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CONGREGATION TORAT EL ~ JERSEY SHORE JEWISH CENTER

OCTOBER 2023 ~ TISHREI/CHESHVAN 5784

An Evening with Cookbook Author, Adeena Sussman Wednesday, November 1, 7:00pm



An evening of conversation, cooking demo, and book signing.
Delicious recipes from Adeena's cookbook will be served!

\$54 per person/ includes admission and cookbook

Register at www.adeena.torat-el.org

This event has been made possible through a generous grant by the B'nai Sholom/Beth El Foundation
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October Service Announcements

Friday, October 6, 2023 Shemini Atzeret/Erev Shabbat Service ~ 6:30 pm Candles 6:12 pm

Yahrzeits: Robert Jacob Agris, Kenneth Brehne, Jerrold Cohen, Robert Comer, Helen Friedman, Cindy Fruchtmann, Sylvia Levine Glazer, Jack (Hymie) Gold, Irving Granet, Alice Greenhut, Samuel Abraham Karasic, Sam Levy, Leah Ostroff, Pauline Sarah Prager, Fanny Preiser, Julius Slotoff, Gerald Vogel, Gary Wiser

Saturday, October 7, 2023 Shabbat/Shemini Atzeret/Yizkor Service ~ 9:00 am
Parsha: Re'eh 14:22-16:17 Haftarah: 1 Kings 8:54-66

Friday, October 13, 2023 Erev Shabbat Service ~ 6:15pm Candles 6:01 pm

Yahrzeits: Sam Adler, Karin Bogner, Hyman Cohen, Joseph Cook, Marcus H. Deitelbaum, Sylvia Dennis, Sally Detzky, Anna English, Louis Fisher, Hinda Forman, Philip Forman, Ruth Friedland, Irene Gordon, Cecille Gould, Paul Gould, Lena Horvitz, Barbara Isaacson, Kris Krengel, Monroe Kurman, Abraham Kurman, Jesse Lager, Hyman Negin, Eugene Opatut, Jesse Rabinowitz, Sophie Rothenberg, Arthur Salaman, Charles Schulman, Lena Shooman, Irving Stone, Roslyn Wallach

Saturday, October 14, 2023 Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am
Parsha: Bereshit 2:4-4:26 Haftarah: 1 Samuel 20:18-42

Bar Mitzvah of Gabriel Valenti

Kiddush Lunch is sponsored by Stacey Valenti in honor of Gabriel becoming a Bar Mitzvah

Friday, October 20, 2023 Erev Shabbat ~ 6:15 pm Candles 5:50 pm

Yahrzeits: Ann Banker Barr, Sylvia Bennett, Sylvia Cook, Muriel Dulberger, Ruth K. Elson, Irving Ettinger, Jennie Farber, Bradd Feldbaum, Ida Gerechoff, Stanley Goldfus, William Goodman, Esther Kaplan, Sheldon Kaplan, Bernie D. Karasic, Marshall Klein, Sydney Krupnick, Arthur Leibman, Morris Mandel, Paul Morris, Stanley Rediker, Benjamin Sacher, Kitty Secol, Mildred Shapiro, Ruth Wahl, Miriam Zimmern

Saturday, October 21, 2023 Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am
Parsha: Noah 8:15-10:32 Haftarah: Isaiah 54:1-55:5

Bat Mitzvah of Eden Horowitz

Kiddush Lunch is sponsored by Elizabeth & Doron Horowitz in honor of Eden becoming a Bat Mitzvah

