



Voice of the Shore

Congregation Torat El ~ Jersey Shore Jewish Center

September 2017 - Elul 5777-Tishri 5778

5778 HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICES



SELICHOT

Saturday, September 16 ~ 8:00pm

ROSH HASHANAH

Erev Rosh Hashanah, Wednesday, September 20 ~ 6:30pm

1st Day Rosh Hashanah, Thursday, September 21 ~ 8:30am

2nd Eve Rosh Hashanah, Thursday, September 21 ~ 6:30pm

2nd Day Rosh Hashanah, Friday, September 22 ~ 8:30am

YOM KIPPUR

Kol Nidre, Friday, September 29 ~ 5:45pm

Yom Kippur, Saturday, September 30 ~ 8:30am

Yizkor ~ 11:15am (approximate time)

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

Yizkor Service Open to the Community ~ 2:30pm

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

Communal Shofar Blowing ~ 7:30pm

Break Fast

SUKKOT

Erev Sukkot Service & Community Sukkot Dinner, Wednesday, October 4 ~ 6:00pm

1st Day Sukkot, Thursday, October 5 ~ 9:00am & 6:30pm

2nd Day Sukkot, Friday, October 6 ~ 9:00am

SHEMINI ATZERET / SIMCHAT TORAH

Hoshanah Rabbah/Shemini Atzeret, Wednesday, October 11 ~ 8:00am & 6:30pm

Shemini Atzeret /Yizkor, Thursday, October 12 ~ 9:00am

Simchat Torah Spectacular, Thursday, October 12 ~ 6:00pm

Simchat Torah, Friday, October 13 ~ 9:00am

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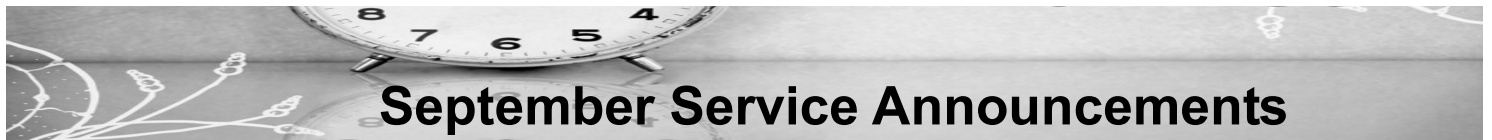
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September Service Announcements

Friday, September 1, 2017

Erev Shabbat Service ~ 6:30 pm

Candles 7:08 pm

Yahrzeits: Yetta Chaiken, Jay Cohen, Edna Davidson, David Epstein, Warren Fink, Clayton Fishman, Sherwood Gerard, Samuel Goodman, Richard Grayson, Jack Heiferman, Mayer Hock, Morey Hunter, Gwen Kurry, Gerald Levy, Hilda Lichter, Zachary Lieberman, Albert Rosen, Morris Rothberg, Yetta Safman, Ruth Scott, Morris Shapiro, Max Sprechman, Sydney Suskin, Ben Taxin, Norman Yeamans

Saturday, September 2, 2017

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am

Parsha: Ki Tetse 21:10-23:7

Haftarah: Isaiah 54:1-10

Friday, September 8, 2017

Erev Shabbat Service ~ 8:00 pm

Candles 6:57 pm

Oneg is sponsored by proud grandmother Ruth Grayson in honor of Jessica's Bat Mitzvah

Yahrzeits: Esta Abrams, Samuel Albert, Jules Baron, Albert Beja, David Elson, Stanley Freedman, Bess Gildenberg, George Goldenberg, Lester Grossman, Anna Krongold, Oscar Kurry, George Lam, Frances Morgenstern, Abraham Negnewitzky, Sam Nussbaum, Abraham Osattin, Beverly Pearlman, Morris Pollak, Albert Reisch, Ruth Rothman, Mortimer Rubin, Eva Samuel, Gloria Schulman, Gloria Spertus, Lee Spingarn, Frieda Weissman, Jacob Wirth, Harry Zimmerman

