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And so, as of last week, the book was finally published with a brilliant translation by Rose Waldman. In the book's introduction, the literary critic Adam Kirsch said "Sons and Daughters" was "probably the last great Yiddish novel." Giving it a more contemporary spin, one critic said the novel, set in Poland during the turbulent period between the two world wars, distills "conflicts that still bedevil the Jewish people today."

The novel tells the story of Rabbi Sholem Shachne Katzenellenbogen, the Orthodox rabbi of an imagined Lithuania shtetl of Morehdalye, whose three sons and two daughters are drifting away from the Jewish traditions he venerates. His children are variously drawn to the unfettered temptations of a more secular life.

Dwight Garner, a literary critic for the New York Times had the following to say about this book when he published his review earlier this month:

"Sons and Daughters" matters because it's such an intimate and detailed portrait of Orthodox Jewish life in the old country between the wars. Antisemitism is on the rise. Israel is only a heady daydream. ("A new fad - a Jewish country!" One character says.) These Jews argue and argue about what is worth upholding and defending."

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

In less than two weeks, we will be celebrating Passover with our families at our Seders. As we read in the Haggadah about our ancestors escaping slavery in Egypt, take a few moments to pray for the return of all hostages in Israel, lasting peace in Israel, and for an end to the war in Ukraine. We should think about how Anti-Semitism continues to expand in our country.

Hope to see you at the Synagogue this month at Shabbat and Passover Services and at Sisterhood's Torah Fund Luncheon honoring Roberta Fachler!

Wishing you all a Zissen Pesach!

Philip Rabinowitz, Synagogue President



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Night Shabbat Service

6:00 PM via Zoom

April 4, 11, 18, 25

Saturday Shabbat Service

9:30 AM in the Sanctuary

April 5, 26

Sunday Morning Service

9:00 AM in the Sanctuary

April 6, 27

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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ellie Honig proudly announces the marriage of her granddaughter Rebecca Lamb to Justin Verducci. Rebecca is the daughter of Linda Honig Donnelly.

Ellie also became a great-grandmother for the 8th time to a little girl, Eva Violet. Parents are Joshua and Natalie Lamb and grandmother is Linda Honig Donnelly.

Cheryl and Lee Cadel proudly announce the birth of a granddaughter, Addison Leigh. Parents are Ben and Hillary Cadel.

Barbara Greenstein proudly announces the birth of her grandson Lincoln Gray. Parents are Mara and Larry Greenstein.

THANK YOU

We would like to thank the congregation for honoring us with a lovely Kiddush. Many thanks go to Sisterhood and Men's Club for their generous gifts. We would especially like to thank Rabbi Mishkin, Harriet and Phil Rabinowitz and Ed Mendlowitz for all the kind words. We'd also like to extend our thanks to all of the congregants who wished us well in our new home. We will miss you! Love, Andrea & Mark Chassen

Thanks to Sisterhood and the Congregation for the gold cards and well wishes received during my recuperation from detached retina surgery. I am happy to report that my vision is back to normal. A special thank you to Paula Yourman who does such a wonderful job with the gold cards. Thanks, Liz Aroyo



Thank you for supporting the Congregation Beth Ohr Adult Education Programs, High Holiday Babysitting and the Kosher Food Pantry of Jewish Family Services of Middlesex County with your Purim Basket Donation.

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RITUALLY SPEAKING—SHARE A SIMCHA

The Ritual Committee will honor members celebrating a birthday, anniversary or other simchas once a month at a Shabbat service. Mazel Tov to the following congregants who will be celebrating their simchas during the month of April. We will celebrate Simcha Shabbat on Saturday, April 12, 2025.

