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Congregation Torat El - Jersey Shore Jewish Center

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*L'Shanah Tovah!*



**MAY THE NEW YEAR  
BRING YOU HOPE,  
PEACE & JOY!**

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# September Service Announcements

**Friday, September 4**

**Erev Shabbat Service ~ 6:15pm**

**Candles 7:05pm**

Yahrzeits: Louise Anshelewitz, Fatemeh Ardakani, Richard Bascom, Henrietta "Chick" Breslow, Leonard F. Cohan, Mark David Crawford, Anna Droisen, William Glinsky, Alfred Goldfarb, Ruth Grossman, Scott Harris, Lester Miller, Arnold Morris, Herman Needel, Abraham Aaron Negnewitzky, Lola Opatut, Walter Raab, Jules Resnick, Marvin Rosen, Irving Santo, Jeanette T. Shain, Lou Shooman, Jane E. Schreiber Steadman, Morris Wahl, Morton Weiner, Leah Zimmerman

**Saturday, September 5**

**Shabbat Service ~ 9:00am**

**Parsha: Nitzavim+Vayeilech 29:9-30:14 (p. 1165) Haftarah: Isaiah 61:10-63:9 (p. 1180)**

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**Friday, September 11**

**Erev Shabbat/Rosh Hashanah Service ~ 6:30pm**

**Candles 6:53pm**

Yahrzeits: Selma Abbott, Nathan Bernstein, Israel Herbert Breslow, Abraham Brown, Samuel Cohen, Irene Sulkin Cohen, Samuel Detzky, Ellen S. Diamond, Mary Elstein, Natalie Schnee Fox, Bess Gildenberg, Samuel Goldberg, Isabelle Hirshfield, Fred Holub, Kalman Carl Malc, George Markman, Martin Meyer, Richard Rediker, Irving Reiser, Sally Rose, Ruth Sommer, Shirley Sprung, Claire Gruber Tritt

**Saturday, September 12 Shabbat/Rosh Hashanah Morning Service ~ 8:30am**

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**Friday, September 18**

**Erev Shabbat Service ~ 6:15pm**

**Candles 6:41pm**

Yahrzeits: Michael Abelson, Max Aronowitz, Margit Benjamin, Morris Bohm, Sol Bunin, Dorothy Cohen, Beatrice Cohen, Charles Cooper, Adam Diller, Bette Donner, Harvey S. Friedman, Doris Friedman, Margie Haddad, Goldie Kasson, Frieda Klein, Joseph Kurtz, Ned Meyer, Susan Miller, Max Moses, Rachel Negin, Sol Phillips, Marilyn Reiser, Syma Rosenheck, Harry Schneider, Eunice Taylor, Ann Weg, Phyllis White, Irwin Wiener, Henriette Zimmerman

**Saturday, September 19**

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

**Parsha: Ha'Azinu 32:1-52 (p. 1185) Haftarah: Hosea 14:2-10, Joel 2:15-27 (p. 1235)**

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**Friday, September 25**

**Erev Shabbat/Sukkot Service ~ 6:00pm**

**Candles 6:30pm**

***Supper in the Sukkah by Pre-Paid Reservations Only following services***

Yahrzeits: Evelyn Aronson, Sophia Blitt, Samuel Blitt, Elaine Cooper, Norman Feinstein, Murray Feller, Everett Garey, Larry Jupiter, Dora Kaufman, Irving Kessel, Anne Kessler, Henry Koperweis, George Malek, Toby Marder, Ludwig Meyer, George Ostroff, Samuel Rothenberg, Sylvia Shuzman, Eleanor Skora, Ruth Specht, Melvin Woda

**Saturday, September 26**

**Shabbat/Sukkot Service ~ 9:00am**

**Parsha: Emor 22:26-23:44 (p. 723) Haftarah: Zechariah 14:1-21 (p. 1252)**

## Join Services In-Person and Online

**Shabbat: Friday, 6:15pm 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**

# OPENING AN OLD BOOK TO A NEW CHAPTER



As we officially start to wind down the summer and head into the fall, we are just about a week and a half away from Rosh Hashanah! It seems that the holidays are “early” this year, though of course, the holidays are never “early” or “late,” but always right “on time,” with Rosh Hashanah falling on the 1st of Tishrei, Yom Kippur on the 10th, Sukkot between the 15th and the 21st, Shemini Atzeret on the 22nd, and Simchat Torah on the 23rd (at least in the Diaspora)!

