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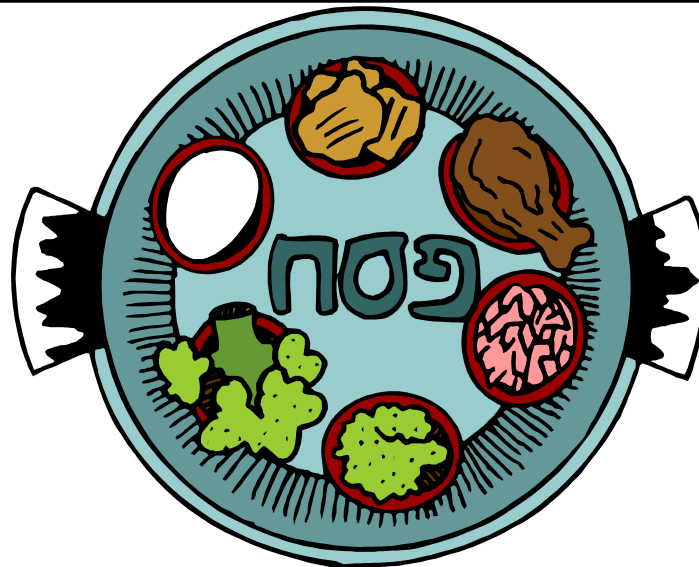
April 2015

Nissan/ Iyar 5775

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From the Beth Ohr Family to your Family
We wish you a Happy and Healthy Passover 5775



Friday Evening, April 3, 2015
Through
Saturday evening, April 11, 2015
For a Full Schedule of Services please turn to Page 11
For the Rabbinical Assembly Passover Guide go to
rabbinicalassembly.org/pesah-guide

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

- Thurs. Apr. 2 Search for Chametz begins at night fall.
- Thurs., Apr. 2 Rabbi Mishkin is the featured speaker at 7:30 p.m. at the Simpson United Methodist Church. His presentation is entitled: From Darkness to Light. Passover's Universal Message
- Fri., Apr. 3 Fast of the First Born—service starts at 7:00 a.m. Erev Pesach—first seder. Synagogue office will be closing at 1:00 p.m.
- Sat., Apr. 4 First Day of Passover—services begin at 9:30 a.m.
- Sun., Apr. 5 Second Day of Passover—services begin at 9:30 a.m.
- Mon., Apr. 6 The Synagogue Office will re-open at 9:00 a.m.
- Fri., Apr . 10 Seventh Day of Passover—services begin at 9:30 p.m. Friday Evening Services 7:30 p.m.
- Sat., Apr. 11 Eighth Day of Passover Yizkor - services begin at 9:30 a.m.
- Sun., Apr. 12 Morning minyan starts at 9:00 a.m. followed by Men's Club Breakfast.
- Thurs. Apr. 16 Yom Hashoah Program 7:30 pm.
- Fri., Apr. 17 Friday Evening Services
- Sat., Apr..18 Shabbat services begin at 9:30 a.m.
- Lunch and Learn
- Sun., Apr. 19 Morning Minyan starts at 9:00 am. Followed by Men's Club Breakfast and Sisterhood Benefactor's Reception
- Mon., Apr 20 Sisterhood Dominoes
- Wed., Apr. 22 Yom Hazikaron
- Thurs., . Apr 23 Yom Haatzmaut Daytimers Program Temple Exec Board and Temple Board
- Fri., Apr 24 Friday Evening Services 7:30 p.m.
- Sat., Apr. 25 Shabbat Services 9:30 a.m.
- Sun., Apr. 26 Morning minyan begins at 9:00 a.m. followed by Mens Club Breakfast



Dear Congregant,

I have been working in tandem with the lay-leadership here at Congregation Beth Ohr to revitalize our synagogue in various ways. Hopefully you have noticed additional programming, increased attendance at adult education classes and continued vibrancy in the Sisterhood, Men's Club, and Daytimers events. One of the ways in which we can accomplish the objective of revitalizing our synagogue is through the use of standard materials readily available to our movement. Several years ago the Rabbinical Assembly published the Etz Hayim Humash, Torah and Commentary. Most Conservative congregations use this wonderful resource in their services.

This book presents the weekly Torah readings, and Haftarot along with illuminating essays on such topics as Worship and Ritual, War and Peace, Civil and Criminal Law and Women in the Bible. Additionally the book features the Jewish Publication Society's translation of the Bible, Commentary, explanations and notes. All of these features are included to stimulate the learning process and introduce the reader to the unique perspective offered by the Conservative Movement.

