

# Voice of the Shore

Congregation Torat El  $\sim$  Jersey Shore Jewish Center September 2016 - Av/Elul 5776

## Back to School, Back to Shul



Welcome back...we missed you!!

## Join us Wednesday, September 14th

1st weekday session of Religious School
1st Hebrew High Session
1st Adult Ed class with Rabbi Schonbrun

Stop by anytime between 5:00-7:00pm

**Grab dinner and visit with friends** 

Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Knishes Italian Ices, Popcorn, Funnel Cake

Activities for the kids include corn hole, can jam, putt-putt golf, homework table with helpers

There's no charge for this event but we'd sure appreciate your RSVP so we can plan accordingly.

Call the temple office at 732-531-4410 or visit our website at torat-el.org

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Friday, September 2, 2016

#### **Shabbat Service 6:30 pm**

Candles 7:06 pm

YAHRZEITS: Lena Abromowitz, Bobby Baker, Jean Beja, Bella Block, Sidney Cook, Alfred Cruset, Lawrence Gitten, Ethel Gordon, Sonia Karasic, Henrietta Kaufman, Mollie Kreisler, Ruth Marx, Anna Resnick, Herbert Rubin, Gladys Schwartzman

Saturday, September 3, 2016

Parsha: Re'eh 15:1-16:17

Haftarah: Isaiah 66:1-24

Haftarah: Isaiah 51:12-52:12

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am

Friday, September 9, 2016

Shabbat Service 8:00 pm

Candles 6:55 pm

Oneg is sponsored by proud parents Sara & Joe Assael

YAHRZEITS: Lillian Baron, Yetta Chaiken, Jay Cohen, Ruth Cutler, Warren Fink, Bess Gildenberg, Samuel Goodman, Thelma Graf, Mayer Hock, Morey Hunter, Gwen Kurry, Gerald Levy, Walter Perkins, David Pollock, Gussie Rubenstein, Jerome Rumaner, Shirley Schwartz, Morris Shapiro, Sydney Suskin, Sylvia Talansky

Saturday, September 10, 2016

Parsha: Shofetim 19:14-21:9
Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am

**Bat Mitzvah: Jocelyn Assael** 

Kiddush Luncheon is sponsored by proud grandparents Sandy & Fred Singer

Friday, September 16, 2016

Shabbat Service 6:30 pm

Candles 6:43 pm

#### Oneg is sponsored by proud parents Staci & Jeff Nussbaum

YAHRZEITS: Edna Davidson, David Epstein, Clayton Fishman, Stanley Freedman, George Goldenberg, Richard Grayson, Lester Grossman, Jack Heiferman, Rose Katz, Anna Krongold, Hilda Lichter, Frances Morgenstern, Abraham Osattin, Albert Reisch, Albert Rosen, Morris Rothberg, Ruth Rothman, Yetta Safman, Eva Samuel, Gloria Schulman, Ruth Scott, Jack Simon, Gloria Spertus, Max Sprechman, Ben Taxin, Frieda Weissman, Norman Yeamans, Harry Zimmerman

Saturday, September 17, 2016

Parsha: Kitetse 24:14-25:19

Haftarah: 54:1-10

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am Bat Mitzvah: Isabelle Nussbaum

Kiddush Luncheon is sponsored by proud parents Staci & Jeff Nussbaum

Friday, September 23, 2016

**Shabbat Service 8:00 pm** 

Candles 6:32 pm

18+ Years Membership Appreciation Dessert Reception (Please note special service time!)

YAHRZEITS: Esta Abrams, Louise Anschelewitz, Fatima Ardakanian, Julius Baron, Richard Bascom, Albert Beja, Leonard Cohan, Anna Droisen, David Elson, Jack Fiedler, Ruth Grossman, Tillie Krivins, Daniel Kruman, Oscar Kurry, George Lam, Arnold Morris, Herman Needel, Abraham Negnewitzky, Sam Nussbaum, Ida Ochs, Lola Opatut, Beverly Pearlman, Morris Pollak, Walter Raab, Mortimer Rubin, Irving Santo, Ida Schwartz, Sylvia Slotkin, Lee Spingarn, Morris Wahl, Morton Weiner, Nathan Weiss, Jacob Wirth