Saturday, September 9, 2017

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am

Parsha: Ki Tavo 26:1-27:10

Haftarah: Isaiah 60:1-22

Bat Mitzvah of Jessica Healy

Kiddush Luncheon is sponsored by proud parents Leila & Glenn Healy in honor of Jessica's Bat Mitzvah

Friday, September 15, 2017

Erev Shabbat Service 6:30 pm

Candles 6:45 pm

Yahrzeits: Louise Anschelewitz, Fatima Ardakanian, Richard Bascom, David Bernstein, Henrietta Breslow, Abraham Brown, Leonard Cohan, Samuel Cohen, Anna Droisen, Jack Fiedler, Natalie Fox, Samuel Goldberg, Allene Gordesky, Ruth Grossman, Scott Harris, Ruth Herbstman, Tillie Krivins, Kalman Malc, Arnold Morris, Herman Needel, Ida Ochs, Lola Opatut, Walter Raab, Sophie Sabin, Irving Santo, Ida Schwartz, Jeanette Shain, Lou Shooman, Jack Simon, Morris Wahl, Pauline Warm, Morton Weiner

Saturday, September 16, 2017

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am

Parsha: Nitzavim-Vayeilech 29:9-30:14

Haftarah: Isaiah 61:10-63:9

Friday, September 22, 2017

Erev Shabbat Service ~ 6:30 pm

Candles 6:34 pm

Yahrzeits: Selma Abbott, Michael Abelson, William Applerouth, Pearl Barrett, Margit Benjamin, Morris Bloom, Harry Blufstein, Israel Breslow, Rita Bross, Sol Bunin, Dorothy Cohen, Irene Cohen, Samuel Detzky, Ellen Diamond, Gussie Dunkel, Sam Eder, Mary Elstein, Harvey S. Friedman, Norman Graber, Herbert Hirsch, Isabelle Hirshfield, Joseph Kurtz, Julius Medwin, Martin Meyer, Sol Phillips, Richard Rediker, Sally Rose, Harry Schneider, Seymour Seigler, Shirley Sprung, Eunice Taylor, Claire Tritt

Saturday, September 23, 2017

Shabbat Shuvah Morning Service ~ 9:00 am

Parsha: Ha'Azinu 32:1-52

Haftarah: Hosea 14:2-10

Friday, September 29, 2017

Kol Nidre Service ~ 5:45 pm

Candles 6:22 pm

Yahrzeits: Michael Albert, Max Aronowitz, Evelyn Aronson, Norman Benson, Sophia Blitt, Morris Bohm, Morris Bohm, Rose Brudner, Doris Friedman, Herman Goldstein, Pacey Gomberg, Philip Gottlieb, William Jacobs, Goldie Kasson, Frieda Klein, Tillie Koslow, Max Moses, Rachel Negin, Isadore Nelson, Abraham Retholtz, Samuel Rothenberg, Ann Weg, Irwin Wiener

Saturday, September 30, 2017

Yom Kippur Service ~ 8:30 am

Parsha: Vayikra 16:1-34

Haftarah: Yeshayahu 57:14-58:14

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**

PLEASE COME IN, JOIN US, AND STAY FOR A WHILE



A few years ago, I read the book by Malcom Gladwell entitled "Outliers" in which the author argues that in order to achieve mastery in any given field or activity, it takes roughly 10,000 hours of practice. From athletes to musicians to experts in computers and technology, Gladwell argues that "natural talent" has very little to do with a person's level of achievement and mastery in any given field. In other words, the old adage is really true -- you only get out of something that which you are willing to put into it.

I have been thinking a lot about this lately as our High Holiday season is fast approaching. Because the truth is that if we want to get something out of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, we have to be willing to put in the effort, the time, and the practice, to make the most out of this time of year. Making time to apologize to those who we have offended, taking stock of our lives, re-focusing our priorities in life, reflecting upon the relationships that matter most to us in our lives, thinking about our connections to our Jewish community and our faith all take time, effort, and yes -- practice. As I have written many times before, it is no accident that our rabbis set aside an entire month prior to Rosh Hashanah, for us to spiritually prepare for this moment. When a person comes to a weekday morning service in the month leading up to Rosh Hashanah, they will hear the shofar blast as a reminder that it is time to get ready, to practice, and to exercise our High Holiday muscles once again.