It is Sukkot, I must admit, that is my favorite. There is something about Sukkot, *zman simchateinu*, the “time of our joy,” that I have always enjoyed, but have come to appreciate more and more as the years go on.

We spend the month of Elul, followed by Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, engaged in serious spiritual soul-searching and reflection. We work on repairing our relationships. And once we have gone through our intense spiritual workout, we take time to rejoice in our fresh start with friends, family, and community members.

We gather outside to appreciate God’s bounty, recalling the journey of our ancient ancestors and the story of our people that continues with us today. We remember how privileged we are to have the opportunity to build a new life this year, and that we have permanent homes to return to when we come in from the shelter of our sukkot. We are reminded that things are precious and fragile, and that while life is not always perfect or easy, we truly have many blessings to celebrate.

And yet, I sometimes wonder whether Sukkot gets a little lost in our celebration of the holiday season. We spend so much time preparing for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, and understandably so, that by the time Sukkot arrives, we may already be ready to move on. But Sukkot offers us something wonderfully different: the opportunity to dwell outdoors, surrounded by food and the beauty of nature, with family, friends, and loved ones.

For some of us, the challenge may simply be knowing where to begin. We may not have grown up celebrating Sukkot, or it may have been many years since we last built or spent time in a sukkah. Some may be unsure how to build one or where to find the resources to get started. For a great website with instructions, check out The Sukkah Project at [www.sukkot.com](http://www.sukkot.com).

And perhaps there is another challenge that is even more familiar: feeling as if we need to have everything just right before we can invite others in. Maybe our house isn’t nice enough, our sukkah isn’t kosher enough, or it isn’t “fancy enough” to have guests over. Ironically, one of the reasons our tradition asks us to build a sukkah in the first place is to remind us that the material things in our homes, and the way our homes look, are far less important than the fact that we are blessed to have a roof over our heads in the first place.

So this year, if you’ve thought about celebrating Sukkot but aren’t quite sure where to begin, perhaps the best approach is not to overthink it. Build a sukkah to the best of your ability, or find a friend, neighbor, or family member who has one and see if you can plan a potluck get-together. It doesn’t have to be “fancy.” Order in “pizza in the hut,” or enjoy some “sushi in the sukkah!” If you live in an adult community, perhaps you can get some Jewish neighbors together and build one for everyone to enjoy. And, of course, you can join us in our Torat El sukkah for Supper in the Sukkah on Friday night, September 25, or for Men’s Club’s Steak and Scotch in the Sukkah on October 1.

All of us have different experiences when it comes to this holiday. Some people may come to services on Sukkot, while others may not. Some may be working or at school, while others may be taking off for the holiday. Some may be veterans when it comes to celebrating Sukkot, while others may be building their sukkah for the very first time. Wherever we are along our Jewish journeys, Sukkot offers us a wonderful opportunity to exercise one of the most important muscles we can continue strengthening throughout our lives, especially these days – the one that helps us connect face to face with one another. And Sukkot gives us that opportunity for an entire week!

This year, let’s make the most of it. We don’t need to celebrate Sukkot perfectly, but let’s take advantage of the opportunity to be together, to share a meal and to spend time with family, friends, neighbors, and our community. Let’s enjoy our sacred heritage together. Perhaps one of the first questions for each of us as we begin this new year is simply this: What might we do to make a little more room for that kind of connection?

*Moadim L’simcha.* May all of us find ways to make this a joyous and meaningful Sukkot!

P.S. If you’d like to win the chance to have our Men’s Club set up a sukkah for your family’s use this year, enter our annual raffle. You can find the information on page 11.





