

Voice of the Shore

Congregation Torat El ~ Jersey Shore Jewish Center

Elul 5771/Tishri 5772

September 2011

Weekday Mornings

Sunday: 8:30 am Monday-Friday: 8 am

Weekday Evenings

Monday-Thursday: 7:00 pm

Shabbat Evening Services

6:30 pm

Shabbat Morning Services 9 am

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

A Shubbuc 10 Review, Rejuice 9 Recur

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!

Friday, September 23rd at 6:30 pm

Please note that this service runs <u>in addition</u> to our regular 6:30 pm service

CONGREGATIONAL DINNER TO FOLLOW BOTH THE TRADITIONAL AND FAMILY SERVICE APPX. 7:15PM

PLEASE JOIN US

Dinner Reservation for Friday, September 23, 2011

Please return to the Temple office, 301 Monmouth Rd Oakhurst, NJ 07755 by September 19th

Phone _____
Email _____ # Children 13 and under @ \$7 _____
\$36 per family Max
Amount Enclosed: \$

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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

Family Friday Nights

Fourth Friday of each month

Family Service and Dinner

6:30pm

Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Second & Fourth Friday of each month

Traditional Service

6:30pm

Yahrzeits are honored at Friday night services prior to the Yahrzeit date.

September Service Announcements...

Friday, September 2, 2011

Erev Shabbat Services 6:30 pm

Candles 7:10 pm

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS: Brooke and Seth Bass, Andrea and Ronald Bazer, Beverly and Bertrand Berlin, Rachel and Mark Steinberg, Henrietta and Harry Zimmerman

MEMORIAL PRAYERS: Lena Abromowitz, Pola Auster, Victor David Bahary, Samuel W. Bazinsky, Jean Beja, Alfred M. Cruset Ruth Cutler, Dora Dembling, Mary Wolff Drourr, Louis Fisher, Ely Nathan Friedman, Louis Garfield, Lawrence Gitten Sylvia K. Gnesin, Thelma Nesselroth Graf, Samuel Granet, Rae Kamber, John Lanier, Lillian Ledwitz, Harris Levinson Samuel Louis Levy, Abraham Light, Myrtle Ludlow, Rita Ellenson Macy, Henry Marton, Morris Oppenheim, Morris Opperman Lenore Parks, Benjamin Pashman, Walter Perkins, Ruth Peshkin, David Pollock, Anna Resnick, N. Craig Roberts Shep Rosenstein, Gussie Rubenstein, Jerome Rumaner, Harris Samuel Scherr, Shirley Schwartz, Gladys Schwartzman Esther Shutman, Jacob Stern, Sylvia Talansky, Benjamin Todres, Rosie Vogel, Dinah Wilk, Teresia Winkler

Saturday, September 3, 2011

Parsha Deuteronomy 16:18-18:5 Haftarah: Isaiah 51:12-52:12 Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am

Friday, September 9, 2011

Erev Shabbat Services 6:30 pm Philips Avenue Beach - Conover Pavilion Candles 6:58 pm

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS: Sylvia and Ray Cohen, Lisa and Ronald Hanna, Molly and Dean Lager, Marlene and Sidney Poretsky, Dorothy and Steve Secol, Jean and Arthur Tauber

MEMORIAL PRAYERS: Julius Alterman, Harry Berkowitz, Sara Bernstein, Janet Casper, Yetta Chaiken, Isadore Chernotsky Jay Cohen, Edna Davidson, Sidney Davidson, Belle Deixel, Hyman Ellenson, David M. Epstein, Meriam Fingaret Warren Fink, Mildred Finkel, Anna Finkelstein, Clayton Fishman, Mildred Funt, Bruce Jonothon Geller, Pearl Goldsmith Benjamin Goldstein, Samuel J. Goodman, Diane M. Harad, Jack Heiferman, Mayer Hock, Morey Hunter, Helen Jacobs Julius Jacobs, Joseph Solomon Kalb, Lev Kaplan, Isidore Karlsruher, Jack Katz, Rose S. Katz, Max Klausner Fred B. Kravetz, Max Kreizman, Esther Kruman, Gwen Kurry, Robert Leitner, Gerald Levy, Hilda Lichter, Harriet Lieberman Zelma Mandelbaum, Eleanor Mayersohn, Evelyn Pressman, Albert Rosen, Sadie Rosenthal, Morris Rothberg, Yetta Safman Rubin Salmansohn, Adele Schaeffer, Warren Schnitzer, Ruth Scott, Irving Segan, Miriam Solomon, Morton Spitz Max Sprechman, Irene Srulowitz, Edward Stern, Sydney Suskin, Ben Taxin, Herbert Vos, Norman Yeamans

Saturday, September 10, 2011

Parsha Deuteronomy 21:10-23:7
Haftarah: Isaiah 54:1-10
Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am

Congregation Torat El

Shabbat at the Beach



Please join us Friday, September 9 for a very special Shabbat Service at the Conover Pavilion at Phillips Avenue beach in Deal. Our service will begin at 6:30 pm with a summer oneg to follow.