For some individuals, taking the time and putting forth the effort to gain the most out of these Days of Awe comes easily. For others, it is less so. Often, those who are more comfortable in their Jewish skin and more at home in the synagogue, those who are more "practiced" if you will, have an easier time "mastering" and gaining the most out of these High Holidays. They don't mind sitting in services for the Holidays because they are already comfortable with the main structure, content, and arc of the service.

But here is what I know -- regardless of one's comfort level -- the work of self transformation, self reflection and soul searching takes time. The work of forgiveness takes practice. And you will only get something out of these Days of Awe if you are willing to give yourself the gift of putting in the time. You may not become an "expert" (I don't know if there is anything such as an "expert" in all that is Judaism), but you will have a deeper and richer experience of this season in our Jewish calendar if you are willing to put in the time.

I write all of this because I have noticed something interesting over the years. It used to be that those who were unable to join us during the year for services would often come to the High Holiday services and stay all day, or at least for a majority of time. Increasingly, I have observed that more and more individuals are giving services about an hour and a half, for one day, regardless of what is happening (sermon, yizkor, Torah service, etc.). The slot is usually from around 11:00-12:30 on Rosh Hashanah. But here's the thing, while we love having you for any amount of time (and yes, I really do mean that), an hour and a half is just not enough time if you are hoping to gain something meaningful out of these days. Three hours (or, two days of Rosh Hashanah for 90 minutes each) is not even enough. I know that not everyone is able to join us throughout the year for a whole host of reasons. And we are always here for you for any amount of time, but this year I want to gently ask you to consider why you are coming back to your spiritual home. Are you looking to re-connect? Are you looking to take stock of your life? Are you looking to make time to think about the ways in which you want to change this year, to think about the people that you need to apologize to, to wrestle with the God that seems ever allusive? Are you looking to reconnect to your Judaism? All of the above? Because if any of these reasons seem familiar, you will need more than an hour and a half, or even three hours to achieve your goals. I am not asking you to stay for "10,000 hours," just for about 10 of them.

Meaningful Jewish connection, like anything else, takes practice.

So, consider joining us for a longer period of time this year during services. Consider coming to our pre-High Holiday programming, our post High Holiday programming, and even our rich, varied, and meaningful yearly programming. We are a community building relationships -- with God, Torah, one another and our broader community. We are a community dedicated to deepening our relationships with ourselves. And we all know that relationship building takes work; it takes effort, and it takes time. So this year, don't rush in and out during the High Holidays. Please consider coming in, and staying for a while. I know that you will be glad that you did.

Jane-Rachel and I wish you and your family a *shanah tovah u'metukah*, a good and sweet New Year!

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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 Haftorah, 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

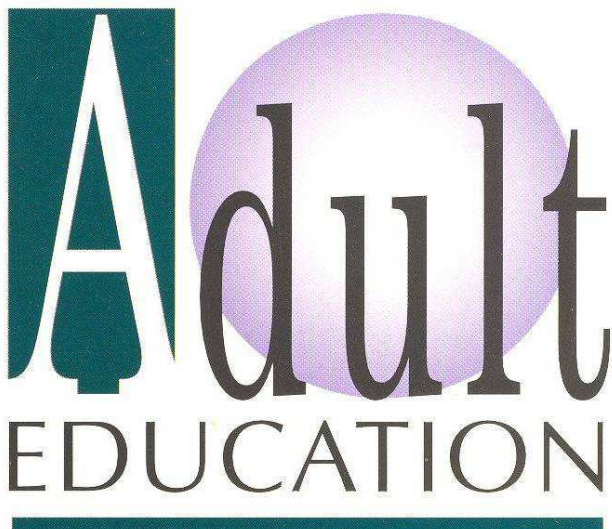
Rabbi, Dr., Abraham Joshua Heschel was one of the prominent Jewish figures of the 20th century. A leading rabbi, philosopher, theologian, and scholar -- Heschel's influence on the American Jewish community in general and the Conservative movement in particular cannot be overstated. Come and join us as 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 will be speaking 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 PRESIDENT

With summer ending, Rosh Hashanah is fast approaching and our attention turns to holiday preparation to greet 5778. A time for all to take stock spiritually – examining our strengths, weaknesses and ties with our family, friends and community, as well as renewing ourselves to self-improvement and caring for the greater community. Soon the synagogue will deliver throughout our neighborhoods more than 300 baskets of honey and apples.