Friday, October 27, 2023 Erev Shabbat Service ~ 6:15 pm Candles 5:40 pm

Yahrzeits: Ronald Barrett, Max Block, Annette Block Berger, Irving Bogner, Irving Ceranka, Milford Dulberger, Joseph Friedland, Bernard Abraham Ginsberg, Henry Glickman, June Goldwasser, Emanuel Greenfield, Sylvia Klein, Herman Klorman, Lillian Kraft, Roslyn Kreisler, Thelma Ruskin Krivins, Martin Landis, Betty Lavene, Milton Markowitz, Jodi Sue Meade, Jerry Newlander, Dorothy Rabinowitz, Howard Richelson, George Schwartz, Esther Malka Schwebel, Stephen Shapiro, Harold Steinberg, Larry Stern, Harriet Theodore, Robert Usan, Siegfried Weitzenkorn, Morris Wizansky

Saturday, October 28, 2023 Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am
Parsha: Lekh-Lekha 14:1-15:11 Haftarah: Isaiah 40:27-41:16

Kiddush Lunch is sponsored by Jeff Donner & Rosemary Varga in honor of their marriage

Join Services In-Person and Online

Shabbat: Friday, 7:00pm and Saturday, 9:00am

In-Person or Livestreamed at <https://livestream.torat-el.org>

Morning Minyan: Monday-Friday, 8:00am, Sunday, 8:30am

In-Person or Livestreamed at <https://livestream.torat-el.org>

Evening Minyan: Monday-Thursday, 7:00pm

Zoom Meeting ID 859-0261-9504 - Service held on Zoom only

FEELING LONELY? SEARCHING FOR CONNECTION? COME TO SHUL!



By the time you read this, the holiday season will be nearing its conclusion. The extra chairs from Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur have been put away and Sukkot will soon begin. We will be on the brink of the hustle and bustle of Congregation Torat El activities that come along with the month of October. As we celebrate Simchat Torah, reading the final book of the Torah, we will conclude our month-long holiday celebration by immediately returning back to the beginning; back to the book of Genesis once again.

I always love returning back to the beginning, to the book of Genesis. It is one of my favorite books in the Torah – for many reasons. Containing deep truths of life such as the beautiful order that can be found amidst the seeming chaos in life, the belief that

all of humanity is sacred, and worthy of being treated as so, and the notion that human beings make mistakes (just look at our ancestors) and have the ability to learn from them, and the belief that God can be with us throughout our journeys in life – are but a few lessons that make this book exceptional and endlessly wise. But this year I find myself thinking about one small verse, in the very beginning, that may speak to the hearts and minds of many who are struggling in our country and around the world.

In Genesis 2, immediately after God places Adam in the garden, God says: "*Lo Tov Heyot Adam Levado*," It is not good for a person to be alone, I will make him a fitting helper (2:18)." Immediately, only two chapters into the Torah, we are reminded that human beings need one another, that we cannot, and should not, walk through the blessings and challenges of life, alone.

Over Rosh Hashanah, I shared some remarks from an essay written last year in *The New York Times* by Brad Stulberg, entitled *For People To Really Know Us, We Need to Show Up*. In it, he quoted some polling data from Morning Consult which found that 58% of American adults report feeling lonely. In other words, in a room of 500 people, 290 are lonely with 79 percent of young adults reporting feeling lonely. As he shares the challenge and offers some potential solutions, Stulberg notes that for some, religion and attendance at religious services used to fill that void. I would maintain that for many, it still does. As a synagogue community we are not perfect. There are times when members, lay leaders and staff neglect to check in on some of our fellow congregants. However, as a rule, when a person is a "regular" in synagogue and they do not show up to a program, class, or service, they are generally missed. Often, someone will call to check up on them, to make sure that they were okay. Many times, I will have members say to me, something like: "Rabbi, I will be away next week. I didn't want you to worry about where I was." This is usually not said out of guilt, but because regular synagogue attendance creates social connections, bonds, and ties that makes a person "missed" when they are not in attendance.

I joked on the first day of Rosh Hashanah that going to synagogue is "good for you," but there is some anecdotal truth to that claim – emotionally, spiritually, and even physically. As we begin this new year, back at the beginning, I want to remind you that if you find yourself struggling with feelings of loneliness, your synagogue family is a place where you can come to be present with others. It is a place where you can come for spiritual strength, emotional comfort, and the social comradery that can be found everywhere — from classes to social programs, from each collective "kaddish" to every communal "kiddush."

