

BETH OHR NEWSLETTER

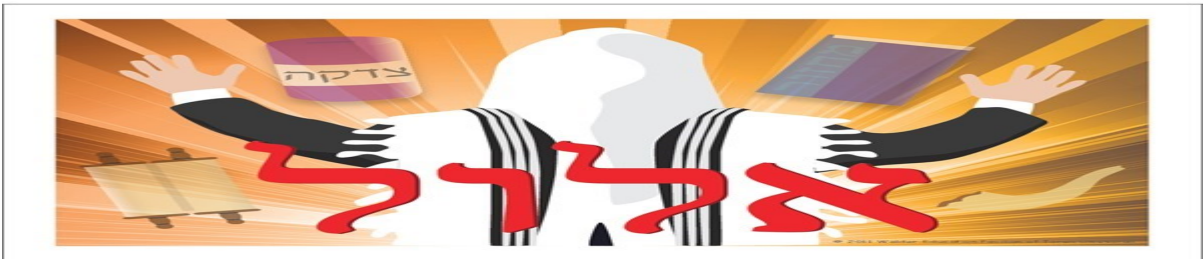
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Elul: The Month Before the New Year

Elul, the month that precedes the Jewish New Year, is considered a time when God is particularly accessible to the Jewish people. The letters in the name of the month itself are embodied in this verse from the Song of Songs: *Ani l'dodi v'dodi li* (I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine), which highlights the loving relationship between God and the Jewish people.

During Elul, the shofar is sounded daily during the morning service. This tradition not only reminds us that the shofar will be blown on Rosh HaShanah, it also is a wakeup call of sorts, reminding us of the High Holidays and urging us to begin our preparations. Also during Elul, Psalm 27 is added to the morning and evening liturgy. Beginning with the words, "Adonai is my light and my help; whom should I fear?" this psalm beseeches God to protect us from our enemies and urges us to put our faith in God.

Elul also is a period during which we might take some time for study. Beginning in the 16th century, Jews began to prepare for the High Holidays by studying a midrashic text, *Maaseh Avraham Avinu* (The Tale of Abraham our Patriarch). Exploring the early life of Abraham, this midrash reflects on the themes of Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur. *A Faithful Heart* by Rabbi Benjamin Levy offers a translation and commentary on this text that takes readers on a journey of spiritual preparation.

Cemetery Visits

It has become customary for many Jews to visit the graves of dear friends and relatives in the days prior to Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur. We recall our loved ones in the *Yizkor* liturgy on Yom Kippur and visiting their graves during Elul often provides us with the opportunity to reflect on their lives and to feel a renewed sense of closeness and connection with them.

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.

Schedule of Services and Events

Thurs. Aug. 2	Temple Executive Board Meeting	7:30PM
	Temple Board of Directors Meeting	8:00PM
Fri. Aug. 3	Friday Evening Service	7:30PM
Sat. Aug. 4	Shabbat Morning Service	9:30AM
Sun. Aug. 5	Sunday Morning Service	9:00AM
	Followed by Men's Club Breakfast	
Thurs. Aug. 9	Talmud	9:30AM
Fri. Aug. 10	Friday Evening Service	7:30PM
Sat. Aug. 11	Shabbat/Morning Service	9:30AM
Sun. Aug. 12	Sunday Morning Service	11:00AM
	Followed by Men's Club Breakfast	
Tues. Aug. 14	Rabbi's Book Discussion	11:00AM
	Pirkei Avot	7:30PM
Wed. Aug. 15	Sisterhood Board Meeting	7:30PM
Thurs. Aug. 16	Talmud	9:30AM
Fri. Aug. 17	Friday Evening Service	7:30PM
Sat. Aug. 18	Shabbat Morning Service	9:30AM
Sun. Aug. 19	Sunday Morning Service	9:00AM
	Followed by Men's Club Breakfast	
	Purchase High Holiday Tickets	10:30AM
Wed. Aug. 22	Purchase High Holiday Tickets	7:00PM
Thurs. Aug. 23	Talmud	9:30AM
	Temple Executive Board Meeting	7:30PM
	Temple Board of Directors Meeting	8:00PM
Fri. Aug. 24	Pizza Shabbat	6:00PM
	Friday Evening Service	7:30PM
Sat. Aug. 25	Shabbat Morning Service followed by	9:30AM
Sun. Aug. 26	Sunday Morning Service	9:00AM
	Followed by Men's Club Breakfast	
Thurs. Aug. 30	Talmud	9:30AM
Fri. Aug. 31	Friday Evening Service	7:30PM