Saturday, September 24, 2016

Parsha: Kitavo 27:11-29:8

Haftarah: Isaiah 60:1-22

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

Kiddush Luncheon is sponsored by Richie Marlieb in honor of the 50th anniversary of his Bar Mitzvah

**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

## Standing In Judgment Of Our Judgments



It is almost that time of year again with Rosh Hashanah a few weeks away. There are many different names for the Jewish New Year: Rosh Hashanah (the "head" of the year), Yom Hazikaron (the day of remembrance), Yom Teruah (the day of the sounding *of the Shofar*), Yom Ha-Din (the day of judgment). It is this last title, Yom Ha-Din, which has my attention as I begin thinking about these upcoming Days of Awe. Traditionally, Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are centered around the theme of judgment because we are joining with our community, and coming before our God to "be judged" by God, and to judge

ourselves as we take stock of our actions over this past year. But I think that there is more to it than that. Yom Ha-Din is also a time for us to think about the ways in which we judge others, and ask ourselves whether or not we are always fair in our judgments. Consider the following two stories which each offer some insightful advice about striving to be more generous in our judgments in the coming year. The first is told by Rabbi Sharon Braus of IKAR in Los Angeles. She writes:

I was young and earnest with a dream summer internship at the Justice Department, living in dorms crowded with college kids from around the country. My roommate was coming a week late and I anxiously awaited her arrival, certain we'd be best friends forever. Way too early one morning, there was a knock on my door. "Hi. I'm your roommate" she said coolly, pushing past me. "So happy to finally meet you!" I said. "Where are you working this summer?" No answer. "Have you lived in DC before?" Still no answer. "There're some great people on our floor – I'd love to introduce you..." She wouldn't even make eye contact with me! My face started to burn – I turned and walked out of the room, embarrassed by what an easy cry I was. I called my folks, convinced that this was going to be the worst summer of my life. Should I try to switch rooms? Get an apartment? Pack up and escape back to New York? I avoided the dorms until late that night, and when I finally returned I was relieved to see that the lights were out and nightmare roommate was sound asleep. As I tiptoed in, I noticed a note on my pillow: I'm so sorry we didn't have time to connect more today. My name is Cathy, and I'm working on the Hill. I just want to let you know that I'm deaf, so if I'm not looking directly at you, I won't know that you're talking to me. Sorry – should have mentioned that this morning – it's always awkward when I meet new people. By the way, I saw that you're reading Invisible Man. That's my favorite book! Can't wait to get to know you this summer.

For the sin that I committed before You by assuming the worst of Your children. Please forgive me.

The second story is based on a tale told by Rabbi Brad Hirschfield:

Two rabbis were walking down the street and involved in a conversation when they came across a simple Jew who had stopped by the side of the road. The man was greasing the wheels of his wagon. Both rabbis immediately noticed that the man was wearing *tefilin*, objects worn by observant Jews during prayers.

One rabbi called out, "What are you doing?" He said, "Come out from under there!" The simple Jew stopped greasing the wheels and stood up next to the wagon. "There are rules about how we're supposed to wear tefilin," this rabbi said. "You have to have a clean body -- a pure body -- when you wear your tefilin." This rabbi was clearly upset. He continued to rant: "You're doing one of the most disgusting, grimy jobs possible, and you're wrapped in one of the holiest objects a Jew can put on. What are you thinking? What's wrong with you?" The simple Jew felt ashamed and embarrassed. He began to cry. "You're right, rabbi," the man said. "I know those rules. I know that I shouldn't be wearing my tefilin when I'm greasing the wheels of my wagon," he said between sobs. "I know that it's offensive. I don't know what else to say except that I'm sorry. I'm so, so sorry."