# Adult Ed

## WITH RABBI SCHONBRUN

### **What's In The Machzor**

During the Yamim Noraim (Days of Awe), we use a special prayer book called a *machzor*, literally meaning "cycle," as we "cycle back" and return each year to the High Holiday season. While it contains many of the same *tefilot* (prayers) familiar from the rest of the year, this unique liturgy also includes additional prayers and poetry that add both depth (and time!) to the service.

For those who are less familiar with daily and weekly prayer, the *machzor* can feel dense, intimidating, and difficult to navigate. Join Rabbi Schonbrun for a brief introduction to the *machzor*, its history, structure, and contents, as we explore some of the spiritual treasures found within this ancient book of prayer and poetry.

***Wednesday, September 9, 7:30pm In Person***

### **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 continue our exploration of these important texts and the lessons they might come to teach us today.

***Wednesdays, beginning October 14, 12:00pm***

### **Torah & Technology: Ancient Questions for Modern Times**

With the advent of AI and the explosion of the digital revolution in recent decades, humanity has been presented with both unprecedented opportunities and previously unheard of challenges as we enter an uncertain future. What does Judaism have to say about some of the issues raised by these technological advances? What ethical questions emerge from the age of technology in which we are living? And how can exploring ancient wisdom in the face of these profoundly modern phenomena help keep us grounded in our values as we navigate this uncharted territory?

Come join us for an introductory look at some of the questions raised by the rise of "Rabbi Google" in the modern age!

***Wednesdays, October 14-November 11, 7:30pm In Person***

### **Living with Enough: The Torah of Environmental Stewardship**

What does it mean to have "enough"? In her book, *To Forever Inhabit This Earth: An Ethic of Enoughness*, Rabbi Nina Beth Cardin asks us to consider how we can "house, clothe, and feed eight billion people while leaving enough natural resources for the rest of creation to thrive." Drawing on Jewish wisdom and scientific evidence, Cardin invites us to explore our responsibility to care for the earth and to shift our engagement with the world from seeing it as a "commodity" to embracing it as an extraordinary "gift." Join us as we explore this book together and consider our responsibility to live as stewards of the land we all share.

***Wednesdays, December 9, 16, January 6, 13, 20, 27, February 3, 7:30pm On Zoom***

## OUR SYNAGOGUE FAMILIES

### Condolences to:

Matthew Tobin on the loss of his father Alfred Tobin  
Marilyn Rosen on the loss of her son William "Bil" Rosen  
Gidget Friedman on the loss of her brother John Schoch  
Laurie Salka-Kutosh on the loss of her sister Marian Salka-Diamond  
Pam Hirsh on the loss of her son Michael Hirsh

### Welcome to:

Raya & Ed Warner  
Rebecca Brustein-Zalewski & Mason  
Lindsay & Steve Falana & Family  
Helen Becker-Cerbone & Richard Cerbone



### *Our Gratitude to All*

*We appreciate the overwhelming love, support, desserts and hugs from our Congregation Torat El family during our time of sorrow. Our mother Sandy, enjoyed coming to shul for services, classes, and the comradery she felt with all of you.*

*The showing of support is our "WHY" of the importance of being part of this incredible Congregation Torat El community.*

*From the bottom of our hearts thank you.*

*The Family of Sandy Lehrer*

*Amy and Michael Addeo, Randi and Jim Kervick and Perry Lehrer*

## RITUAL ENGAGEMENT CHAI LITES

Yasher Koach to Andrew Robins, Susan Sferas, Steven Schwaber, and Mark Engel for sharing inspiring and meaningful Divrei Torah while Rabbi Schonbrun was 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  
Stuart Koperweis  
Ben Laskowitz  
Alana Malek

Karen Newman  
Larry Ozarow  
Bonnie Reiss  
Andrew Robins  
Helene Santo

Rabbi Aaron Schonbrun  
Joshua Schor  
Lori Schuldiner Schor  
Steven Schwaber  
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](mailto:benlaskowitz@torat-el.org).