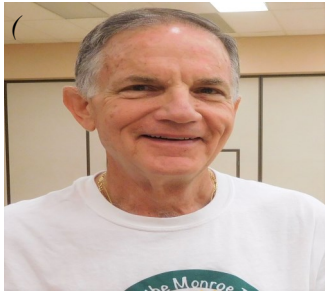
“The Months of Av and Elul”

At this time of year as we ready ourselves for the sacred month of Elul, it is noteworthy to remember the seasonal rhythm of the Hebrew calendar. If we think about it carefully we can discern from it messages of meaning and hope that can assist us in navigating trying times. The season that we are in the midst of observing is a somber time of reflection. It begins with a period that our sages referred to as the “Nine Days.” These days are marked by a dearth of celebration for the traditional Jew. Commencing with the Hebrew month of Av and culminating in the fast day known as Tisha B'Av or the Ninth Day of Av, these next days lead us to the most tragic day in the Hebrew Calendar. The ninth day of Av bids us to remember the destruction of the sacred Temple in Jerusalem, the focal point for our people where for many centuries they sought to interact with the Divine Spirit.

Unfortunately we all recognize that two times this sacred center of spirituality was destroyed and our people felt abandoned and desolate. At the time it appeared that they would never again have an outlet for their faith nor a sense of meaning in the human condition. They were shocked and plummeted into grief.

It was the imaginative spirit of the “rabbinic mind” that fashioned the religion that we call Judaism today. Replacing the temple sacrificial structure with three new pillars of faith, Torah, Prayer and Acts of Lovingkindness, they provided their followers with an innovative spirit that would guide them through centuries of practice. While the Jewish people have most certainly suffered at times in our history, the story of Judaism above all, is one of optimism, hope and renewal.

The month of Elul brings us the great opportunity to renew our commitment to our faith and to our people. As the summer wanes and our thoughts turn to the transformative power of faith, every single act that we decide to perform - whether it is a charitable endeavor, a Shabbat prayer service or an adult educational opportunity, can make a great difference in our lives and provide us with new meaning. So let's not squander the months of Av and Elul but take advantage of the opportunities they provide for us.



President's Message

As some of you may know, Old Bridge held a Business to Business Expo at the Grand Marquis on Thursday, June 28th, and the Board felt we should be represented. A special thank you to Ashna Pincus, Terrie Polovsky, Roberta Karpel, Stan Perlman and Ed Mendlowitz for joining me and helping out.

As we are now in August, I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who will be involved in the preparation for the High Holidays. It is a massive task and is only possible due to the dedication and hard work of the Men's Club, Sisterhood, our Office Administrator, Ritual Committee, Financial Secretary, Fund Raising and of course Rabbi Mishkin.

Following services and breakfast on Sunday morning, September 2nd, we will be setting up the chairs and changing the books and Torah covers. We can use all the help we can get.

As Linda and I look forward to our grandson's Bar Mitzvah and the Holidays we would like to wish everyone a Healthy, Happy New Year and may you all be inscribed in the Book of Life.

Allen Skupp

ADULT EDUCATION 2018-19

It's hard to believe, but fall is just around the corner. High Holiday preparations are already in progress, and it's time to think about cooler days and busier schedules.

This year we are lucky to have a "faculty" to provide a variety of classes from which to choose. Stan Perlman has volunteered to teach, and, if you have ever heard Stan give a D'var Torah on a Saturday morning, you know his presentations can be thought-provoking, indeed.

Rabbi Mishkin will be continuing his wonderful variety of classes – Talmud, Book Review, and the class I like to call "Judaic Potpourri," which will continue the study of Pirkei Avot, the Teachings of the Fathers, in October.

Below is an extensive list of topics that Stan and I are willing to offer. If a number of people agree on one or two topics, we will offer them in the fall, beginning after the holidays in October. Do you see something that piques your interest? Tell me!