Kindly RSVP to the temple office if you will be joining us. Please note that this will be the only service of the evening.

September Service Announcements...

Friday, September 16, 2011

Erev Shabbat Services 6:30 pm

Candles 6:46 pm

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS: Lillian and Martin Fisher, Ruth and Bernard Grebler, Barri and Mark Haber, Leslie Posnock and David Schwartz, Joann and Milan Schwartz, Suzanne and David Wiser

MEMORIAL PRAYERS: Esta K. Abrams, Abe Allen, Edward Banker, Albert Beja, Mary Berlin, Joel Blenden, Sidney Bornstein Albert Brandt, Joseph Costic, Clara Distelfield, David Elias Elson, David Epstein, Meyer Fish, Milton Funt, Isaac Ginsberg Hyman Goldberg, George Goldenberg, Leland Gottstein, Frank Grossman, Lester Grossman, Jenna HaberLilli Karlsruher Gloria Klausner Grossman, Chaim Kornbluth, Rose Kramer, Lynn Beth Kulka, Oscar Kurry, George Lam, Eric Lehrfeld Minna Liebesman, Abraham Aaron Negnewitzky Sam Nussbaum, Solomon Opatosky, Abraham Osattin, Maurice Parks Harry Parnes, Beverly Pearlman, Monroe Phillips, Lillian Pribell, Albert Reisch, Edward Rosen, Jack Roth Ruth Rothman Bella Ruchaevsky, Eva Samuel, Milton Schreibman, Gloria Schulman, Jack Simon, Sylvia Slotkin, Gloria Spertus Lee Spingarn, Joseph Stiftel, Frank Subinsky, Mollie Todres, Sharon Weininger, Nathan Weiss, Frieda Weissman Hortense Wigdortz, Jacob Wirth, Harry Zimmerman, Benjamin Zisselman

Saturday, September 17, 2011

Parsha: Deuteronomy 26:1-27:10

Haftarah: Isaiah 60:1-22

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am Bar Mitzvah: Matthew Engel

A Kiddush Luncheon is sponsored by Mark and Melanie Engel in honor of Matthew becoming a Bar Mitzvah

Friday, September 23, 2011 Traditional Shabbat Services 6:30 pm Candles 6:35 pm Fourth Friday Family Shabbat 6:30pm ~ Congregational Shabbat Dinner 7:15pm

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS: Carol and Daniel Amrany, Annette and Bernard Martin

MEMORIAL PRAYERS: Saul Abraham, Louise Anschelewitz, Fatima Ardakanian, David Bernstein, Stanley Blenden Janet B. Brody, Freda Jeannette Brosgol, Abraham Brown, Daniel Chazen, Leonard F. Cohan, Barbara Cohen Samuel Cohen, Irving Cutler, Mae Danzig, Anna Droisen, Lillian Fetell, Jack Fiedler, Irving J. Gabelman, Bess Gildenberg Tillie Glickman, Samuel Goldberg Allene Gordesky, Ruth Grossman, Scott Harris, Ruth Herbstman, Sol Hoffer Meyer Jacobowitz Jessie Weinberg Jacobs, Morris Kaufman, Harry Klafter, Abe Korb, Tillie Krivins, Abraham Kruman Daniel Kruman, Barry Lehman, Marion Levine, David Lippin, Joseph J. Mandel, Herman Needel, Ida Ochs, Joel Opatut Lola Opatut, Herbert J. Pear, Jack Perzley, Walter Raab, Henry Rubens, Rhoda Rubovitz, Sophie Sabin, Adele Sanders Ellen Schlesinger, Ida Schwartz, Jeannete T. Shain, Lou Shooman, Samuel Sporn, Shirley Martha Steinert, Morris Wahl Richard Wahl, Fay Wahl Schmier, Pauline Warm, Morton Weiner, Rose Weiner, Mary Siegel Weiss

Saturday, September 24, 2011

Parsha: Deuteronomy 29:9-31:30 Haftarah: Isaiah 61:10-63:9 Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am Bat Mitzvah: Samantha Rebhun

A Kiddush Luncheon is sponsored by Rob and Teri Rebhun in honor of Samantha becoming a Bat Mitzvah



Our Synagogue Families

Baruch Dayan Emet

The Torat El family mourns the loss of:

Sidney Sandler Morris Brown

Goldie Sandberg and extends condolences to her husband, Ben Sandberg **Beverly Berlin** and extends condolences to her daughter, Ida Mandel

The Torat El family extends condolences to: **Lainie Laskowitz** on the loss of her father, David Wallach **Leslie Posnock** on the loss of her father, Michael Posnock **Jeryl Krupnick** on the loss of her sister, Judith Williams

Mazel Tov to:

Sandra and Carl Koreen on the birth of their new grandson, Caleb Benjamin Koreen. Proud parents Drs. Irina and Larry Koreen. **David Resnick**, son of **Diane and Steve Resnick**, who was honored with the 2011 Youth Achievement Award by Shomrim of Philadelphia and the Delaware Valley. David was also the recipient of the 2011 Rabbi Jacob S. Friedman Scholarship Award.

Roberta and David Fiedler on the marriage of their son **Michael to Jennifer Burdzy**. **Martin and Toby Sukinik** on the marriage of their son **Ronnie to Linda Birnbaum**.



From The Rabbi's Study...

Don't Let This Gift Certificate Expire

Have you ever been given a gift certificate or a coupon that you hold onto for so long that by the time you remember to use it, you find it has expired? And, just your luck, it happens right after the expiration date! You know, you are standing in line about to pay for the towels with that discount coupon, or about to get into the zoo or the movies using those passes that you have been holding onto forever—only to realize that they expired just last month!

A similar phenomenon happens each year with the month of Elul. Each year, our tradition gives us an incredible gift certificate redeemable for an entire month of reflecting upon our successes and challenges as individuals and focusing on what we can do to bring more meaning, purpose, and holiness into our daily lives. But this special one month offer comes to an end at the High Holidays of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. The challenge is not letting these days slip by, not letting our gift certificate expire.

In his wonderful book entitled, <u>Days of Awe</u>, S.Y. Agnon tells the following story from Rabbi Hayyim of Zans to illustrate the point:

There was once a poor countrywoman who had many children. They were always begging for food, but she had none to give them. One day she found an egg.

She called her children and said: "Children, children we've nothing to worry about any more; I've found an egg. And, being a provident woman, I'll not eat the egg, but shall ask my neighbor for permission to set it under her setting hen, until a chick is hatched. For I am a provident woman! And we'll not eat the chick, but will set her on eggs, and the eggs will hatch into chickens. And the chickens in their turn will hatch many eggs, and we'll have many chickens and many eggs. But I'm a provident woman, I am! I'll not eat the chickens and not eat the eggs, but shall sell them and buy me a heifer. And I'll not eat the heifer, but shall raise it to a cow, and not eat the cow until it calves. For I'm a provident woman! And I'll sell the cows and the calves and buy a field, and we'll have fields and cows and calves, and we won't need anything anymore!

The countrywoman was speaking in this fashion and playing with the egg, when it fell out of her hands and broke.

Said our master, "That is how we are. When the Holy Days arrive, every person resolves to do Teshuvah, thinking in his heart, 'Ill do this and I'll do that.' But the days slip by in mere deliberation, and thought doesn't lead to action..."

So how can we avoid missing this golden opportunity? How can we avoid a situation where we are standing in Synagogue at the end of Yom Kippur, listening to the shofar blast, only to realize that we missed out on this extraordinary offer? Our qift certificate has expired! Our egg has broken!



The solution is simple, though the process can be challenging. Despite our busy lives and overloaded schedules, we *must* make the time during these coming days and weeks ahead to take the process of Elul seriously. We cannot simply show up at synagogue for three days and expect to emerge with a sense of renewal and transformation. We need to come to synagogue prepared. We need to have done our homework. It is in that spirit that I would like to share with you the following questions about the past year as one way to help you get started:

- 1. What brought me the most joy this year?
- 2. What brought me the most pain?
- 3. What do I regret not doing this year?
- 4. Who did I hurt, and how can I make up for what I have done?
- 5. Who do I need to forgive and how can I go about forgiving them?
- 6. What are the most important relationships in my life and how can I nurture them in the coming year?
- 7. What was a Jewish high point for me this year? What was a Jewish low point?
- 8. What was my relationship with God like this year?
- 9. How did Judaism affect my life this year? Am I satisfied with Judaism's role in my life?
- 10. What are my goals in life and what I am I doing to achieve them?
- 11. Where do I see myself in five years, ten years, or twenty years?
- 12. If I could change one thing about myself, what would it

I invite you to take these questions seriously, creating some time in the coming days to sit down with a pen and paper and actually answer them. Bring them with you to synagogue to remind you of what you are trying to accomplish during these *Yamim Noraim*. Engaging in this process of *teshuvah*, literally turning towards yourself, your fellow human beings, and God, is the key to bringing holiness, and wholeness into your life. If it is done honestly, this process will give you deep insight into who you are, where have you been during this past year, and where you would like to be going.

