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Sukkot will be celebrated Wednesday evening, October 4, Thursday and Friday, October 5 and 6, and ends with Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah Wednesday evening October 11, Thursday and Friday, October 12 and 13.

Join us in our beautiful Sukkah for Kiddush after Services during Sukkot and on Shabbat, October 7.

Also on Sunday, October 8 join us for SCHMOOZING IN THE SUKKAH to celebrate the holiday of Sukkot with a festive brunch and a lot of time to schmooze and relax. (See page 13 for details).

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

All Friday evening services begin at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise stated, Saturday morning Shabbat services begin at 9:30 a.m., Sunday morning minyan begins at 9:00 a.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun. Oct. 1	Sunday Morning Service Followed by Men's Club Breakfast	9:00AM
Wed. Oct. 4	Erev Sukkot	
Thurs. Oct. 5	Sukkot Service	9:30AM
Fri. Oct. 6	Sukkot Service	9:30AM
Sat. Oct. 7	Shabbat Morning Service	9:30AM
Sun. Oct. 8	Sunday Morning Service Followed by Synagogue's Sukkot Brunch	9:00AM 10:30AM
Mon. Oct. 9	Columbus Day	
Thurs Oct. 12	Shemini Atzeret Service Yizkor Erev Simchat Torah At Etz Chaim, Monroe Jewish Center	9:30AM 7:00PM
Fri. Oct. 13	Simchat Torah At Temple Beth Ahm in Aberdeen	9:30AM
Sat. Oct. 14	Friday Evening Service	7:30PM
Sun. Oct. 15	Shabbat Morning Service Sunday Morning Service Followed by Men's Club Breakfast	9:30AM 9:00AM
Tues. Oct. 17	Rabbi's Book Discussion Group	11:00AM
Wed. Oct. 18	Spanish Class	11:00AM
Thurs Oct. 19	Talmud Class Basic Judaism Class	9:30AM 11:00AM
Fri. Oct. 20	Friday Evening Service	7:30PM
Sat. Oct. 21	Shabbat Morning Service	9:30AM
Sun. Oct. 22	Sunday Morning Service Followed by Men's Club Breakfast	9:00AM
Tues. Oct. 24	Talmud Class	7:30PM
Wed. Oct. 25	Spanish Class	11:00AM
Thurs. Oct. 26	Talmud Class Hebrew Class	9:30AM 11:00AM
Fri. Oct. 27	Friday Evening Service Scholar in Residence	7:30PM
Sat. Oct. 28	Shabbat Morning Service	9:30AM
Sun. Oct. 29	Sunday Morning Service Followed by Men's Club Breakfast	9:00AM
Tues. Oct. 31	Rabbi's Book Discussion	11:00AM



“Beginning A New Year”

I always look to this time of year with a mixture of hope and trepidation. Hope, because it seems to me that whenever something new begins we think of all the possibilities available to us. Imagine the precious gift this time of year offers, simply the chance to start over again. Most people never really have that opportunity or we don't believe we really have such a chance, but Judaism actually professes that this is the ordinary scheme of things - every first day of Tishrei presents us with that rarest of opportunities - to begin again. And with that opportunity lies hope. However it is also a time for trepidation, in particular for the folks in my profession. Trepidation for us comes because expectations are undoubtedly set high and what a rabbi doesn't want to inspire and engage his or her congregation. As the sages say, "If not now, then when?" I remember my colleague Mark Loeb telling me, "hit a home-run on the first day of Rosh Hashanah, Joel and you can live off that credit for months." Tishrei is the time to inspire, and so for rabbis, along with hope comes the trepidation that the words spoken will go unheard. Such is our lot, hope for you, trepidation for me, at this time of year.