Please let me know what you would like to have taught, and I'll look for some consensus to put together a class schedule. You can call me at (609) 426-8727 or email me at palinda@aol.com.

- 1- Jewish Spirituality
- 2- Jewish Humor - What does it say about us?
- 3- Prayer - Origin, Meaning, etc.
- 4- The Way Into Torah – an introduction
- 5- The Torah Parsha (portion) of the Week - A discussion
- 6- The Way Into Jewish Mysticism – an introduction
- 7- The Way Into Tikkun Olam
- 8- The Way Into Encountering G-d in Judaism
- 9- Shabbat
- 10 – Jewish History –
 Europe?
 Israel?
 America?
- 12 – Basic Hebrew

Any other ideas you would like to see taught, let me know that, too!

Enjoy your last month of the summer,

Linda Benish

Yahrzeit Memorial Fund

We honor the memories of our loved ones whose Yahrzeits are observed during the months **July and August**. We acknowledge the following for their contributions to the Yahrzeit Memorial Fund:

DONATED BY:

Wilma & Allen Appel

Eileen & Sid Birnbaum

Ann Branfman

Elias Engber

Sue Edwards

Meryl Finkelstein

Roz Goldstein

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Benjamin N. Schenker

Sally Schwartz

Lillian M. Silver

Morris Wishnick

Sally Kestenber

Anne Obsatz

Family Yahrzeits

Eva Litwak

Arnold Yourman



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 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 732-257-1523 for further details.

August 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 Yahrzeit. 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>Aug. 3/4</u>		<u>Aug. 17/18 (continued)</u>	
Eva Bakely	8/5	Julian Scheir	8/19
Delia Bemaman	8/5	Larry Wishnia	8/19
Jack Honig	8/5	Mary Zekser	8/19
Ida Polovsky	8/5	David Bernstein	8/20
Benjamin Nathan Schenker	8/5	Regina Deutsch	8/20
Sylvia Shindelman	8/5	Blanche Linz	8/20
Herbert Golden	8/6	Ernest Schottlander	8/20
Lucille Post	8/6	Jean Seltzer	8/20
Ester Atzbi	8/7	Toby Zeidel	8/20
Lester Auerbach	8/7	David Cohen	8/21
Dennis Jean	8/7	Harold Hyman	8/21
Ruth J. Frankel	8/7	Trudy Vollweiler	8/21
Harold Levenson	8/7	Abraham Morganstein	8/22
Benjamin Lipchitz	8/7	Anne Obsatz	8/22
Ruth Wurtzel	8/7	Harriet Rockaway	8/22
David Greenberg	8/8	Helen Fichtenbaum	8/23
Alexander Kaplan	8/8	Marie Horwath	8/23
Edgar Sender	8/10	Hyman Seidner	8/23
		Eleanor Silverman	8/23
		Sam Silver	8/24
		Sophie Zaret	8/24
<u>Aug. 10/11</u>		<u>Aug. 24/25</u>	
Thelma Scher	8/11	Ronnie Bernstein	8/25
Shirley Baldachino	8/12	Eugene Bercovici	8/26
Benjamin Korbren	8/13	Jerry Feldstein	8/26
Norman Rothberg	8/13	Frank Simon	8/26
Bertha Staff	8/13	Isaac Albert	8/27
Morris Lanzoff	8/14	Harvey Smith	8/27
Mala Rosenblum	8/14	Jack Stern	8/27
Benjamin Shapiro	8/14	Melvin Gravitz	8/28
Roberta Kagan	8/16	Louis Samuel	8/28
Lenore Linder	8/16	Morris Hodos	8/29
Pearl Weiss	8/16	Beatrice Kalb	8/29
Donald Isaacs	8/17	Eva Litwak	8/29
Sheila Katz	8/17	Pearl Moster	8/29
Beckie Rabinowitz	8/17	Rose Rosenberg	8/29
		Dorothy Cloney	8/30
<u>Aug. 17/18</u>		Blima Goldwaser	8/30
Helen Edwards	8/18	Rebecca Paley	8/30
Florence Fuchs	8/18	Milton Schwartz	8/30
Hannah Heisler	8/18	Heinrich Adler	8/31
Ruth Woodman	8/18	Pauline Simon	8/31
Moshe Atzbi	8/19		
Hinde Krakowsky	8/19		
Mildred Rosenthal	8/19		

BETH OHR NEWS



Thank you

Chuck Rogol thanks everyone for all the gold cards sent and concern during his recent illness.