Shanah Tovah U'metukah. May each of you have a good and sweet New Year.





5772 HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICES



SELICHOT

Saturday, September 24th ~ 7:45pm
** Program to be held at Temple Beth Miriam**

ROSH HASHANAH

Erev Rosh Hashanah, Wednesday, September 28th ~ 6:30pm Ist Day Rosh Hashanah, Thursday, September 29th ~ 9:00am

Mini-Minyan (ages 2 thru K) with a parent & Junior Congregation (1st - 7th Grade)
After shofar blowing (appx 11:00am) - After sermon (appx 12:15pm)
Tashlich immediately following service

2nd Eve Rosh Hashanah, Thursday, September 29th ~ 6:30pm 2nd Day Rosh Hashanah, Friday, September 30th ~ 9:00am

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

SHABBAT SHUVAH

Eve of Shabbat Shuvah, Friday, September 30th ~ 6:30pm Shabbat Shuvah, Saturday, October 1st ~ 9:00am

YOM KIPPUR

Kol Nidre, Friday, October 7th ~ 5:45pm Yom Kippur, Saturday, October 8th ~ 8:30am

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

Yizkor ~ I I:00am (approximate time)
Study Session with Rabbi Schonbrun ~ 3:15pm
Mincha/Neilah ~ 4:15pm/5:45pm
Communal Shofar Blowing ~ 7:15pm
Break Fast

SUKKOT

Erev Sukkot, Wednesday, October 12th ~ 6:30pm 1st Day Sukkot, Thursday, October 13th ~ 9:00am & 6:30pm 2nd Day Sukkot, Friday, October 14th ~ 9:00am

SHEMINI ATZERET / SIMCHAT TORAH

Hoshanah Rabbah/Shemini Atzeret, Wednesday, October 19th ~ 8:00am & 6:30pm Shemini Atzeret /Yizkor, Thursday, October 20th ~ 9:00am Simchat Torah, Thursday, October 20th ~ 7:00pm Simchat Torah, Friday, October 21st ~ 9:00am

Babysitting to be provided by Congregation Torat El Sisterhood!

For the Morning Service on the first and second days of Rosh Hashanah \sim September 29 and 30 On Yom Kippur \sim September 8

Please remember to bring with you anything your child may need.

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED: Contact the Temple office at 732.531.4410

CONGREGATION TORAT EL SISTERHOOD

Is happy to provide

BABYSITTING

For the morning service on the first and second days of Rosh Hashanah (September 29th & 30th)
And on Yom Kippur (October 8th)

PRE-REGISTRATION WITH THE TEMPLE OFFICE IS REQUIRED! 732-531-4410

EMBRACE THE HIGH HOLY DAYS WITH SELICHOT

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH - 7:45-11:00PM

AT TEMPLE BETH MIRIAM 180 LINCOLN AVENUE, ELBERON

The evening will include a creative service, a movie with the theme of challenge and change, a discussion, and of course, food.

Please RSVP to the temple office 732-531-4410

HIGH HOLY DAYS FOOD DRIVE

Congregation Torat El will gather food for people in need. The food drive will run from Rosh Hashanah through Yom Kippur. All donations will go to the Monmouth County Food Bank.

Donation bins will be out during the holidays for collection.

L'Shanah Tovah!

A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

This program gives temple members the opportunity to participate in a formal service at the traditional time of visiting loved ones who have left our physical world.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2ND - 10:30AM TEMPLE BETH EL CEMETERY

DON'T FORGET TO ORDER YOUR LULAV AND ETROG SETS

\$45 PER SET

ORDER FORMS INCLUDED IN YOUR HIGH HOLY DAY MAILING AND AVAILABLE AT THE TEMPLE OFFICE OR ON OUR WEBSITE www.torat-el.org

SUKKOT OPEN HOUSE WITH THE SCHONBRUNS

Rabbi Aaron and Jane-Rachel Schonbrun cordially invite you to join them at their Sukkot Open House

Sunday, October 16th - 3:00-6:00PM 318 Grant Avenue, Deal

Please RSVP to the temple office 732-531-4410

STEAK 'N SUDS IN THE SUKKAH

All Men are invited to join Men's Club in the Torat El Sukkah for a barbecued steak dinner.

\$30 per person

Sunday, October 16th - 6:00pm

RSVP by October 10th to rob.einhorn@gmail.com

SUPPER IN THE SUKKAH Sponsored by CTE Sisterhood

Baked Ziti, Salad, Bread, Beverage and Ice Cream Sundaes

\$6 Adults, \$4 Children 13 and under

Come enjoy and fulfill the Mitzvah of eating in the sukkah!