And yet two things conspire in the Torah portion that tell us what we might do and how to go about doing it if we are to be sincere in our goal to elevate ourselves to loftier spiritual purposes. The first has to do with what Moses tells the Israelites at the outset of Parshat Nitzavim. Moses assembles the Israelites for something called, "The Covenant Ceremony." What is a covenant? It is a partnership, an agreement between two parties, in this specific case between God and Israel, and that is what Moses has in mind for the people assembled there on that day. But what is crucial for us to note is the scope of this assembly that Moses calls for. The Torah states: *You stand on this day, all of you, before the LORD your God - your tribal heads, your elders and your officials, all the men of Israel, your children, your wives, even the stranger within your camp, from woodchopper to water drawer - to enter into the covenant of the LORD your God, which the LORD your God is concluding with you this day, with its sanctions; to the end that He may establish you this day as His people and be your God, as He promised you and He swore to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. I make this covenant, with its sanctions, not with you alone, but both with those who are standing here with us this day before the LORD our God and with those who are not with us here this day.*

So what is so unique about these opening verses of the Torah portion and what are they really saying? By announcing that the entirety of Israel stands before God to enter into the covenant: the leaders, the elders, the officers; every man, child, woman, and convert, as well as the "woodcutters and water drawers," that is the plebeians of the community, what Moses calls for here is something dramatically different than many other passages regarding the covenant and the mitzvot attached to it.

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Unlike some other Torah excerpts that clearly demarcate mitzvot reserved for a particular classification of people, all people are told to show up in this moment. They are beckoned to view themselves as integral parts of an expansive and inclusive community and not only are they beckoned but what is being presented will have an impact even upon those who have not gathered there. In the moment of Israel standing before God, everyone counts— those with prestige and honorifics, and those who may be debased by others on any other ordinary day for not being “enough.” They are all called, and even more important, they all show up.

This is a marvelous image for us to keep in mind as we contemplate the message of the days before us - that indeed by “showing up” each one of us is on the way towards implementing the Covenant that Moses proclaimed to Israel thousands of years ago at a small mountain in the middle of the wilderness. And everyone is included. This should be the aim for any synagogue during this time of year - to open its doors as wide as they might open in order to enable each and every seeking soul to enter - and I am proud that this is something that we aspire to do. It is a standing invitation - whether you have taken part in synagogue in the past or not.

The other day I received an email from a young woman who had thought of coming to our shul last year. She wrote me that a number of barriers converged and made it impossible for her to get to our synagogue. And then she asked me, if I would still be interested in meeting with her and telling her about our synagogue. Well the answer I gave was a resounding yes, I tell you that not to boast but to remind you that I have ancient precedents to support me - the covenant is always available whenever one decides to take that first step. As the Torah tells us who may enter the Covenant of Mitzvot, it also explains how we should go about implementing this Covenant and its message is equally unequivocal.

Surely, this Instruction which I enjoin upon you this day is not too baffling for you, nor is it beyond reach. It is not in the heavens, that you should say, “Who among us can go up to the heavens and get it for us and impart it to us that we may observe it?” Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, “Who among us can cross to the other side of the sea and get it for us and impart it to us that we may observe it?” No, the thing is very close to you, in your mouth and in your heart, to observe it.

And that my friends are the words set out for us as to how to initiate this covenant. It means that this act which we can “return” to during these High Holy Days - is not too difficult, it is not too complex and it doesn’t have to be done for you. It is in our mouths and in our hearts. We can engage the Almighty the moment we make up our minds to do so as we enter this sacred space, open up the Machzor and dedicate ourselves to a life of spiritual richness through the mitzvot that have been set out for us.

Where will you find spirituality? You will find it when you begin to search for it. And so I leave you with some thoughts about prayer, religiosity and spiritual inspiration authored by a young woman, wise beyond her years. *“The rabbis teach that prayer is one of four activities requiring vigorous strength (the others are Torah study, good deeds, and the pursuit of a trade). But regardless of what it takes, there is no substitute for regular practice. I don’t think that it is possible to come to synagogue once a year and have an all-time spiritual high. Rather it is the accumulation of many early mornings, afternoons, and evenings spent in prayer that ultimately results in a moment of transcendence. The eleventh century poet and philosopher Yehuda HaLevi*

President Allen Skupp's Message



During the month of September both the new boiler and security system were installed. Plans are to have a congregational meeting either in late October or early November prior to full implementation of the security system.

