.org) or cell # 732-861-7450.



## OUR SYNAGOGUE FAMILIES

### The Torat El Family welcomes:

George & Alice Kadash  
Elaine Katz  
Pamela Berkowitz  
Mitchell & Jennifer Weiss & Family  
Lester & Monica Weiss  
Douglas & Alena Sacks & Family



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

Greta Adler on the birth of her great-grandson Max Jacob Adler  
Leila & Glenn Healy on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Jessica Healy  
Ilene & Bob Singer on the marriage of their son Ryan Singer to Kerri Woodward  
Myrna Netkin on the marriage of her grandson Ryan Singer to Kerri Woodward  
Ellie & Michael Breslow on the engagement of their son Evan to Ilia  
Gayle & Reza Ardakanian on the birth of their granddaughter Eloise Farah, daughter of Matthew & Jocelyn Ardakanian  
Joseph Cooper on the birth of his great-granddaughter Eloise Farah, daughter of Matthew & Jocelyn Ardakanian  
Dr. Kenneth Granet on being elected Chairman of the Department of Medicine at Monmouth Medical Center  
Richie Marlieb on his engagement to Sandy Mazzucco

### The Torat Family extends condolences to:

The family of Simon Gershon  
The family of Benjamin Sandberg

## MAZEL TOV TO OUR B'NAI MITZVAH

Hello, I'm **Noah Rediker**. For my Bar Mitzvah project I have decided to support Operation Gratitude. Operation Gratitude aims to support the people that help keep this country safe when disaster happens. They achieve this goal by helping the everyday person to contribute to "care packages" that they then send to the soldiers, first responders, or veterans. They have an extensive wish list that contains the items that they need to create these care packages. These include paracord bracelets, gum, mouthwash, and sunscreen, among other things. For a complete list go to <https://www.operationgratitude.com/wishlist>. Along with care packages, they also help you write letters to these people. Lastly, like most other charities, they also accept donations in the form of money, which helps keep the charity running and allows them to directly buy items that are needed for their care packages. Collection boxes will be located at Acura of Ocean along with one in CTE. Thank you!



My name is **Sydney Shapiro** and I will celebrate my Bat Mitzvah on October 28, 2017. I live in West Long Branch with my parents, Laura and Larry Shapiro and my older sister, Jaclyn. I am a 7th grader at Frank Antonides School. In addition to being active in the synagogue, I play a large role in the leadership at my school. I have been part of Student Council, a member of the Environmental Club, and most recently I was inducted into the National Junior Honor Society. I also play field hockey, basketball and softball on school teams and travel teams.

During my science class last year, we completed a project called My Ecological Footprint, which made me realize that we do not make recycling a priority in our everyday lives. Therefore, I chose to focus on conserving natural resources and recycling for my mitzvah project. I have been educating my family, friends and most recently Breakwater Beach Club to take a more active role in recycling. My family and I have expanded the recycling to include newspapers, cardboard, and plastic. To conserve energy, I take the plug out of an outlet if nothing is charging and turn off the television when no one is watching.

I realize that this is not just a project, but a journey that will help better the environment and make the Earth a safe place for generations to come.

## SISTERHOOD CHAI LITES



### **Sisterhood Paid-Up Dinner Event**

October 26th - 7:15pm

Dinner and Musical Evening Event

Featuring Rabbi Bronwen Mullin

Please come and enjoy a night with your  
Sisterhood friends!

Reservations to the temple office no later than  
October 18.



### **Annual Rummage Sale and Boutique!**

**Sunday, November 19th 9am-2pm**

**Monday, November 20th 9am-12pm**

Drop off dates:

Sunday, Nov. 12th ~ 10am-2pm

Monday, Nov. 13th ~ 10am-2pm, 4:30-7:30pm

Tuesday, Nov. 14th ~ 10am-4pm

**(NO mattresses or upholstered furniture, computers, printers, knives, medical equipment)**



### **THE MODERN JEWISH BAKER**

Author of "The Modern Jewish Baker," Shannon Sama will join us

December 14, 2017 -- 7:15pm

This event is sponsored by Sisterhood to support the Women's League for Conservative Judaism's annual Torah Fund campaign which benefits the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York.

## **MEN'S CLUB**

### **Men's Club Steak and Suds in the Sukkah**



**Tuesday, October 10th  
7:15pm**

**Men's Club Paid Members  
\$20**

**Non-Members  
\$35**

First 125 men will be accepted

RSVP by October 1st for this  
extremely popular event!!

Join us for a steak dinner in the Sukkah. Beer and soft drinks will be served.  
Martin Sukinik, grill master to the stars, will be hand selecting the cuts for the evening!

First time members encouraged! You will not be disappointed!

