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AUGUST 2024 ~ TAMUZ/ELUL 5784

Congregation Torat El

Men's Club & Sisterhood
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**SUNDAY
AUGUST 18**

6:00PM



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August Service Announcements

Friday, August 2, 2024

Erev Shabbat Service ~ 7:00 pm

Candles 7:51pm

Yahrzeits: Selma Blaustein, Nathan Block, Pauline Ceranka, Lena Cohen, Rose Epstein, Saul Gordon, Myrna Heinig, David Heinig, Bernard Kobb, Lillian Kreisler, Raphael Latish, Martin Michelson, Max Rachles, Martin D. Schultz, Ethel Shooman, Blanch Shorr, Alvin Zarin, Paul Ziegler, Mark Zimmerman

Saturday, August 3, 2024

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am

Parshot: Mattot-Masey 32:1-33:49 (p. 949)

Haftarah: Jeremiah 2:4-28; 3:4 (p. 973)

*Kiddush Lunch is sponsored by Madeline & Joel Schulman
in honor of their 53rd wedding anniversary*

Friday, August 9, 2024

Erev Shabbat Service ~ 7:00 pm

Candles 7:42pm

Yahrzeits: Joan Gersch Abramowitz, Mark Ira Abrams, Jules Abrams, Isaac Abromowitz, Robert B. Baker, Morris Carchman, Frank Curtis, Sidney Davidson, Boris Gildenberg, Morris Ginsburg, Joseph Louis Goldenberg, Herbert Haddad, Sam Jehuda Kaufman, Gerald Klotzkin, Edward Lacey, Joseph Levy, Leon Lifshotz, Ida Mandel, Melvin Nudelman, Bessie Ostroff, William Retholtz, Beatrice Rokaw, Joe Schor, Sarah Spector, Herman Spiegel, David Stucz

Saturday, August 10, 2024

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am

Parsha: Devarim 2:2-30 (p. 990)

Haftarah: Isaiah 1:1-27 (p. 1000)

Friday, August 16, 2024

Erev Shabbat Service ~ 7:00 pm

Candles 7:33pm

Yahrzeits: Dalia Cohen, Alvin Deitelbaum, Florence Edelman, Seymour Kass, Gertrude Kirk, Sarah Klein, Leonard Kurman, Stanton Levy, Bernice London, Esta Marx, John Matzo, Florence McConnell, Sheila Morris, Ruth Peshkin, Feiga Reuven, Nettie Salaman, Matthew Schechterman, Etta Sherez, David Silverberg, Albert Simha, Rhoda Weinstock, Pearl Weiss, Stuart Wilk

Saturday, August 17, 2024

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am

Parsha: Va'ethannan 5:1-6:25 (p. 1015)

Haftarah: Isaiah 40:1-26 (p. 1033)

*Kiddush Lunch is sponsored by Neil & Marcia Weitzenkorn
in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary*

Friday, August 23, 2024

Erev Shabbat Service ~ 7:00 pm

Candles 7:23pm

Shabbat at the Beach

Yahrzeits: Jerome Abrams, Victoria Barrack, Bernard B. Beck, Beatrice Becker, Joseph David Castellano, Fannie Cook, Irene Dubinsky, Sarah Fagin, Shirley Fink, Joseph Fisher, Max Fried, Charlotte Krupnick, Samuel J. Landes, Terry Leaves, Sol Mannes, Norbert Miller, Anne Rosenbloom, Irving I. Rusoff, Joseph Shalom, Jean Tauber, Jacob Weiner, Judith Williams, Arthur Wolintz

Saturday, August 24, 2024

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am

Parsha: Ekev 9:4-10:11 (p. 1042)

Haftarah: Isaiah 49:14-51:3 (p. 1056)

Friday August 30, 2024

Erev Shabbat Service ~ 7:00 pm

Candles 7:12pm

Yahrzeits: Bobby King Baker, Marsha Bernstein, Charles Block, Bella Block, Donald Burgis, Aron Ross Casey, Sidney Cook, Gerry Gildenberg, Ethel Gordon, Roy Kallens, Gary Kaplan, Sonia Karasic, Mollie Kreisler, Marjorie Lubowsky, Gertrude Lutz, Ruth Marx, Herman Ostroff, Ruth Port, Morris Rothenberg, Herbert Rubin, Gary Schneider, Thelma Schneider, Milton Schwartz, Harry Zimmerman