Many, many thanks to Eva and Howard Wiener for all of their hard work compiling the Book of Life and Remembrance.

An evening you'll never forget:

Elie Wiesel, the Voice of a Generation



Sunday, September 18, 2011 at 7:00pm

Congregation Torat El 301 Monmouth Road, Oakhurst

Sanctuary Simulcast Seating Available: \$25 per adult, \$15 per student For tickets and information call 732-531-4410

Sponsored in part by a generous grant from the B'nai Sholom/Beth El Foundation

Many thanks to our co-chairs Laurie Gross, Bill Belfer and Beverle Richelson for organizing what is sure to be a night to remember!



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CHAI LITES



Welcome to a very exciting Religious School year!!!

1st Day of Religious School (Meet & Greet): Sunday, Sept. 18, 9:00 - 10:30 A.M.

1st Weekday Session: Monday, Sept. 19, 4:30 – 6:00 P.M.

1st High School Session: Monday, Sept. 19, 6-8 P.M.

Your WELCOME BACK PACKET is in the mail. It contains a lot of very important information, including this year's CLASS ROSTERS. If your child is not listed on the roster, please notify the office immediately. If you have not registered your child, please do so as soon as possible!!!

Information Concerning Junior Congregation

Junior Congregation services for students in grades 3-7 will be held the 2nd and 4th Shabbat morning of the month beginning October 22nd.

Meet Your Teachers

I am very proud to introduce this year's teachers. This represents a collection of extremely qualified, dedicated, and caring Jewish educators:

Ganon (Pre-K) and Gan Yeladim (Kindergarten)......Beth Cotler

Kitah Alef (1st Grade)......Peggy Gaber-Casey

Kitah Bet (2nd Grade)......Pnina Zunger

Kitah Gimel (3rd Grade)......Nitza Solon

Kitah Dalet (4th Grade).....Sue Klein

Kitah Heh (5th Grade)...... Sarah Bercovicz

Kitah Vav (6th Grade)..... Chani Englard

Kitah Zayin (7th Grade)...... Rachel Bronstein

Resource Room...... Pnina Zunger

Family Education...... Rabbi Schonbrun

Music Teacher...... Cantor Siegel

High School Teachers...... Rabbi Schonbrun, Cantor Siegel, Ben Laskowitz,

Rachel Bronstein, Randi Kervick, and Ronnie Walerzak

Please come in and introduce yourselves to your child's teachers at your earliest convenience!

Mark Your Calendars:

Sun, Sept. 18 1st Sunday Session – Meet & Greet

Mon. Sept. 19 1st Weekday Session and 1st High School Session Wed. Sept. 28 No Religious School – Erev Rosh Hashanah

Thurs. Sept. 29 & Fri. Sept. 30 High Holiday Youth Services
Mon. Oct. 3 Tashlich on the Beach (6:30 P.M.)
Sat. Oct. 8 High Holiday Youth Services

Sun. Oct. 9 & Mon. Oct. 10 No Religious School – Columbus Day Weekend

The members of the Elie Wiesel committee are looking for high school students to come to Congregation Torat El on Sunday, September 18th at 9:00 AM to help set up chairs and tables for the Elie Wiesel major event that evening. Community service hours will be given. Please call Laurie @ 732-531-0511.

Yasher Koach to our B'nai Mitzvah!

My Mitzvah Project

My name is **Matthew Engel**, my Hebrew name is Fival after my great-grandfather Fred Engel. I will become a Bar Mitzvah on September 17, 2011. I live in West Long Branch, NJ and am starting 8th grade at the Frank Antonides Middle School. I attended Hebrew School at Temple Beth El and Temple Beth Torah since I was in kindergarten, and I plan to continue in Hebrew High School this year. Everyone knows I love baseball, but I also like football, Harry Potter books and movies, and hanging out with my friends. Becoming a Bar Mitzvah means that I am an adult in the Jewish Community, and can now be counted in a Minyan, read Torah, and I am now responsible for observing Mitzvot on my own.

For my Mitzvah Project, I collected pet food, blankets, toys, and other necessities for the local ASPCA shelter in Eatontown. The shelter has many pets in need, and unlike needy people, they have no voice to ask for help.

I want to thank my parents and teachers, and Rabbi Schonbrun and Cantor Siegel, for helping me get ready for this day.

My Mitzvah Project

My name is **Sami Rebhun** and I look forward to becoming a Bat Mitzvah on September 24, 2011. I live in Wayside with my parents, Teri and Bob, my sister, Erica, and my brother, Scott. I am in 7th grade at Ocean Township Intermediate School.