Birthdays	
<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>
Robert Simon	April 1
Joseph Shafran	April 3
Nico Bermudez	April 5
Linda Benish	April 14
Gail Rizick	April 14
Marc Huguenin	April 17
Raymond Tessier	April 17
Beverly Mishkin	April 21
Harvey Cohen	April 24
Rabbi Joel Mishkin	April 25
Eugene Bernstein	April 27
Lisa Clark	April 27
Pearl Hillman	April 29

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline to submit items for the May Newsletter is Friday, April 24, 2025. Please email your articles to Meryl on or before that date.

On-Going Synagogue Fund Raiser

When dining in or ordering from ***Fred & Murray's Kosher Delicatessen***, 4345 US Route 9 North in Freehold, please tell the Staff that you are a member of Congregation Beth Ohr. They will log your purchase in a special book and donate a portion of your purchase to our Synagogue. Thank you.

CONGREGATION BETH OHR MEMORIAL FUNDS

The following is a listing of the tax-deductible Memorial Funds, and other Funds, to which tax deductible donations may be made. When donating to these funds, please make your checks out to Congregation Beth Ohr and write the fund's name in the memo portion of the check.

David Benish Memorial Fund
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Stuart Polovsky Memorial Fund
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Stuart Polovsky Memorial Fund

Donation from Marty Israel

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Donation from Judith Insinga

Donation from Chuck Rogol

YAHREZEIT DONATIONS

We acknowledge the following for their contributions.

Donated By	In Loving Memory Of
Linda & Harold Koppel	Gerard Wolff
Linda Garfinkel	Jack Fass, Rose Fass, Joseph Rosenfeld
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Ilene & Barry Gray	Alexander Linz & Eleanor Gray
Clifford Shulman	Regina Shulman
Wilma & Allen Appel	Sidney Davis
Jay Feld	Pauline Feld
Len & Irene Ullman	Elaine Jarvis

April 2025 YAHREZITS

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 the memory of the Yahrzeit. One should recite the Mourner's Kaddish at services the evening before as well as the day of the Yahrzeit. 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 4/5</u>		<u>April 11/12</u>		<u>April 18/19</u>		<u>April 25/26</u>	
Hyman Belsky	04/05	Ethel Nightingale	04/12	Seymour Philips	04/19	Bert Adler	04/26
Seymour Branner	04/05	Marvin Robbins	04/12	Arlene Sommers	04/19	Aaron Kanter	04/26
Mary Cederbaum	04/05	Norman Segal	04/12	Rudolph Carl Kaiser	04/20	Morris Brown	04/27
Cynthia Deitz	04/05	Geraldine Edelman	04/13	Brianne Jaclyn Perlman	04/20	Jules Linder	04/27
Nathan Gavrin	04/05	Esther Gross	04/13	Morris Kuritsky	04/21	Stuart Simon	04/27
Isadore Gerenstein	04/05	Philip Nadler	04/13	Ruth Rothlin	04/21	Marta Adler	04/28
Heidi Rogol	04/05	Barbara Kuntz	04/14	Morris Hyman	04/22	Barry Geller	04/28
Jean Cohen	04/06	Issac Ludwin	04/14	Ralph Krause	04/22	Sophie Perlin	04/28
Esther Friedman	04/06	Kaila Praport	04/14	Alice Lanzoff	04/22	Jacob Podol	04/28
Morris Jacobs	04/06	Leo Ullmann	04/14	Toby Maness	04/22	Belle Shumer	04/28
Martha Sender	04/06	Sheila Kirschner	04/15	Rae Perzley	04/22	Anne Skupp	04/28
Louis Zolotin	04/06	Leonard Nightingale	04/15	Anna Polansky	04/22	Dalia Goldhecht	04/29
Eugene Berko	04/07	Della Pollack	04/15	Ceil Rosenthal	04/22	Harris Goldstein	04/29
Felice Jeidel	04/07	Anna Rosenfeld	04/15	Lena Weiss	04/22	Joseph Maness	04/30
Miriam Schwarzwald	04/07	Ida Schulsinger	04/15	Yetta Chekofsky	04/23	Anna Goldberg	05/01
Zlota Shvedova	04/07	Ralph Wurtzel	04/15	Violet Davidowitz	04/23	Morris Silverstein	05/01
Solomon Coffina	04/08	Harold Nadler	04/16	Michael Ebenstein	04/23	Norman Sweig	05/01
Barbara Geller	04/08	Pearl Shapiro	04/16	Susan Goldenberg	04/23	Arthur Ullman	05/01
Rose Kantrowitz	04/08	Paul Singer	04/16	Eve Schnitzer	04/23	Marion Weintraub	05/01
Marcia Rothman	04/08	Henry Vollweiler	04/16	Joshua Weissman	04/23	Lilly Weisz Gelb	05/01
Abraham J. Perlman	04/09	Samuel Weiner	04/16	Yette Ribet	04/24	Jacob Joseph Wilpon	05/01
Marvin Smith	04/09	Frances Dashevsky	04/17	David Rosenberg	04/24	Iris Wolfe	05/01
Mark Weiss	04/09	Angela Dubin	04/17	Stanley Silberstein	04/24	Marcia Erlish	05/02
Marie Bloshasse	04/10	Leo Drabin	04/18	Rhoda Tash	04/24	Harriet Glassman	05/02
Robert Cohen	04/10	Syd Hillman	04/18	Seymour Weinman	04/24	Barbara Kleiman	05/02
Philip Judd	04/10	Abraham Kagan	04/18	Gizela Brody	04/25	Stuart Polovsky	05/02
Sol Lapidus	04/10	Emma Weisgold	04/18	Mollie Rothberg	04/25	Kurt Schiller	05/02
Marilyn Sapiro	04/10					Jack Willins	05/02
Fabian Bloshasse	04/11						
Herbert Heimlich	04/11						
Eva Kaplan	04/11						
Peisach Nodelman	04/11						
Victor Oppenheimer	04/11						
Samuel Schaeffer	04/11						
Dottie Schwartz	04/11						