Phyllis Greenberg thanks everyone for all the gold cards sent, telephone calls, get well cards and concern during her recent back surgery.

Phyllis Greenberg also thanks the following people who volunteered to cover the office during her recent sick leave: Meryl Finkelstein, Harriet Feld, Ashna Pincus, Helene Grynberg, Ann Branfman, Ilene Gray, Ira and Lee Donenfeld, Edna Yourman.

HIGH HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE— DO A MITZVAH... HELP JEWISH FAMILIES IN NEED

Once again, Congregation Beth Ohr will participate in the High Holiday food collection for Jewish Family Services.

If you have non-perishable kosher food that you would like to donate, please place it in the bin in the lobby of the Synagogue.

If you have food to be picked up, please call Ira Donenfeld (732-679-2652).

**Monetary donations may be sent to the Synagogue office.
Please make checks payable to: Rabbi's Discretionary**



**AUGUST CELEBRATION OF
BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES AND OTHER SIMCHAS**

RITUALLY SPEAKING

SHARE A SIMCHA



- The Ritual Committee will honor members celebrating a birthday, anniversary, or other simcha once a month at a Shabbat service.
- Mazel Tov to the following congregants who will be celebrating their simcha at the monthly Simcha Shabbat on August 18, 2018:
 - **August Birthdays**
 - Harriet Cohen, Melvin Feder, Darlene Fevrier, Meryl Finkelstein, Barry Gray, Martin Israel, Maxine Kaufman, Bonnie Lerner, Bob Nagler, Stan Perlman, Ryselle Perlman, Laurence Ross, Clifford Shulman, Sara Ullman, Lawrence Zeltzer
 - **August Anniversaries**
 - Mr. & Mrs. Lee Cadel, Mr. & Mrs. Ira Donenfeld, Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Goldenberg, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Hillman, Mr. and Mrs. Rafael Kikirov, Mr. & Mrs. Laurence Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Silver
- Please let Roberta Fachler know if you will be participating in the Simcha Shabbat by Thursday, August 16th, Roberta can be reached at 609-860-6479.



Congregation Beth Ohr has partnered with Community Recycling and their ShoeBox Recycling program. Together we are on a mission to help promote the importance of shoe recycling while raising funds to help further our efforts. ShoeBox Recycling is easy, engaging and rewarding for everyone involved.

Participating is simple. We are collecting gently used shoes for reuse, meaning all the shoes we recycle as a group are destined for another home. From South America and Africa to areas right here in the United States, our ShoeBox Recycling efforts will go to help people and communities in over 50 countries.

And what's even better is the many ways that our community benefits as well. Not only will your recycled shoes help Congregation Beth Ohr raise funds, it will also help keep usable shoes out of our local landfills. ShoeBox Recycling also gives us a chance to connect with the people and places that receive our recycled shoes. By writing a SoleMate Note to include with your shoes, you can let their new owner know about where they came from, what they were used for, or even any special memories attached to them. In return, they can write back to us and we can make a SoleMate connection.

So start cleaning out your closets and start looking under your bed for gently used shoes. Every pair you recycle means extra funds for us, less landfill waste and the potential to connect us to a SoleMate!

For more information contact Allan Benish at abenish@aol.com and check out Community Recycling online at www.communityrecycling.biz.

You can drop off your shoes at the synagogue and place them in the box labeled "SHOES" in the lobby during regular office hour of 9:00AM to 3:00PM.

Please see next page for What Is and What Is Not allowed

ShoeBox Recycling

RECYCLE YOUR SHOES, FIND YOUR SOLEMATE.