As a community, we are here to support one another in good times and in challenging times, on extraordinary days and ordinary days. I want to remind you that it is quite likely that the more you join us, the more you will feel connected – both to your Judaism and to your fellow seekers. There are, of course, many reasons for participating in synagogue life. And as you know, we will be looking to hear your own personal reasons over the coming months, as we ask you about your "why." But I know that for many, combatting loneliness and discovering the blessings and holiness found in human connection, is certainly one reason for their participation.

And so, as we begin another year together, I want to recommend the following. If you are craving some human connection and looking to create shared, meaningful, and potentially even sacred experiences, come and join us throughout the year. We would love to have you with us! If you are already a "regular" or "semi-regular" attendee, I want to challenge you as well. Look out for the people who you don't "recognize." Say hello; invite them to sit with you at kiddush; strike up a conversation; make them feel "included." It is not always so easy to walk into a synagogue, even one that you have been a member of for decades. Let's remember that and try our best to lift one another up, make one another feel welcome, and less lonely in the year to come.

May this be a wonderful year ahead for our Congregation Torat El family, and may we rejoice in the recognition and sacred challenge that while it is *lo tov*, not good, to be alone, it is *tov lehiyot b'yachad*, good, and even wonderful, to spend time together.

PRESIDENT'S ROSH HASHANAH MESSAGE: WHAT'S YOUR WHY??

La Shana Tova to you all,

I am honored and excited to be your new president and challenged to continue the tradition of dedicated Congregation Torat El leadership. I grew up right here in Ocean Township, became a Bat Mitzvah on this very bima, the temple was like a second home to me. As I walk the halls of this building and enter the synagogue, I am continuously flooded with different memories of special moments, both big and small. I was fortunate to have had many family members involved in various areas of the temple leadership throughout my life which further shaped my connection. I watched my grandmother Alice Schultz, my mom Harriet Haddad, my aunts Ethel Schultz and Fran Rediker, Joe Rediker, Jaime Schultz, my uncle Alan Winters and close family friends Mark and Rita Abrams, Seymour Rachels, Bill and Sheila Cooper and Chuck and Vivian Bressman all hold leadership roles as past presidents of Sisterhood, Executive Board and Board members and past Presidents of our temple, which had a tremendous impact on me. I remember as a young girl, teen and young adult that I wanted to follow in their footsteps and be an integral part of the congregation. When I got married 30 years ago this January, Steven and I joined the temple and I immediately got involved and my passion and commitment has not wavered. I hope that I and the other leaders of Torat El can one day inspire our youth to embark on their own path become leaders in the Jewish community.

As we gather here today to welcome in the Jewish new year, I want to take a moment to speak to you about the profound reasons why I am proud to be a member of this vibrant and loving community. Rosh Hashanah provides us with the opportunity to reflect on the deep connections we share, and how it shapes our lives.

First and foremost, being a member of this temple means belonging to a community that embraces and cherishes our shared heritage. It is through the rich tapestry of Jewish traditions and customs that we find a sense of belonging, a sense that we are part of something greater than ourselves. From lighting the Shabbat candles, dining in the Sukkah to celebrating the Passover Seder, these rituals connect us not only to our faith, but to the countless generations that came before us and will come after us.

Being a member also means having a support network of caring and compassionate individuals who understand the joys and challenges that come with living a Jewish life. Whether it is celebrating life's milestones, offering comfort during times of loss, or simply being there for one another in times of need, the Torat El community serves as a pillar of strength, reminding us that we are never alone in our journey.

