



The Shofar

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A Fond Farewell to Rabbi Judy

Rabbi Judy will officiate her final Erev Shabbat service on Friday, June 23 and one final Torah study the following morning, capped off by the Concert Against Hate with Cantor Katz and Friends on Sunday, June 25.

Last month's Shabbat service and Kiddush to honor Rabbi Judy in advance of her pending retirement was a moving event, marked by the return of the choir and heartfelt remarks from Rabbi Emeritus Harvey Abramowitz, Cantor Katz, Deborah Tract and board of trustees president Mark Natelson.

The event was the culmination of planning that began in February with a committee led by Cary Markman, with Jeanie Corn, Laurel Fried, Jessica Gerschitz, Robin Grossman, Jeff Schwartz, Pat Tulchin and Deena Yaris.

Over 50 people contributed to a scrapbook that Robin organized and created, with shared memories of letters, poems and photos.



Over 50 people contributed photos, letters and poems to this scrapbook presented to Rabbi Judy at her retirement Kiddush

"I will cherish all the words and sentiments, but most of all, all of you. I really cherish the time that we that we spent together, and I hope that through visits through Zoom in all different ways, Facebook, we continue our journey together, so thank you so much," Rabbi Judy said as Cary presented the scrapbook.

'Woman of Valor'

Besides deciding on food, décor, and other details leading up to the event, the committee spent many weeks considering gifts for Rabbi Judy. The committee selected a pair of earrings with blue topaz and diamonds, set in 14k white gold, and a custom artwork designed by a former congregant.

"His unique concepts are digitally designed using archival museum board, precision cut, personalized and hand-painted," Jeanie told Rabbi Judy as she presented it. "It says: 'a woman of valor: who can find her. She is far more precious than jewels.' And that's very true."



Images of Rabbi Judy's Retirement Service and Kiddush



Services Schedule

Fri. June 2	Erev Shabbat Service	7:30 PM
Sat. June 3	Shabbat Service Bar Mitzvah Jake Feuerstein	10:00 AM
Fri. June 9	Erev Shabbat Service	7:30 PM
Sat. June 10	Shabbat Service Bat Mitzvah Logan Fuller	10:00 AM
Fri. June 16	Erev Shabbat Service	7:30 PM
Sat. June 17	Torah Study	10:30 AM
Fri. June 23	Erev Shabbat Service	7:30 PM
Sat. June 24	Torah Study	10:30 AM
Fri. June 30	Erev Shabbat Service	7:30 PM

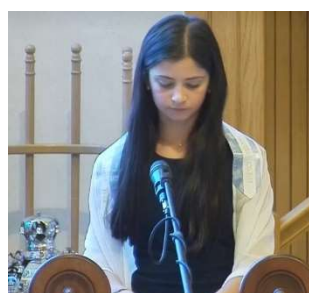
Mazel Tov To:



Jake Feuerstein

Son of Shari Lurie

On the occasion of his Bar Mitzvah



Logan Fuller

Daughter of Laurie and Ken Fuller
On the occasion of her Bat Mitzvah

Amy and Paul Adler

On the naming of their granddaughter
Ava Jordyn Adler



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Always Available to All Congregants

Thoughts & Prayers

We offer our prayers of healing and heartfelt thoughts to acknowledge those of us who have had an illness or are in need of healing (mind, body and soul). Please don't hesitate to contact Rabbi Judy, Cantor Katz or our Caring Committee.



Share Your News

We encourage our members to submit articles, photos and simchas for us to include in The Shofar. Also, we would love to include any good news you have to share in our Tell and Kvell section. Let us know of weddings, births, awards, etc. Please forward information to Goldie: office@templeorelohim.com

Catering

We can accommodate your celebration: Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Kiddush, Havdalah Service, Luncheon, Wedding, Bris and all other types of parties. Shawn and Scott will be happy to help you plan a memorable occasion for your family. Please contact Hasson Caterers at (516) 937-0120 or 0121



Sponsor an Oneg

A special way to celebrate your family's simcha is by sponsoring a Friday night Oneg. Your sponsorship will be acknowledged in the pamphlet and announced from the Bimah. You will not only be making a wonderful gesture on behalf of your family but will be helping your Temple as well. Please call Laurel Fried at (516) 794-0036.



Baskets on the Bimah

A great way to honor a simcha is by sponsoring a basket on the bimah. Proceeds go to assist local needy families. All congregants can have a basket displayed on the bimah for Shabbat by bringing a minimum of \$36 to the Temple Office, at least one week in advance.

Yarmulkes

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President's Column

I have been told the last article of the year writes itself. You thank everyone for their contributions during the year and remind folks that we don't close during the summer and that there will be weekly services. Contrary to this theory, not one word has appeared on its own. I'll have to write it myself.



But first, some recent events. Let's start with the class-led services held last month. They were great! We must thank Deborah Tract and all the educators for teaching our students, crafting beautiful services, and continuing to create an environment where all our children can shine. A huge thanks to all our parents who entrust us to provide a Jewish education to their children. Judging by their reactions during the services, they were thrilled with the results. But the biggest thanks go to our outstanding students--they were amazing! They embraced the opportunity and showed us not only what they learned but that they enjoyed learning. Our youth are the future of Judaism. Let's continue to support them and their growth into Jewish adults.

Last month's Shabbat service and Farewell Kiddush held for Rabbi Judy was an incredible outpouring of love as we celebrated her career and pending retirement. It was the best happiest sad day ever!!! I hadn't choked up like that in a very long time. Once again, I want to thank Rabbi Judy for being Rabbi Judy. Cary Markman and the committee did an awesome job arranging the event, which was a labor of love.



THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HAS
UNANIMOUSLY AWARDED RABBI JUDY
THE TITLE OF "RABBI EMERITUS" IN
HONOR OF HER INCREDIBLE CAREER AS
RABBI.