Saturday, August 31, 2024

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00 am

Parsha: Re'eh 12:29-14:29 (p. 1068)

Haftarah: Isaiah 54:11-55:5 (p. 1085)

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

PRESENCE AS A SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINE



We often have a debate in our family about whether or not multi-tasking is something that people can actually do effectively. Admittedly, I am not very good at focusing on more than one thing at a time. If I am doing work on the computer, I can't be watching TV at the same time. If you are trying to talk to me, and I am on my phone, I am not really paying attention to you. I may register what you are saying to me, but I am not really taking it in. If I am cooking dinner and someone needs help with homework or anything else, either something gets burned, or someone doesn't get helped! "What do you mean?" you may be thinking. "I can do more than one thing at once, and I can do them both well! I have even changed clothes, or put on makeup in the car while driving!"

Well, it turns out that while many of us may think that we are excellent multi-taskers, there is at least *some* scientific data that does not support our belief. Neurologist Earl Miller, a professor at MIT who has studied and written about this issue over the past number of years, explains:

"People can't multitask very well, and when people say they can, they're deluding themselves. The brain is very good at deluding itself. *What we can do*, he said, is shift our focus from one thing to the next with astonishing speed. Switching from task to task, you think you're actually paying attention to everything around you at the same time. But you're actually not. You're not paying attention to one or two things simultaneously, but switching between them very rapidly... For early humans, that sort of miscalculation could have meant becoming a tiger's lunch. These days, the consequences are more likely to be stress, a blunder, or maybe a car crash." (Hamilton, *Think You're Multitasking? Think Again*)

And what does all of this have to do with our Jewish lives? It turns out, quite a bit because there are spiritual pitfalls that come along with trying to multi-task as well. Last month we celebrated the Festival of Shavuot, commemorating the revelation of the Torah on Mount Sinai. The Torah tells us that when God asked Moses to come up the mountain, God said:

Come up to Me on the mountain **and be there (v'heyeh)**, and I will give you the stone tablets with the teachings and commandments which I have inscribed to instruct them." **Exodus 24:12**

Why the redundancy here? Why the seemingly unnecessary phrase "and be there," when Moses was already told to "come up" on the mountain? Rabbi Menachem Mendel of Kotzk explains that this seemingly superfluous phrase is necessary because it is proof that:

a person can exert tremendous effort to reach the top of a mountain, yet without being there. He may be standing on the mountain, but his head may be elsewhere. The main thing is not the ascent, *but being there, and only there*, and not to be below at the same time. **Rabbi Menahem Mendel of Kotzk, 1787-1859**

In other words, God was reminding Moses that it was not enough to climb up the mountain to receive the Torah; God wanted Moses to be present in that moment. God was reminding Moses not to be distracted by the people waiting for him, by their concerns, or by anything that he forgot at the bottom of the mountain!

If distraction during revelation was a concern for Moses, how much more is this a challenge for each of us in our daily lives and our daily interactions? We are distracted by so much these days – our anxieties, the constant barrage of messages on our phones, the news, the fast pace that is life in the 21st century, etc.

During this summer season, as we enjoy the pleasures of living along the beautiful Jersey shore, I want to invite us to remember the importance of being present in the moment. Can we take a few moments to sit quietly and simply notice our surroundings, intentionally, slowly, each day? Whether we are on the beach, spending time with family on vacation, at work, or at home, can we challenge ourselves to strive to multi-task less, and focus a bit more? Can we strive to quiet our minds a bit this summer from the distractions, stresses, and anxieties that are taking up too much space in our lives?

May each of us learn to rise to the challenge that God gave to Moses – working to create the frame of mind, practice, and sense of inner peace needed to remain present throughout our daily interactions, as we strive to notice the sacred gift of life that is all around us.

TISHA B'AV SERVICES

Evening Service, Monday, August 12: Please join us in the sanctuary at 9:00pm for our evening service and the reading of the book of Eikha, Lamentations. Please wear comfortable clothing as those who are able will be sitting on the floor, with dim lighting and candles.