What is your Jewish journey? Why are a member? Is it for life-cycle events? Spiritual/Community? Adult Education? Social/Peoplehood? We would love to know your WHY. We are a community of communities, and we would like to see you often and we want to let you know that we are here for you in any way that you need. Over the course of the next few months, members of our board and congregation will be reaching out to ask this question to you — What is your WHY? I encourage you all to reflect and engage when asked what your connection is now and what we could provide to make it deeper and more fulfilling. Please be thoughtful and honest as we are here to support everyone.

Our temple offers a space for personal growth and spiritual nourishment. Through engaging and thought-provoking services, educational programs, and community initiatives, we are encouraged to deepen our understanding of Judaism and what it means to be a Jew in today's ever-changing world.

As a member of this temple, I am also inspired by the values we collectively hold dear. We strive to lead lives rooted in justice, compassion, and the pursuit of social equality. Our temple actively engages in acts of *tikkun olam*, whether it is feeding the hungry, providing aid to those in crisis, or advocating for those whose voices have been silenced. Together, we work to build a world that reflects the principles of our faith, where every individual is treated with respect and dignity.

Lastly, being a member of this temple means having the privilege of passing on our traditions and values to future generations. As we witness the enthusiasm and curiosity of our children, grandchildren and young adults, we are reminded that we have a responsibility to guide them, to foster their connection to our faith, and to ensure the continuity of our Jewish heritage. We need to set the example. By actively involving our youth in temple life, we empower them to carry the torch forward, ensuring the preservation of our traditions for years to come.

In closing, I stand before you today as a proud member of this congregation, grateful for the countless ways this community has enriched my life. The bonds we forge, the values we espouse, and the collective effort we put into making a difference in the world are what make being part of this community so extraordinary.

It takes a village, and we are so fortunate to have a spectacular staff who work to maintain this center of our community run so smoothly. Thank you to Rabbi, Ben, Pam, Lisa, Joanne, Rich and Jameson for all your efforts.

To my family, thank you so much for your all your patience and support. I am so grateful to you for respecting who I am and helping me flourish in my Jewish journey that has led to this moment. Toda Raba.

As we embark on the New Year, may we continue to strengthen our connection, support one another, and draw inspiration from the teachings of our faith. *L'Shanah Tovah*, may this year be filled with blessings, love, and meaningful connections.

Michelle Winters
President

ADULT EDUCATION WITH RABBI SCHONBRUN 2023-2024

Lunch and Learn: Significant Sugyot — A Survey Of The Talmud

What is the Talmud and who are these “rabbis” and “sages” that are always being mentioned throughout our tradition? What ancient wisdom does the Talmud have to teach us and how might that wisdom be relevant for our lives today? Come join us each week as we spend the year “swimming in the sea of Talmud,” and studying some of most significant texts from the 63 tractates and over 2,700 folio pages of this ancient text. As always remember to bring your questions and a friend to the conversation. We look forward to learning with you!

Wednesdays, 12:00-1:00pm beginning October 18

Jewish Meditation

Are you curious about meditation? Did you know that there was such a thing as “Jewish meditation,” that takes many different forms? Are you curious to learn what Judaism has to say about mindfulness practices and how we might learn to connect on a deeper level to ourselves, one another and our God? Then come and join us for this mini-series on Jewish meditation. This class will be part study, part practical meditation. No experience necessary—just an open mind and an open heart. We look forward to creating shared sacred space together. ***This is an in-person class.***

Wednesdays, October 18, 25, November 8, 15, 7:30-9:00pm

Letters To The Next Generation

Do you have a letter that is most precious to you? What did it say? Was it from a loved one who is no longer with us? Did it offer you any life wisdom? A number of years ago Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks (z”l) wrote letters to his students reflecting on Jewish life in particular and the importance of living a life of purpose, faith, and morality. Join us as we explore these writings and consider what it would look like for us to write a letter to those who we hope will carry on our spiritual, moral, and ethical legacy. We will also explore selections from a wonderful volume written by Rabi Elana Zaiman entitled: *The Forever Letter: Writing What We Believe For Those We Love*. Join us prepared to share your personal thoughts and experiences and do some writing of your own. ***Wednesdays, January 3-March 6, 7:30-9:00pm on Zoom***