I'm also happy to announce that the Board of Trustees has unanimously awarded Rabbi Judy the title of "Rabbi Emeritus" in honor of her incredible career as Rabbi, and may I say it is well deserved!!

Looking back at this year, Rabbi, Cantor, and Deborah continued to be the Dream Team, which isn't a surprise, but much appreciated and not taken for granted. Goldie and Robin are the heart and soul of TOEACRC. They know everything going on at the Temple. When in doubt

on anything, I turn to them, knowing they'll have an answer. I haven't stumped them yet. Greg, Rich, Cliff and Nick did a great job maintaining and keeping the building clean. Thanks, gentlemen!

I thank our lay leadership for their incredible contributions during the year. The Board of Trustees, all the committees and auxiliary groups have, as always, worked hard to keep us a vibrant and relevant Jewish community. We've introduced new concepts like Town Halls and added monthly updates from the Board of Trustees and committees.

Speaking of Shofar, it had a new look this year. Jeff, Amy and Goldie did a great job, as have all who contributed articles. Many pre-Covid activities have returned, like onegs after Erev Shabbat services, High Holy Day services with a full sanctuary, Shoppers' Day and the Adult Choir. Look out for our new website. Many pre-Covid activities have returned, like onegs after Erev Shabbat services, High Holy Day services with a full sanctuary, Shopper's Day and the Adult Choir.

Starting July 1, we transition to the Dynamic Duo of Cantor and Deborah for a year while we continue to search for a new Rabbi. We'll keep you posted on our Rabbinical search progress. Meanwhile, I'm thrilled that Cantor Katz will be our spiritual leader next year. I'm confident he won't miss a beat! Rabbi Elliot Skidell will join Cantor for this year's High Holy

Day services. A recently retired Rabbi, he's well-known on Long Island. I hope you had a chance to see his Dvar Torah when he visited us in April.

I want to thank everyone for the honor of serving the congregation. I'm grateful to be surrounded by many intelligent, talented, and passionate people because running a congregation is not a one-person job. It's a group effort of clergy, educators, staff, lay leadership and congregants, and we're stronger, better, and more attractive when we all work together the way we have been and will continue to do so. We'll continue to evolve with the times we live in.

Thanks again, Rabbi Judy!!!

--Mark

Social Action

Summer Food Pantry Challenge is On!

Please remember that food pantries need stocked shelves 12 months of the year. During the summer months many pantries do not have enough food and essential items to provide for those they serve. Let's try to remember each time we go to the market to pick up a few non-perishable food items and or essential items such as paper goods & toiletries. Drop them at the Temple where they will be brought to the Mid-Island JCC and the Hatzilu Rescue Organization's food pantries.

Items will be weighed. Let's see how many pounds of food we can collect during these critical months!! Stay tuned for more information on our annual HH Food Drive! Thanks in advance for your generosity,

--Susan Levine, Chair Social Action Committee

--Alan Levine, President of the Hatzilu Rescue Organization.

Remembering Longtime Congregant Deena Yaris

We mourn the loss of longtime congregant Deena Yaris, who passed away earlier this month. Deena was an active leader over the years of many Temple activities and committees.

Most recently, Deena led the Torah Restoration project. The process is now well underway, and Deena's efforts have played a key role in ensuring that all our Torahs will be restored. Deena also participated in the planning committee for Rabbi Judy's retirement service and Kiddush.

Our condolences to Deena's husband Harvey, her daughter Jodi Goodman and sons Craig and Glen, her grandchildren and her numerous friends and temple congregants.



Rabbi's Corner

The Retirement service and Kiddush on May 6 was beautiful. It was a perfect day and I appreciate everyone who attended and those that got in touch through every medium to wish me well. I will miss you all. The verses I read from the Torah bring me full circle. These are some of the words I shared:

When I was a little girl, just starting to seriously study Torah, the male teachers would tease me warning me about the behavior of a Bat Kohath. Trust me, nothing I ever did gave them reason to doubt my innocence. Perhaps it was a way to discourage me from my goal of becoming a rabbi. At this point, we all know that didn't work. Nor did I let any sexism deter me. I chose the Reform movement, specifically because of its egalitarian nature. At the time I affiliated, the reform movement was the perfect amalgam of newly interpreted of ritual practice and social action.



Rabbi Judith Cohen-Rosenberg

“THE JEWISH HOME WE CREATED HERE
TOGETHER WILL THRIVE AS I HAVE
PROMISED.”

I am proud and happy to be a rabbi and will be, even in retirement. Not only is the title one earns for life, but I think it is hard-wired in my soul. I hope I have taught you to value the teachings of Torah, and specifically the necessity of being part of a Jewish community. Though it will take some getting used to, I will miss you all greatly. I have confidence that in the future, TOEACRC will thrive into the future.

I used to joke that I went straight from Kindergarten to Rabbinic school, though I did not skip any grades. I have been involved in leading Jewish communities in one way or another since middle school. Now I will learn to celebrate Judaism in a different way. I might still lead but will be glad to have the opportunity to be a Jew in the pew as well. You might be surprised to know that there are 4 Synagogues on my radar in the area of North Carolina where we will be living, and that was whittled down from several other Synagogues. Of course, one of our first priorities will be finding a Jewish home.

The Jewish home we created here together, will thrive, as we I have promised. In partnership with our lay Leadership, Cantor Katz and Deborah Tract, will lead you into the future. Much is changing in the suburban Jewish landscape, and they are ready, willing, and most certainly able to meet all the challenges the future will hold. Trust in them and our beloved community will be rewarded greatly.

When I came to TOEACRC, I was most excited to be sharing the responsibility for the Congregation with this “Dream Team.” David and Deborah, you are the best of the best, and I pray everyone cherishes you as I do. Rabbi Harvey and Cantor” Joan, you are the bonus clergy and cherished friends. Thanks for welcoming me into the “family.” Goldie and Robin, I want everyone to know that nothing happens here without your hands on it. You are the first voices and faces that everyone sees, and you represent us so fantastically well.