As you may well know one of the ways in which you can honor or remember a beloved is by donating a prayer book that we use for our synagogue services. The Ritual Committee recently recommended that we channel new funds received for books into the purchase of this important work so that we could eventually have an inventory of them for the use of our general congregation on Sabbath and Festivals. This would greatly enhance the experience for the worshippers at Congregation Beth Ohr. To learn more about this resource you can speak to me or look at the Rabbinical Assembly website under publications. Additionally if you would like to donate one of these volumes you may contact Barbara Schneider of the Sisterhood. Donations such as this one are necessary and important. They are just one of the ways in which you can feel more a part of our synagogue and spread the joy of Judaism to your fellow congregants. Wishing you all a kosher and happy Pesach!

Shalom,
Rabbi Joel Mishkin

MEN'S CLUB *Minyan Every Sunday. Come and also enjoy a bagel and the camaraderie.*



Big events at the Sunday Minyan:

Top: **Rabbi Mishkin** offering a comment alongside Rutgers Professor Dr. **Milton Heumann** at Mar 8 Joint Sisterhood and Men's Club program sponsored by **Herman and Freda Lipp Memorial Fund** in memory of **Barbara Lipp**. The well attended program was on "Reflections on Privacy and Competing Values." The next photo is **Robyn Lipp Wolfe** representing the Lipp family (Robyn is a Beth Ohr Bat Mitzvah). Next are two Shell Bank Jr. High School Brooklyn buddies reunited at a Sunday Minyan—**Bob Weiss** and **Ron Bleich**. April 16 is Yom HaShoah Remembrance day and shown is a Yellow Candle that will be sent by the Men's Club to every congregant during the first week in April.

2nd row; Rabbi Mishkin holding the scroll for the Megillah of Esther at his Purim workshop on Mar 1. Next is the case of the Megillah of Esther donated many years ago by **Sheila Reinstein** and Family in memory of Herbert Reinstein followed by a partial photo of the crowd at the Purim workshop.

For next month's newsletter: Send photos of you or your family in Israel, on vacation, or with famous people.

Things really go on at the Men's Club. Come to a Minyan once in a while. It is good, not bad!

MEN'S CLUB PROGRAM SCHEDULE.: SUNDAY PROGRAMS FOLLOWING THE MINYAN AND BAGEL BREAKFAST

Apr 26—You show me yours and I'll show you mine—program at breakfast. Bring your auto and home owners insurance policies and let's compare types of coverage, amounts of insurance and rates

May 3 Shavuot Workshop with Rabbi Mishkin

Dec 2015 dates to be announced: Gift Book Sunday, Sydney Lustgarten Mensch of the Year Award

Suggestions welcomed. We are working on some exciting and interesting programs. Thank you for ideas to **Harvey Cohen, Paula Yourman, Marilyn Karlstein, Marty Israel, Terrie Polovsky, Sydney Lustgarten, Ashna Pincus, Allen Appel** and **Ivan Gelb**.

The Men's Club – where things are happening! The entire congregation and guests are always welcome to come to all of our programs and the weekly bagel breakfast that is sponsored by the Men's Club.

Ed Mendlowitz

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

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!

MEN'S CLUB MOVIE ONE LINERS

Suggested by Sydney Lustgarten

Given to Ed from Syd:

1. Frankenstein - It's Alive, It's Alive
2. Every Day's a Holiday - You ought to get out of those wet clothes and into a dry martini
3. Gone With the Wind - Frankly my dear, I don't give a damn
4. Adventures of Sherlock Holmes - Elementary, my dear Watson
5. Wizard of Oz - I've got a feeling we're not in Kansas anymore
6. Wizard of Oz - There's no place like home
7. Casablanca - I think this is the beginning of a beautiful friendship
8. Casablanca - We'll always have Paris
9. Casablanca - Here's looking at you kid
10. All about Eve - Fasten your seatbelt, it's going to be a bumpy ride
11. A Street Car named Desire - I have always depended on the kindness of Strangers
11. The Godfather - I'll make you an offer you can't refuse
12. The Godfather II - Keep your friends close, but your enemies closer
13. A Few Good Men - You can't handle the truth
14. Forest Gump - Stupid is as stupid does
15. A League of their Own - there's no crying in baseball
16. Mr Skeffington - A Women is beautiful when she is loved, and only then
17. Mr. Skeffington - A woman is beautiful if she has eight hours sleep and goes to the beauty parlor every day
18. Now Voyager - Shall we just have a cigarette on it?
19. I'm no Angel - When I'm good, I'm very good, but when I'm bad, I'm better
20. An American in Paris - that's quite a dress you almost have on
21. Forest Gump - Life is like a box of chocolates, you never know what you're gonna get
22. Love Story - Love means never having to say you're sorry
23. Network - I'm mad aw hell, and I'm not going to take it anymore
24. Field of Dreams - If you build it, they will come
25. Now Voyager - don't let's ask for the moon, we already have the stars
26. Yankee Doodle Dandy - My mother thanks you, my father thanks you, my sister thanks you and I thank you

From Ed

27. The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance—When the legend becomes fact—print the legend.
28. Judgment at Nuremberg—You should have known the first time you sentenced a man to death who you knew to be innocent
29. On the Waterfront—I could've become a contender
30. Cinderella—I said she could go to the ball if all her chores were completed. I said "if!"