The second Rabbi, the famous Levi Yitchak of Berdichev, could no longer contain himself. He screamed out with incredible joy. "Master of the Universe, Lord of the World, look at this beautiful man, this holy Jew. See how devoted he is -- how devoted all of your people Israel are to you. Even when they're greasing the wheels of their wagons, they want to be wrapped in your presence, Lord. That's how much they love you!" (Becker, Three Times Chai)

Rosh Hashanah is a time for each of us stand before God in judgment. But it is equally a time for us to stand before the mirror in judgment and consider the ways in which we, often unfairly, judge others. As Rosh Hashanah approaches, let us take the time to reflect and ask ourselves: Am I someone who is "quick to judge," or am I someone who likes to take my time when a judgment is necessary? Am I someone who gives others the benefit of the doubt, or am I quick to condemn someone based on my initial perceptions of their behavior? Am I someone who is extremely judgmental and critical, or do I consciously look for the positive in all of my interactions with others? Am I someone who is open when it comes to my initial assessment of others, or am I often quick to "make up my mind?" As creatures who strive to be God's partner in this world, we have been blessed with the privilege and responsibilities that come along with making judgments each and every day. As we look forward to a new year, may each of us use this gift with care, thoughtfulness, and generosity; mirroring the ways in which each of us hope to be "judged" by God in the year to come.

Jane-Rachel and I wish you and your family a shanah tovah u'metukah, a good and sweet new year!



# 2016-2017 RABBI SCHONBRUN'S COURSE OFFERINGS

#### **Creating Mindful and Meaningful High Holy Days**

It's that time of year again! A time for reflection, renewal, and redirection as we are blessed with the gift of a New Year. But taking advantage of this opportunity each year is usually easier said than done. Do you find it difficult to gain any meaning from the High Holy Days service experience? Do you find it challenging to make the most out of this fresh start each year? Do you want to figure out how to make your Jewish New Year's resolutions actually stick? Then come and join us for this two-part series designed to get us in the proper frame of mind for these upcoming Yamim Noraim, Days of Awe.

Wednesdays, September 14, 21 - 7:30pm

#### **Lunch 'n Learn - Journey Through The Torah**

We read the Torah in synagogue every week, often choosing a verse or a narrative to study on Shabbat morning. But how many of you have read through the Torah carefully from cover to cover, studying each verse and each chapter of the world's longest "best seller?" Just what exactly is contained in these Five Books of Moses, and how can our most sacred text address some of the most pressing issues of our lives and of our world? To find out answers to these questions and more, come and join us once a week for a journey through the Torah. Bring your friends, your questions, and an openness to letting the words of Torah touch your heart and soul. No previous Bible study necessary. We look forward to seeing you!

Wednesdays, beginning October 26 - 12:00-1:00pm

## L'dor va-dor: Sharing Our Values From Generation to Generation

L'dor va-dor -- for thousands of years our people have passed on our heritage and the communal story of our people "from generation to generation." Although the spoken word plays a large role in Judaism, it is the written word, the stories that are written down, and retold, that have ultimately ensured our survival.

This course will encourage us to answer the question found at the center of the national hit Broadway show Hamilton, which asks the audience to consider: "Who lives, who dies, who tells your story?

Wednesdays, November 9, 16, 30, December 7, 14 7:30pm

## Jewish Values and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict-Cost?

Through video lectures, text study, and lively group discussion, we are pleased to bring the world-renowned faculty of the Shalom Hartman Institute into the Torat El community.

Through the study of Jewish narratives about Israel and the unpacking of the complex meanings of peace in Jewish tradition, we will explore the ideas and values that animate different attitudes toward the conflict and how these values shape our own political understandings of the situation. Though our political opinions and suggestions concerning how to handle the Israeli-Palestinian conflict may not always be in agreement, this course strives to achieve a shared respect for our differences.

Each session includes text study and discussion led by Rabbi Schonbrun, a video lecture by Rabbi Dr. Donniel Hartman, and a video dialogue between Rabbi Hartman and other top scholars and experts. Join us for this wonderful opportunity to learn from great scholars, from our own Rabbi Schonbrun, and from one another as we engage in thinking about the Jewish values that underlie one of the most politically sensitive and difficult issues facing the Jewish people and the international community.