Greg, Rich, Cliff and Nick, you all have saved me many times over. I never water my plant, yet it lives. I forget to close windows and I lock myself out of my office or break things. You fix everything and never make me feel guilty. Thank you.

Our lay leadership, Executive Board and Board of Trustees are beyond compare. It is hard to single people out, but President Mark Natelson, through two different Presidency's and long before, you are my friend and mentor. May I bless you with strength and good health and thank you for everything.

I am so glad our Choir is back. You add so much to our service and your ruach is unparalleled. Ed Stolarz, though we honored you last month, I must thank you again for your brilliant talent and good nature.

Thank you, Cary Markman, Pat Tulchin, Jeff Schwartz, Jeanie Corn, Laurel Fried, Jessica Gerschitz, Robin Grossman and Deena Yaris, for organizing this beautiful morning. Thanks, as well to Shawn Farber. I know you have gone above and beyond. So glad to keep our long-standing connection.

All of you are important to me, but none as much as my dear family. Michael, you came along for the ride when I told you I was going to become a Rabbi. Now here we are at retirement. We did it. We built a beautiful communal life to go along with our wonderful family life. I owe you plenty of weekends and holidays and look forward to making good on that debt. Micah and Leora, my favorite RK's (Rabbi's kids), I may no longer be your Ima on the Bima, but I look forward to seeing you into the next phases of your lives, where I can have time for only you. Thank you for always being good sports and sharing me with many others.

I hold y'all, (my new southern vernacular), in my heart, so you will always be with me. Thank you for many years of professional and personal happiness.

Please stay in touch. My new email address is ravjudycr@gmail.com

--Rabbi Judy

Rabbi Judy's Legacy at TOEACRC: Israel and Restoring Our Torahs

The Torah Restoration campaign that started last year will be an ongoing effort, thanks to those who have contributed to it. On April 2, the campaign officially kicked off with dozens of congregants gathered in the sanctuary to watch our soferet Jill Kaplan demonstrate the intricate process involved with cleaning up and repairing the Torahs.

Rabbi Judy has championed that effort and consider and wants to see its momentum continue as she moves on. "It's never completed but I would like to consider this current project my legacy to the congregation," Rabbi Judy, who has championed the project, said during the April gathering.

During her 30-year tenure at TOEACRC and Community Reform Temple, Rabbi Judy was also a strong champion of Israel. On Sunday June 3, she joined several congregants at the annual Salute to Israel parade in New York City, which this year marked Israel's 75th anniversary.



Celebrate Israel Parade in New York City

Cantor's Notes

Shalom friends and families of our wonderful Temple. For the last 10 years, my June contribution to The Shofar usually focuses on wishing you all a wonderful summer and letting you know what this year's concert will be. We have capped off each year during my tenure with a concert.



Cantor David Katz

I try to make it enjoyable for everyone in the community of all ages and keep each year exciting and new with different artists and music, continuing with the variety we have had. This year is no different, except that the actual theme and intent of the concert are entirely different. You won't want to miss this year's performance: "Concert Against Hate." This is a concert where we will be playing music that carries a specific message, a call to action against all forms of hate.

As I was preparing for this year's concert, I kept seeing news stories over and over about antisemitism, hate against Asians, LGBTQ, and other religions. I realized that as a temple, we are responsible for showing leadership in our community. I felt there could be no better way to lead with a message of peace, love, and unity through music. Hence, this year's performance will be a concert against hate. We will have the wonderful Peter Paul and Mary-styled group "Gathering



Time." They will perform songs of the 60's from the civil rights era with messages against hate.

Gathering Time is no stranger to us, having performed numerous times on our Shabbat services. Next up will be the Toby Tobias Ensemble, a South African Jewish musician whose music resonates with love and unity. The Toby Tobias Ensemble has become well known and revered on Long Island and in the tri-state area. He will bring his eight-piece ensemble and will play

music with a message that we can connect to. We will also have a wonderful gospel choir, singing music and medleys from the 70s, like Marvin Gaye and other artists who raised their voices against injustice and hate.

The final act will once again feature [The Concert Pops of Long Island](#), conducted by Maestro Dean Karahalas. Maestro Karahalas was here in 2018 with his Orchestra, and the show was a huge success and an incredible evening. I will join Maestro Karahalas and his Orchestra, with songs that offer messages of unity and peace. Karahalas' daughter Deana Verone will perform as a special guest.

This Year's Concert is Free

Unlike our other concerts, this concert will be free. Countless donors have stepped up to support the concert, and I cannot thank all of you enough. Your generosity enables us to present the entire Long Island community with a free concert. However, we still have additional costs. I thank everyone who has supported this concert by placing an ad in our concert journal. This helps cover all the concert costs so we can present such a phenomenal show free of charge.

The concert will be on the evening of June 25, at 7:30 pm, in our temple parking lot. Registration is open. You have already received an email with instructions on accessing the registration form (you can also find a flyer on page 28 of this newsletter). Please don't wait to register. Because this is a free concert, there will be a cap on the registration as it will be first come, first serve. Make sure to bring your own chairs or blanket, just like the concerts in the park.

All of you can come out and stand against hate, raising your voice with us as one community. We are sending a message to those who choose to hate and divide. The message is clear. As a Temple and a community, we will stand against anyone with hateful thoughts, rhetoric, or intent.

I look forward to seeing you there!

--Cantor Katz

Religious School

Shalom Friends!

Our school year has come to an end! We had a fun filled celebration for our children with food, ice cream, games, and tons of smiles. Thanks to our very own Greg and his delicious flair for catering. It was an outdoor extravaganza. As always, Greg did not miss a beat. Our children were happy and truly enjoyed the last day of Religious School for school year 2023!