Aging With Wisdom & Grace

We are living in an incredible time where the average life expectancy has increased significantly in the past century. What does our Jewish tradition have to offer us as we age in body, mind and spirit? Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel once wrote that *“being old is not necessarily the same as being stale! The effort to restore the dignity of old age will depend on our ability to revive the equation of old age and wisdom.”* How might we work to ensure that we are not only growing in years, but in wisdom as well? What does Judaism have to teach us about aging with purpose, grace, and intention? Come and join us as we study *Jewish Wisdom for Growing Older*, written by Rabbi Dayle Friedman. Bring your experiences and a friend as we study together!

Spring dates and further details to follow

Sign up for Adult Education classes at upcomingevents.torat-el.org

OUR SYNAGOGUE FAMILIES

Mazel Tov to:

Stefanie & Howard Fishbein on their son Max becoming a Bar Mitzvah

Welcome to:

Robert & Pamela Rediker

Jeffrey & Susan Bernstein

Michael Woda

Irving & Reva Kaufman

Michelle & Sandy Resnick



RITUAL ENGAGEMENT CHAI LITES

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

Matthew Eilenberg
Mark Engel
Cameron Fields
Sam Fields
Marvin Goldin

Ben Laskowitz
Alana Malek
Larry Ozarow
Helene Santo
Aviva Schonbrun

Rabbi Aaron Schonbrun
Joshua Schor
Lori Schuldiner Schor
Neil Weitzenkorn
Mark Wertlieb

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 or 732-861-7450.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Religious School is in full swing!

Our students are getting re-acquainted with each other, making new friends, celebrating the holidays, learning Hebrew, and so much more!

Our teachers and student aides are enthusiastic, and eager to share their knowledge and love of Judaism with our children.

Here's our schedule for October:

Saturday, September 30
Wednesday, October 4
Saturday, October 7

Wednesday, October 11
Saturday October 14
Wednesday, October 18
Saturday October 21
Wednesday, October 25
Saturday October 28

NO SHABBAT SCHOOL (Sukkot)
Religious School
NO SHABBAT SCHOOL (Shemini Atzeret)
Simchat Torah Spectacular @ 7:15pm
Religious School
Shabbat School
Religious School
Shabbat School
Religious School
Shabbat School

It's not too late to sign up your child if they're in Pre-K or older!

MAZEL TOV TO OUR BAR MITZVAH - GABRIEL VALENTI

My name is Gabriel Valenti. I am in the eighth grade at the Ocean Township Intermediate School. I enjoy fishing, wrestling, biking and hanging out with my friends and family. My Bar Mitzvah is October 14. For my mitzvah project, I volunteered at the Challenger Baseball League in town. The Challenger League is an adaptive baseball program for individuals with physical and intellectual challenges. Any individual with a physical or intellectual challenge may participate. There are currently over 950 Challenger programs in 10 countries around the world. Over 30,000 athletes participate in the Challenger Division every year. As a volunteer, I assisted Challenger athletes in the areas of batting, base running and defense, but only as needed. Helping those in need gave me such a feeling of appreciation for what I have and a sense of wanting to do more.



MAZEL TOV TO OUR BAT MITZVAH - EDEN HOROWITZ

Hi! My name is Eden Horowitz. I am an eighth grader at Ocean Township Intermediate School, where my favorite subject is History. I live in Wayside with my Eema, Abba, older sister Kinneret and our dog Samson. For my mitzvah project, I completed a 30-mile dog walk challenge to raise money for St. Jude's Children's Cancer Research Center. For 30 days during the month of June, I walked Samson one mile and raised \$1700 towards Cancer research. My Sabba was recently diagnosed with Cancer and is undergoing treatment right now, so I chose to raise money to support Cancer research. I look forward to celebrating my Bat Mitzvah with everyone on October 21!