October is going to be a very busy month at Congregation Beth Ohr. In addition to the Holidays of Sukkot, Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah the programs below are scheduled.

- Rabbi's Book Discussion Group
- Rabbi's Wise Aging Class
- Talmud Class
- Spanish Class
- Basic Judaism Class
- Hebrew Class

Detailed information is available in the Programs Booklet prepared by our Programming Chairperson.

Also scheduled in October are a brunch in the Sukkah on October 8th and a scholar in residence the weekend of October 27th.

Rabbi Mishkin's Article Continued from Page 4

wrote that "prayer is to the soul what food is to the body." Just as we are supposed to eat three times a day, so too must we pray three times a day. While I've been tempted at times in my life to pray just when the spirit moves me, the effect was something akin to all-day snacking with nothing filling or fulfilling. Praying regularly is difficult, in large part because it requires a significant sacrifice of time. This relationship between prayer and sacrifice as acts of "giving up" dates back at least to the destruction of the Second Temple, when prayer became a substitute for sacrifice."

This young woman's point is well taken - Genuine spiritual experience is only as far from us as the nearest *Siddur*. Regular times of devotion, of petition, introspection, gratitude and thanksgiving can be undertaken by anyone who chooses to do so and the benefits associated with such an approach to life are real. It does make a difference in your life if you pray and at this time of year the doors open wider than ever.

Yahrzeit Memorial Fund

We honor the memories of our loved ones whose Yahrzeits are observed during the months of **Aug. Sept. & Oct** We acknowledge the following for their contributions to the Yahrzeit Memorial Fund:

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BETH OHR CEME-

Congregation Beth Ohr
tery which is located on



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owns and operates a ceme-
Ernston Road in Sayreville.
The cemetery is a non-profit entity using existing funds and fundraising as its
source of operating revenues. Membership in Beth Ohr entitles each congregant to
one individual plot which must be reserved at a cost of \$50 All other costs such
as perpetual care, administrative fee, funeral, plot opening, headstone, etc. are
borne by the family of the deceased. Please call Phyllis Greenberg in the office
at 732-257-15 23 for further details

October Yahrzeits

The actual date that the Yahrzeit is observed is to the right of the name. It is customary to light a memorial candle on the eve of this date and to give tzedakah in memory of the deceased. One should recite the Mourner's Kaddish at services the evening before as well as the day of the Yahrzeit. Please call Phyllis in the Synagogue office at 732-257-1523, if you need information about the schedule of worship. The name of your departed will be read at the Friday evening and Shabbat morning services, the week before the Yahrzeit date which are represented by the dates in the columns which are in bold print.