Send Ed your favorites for next month's newsletter—Do It!

New Program

YOU SHOW ME YOURS—AND I'LL SHOW YOU MINE!

Program at breakfast

Bring your auto and home owners insurance policies and let's compare types of coverage, amounts of insurance and premiums.

Repeat Your Bar/Bat Mitzvah Haftorah

The Men's Club is making it easy for those that would like to repeat their Bar/Bat Mitzvah Haftorah or to do a Haftorah if they never did one.

Available: Free recording. Free tutoring. Most dates are still available. Contact Joe Shafran or Rabbi Mishkin to make arrangements

BETH OHR'ERS TRAVEL PHOTOS



Travel photos

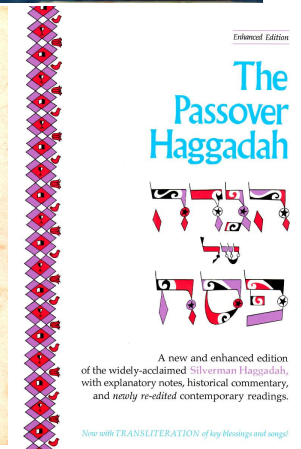
Top row: Wilma and Allen Appel in Shanghai China. Sue and Larry Ross at Oxford in London, Linda and Allen Skupp in Egypt.

2nd row: Roberta and Larry Fachler celebrating their 25th anniversary in Jerusalem, Ronnie and Ed Mendlowitz at the Great Wall in China. Alice and David Honig in Hawaii.

3rd row: Harriet and Phil Rabinowitz during a 5 hour delayed flight in Fort Lauderdale airport. Herb Goldenberg with a mini-reunion at the Fountains in Lake Worth, FL with friends from Lakeridge –Mike Rosen, Al Kirshner and Bruce Abramson. Scott Donenfeld and son Hudson going to Yankee Stadium last season. Lee and Ira's son and grandson.

If you don't send photos to Ed, they cannot be in the Newsletter

Beth Ohr Photo Gallery



A memorable evening of diverse music from classical to pop, covering many centuries and styles

**Makheilat
Hamercaz**

Jewish Choir of Central NJ

Musical Directors:
**Cantors Sheldon Levin
& Anna West Ott**

Piano: **Dave Schlossberg**

Guest Musicians:
**The Highland Park
Recorder Ensemble
Donna Messer, Director**



**Sunday,
May 31, 2015
7:00 pm**

From Baroque to Baruch



This program is funded in part by Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Middlesex County Cultural & Heritage Commission with assistance thru a grant provided by New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Dept of State, and the Karma Foundation.

Temple Emanu-El

100 Parsonage Road
Edison, NJ

(across from JFK Hospital)

Photo Gallery

Top row: **Jessica Sibelman Davy** performing at the Jewish Federation of Greater Middlesex County sponsored program on Mar 22 at Beth Ohr. Jessica was Bat Mitzvahed at Beth Ohr and is daughter of **Lisa and Richard Sibelman**. Additional programs as part of the grant the Federation provided will be on Apr 26 and May 17. Next is Lisa receiving a thank you gift for her 17 years as our administrator from **Linda Skupp** representing Daytimers. Lisa also received gifts from the Congregation, Sisterhood and Men's Club. Also shown is the cake.

2nd row: **Allen Skupp** performing his financial secretary duties in Temple office. **Rabbi Mishkin's** book club meeting. It meets every other Tuesday and all are welcome. Next is a reminder to get ready for Passover. Shown are two Haggadah covers—one from a 1961 Haggadah and the other from a 2005 additional purchase. Hopefully we should all have old well worn and used Haggadahs along with newer booklets for added participants.

On the left is an ad for the Choir that **Roberta Fachler** will be performing in on May 31. If you want to attend contact Ed for additional info: emcpa1@aol.com or ask Roberta.

Yahrzeit Memorial Fund

We honor the memories of our loved ones whose Yahrzeits were observed during the month of **February and March**. We acknowledge the following for their contributions to the Yahrzeit Memorial Fund:

DONATED BY:

Allen and Linda Skupp
Bob and Eloise Honig
Clifford Shulman
Paula Eisen
Harriett Feld
Marilyn Gilbarg
Ruth Risman, and David & Brian
Charles Chencinski
Jack Fass, Rose Fass & Joseph Rosenfeld
Joyce Silberstein
Jana Blain
Simon Family
Ruth and Ed Lubitz
Howard and Cathy Schwartzer
Szanne Balaban
Sandra Wexlin
Mindy Isaacs