My mitzvah project is very special to me. My family and I have been buying toys to be donated to the Ronald McDonald House. I am hoping this will bring a smile to those children who are so ill. I dance at Center Stage four times a week and as another part of my mitzvah project, I assist children between the ages of 3 and 7 years old at the studio. Watching them gain confidence in themselves is a wonder thing to be a part of. In between, I love hanging out with my friends.

I can't wait to celebrate with everyone on my special day!







USY

OPENING MEMBERSHIP EVENT MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 8—9 AFTER HEBREW HIGH SCHOOL MEET THE CAST OF USY'S

JERSEY SHORE



KADIMA

OPENING EVENT
WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 21
6—7 AFTER HEBREW SCHOOL
EXTREME MAKEOVER
TEMPLE EDITION

PRE-KADIMA

OPENING EVENT
WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 14
6—7 AFTER HEBREW SCHOOL AT CTE
AMAZING RACE

NOW IS THE TIME TO JOIN CONTACT ABBY SCHEER (732-531-7543)



CTE Adult Ed: Fall/Winter 2011-2012



Ongoing: 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 weekly Lunch & Learn program led by Rabbi Aaron Schonbrun. Take one hour out of your busy week to engage in Jewish learning as we delve into the rich world of the Talmud.

We will meet every Wednesday from 12-1 PM. This class is open to people of all levels of Jewish knowledge. 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!

This year we will begin by studying the "Walking With the Jewish Calendar" series from the Ziegler School of Rabbinic studies. Using both traditional texts and essays written by contemporary scholars from the Conservative Movement, we will take an in-depth look at all of the major holidays of our tradition.

Class begins: Wednesday November 2, 2011

Fall/ Winter 2011; Monday Nights:

Mindful and Meaningful High Holy Days

Doesn't it make sense to spend some time preparing for the longest services and the most personal holy days of the Jewish year? We're here to help!

These sessions, led by Rabbi Schonbrun will address both the outer work of understanding the structure and meaning of the High Holy Day liturgy and the spiritual practice of *teshuvah*/repentance.

When: September 19th - 7:15-8:15 PM, September 26th - 6:00-7:00PM

Exploring the Jewish Life Cycle (four classes)

Why do we break the glass at a Jewish wedding? Why does a mourner "sit shiva" for seven days following the funeral and why is the recitation of mourner's kaddish such a central Jewish ritual. What are the differences between the ways in which boys and girls enter into the Jewish covenant? And, are there Jewish ways to mark other life-cycle events between birth, marriage, and death such as sending children off to college, pregnancy, miscarriage, divorce, retirement, or coping with parents who are aging? From birth to marriage to death ,to the many things in between, come and join us as we take a closer look at the Jewish lifecycle.

When: October 17, 31, November 7, November 14– 6:00-7:00PM

Can you believe that she said that?! The Jewish Take on Gossip

We all gossip from time to time. Just think about the last time you were at the grocery store, the beach club, or even at shul (!) in the grocery store and heard some "juicy" details about someone who wasn't there (or maybe you passed on the juicy details yourself!). When is this just passing on information, and when is it defined as "gossip"? What type of gossip is kosher and what type is not? Join us to get the Jewish perspective on this topic with a lively discussion based on original texts and secondary writings. Bring your questions and bring a friend! No previous knowledge is required.

When: November 21, December 5, 12, 19 - 8:00-9:00PM

[Festival of] Lights, Camera, Action! (1 class)

Though we tend to think of Hanukkah as a children's holiday, it actually has a significant message for adults. Themes of darkness and light, Jewish identity, assimilation, conflict and rededication continue to be relevant to our lives as Jews. Come and join us as we discover the deeper meaning of Hanukkah for our lives.

When: TBA

The Cantor's classes will be announced at a later date.

Upcoming Hazak Events

HAZAK PRESENTS.. Jewish Responses to Tragedy: Remembering September 11th

Join us for coffee and bagels Sunday, September 11th ~ 10:30 a.m. Congregation Torat El Social Hall

A decade has passed since our world was forever changed by the tragedy of September 11, 2001. What is the Jewish response and what are the Jewish lessons to be learned on this tenth anniversary? Come and join us for an informal text study and discussion with Rabbi Schonbrun to commemorate this important date in our lives as Americans.

Please RSVP to the Temple office

"Noodle" Join us for a great afternoon! Sunday, December 11th ~ 3:30 p.m.

At thirty-seven, Miri is a twice-widowed, El Al flight attendant. Her well-regulated existence is suddenly turned upside down by an abandoned Chinese boy whose migrant-worker mother has been summarily deported from Israel.