<u>Oct 6/7</u>	<u>Oct. 20/21</u>	<u>Oct. 27/28</u>
Jean Halpert	10/7	Gabriel Weiss 10/21
Anatoly Verbitski	10/7	Maurice Zeltzer 10/21
Al Buckberg	10/8	Bernard Kantrowitz 10/22
Meyer Davis	10/8	Henry Nehman 10/22
Marsha Hoffman	10/8	Milton Dubin 10/23
Florence Schnitman	10/8	Murray Woodman 10/23
Sidney Semel	10/8	Mae Kantor 10/24
Anna Wolpert	10/8	Rubin Reich 10/24
Maurice Abstender	10/9	Shirley Litwak 10/25
Joseph Barth	10/9	Lynn Henry 10/25
Joseph Hecht	10/10	Hyman Schlissel 10/25
Meryl Krasnow	10/10	Rose Bloom 10/26
Donald Lubin	10/10	Sarah DeMayo 10/26
Ben Albertson	10/12	Donald Kaminsky 10/26
Rae Derman	10/12	Paul Stern 10/26
Audrey Ruth Frank	10/13	
Ira Pincus	10/13	Marion Davidson 10/28
Steven Salti	10/13	Fay Cohen 10/29
	<u>Oct. 13/14</u>	Milton Lubitz 10/29
Nathan Greenspan	10/14	Isidore Mann 10/29
Seymour Himelstein	10/14	Norman Melnick 10/29
Simcha Lieberman	10/14	David Rankowitz 10/29
Otto Nagler	10/14	Barry Fass 10/30
Reuben Oshinsky	10/14	Hank Jeret 10/30
Morton Schnitman	10/14	Leonard Pollack 10/30
Harry Ladinsky	10/15	Evelyn Barsky 10/31
Eli Leff	10/15	Pinchas Beer 10/31
Rose Reich	10/15	Martin Silverberg 10/31
Sarah Weinreich	10/15	Lillie Winter 10/31
Morton Brown	10/16	Hilda Fuhrman 11/1
Joseph Barkoe	10/17	Lillian Kosser 11/1
Bertha Weitzenkorn Hollander	10/17	Ida Orenstein 11/1
Ada Ackerman	10/18	Hannah Rothenberg 11/1
Khava Barkan	10/18	Pauline Schwartz 11/1
Rose Finkelstein	10/18	Leah Weiss 11/1
Joseph Newman	10/18	Sadie Wishnick 11/1
Joyce Torchin	10/18	Juana Levit 11/2
Ethel Czortkower	10/18	Norman Schwartz 11/2
Seymour Gold	10/18	Sylvia Albert 11/3
Arthur Mendlowitz	10/19	Ken Cohen 11/3
Dorothy Rubrum	10/19	Eugene Intrater 11/3
Philip Ribet	10/20	Caryn Katz 11/3
William Sass	10/20	Norman Shimberg 11/3
		Robert Solomon 11/3

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THANK YOU

Ann Branfman, Ira & Lee Donenfeld, Harriet Feld, Bernie & Ashna Pincus, Phil Rabinowitz, Allen Skupp, for helping Phyllis in the office in preparation for the High Holidays administrative tasks. It is sincerely appreciated during this busy season.

Sara Ullman for your donation for being called to the Torah for an Aliyah.

Sisterhood for sponsoring the juice and cookies to break the fast after services on Yom Kippur and Ilene Gray and Monica Atzbi for schleping all the goodies.

Ann Branfman for sponsoring the delicious refreshments for the Selichot Service.

MAZEL TOV

We wish a very hearty Mazel Tov to new members Melody and Myles Schwartz on the engagement of their daughter, Heather to Matthew Kaplan.

Jack and Rochelle Boshak are proud to announce the upcoming Bar Mitzvah of their grandson Eli Micah on October 21, 2017. Parents are Heather and Paul

The following are the winners of the High Holiday Raffle. Mazel Tov to all the winners.

High Holiday Tickets: Mark Chassen

Parking spaces:

Ilene Gray
Marsha Trechak
Chuck Rogol
David Honig
Allan Benish
Mark Atzbi
Bob and Harriet Weiss
Allen Skupp
Larry Weintraub
Meryl Finklestein

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Melony & Miles Schwartz

Risa Cooper, Benjamin & Jennifer

Kathy & Sam Silver, Kyle & Daniel

Fern Calascibetta

PROGRAM NOTES October 2017

LOOK AT ALL WE ARE DOING! Beth Ohr's Adult Education Program is still growing! We are very excited to be able to offer several classes and special events beginning this fall, and we hope many of you will join us as we expand our choices.

Sunday, October 8: SCHMOOZING IN THE SUKKAH

Join us in the Sukkah to celebrate the holiday of Sukkot with a festive brunch and a lot of time to schmooze and relax.

Friday-Saturday, October 27-28: SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE WEEKEND

Please join us for a special weekend featuring Rabbi Geoffrey Hunting, Rabbi Emeritus of Temple Sinai in Sarasota Florida. Additional information will be forthcoming.

Sunday, November 12: GLOBAL DAY OF JEWISH LEARNING

As we did last year, this program will be held at the East Brunswick Public Library. We will have a panel discussion moderated by Rabbi Mishkin discussing a topic of interest to the Jewish community. Details will follow.

ADULT EDUCATION 2017-18

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Led by Rabbi Joel Mishkin

Every other Tuesday morning, beginning October 17

11:00 a.m.