The traditional Rosh Hashanah greeting *Shanah Tovah Umetukah* translates as “A Good and Sweet Year.” The Torah describes the Promised Land, Israel, as “the land flowing with milk and honey.” The honey referred to in the Torah is the product of juice extracted from dates and figs. Beekeeping did not start in Israel until about 3,000 years after beehives were imported from modern-day Turkey hundreds of miles away.

As a beekeeper, I have observed that bee colonies, populated with a single queen, 80,000 sisters and a few males, have evolved into a complex society exhibiting specialization of labor, self-sacrifice and peaceful collaboration with their environment. These qualities have sustained the longevity of the beehive and pollination of plants. Bees do not hibernate and during the winter; they are sustained by clustering for warmth and consuming their stores of honey until spring. It is estimated that a bee may visit up to 5,000 flowers in one single day. To provide scale, one pound of honey requires the equivalent of two trips circumventing the earth or visiting over two million flowers.

Bees demonstrate that sustaining a community need not be at the expense of environment. The generosity and collective talents of bees produces abundance for their future, guaranteeing their future and improving their environment. Bees share tasks throughout their short adulthood such as nursing, cleaning, building, guarding, undertaking, food preparing and foraging. Each bee contributes her talent, contributing to sustaining their community, and the world beyond their hive.

Jewish values such as *Tikkun Olam*, our mission to repair the world, and altruism may be shared with the instinctive workings of bees.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, *L'Shanah Tovah*,

Steven Fineberg



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

Thank you for your support and generosity!

RITUAL ENGAGEMENT

During the month of **July 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 Cohen
Matthew Eilenberg
Mady Einhorn
Mark Engel
Michael Gordon
Harvey Jacob

Randi Kervick
Jeffrey Klein
Bonnie Reiss
Marcia Sacks
Helene Santo
Rabbi Aaron Schonbrun

Joshua Schor
Lori Schuldiner Schor
Joel Schulman
Toby Sukinik
Neil Weitzenkorn
Ava Winters

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, cell # 732-861-7450.

SAVE THE DATE!!

All are invited to attend the upcoming
Special Shabbat Service
honoring New CTE Members from 2016 & 2017
Friday, October 27th 8:00 PM

BREAK FAST

Where can you get a meal for \$5?

Our annual break fast!

Pre-paid reservations are required to ensure we have enough food for everyone.

See page 13 for more information

OUR SYNAGOGUE FAMILIES

The Torat El Family wishes Mazel Tov to:

Renée & Bernie Karasic on being honored by Jewish Family and Children's Service of Monmouth County
Shelley Kaplan on being elected Hadassah National Treasurer

Eric & Laurie Abrams on the marriage of his daughter Samantha Abrams to Shlomhy Odi

Rita Abrams on the marriage of her granddaughter Samantha Abrams to Shlomhy Odi

Toby & Martin Sukinik on the birth of their granddaughter Rina Libbie

Liz & Paul Weiss on the birth of their granddaughter Jaclyn Leah

Sandy & Carl Koreen on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson Steven

Religious School Director Jaclyn Ringer Leibowitz on her marriage to Brian Leibowitz

Barri & Mark Haber on the birth of their granddaughter Reagan Faye Haber

Joshua & Lindsey Walter on the birth of their son Dallas Skylar Walter

Robin & Fred Stern on the birth of their grandson Dallas Skylar Walter

Pam Cardullo on the engagement of her daughter Allyson to Juwan Jackson

The Torat Family extends condolences to:

Ellen Sue Hirshfield on the loss of her sister Lenore Miller

The family of Melvin Weiner

Michael Absatz on the loss of his mother Arlene Absatz



MAZEL TOV TO OUR B'NAI MITZVAH

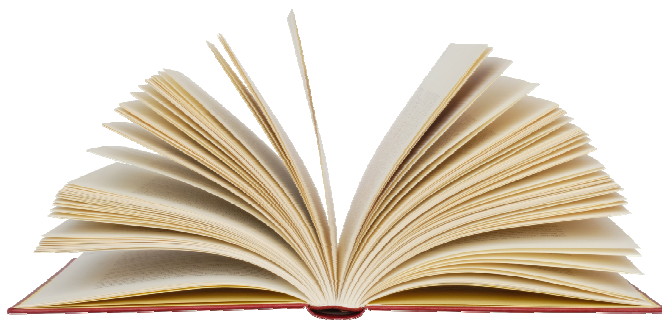
Hello, my name is **Jessica Healy** and I will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on September 9, 2017. I have lived in Ocean Township my entire life with my parents and when I was younger, with my brothers Jonathan and Nathaniel. I also live with my two dogs, Dakota and Molly. I am also lucky to have grown up living nearby to my Uncle Mitch and my cousins Sara, Ashley, Brittany, William and Blaine so we can be a close family and celebrate holidays together. I began my formal Jewish education at the JCC preschool and then Hebrew school at Temple Beth Torah and Congregation Torat El. I had great classroom teachers and I was lucky to learn from the wonderful Cantor Siegel, Mr. Laskowitz, and Rabbi Schonbrun who helped me prepare for this great day. I am also thankful to the friends I have made in school, playing lacrosse and field hockey, and from Pine Grove Day Camp where I have been a camper for several summers. I also love to ski, swim, read, hang out, bicycle, go camping, travel to national parks out West and especially travel to California to visit my Grandma and my brothers. I also enjoy being a teen volunteer with the Hand in Hand program.

As part of my Mitzvah project I spent time on Sundays with children with special needs doing different activities. I plan to continue participating with Hand In Hand in the future and giving back to the community.

I am excited to read Torah and Haftorah for the first time and celebrate with all of you on September 9.



MEET THE AUTHOR SERIES



CONGREGATION TORAT EL



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



Meet Anna Solomon, author of *Leaving Lucy Pear*

In 1917 Beatrice Haven, the unwed teenage daughter of wealthy Jewish industrialists, abandons her newborn baby at the foot of a pear tree, and watches as the mother of a large Irish Catholic family claims the baby as her own. Ten years later, their paths cross and the two women begin a complex relationship that explores issues of motherhood, feminism, religion, reality, infidelity and the decisions people make to protect those they love.

Anna Solomon is a critically acclaimed author, a two-time winner of the Pushcart Prize, and a finalist for the New England Society Book Award. She previously worked as a journalist for National Public Radio and currently lives in Brooklyn, NY.

Read the book before you come. Books on sale at the temple office for \$12.

**Admission \$10 per person. A light bagel brunch will be served.
Reservations at www.torat-el.org or 732-531-4410**

SISTERHOOD CHAI LITES

College Packages: We are gathering addresses of college students that are studying away from home. Congregation Torat El Sisterhood will be sending out Rosh Hashanah (Sept. 21-22, 2017), Chanukah (Dec 13-20, 2017), Purim (March 1, 2018) and Passover (March 30-April 7, 2018) packages this year. The packages usually consist of something relating to the holiday (hamantashen for Purim, matzoh for Passover) and other kosher snacks. The packages are compliments of Sisterhood.

If you would like Sisterhood to send a package to your college student, please send their college address to **Laurie Gross: lauried144@aol.com** by **September 11, 2017**. Please type "college packages address" in the 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.



The **Min Pincow Raffle** is well along into the year, having drawn the raffle seven out of ten months.

Congratulations to the winners so far:

Marcia Sacks (Jan)
Judy Solomon (Feb)
Gloria Rachles (Mar)
Sheryl Kaplan (Apr)
Nancy Maurer (May)
Janet Attner and Andrea Fishbein (June)
Rochelle Nagrod (July)

Tickets are still available for the rest of the year. Call me! Toby Sukinik 732-793-3719



Sisterhood Paid-Up Dinner Event

October 26th

The event is free to all paid-up sisterhood members. Please look for your invitation in the mail.