Sukkot Open House
at the home of
Rabbi and Jane-Rachel Schonbrun

Sunday, October 1
3:00-5:00pm
[Register Here](#)

Simchat Torah

Saturday, October 7, 7:15pm

Make Your Own Sundaes!

No charge, but for planning purposes please RSVP at
upcomingevents.torat-el.org or to the temple office by October 2.

The fun continues unrolling the Torah Sunday, October 8 ~ 9:00am

Hazak 2023-2024 Membership Application
\$25 PER PERSON

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____ Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

SHORE AREA HAZAK

Hazak is dedicated to serving the educational, spiritual, social and religious interests of Jews 55 and older. Shore Area Hazak invites you to become part of the action.

2023-2024 membership is \$25.00 per person and is open to everyone in the Jewish community.



Hazak Paid-Up Event

An Afternoon with Fred Miller

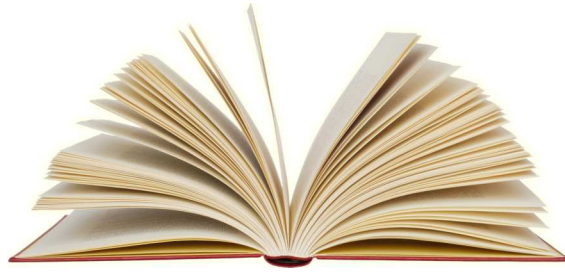
Sunday, October 15 ~ 4:00pm

Join us for a wonderful
afternoon filled with friends,
great music and pizza!

You must be a paid member of
Hazak 2023-2024. Fill out the
form above and return it to the
office or make your reservation
and Hazak membership payment
at upcomingevents.torat-el.org.

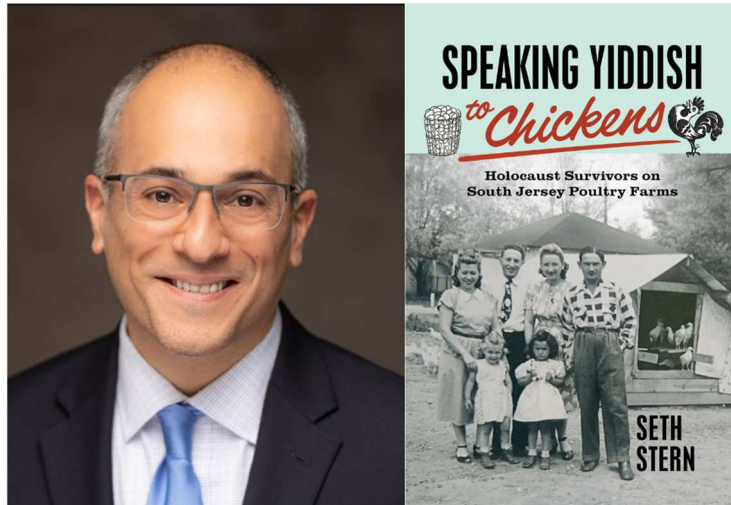
Looking forward to seeing you!!

MEET THE AUTHOR IN-PERSON & ZOOM EVENT!!



Sunday, October 22, 11:00am

Meet Seth Stern, author of *Speaking Yiddish to Chickens*



Most of the roughly 140,000 Holocaust survivors who came to the United States in the first decade after World War II settled in big cities such as New York. But a few thousand chose an alternative way of life on American farms. More of these accidental farmers wound up raising chickens in southern New Jersey than anywhere else. *Speaking Yiddish to Chickens* is the first book to chronicle this little-known chapter in American Jewish history when these mostly Eastern European refugees – including the author's grandparents - found an unlikely refuge and gateway to new lives in the US on poultry farms. They gravitated to a section of south Jersey anchored by Vineland, a small rural city where previous waves of Jewish immigrants had built a rich network of cultural and religious institutions.