Morning Minyan, Tuesday, August 13: Service will begin at 8:00am and will include a Torah and Haftorah reading. We do not wear Talit and Tefilin during this service.

SHABBAT AT THE BEACH

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, 7:00PM

**CONOVER PAVILION
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MEET OUR NEW CANTOR FOR HIGH HOLY DAYS

Cantor Wendy Fried will be joining us at Shabbat at the Beach on Friday, August 23 and at Shabbat services on Saturday, August 24.

Cantor Fried will be our cantor for the holidays this year and we'd love for you to take the opportunity to come meet her.



OUR SYNAGOGUE FAMILIES

Mazel Tov to:

Janet & Alan Cohen on the birth of their grandson, Maddox Reidenbach, son on Monica and Braden Reidenbach

Sherrie Robinson on the engagement of her daughter, Rebecca, to Darrell Benbrook

Florie Bunin on the engagement of her granddaughter, Rebecca, Robinson to Darrell Benbrook

Condolences to:

Dorothy Secol on the loss of her husband, Steve Secol

Welcome to:

Lori & Steven Shery

Michele Tauber

Melisande Wolf

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CHAI LITES

Summer is in full swing, and so are we! The staff is preparing for another exciting and enriching year of Religious School. Registration is open on the synagogue website and we encourage you to sign up your students as soon as possible so that we can properly prepare for the coming year. Our first day of school is Saturday, September 7.

Children who are in PreK (age 4) are welcome to register for our Ganon class on Shabbat mornings at no charge.

Please visit www.torat-el.org/learning/religious-school/registration-2024-2025/

Please call the temple office if you need additional information.

RITUAL ENGAGEMENT CHAI LITES

Yasher Koach to Addie and Marnie Marowitz for leading Services on Friday Night and Shabbat morning, and for chanting Torah and Haftarah so beautifully on the occasion of their B'nai Mitzvah. Mazal Tov!

Yasher Koach to Amalia Jacob for leading Services on Friday Night and Shabbat morning, and for chanting Torah and Haftarah so beautifully on the occasion of her Bat Mitzvah. Mazal Tov!

Yasher Koach to Jack Nudelman for leading Services on Friday Night and Shabbat morning, and for chanting Torah and Haftarah so beautifully on the occasion of his Bar Mitzvah. Mazal Tov!

Yasher Koach to Rachael Goldman for chanting the Haftarah so beautifully on the occasion of the anniversary of her Bat Mitzvah. Mazal Tov!

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

Matthew Eilenberg
Mark Engel
Sam Fields
Marvin Goldin
Rachael Goldman
Amalia Jacob

Sharon Jacob
Ben Laskowitz
Alana Malek
Addie Marowitz
Marnie Marowitz
Fran Nudelman

Jack Nudelman
Larry Ozarow
Helene Santo
Rabbi Aaron Schonbrun
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.

SISTERHOOD CHAI LITES

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.

Knitting Club – Members and friends are gathering at the temple to knit blankets and other items to be donated to charity. The program is paused for the summer. This September, the program will be held on the **last Wednesday of the month at 2PM**. Yarn will be provided. Contact Judy Cohen at (732) 567-7200 to let her know of your interest and for more information on the project.

Board & Committee Members Needed: Sisterhood members are always welcome to assist on various committees. Please contact Robin Bauer at ctesisterhood@gmail.com for more information or if you are interested in participating.

Summer Board Meeting: Thank You to Lynne Verderese for hosting our Summer Board meeting on July 18th.

Calendar Diaries: Women's League for Conservative Judaism offers pocket calendar diaries. Sisterhood has them available for purchase for \$10. Please contact either Robin Bauer at ctesisterhood@gmail.com or Judy Solomon at judyispres@gmail.com for information or to place an order. The calendars are now also available as a desk planner. These need to be ordered separately at a cost of \$26 either through us or directly through Women's League.