Rummage Sale

Sunday, November 19, Monday, November 20

Drop-Off November 12-15

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



Chair Set-Up 9 AM, September 17th

Help out for an hour or two to set out the chairs and books for the High Holy Days. Do a mitzvah before you get judged in the Book of Life!

Sukkah Set-Up 9:00 AM, October 1st

Join the camaraderie of building the sukkah for our temple community. Bring a ladder, work gloves and wire cutters if it is convenient. Bagels will be served. Please RSVP, so we do not overeat the bagels; some of us are watching our weight. Please also come back on the 15th to help us take it down!

Men's Club Dinner in the Sukkah

7:15 PM, October 10th

Have a delicious steak dinner in the Sukkah with old and new friends. Beer and soft drinks will be supplied. Please RSVP by October 1st as only the first 150 responses will be honored. Price is \$20 for paid members and \$35 for non-members. Sorry ladies, this one is only for the guys!

HAZAK

Movie and Popcorn



Sunday, September 10
3:00pm

Movie: The Courageous Heart of Irena Sendler

Reservations to the temple office would be appreciated. 732-531-4410



Embrace The High Holy Days with Selichot

Saturday, September 16th
8:00pm

Join us as we mark the official beginning of the High Holy Day season with a special Selichot program and service. This year's program, will feature the film "**Defending Your Life**" starring Albert Brooks and Meryl Streep. The film is a wonderful entry into the High Holy Day season as it explores the themes of self-reflection, forgiveness, and personal growth... all while making you laugh.

A discussion and light dessert will accompany the screening, with Selichot service to follow.

Please RSVP to the temple office
so that we can know how many to prepare for
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A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

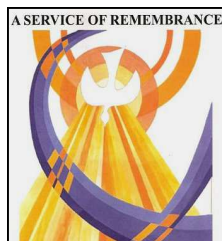
Sunday, September 24th

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
Saturday, September 30th
Immediately following services
(appx. 7:30pm)



Bagels, Salads and
Sweets

\$5 per person

Prepaid
reservations
due to the office
or website by
September 25th

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Simchat Torah

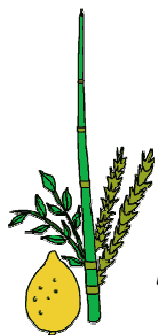
Thursday, October 12th
6:00pm

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. 9th

The fun continues unrolling the Torah
Friday, October 13th ~ 9:00am



LULAV & ETROG SETS

\$50.00

The deadline for ordering your lulav & etrog set is September 15.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Sets Ordered: _____

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Please enclose your payment, in full with your order. All orders will be available for pick-up at the temple office. Please make checks payable to Congregation Torat El.

Sukkah Builders Wanted!! Sunday, Oct. 1st, 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 Sept. 27th to robeinhorn@gmail.com so we have enough bagels and coffee.



FOURTH 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 5778, October 4, 2017 (at sundown) - October 10, 2017 (at sundown).

Drawing: Sunday, September 17th at Holiday Chair and Book Setup

Tickets are available at temple office for purchase or fill out form below and send your check made out to CTE Sisterhood. We will mail your tickets to you. You do not have to be present to win.

I want to win a sukkah set up for 5778 and create memories for my family that they'll never forget!

Family Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Number of tickets wanted _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____



Congregational Supper In The Sukkah

Wednesday, October 4th at 6:00pm

Menu Includes: stuffed cabbage, lemon chicken,
roasted potatoes, barley and mushrooms,
veggie stacks, green salad with pomegranate dressing

\$20 per adult/\$15 kids (7-13)/\$10 kids (4-7)
Paid Reservations by September 28th

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

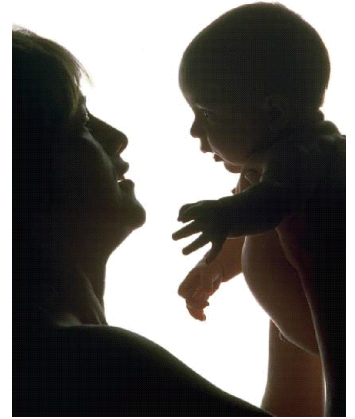
RSVP by October 1st for this
extremely popular event!!