COFFEE TALK AND TORAH! – NEW

Led by Rabbi Joel Mishkin

5 consecutive Tuesdays at 2:30

November 14-December 12

Join Rabbi Mishkin at the East Brunswick Barnes and Noble for coffee, talk and terrific discussion about family issues in the Book of Genesis and Exodus. This is a five-week mini-series requiring sign-up in advance. The sessions will begin in mid-November and conclude in mid-December. This is a partnership of Congregation Beth Ohr and The Jewish Federation in the Heart of New Jersey.

WISE AGING

Led by Rabbi Joel Mishkin

Alternate Tuesday EVENINGS,. beginning October 17

TREADING WATER IN THE SEA OF TALMUD

Taught by Rabbi Mishkin

Alternate Tuesday Evenings at 7:30 p.m. – beginning October 24.

Also taught Thursday mornings at 9:30-10:30 beginning October 19

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TIMELY TOPICS – NEW

Monthly on Wednesday afternoons beginning in November, dates to be determined.
2:30 p.m.

A symposium for the members of our congregations who wish to discuss timely issues revolving around national and international concerns. Political subjects will also be entertained. Presentations to be made by congregant volunteers with Rabbi Mishkin as the facilitator. This promises to be a stimulating opportunity for passionate adults to share their thoughts about our world today.

ADULT BAR/BAT MITZVAH CLASS - NEW

Led by Rabbi Joel Mishkin

Thursday mornings at 11:15 a.m. beginning October 19

Rabbi Mishkin will be teaching a bi-weekly supplement, (every other Thursday morning), to the chanting/liturgical component of the Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah class. He will be reviewing Jewish customs, literature and history. The class will be geared towards the needs/knowledge base of the students. This component is required for students of the Bar/Bat Mitzvah class, but open to all others who wish to learn more about our faith.

LEARN TO CHANT A HAFTORAH - NEW

Led by Linda Benish

Thursday mornings, at 10:30 a.m. beginning October 19

Here is an opportunity to learn a new skill (or relearn an old one), to chant a haftarah using the musical notes that have been taught for centuries. A “good” voice is NOT a requirement! We will also study the liturgy of the Shabbat morning service. Men and women who never had the opportunity to learn this, and those who did but would like to refresh their memories, can learn a skill that will add beauty and meaning to our services. Plus, you can take part in the lively discussions that revolve around what we are learning. If you are taking Rabbi Mishkin’s Adult B’nai Mitzvah class, this will coordinate with what the Rabbi is teaching. A non-member fee of \$36 is requested.

BEGINNER’S CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH

Led by Terrie Polovsky

Wednesday 11:00 a.m., beginning October 18

Terrie will be teaching this class to allow participants to acquire the ability to understand and speak Spanish, using daily life situations to stimulate conversation. Some time is left for discussions to center around the history, culture, and current events of the country. No cost to members. Non-members are welcome, and there is a \$50 fee for the entire class for non-members.

Many more wonderful programs to come! JOIN US!

For more information or to register for a class, call Linda Benish, Program chair at 609-426-8727 or call Phyllis Greenberg in the synagogue office at 732-257-1523.

CONGREGATION BETH OHR MEMORIAL FUNDS

The following is a listing of the Memorial Funds that you may make tax-deductible contributions to:

David Benish Memorial Fund
Stephen Edwards Memorial Youth Fund
Elaine Leibowitz Memorial Fund
Beautification Fund
Herman & Frieda Lipp Memorial Fund
Mindy Nightingale Memorial Fund
Stuart Polovsky Memorial Fund
Herb Reinstein Memorial Fund
Heidi Rogol Memorial Fund

***When donating to these funds, please make your checks out to **CONGREGATION BETH OHR** and write in the fund in the memo portion of the check.

THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS WERE MADE DURING
THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER TO
RABBI MISHKIN'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Arlene and Nelson Silver

Allen and Joan Bildner Center for the Study of Jewish Life
at Rutgers University

The 18th annual **Rutgers Jewish Film Festival** runs from **Sunday, October 29 through Sunday, November 12, 2017**. The festival features a diverse array of dramatic and documentary films from around the world, and most screenings feature guest speakers, including filmmakers and scholars. Opening day festivities will be held at the **Rutgers Business School** in Piscataway. The remainder of the Festival will be held at the **AMC Loews New Brunswick** and the **Princeton Garden Theatre**. For further information about films or to purchase tickets online, visit the film festival webpage <http://BildnerCenter.Rutgers.edu/film>. Ticket Sales began September 24.

For your convenience, we have included this **Yahrzeit Memorial Plaque Form**. If you would like to order a plaque, please fill out and return this form with a check in the amount of **\$300** to the Synagogue office. If you have any questions about Hebrew names and/or dates, please call Phyllis at the office at 732-257-1523.



(Print Name in Hebrew Here)

(Print Name in English Here)

(Date in English) _____

(Date in Hebrew)

PLEDGE

I hereby authorize you to supply and maintain permanently on your Memorial Tablet, a name plate *in memory of*

NAME IN FULL _____

for which I agree to pay \$300.00. It is mutually agreed that each year, on the Yahrzeit of the departed, and on other appropriate occasions in accordance with Jewish custom a Memorial Prayer will also be said.

Signed by

Date _____

Tree of Life
to honor or memorialize a loved one
Leaf - \$118.00



Join Beth Ohr for a delightful
Sukkah Brunch
Sunday, October 8

Celebrate Sukkot at services which begin at 9:00 a.m,
where we will march with Lulav and Etrog.
Sit in our wonderful new Sukkah and share a festive meal, beginning at
10:30 a.m.

\$20.00 per person (label check to “Sukkah Brunch”)
Checks should be made out to Cong. Beth Ohr and should be sent to
Congregation Beth Ohr
P.O. Box 206,
Old Bridge, NJ 08857



RSVP as soon as possible as space is limited to the first 40 people that make a reservation.

RSVP to Linda Benish at (609) 426-8727 or palinda@aol.com
Or to Phyllis Greenberg at 732-257-1523
or congregationbethohr@gmail.com

MEN'S CLUB *Minyan Every Sunday. All are welcome.*



Happy New Year, L'Shana Tovah, from the Men's Club!

Each Sunday we get a good group making up the Minyan. Shown are some of us at a recent Minyan.

Shown on the right is the new bencher. Harvey purchased these to replace what we have been using for many many years and which became unusable. If you want to check these out, come to any Minyan and join us in the Birkat.

Sunday morning is a good time to be at Beth Ohr. Shul, Schmooze and Schmeare!

Men's Club Program of Events (partial listing)

- Oct 1—Sukkah decoration. All are welcome.
- Oct 8—Following the Minyan, Brunch in the Sukkah. You need to sign up and there is a charge. See info elsewhere in the newsletter.
- Oct 29—Rabbi in residence