# SISTERHOOD CHAI LITES

**A note from Sisterhood President Diane Resnick:** Sisterhood at Congregation Torat El is a welcoming group of members where we can learn, grow, and have fun at the same time! **Do you have a talent or hobby that you would like to share with others?** We are always looking for new ideas to share with our membership. Please contact me at [Sisterhood@torat-el.org](mailto:Sisterhood@torat-el.org) or my cell at 732-740-9834. You can also contact any Sisterhood Board Member. **Please feel free to join us as a volunteer any time; we always need help with upcoming events and activities!**

**Thank you** to Jackie Rosenheck, Melanie Engel, Carol Klein and Robin Bauer for helping with preparation and cleaning up at the **Men's Club and Sisterhood Annual Barbeque**. And of course, thanks to Men's Club President Neil Becourtney and other members who spent time grilling the hamburgers and hot dogs!

**Membership Letter:** Membership letters were recently mailed. Your membership and dues support Sisterhood programs and temple needs in addition to membership in WLCJ. Dues are \$36. Please refer to your letter regarding payment options (mail or online). **New Members are Welcome!**

**Torah Fund:** Thank you to all who have contributed to Torah Fund over the past year. Sisterhood exceeded the donation goal set by Garden State Region WLCJ for the 2025/2026 campaign! More information on the new campaign, Shema Koleinu "Hear Our Voice," will be announced over the next few months.

**Knitting Circle:** Members and friends gather to knit blankets, hats and other items for donation to various organizations. The Knitting Circle will resume September 9 and 23 at 2 PM in our Library. Contact Judy Cohen at 732-567-7200 for more information. New members are welcome and yarn **donations are always appreciated.**

**Bosco's Fundraiser:** Tickets are available for the annual Bosco's "Friends Helping Friends" event, which is one day only, October 21. Tickets are \$5 each and entitle you to 25% off the lowest price in store or online. It also qualifies you to register to enter into a raffle to win a \$100 gift card. Sisterhood only profits on the \$5 ticket sale. To buy tickets for yourself and your friends, contact Janet Attner at [djattner@verizon.net](mailto:djattner@verizon.net). Tickets are also available for sale in the temple office.

**Sisterhood Temple Grams:** Beverle Richelson, on behalf of Sisterhood, will send a message of condolence, Mazel Tov, or any other thoughts, support, to a fellow temple member. Sisterhood temple grams are \$10. Contact Beverle via text or phone (908-675-5387).

**Sisterhood Paid Up Event October 8! Save the Date:** Information and details to be announced. Look for your invitation in the mail.

**Birthday Buddies:** Sending a birthday greeting is an easy and uplifting way to recognize a fellow Sisterhood member on their special day. Keep an eye out for an email for the next quarter of Birthday Buddies. For more information and to join Birthday Buddies, please contact Jackie Rosenheck at [jackierosenheck@gmail.com](mailto:jackierosenheck@gmail.com).



## Congregation Torat El Sisterhood Presents *Bella, An Immigrants Tale* Sunday, October 25 2:00pm

Bella, An Immigrant's Tale is a one woman show that follows the life journey of Bella Indianer, a Russian Jewish immigrant who survived the pogroms in Russia (modern day Ukraine), and later emigrated to America in 1920. The play is performed and written by her granddaughter, Vicki Summers.

The play is followed by a brief slideshow, Q&A and refreshments.

Adults (18+) - \$18

\$25 at the door (limited tickets)

Ages 10-16 no charge but must be accompanied by an adult

Age 17 no charge

Please note this program is appropriate for children 10 and up.

Reservations due by October 11 at [upcomingevents.torat-el.org](http://upcomingevents.torat-el.org)

Questions: please email [sisterhood@torat-el.org](mailto:sisterhood@torat-el.org)



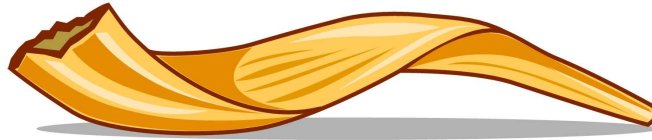
# ***Congregation Torat El Food Drive***

***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 4.  
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!



## **RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CHAI LITES**

Religious School is just around the corner... Wednesday, September 9 to be exact!