#### \$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 January 4th.

Wednesdays, January 18, 25, February 1, 8, 15, 22, March 1, 8, 15 - 7:30-9:15pm

## You're *Jewish*?!? Taking a 21st Century Look at Jews and Jewish Identities

What does it mean to be a Jew in the twenty-first century? What characteristics define Judaism today? Are we a culture, ethnicity, nation, nationality, or religion? Come and join us as we explore a new book written by Dr. Aaron Hahn Tapper of the University of San Francisco entitled:

"Judaisms: A Twenty-First Century Introduction to Jews and Jewish Identity. Using a variety of themes related to Jewish identity, we will explore a diversity of voices in the Jewish community from the biblical period through today to see how our customs, practices, and beliefs impact the way in which we understand our identity as Jews today.

Wednesdays, April 26, May 3, 10, 17 - 7:30pm

## FROM THE DESK OF LAWRENCE SHAPIRO

First and foremost, a hearty Mazel Tov to Rabbi Metz, Lev and Doron on the birth of their son, Eitan Navi, as well as to Jacob and Kate Fineran on the birth of their daughter, Maisie Patricia. I am happy to report that mothers and babies are doing well, and I am sure you all join me in wishing them our heartfelt blessings.

During Rabbi Metz's maternity leave, Sherrie Robinson, the long-time Chairperson of the Education Committee and an educator herself, has agreed to oversee the Religious School. We thank Sherrie for stepping in and I know she has been working hard with Linda Pickelny of the Executive Board, the Education Committee, the teachers, Rabbi Metz, and Rabbi Schonbrun to ensure that the school does not miss a beat.

As we move into September, I am happy to report that the sale of a portion of the Temple land to the Township is finally coming to fruition. We hope to close later this month. The money from that sale will be used to pay for the recent emergent repairs that were made to the roof and flashing of the building. The remaining funds will be held in the "building bucket" (remember the various giving areas we created a few years ago) for future needs.

Finally, I hope you took advantage of the wonderful events which were held during the summer months. Shabbat at the Beach was a great success and very well attended. The Men's Club Golf Outing was a hit. Cantor Greenberg (our High Holy Days Cantor) visited the weekend of August 5-6 and was very well received. And our name tag project is in full swing, with thanks to Steve Fineberg and the Membership Committee so that we can all be more friendly and welcoming on an even more personal level.

There is much more to come as we move into the holiday season, so enjoy the waning days of summer and I look forward to seeing you all soon!

Larry

#### **Federation Accepts Teen Applicants for a New J Team Class**

The Jewish Federation in the Heart of New Jersey is accepting applications for the 2016-2017 J Team Teen Philanthropy program. A select group of 9th-12th grade students meet monthly throughout the school year to learn about philanthropy, meet representatives of nonprofit agencies, engage in community service and make charitable donations -- all with a focus on core Jewish values of giving. The teamwork approach to philanthropic giving makes this program a win-win for our community's teens and nonprofit agencies and gives teens the tools to begin a life of giving.

J Teamers each make a donation of \$125 and use the knowledge they acquire to propose and select organizations to fund. At the end of the year, team members decide together which programs will receive funding, and how that money is allocated to those programs. The program is hosted by the Jewish Federation in the Heart of New Jersey. Applications and information can be found at www.jewishheartnj.org/teens. Please direct all inquiries to Linda Benish, J Team Coordinator, at lindab@jewishheartnj.org or 732-588-1816. To learn how you can help support or sponsor this program, contact Laura Safran, Director, Community Impact at lauras@jewishheartnj.org.





## **Congregation Torat El Proudly Presents...**

## Michelle Azar

Singer, Dancer, Story Teller

## In her one-woman show... From Baghdad to Brooklyn

## Saturday, November 12, 2016 - 7:30pm \$36 per ticket

Michelle Azar is the daughter of an Iraqi-born, Israeli-raised businessman father and her Brooklyn born and raised, singer-performer Ashkenazi mother. As a child Azar sang on stage with Placido Domingo.

In her one-woman show Michelle Azar takes audiences on her travels from Iraq to Israel to the United States. She shares her quest to balance her Middle Eastern heritage with her background of American culture. With an angelic voice, deep sentiment and humor, Michelle tells a timely story of a family's love, dysfunction and redemption set against a unique historical backdrop.