MEKHIRAT CHAMETZ
(SALE OF LEAVEN 2025)

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 Chametz 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 Chametz you own. Similarly, should you own other property, or store leaven products in your office, you must still sell the Chametz 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 10, 2025.

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 AM. Daylight-Saving Time, on the 13th day of the Hebrew month of Nisan which is the day before the First Seder on Saturday 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) AND ADDRESS(ES) OF PREMISES WHERE LEAVEN IS STORED

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PASSOVER INFORMATION

Thursday, April 10 – Morning Service and Siyum for the first born, in the Sanctuary, 8:00 am

Saturday, April 12 – First Seder, candle lighting at 8:16 pm

Sunday, April 13 – Pesach Service in the Sanctuary, 9:30 am

Sunday, April 13 – Second Seder, candle lighting at 8:17 pm

Monday, April 14 – Pesach Service in the Sanctuary, 9:30 am

Friday, April 18 – Friday evening Shabbat service via Zoom, 6:00 pm

Saturday, April 19 – Pesach Service in the Sanctuary, 9:30 am

Saturday, April 19 – Candle lighting at 8:24 pm

Sunday, April 20 – Pesach Service and Yizkor in the Sanctuary, 9:30 am

Chametz Search

The Chametz Search in your home will be on Thursday, April 10, 2025 after sundown. The blessings are in the Haggadah. You will destroy the Chametz on Friday, April 11, 2025 in the morning! No Chametz should be eaten after 12 noon.

A Zissen Pesach to you and your family.

YOM HASHOAH

On Saturday, April 26, 2025, Special Readings will be recited during Shabbat Service in the Sanctuary, 9:30 am.



Shalom and Wishing Everyone a Happy Passover.

March was a busy month with the Joint Sisterhood and Men's Club Program held on March 16th on Zoom and at the Temple. The speaker discussed Jewish Athletes during the Holocaust, which was very interesting. Our Sisterhood Shabbat was on March 29, 2025. Thank to Harriet Rabinowitz for making the arrangements. A special thank you to Marty Israel for preparing the Kiddish which followed services.