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Louis Schulsinger
Abraham Honig
Regina Shulman
Esther Narol
Pauline Feld and Pola Schaffer
Libbie Gorsky
Sy Risman
Lucy and Benny Chencinski
Linda Garfinkel
Charles Silberstein
Anna Schiller
Mabel Simon
Rosalie Lubitz
Vivian Berkley
Paul Katz
Ida Zimmerman
Lenora Cohen



BETH OHR CEMETERY

Congregation Beth Ohr owns and operates a cemetery which is located on Ernston Road in Sayreville. The cemetery is a non-profit entity using existing funds and fund-raising as its source of operating revenues. Membership in Beth Ohr entitles our congregants to an individual plot only; all other costs such as funeral, plot opening, memorial tablet costs, etc., are paid by the family of the deceased. Please call Phyllis Greenberg in the Synagogue Office 732-257-1523 for further details.

TREE OF LIFE

You may order leaves for the Tree of Life for weddings, births, graduations, B'nai Mitzvot. The cost of a leaf is \$118 and the cost of a rock is \$450. Come and see how our tree has grown! Please call the office at 732-257-1523 to place your order.

April 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 tzedukah 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 Lisa 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>APRIL 3/4</u>		<u>APRIL 17/18</u>	
Geraldine Edelman	4/4	Morris Brown	4/18
Esther Gross	4/4	Jules Linder	4/18
Philip Nadler	4/4	Marta Adler	4/19
Barbara Kuntz	4/5	Barry Geller	4/19
Leo Ullmann	4/5	Sophie Perlin	4/19
Sheila Kirschner	4/6	Jacob Podol	4/19
Della Pollack	4/6	Belle Shumer	4/19
Anna Rosenfeld	4/6	Anne Skupp	4/19
Ida Schulsinger	4/6	Dalia Goldhecht	4/20
Ralph Wurtzel	4/6	Joseph Maness	4/21
Harold Nadler	4/7	Anna Goldberg	4/22
Pearl Shapiro	4/7	Norma Sweig	4/22
Henry Vollweiler	4/7	Lilly Weisz Gelb	4/22
Samuel Weiner	4/7	Jacob Wilpon	4/22
Angela Dubin	4/8	Iris Wolfe	4/22
Zilla Weininger	4/8	Marcia Erlish	4/23
Leo Drabin	4/9	Barbara Kleinman	4/23
Syd Hillman	4/9	Stuart Polovsky	4/23
Abe Kagan	4/9	Kurt Schiller	4/23
Emma Weisgold	4/9	Harold Karpel	4/24
Seymour Phillips	4/10	Mary Schechtman	4/24
<u>APRIL 11/12</u>		<u>April 24/25</u>	
Ruth Carl Kaiser	4/11	Isaac Bemaman	4/25
Ruth Rothlin	4/12	Benjamin Heisler	4/25
Miriam Brenner	4/13	Maria Kushnir	4/25
Ralph Krause	4/13	Aasron Levemstein	4/25
Alice Lanzoff	4/13	Sol Yourman	4/26
Toby Maness	4/13	Helen Yourman	4/27
Ceil Rosenthal	4/13	Arebell Gordon	4/28
Lena Weiss	4/13	Pauline Salstein	4./28
Violet Davidowitz	4/14	Abraham Schneider	4/28
Michael Ebenstein	4/14	Susan Slobodien	4/28
Joshua Weissman	4/14	Louis Rothlin	4/29
Edward Abramson	4/15	Frank Hecht	4/30
Yette Ribet	4/15	Harry Meislick	4/30
David Rosenberg	4/15	Anna Rosenthal-Charoff	4/30
Stanley Silberstein	4/15	Samuel Smith	4/30
Rhoda Tash	4/15	Doris Springer	4/30
Seymour Weinman	4/15	Julius Kaplan	5/1
Molly Rothberg	4/16	Carolyn Lanzoff	5/1
Aaron Kanter	4/17	Lee Myra Schuman	5/1