### To purchase tickets visit fbb@torat-el.org

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

Join Congregation Torat El for a Sunday at Citi Field

Sunday, September 18th - Bus leaves CTE at 11:00am

\$45 per person (Left Field Landing seats, round-trip bus transportation, bus snacks included)

Sponsored and Subsidized by Torat El Youth Groups RSVP to youthgroup@torat-el.org or to the office



Tickets are extremely limited. Payment required to confirm reservation. Ticket sales to only temple members until Labor Day then open to guests as well.



Elease join us in honoring the members who have been part of our congregation for over 18 years.

Friday, September 23rd 8:00pm Shabbat service

Shabbat Service followed by Coffee Bar and Desserts

For planning purposes, please RSVP to the temple office (732) 531-4410 by September 13th

If you have been a member for over 18 years and haven't received an invitation to be honored at this service please call the office. Invitations were mailed August 5th. There are several membership applications from past years that were incomplete at the time of joining and they do not include membership dates.

## Shabbat Learn 'n Burn

A spiritual experience to restore your mind, body and soul

Come and join us as we celebrate Shabbat in a variety of ways at our monthly "Spirit of Shabbat" Program. With a recognition that no one size fits all and a commitment to encouraging multiple points of entry for participants, this Shabbat morning seeks to offer multiple ways for you to bring the gift of Shabbat into your lives. Join us for our main service from 9-11:30am. Or participate in our "learn 'n burn" program starting at 9am with a study session followed by a refreshing yoga/meditation class at 10am. Feel free to join us for any or all of our programming and dress in comfortable clothing. Everyone is invited to gather together for our kiddush oneg/luncheon following the programs as we celebrate Shabbat as one community.

First Saturday of each month beginning November 5th through May 6th

## **OUR SYNAGOGUE FAMILIES**

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

Rabbi Sara & Lev Metz on the birth of their son Eitan Navi Jacob & Kate Fineran on the birth of their daughter Maisie Patricia Carl & Sandra Koreen on the birth of their grandson Joseph Nathan, son of Drs. Irina & Larry Koreen

#### The Torat Family extends condolences to:

Anne Weinstein on the loss of her father Marvin Jassie Reza Ardakanian on the loss of his father Aliasghar Ardakanian Howard Lang on the loss of his father William Lang Larry Karasic on the loss of his brother Jerome Karasic Robert Karasic on the loss of his uncle Jerome Karasic Kenneth Rubin on the loss of his mother Esther Rubin



#### The Torat El Family Welcomes:

Paula & Bob Cohen

## Yasher Koach to our B'nai Mitzvah

My name is Jocelyn Assael. I live in Ocean with my mom and dad and two dogs Venus and Oscar. I am in the 7th grade at Ocean Township Intermediate School and I love playing tennis and spending time with my family and friends. My Bat Mitzvah is on September 10th and for my mitzvah project, I participated in "Remember Us," which allowed me to connect my Bat Mitzvah with two children who happened to be my ancestors that perished in the Holocaust before they were able to be called to the Torah for their own B'nai Mitzvahs. This project became even more meaningful to me this summer when I was at Yad Vashem. While there. I was able to perform a service in their honor. I am also involved with the March of Dimes. Having been a preemie myself, I go to the NICU and spend time with the siblings of other preemie babies. I try to do fun things with them to take their minds off of their little brothers and sisters and make their parents time visiting their children that much easier.

Hi, my name is Isabelle Skye Nussbaum. I live in Wayside with my mom and dad, my sister, Sydney and my brother, Dillon. I am in 7th grade at Ocean Township Intermediate School. I have been dancing since I'm three years old and I absolutely love it. I recently started playing field hockey and I am hoping to play on my school team. In addition to sports, I enjoy hanging out with my friends, getting my nails done and shopping! My Bat Mitzvah is September 17, 2016. For my Bat Mitzvah project, I have been volunteering for an organization called Lunch Break. I also have been packaging meals for shut-ins with my family during the holiday season since before I could even walk. I'm happy to help people in need whenever possible because I feel that I am making a difference in someone's life.