SETH STERN is a legal journalist and editor at Bloomberg Industry Group. He previously reported for Bloomberg News, Congressional Quarterly, and the Christian Science Monitor. He co-authored *Justice Brennan: Liberal Champion* (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2010). He is a graduate of Harvard Law School, the Harvard Kennedy School, and Cornell University.

Buy your copy of his book from Bookshop.org (to support independent bookstores) or amazon.com.

Pre-Paid \$15 per person/\$20 at the door
Zoom \$10 per screen
A lovely brunch will be served
Reservations at www.mta.torat-el.org or 732-531-4410

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RESERVATIONS AT BOTE.TORAT-EL.ORG

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SISTERHOOD CHAI LITES

Thank you again to Jackie Rosenheck for chairing the Sukkah Raffle this year. The winner for this year is Jon Minkove of Oakhurst. Thanks also to all who supported this effort.

Min Pincow Raffle winners so far for 2023 were Margo Gelfman, Deborah Rubin, Beverly Berlin, Toby Sukinik, Barbara St. John, Eva Wiener, Gayle Ardakanian, Rabbi Schonbrun, and in September the winning number was a group of 3 who share the number – Janet Cohen, Marian Warshauer and Jeanne Isaacson. This is also an option. Please renew your number or choose a new number or get in the game for the first time. Thanks to Toby Sukinik for continuing to chair this important fundraiser for us. This has become one of our major sources of funding for Sisterhood and the temple. Thanks to everyone in advance for your continued participation.

Ongoing Opportunity- Temple Grams: Beverle Richelson, on behalf of the Sisterhood, will send a message of condolences or Mazel Tov to your friends in the congregation when there is a loss or a simcha that you would like to recognize. Contact Beverle via text or phone at (908) 675-5387. Cost of a gram is \$10.

Boscov's Fundraiser: Tickets are available for the annual BOSCOV "Friends helping Friends Fundraiser." The one-day event will be held on October 18. Tickets are \$5 each. The ticket entitles you to 25% off the lowest price on most items. You also qualify to enter a raffle to win a \$100 gift card to Boscov's. Sisterhood only profits on the \$5 sale of the ticket. Please buy tickets and sell to your friends. Tickets are available in the Temple office or by emailing Janet Attner at djattner@verizon.net.

Knitting Club: Members and friends are gathering at the temple to knit blankets and other items to be donated to charity. We call it the 'Knitzvah Group'! The program is held on the last Wednesday of the month at 2PM. Yarn is provided. Contact Judy Cohen at (732) 567-7200 to let her know of your interest and for more information.

Board & Committee Members Needed: Members are needed on our Board to help with various programs such as our paid-up event, our Social Action projects, etc. Most of these jobs are small and short-term in nature. We are also looking for people with new ideas and suggestions for programs that they are interested in running. A Recording Secretary position is also open on the Board. I would greatly appreciate it if someone could take this over. The only qualifications are a willingness, the ability to attend most Board meetings – we usually meet the 1st Thursday, September thru May at 7:30PM – and the ability to type the meeting minutes into a document. Please contact me, Susan Sferas, at ctesisterhood@gmail.com or suesfer@aol.com or (732) 239-0750 for more information or if you are interested in participating.

Attention Mah Jongg Players: Are you looking for a game? Looking for some new players? Please contact Susan Sferas at ctesisterhood@gmail.com with your name, contact info, the time or days you are available/willing to play (or if you have a game, when it is), your skill level – i.e. beginner, advanced, expert. Several people have expressed an interest in finding a game. Let's see if we can bring some people together!

Paid-Up Membership Meeting: Our annual Paid-Up membership event is scheduled to be held on Thursday, October 19 (DATE CHANGE) at 7:30PM. Please check your e-mails for more details. This is always a very enjoyable program. Please be sure to remember to renew your membership. Membership renewals were sent in early July. Dues are \$36. Thanks to Lynne Verderese for her efforts. We currently have 149 members.