The Torah Fund Benefactor Luncheon honoring Roberta Fachler will be on Sunday, April 27th. Please **RSVP** and send your payment as shown on the invitation. Special thanks to Monica and Mark Atzbi for printing the invitations.

Scrip is available in the Temple office from Meryl during her work hours. Please contact her ahead of time. Also, please note that Acme scrip is back in inventory. As always, it is also available from Monica Atzbi, Sharen Silverman and Marcia Trechak. This is a good way to earn donor credit.

As a reminder, our Donor Event will be a luncheon on Sunday, May 18th at Fred & Murrays in Freehold. To attend this event a member needs to have \$90.00 donor by the close of the donor period ending April 30, 2025. Donor Chairs Liz Aroyo and Ilene Gray recently sent updated donor sheets to the membership. They will answer any questions.

Ilene Gray A-K ileneg22@comcast.net

Liz Aroyo L-Z mikeliza3@comcast.net

As always, we welcome input from our membership of any ideas that you would like to see from our Sisterhood. Please feel free to contact the Presidium which includes Monica Atzbi, Cheryl Cadel, Barbara Schneider and Liz Aroyo.

Shalom,

Liz Aroyo, Presidium Member

SISTERHOOD'S TORAH FUND BENEFACTOR

Mazel Tov to Roberta Fachler, who has been selected as Sisterhood's Torah Fund Benefactor recipient for 2025. Invitations for the celebration in Roberta's honor, to be held on Sunday, April 27, 2025, have been mailed. Please R.S.V.P. by April 11.

Women's League of Conservative Judaism's new Torah Fund Pin highlights ***Am Yisrael Chai***. This is an expression of Jewish solidarity for the Jewish nation and the continuity of the Jewish people.



Sisterhood members can purchase this Pin for \$180.00, payable to Torah Fund, or by applying five accrued Donor Credits to purchase this Pin. If interested, please email Harriet Rabinowitz at harriet.rabinowi@gmail.com.

SISTERHOOD ON-GOING FUND RAISERS

SISTERHOOD SCRIP

Sisterhood sells Shoprite, Stop 'n' Shop, and Acme Supermarket Gift Cards. This ongoing fundraiser helps support various activities of our Congregation. Sisterhood members receive donor credit equal to 5% of their scrip purchase.

To purchase Scrip, please contact one of the following people:

Monica Atzbi - 732-390-5890

Sharen Silverman - 732-266-2389

Marcia Trechak - 609-655-9507

Please call Meryl at 732-257-1523 or email her at congregationbethohr@gmail.com with your order.



SISTERHOOD BRICKS

Bricks are available for \$6.00 each to commemorate a death, birth, in honor of, or good wishes. Call Ronnie Mendlowitz at 732-254-1135 or email her at emrmcats@aol.com.

GOLD CARDS

Paula Yourman is Sisterhood's Hallmark lady. She is always willing to send your personal cards through Sisterhood. Just email the information to Paula at bubbe513@gmail.com or call her at 609-409-0346.

We have cards for speedy recovery, good wishes and remembrance. Each card is \$1.50, which includes the stamp. Some of you believe that cards can only be sent to Temple members, but I will send cards to anyone.

If you want a message to go out, please let me know, as I will not send anything out that comes to me second hand; it needs to come directly from you.

ADDITIONAL DONATIONS AND HIGH HOLIDAY MACHZORS

Donations in memory of, or to honor someone, can be made to Sisterhood, Congregation Beth Ohr. Please send your donation to: Meryl Finkelstein, 234 Community Circle, Old Bridge, NJ 08857.