We began the month of May with our third and fourth grade Shabbat service. All I can say is WOW! Our young students were sensational. They were confident and poised. Our fourth graders requested as their closing song, Od Yavo Shalom Aleinu, on which they joined in with our Band and proudly sang with RUACH and joy!



Deborah E. Tract
Director of Lifelong Learning



On May 12 we celebrated our extraordinary seventh graders in a Moving Up Ceremony and recognized our teachers, Clergy, volunteer teens and our entire staff. Thank you to our music teacher Cantor Judy for leading us in worship along with Rabbi Judy. On behalf of the RS, Mazal Tov to Cantor David and Julia Katz on the graduation of their daughter Rayna from college. Thanks to Cantor Judy for filling in!

Our seventh graders are moving up from Religious School and hopefully into our Teen Hebrew High Program followed by Confirmation in 10th grade. Our synagogue has served as a lifeline to these amazing people throughout their time in the synagogue and in the classroom. We have watched them grow up to become fine young adults. They have spent years studying, learning and navigating a personal journey for their own Jewish identity.

We also recognize the outstanding efforts of our Clergy and teachers for providing our students with thought provoking Jewish knowledge and learning. They always provided them with a nurturing environment, and instilled confidence and strength for them, to continue their path of lifelong Jewish learning. Now more than ever, it is important for our families to continue their temple membership and to remain involved by continuing to attend Shabbat and High Holiday services.

Speaking Out Against Semitism

Antisemitism is on the rise. Our temple remains a strong force in the community and will continue to stand up to hate. On June 25, 2023, Cantor Katz has put-together a concert Against Hate with a variety of vocalists. Please register for this concert at your earliest convenience. Our children are the future guarantors and the rays of sunshine that make our world a better place. It is important to carry on our traditions from generation to generation, and for our children to learn by example and to know that our spiritual home and our staff are always there for them.

We also honored our beloved Rabbi Judy as she nears her retirement next month. This is a very bittersweet moment for me. She has brought so much to our synagogue and to our Religious School. I refer to Rabbi Judy as a Woman of Valor. She is a strong and ethical person.

It has been a pleasure to work alongside Rabbi Judy and, also Cantor Katz for the last three years. Together we conquered the hardships of the Covid pandemic, keeping our Religious School open and leading all Bat and Bar Mitzvahs ensuring that every child had the opportunity to celebrate their special day. Rabbi Judy will be missed, and we thank her for all her contributions to our synagogue, community, and lifelong Jewish learning.

Cantor David Katz will continue to lead and be our spiritual leader. We are so fortunate to have a talented, learned person lead us as we begin a new year of prayer education and song. Our children will continue to learn from him and prepare for their Bat and Bar Mitzvahs. We wish him the best.

As the new year begins, may we all continue to work together to keep our synagogue strong and healthy. Once again, I reiterate that many thanks to our wonderful teachers, Goldie, Robin, our teen assistants and the entire staff.

With Gratitude

Thank you to our president Mark Natelson, and the entire Board of Trustees. Thank you to Susan Bloomberg and Jamie Schultz, Co- Presidents of our School Board. Thank you to all our volunteers for all that you do for the betterment of our synagogue. May our sacred partnership continue and may we work together to maintain our synagogue at all levels.

Thank you to teen Darien Schultz, who was a student in in our religious school. For the last five years she volunteered, assisting Laurel Fried for 4 years, as well as Cila Klingher. Darien will be graduating in June and will begin her next chapter studying at Cornell University. She will be pursuing a major in Human Development. We wish Darien the best of success, and may all her wishes come true. Darien has been a shining light in our synagogue and a role model for our children.

Please be on the lookout for our Early Bird School Registration. Wishing you all a wonderful and safe summer. I am always available to meet with you and your family. Don't hesitate to reach out with any questions and/or concerns you may have.

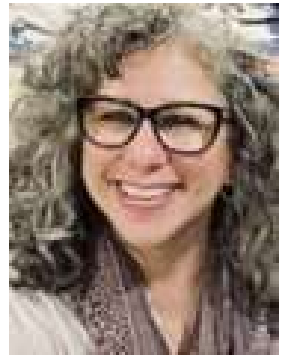
July 1 will begin my 11th year at TOEACRC. It has been a privilege getting to know everyone and to work alongside our esteemed Clergy all these years, including Rabbi Harvey Abramowitz Emeritus, Rabbi Judy, and Cantor David Katz. I am so blessed to have you all in my life. A heartfelt thank you.

I look forward to beginning a new year with Cantor David and to working with all our families. Our synagogue is my second home, and our temple family means the world to me. May we all continue to remain together and continue our path with lifelong Jewish learning. Stay in touch this summer. Continue to post your children's pictures on Facebook with all the summer happenings. Stay safe and be well. Have a wonderful and memorable summer.



--Deborah E Tract

Network of Women (NOW)



Robin Grossman
NOW President

Wahoo....this is the last article before the summer break. However, no last issue article would be complete without a thank you fest! Thank you to:

- Sue Zichlin for being the greatest and longest lasting NOW treasurer this temple has ever had!
- Gale Gluck for taking precise minutes month after month
- Barbara Feinstein for her continued efforts selling Mah Jongg cards
- Barbara Ruvlin for sending a bit of sunshine to all our congregants whether we hear about good news or not so good news
- Ann Middleman for coordinating the NOW Shabbat service.

Thanks, are also extended to those who participated in a Book Club discussion and/or a Zoom meeting. Thank you for sharing your ideas from near and far away. I thank all those congregants who have supported N.O.W. in our fundraising efforts. This year we were able to purchase the following items to help make temple a better place and run a bit more smoothly: carpet runners for the Hebrew School wing, keyboards for the office, a more comfortable chair for Robin (in the office!), yads for Torah service, a thermostat system for our Torahs, multiple sponsorships for various events, new Past Presidents Boards and plaques, half of the newly renovated room formerly known as the library, linen tablecloths and overlays for special events, Oneg supplies, card tables, AED/CPR class and certifications for up to 15 people, 2 new basketball hoops for the Hebrew School and new coffee pots for Onegs...just to name a few! N.O.W. will be sponsoring all summer Onegs that are not already being sponsored.

