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Congregation Torat El - Jersey Shore Jewish Center

SEPTEMBER 2025 - Elul 5785 / Tishrei 5786

5786 HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICES



SELICHOT

Saturday, September 13 ~ 8:00pm

ROSH HASHANAH

Erev Rosh Hashanah, Monday, September 22 ~ 6:30pm

1st Day Rosh Hashanah, Tuesday, September 23 ~ 8:30am

2nd Day Rosh Hashanah, Wednesday, September 24 ~ 8:30am

YOM KIPPUR

Kol Nidre, Wednesday, October 1 ~ 6:15pm

Yom Kippur, Thursday, October 2 ~ 8:30am

Yizkor ~ 11:00am (approximate time)

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

Yizkor Service Open to the Community ~ 2:30pm

Mincha/Neilah ~ 5:15pm/6:30pm

Communal Shofar Blowing ~ 7:35pm

Break Fast ~ 7:45pm (approximate time)

SUKKOT

Erev Sukkot, Monday, October 6 ~ 6:00pm

1st Day Sukkot, Tuesday, October 7 ~ 9:00am

2nd Day Sukkot, Wednesday, October 8 ~ 9:00am

SHEMINI ATZERET / SIMCHAT TORAH

Hoshanah Rabbah, Monday, October 13 ~ 8:00am

Shemini Atzeret /Yizkor, Tuesday, October 14 ~ 9:00am

Simchat Torah Spectacular, Tuesday, October 14 ~ 6:30pm

Simchat Torah, Wednesday, October 15 ~ 9:00am

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September Service Announcements

Friday, September 5, 2025

Erev Shabbat Service ~ 7:00pm

Candles 7:03pm

Yahrzeits: Ilse Aufseeser, Edna Davidson, Warren Fink, Stanley Freedman, Bess Gildenberg, George Goldenberg, Richard Grayson, Frances Hirschhorn, Mayer Hock, Rose Kadesh, Jean Kasselheim, Bruce Koyner, Anna Krongold, Zachary Lieberman, Frances Morgenstern, Abraham Osattin, Doris Claire Pollack, Albert Reisch, Albert Rosen, Morris Rothberg, Ruth Rothman, Ruth Scott, Max Sprechman, Phillip Steinberg, orman Yeamans

Saturday, September 6, 2025

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00am

Parsha: Ki tetse 24:14-25:19 (p.1130) Haftarah: Isaiah 54:1-10 (p. 1138)

Friday, September 12, 2025

Tot Shabbat ~ 5:00pm

Candles 6:51pm

Erev Shabbat Service ~ 7:00pm

Yahrzeits: Esta K. Abrams, Louise Anschelewitz, Fatemeh Ardakani, Richard Bascom, Albert Beja, Mark David Crawford, David Elias Elson, William Feinberg, Libby Gold, Judd Klajman, Richard Kramer, Lester Miller, Abraham Aaron Negnewitzky, Sam Nussbaum, Beverly Pearlman, Morris Pollak, Walter Raab, Marvin Rosen, Eva Samuel, Irving Santo, Gloria Schulman, Lee Spingarn, Jane E. Schreiber Steadman, Jacob Wirth

Saturday, September 13, 2025

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00am

Parsha: Ki tavo 27:11-29:8 (p. 1146) Haftarah: Isaiah 60:1-22 (p. 1161)

Kiddush Luncheon sponsored by Arlene & Kenneth Lutz in honor the 70th anniversary of Ken becoming a Bar Mitzvah and Arlene becoming at Bat Mitzvah

Friday, September 19, 2025

Erev Shabbat Service ~ 6:15pm (new time)