**Sisterhood Congregation Beth Ohr
Donor Sheet A-K
Ilene Gray
3 13/2015**

Name		Amt	Carry Over	Name		Amt	Carry\ Over
Appel	Wilma	\$62.50		Feder	Barbara	\$ 27.50	
Aroyo	Elizabeth	\$ 374.50	2.5	Feld	Harriet	\$ 51.75	
Atzbi	Estee	\$ 126.00		Finkelstein	Meryl	\$ 48.50	
Atzbi	Monica	\$ 570.00	35.5	Fox	Helene	\$ 5.00	
Bernstein	Roberta	\$ 52.50	2.5	Gasior	Ellen	\$ 5.00	
Birnbaum	Eileen	\$ 89.50		Gilbarg	Marilyn	\$ 16.00	
Bleiweis	Marilyn	\$ 15.00		Golden	Elizabeth	\$ 295.75	0.5
Boshak	Rochelle	\$ 15.00		Goldenberg	Susan	\$ 100.50	1.0
Bramfman	Ann			Greenstein	Barbara	\$ 5.00	
Benish		\$131	2.-0	Grynberg	Helene	\$ 132.50	11.5
Cadel	Cheryl	\$ 32.50		Gurman	Ruth	\$ 30.00	3.5
Cannata	Susan						
Celeste	Alice	\$ 86.00	2.0	Hillman	Pearl	\$ 81.50	3.5
Clark	Lisa	\$ 10.00		Honig	Alice	\$ 20.00	
Cohen	Harriet	\$ 27.00	1.0	Honig	Eloise	\$ 5.00	
				Hyman	Lee	\$ 45.00	
Dietz	Dara	\$ 5.00					
Donenfeld	Lee	\$ 25.00	1.0	Kagan	Sylvia	\$ 37.00	
				Karlstein	Marilyn	\$ 87.50	1.5
Edwards	Sue	\$ 75.50		Karpel	Roberta	\$ 89.00	0.5
				Kaufman	Maxine	\$ 111.00	9.5
Fachler	Roberta	\$ 191.00	2.0	Klein	Caroline	\$ 26.00	
Gray	Ilene	\$147.10	1.5	Garfinkel	Linda	\$ 88.00	2.0

L-Z Liz Aroyo

Date: 3/22/2014

			Carry
Name		Amount	Over
Laddin	Anne	\$5.00	
Lazarowitz	Andrea	\$95.00	4.5
Levenstein	Glenda	\$57.50	
Levine	Helen	\$5.00	
Mendlowitz	Ronnie	\$214.50	5.5
Nadler	Elinor	\$30.00	
Nathanson	Vickie	\$62.00	0.5
Nightingale	Phyllis	\$57.50	6.0
Nussenbaum	Vera	\$106.50	2.0
Perlman	Ryselle	\$35.60	
Pincus	Ashna	\$99.50	1.0
Polovsky	Terrie	\$80.50	10.5
Prussack	Zellie	\$226.00	19.5
Rabinowitz	Harriet	\$291.94	7.0
Reinstein	Sheila	\$25.00	
Risman	Ruth	\$55.00	1.0
Rogol	Heidi	\$58.10	
Rosenzweig	Ronnie	\$5.00	

			Carry
Name		Amount	Over
Schlissel	Lenore	\$31.50	1.0
Schlussfeld	Mindy	\$5.00	
Schneider	Barbara	\$144.50	2.5
Schneider	Cynthia		
Schottlander	Hilde	\$129.75	9.0
Shafran	Dorothy	\$174.00	5.5
Silberstein	Joyce	\$67.50	4.0
Silverman	Sharen	\$274.50	4.0
Simon	Mala	\$82.50	1.0
Simon	Marjorie	\$244.00	0.5
Skupp	Linda	\$249.00	6.5
Sommers	Arlene	\$1.80	
Trechak	Marcia	\$396.25	7.5
Weiss	Harriet	\$176.80	1.5
Wernick	Irene		
Yourman	Edna	\$38.00	
Yourman	Paula	\$144.50	4.5
Zussman	Virginia	\$66.00	

**CONGREGATION BETH OHR
PASSOVER SCHEDULE OF SERVICES
5775/2015**

Thursday, April 2	B'dikat Hametz (The search for leaven)	Conducted at home after nightfall
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Friday, April 3	Fast of the First-Born (Siyyum Bekhor)	7:00 a.m.
	Burn leaven by 10:15 a.m.	
	Erev Pesach—First Seder Candle lighting	7:05 p.m.

Saturday, April 4	1st Day of Passover SERVICE	9:30 a.m.
	Second Seder Candle lighting	8:05 p.m.

Sunday, April 5	2nd Day of Passover SERVICE	9:30 a.m.
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Thursday, April 9	Erev 7th Day of Passover Candle Lighting	7:11 p.m.
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Friday, April 10	7th Day of Passover Services	9:30 a.m.
	Candle Lighting	7:12 p.m.
	Services	7:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 11	8th Day of Passover SERVICE—YIZKOR	9:30 a.m.
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******You may consume Hametz on Sunday morning, April 12**



**MEKHIRAT HAMETZ
(SALE OF LEAVEN 2015)**

The Torah tells us that during Passover, “No leaven shall be found in your houses for seven days” (*Exodus* 12:19). The Rabbis understood this to mean that one could not own any hametz during the holiday. To prevent the financial hardship that would result from discarding all of one’s leaven on an annual basis, the rabbis developed a legal mechanism whereby an individual could sell his/her leaven to a non-Jew for the duration of the holiday.

PLEASE REMEMBER that even if you plan to be away from home for the entire holiday, you must still sell all the hametz you own. Similarly, should you own other property, or store leaven products in your office, you must still sell the hametz stored at those locations.

While there is no charge for the selling of leaven, it is customary to include a charitable contribution with the “Sale of Leaven” form.