Bosco's Fundraiser: Tickets are available for the annual BOSCOV "Friends helping Friends Fundraiser." The one-day event will be held on October 22nd. Tickets are \$5 each. The ticket entitles you to 25% off the lowest price on most items, or, new this year, online. You also qualify to enter a raffle to win a \$100 gift card to Bosco's. Sisterhood only profits on the \$5 sale of the ticket. Please buy tickets and sell them to your friends. Tickets are available in the Temple office or by emailing Janet Attner at djattner@verizon.net.

Min Pincow Raffle: Thanks to Toby Sukinik for chairing this important fundraiser for us.

Dues Notices will be mailed soon. Thank you for your prompt payment. Please contact Lynne Verderese with any questions at lverderese@yahoo.com.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL SUKKAH RAFFLE ~ \$18 per ticket

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 5785 (October 16-23)

Drawing: TBD **Questions?** Email: therosenhecks@msn.com or call Jackie: 732-996-7892

Fill out the form below and mail it to temple with your check made out to *CTE Sisterhood*.

Please mark Sukkah Raffle on outside of envelope. We will mail your tickets to you. You do not have to be present to win.

CREATE WONDERFUL FAMILY MEMORIES! HAVE FRIENDS OVER FOR DINNER OR LUNCH IN THE SUKKAH! YOU HAVE TO BE IN IT TO WIN IT!

I want to win a sukkah set-up for 5785 and create memories for my family that they'll never forget!

Family Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Number of tickets wanted _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____



HIGH HOLY DAYS INFORMATION



HONORS

There are many honors that we assign for the High Holy Days, including Ark Openings, carrying/holding the Torah, English readings, and chanting the Torah Blessings. This year, Rosh Hashanah is October 3 and 4. Yom Kippur is October 12. To request a High Holy Day Honor, please notify Ben Laskowitz at benlaskowitz@yahoo.com or via text 732-861-7450. Please be sure to indicate the day and type of honor that you would prefer. Ben will contact you to confirm if we are able to accommodate your request. Thank you.

DATES TO REMEMBER (Details to Follow)

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| Book of Life Deadline | August 2 |
| Mahzor Order Deadline | August 26 |
| Apples and Honey Order Deadline | September 3 |
| Lulav/Etrog Order Deadline | September 25 |
| Selichot | September 28 |
| Chair and Book Set-Up | September 29 |
| Rosh Hashanah Services | October 2, 3, 4 |
| Service of Remembrance | October 6 |
| Break Fast Reservation Deadline | October 7 |
| Tashlich and Shofar Blowing at the Beach | October 9 |
| Yom Kippur Services | October 11, 12 |
| Chair and Book Break Down/Sukkah Building | October 13 |
| Sukkot Services | October 16, 17, 18 |
| Men's Club Steak and Scotch in the Sukkah | October 21 |
| Hoshanah Rabbah/Shemini Atzeret | October 23 |
| Shemini Atzeret/Yizkor Service | October 24 |
| Simchat Torah Spectacular | October 24 |
| Simchat Torah Service | October 25 |

Apples and Honey

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

\$7 per member listing, for each apples and honey package
\$15 per non-member listing, for each apples and honey package
(cards will be sent to those living outside the temple delivery area)

PLEASE REFER TO YOUR TEMPLE MAILING (mailed July 26) AND CIRCLE THE NAMES OF THE MEMBERS YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEND BASKETS TO.

RETURN THE LIST ALONG WITH YOUR ORDER FORM AND PAYMENT.



Rosh Hashanah 5785 begins
October 2 at sundown.

Orders will be delivered the week
of September 23.

All Paid Orders must be received by **September 3**
along with your check made payable to Congregation Torat El.

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

Drivers needed to help deliver Apples and Honey Baskets during the week of September 23.

To volunteer, please contact the temple office at 732-531-4410 or pamc@torat-el.org.

PURCHASE MAHZOR LEV SHALEM (FOR THOSE LIVESTREAMING)

Mahzor Lev Shalem, our High Holy Days prayer book, will only be available to those attending in-person services.

For anyone who would like an at-home copy to follow along while watching on Livestream, you may purchase copies for \$40 each. We will be **accepting pre-paid orders through August 26**, at which time we will place the order. Once the books are received, we will contact the purchasers to come in for pick-up.