Candles 6:39pm

Yahrzeits: Nathan Bernstein, Henrietta "Chick" Breslow, Abraham Brown, Leonard F. Cohan, Samuel Cohen, Irene Sulkin Cohen, Anna Droisen, Mary Elstein, Natalie Schnee Fox, Samuel Goldberg, Alfred Goldfarb, Ruth Grossman, Scott Harris, Kalman Carl Malc, George Markman, Martin Meyer, Arnold Morris, Herman Needel, Lola Opatut, Richard Rediker, Irving Reiser, Sophie Sabin, Seymour Seigler, Jeanette T. Shain, Lou Shooman, Shirley Sprung, Morris Wahl, Morton Weiner, Leah Zimmerman

Saturday, September 20, 2025

Shabbat Morning Service ~ 9:00am

Parsha: Nitsavim 29:9-30:20 (p. 1165) Haftarah: Isaiah 61:10-63:9 (p. 1180)

Friday, September 26, 2025

Erev Shabbat Service ~ 6:15pm (new time)

Candles 6:27pm

Yahrzeits: Selma Abbott, Michael Abelson, Max Aronowitz, Margit Benjamin, Morris Bohm, Israel Herbert Breslow, Sol Bunin, Dorothy Cohen, Beatrice Cohen, Samuel Detzky, Ellen S. Diamond, Adam Diller, Bette Donner, Harvey S. Friedman, Doris Friedman, Margie Haddad, Isabelle Hirshfield, Fred Holub, Joseph Kurtz, Ned Meyer, Max Moses, Rachel Negin, Sol Phillips, Marilyn Reiser, Linda Richard, Sally Rose, Harry Schneider, Ruth Sommer, Eunice Taylor, Claire Gruber Tritt, Ann Weg, Phyllis White, Irwin Wiener

Saturday, September 27, 2025

Shabbat Service ~ 9:00am

Shabbat Shuvah

Parsha: Vayelekh 31:1-30 (p. 1173)

**Haftarah: Hosea 14:2-10 + Micah 7:18-20 (p. 1235)
*Grab & Go Kiddush***

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

Monday & Thursday - In person only

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Sunday - Zoom only (same mtg info as below)

Evening Minyan: Monday-Thursday, 7:00pm

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

New Year, New Opportunities & A New Focus



Years ago, a young couple sat in my office in preparation for their upcoming wedding. In addition to meeting with me, the couple had the foresight to do some pre-marital counselling with a therapist as they journeyed towards this significant transition in their life. In the course of our conversations about their Jewish lives in general, and married life in particular, they shared with me a small piece of advice that the therapist had offered them when it came to the stress of that particular moment in time. The therapist told them that *there are essentially two columns of things that we encounter on a day-to-day basis – the things that we can control and the things that we can't control. Most of our anxiety and stress stems from trying to control the things that are in the "can't control" column.* It was a simple observation, but an important one that I come back to on a regular basis and find myself considering as we prepare for the New Year that is almost upon us.

Many of us, particularly these days, seem to be carrying a tremendous amount of stress – stress about America, about Israel, about the world; stress about our financial, physical, or emotional well-being; stress about our children and grandchildren, and on and on. We are sometimes the embodiment of the old Jewish joke about how Jews used to send one another a telegram when sharing bad news. The telegram said simply: *"Start worrying. Details to follow."* Some of us, more than others, tend to be the embodiment of that old Yiddish term, *drei cups*, people who literally "spin our heads" about all sorts of things. Along comes Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur with a stark reminder, a huge stop sign of sorts in our lives that says: *"Wait. Stop. Let me remind you of something. You will die eventually. But you are alive today. You have 'returned' to another year. What are you doing with the gift of time that you have been granted?"* It's kind of like a bucket of cold water being thrown into our faces urging us to stop spinning, and to stand still for a moment in order to take stock and re-group.

How much of what we are worrying about is "in our control," and how much is "out of our control?" During this time of year that we are invited to engage in some *cheshbon ha-nefesh*, soul searching, we are invited to consider those areas in our life that we might somehow be able to "change." Is there an apology that needs to be made? Are there priorities that need to be re-aligned? Are there habits that we can try to "manage" in a healthier way even if they are challenging? What are the top three things that we would like to change this year about ourselves, about our relationships, about the way that we behave in the world? And, most importantly, how many of these things are in the "can control" column?