Our Sisterhood is planning a lot of wonderful traditional programs as well as some new activities. Your dues payment also entitles you to membership in Women's League for Conservative Judaism (www.wlcj.org), which offers many educational and engagement opportunities. Our Sisterhood is affiliated with the Garden State Region of WLCJ which also offers interesting programs.

College Packages: Our Sisterhood is happy to send holiday-themed packages to members' children who are college students or serving in the armed forces. Please send the name and address of the person to dawnrachel926@aol.com. Holiday packages are sent for Chanukah, Purim and Passover.

Thanksgiving Food Collection: Once again this year, we will be collecting bags of apples and yams for Jewish Family & Children's Service. Money donations in the form of personal checks made payable to Jewish Family & Children's Service are also welcome. **Please drop off the apples, yams and checks to: Robin Bauer, 15 Oxford Drive, Ocean 07712, between Sunday, 11/12 and Tuesday, 11/14.** There will be boxes available on her porch to collect these donations so there is no need for personal contact. Thanks in advance for your participation.

Due to Covid and other considerations, the Sisterhood Board has voted to cancel the Annual Rummage Sale once again this year. There are other programs being considered. Continue to check e-mail and the bulletin for more information as it becomes available.

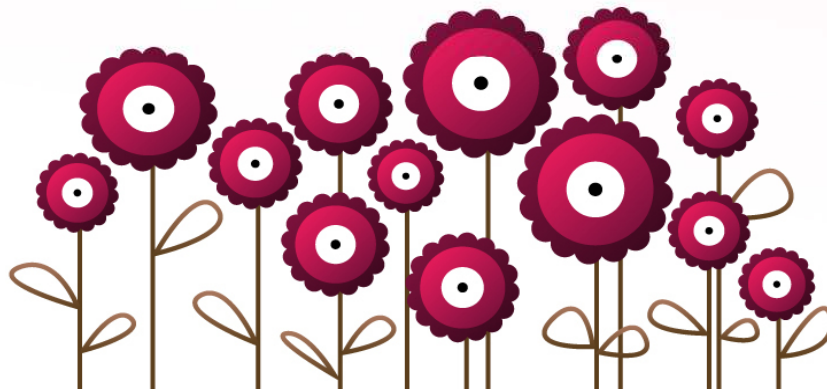


Tickets are available for the annual BOSCOV "Friends helping Friends Fundraiser." The one-day event will be held on October 18. Tickets are \$5 each. The ticket entitles you to 25% off the lowest price on most items. You also qualify to enter a raffle to win a \$100 gift card to Boscov's. Sisterhood only profits on the \$5 sale of the ticket. Please buy tickets and sell to your friends. Tickets are available in the Temple office or by emailing Janet Attner at djattner@verizon.net.

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<p>1</p> <p>Sukkot Service 9:00am</p> <p>Sukkot Open House at the Schonbruns 3:00pm</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Board of Trustees Mtg 6:00pm</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Religious School 4:15pm</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Steak & Scotch in the Sukkah 7:15pm</p> <p>Sisterhood Mtg 7:30pm</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Temple Office Closed</p> <p>Hoshanah Rabbah Service 8:00am</p> <p>Candle Lighting 6:12pm</p> <p>Shemini Atzeret/ Shabbat Service 6:30pm</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Shemini Atzeret/ Yizkor/Shabbat Service 9:00am</p> <p>Simchat Torah Spectacular 7:15pm</p>
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<p>15</p> <p>Hazak Paid-Up Event 4:00pm</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Executive Board Mtg 7:30pm</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Lunch & Learn 12:00pm</p> <p>Religious School 4:15pm</p> <p>Adult Education 7:30pm</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Sisterhood Paid-Up 7:30pm</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Candle Lighting 5:50pm</p> <p>Shabbat Service 6:15pm</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Bat Mitzvah of Eden Horowitz 9:00am</p> <p>Sponsored Kiddush Shabbat School 9:15am</p>
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