Kosher Chinese Dinner \$8 Hazak Members - \$10 Guests

RSVP to the Temple office by December 5th 732.531.4410

Camping with Hazak at the Block and Hexter Vacation Center June 29-July 6 By Sheila Morris

I attended a week of camping with the Hazak group in the Poconos. Hazak is an organization for United Synagogue seniors - couples and singles. The camp has 560 wooded acres and a 60 acre natural spring fed lake.

This was my 4^{th,} yes 4^{th,} time there. They're doing something right or I wouldn't keep going back. What was so wonderful? Let me count the ways - In no particular order, the staff, the classes, the activities, the other participants, and the food.

As usual, the wait staff and the camp staff were from all over the world. The young people were enthusiastic, charming and helpful.

There were about 100 people attending - a large group from the Maryland area, some from Florida and one woman from Houston, Texas.

I always enjoy the lectures and this year was no exception:

Rabbi A Eckstein – Do Jews Believe in the Afterlife?

Gloria Goldreich -Literature of Israel

Sheldon Horowitz – Architects of Israel

Dr. Marsha Bryan Edelman – Jewish music (through lectures and leading singing)

Dr. Randall Woodfield – Great Love Stories from Musical Stage

Rabbi Moshe Edelman – Taught one class of learning to read Hebrew and another on the meaning of the Amidah. He led the discussions of Pirkei Avoth on the Porch which was 18 minutes of study. His purpose was to encourage us to learn, discuss and interact.

There was a guest lecturer who spoke about Islam and the Mideast.

In addition to the lectures, there is a fitness center, arts and crafts, walking trails, other camp activities, the lake or just sitting.

The dates for next year are June 28-July 5, 2012.



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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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<u>Catered Luncheon:</u> Having a special event? Let SH cater your luncheon through "Lox Stock and Deli." For more information and details, please call **Diane Resnick** at 732-531-3802.

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<u>College Packages:</u> Would you like your college student to receive holiday college packages from sisterhood for the 2011-2012 school year? Please send your student's name & address along with their spring break dates to **Jackie Rosenheck** by e-mail to therosenhecks@msn.com

MIN PINCOW RAFFLE UPDATE

The winners to date of Sisterhood's Min Pincow 50-50 Raffle are as follows:



April Carol Klein, with Number 63
May Steve Feinberg, with Number 55
June Maxine Boff, with Number 29

The next drawing will take place on July 14. Will your number be a winner? If you still do not have a number, there's still time to get one—but you must hurry. Please contact either:

Gayle Ardakadian @ 732-493-8877 or **Phyllis Schwarz** @ 732-988-0928

Save the Date

"It Shoulda Been You" Saturday, November 5, 2011

Starring Tyne Daly

The George Street Playhouse

Sisterhood Scholarship Event



Save the Date

Sisterhood's Annual Rummage Sale November 20th and 21st.

The only drop off day is Wednesday, November 16th.

To volunteer call Beth Cotler at 732-776-7887 or Gayle Ardakanian at 848-466-9800.



Shabbos Services—What's in it for Me? By Warren Goode

Like most of us, I went to Temple services three times a year plus the occasional Bar or Bat Mitzvah. As my children got older, the occasional Bar or Bat Mitzvah became nonexistent.

Then a few years ago I tried occasionally attending Shabbat services; however, I felt out of place since I only knew a few people in the synagogue. I felt uncomfortable and intimidated. Does this sound familiar?

These days, I consider myself a regular. I have gone from feeling a sense of obligation to actually looking forward to Saturday morning. When I now arrive, actually on time, I feel like I belong to something wonderful and inspirational.

Remember the bible stories we all learned when we were children? Here is our opportunity to read them in the original form and learn from the Rabbi how they relate to our lives today!

I now look forward, with a sense of accomplishment, to being able to daven better, participate in the services and allow the language and prayers to become more meaningful.

When I come to Saturday morning services, I allow myself to shut out the world and my busy schedule for a few hours. It can be like a mini vacation every week. I hope I lead the way by example for my children and grandchildren I also feel an connection with my roots with my parents and grandparents.

I have given myself the opportunity to meet a new bunch of people who turn out to be pretty nice and friendly. I have begun to understand the services a bit more and dare I say even begin to connect with God. I recognize the value to my mind and spirit of having CTE become a significant part of my life.



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Israel Experience with Rabbi Aaron Schonbrun



Join Rabbi Schonbrun to learn all the details about our exciting trip to Israel Summer 2012!

Monday, October 10th 7:30pm Social Hall



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Judith, Michael, Scott, Adam and Leigh Blechman

DO A MITZVAH FOR A SHELTER CAT!