The direction for this type of spiritual growth each year was once expressed quite beautifully by the Hassidic Rabbi Yechiel Michel of Zlotchov, who taught that:

There are two things it is forbidden to worry about. That which is possible to fix and that which is impossible to fix. What is possible to fix, fix it and why worry? That which is impossible to fix, how will worrying help?

This is easier said than done, but as we approach Rosh Hashanah, let us each take a deep breath and remember that we have been given a gift – the gift of a new beginning. *What do we want to change? What **can** we change? And where, or how, might we begin?* All it takes is one step in a new direction.

As we begin this New Year together, let us consider this short prayer by Rabbi Naomi Levy:

When we worry, God, teach us to breathe. When we are anxious, God, remind us to notice. When we are spinning God, help us to slow down.

May we enter into the gift of this New Year, aware that there is so much that is unknown, while striving to quiet our anxiety and become the best possible version of ourselves.

L'Shanah Tovah U'metukah – may it be a good and sweet New Year for all of us.



Adult Ed

WITH RABBI SCHONBRUN

Beyond Apples & Honey: Customs, Symbols & Traditions of the High Holidays

We have all heard of apples and honey, but what about having a seder on Rosh Hashanah? Aren't seders reserved for Passover? And what about eating round challot, new fruits, or the hearing the blast of the shofar in the synagogue during the holiday? When did these customs develop, what do they each symbolize, and what might these various rituals and practices of the Days of Awe, mean for us today? Come and join Rabbi Schonbrun for this crash course on the symbols, customs and traditions of Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur.

Wednesday, September 10, 7:30pm

Lunch and Learn

While many people are familiar with the first five books of Moses, when it comes to the Prophets, many of us are left to wonder whether we learned very much beyond the Haftorah that we memorized for our bar or bat mitzvah! But the Book of Prophets, in particular *the Nevi'im Rishonim*, the Early Prophets are filled with action, adventure and political intrigue. Including the books of Joshua, Judges, Samuel (I and II) and Kings (I and II), these books are a central part of our ancient historical narrative that often get left out of our early Jewish education (unless you grew up in Israel!). Come and join us this year as we begin our exploration of these important texts and the lessons they might come to teach us today.

Wednesdays, beginning October 22, 12:00pm

Lessons From The Esh Kodesh, the Rebbe of the Warsaw Ghetto

Rabbi Kalonymous Kalman Shapira, also known as the Esh Kodesh and the Piaseczno Rebbe, lived, wrote, and perished during the years leading up to, and including, the Holocaust. Writing during an impossible time of darkness, he sought answers to what it meant to live a life of faith and spirituality while living in impossible conditions. Join Rabbi Schonbrun to explore some of the teachings from the Esh Kodesh and what they might offer individuals who struggle with finding spirituality, meaning, and purpose in a world that can, at times, seem cruel and uncertain. We look forward to learning together.

Wednesdays, October 22, 29, November 5, 12, 7:30pm

Register for all classes at upcomingevents.torat-el.org

OUR SYNAGOGUE FAMILIES

Mazel Tov:

Marian & Bill Warshauer on the birth of their granddaughter, Sydney Violet Warshauer
Nancy & Steve Maurer on the birth of their grandson, Eric Arthur Maurer
Diane & Steve Resnick on the marriage of their daughter, Sarah to Alexi Fineman

Condolences to:

Steven Fineberg on the loss of his sister, Jane Fineberg
Sandy Epstein on the loss of her husband, Warren Epstein
Lonnie Zimmerman on the loss of his brother-in-law, Albert Schechterman
Lynn Zimmerman on the loss of her uncle, Albert Schechterman

Welcome:

Adrienne & Don Peloso
Helene & Owen Drapkin



*If you have news to share, please contact
the temple office at 732-531-4410 or
office@torat-el.org and we'll get it into
Synagogue Families for the next bulletin.*

RITUAL ENGAGEMENT CHAI LITES

Yasher Koach and thank you to Matthew Eilenberg, Joshua Schor, Mark Engel, and Susan Sferas for sharing inspiring and meaningful Divrei Torah while Rabbi Schonbrun was away on vacation.