YES^{shoes}

GENTLY USED PAIRS
MENS/WOMENS/KIDS
SOCCER CLEATS
CASUAL SHOES
DRESS SHOES
WORK BOOTS
SNEAKERS
SANDALS
HEELS
FLATS
LOAFERS

NO^{shoes}

DAMAGED/HOLES
WET/MILDEWED
SINGLE SHOES
METAL SPIKES
FLIP FLOPS/PLASTIC SHOES
SLIPPERS
DRESS BOOTS
SKI/WINTER BOOTS
SKATES/BLADES



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 _____

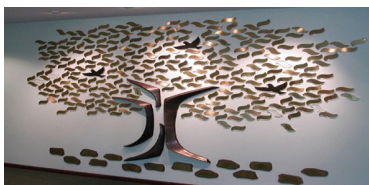
for which I agree to pay \$300.00. It is mutually agreed that each year, on the Yahrzeit of the departed, and on other appropriate occasions in accordance with Jewish custom a Memorial Prayer will also be said.

Signed by

Date _____

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

A Leaf has been installed on the Tree in Honor of the B'not Mitzvah
from Meryl Finkelstein.



CONGREGATION BETH OHR MEMORIAL FUNDS

The following is a listing of the tax-deductible contributions to Memorial Funds to which tax deductible donation may be made.

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 the funds name in the memo portion of the check.

Thank you to Sara Ullman who made donations to the General Fund during the month of July for the honor of receiving aliyot on 6/30/2018 and 7/14/2018.

TOYS, BOOKS GAMES FOR BABYSITTING FROM THE RITUAL COMMITTEE

The committee is hoping you can help. If you have any appropriate toys books, or games that you would like to donate to the Synagogue, we will take them and use them for our children and grandchildren during the High Holiday Services. Please bring any donation to the office, or call Ira Donenfeld at 732-679-2652.



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REQUEST FOR YIZKOR MEMORIAL LISTING

The Request for Yizkor Memorial Listing has been mailed. If you would like to have your loved ones' names included in the Yizkor Memorial Book that is used on Yom Kippur, kindly fill out the form below. **DEADLINE IS Wednesday, August 22, 2018.**

PLEASE get your requests in early so that they can be included in the 2018-2019 Yizkor Book. Any names received after August 22, cannot be included. If you wish to find out the names that were included in last year's Yizkor booklet, please call Phyllis at the Synagogue office and she will be more than happy to go over it with you. Please make every effort to respond in a timely fashion. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

IN MEMORY OF:

MEMORIAL OFFERING BY:

Please return this form with a check payable to CONGREGATION BETH OHR in the amount of \$10.00 per memorial book inscription to:

P.O. Box 206
Old Bridge, NJ 08857

If you want to use your credit card please Phyllis at the synagogue office.at 732-257-1523

High Holiday Tickets

Holiday Tickets Registration Forms will be mailed out soon and will explain the procedure for you and your guests. If you want to change your seats or purchase additional holiday tickets, sales will take place in the office on Sunday, August 19 from 10:30AM to 12PM and Wednesday, August 22, from 7PM to 8:30PM

HIGH HOLIDAY RAFFLE

High Holiday raffle books have been sent. First prize is two free High Holiday seats. Other prizes are ten reserved parking places at the Synagogue for the holidays. The cost is \$18.00 per raffle or \$54.00 per book.

Please have your ticket stubs and payment mailed to the Synagogue office at P.O. Box 206, Old Bridge, NJ 08857 no later than August 29.

The drawing will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, September 2. You do not have to be present to win.



High Holiday Greetings

If you would like to send Rosh Hashanah/ Yom Kippur wishes to the congregation, please send your message to Joyce Silberstein at cjs041766@aol.com ASAP or leave your message on her phone at 609-409-4599.

Please send your \$5.00 donation to

Sisterhood Beth Ohr
P.O. Box 206
Old Bridge NJ 08831
Attention: Joyce Silberstein

Thank You and L' Shana Tovah

COME SHARE A CASUAL FRIDAY!