Below is a list of committees that we have available. Please look it over and send me your preferences that you would either like to chair or be a part of. As Mikey once said, "Try it, you'll like it." Then memories will spark, and the conversation will be "I had such a good time at that event. Let's do it again." TOEACRC will always be here for you as we hope that you will always be here for TOEACRC.

Please email your preferences to: handson64@aol.com

Shabbat service	Mah Jongg Card Sales	Chanukah party and crafting
Lectures	Canasta lessons	Challah Baking and Braiding
Hospitality	Mah Jongg Lessons	Theater events
Sunshine	Football Pool	Other (what's missing from this list!)
Community Service	AED/CPR	
Shalach Manot (Purim Packages)	Rosh Hashanah Sweet Treats	

I now leave you with a poem on the next page that I have used repeatedly in past years because it is worth repeating, over and over again.

Teamwork

By B. Hupp

We are one group

And if our bonds hold well, We can share each victory And each defeat.

Whenever one member of the group rejoices,

We all rejoice;

When one of us is hurt, We all hurt.

One is as important to the whole As another.

Each is unique and serves his/her own purpose.

Yet we are bound together To be as one-one in the group.

Every person performs a separate role, Yet each function relates to another, Affecting all other parts.

We must use our resources for the good of everyone.

We soon realize that without others, We can no longer survive.

Each person is a part,

Mutually striving to make the whole group work.

If one decides to give up or to stop
participating,

Each of us is affected-and we could all lose.

We can unite together to destroy, Or we can unite our skills to build.

Our next, and final meeting of the year is on Monday, June 14 at 7:30 pm (subject to change) I hope you enjoy the warm days of summer. Be safe, be happy.

Cheers to you!

-Robin Grossman

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Men's Club

It's time to say so long.

Well, folks, it's finally time to call it a day. Originally, I was supposed to lead the Men's Club for two years. As some of you out there may remember, I was thrust into the role of Big Cheese back in 2016 when the sitting president left suddenly. I picked up the mantle (some would say with the grace of a drunk elephant) and ran with it. It was a great opportunity to really be creative and do some worthwhile and meaningful things.

Next thing I know, it's been seven years. I've seen quite a bit in those seven years as Men's Club leader – three Rabbis, the design and construction of a magnificent new Sukkah, the marriage between Or Elohim and CRT, coping with the hardships of keeping things going through the pandemic, and so many more milestones too numerous to mention. An association is only as good as its members and the Men's Club is fortunate to have many of the best. In some cases, they have truly been brothers to me.

In all cases, they have been friends. We have enjoyed it so much as a brotherhood – breaking bread (and each other's chops), building stuff, going on hikes, or just sitting around and bs'ing on a Sunday morning. Most of all, we are there for each other.

Perhaps the most important milestone in the past seven years is the installation of my Co-President, Mr. Mark Starr. Mark has been a fantastic friend, a truly inspiring and capable leader, and an all-around great guy. I've leaned heavily on Mark the past couple of years, and he has always been there with a smile on his face. I've enjoyed collaborating with him very much. Mark, you rock, buddy. Mark will also be stepping down. We should all offer him a round of applause for a job brilliantly done.

What's next, you ask? Men's Club will now fall into the capable hands of Phil Rubin. This won't be Phil's first rodeo. He's been here before and he knows how to make Men's Club the best it can be. Please support him however you can.

So, that's it. I truly hope I'm leaving a legacy which will be regarded fondly. Thanks for seven great years.

All The Best,

--Mark Heller



Mark Heller
Men's Club co-president

Men's Club Outing to Mets Game



Ask Barry

One of my wife's favorite places to visit is the Mystic Seaport Village in Connecticut. With a beautiful day forecast, headed east caught the ferry from Orient Point to New London, then drove to Mystic. My wife brought along a few of her favorite snacks, along with a book, while my backpack was filled with your letters, (which I removed from the envelopes of course) and a bag of chocolate chip cookies.



Barry Pelofsky

I planned on reading your letters, while munching on the cookies during one of our planned rest periods. Walking through the seaport village was fun, but to have a "whale" of a time, we boarded the Charles E. Morgan, the oldest commercial wooden ship still afloat. In its day, this vessel hunted whales for blubber, used to make oil.

During a lecture about the ship, I noticed an elderly woman using a cane, teetering close to the edge of the deck. It appeared that "schooner" rather than later she would lose her balance and fall. Quickly, I threw down my backpack, grabbed her arm to steady her and guided her to a safer spot. After she thanked me, I went to pick up my backpack, but it was nowhere to be seen! I frantically searched the deck without luck.

Thinking that it may have fallen overboard, I asked the guide/lecturer, who was dressed as a pirate, to help me. As I stood next to him, he scanned the water using his pirate's telescope. Frankly, I thought that he wasn't playing with a full "deck", but I needed help. After a minute, he shouted, "Matie, I see something blue in the water."

I confirmed that it was my backpack! A minute later he shouted, "Matie, I see lots of white pieces of paper floating near it." I confirmed that those were your letters! A minute after that he bellowed out "Chips Ahoy." I confirmed that those were my cookies! He used a rowboat to retrieve my backpack, but sadly the letters and my cookies were soggy and shredded beyond repair and consumption. However, when I turned my backpack inside out so that it could dry, I found two-letters stuck to the zipper of the inside compartment. Fortunately, they were written on wax paper using indelible ink. I hope that you enjoy them!

Dear Barry,

I'm not the type of person who likes to point out other people's mistakes, but I feel that I need to bring this one to your attention. I would like to participate in the NOW Book Club meeting, but I heard that it is scheduled for June 19th. Now, how can that be? How can a meeting that's supposed to be held now be scheduled in the future?