Anyone who decides to purchase books after August 26 will be able to do so directly through the Rabbinical Assembly at a cost of \$49 per book, plus shipping.

Please understand that no prayer books will be loaned out under any circumstances.

Please make checks payable to Congregation Torat El and mail or drop off to the temple office no later than August 26.

5785 HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICES



SELICHOT

Saturday, September 28 ~ 8:00pm

ROSH HASHANAH

Erev Rosh Hashanah, Wednesday, October 2 ~ 6:30pm

1st Day Rosh Hashanah, Thursday, October 3 ~ 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, Thursday, October 3 ~ 6:30pm

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

*Mini-Minyan (ages 2 thru K) with a parent & Junior Congregation (1st - 7th Grade)
After shofar blowing (appx 10:30am)*

YOM KIPPUR

Kol Nidre, Friday, October 11 ~ 6:00pm

Yom Kippur, Saturday, October 12 ~ 8:30am

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

Yizkor ~ 11:15am (approximate time)

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

Yizkor Service Open to the Community ~ 2:30pm

Mincha/Neilah ~ 4:30pm/6:00pm

Communal Shofar Blowing ~ 7:00pm

Break Fast ~ 7:10pm (approximate time)

SUKKOT

Erev Sukkot, Wednesday, October 16 ~ 6:30pm

1st Day Sukkot, Thursday, October 17 ~ 9:00am & 6:30pm

2nd Day Sukkot, Friday, October 18 ~ 9:00am

SHEMINI ATZERET / SIMCHAT TORAH

Hoshanah Rabbah/Shemini Atzeret, Wednesday, October 23 ~ 8:00am & 6:30pm

Shemini Atzeret /Yizkor, Thursday, October 24 ~ 9:00am

Simchat Torah Spectacular, Thursday, October 24 ~ 6:30pm

Simchat Torah, Friday, October 25 ~ 9:00am



JEWISH TRAVEL SERIES ON ZOOM



Jewish Copenhagen with Charlotte Thalmay - Sunday, September 22, 1:00pm

Jewish Ethiopia with Naftali Aklum - Sunday, November 3, 1:00pm

Jewish Yemen with Joey Leskin - Sunday, December 8, 1:00pm

Jewish Mexico with Monica Unikel-Fasja - Thursday, January 30, 8:30pm

Jewish Ireland with Alexander Vard - Sunday, February 9, 1:00pm

Jewish Jamaica with Rivka Campbell - Thursday, March 6, 8:30pm

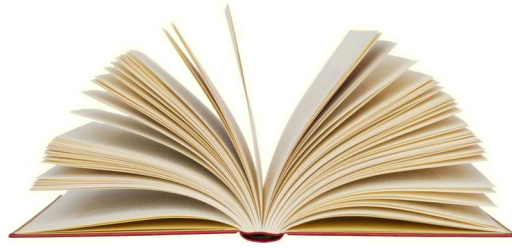


Visit upcomingevents.torat-el.org
to register for any of these programs.

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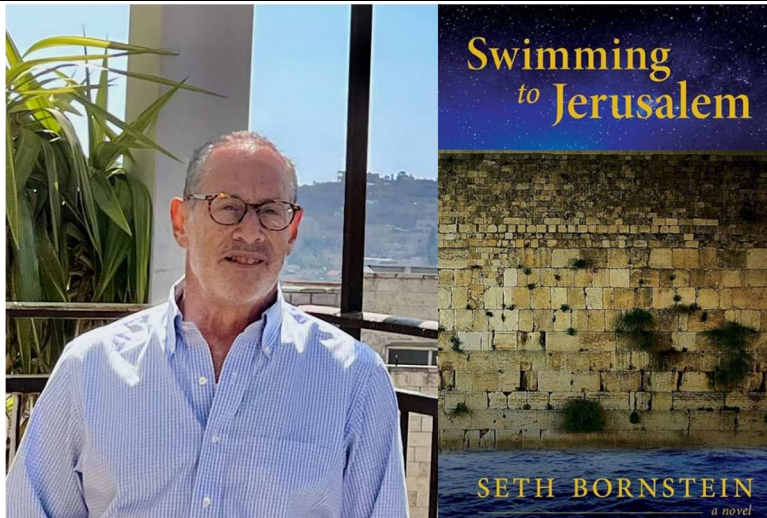
MEET THE AUTHOR IN-PERSON & ZOOM EVENT!!