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 by October 1st

High Holy Day Babysitting



Congregation Torat El Sisterhood is happy to provide babysitting for the morning service on the first and second days of Rosh Hashanah (September 21, 22) and on Yom Kippur (September 30).

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

Pre-registration is requested. Please contact the temple office at 732-531-4410 by September 15.

Congregation Torat El Food Drive

CANNED FRUIT	INFANT FORMULA
CANNED VEGETABLES	TOILET PAPER
CANNED SOUP	SOAP/SHAMPOO
NOODLES/PASTA	CANNED/ DRY BEANS
CANNED TUNA	APPLESAUCE
CANNED CHICKEN	JUICE BOXES
PEANUT BUTTER	CONDIMENTS
JELLY	GRANOLA BARS
COOKING OILS	FLOUR/SUGAR
HOT CEREAL	PANCAKE MIX/SYRUP
COLD CEREAL	NUTS/RAISINS
RICE	PUDDING
BAKED BEANS/CHILI	HEALTHY SNACKS
TOMATO SAUCE	CRACKERS



Food Collection

The High Holidays food drive will run from Rosh Hashanah through October 15th.

Collection bags will be given out at the conclusion of each Rosh Hashanah service.

All donations will go to local food pantries.

L'Shanah Tovah! Thank you for doing this Mitzvah!

WE GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGE THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS

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In Honor of:

The Master Torah Readers by **Charlotte Ginsburg**
Steve Fineberg becoming President of Congregation Torat El
by **Zel & Pam Steinberg, Ilene & Steve Schwaber,**
Marjorie & Stanley Cotler
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Torat El by **Ilene & Steve Schwaber**
Larry's Shapiro's successful term as President of Congregation
Torat El by **Marjorie & Stanley Cotler**
Steve Fineberg's bountiful honey harvest by **Zel & Pam**
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Sandy & Carl Koreen's grandson Steven's Bar Mitzvah by
Bobbie Newman
Barri & Mark Haber on the birth of their granddaughter by
Ellie & Michael Breslow

Speedy Recovery to:

Barry Shapiro by **Ellie & Michael Breslow**

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Tree of Life

Boulder	\$5,000
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Memorial Plaque	\$500
Bookplate in Bible	\$ 72
Contribution Card	\$ 18 min.
Book of Life	\$ 54 min.

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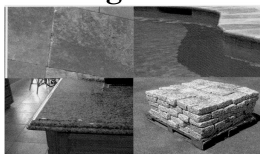
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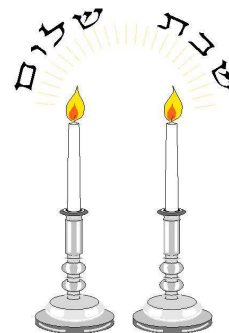
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**LEFT OVER CHALLAH FROM
THE HOLIDAY?
MAKE THIS DELICIOUS
CRÈME BRULÉE FRENCH**

- 1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted butter
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons corn syrup
- 1 (8 to 9) inch round loaf Challah bread
- 5 large eggs
- 1 1/2 cups half and half
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 teaspoon Grand Marnier
- 1/4 teaspoon salt

In a small heavy saucepan melt butter with brown sugar and corn syrup over moderate heat, stirring, until smooth and pour into a 13 by 9 by 2-inch baking dish. Cut 6 (1-inch) thick slices from center portion of bread, reserving ends for another use, and trim crusts. Arrange bread slices in one layer in baking dish, squeezing them slightly to fit. In a bowl whisk together eggs, half and half, vanilla, Grand Marnier and salt until combined well and pour evenly over bread. Chill bread mixture, covered, at least 8 hours and up to 1 day.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F and bring bread mixture to room temperature. Bake uncovered, in middle of oven until puffed and edges are pale golden, 35 to 40 minutes.

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