Sincerely,

Now That's Confusing from Westbury

Dear Now That's Confusing,

That's wonderful that you want to participate in the monthly Book Club discussion. I will be happy to clarify this for you now; the book club meeting is sponsored by N.O.W., the Network of Women and is not related to when the meeting occurs. At the June 19th meeting, the book that will be discussed will be "Someone Else's Shoes" by JoJo Moyes. Please contact Robin at Handson64@aol.com for further details. I'm sure that you will enjoy the book and the discussion!

Dear Barry,

For a long time, I have been thinking of a way to bring members of the congregation together. I believe that I finally have the answer. Would the temple Men's Club consider starting a Curling League? I know that curling is a winter sport, but I wanted to provide as much time to plan as possible. Perhaps we could use a section of the parking lot to create an ice rink for the competition. Then we would only have to get a 40 lb. granite stone and two brooms. I have never tried curling, but from what I have seen on TV, it looks like it would be a lot of fun. What do you think?

Sincerely,

Not Moe or Larry, but Curling from
Woodbury

Dear Not Moe or Larry, but Curling,

Thank you for your unique suggestion. Unfortunately, I don't think that creating a Curling league will be feasible. Even though I am pretty good at using a broom and my wife is an expert using her curling iron, curling does not have a widespread appeal. With regards to putting a Curling Rink in the parking lot in the winter, we focus on the reverse of curling (shoveling, plowing and salt) to keep the parking lot free from ice so that members of the congregation don't slip and fall. Also, we wouldn't want anyone to get a hernia carrying the 40 lb. granite stone. Although this idea to bring congregants together will not work out, please feel free to submit any other ideas that you may have.

If you have any questions, please submit them to the temple office or e-mail them directly to me at barrypelofsky@verizon.net.

Barry Pelofsky



June Birthdays

1 Leora Cohen-Rosenberg
2 Lowell Citron
3 Leah Michelle Bloomberg
3 Mitchell Bloomberg
3 Richard Feinstein
3 Louis Jainchill
5 Madison Brand
5 Caryn Fried
5 Alexa Fuller
6 Jack Grossman
7 Robert Goldberg
7 Hayley Rogove
8 Bruce Cohen
8 Jared Goldberg
8 Alex Goodman
8 David Katz
8 Deborah Silverman
8 Elizabeth Szaluta
8 Gail Topple
9 Denise Berman
9 Evan Kazan
9 Lance Singer
9 Michael Wolkoff
10 Ryan Angell
11 Jen Hyman

11 Madeline Minkoff
11 Sawyer Wayne
11 Brandon Zeller
12 Bryan Beller
12 Susan Mender
12 Joanne Myrah
13 Brian Berger
13 Richard Rosenberg
14 David Lerner
15 Iris Battino
15 Jayson Corey
15 Gale Gluck
16 Kyla Agulnick
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16 Linda Savarino
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18 Adrienne Agulnick
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18 Ross Wengrover
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19 Lauren Goldstein
20 Owen Birnbaum

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21 Evan Goldstein
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22 Oren Eisenberg
22 Jodi Goodman
22 Alvin Kotowitz
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24 Allison Angell
24 Joel Liebman
24 Sean Garrett Simon
25 Steven Chestler
25 Rebecca Kusnetz
27 Troy Goldberg
27 Judy Kislik
27 Leah Reisman
27 Sue Zichlin
29 Adam Rosner
30 Arlene Isserles
30 Michael Mogavero



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1	Jill Dolowich	15	Marcus Lonshein	22	Meryl Fuchs
1	Linda Glickman	15	Haley Pastolove	23	Ruth Gottlieb
4	Leonard Gerschitz	17	Carly Jacobson	23	Jarret Wolfson
4	Erica Misorek	17	Jason Ruvin	24	Sherry Ariel
4	Les Reider	17	Shari Senzon	24	Sharon Mark
5	Tamara Dreyfuss	17	Lindsay Streitman	24	Meryl Sommer
5	Sarah Zichlin	18	Arthur Katz	24	Colton Walsh
6	Elissa Connell	19	Roberta Feinstein	25	Laura Badia
6	Scott Lefkowitz	19	Violet Fuchs	25	Susan Maldow
6	David Maldow	19	Adam Goldschmit	27	Jake Brand
8	Gregory Chestler	19	Hally Gottlieb	28	Ryan Kugel
10	Stephanie Kaufman	19	Sydni Grossman	28	Adam Liebman
11	Corey Adler	19	Benjamin Natelson	28	Daniel Nessim
11	Alyson Hantman	19	Sandy Senzon	28	Eric Singer
11	Sheldon Wolfson	19	Michael Vermut	30	Felice Kestenbaum
13	Matthew Ballen	20	Laurie Graber	31	Eva Ginsburg
13	Ellie Eisenberg	21	Michael Cohen-Rosenberg		
13	Alexa Meyer	21	Lauren Epstein		
14	Shari Jacobson	21	Robert Feinman		
14	Maxwell Wolkoff	21	Michelle Getelman		

August Birthdays



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2	Elyce Burger	17	Ryan Graham	23	Lindsay Landsberg
2	Brian Reich	17	Matthew Lecher	24	Lesley Azzinaro
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July

1	Joel & Jennifer Liebman	8	Sam & Michelle Braunstein	19	Joshua & Staci Rogove
2	Ron & Elyce Burger	9	Richard & Iris Battino	20	Matthew & Jennifer Mednick
4	Russell & Joanne Graham	11	Bernie & Sharon Mark	27	Lonny & Lorraine Reisman
6	Jack & Robin Grossman	14	Paul & Beverly Silpe	29	Seth & Lisa Landsberg
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August

1	David & Arlene Horowitz	18	Howard & Joyce Green	27	Neil & Jennifer Gallow
4	Michael & Andrea Hantman	18	David & Gayle Wengrover	28	Alvin & Enid Kotowitz
7	Scott & Cara Siegel	19	Douglas & Scott Ethe-Sayers	29	Marc & Sherri Graber
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Summer Torah Portions



June 3, Naso – Numbers 4:21-7:89

A continued description of the duties of the Levites, laws relating to ritual uncleanness; people with diseases were not permitted to live within camp limits, the laws of the Nazirites (those who took upon themselves obligations that were beyond those required, like not cutting their hair, not drinking any wine, avoiding contact with any dead body, etc.). It was a sacred promise made to God.