I'm so excited for my upcoming Bat Mitzvah – I can't wait to see you there!



## RITUAL ENGAGEMENT

Yasher Koach to Brian Bauer for receiving a Yad in recognition of his 18<sup>th</sup> Torah reading!

During the month of **July 2016**, the following individuals performed the Mitzvah of reading Torah, chanting the Haftarah, and/or leading Shacharit, Musaf and the Torah Service:

Brian Bauer Ben Laskowitz Rabbi Aaron Schonbrun

Ari Binns Steven Leiterstein Joshua Schor

Matthew Eilenberg Sheila Morris Lori Schuldiner Schor Steve Fineberg Michele Robins Steve Schwaber Mitch Grayson Marcia Sacks Neil Weitzenkorn

Harvey Jacob Helene Santo

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 All!!!

MAKING STRIDES
Against Breast Cancer

## SISTERHOOD CHAI LITES

In our lifetime, breast cancer has affected many lives.... mothers, sisters, aunts, cousins, friends, or yourselves.

Join our team, Congregation Torat El Sisterhood And walk at the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer event October 16, 2016 Arnold Avenue, Point Pleasant

**Sign up on line** at the American Cancer Society Making Strides website and select "Donate to a Team" to help raise money for research, education and critical patient services and celebrate survivors.

Although the walk starts at 10:00 AM, be there EARLY in order to find parking and complete registration.

Meet in front of the brick building on the side of the survivor tent.

For those who would rather not drive, meet at the temple parking lot by 7:45 AM. Contact Diane Resnick at 732-740-9834 or Diresnick@aol.com if you will need a ride to ensure we have an ample number of drivers.

## SISTERHOOD CHAI LITES CONT...



#### THIRD ANNUAL SUKKAH RAFFLE

Cost of the Ticket: \$18.00

How this works: Winner receives the use of a 12'x12' sukkah.

Men's Club will set up and take down the sukkah at your home for Sukkot 5777

(October 16th -23rd)

Drawing: September 22, 2016 at Sisterhood Paid-Up

Tickets are available at the temple office for purchase or complete the form below and send your check made out to CTE Sisterhood. We'll mail your tickets to you. You don't have to be present to win.

I want to win a sukkah set up for 5777 and create memories for my family that they'll never forget!			
Family NameAddress	Phone		
Number of tickets wanted Amount Enclosed \$			



#### Annual Rummage Sale and Boutique! Sunday, November 20th 9am-2pm Monday, November 21st 9am-12pm

Drop off dates:
Sunday, Nov 13th ~ 10am-2pm
Monday, Nov. 14th ~ 10am-2pm, 4:30-7:30pm
Tuesday, Nov. 15th ~ 10am-4pm



## **Thursday, September 22nd 7:30pm**Sisterhood Paid Up

Come Join the Fun!

#### Saturday, November 5

Sisterhood-sponsored trip
"Billy Elliott the Musical"
at the Axelrod Performing Arts Center

#### Thursday, December 15th 7:30pm

Dr. Ali Botein-Furrevig, PH.D., author of "Heart of the Stranger," a book about the Orthodox Jewish community in Lakewood

College Packages: We are gathering addresses of college students who are studying away from home. Congregation Torat El Sisterhood will be sending out Rosh Hashanah (October 3-4, 2016), Purim (March 11-12, 2017) and Passover (April 10- April 18, 2017) packages this year. We will not be sending out Hanukkah (December 24-January 1, 2017) due to the dates it falls this year and all the students will be home. The packages usually consist of something relating to the holiday (Hamentaschen 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 at: lauried144@aol.com by September 15, 2016. 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 sent us an address last year, we must receive updated information. Please do not send "same as last year" without sending the actual address.