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

Matthew Eilenberg
Mark Engel
Robert Karasic
Alana Malek

Alan Morris
Fran Nudelman
Larry Ozarow
Bonnie Reiss

Helene Santo
Joshua Schor
Lori Schuldiner Schor
Neil Weitzenkorn

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 at 732-861-7450 or benlaskowitz@torat-el.org.

Hi Everyone, hope you're having a great summer!

Back during the height of COVID, I joined a group within our Executive Director's national organization dedicated to keeping our community connected during such a challenging time. That group, PJP — Partners in Jewish Programming, began offering Zoom-based events to help engage and uplift people when we needed it most.

Thankfully, those difficult days are behind us, but our commitment hasn't wavered. PJP continues to create meaningful, accessible programming—bringing you speakers, experiences, and events (at no cost to you) that would be nearly impossible to host at individual synagogues.

I'm excited to share a sneak peek at what's coming up on our calendar for the year ahead. Stay tuned for details in future bulletins and my weekly emails! ~ Pam

Register for all programs at upcomingevents.torat-el.org

JEWISH MUSEUM TOURS:

The Jewish Museum, NY

National Museum of American Military History

Weitzman National Museum of American Jewish History

Museum of the Southern Jewish Experience



VIRTUAL TOURS OF THE JEWISH WORLD CONTINUED:

Barbados - *Thursday, September 18, 8:30pm, Registration now open*

Istanbul Panama Indonesia Kurdistan Uruguay

JEWISH ART SERIES:

Purim in the Works of European Artists

Jewish Artists Who Shook the World

Jews in the Life and Art of Pablo Picasso

THE SHTETL:

The Shtetl: A Jewish Universe

A Virtual Tour of the Once Jewish Towns of Eastern Europe

Exploring the Lives of Jewish Children in Eastern Europe

JEWISH SCHOLAR SERIES:

Finding God in the Material World - *Thursday, September 11, 8:30pm, Registration now open*

Abraham Cahan and the Rise of the American Yiddish Press

Religious Perspectives on Abortion

Talmudic Stories: From History to Literature

Jewish Justification of Diaspora Life

A Rosenberg by Any Other Name: Jewish Name Changing in the 20th Century

BROADWAY SERIES:

Oklahoma

South Pacific

Fiddler on the Roof

Registration now open for all three

October 5

October 21

November 9

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CHAI LITES

Religious School is just around the corner!!!

The first day of Religious School is Saturday, September 6!

We invite all parents and students to join our teachers and student aides at 9:15am in the Small Chapel for a brief "Meet & Greet" before the children head to their classrooms. At that time, we will introduce the staff and give an overview of what we have planned for the year. We welcome you to stay for Shabbat Services and re-join your children in the Social Hall for Kiddush Lunch.

If you have children ages four or older, and have not yet checked out our School, we welcome you to sit in on a class. Just contact the office and we can make the arrangements.

And for those of our returning families who have not yet registered, please do so NOW. All students MUST be registered prior to the start of school.

Here's what's happening:

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| ◇ Saturday, September 6 | 9:15am First Day Shabbat School |
| ◇ | Parent Orientation & "Meet and Greet" |
| ◇ Wednesday, September 10 | 4:15pm Religious School |
| ◇ Saturday, September 13 | 9:15/10:00am Shabbat School |
| ◇ Wednesday, September 17 | 4:15pm Religious School/Apples & Honey at Rabbi's House |
| ◇ | ALL students welcome |
| ◇ Saturday, September 20 | 9:15/10:00am Shabbat School |
| ◇ Tuesday, September 23 | Rosh Hashanah Junior Congregation & Mini Minyan (10:30am) |
| ◇ Wednesday, September 24 | Rosh Hashanah Junior Congregation & Mini Minyan (10:30am) |
| ◇ Saturday, September 27 | 9:15/10:00am Shabbat School/Tashlich at the Brook |



Friday, September 12 ~ 5:00-6:00pm

Bring the kids and welcome in Shabbat with Rabbi Schonbrun and our special guest, Noa Kligfeld.