**PLEASE FILL OUT THE FORM BELOW AND RETURN IT TO THE
SYNAGOGUE OFFICE WITH YOUR TZEDAKAH DONATION MADE OUT TO THE
“RABBI’S DISCRETIONARY FUND” OR JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES NO LATER
THAN THURSDAY, APRIL 2nd (YOU MAY, HOWEVER, GIVE IT TO RABBI
MIAHKIN IN PERSON ON FRIDAY, APRIL 3RD AT THE FAST OF THE FIRST
BORN SERVICE AT 7:00 A.M.)**

THE UNDERSIGNED, BY HIS/HER/THEIR SIGNATURE(S), have herewith granted full Power-of-Attorney to **Rabbi Joel Mishkin** of Congregation Beth Ohr, concerning the sale of every product containing leaven or its derivatives in his/her/their possession, effective as of 11:00 PM. Eastern Daylight Saving Time, on the 14th day of the Hebrew month of Nisan which is the day before the First Seder that night. This power of attorney includes the right to rent to the purchaser all storage space, vessels and receptacles wherein such merchandise is currently found, binding, and may thus be enforced in the most effective manner in accordance with the laws of our Torah, as well as in accordance with the civil laws of the State of New Jersey.

NAME(S)

ADDRESS(ES) OF PREMISES WHERE LEAVEN IS
STORED

Do a Mitzvah...Help Others Who Need Us

This year, Congregation Beth Ohr will once again participate in the Holiday Food Basket program for the Jewish Family Services. In this way, we can help needy families in our community to enjoy a traditional Pesach. JFS collects Passover food and prepares baskets for the families. Every family also receives supermarket vouchers so they can purchase fresh products to supplement the baskets. We can choose to donate Kosher For Passover food or we can make a cash donation.

Below is a sample list of foods that can be used in the baskets. If you have food to donate (please make sure everything is dated 2015), just place it in the food bin in the lobby of the Synagogue by Sunday, March 29th . Any monetary donations can be made out to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund and can be sent to the Synagogue office to the attention of Ira Donenfeld or Synagogue Office. If you need food to be picked up, please call Ira Donenfeld at 732-679-2652.

Last Pesach, the community distributed food baskets to over 500 families. This year we have more families in crisis. Please participate in this project, do a mitzvah, and help make the coming of Passover a little brighter for fellow Jewish families who are in need.



Sample List of Food For Baskets:
Matzo, Matzo Meal, Sugar, Gefilte Fish, Soup,
Cookies, Candies, Oil, Macaroons, Coffee (4 oz. or 6 oz. only),
Tea Bags (small box),

Congregation Beth Ohr Yom Hashoah Program
April 16, 2015
7:30 PM

From Sentinel

BY JENNIFER AMATO Staff Writer



Holocaust survivor Frida Herskovits lights a candle at one of the ovens used to burn victims of the Holocaust at the Auschwitz concentration camp in [Poland](#). She went back to visit the site in 1994. **NORTH BRUNSWICK** - Frida Herskovits was born in Czechoslovakia 81 years ago, living with her mother, father and nine siblings.

"We had a wonderful life and it was nice there," she said. Then at the age of 17, her life changed forever. In 1944, the Germans came into her town with rifles and German shepherds, ordering the residents to take their personal belongings and leave within two hours. Herskovits' mom thought they were being brought to a labor camp, and wouldn't let a Christian neighbor hide her children. What they didn't know is that this was the beginning of the Holocaust.

"You should see what hate does. Hate kills and tortures and destroys people. That's why I go to tell my story," said Herskovits, who addressed social studies students at the [North Brunswick Township High School](#) on Jan. 17. Herskovits said she was brought to a brick factory where she had to sleep on the floor on top of the bricks. She was there for a few weeks, but the torture and killing started immediately. She said if someone disobeyed orders, they were shot on the spot. Many people died on the train ride to the site because of no food, water or air, and her mom and sister couldn't stop crying.



Herskovits was placed at three different concentration camps over the course of a year during World War II. She slept in these barracks at the Auschwitz camp. "But we couldn't do nothing," she said. She said their hair was shaven and clothes were removed, and they were given one dress and a tattoo identification before being sent to the barracks, where five or six people would sleep in a bunk bed. With the laborers lined up on the right and the women and children on the left, she said she saw a baby shot to death, German shepherds "tear a baby out of the mother's womb" and people burned alive. There were even experimental surgeries in which organs were removed and human skin was used to make lampshades and picture frames.

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Herskovits said she would have to work with rocks or pick cabbage in a field. The workers were fed a little soup and a piece of bread that "wasn't fit for any animal, but we were hungry." Anyone who was sick had gasoline poured over them in a pit and was burned.

"The screams were unbelievable," she said. "You were just told what to do and obey. Anybody who disobeyed was dead."