By Phyllis Schwarz



As the summer heats up and the temperature rises so does the cat population at the Monmouth County SPCA. As kitten season starts, shelters traditionally find themselves overcrowded with more cats and kittens than adopters. To help these purrfectly wonderful felines find their forever homes, the MCSPCA will be celebrating with many adoption specials all summer long. Every feline at the MCSPCA receives spay/neuter, rabies, distemper vaccinations, deworming, flea treatment, FIV/FeLV testing and a microchip.

Perhaps a long term relationship isn't what you are looking for right now. Even if you have commitment issues you can still help the kitties at the MCSPCA. With hundreds of purring and prowling felines at the Monmouth County SPCA, the organization is also in need of foster homes. Becoming a foster parent or family is a great way to help a homeless feline. Whether you open your home and heart to a bottle baby or a seasoned adult short term or for a few months, it not only helps the animal in your care, but the countless animals still in need. If you would like to learn more about becoming a foster parent or a cat socializer with the Monmouth County SPCA please contact Perri, the MCSPCA volunteer coordinator at 732-542-1036 or email her at perri@monmouthcountyspca.org

Too young to adopt or foster a kitty? Do a mitzvah and collect items from the MCSPCA kitten and cat wish lists. You may want to hold a *Kitty Shower* in honor of one of the many moms and babies that have found shelter at the MCSPCA. Some of the items that make great gifts for baby are KMR Kitten Formula, canned kitten food, heating pads/discs, kitten bottles, plain yogurt, jarred baby food (turkey, beef, chicken) and stuffed animals. Looking for the perfect gift to get the new parents? Here are some great ideas from the MCSPCA cat wish list- fancy feast cat food, world's best cat litter, cat treats, pill pockets, 9 lives cat food, new small plastic cat carriers, cat beds and cat toys.

To learn more about adoption, fostering or fulfilling items from the wish list please visit www.monmouthcountyspca.org or call 732-542-0040.

Thank You

Shabbat BBQ Preparers' & Men's Club Participants in Shabbat Service
July 29, 2011
By Lynne Kraft

Thank you to the following people who helped to make our Shabbat BBQ on July 29, delicious & special:

Shoppers, Coordinators & Master Cooks: Ellen & Gary Theodore

Corn Shuckers & Overall Food Preparers: Jules Resnick, Rob Einhorn, Norm Ginsburg, Gary Gross, Ali Nill, Stan Abrams, Michael Glasser

Stepped in to Cook the Hamburgers: Andy Robbins

Greeters: Be Yemens and Mariann Levy

I also want to thank **Gary Gross** and the **Men's Club** for coordinating and leading the Shabbat service that night. I appreciate that we were able to help build a "Holy Community" by coming together on this special occasion.



SAVE THE DATE! MITZVAH DAY 2011

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH Details to follow



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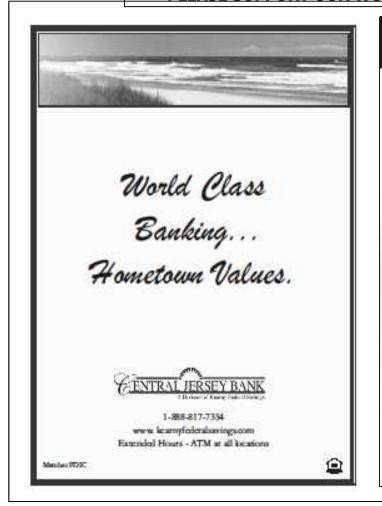
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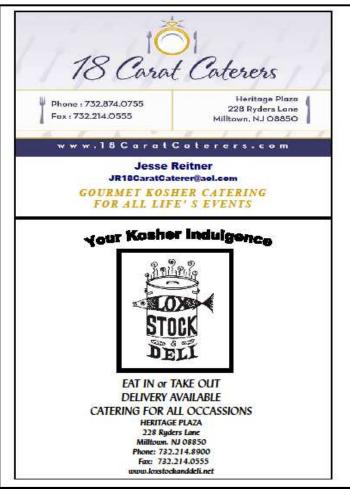
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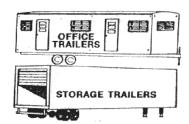
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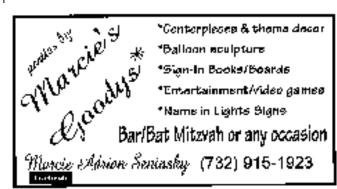
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4	5 Temple Office Closed	9	7 Marketing Mtg 10:30am	ω	9 Candle Lighting 6:58pm Shabbat at the Beach 6:30pm	10 Shabbat Service 9:00am Mini Minyan 10:30am
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