Fun stories, music, chicken fingers and fries!
Ideal for children 6 and under.

There is no charge, but for planning purposes, reservations at upcomingevents.torat-el.org would be appreciated by September 8.

SISTERHOOD CHAI LITES

Board & Committee Members Needed: Members are needed on our Board to help with various programs such as Installation, Tricky Tray Event, etc. Please email ctesisterhood@gmail.com for more information or if you are interested in participating.

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 gather at the temple to knit and crochet blankets and other items to be donated to charity. Our 'Knitzvah Group' usually meets on the **second and last Wednesday of the month at 2PM**. The next meeting will be **Wednesday, September 10**. Yarn is provided. Contact Judy Cohen at 732-567-7200 to let her know of your interest and for more information.

Membership: Thanks to all who have returned their membership forms and dues payments. Dues remain at \$36. Thanks to Lynne Verderese for sending out the renewal notices and members that have already renewed. Be sure to return yours before our Paid-Up event on September 18th. This year you may mail or drop off the check for dues or sign up electronically and pay dues via the temple website at upcomingevents.torat-el.org. The event is labeled "Join Sisterhood 2025-26" and includes an optional transaction fee to cover our processing costs. 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.

Min Pincow Raffle: Mazel Tov to Linda Gurman, who won the August drawing. Thanks again to Robin Bauer for chairing this important fundraiser!

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. 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. Your ticket enables you to shop in the store or to shop on-line. 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.

Tricky Tray Event: Once Loved, Now Yours with pocketbooks, scarves and jewelry will be held on Thursday, November 6th at 6:30 pm. This event is open to all temple members. Please consider donating your new or like-new pocketbooks, scarves and jewelry. Please see the flyer on page 17 and consider attending this fun-filled night.

Calendar Diaries: Calendars for the year 5785-5786 by Women's League for Conservative Judaism are available. Please send checks for \$10 for the pocket calendar payable to "CTE Sisterhood" to the temple office to the attention of Robin Bauer.

Paid-Up: Save the date for Paid-Up Dinner which will be on September 18th.

Apples & Honey Delivery: Help needed for Apples & Honey Delivery the week of September 15th. Please contact the temple office if you are available.

TWELFTH 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 5786 (October 6-13)

Questions: therosenhecks@msn.com or call Jackie Rosenheck at 732-996-7892

Provide name, address, phone, number of tickets you'd like to purchase, and mail it to the 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.

Sisterhood Book Club

The Secret Jewish Sisters
A WWII Historical Novel, Based on a True Story

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 10:00AM

Germany, 1939. As war looms, young sisters Rita and Suzie are sent to a Belgian abbey, posing as Christian orphans. Only nine, Rita must protect both her sister and their secret Jewish identity. While Suzie adapts to their new life, unaware of the truth, Rita bears the weight of their past. But as their old and new worlds collide, Rita must decide whether to hold on to the secret — or let go of the life she's come to love.

RSVP to Kathleen Burke at
kathiemb@gmail.com for planning purposes
and for the address of the meeting location.



HIGH HOLY DAYS
INFORMATION



DATES TO REMEMBER

Apples and Honey Order Deadline	September 1
Selichot	September 13
Lulav/Etrog Order Deadline	September 17
Chair and Book Set-Up	September 21
Rosh Hashanah Services	September 22,23,24
Break Fast & Sukkot Dinner Reservation Deadlines	September 25
Service of Remembrance	September 28
Tashlich and Shofar Blowing at the Beach	September 28
Yom Kippur Services	October 1, 2
Chair and Book Break Down/Sukkah Building	October 5
Supper in the Sukkah	October 6
Sukkot Services	October 6, 7, 8
Men's Club Steak and Scotch in the Sukkah	October 9
Sukkot Open House at the Schonbrun's	October 12
Hoshanah Rabbah/Shemini Atzeret	October 13
Shemini Atzeret/Yizkor Service	October 14
Simchat Torah Spectacular	October 14
Simchat Torah Service	October 15