A summer supper with pizza, salad, and dessert

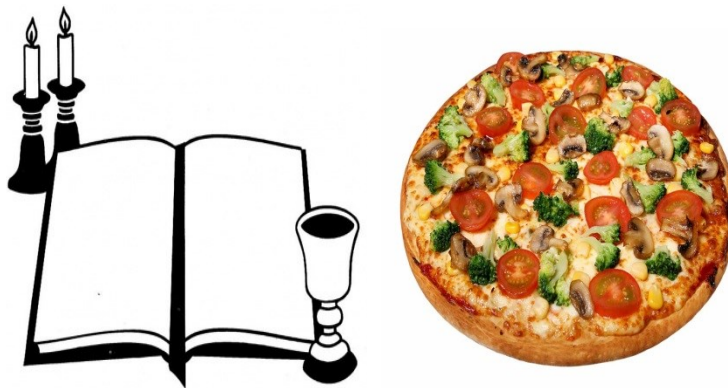
**Then join us for
Shabbat services**

Friday night

August 24

6:00 p.m. for supper

\$10.00 per person



**RSVP with check to P.O. Box 206, Old Bridge,
New Jersey**

Call Phyllis at 732-257-1523

Or

Linda Benish at 609-426-8727 for more information

SEE YOU THERE!

BETH OHR DAYTIMERS

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15
GAME DAY/CRAZY HAT DAY**



Join the Daytimers at Beth Ohr at 1:00 PM.



We will play any game you

can carry (Cards, Mah Jongg, Scrabble, etc.) as well as some Daytimers'



favorites (Bingo, Dominoes, Nok-Hockey).

Wear a crazy hat that you made or bought. Prizes will be awarded.



Coffee and cake will be served.

Please RSVP to Ira (732-679-2652) or
Linda (609-642-8182) by Sunday, August 12.



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



Men's Club Happenings!

Top row: Cool tee shirts worn by Ken, Ed and Phil. Pushke originally contributed by Josh Rab-inowitz with a new label on it. Bottom row: Herb Goldenberg with granddaughter Ellie Rose setting up for the pancake breakfast. Kitchen crew making pancakes: Ivan Gelb, Lana Cohen and Harvey. Ivan, Harvey and Herb with American Flag Tee Shirts for the Post July 4th Pancake breakfast.

Participate with the Men's Club any Sunday morning. Shul, Schmooze and Schmeat!

Men's Club Program of Events (partial listing)

- Sep 2 – Men's Club Photo Sunday
- Sep 9 – Men's Club Set Up Sukkah
- Sep 16 – Men's Club Set Up Sukkah
- Oct 7 - Sisterhood / Men's Club Joint program
- Nov 25 – Men's Club Mensch Award & Gift Book

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.

Beth Ohr Photo Gallery—1



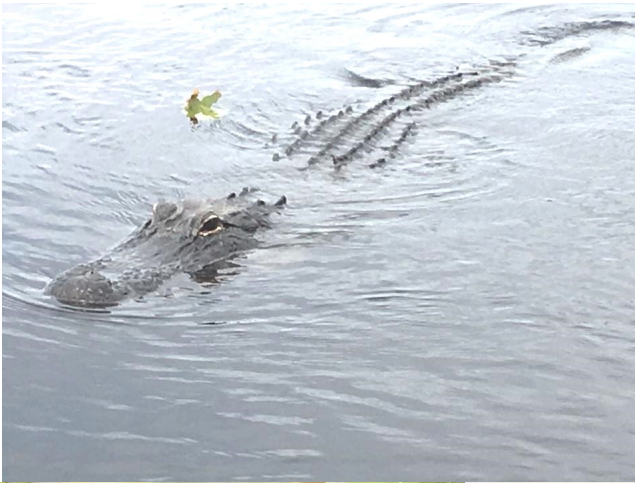
Photos

Top: Ken, Phil and Rabbi Mishkin at a Minyan after their interesting European vacations—back to normal. Ivan and Herb setting up for a bagel breakfast after the Minyan (Harvey is in the Kitchen). We can always count on those three. Bob Weiss and Andy Mendlowitz kidding around.

2nd: Enjoying the pancake breakfast: Phyllis and Mel Ward, Stan Perlman, David Honig and Elliot Leibowitz; The “Three Musketeers” of the Minyan– Phil, Bob and Stan; Welcome back from Florida to Marjorie and Stu Simon.