She was then sent on an open cargo train in freezing, rainy weather to another camp in [Germany](#), which was filled with soot. She said that once every two days she'd get black coffee and a slice of bread, but no shower. She said people were constantly dying but were left there because there was no crematorium. She also said her sister was at this camp but did not recognize her because she looked like a skeleton.

In three different concentration camps for a year, Herskovits was finally freed by the British on April 15, 1945. She went to a sanatorium in [Sweden](#) with her sister and later worked in a shoe factory since she knew how to sew. She later met up with her older brother, who was the only other survivor of her family, in [Israel](#), although at first she was taken to a Cyprus military camp and then to Palestine. She eventually married her second cousin, had a son and then moved to the United States, first to [Brooklyn, N.Y.](#), and then to Monroe, seven years later, where she had another daughter.

In 1994, Herskovits returned to Auschwitz and saw the remains of the barracks, the crematoriums, the electric fence that surrounded the camp, piles of empty gas cans, preserved hair strands that were used for wigs and a monument honoring the dead. She said her childhood home is now a public school, and other houses were built on her property.

Reflecting on her time in [Germany](#), which she said affected her so badly she couldn't close her eyes for a long time, she said she kept her faith and religion and never gave up.

"We all think positive," she said. "I don't think a person should ever give up.... Sometimes things change and I believe in miracles. I am alive, is a miracle. I was standing in the middle of the fire and I am alive," she said.

WHOSE JOB IS IT!

This is a story about four people named,
Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody.
There was an important job to do and
Everybody was asked to do it.
Everybody was sure Somebody would do it.
Somebody got angry about that, because it
Was Everybody's job.
Everybody thought Anybody could do it but
Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it.
It ended up that Everybody blamed
Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody
Could have done

DAYTIMERS NEWS

SUNDAY, APRIL 26: ONCE UPON A TIME - FAIRY TALES AND MUSIC

The Beth Ohr Daytimers in conjunction with Jewish Federation is presenting the second in a series of three music appreciation programs with Jessica Sibelman Davy. **The third program is on Sunday, May 17.** Both programs are at Beth Ohr at 2:00 PM.

Please see page 18 in newsletter for details.

THURSDAY, MAY 14: ERNEST SHACKLETON LOVES ME

The Daytimers will attend the 2:00 PM performance of *Ernest Shackleton Loves Me* at the George Street Playhouse. *Ernest Shackleton Loves Me* is a new epic musical by the writer of *Clever Little Lies*, *Memphis*, and *The Toxic Avenger*. A sleep-deprived single mom and video game music composer is contacted across time by the famous explorer Ernest Shackleton. Inspired by her music, he shares his epic Antarctic journey as they struggle toward and conquer new horizons in this cross-time love affair for the ages - featuring music and lyrics by Brendan Milburn and Valeris Vigoda.

The Daytimers group price is \$32.00. A limited number of tickets are available. Please call Ira ([732-679-2652](tel:732-679-2652)) or Linda ([732-251-0447](tel:732-251-0447)) for details and to RSVP.

DAYTIMERS SERVICE PROJECT

The Daytimers are participating with Jewish Federation in J.SERVE (a day of service for teens). J.SERVE is nationally run by B'nai B'rith and locally by Jewish Federation.

The Daytimers are collecting personal hygiene products for Elijah's Promise. The collected items will be packed by the teens and distributed at Elijah's Promise.

Suggested products include, but are not limited to:

Soap	Hand Cream/Lotions
Shampoo	Purell/Hand Sanitizer
Deodorant	Shaving Cream
Toothbrush/Paste	Hand Wipes
Body Wash	Mouth Wash

Please drop off donated items in the designated collection box in the Beth Ohr lobby.

News from the Beth Ohr Family

WELCOME

- Arlene and Nelson Silver who became members of our synagogue family

THANK YOU AND MAZEL TOV

- Ashna and Bernie Pincus for sponsoring the Kiddush on Friday evening, February 28th in honor of Ashna's birthday
- Helene and Daniel Grynberg for sponsoring the Kiddush on March 14th in honor of their son Michael's wedding on March 21st to Heather Fryer.
- Joe Shafran for sponsoring the Kiddush in honor of his chanting the Haftorah on March 21, 2015
- Ed Mendlowitz for sponsoring the Kiddush in honor of his repeating his Bar Mitzvah Haftorah and chanting three torah portions on Shabbat Hagadol on March 28, 2015
- Ronnie Mendlowitz for being the honoree at the Torah Fund Luncheon on April 19
- Robert Simon would like to thank everyone for the cards, prayers and good wishes during his recent surgery. He would especially like to thank Rabbi.Mishkin. and Paula. He is getting his strength back and hope s to be around soon.

SCRIP

Sisterhood sells *Shop Rite, A&P, Stop 'n' Shop, and Acme* Supermarket Gift Cards.