Musical Selichot Service and Program

Saturday, September 13 - 8:00pm

**Join Rabbi Schonbrun and
Noa Kligfeld for an evening of
beautiful music and spirituality.**

**Learn some new melodies Noa will
use during the holidays.**

**For planning purposes please RSVP
to upcomingevents.torat-el.org**

LULAV & ETROG SETS

\$50.00

**Please visit
upcomingevents.torat-el.org
to make your purchase
by September 17**



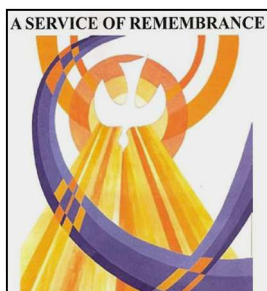
A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Sunday, September 28 - 10:00am

**TEMPLE BETH EL CEMETERY
AND AGUDATH ACHIM
CEMETERY**

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

Thursday, October 2
Immediately following services
(appx. 7:45pm)



Bagels, Salads
and Sweets

\$20 per person

**Prepaid
reservations via
website or temple
office by
September 25**

732-531-4410

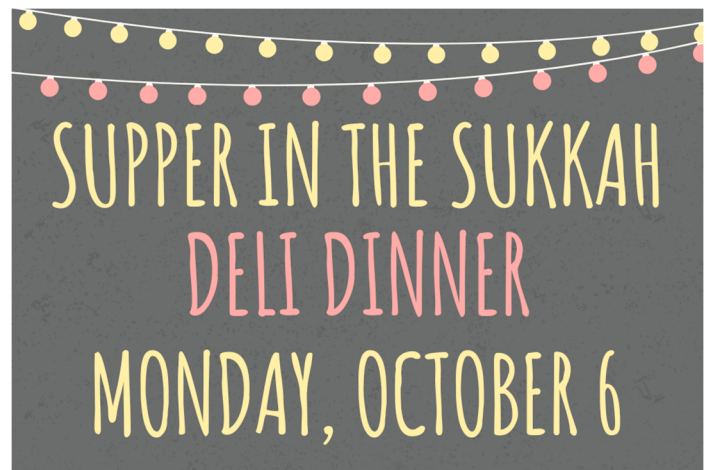
Sukkah Builders Wanted!!
Sunday, October 5, 9:00-11:30 AM



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!



Monday, October 6, 6:00pm

Join us for Erev Sukkot/Shabbat Services followed by a delicious deli dinner in our beautiful sukkah!

\$36 per adult (ages 13+)
\$20 (ages 5-12)
No charge (ages 4 and under)

Make your paid reservations at upcomingevents.torat-el.org by September 25.

Men's Club
Steak & Scotch In the Sukkah



Thursday, October 9
7:30pm

\$54 per person

RSVP by September 21
upcomingevents.torat-el.org



Congregation Torat El Food Drive

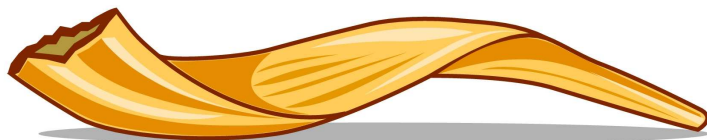
During the High Holidays, we collect food for people in need.

Bags will be out at Rosh Hashanah. Please fill them up and bring them back to the Temple's donation bins.

Donations will be collected through October 31.

All donations will go to local food pantries.

If you are joining us for Mincha/Neilah and have your own shofar, please bring it so you can be part of the communal shofar blowing!



Tashlich Sweets & Shofar Blowing

Bring bread and cast your sins in the ocean!