June 10, Beha'alotcha – Numbers 8:1-12:16

This portion deals with the lighting of the 7-branched menorah by Aaron, observance of the 2nd annual Passover, the making of the two silver trumpets (shofrot), the three acts of opposition to Moses: the people's demanding meat in addition to manna, the breaking away of two of the elders of Israel and Moses' confrontation with his siblings, Aaron & Miriam.

June 17, Sh'lach, Numbers 13:1 – 15:41

The famous story of the twelve spies sent to survey the land of Canaan in preparation of its conquest is told in this portion. Joshua and Caleb, the two remaining spies, oppose the negative majority report by the other ten spies. The anger of the people and their threat to return to Egypt is the catalyst for the decision by God that this people is not ready for the challenge of freedom and that their entire generation will have to live out their lives in the desert. Their children, the next generation, will be the ones who will enter the Promised Land.

June 24, Korach – Numbers 16:1-18:32

The chapter recounts the uprising against Moses by Korach and 250 members of the tribe of Reuben. They claimed that Moses was taking too much power for himself, and they too were eligible for leadership positions. Moses was stunned; he had shared the leadership responsibility by spreading it among the 70 elders, judges, and tribal chiefs. The rebellion was put down when the earth opened and swallowed up Korach and all his followers.

July 1, Chukkat – Numbers 19:1-22:1

This portion expands on the laws of purification and provides for the removal of defilement resulting from contact with the dead. The particulars of this ordinance are considered to be the most mysterious rites in the Torah.

July 8, Pinchas, Numbers 25:10-30:1

This chapter recounts the misbehavior of many Israelites who had accepted the invitation of women of Moab and Midian and joined in their licentious rites in worship of the idol Baal-Peor. Filled with indignation, Pinchas, a Kohen, executed summary judgement on Zimri and Cozbi, the Israelites who misled so many.

July 15, Mattot/Masei- Num. 30:2-32:42 / 33:1-35:13

The first of these two chapters emphasizes the solemnity and binding character of religious vows and specifies circumstances in which vows can be annulled. The second portion details the stages of the journey of the Israelites all the way from Egypt to the Plains of Moab.

July 22, Devarim- Deut. 1:1-3:22

The name of this Fifth Book and concluding 'book' of the Torah, and its title might well be "Moses Final Discourses and Song to Israel". It is an oratory, given in noble language to the great truths that God is One, humankind is wholly His and that God is Righteousness, Faithfulness, Mercy and Love. In this chapter we find the central declaration of the Jewish people, the Shma.

**July 19, Va-Etchanan- Deut. 3:23-7:11**

Moses continues his review of the people's history of interactions with God, discussing the signs of God's favor to his people shown in their victories. He laments that he will be able only to view the land but would not be able to enter it and commits the future leadership of the people to Joshua, his successor.

August 5, Ekev- Deut. 7:12-11:25

The blessings inherent to those who obey the laws given in the Torah are detailed here, chief among them being prosperity, vitality, power and health. Moses includes an appeal to the Israelites to remember their history to motivate their fulfilling their fundamental duties to love God and observe His commandments.

August 12, Re'eh- Deut. 11:26-16:17

"Behold, I set before you a blessing and a curse. The blessing (comes) if you observe the commandments of the Lord, Your God. The curse (comes) if you do not obey the commandments but ignore the way you have been given and choose to worship other gods". With these challenging words, Moses reviews the Codes of Law to be observed by the people.

August 19, Shoftim- Deut. 16:18-21:9

This portion defines the legal system and the roles of the leaders; the judges, the king, the priests and the prophets - all of them officers of the Hebrew commonwealth. Provisions are to be made for an ordered civil government, justice must be free, accessible and absolutely impartial.

August 26, Ki-Tetze- Deut. 21:10-25:19

The wide-ranging laws of domestic life and human kindness are the subjects of this portion of Moses' continuing discourse, dealing with matters such as marriage to a captive of war, the rights of the first-born, dealing with discourtesy and disobedience, returning lost property and appropriateness of apparel. The sanctity of marriage, adultery and family relations are among the many topics covered in this chapter.

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TORAH RESTORATION PROJECT 2023



RESTORING THE PAST

Our Torah Scrolls are made of all natural components, parchment, wood, even the thread and ink used come from kosher animals and as such are subject to natural deterioration. Just as we receive care to stay in the best of health, so must the Torah Scrolls.



ENHANCING THE PRESENT

We now embark on the Circle of Life Torah Restoration Project. We have engaged Soferet in Residence (Torah Scribe) Jill Kaplan to repair our scrolls with the goal of having five Torah Scrolls in pristine condition. We currently have one Scroll in such condition. Four more scrolls must be cleaned, re-lettered, and in some cases re-sewn and have parchment repaired to meet our goal. All this takes the Soferet's skill and time. This essential and worthwhile Mitzvah will also require our community's minimum commitment of \$25,300 in Tzedakah money to complete this project. Any excess funds will be held in reserve to keep our scrolls in good condition well into the future. This campaign is an investment in the future of our Temple and Judaism.



ENSURING THE FUTURE

There are many opportunities for you to participate in this once in a lifetime Mitzvah. Soferet Jill Kaplan will be happy to entertain questions and provide opportunities for you to see her work while she is in residence. She is also meeting regularly with our Religious School students.