Ed Mendlowitz, Men's Club President, emcpa1@aol.com tel 732 890-3344

BIRKAT HA-MAZON (Abridged version)	ברכת המזון (קצרה)
On Shabbat, Festivals (including Hal Ha-mo'ed), Rosh Udoth, and other joyous religious occasions:	החיים כבוי שיר תפילות משוכ היה אנשי שבת ציון קיינו בחלמים. אז יקלא שחוק קינו ולשונו דרן. אז יאמרו גמים, הנחיל יהיה לעשות בני-קלא. הנחיל יהיה לעשות ענינו דרנו ענינויה ענינויה יהיה את-שיבנו כמשיבנו ענינויה חרשים דרמשה רונה יעצרו. נלוך ולך וזכרו. נשא עשי-תורה. בא יבא ברך, נשא אלתויה.
When three or more adults have eaten together, one formally invites the others to join in giving thanks. (If ten or more adults are present, include "Zidovim" – our God.)	רבותי / חברי, נברך! רבי שם יהיה מברך משתה ועב עולם.
RABOTAI / HAVERAI , n'varakh.	רבותי / חברי, נברך! רבי שם יהיה מברך משתה ועב עולם.
Heard guests / Friends, let us give thanks.	רבי שם יהיה מברך משתה ועב עולם.
Yחי shem Adonai n'varakh me-atah v'ad olam. May Adonai be praised, now and forever.	רבי שם יהיה מברך משתה ועב עולם.
The leader continues:	ברשות רבותי / חברי, נברך (אלוקינו) שאכלנו משעלו.
Bir-Shut rabotai / haverai, n'varakh (Eloheinu) she-akhshavnu meshcho. With your consent, honored guests / friends, let us praise (our God) the One of whom food we have partaken.	ברשות רבותי / חברי, נברך (אלוקינו) שאכלנו משעלו.
Barukh (Eloheinu) she-akhshavnu meshcho. Praised be (our God) the One of whom food we have partaken and by whose goodness we live.	ברוך (אלוקינו) שאכלנו משעלו, ומטובו חיונו.
All join in: Barukh hu u-va-rah shimo. Praised be God and praised be God's name.	ברוך הוא וברוך שמו.
BARUKH atah Adonai, Eloheinu: melekch ha-yolam, ha-can et ha-otem kado (Hear, O hear) blessed u'rahmanim. Hu no-ten lehem l'khol basar, ki kolam ha-otem U'ha-otem ha-gadol, canid u' basar la'nu, v'al yetzar la'nu mazon Foleim va-od. Bo-avar shimo ha-gadol, ki hu zann u-ten farraha la-kol u-metiv, la-kol, u-mekhem mazon l'khol b'rovot asher bara. Barukh shah Adonai, ha-zan et ha-kol.	ברוך אתה יהוה אלקינו קלך העולם, חנו את-העולם כולו בטובו בחון חסדו ורחמים. הוא נתן לחם לכל-בשר כי ישלם חסדו. ונטובו הנחיל חמיו לא חסר לנו.

If you don't usually attend, try coming once in a while and see what we have to offer. It ain't what you think it is!

BETH OHR TEE-SHIRT & PHOTO GALLERY



Photos

Top: Tee Shirts worn by Allen Appel, Ed Mendlowitz, Stan Perlmann Ken Deitz and Allen Skupp.
 Second row: Phil Rabinowitz, Allen Skupp and Herb Goldenberg, Ed With his new Fairleigh Dickinson Tee where he has been appointed an adjunct Professor. Next is guest, and friend, Fred Morgan picking the High Holiday raffle tickets—he is an impartial picker and did a great job. Bernie Pincus is beaming...
 Bottom: Some of the guys at a typical breakfast. David Fassler and sister Hannah Fassler at Birthright office in Tel Aviv, and at Mt. Bental in Israel at Golan Heights. David and Hannah are Paula Yourman's grandchildren and daughter Marcie and husband Ed Fassler's children.

GETTING BETH OHR READY FOR HIGH HOLIDAYS



Things don't just happen by themselves

Top: Seats have to be arranged for and assigned and paid for. Security has to be hired and provided with a list of authorized ticket holders. A new security system was also just installed. We get ready for the High Holidays with the Shofar being blown at the Sunday Minyan. Shown is Chuck Rogol with his new assistant Nathan Okoh. Chuck and Ira Donenfeld emptied the sanctuary of all the Siddurs and Chumashes so there was room for the Machzors.

2nd row: The Ark before and after. Chuck, Ken Deitz and Morty Kamenitz changing the Ark and Torah covers. 3rd row: Elliot Leibowitz and Morty moving the Machzors to the Sanctuary entrance and the table laid out with the prayer books. Everything takes an effort and many pitch in.

MORE GETTING READY FOR HIGH HOLIDAYS



Things don't just happen

Top: David Honig and Mark Atzbi folding the moveable walls that divided the Sanctuary from the all purpose room with some “assistants” looking on and lending needed hands—Allen Appel and Andy Mendlowitz.
Second row: The seats placed in the right position in the extended sanctuary. The crew: Ira Donenfeld, Harvey Cohen, David Honig, Mark Atzbi, Harriet Rabinowitz, Allan Benish, Morty Kamenitz, Andy Mendlowitz, Chuck Rogol and Ken Deitz.
3rd row: Chuck and Morty rolling the Torahs to the correct High Holiday reading position with Rabbi Mishkin showing them the place to stop. Phil Rabinowitz in Congregation office on the phone finding a seat for a last minute caller.
It takes a lot of people pitching in so the load is spread out and instead of a chore it becomes a pleasant Mitzvah.