#### **5777 HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICES**



Saturday, September 24th ~ 8:00pm

#### **ROSH HASHANAH**

Erev Rosh Hashanah, Sunday, October 2nd ~ 6:30pm

Ist Day Rosh Hashanah, Monday, October 3rd ~ 8:30am

Mini-Minyan (ages 2 thru K) with a parent & Junior Congregation (1st - 7th Grade)

After shofar blowing (appx 10:30am)

2nd Eve Rosh Hashanah, Monday, October 3rd ~ 6:30pm

2nd Day Rosh Hashanah, Tuesday, October 4th ~ 8:30am

Mini-Minyan (ages 2 thru K) with a parent & Junior Congregation (1st - 7th Grade)

After shofar blowing (appx 10:30am)

#### SHABBAT SHUVAH

Eve of Shabbat Shuvah, Friday, October 7th ~ 6:30pm Shabbat Shuvah, Saturday, October 8th ~ 9:00am

#### YOM KIPPUR

Kol Nidre, Tuesday, October 11th ~ 5:30pm

Yom Kippur, Wednesday, October 12th ~ 8:30am

Mini-Minyan (ages 2 thru K) with a parent & Junior Congregation (1st - 7th Grade)

After Haftarah (appx 11:00am)

Yizkor ~ I I:15am (approximate time)
Conclusion of Service ~ I:30pm (approximate time)

Yizkor Service Open to the Community ~ 2:30pm

Ask the Rabbi ~ 3:45pm

Mincha/Neilah ~ 4:45pm/6:15pm Communal Shofar Blowing ~ 7:15pm Break Fast

#### **SUKKOT**

Erev Sukkot, Sunday, October 16th ~ 6:30pm 1st Day Sukkot, Monday, October 17th ~ 9:00am & 6:30pm 2nd Day Sukkot, Tuesday, October 18th ~ 9:00am

#### SHEMINI ATZERET / SIMCHAT TORAH

Hoshanah Rabbah/Shemini Atzeret, Sunday, October 23rd ~ 8:30am & 6:30pm Shemini Atzeret /Yizkor, Monday, October 24th ~ 9:00am Simchat Torah Spectacular, Monday, October 24th ~ 6:00pm Simchat Torah, Tuesday, October 25th ~ 9:00am

## Apples and Honey

Apples and honey symbolize the sweetness of the New Year. Send sweet greetings to your family and friends!

\$6.00 per member listing, for each apples and honey package

PLEASE REFER TO YOUR HIGH HOLY DAY MAILING THAT WAS SENT AUGUST 15TH FOR THE ORDER FORM AND MEMBERSHIP LIST.

RETURN THE LIST ALONG WITH YOUR ORDER FORM AND PAYMENT.



Rosh Hashanah 5777 begins October 2, 2016 at sundown Orders will be delivered the week of September 26th

All Paid Orders must be received by September 14th with your check made payable to Congregation Torat El

Please call the temple office at 732-531-4410 if you have any questions

A big thank you to Sisterhood for making deliveries!



## Embrace the High Holy Days with Selichot

#### Saturday, September 24th 8:00pm

#### **Selichot and Second Chances!**

What would you do if you were given a second chance to fix the mistakes that you have made throughout your life? How would you take advantage of this opportunity? As we approach our Jewish season of renewal, we are confronted to think about these questions and more as we prepare to start another year all over again. Join us for a fun and meaningful way to explore these questions and more with a screening of the 90's classic comedy, "Groundhog Day" starring Bill Murray.

Following the film we will have a discussion of its relevance to Selichot and these upcoming Days of Awe, as well as the Selichot service itself. The film is rated PG, and therefore appropriate for a wide range of ages in our community. We look forward to laughing and learning with you as we begin this season of second, third, and fourth chances!

Please RSVP to the temple office so that we can know how many to prepare for 732-531-4410

## High Holy Day Babysitting Provided by the CTE Sisterhood

Congregation Torat El Sisterhood is happy to provide babysitting for the morning service on the first and second days of Rosh Hashanah (October 3rd & 4th) and on Yom Kippur (October 12th.)

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

## PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED! Please register your children.

Call the temple office at 732-531-4410

## High Holy Days Food Drive



Congregation Torat CI will gather food for people in need. The food drive will run from Rosh Hashanah through Yom Kippur. All donations will go to JF&CS food pantry.

Ponation bins will be out during the holidays for collection.

L'Shanah Tovah!