Special opportunities to work alongside Soferet Kaplan or observe unique repairs will be arranged as well as a thank you for your contribution to this project.

We are grateful for a dollar-for-dollar matching grant from our member, Arthur Katz, to help us reach our goal.



DONATION OPPORTUNITIES

You may choose to endow at any of the following categories and be inscribed on the Scroll of Honor:

- \$ 18 Letter (for children only)
- \$ 72 Word
- \$ 180 Verse
- \$ 540 Aliyah
- \$ 1,800 Book
- \$10,800 Entire Torah

Any contribution will be greatly appreciated.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please visit our website: www.templeorelohim.com

CONTACT **Deena Yaris,**

Chair, Circle of Life Torah Restoration Project (hahbey@aol.com)

*Rabbi Judy Cohen-Rosenberg
Cantor David Aaron Katz
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**Thank you for participating in this unique Mitzvah.
You are assuring that our Torah Scrolls will bring
us life well into the future.**

*"It is a Tree of Life to those who hold fast to it and all of its
supporters are happy" - Siddur*



♫ Sing with the Temple Choir! ♫

Your voice wants to be heard. Let us hear from you!!

If you love to sing, whether along with the radio, your iPhone or just belting out songs in the shower, then it's time for you to:

🎤 JOIN THE TEMPLE CHOIR 🎤

💡 Great benefits to joining:

- Make new friends – feel more connected to the Temple.
- Can you carry a tune? The rest will come naturally.
- You will learn beautiful melodies for the High Holidays as well as music to sing throughout the year.
- One hour a week. That's it! Thursday evening rehearsals at 7:30pm. The Cantor makes it great fun too!

💡 If you join the Choir, you can count on the following:

- We are a warm, caring, wonderful group of people from all walks of life.
- We represent all kinds of professions. It's a great opportunity for networking and finding doors to help your own career.
- We sing to: make us happy, forget the busy, hectic week and all our deadlines, and feel good about being part of a larger whole.
- Have the best seat in the house for the High Holidays!
- You do not need to read music.
- No reading of Hebrew needed – all is transliterated!

💡 Looking for more information or Interested in Joining?

- Please contact Jessica Gerschitz – home: (516) 932-0931; cell: (516) 647-0276.



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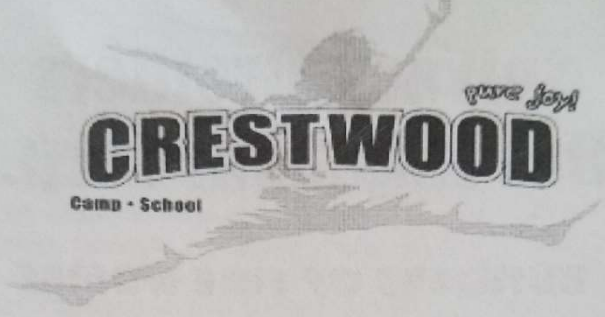
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Highlights From the February Board of Trustees Meeting
April 25, 2023, 8:00 pm

April Events

- Torah Restoration Project has begun. The extent of the necessary repairs will become apparent as the Sofer works on each scroll. We are still accepting donations. Thank you to everyone who has donated.
- On April 17, Mrs. Tract and the seventh graders led the Yom HaShoah service. We were honored to hear from Miriel Taub, who shared her experiences and memorabilia from her childhood in France and her families' efforts to flee from Nazi invasion. Her presentation was further enhanced by sharing her husband's experiences during the Holocaust.
- On April 21, the Temple honored Ed Stolarz for his dedicated years of service to the Temple. Cantor Katz designed the service using music Ed has composed for each prayer over the years. The service was very impressive, both spiritually and musically.

Upcoming Events

- The Concert Against Hate will be on June 25, 2023 in our parking lot. Performers include Cantor Katz; Soprano Deanna Verone; Maestro Dean Karahalís and the Concert Pops of Long Island; The Toby Tobias Ensemble; Gathering Time and a Gospel Choir. Tickets are free but you must register through the link provided.
- A Town Hall will be held on April 26, 2023 to hear more about our congregants needs. Another Town Hall will be scheduled with our Hebrew school students.
- Yizkor services were held at the end of Passover. A full Shabbat morning service with Yizkor will be schedule for Shavuot on May 27.
- Upcoming Shabbat services: On May 12, we will celebrate a Moving Up Shabbat for out seventh graders and Staff Appreciation. On May 19, we will celebrate our new members.
- On May 6, there will be a special Kiddush honoring Rabbi Judy before she retires.
- High Holy Day Services. We will have one service on Rosh Hashanah Day 1 and one on Yom Kippur morning rather than two services on those days.
- NOW will have a Strategic Canasta class starting soon. Look for additional information for the next book club meeting.
- Men's Club is looking forward to their trip to the Met's game! Additional events are planned, please see the temple calendar.
- Shabbat Under the Stars will be returning on September 8. Please mark your calendars.

June 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 PM	3 Bar Mitzvah Jake Feuerstein 10:00 AM
4	5 Internal Controls Meeting 7:30 PM	6 Men's Club meeting 7:30 PM	7 Round Table Rap 7:00 PM Strategic Planning 8:00 PM	8 Executive Committee Meeting 8:00 PM	9 Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 PM	10 Shabbat Service 10:00 AM Bat Mitzvah Logan Fuller
11	12 Finance Committee Meeting 7:30 PM	13	14 N.O.W. Meeting 7:30 PM	15 Board of Trustees Meeting 8:00 PM	16 Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 PM	17 Torah Study 10:30 AM
18	19 N.O.W. Book Club 7:30 PM	20	21	22	23 Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 PM	24 Torah Study 10:30 AM
25 Concert Against Hate 7:30 PM	26	27	28 Congregation Meeting 7:30 PM	29 Calendar Meeting 7:00 PM	30 Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 PM	

PLEASE check our website at orelohim.com for updated calendar information.