3rd: Sign noting Michael Namm’s Bar Mitzvah. Photo and 4 generations of Michael Namm’s family at the Bar Mitzvah. Next photo shows 4 families at a Minyan. Front row: Roberta and Larry Fachler; Next row: Marjorie and Stu and at end of their row: Harriet and Phil. At back right Seymour Golden and his cousin Harold Cohen. Family! A nice way to begin a Sunday! Shown also is Bernie Pincus at far left.

Beth Ohr Photo Gallery—2



Photos

Top: Two “art” photos. Taken by Bob Lipp (left) and Ed Mendlowitz (showing the reflection of the stained glass windows on the glass doors housing the Holocaust Torah.)

2nd Row: Photos on tallis bags: Harriet and Phil’s three grandchildren and Roberta and Larry Fachler.

3rd: Two photos at the Old Bridge Business Expo representing Beth Ohr. 1st shows Roberta Karpel, Ashna Pincus, Terrie Polofsky, Allen Skupp and Stan Perlman & next photo includes Ed Mendlowitz and Mayor Owen Henry. Photo of Roberta and Larry with American Flag Tee Shirts at the Post July 4th Pancake Breakfast.

Beth Ohr Photo Gallery—3



Photo descriptions: Top row: Ken Deitz trying to hold up Leaning Tower of Pisa; Harriet and Phil Rabinowitz at Pompeii; Ponte Vecchio in Florence.
Middle row: Phil and Ken in St. Marks Square in Venice; Ken and Dara selfie in front of the Vatican; The Ark in the Grand Jewish Synagogue in Rome taken by Dara.
Bottom: Zachary Skupp, son of Brian and Ingrid and grandson of Linda and Allen pitching at a baseball tournament; Brian Simon who drove his parents to a Minyan for their visit; Our Ark with two empty Torah positions while the Torahs are being Koshered. The doors to our Ark. Notice that the doors are “upside down” since if they were right side up, the design would show something not appropriate for a Synagogue. The Ark was built and installed in September 1989 by Robert Honig, Evan Honig, Linda Donnelly and 21 Larry Vogel.

REMARKS BY ED MENDLOWITZ AT CONGREGATION INSTALLATION ON JUNE 15, 2018

Discharge of present officers and board

After reading names the following was said:

We at Beth Ohr are fortunate for your service this past year. We recognize the difficulty of running a Shul particularly with an aging building, membership and bank balance, and while there was not much thanks while you went about your appointed tasks, this evening is a good time for the Congregation to thank you for your dedicated actions running our Shul and also stepping up whenever and wherever help was needed by lending hands lightening the load for everyone else.

Beth Ohr is not just a building or an assemblage of people but our second home – where we of course pray and study, but also make friendships, shep nachos at happy occasions, try to reduce the burden when tragedy and sad moments strike, and maintain an organized and strongly visible Jewish presence in our community.

I would be remiss if I did not mention the contributions of Rabbi Mishkin and the arms of the Temple - The Sisterhood, Men's Club and Daytimers and all of the nonelected congregants that continually pitch in, serve on committees, make sure we have minyans and help out in so many ways that keep us open and strong.

You are to be commended for your service and in performing a continuous and ongoing Mitzvah for all of us. Toda Rabah! You are now officially discharged from your office and position on the board.

Discharge of President Allen Skupp

You have completed one term as our president and shortly you will be installed for a second term. You kept us together, kept us relevant, presided over a year of unprecedented change including the Securing Our Future fund which has over \$300,000 committed to it. You energized our congregants, officers, board chairs, the many nonelected and behind the scenes volunteers, by your leadership, your participation in many committees and the myriad other actions you performed that has strengthened our Shul, our bonds to each other and the Jewish Community in Old Bridge. You created an effective partnership with Rabbi Mishkin that has propelled and is propelling our Shul to levels of excitement we haven't experienced in quite a while.

Tonight's program has the word Shalom on the bottom of the back page. Perhaps it should be at the top of the first page. Unlike the principal of tomorrow's Torah reading, Korah, as well as many other Shuls, we are unique in that we do not have bickering "factions." We are all together in making Beth Ohr the best it can be. We are all truly at PEACE with one another. *If only it could be that way outside of this building.* You led us admirably to achieve this Shalom Bias – Peace in Our House.