**Sunday, September 28
3:00pm
Phillips Beach - Deal**

Simchat Torah

Thursday, October 14 6:00pm

Dancing and Ice Cream!

No charge, but for planning purposes, please RSVP at upcomingevents.torat-el.org or to the temple office by October 10.



**The fun continues unrolling the Torah
Friday, October 15 ~ 9:00am**

MAHZOR LEV SHALEM

Honor a loved one by dedicating a *Mahzor Lev Shalem* in their honor or memory. For each book you donate (\$54), a bookplate will be placed on the inside front cover. Please contact Lisa in the temple office to place your order.

HONORS FOR THE HIGH HOLY DAYS

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 September 22-24 and Yom Kippur is October 2. To request a High Holy Day Honor, please notify Ben Laskowitz at benlaskowitz@torat-el.org 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.



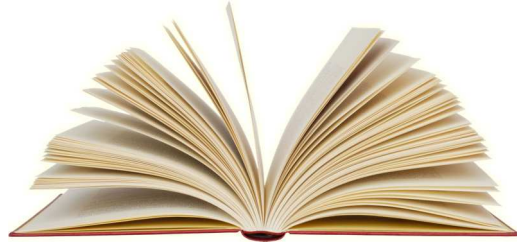
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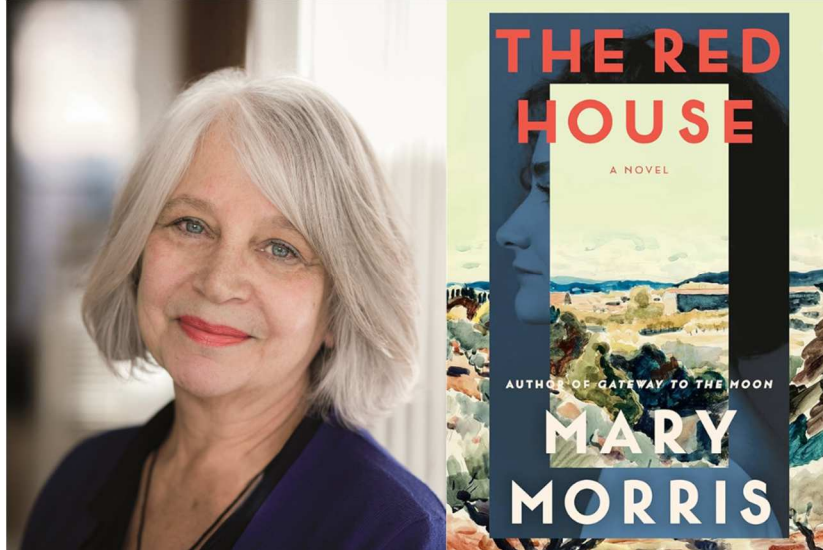
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MEET THE AUTHOR IN PERSON EVENT!!



Sunday, October 26, 11:00am

Meet Mary Morris, author of *The Red House*



Mary Morris's *The Red House*, weaves together the intimate story of a daughter searching for answers about her vanished mother with the largely untold story of Italian Jews during World War II.

Thirty years ago, Laura's mother, Viola, went missing. She left behind her purse, her keys and her mysterious paintings of a red house. Viola was never found, and her family never recovered. Laura, an artist herself, held on to the paintings. On the back of each work, her mother scrawled in Italian, "I will not be here forever." The family never understood what Viola meant.

Decades later, at a crossroads in her marriage and her life, Laura returns to Italy, where her parents met after World War II and where Laura spent the earliest years of her childhood.

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Mary Morris is the author of numerous works of fiction, including the novels *Gateway to the Moon*, *The Jazz Palace*, *A Mother's Love*, and *House Arrest*; and of nonfiction, including the travel classic *Nothing to Declare: Memoirs of a Woman Traveling Alone*. Morris is a recipient of the Rome Prize in Literature and the 2016 Anisfield-Wolf Book Award for Fiction. She lives in Brooklyn, NY.