This ongoing fundraiser helps support our Hebrew School, Oneg Shabbat, and other areas of our congregation. Sisterhood members receive 5% donor credit of their scrip purchase.

We will no longer be offering Pathmark Supermarket Gift Cards. You will now receive A&P Gift Cards which are now accepted at Pathmark.

You may contact the following for purchase and/or information:

*Monica Atzbi 732-390-5890
Sharen Silverman 732-266-2389
Marcia Trechak 609-655-9507 (summer months)
Janette Golden 609-409-4454 (winter months)
Phyllis Greenberg--Temple Office 732-257-1523*

When ordering from Lisa at the temple office, please call in your order at least one day earlier when you want to pick up your scrip and pick up your order during the following hours: 10 am-12 noon or 1:30 pm - 3:00pm.

Sweepstakes Tickets

Roberta Bernstein called for sweepstakes tickets. The tickets are still 5 dollars and are good for the first 5 days of Passover! Full Donor Credit is still given on all profits. For more information Call Roberta Bernstein [732 679 4986](tel:7326794986)



Jewish Federation
OF GREATER MIDDLESEX COUNTY

The Beth Ohr Daytimers in conjunction with a grant that has been given to us by Jewish Federation of Middlesex County, is pleased to announce a Music Appreciation Series presented by Jessica Sibelman Davy.



**Please join us at
Congregation Beth Ohr
70 Route 516
Old Bridge, NJ 08857
on Sunday, April 26, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.**

Once Upon A Time Fairy Tales and Music

Once Upon a Time... when you hear those words you know that something magical is about to begin. Let your imagination take you somewhere far, far away with music inspired by the most beloved Fairy Tales.



From the tragic "Rusulka" (The Little Mermaid) by Dvorak, to Rossini's comic opera "La Ceneretola" (Cinderella), watch your favorite stories come to life. Other works we will explore include Dukas' "The Sorcerer's Apprentice", Puccini's "Turandot" and Tchaikovsky's "Sleeping Beauty".

Save the Date: Sunday, May 17, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.— Love Notes: Berlioz Symphonie Fantastique

What happened after Beethoven's 9th Symphony? In this class, we talk about the two major directions music went in and talk about the composers including Brahms, Wagner, Liszt and Tchaikovsky, who shaped the styles of Absolute and Program Music. Using Berlioz's Symphonie Fantastique, we will learn how these composers used music and the instruments of the orchestra to tell a story.

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 **\$300.00** to the Synagogue office. If you have any questions about Hebrew names and/or dates, please call Lisa at the office at 732-257-1523.

(Print Name in Hebrew Here)

(Print Name in English Here)

(Date in Hebrew)

(Date in English)

PLEDGE


I hereby authorize you to supply and maintain permanently on your Memorial Tablet, a name plate in the size indicated above, *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 _____

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The following arms of Congregation Beth Ohr would like to take this opportunity to thank Ken Deitz for his generosity:

Sisterhood
 Men's Club
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 Daytimes

Ken has been supplying us with our paper goods needs for the past 3 years and Beth Ohr appreciates all that you do for us.

Announcements

The deadline for the next newsletter will be

Noon, Thursday, April 21, 2014

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.

Sisterhood is selling Kohl’s Cares for Kids Gift Cards. You may purchase these cards as gifts or to pay your bill in the store so you can continue to use your charge card and get your discounts.

For more information and to purchase cards, please call Monica Atzbi at 732-390-5890. When ordering Kohl’s please use a separate check—not to be combined with scrip checks.

Rabbi Mishkin’s Contact Numbers

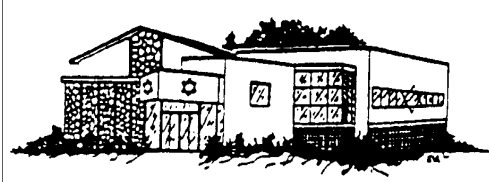
If you need to reach Rabbi Mishkin, please use any of the following phone numbers:

Office Phone # 732-257-7031

Home phone #732-967-6710 after hours for emergencies

e-mail address: rabbijoelmishkin@gmail.com

Rabbi Mishkin will be available for counseling by appointment.



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To My Beth Ohr Family,

I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank each one of you for the many years of happiness and fulfillment that you have given me during my time at Congregation Beth Ohr. You are all truly a part of my extended family and I am so grateful for the time we had together. I was so overwhelmed with emotion on Sunday, March 22nd to see the outpouring of love from everyone who came out for Jessica's program and for my special ceremony. I know that there are so many of you who couldn't be there due to prior commitments but I know that you were there in spirit.

Richie & I will place the mezuzah that you gave us in a special place in our new home that will remind us of Beth Ohr everytime we enter and leave. Thank you all again so much for the wonderful memories that will last with me forever.

Warmest regards to you all and I'll see you again on Sunday, April 26th for Jessica's next music program.

With love, Lisa Sibelman