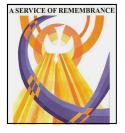
#### A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Sunday, October 9th

## TEMPLE BETH EL CEMETERY AND AGUDATH ACHIM CEMETERY 10:30AM

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.

Congregation Torat El invites you to join us for this special day of worship.

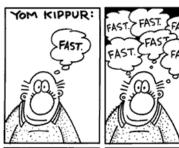


Please call the temple office at 732-531-4410 if you have any questions regarding the Service of Remembrance.

Congregation Torat El invites you to Break Fast with your CTE Family

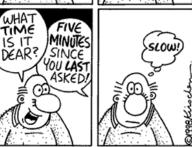
Wednesday, October 12th Immediately following services

(appx. 7:15pm)





No Charge



RSVPs requested for planning purposes.
Please contact the office if you will be joining us.
732-531-4410

On Sukkot, each Jewish family is invited by the congregation to purchase its own Lulav and Etrog. Buy your own Lulav and Etrog set through the Congregation Torat El office. Bring it with you to service on the days of Sukkot as we rejoice together in community.



#### LULAV & ETROG SETS AVAILABLE: \$50.00

THE DEADLINE FOR ORDERING A LULAV & ETROG SET IS SEPTEMBER 23rd

Name:	
Phone:	# Sets Ordered:
Total Amoun	t Enclosed: \$

Please enclose your payment in full with your order. All orders will be available for pick-up at the temple office.

## Sukkah Builders Wanted!! Sunday, Oct. 16th, 9:00-11:30 AM



Come and join with the members of the Men's Club and help build the Sukkah that we can all sit, eat and chat under during the upcoming holidays.

Men's Club will supply breakfast for all who help. Bring some work gloves and a positive attitude. You will be performing a mitzvah.

If you are feeling especially generous, stick around to help build the sukkah at the home of the winner of the annual Sukkah Drawing!

Please RSVP by Oct. 13th to robeinhorn@gmail.com so we have enough bagels and coffee.

## Simchat Torah

Monday, October 24th 6:00pm

Mac and Cheese Dinner and Make Your Own Sundaes!



No charge for dinner but for planning purposes please RSVP to the temple office by Oct. 19th

The fun continues unrolling the Torah Tuesday, October 25th ~ 9:00am

## Join us at CTE Sisterhood's Annual Naomi Axelrod Sukkot Shabbat Dinner

Friday, October 21, 2016
Service starts at 6:00pm followed by a traditional Shabbat Dinner Prepared by our Sisterhood Members

Adult (14 and up) \$20.00
Children (8 - 13) \$14.00
Children (3 - 7) \$9.00
Children under 3 No Charge
Maximum Per Family Unit \$70.00

RSVP to: Vera Gitten at 732-643-0013

Make your reservations early to be seated in the sukkah!

Drop or mail your check to the Temple Office.

The deadline for reservations is October 10th.

Only paid reservations will be accepted

#### **RESERVATION FORM:**

Name: _		Phone:		
	Adulrs @ \$20	8-13 @ \$14		
	<b>3.7 @ \$9</b>	Under 3 no charge		
	Family Unit @ \$70 (	Adults Children)		
	Total Enclosed:	: \$		

PLEASE RETURN TO TEMPLE OFFICE
PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CTE SISTERHOOD

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Thank you very much to the following members who have recently participated in our initiative to purchase new *Siddur Lev Shalem*. This list includes those donations received from June 10 through August 10. There is still time to make a donation, which will be acknowledged in the next issue of the bulletin.

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	Temple Office Closed	Board of Trustees Mtg 7:30pm			Candle Lighting 6:55pm Shabbat Service	Bat Mitzvah of Jocelyn Assael 9:00am
					8:00pm	Sponsored Kiddush Luncheon
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Hazak Trip to Sculpture Garden		Ritual Mtg 7:30pm	Back to School, Back to Shul Picnic 5:00-7:00pm		Candle Lighting 6:43pm Shabbat Service	Bat Mitzvah of Isabelle Nussbaum 9:00am
			First Weekday Religious School/ Hebrew High Session		6:30pm	Sponsored Kiddush Luncheon
			Adult Ed w/Rabbi S 7:30pm			
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