CONGREGATION TORAT EL

Sunday, September 22, 11:00am

Meet Seth Bornstein, author of *Swimming to Jerusalem*



Swimming to Jerusalem is the story of Bram Goodman, his family, friends, colleagues, and demons.

Born in France, he spent his childhood in Israel and moved to the United States as a teenager. After his freshman college year, he went back to Israel and enlisted in the Army with his cousin Yoni. After his discharge, an aimless and disillusioned Bram made his way to Paris where he met Liz, an American, and followed her back to the States. Decades later, when Theo, his youngest child, was seeking to learn about his heritage, Bram began to confront the past that he had attempted to keep at bay. It is a journey that took him back, both emotionally and physically, to a place he thought he could leave behind.

Seth Bornstein has written plays, short stories, and essays. *Swimming to Jerusalem* is his first novel. Born in Brooklyn, New York, he attended Parsons School of Design and has had a career in urban economic development with positions in the public, private, and academic sectors.

Buy your copy of his book from Bookshop.org (to support independent bookstores) or amazon.com. Copies will also be available at the event.

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

This ongoing series has been made possible by a grant from the B'nai Sholom/Beth El Foundation.



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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 7:00PM

Italian Dinner Buffet
Music and Dancing
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\$65 PER PERSON
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DONATIONS

Congregation Torat El General Fund

In Honor of:

Robin Bauer becoming Sisterhood President, Helene Woda & old friends by *Sylvia Pardes*
Beverle Richelson's birthday by *Joe & Bonnie Benincasa*

In Memory of:

Steve Secol – husband of Dorothy Secol by *Irene & Al Landis, Jeffrey & Rosemary Donner, Jay-Ann & Harvey Shooman, Bonnie Cohen, Jane Grabelle, Lonnie, Laura & Lynn Zimmerman, Ellie & Michael Breslow, Harriet Haddad, Madeline & Joel Schulman*
Noel Kirchner by *Lonnie, Laura & Lynn Zimmerman*

Rabbi Schonbrun's Discretionary Fund

In Honor of:

Patricia & Armond Ipri's grandson Oliver's Bar Mitzvah by *Cindy, Lewis, Matthew & Jodi Fisher*
Patricia Ipri's speedy recovery by *Cindy, Lewis, Matthew & Jodi Fisher*
Continued good health for Patricia & Armond Ipri's daughter Jennifer by *Cindy, Lewis, Matthew & Jodi Fisher*

In Memory of:

Steve Secol – husband of Dorothy Secol by *Penny & Larry Turtel, Paula & Steve Bass*

Garden Fund

In Honor of:

The CTE community for the support we received with the passing of Rob Einhorn's mother by *Rob Einhorn & Family*
Marjorie & Stanley Cotlers' granddaughters' graduations by *Barbara Berkowitz*

In Memory of:

Steve Secol – husband of Dorothy Secol by *Barbara Berkowitz*
Jerry Berkowitz – husband of Barbara Berkowitz who loved his garden by *Barbara Berkowitz*

Helayne Berger Memorial Fund

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In Memory of:

Lori Comer – wife of Marc Comer by *Marc, Brad & Julia Comer*

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In Memory of:

William E. Miller – father of Ellen Samuel by *Ellen & Myron Samuel*
Steve Secol – husband of Dorothy Secol by *Ellen & Myron Samuel*

Harry & Sadie Steinberg Memorial Fund

In Memory of:

Molly Rassas – mother of Beth Jacob by *Beth Jacob*

Mahzor Lev Shalem

In Memory of:

Steve Secol – husband of Dorothy Secol by *Terry & Irving Zimmerman, Nancy Isaacs*

JNF Trees

A tree has been planted in memory of Steve Secol by *Sandy & Ronnie Rosen*

Adie Gordon Fund

In Memory of:

Judith Lester – cousin of Michael Gordon by *Michael Gordon*

Temple Grams

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