You followed in the big shoes of leadership of your predecessors Phil Rabinowitz, David Honig and Harriet Rabinowitz and all the presidents before them you and filled them brilliantly. Also, your demeanor brought an added level of respect to the Temple and Temple Board and management.

Installation remarks continued.

President Skupp, on behalf of the Congregation, I officially discharge you as President of Congregation Beth Ohr. Toda Raba our friend.

Don't go too far...I think I will need to reinstall you shortly.

Installation of new officers and Board

After reading names the following was said:

You are all returning Board members although not necessarily in the same positions. We look forward to your ever present contributions, ideas, enthusiasm, energy and your imprint on more and better things yet to come.

You have a heavy responsibility to keep the peace, to keep us running and to maintain the organized Jewish presence in our community and we know you accept it and will fulfill that responsibility admirably. Beth Ohr is not just a building. It is a physical manifestation of Jewish continuity; a link in an unbroken chain our parents and grandparents and all those before them created for us, many times with great peril and at great cost to themselves. Our existence is what allows Judaism to continue, thrive and be the light unto the World that HaShem commanded for us. You are handed that responsibility and I know you are up to the task.

We applaud your willingness to serve, and make a difference and you are officially installed in your office and positions as officers and board chairs.

Yayishlach baracha v'hatslaha b'col maahsay ydayhem, eim caol yisrael ahahem, vnomar amen.

A prayer for HaShem to send blessing and success to all the work of your hands along with all Israel, your brethren, and let us say Amen.

Yasha Koach!

Installation of Allen Skupp for 2nd term as President

Allen, your contributions to Beth Ohr are too numerous to list. You have always stepped up to pitch in and contribute when something needed to be done. In previous years you held positions as our budget chair and financial secretary – but you have always filled more than this. You, along with Linda, are mainstays of the Friday night Shabbos service and the Daytimers; your efforts on behalf of the Men's Club, Brunch Committee, Ritual Committee and really everything else are to be commended; your always saying "Henenee" when asked to help out with something indicates your commitment and dedication to Judaism, our Shul and all of us.

You are a dear friend who acts without fanfare or display. You are a dedicated mensch that can be counted on and are to be applauded for leading us and continuing to assume the top leadership position as our President.

On behalf of the Congregation, you are officially reinstalled as our president. Congratulations President Skupp.

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Co-Presidents Cheryl Cadel & Harriet Rabinowitz

Hopefully, everyone has been enjoying the summer and the warm weather. I hope everyone has had a restful time and has enjoyed their vacations, if they were lucky enough to take one. I want to personally welcome Phyllis back to our office and thank everyone who pitched in to help in her absence. It won't be long before we are preparing for the High Holy Days and the Days of Awe. Enjoy the rest of your summer and I look forward to seeing all of you at our next Sisterhood meeting on Wednesday, September 5, 2018.

Cheryl Cadel
Sisterhood Co-President

Sisterhood Bricks

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Announcements

The deadline for the next newsletter will be

Friday, Aug. 10, 2018

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

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or call

Phyllis in the Synagogue office at 732-257-1523

“Ritually Speaking” Sponsor a Kiddush

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.

Kristallnacht Remembrance Booklet



Beth Ohr will be publishing a Kristallnacht Remembrance Booklet on Friday Nov. 9, 2018 to memorialize Beth Ohr members, families and friends that were subjected to the Nazi led inhuman barbaric treatment of Kristallnacht and the Holocaust solely because of being Jewish or their family’s Jewish background. It must never happen again and remembering is a way to stop it from reoccurring. If you have a story to tell about yourself, a family member or friend, let us capture it in this booklet. To date we have personal remembrances from the following:

**Elisabeth Gelb, Sylvia Kagan, Vera Nussenbaum,
Albert Tyberg, Daniel Grynberg, Murray Goldwaser,
A Ritchie Boy listed in the book *Sons and Soldiers***

We want and need more stories to tell. Contact Ed to arrange for your story to be told. Tel 732.890.3344

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

Office Phone # 732-257-7031

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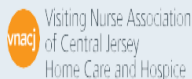
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Aug. 17, 2018	7:34
Aug. 24, 2018	7:24
Aug. 31, 2018	7:13