RSVP to Rob Einhorn at [rob.einhorn@gmail.com](mailto:rob.einhorn@gmail.com) by October 1st

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### **Men's Club Bike Ride**

Manasquan to Allaire State Park  
10.6 mile round trip



RSVP to

[alanrosenheck@gmail.com](mailto:alanrosenheck@gmail.com)  
no later than October 6

**Sunday, October 8  
9:00am**

Meet at Edgar Felix Memorial  
Bikeway  
In Manasquan

**All Welcome!**

Meet at municipal parking lot in  
Manasquan near 1 N. Main Street  
which is the beginning of the path

*All are invited to attend a Special Shabbat Service Honoring  
New & Returning Members and their Families from 2016 & 2017*

Joan Bakley  
Pamela Berkowitz  
Samuel & Jung Bornstein  
Danielle Brous  
Lori Chernin-Rosenzweig  
Robert & Paula Cohen  
Robert & Linda Dennis  
Daniel & Rebecca Gerard  
Adam & Karen Goldin  
Florence Gross  
Susan Gruskin  
Greg & Cindy Hyman

Elaine Katz  
George & Alice Kadesh  
David & Ralee Konigsberg  
Ken & Melissa Ledwitz  
Yuval & Lisa Madar  
Douglas & Alena Sacks  
William & Ellen Shuzman  
Marshall & Nancy Silver  
Sonia Vogel  
Mark & Esther Wertlieb  
Lester & Monica Weiss  
Mitchell & Jennifer Weiss  
Nick & Amy Wofsky

***New Member Shabbat Service  
Dessert Reception  
Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 8:00 PM***

*Family, and unaffiliated friends are encouraged to attend RSVP's appreciated,  
please call the temple office 732-531-4410 by October 20th*

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### **Hazak Author and Dinner Event Sunday, December 3 - 4:00pm**

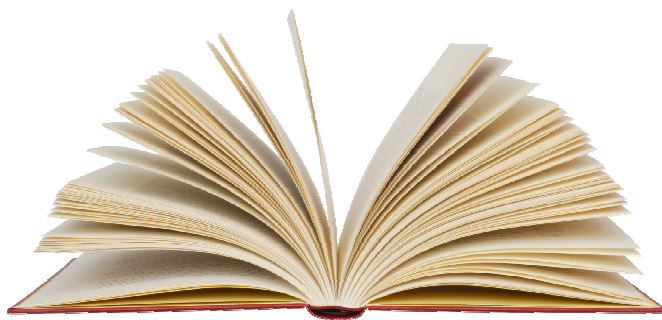
Sergie Waisman, a native of China, immigrated to Israel in 1953 and served in the Israel Defense Forces in Arik Sharon's 890 Paratrooper Brigade. He moved to the United States in 1964 and graduated from the Institute of Design and Construction in Architecture. He owned his own practice in New York City for forty years. He lives in New Jersey with his wife, Liza.

**Open to all temple members and guests.  
This program will include a Chinese buffet dinner  
\$10 per person (pre-paid reservations required)**

Paid reservations on the temple website ([torat-el.org](http://torat-el.org)) or to the temple office no later than November 29.



# MEET THE AUTHOR SERIES



## CONGREGATION TORAT EL



**Sunday, October 22  
11:00am**



Meet Anna Solomon, author of *Leaving Lucy Pear*

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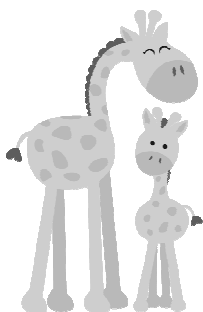
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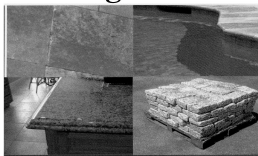
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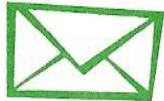
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8 Men's Club Bike Ride In Manasquan 9:00am	9	10 Men's Club Steak & Suds In The Sukkah 7:15pm  Ritual Mtg 7:30pm	11 Temple Office Closes 2:00pm  Hoshanah Rabbah Service 8:00am  Candle Lighting 6:03pm  Shmini Atzeret Service 6:30pm	12 Temple Office Closed  Shmini Atzeret/ Yizkor Service 9:00am  Simchat Torah Spectacular 6:00pm	13 Temple Office Closed  Simchat Torah Service 9:00am  Candle Lighting 6:00pm  Shabbat Service 8:00pm	14 Shabbat Service 9:00am  Sponsored Kiddush Lunch
15 Men's Club Breakfast/Speaker Program 9:00am	16	17 Executive Board Mtg 7:00pm	18 Lunch & Learn Begins 12:00pm	19 Sisterhood Board Mtg 7:15pm	20 Candle Lighting 5:50pm  Shabbat Service 6:30pm	21 Bar Mitzvah of Noah Rediker 9:00am  Sponsored Kiddush Lunch
22 Meet The Author 11:00am	23	24 Education Committee Mtg 7:15pm	25 Lunch & Learn 12:00pm	26 Sisterhood Paid Up Dinner & Music Event 7:15pm	27 Candle Lighting 5:40pm  New Member Shabbat Service & Dessert Reception 8:00pm	28 Bat Mitzvah of Sydney Shapiro 9:00am  Sponsored Kiddush Lunch
29	30	31				