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

Here's what happening:

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|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| o Wednesday, September 9  | First Day Religious School (4:15pm)                 |
| o Saturday, September 12  | Rosh Hashanah Junior Congregation (10:30am)         |
| o Sunday, September 13    | Rosh Hashanah Junior Congregation (10:30am)         |
| o Wednesday, September 16 | NO Religious School: Tashlich at the Beach (5:30pm) |
| o Saturday, September 19  | First Shabbat School (9:15am)                       |
| o Monday, September 21    | Yom Kippur Junior Congregation (11am)               |
| o Wednesday, September 23 | Religious School                                    |
| o Saturday, September 26  | NO Shabbat School: Sukkot                           |
| o Wednesday, September 30 | Religious School: in the Sukkah                     |

## **HAZAK - JEWISH ART AND JUDAICA**

***Learn about Jewish Art and Judaica  
from our very own Dr. Rachael Goldman***

*Certified Appraiser of Judaica of the Appraisers Association of America*

***Sunday, October 11, 3:00pm***

*Snacks will be served*

This program is open to Hazak members only. It's not too late to join!  
RSVP at [upcomingevents.torat-el.org](http://upcomingevents.torat-el.org)



# 5787 HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICES



## SELICHOT

**Saturday, September 5 ~ 8:00pm**

## ROSH HASHANAH

**Erev Rosh Hashanah, Friday, September 11 ~ 6:30pm**

**1st Day Rosh Hashanah, Saturday, September 12 ~ 8:30am**

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

**2nd Day Rosh Hashanah, Sunday, September 13 ~ 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, Sunday, September 20 ~ 6:30pm**

**Yom Kippur, Monday, September 21 ~ 8:30am**

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

**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, Friday, September 25 ~ 6:00pm**

**1st Day Sukkot, Saturday, September 26 ~ 9:00am**

**2nd Day Sukkot, Sunday, September 27 ~ 9:00am**

## SHEMINI ATZERET / SIMCHAT TORAH

**Hoshanah Rabbah, Friday, October 2 ~ 8:00am**

**Shemini Atzeret /Yizkor, Saturday, October 3 ~ 9:00am**

**Simchat Torah Spectacular, Saturday, October 3 ~ 7:30pm**

**Simchat Torah, Sunday, October 4 ~ 9:00am**



## HIGH HOLY DAYS INFORMATION



### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

|                                                  |              |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Selichot                                         | September 5  |
| Chair and Book Set-Up                            | September 6  |
| Lulav/Etrog Order Deadline                       | September 9  |
| Break Fast & Sukkot Dinner Reservation Deadlines | September 15 |
| Tashlich and Shofar Blowing at the Beach         | September 16 |
| Service of Remembrance                           | September 20 |
| Chair and Book Break Down/Sukkah Building        | September 22 |
| Supper in the Sukkah                             | September 25 |
| Men's Club Steak and Scotch in the Sukkah        | October 1    |
| Hoshanah Rabbah                                  | October 2    |
| Simchat Torah Spectacular                        | October 3    |

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**The Emergency Security Personnel Grant\* helps us better  
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Our local Jewish Federation in the Heart of NJ has committed its own funding toward this grant with a match from the Tepper Foundation in partnership with Jewish Federations of North America.

Federation makes the places where Jews and our neighbors gather safer and more secure through security initiatives and advocacy, including bringing \$20+ million in security enhancements to date to Jewish organizations like ours. More at [jewishheartnj.org/security](http://jewishheartnj.org/security).

\*Jewish Federation in the Heart of NJ was one of a select number of Federations across the country to have proactively sought and been awarded this Tepper Foundation grant through Jewish Federations of North America.



## THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SUKKAH RAFFLE

**\$18 per ticket or 2 for \$32**

### 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 5787 (September 25-October 2)

**Drawing:** September 3

**Questions:** email: [therosenhecks@msn.com](mailto:therosenhecks@msn.com)  
or call Jackie: 732-996-7892

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

Please mark Sukkah Raffle on the outside of the 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!**

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Number of tickets wanted \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**LAST  
CHANCE!**

SUPPER IN THE SUKKAH  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25  
6:00PM

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

Reservations at [upcomingevents.torat-el.org](http://upcomingevents.torat-el.org) by September 15





## **Selichot Service and Movie**

**Saturday, September 5 - 8:00pm**

**Join Rabbi Schonbrun for an  
evening of spirituality  
as we prepare for the holidays.**

**For planning purposes please RSVP  
to [upcomingevents.torat-el.org](http://upcomingevents.torat-el.org)**

## **Tashlich Sweets & Shofar Blowing**

**Bring bread and cast your  
sins in the ocean!**

**Wednesday, September 16  
5:30pm  
Phillips Beach - Deal**



## **LULAV & ETROG SETS \$50.00**

**Please visit  
[upcomingevents.torat-el.org](http://upcomingevents.torat-el.org)  
to make your purchase  
by September 9.**

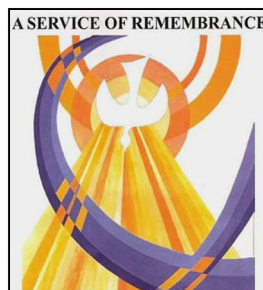


## **A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE**

**Sunday, September 20 - 10:00am**

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**Monday, September 21**  
**Immediately following services**  
(appx. 7:45pm)



Bagels, Salads  
and Sweets

**\$20 per person**

**Pre-paid  
reservations by  
September 15**



**MEN'S CLUB  
STEAK & SCOTCH IN THE SUKKAH**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1  
7:15PM**

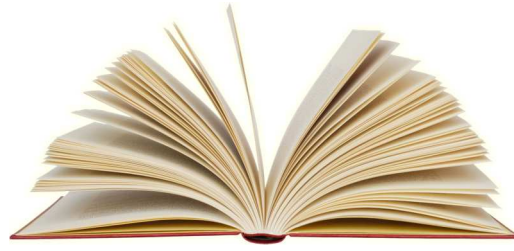
**\$54 per person**  
**Pre-paid reservations by September 18**



**SIMCHAT TORAH SPECTACULAR - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 7:30pm**

**SIMCHAT TORAH SERVICE - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 9:00AM**

# MEET THE AUTHOR IN PERSON EVENT!!



**Sunday, October 18, 11:00am**

**Meet Judy Batalion, author of *The Last Woman of Warsaw***



A debut novel by the critically acclaimed *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Light of Days*, *The Last Woman of Warsaw* follows two very different Jewish women in late 1930s Warsaw. Fanny Zelshinsky is a sophisticated, modern daughter of the city's Jewish elite who wants nothing more than to be recognized as a legitimate artist. Meanwhile, Zosia Dror has left behind her small northeastern shtetl and religious family, and is part of a budding youth movement that believes in social equality and creating a Jewish homeland.

When legendary artist Wanda Petrovsky — both a member of Zosia's movement leadership and Fanny's beloved photography professor — goes missing, the two young women are thrown together in the pursuit of the elusive firebrand. Is Wanda simply hiding, or is her disappearance connected to the rise in anti-semitic laws and university practices? Throughout, the two share in their search for love, meaning, and a sense of home as they grapple with the storm clouds gathering around them.

Judy Batalion is the author of several books of award-winning nonfiction, most recently *The Light of Days*. Judy's work has appeared in *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *Vogue*, *The Forward*, *Salon*, *The Jerusalem Post*, and many other publications.

Books are available for purchase in the temple office after September 18 or buy a copy from Bookshop.org (to support independent bookstores) or amazon.com.

**Pre-Paid \$25 per person by October 15 ~ \$30 at the door**

**A lovely brunch will be served**

**Reservations at [www.mta.torat-el.org](http://www.mta.torat-el.org) or 732-531-4410**



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| 27<br>Sukkot Service<br>9:00am                                            | 28<br>Morning Minyan in<br>Person 8:00am                           | 29                                                                                 | 30<br>Religious School<br>4:15pm                                                                                                |                                                                         |                                                                                  |                                                             |