GETTING THE SUKKUR READY



Pitching in

Working to get the Sukkur set up is David Honig, Stan Perlman, Allen Skupp, Phil Rabinowitz, Harvey Cohen and Stu Ricizk. Andy Mendlowitz is not shown because he took the photos.

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TEAM WORK BY DEDICATED CONGREGANTS.
*Have a Happy, Healthy and Peaceful New Year!***

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MEN'S CLUB PHOTO CONTEST

**Send in your best or most favorite photos
(not with people).**

**The top 3 photos will get a prize that will be distributed in January.
Email to Ed at emcpa1@aol.com. Photos will appear in the November and
December newsletters. Ed is judge and is not eligible for the prize.
Here is a start.**



SISTERHOOD PRESIDIUM PRESIDENT

Shalom and L'Shanah Tovah from Sisterhood,

Thank you to Marion Falkowitz for a lovely first meeting of the year with our recipe swap which despite the rain was truly enjoyable. Sisterhood's Paid-Up will be on Wednesday November 8th and I know it will be a wonderful evening. Wishing everyone a happy, healthy and prosperous 5778. Please continue to support Sisterhood by purchasing scrip, gold cards and brick certificates.

Liz Aroyo
Presidium Member

HIGH HOLIDAY MACHZOR

If you are interested in dedicating a High Holiday prayer book, please contact Estee Spiegel by e-mail at estee86@msn.com. Donations can be made to memorialize someone special or in honor of a simcha. The cost for each book is \$36.00 and checks should be made payable to Sisterhood Congregation Beth Ohr. The donation must be paid in full before a bookplate will be affixed.

**Thank you so much to everyone who purchased and donated
a new Etz Chaim Chumash!**



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The synagogue owns four large print Siddurim. If anyone needs one at services, please see Ira Donenfeld, Phil Rabinowitz or Larry Fachler.



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2017 - 2018

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DONOR CREDIT OF \$5 WILL BE AWARDED TO MEMBERS WHO PAY THEIR DUES ON OR BEFORE WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2017.

MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT REJOINED SISTERHOOD BY DECEMBER 31, 2017 FORFEIT ALL PREVIOUSLY ACCUMULATED DONOR CREDIT.

PLEASE SEND YOUR CHECK TO:

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PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR CURRENT ADDRESS AND YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS. WE WOULD LIKE TO UPDATE OUR SISTERHOOD LIST. IF YOU HAVE A WINTER ADDRESS, PLEASE INCLUDE THAT AS WELL.

Announcements

The deadline for the next newsletter will be
Thursday, October 12, 2017

Please send all of your thank you, articles
and announcements via e-mail to:

congregationbethohr@gmail.com

or call

Phyllis in the Synagogue office at 732-257-1523

“Ritually Speaking”

If you are interested in sponsoring a Kiddush to celebrate a simcha, commemorate the Yahrzeit of a loved one, or “just because”, contact Phyllis in the office at 732-257-1523.

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Rabbi Mishkin’s Contact Numbers

If you need to reach Rabbi Mishkin, please use any of the following phone numbers:

Office Phone # 732-257-7031

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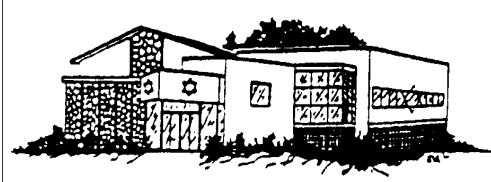
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Friday, Oct. 6
Friday, Oct. 13
Friday, Oct. 20
Friday, Oct. 27

6:14PM
6:02PM
5:52PM
5:42PM