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

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A lovely brunch will be served

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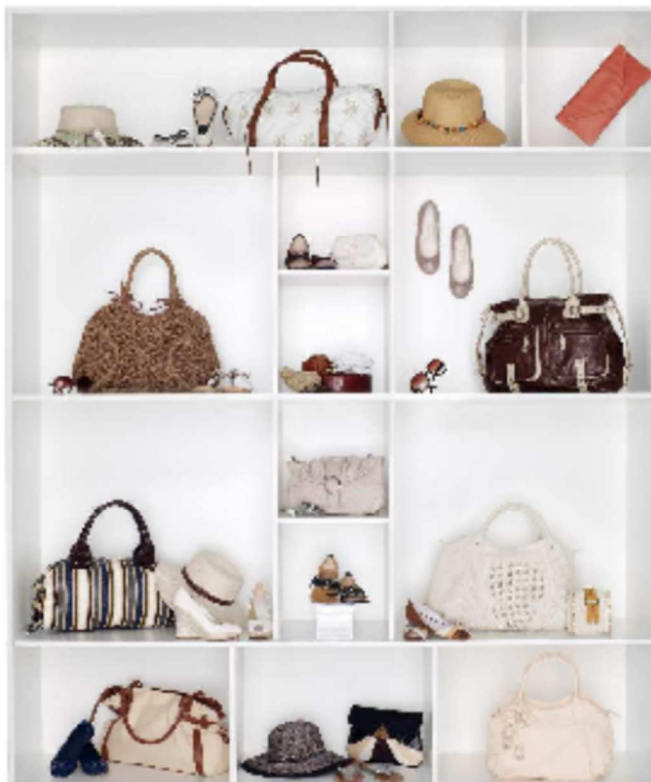
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- October 19: 9 AM to 12 Noon
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RSVP for planning purposes would be appreciated: Contact Diane Resnick at 732-740-9834 or Diresnick@AOL.com

***To volunteer to help prepare the event, contact Diane Resnick as above
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	1 Temple Office Closed Apples & Honey Deadline Morning Minyan In Person (note time 8:30am)	2 Board of Trustees Mtg 7:30pm	3	4 Sisterhood Mtg 7:30pm	5 Candle Lighting 7:03pm Shabbat Service 7:00pm	6 Shabbat Service 9:00am First Shabbat School 9:15am
7	8	9 Ritual Mtg 7:30pm	10 Knitting Circle 2:00pm First Religious School 4:15pm Adult Ed w/Rabbi 7:30pm Men's Club Mtg 7:30pm	11 Finding God in the Material World Zoom Program 8:30pm	12 Candle Lighting 6:51pm Tot Shabbat 5:00pm Shabbat Service 7:00pm	13 Shabbat Service 9:00am Shabbat School 9:15am Sponsored Kiddush Lunch Selichot 8:00pm
14	15 Sisterhood Pocket Book Drop Off 2:00-5:00pm	16 Exec Board Mtg 7:30pm	17 Lulav Etrog Order Deadline Religious School 4:15pm Men's Club Mtg 7:30pm	18 Sisterhood Pocket Book Drop Off 6:00pm Sisterhood Paid Up 7:15pm Jewish Barbados Zoom Tour 8:30pm	19 Candle Lighting 6:39pm Shabbat Service 6:15pm (new time)	20 Shabbat Service 9:00am Shabbat School 9:15am
21 High Holiday Chair & Book Set-Up 9:00am	22 Temple Office Closed Erev Rosh Hashanah Service 6:30pm	23 Temple Office Closed Rosh Hashanah Service 8:30am	24 Temple Office Closed Rosh Hashanah Service 8:30am	25 Break Fast Deadline Sukkot Dinner Deadline	26 Candle Lighting 6:27pm Shabbat Service 6:15pm (new time)	27 Shabbat Service 9:00am Shabbat School 9:15am Grab & Go Kiddush
28 Service of Remembrance 10:00am Tashlich at the Beach 3:00pm	29	30				