If you would like to donate a High Holiday Prayer Book (Machzor) in memory of, or to honor someone, send a check for \$36.00 per Book, made out to Sisterhood, Congregation Beth Ohr and mail it to Meryl at the address in the previous paragraph. If you have any questions, please email Meryl at merylrob@aol.com or call her at 732-679-8701.

Men's Club News

Minyan every Sunday. All are Welcome.

Men's Club Calendar



The Sunday Minyans are in the Synagogue building. Every Sunday we will have Bagels and a schmear, coffee and more. **Join in with us in the Shul.** Services start at 9:00 and end around 9:45 and then the bagels, schmear, schmooze and camaraderie. If any questions, email or call Ed at emcpa1@aol.com or 732 890-3344.

All programs will be in building, Some will also be on ZOOM where indicated.

Coming attractions Programs subject to change.

Weekly: One Minute Dvar Torah emailed every Thursday.

Apr 6: Men's Club Favorite Passover Memories Program

Apr 10: Siyum for First Born at 8:00 am

Apr 23 Light the Holocaust Remembrance Yellow Candle to be mailed by Men's Club the week before

May 29: Men's Club BBQ and Election

Jun 8: Men's Club Installation

Jun 29: Men's Club Red White and Blue Pancake Breakfast



Photos below

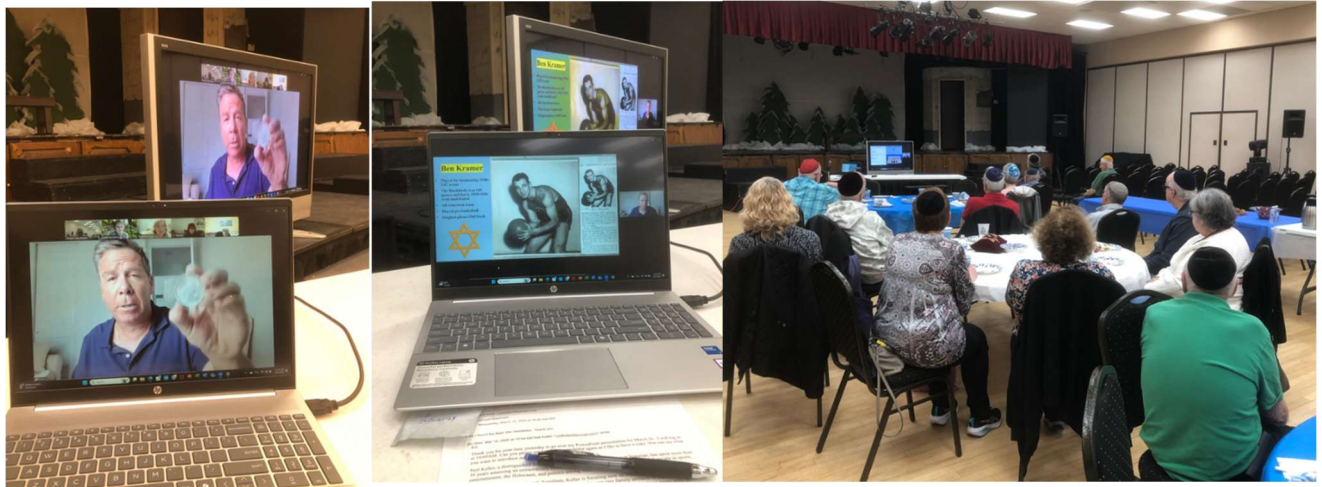
Phil Rabinowitz and Chuck Rogol rolling the Torah to the proper position for the following Shabbos where two Torahs will be used. Rabbi Mishkin and his buddy Rabbi Seidel at a Minyan. Rabbi Seidel and his wife joined us for the weekend when he welcomed Rabbi Mishkin back.



Beth Ohr Men's Club Triple S Club
Shul, Schmooze & Schmear
Every Sunday

Sisterhood / Men's Club Joint Program Photos

Sponsored by Herman and Frieda Lipp Memorial Fund in Memory of Barbara Lipp



Beth Ohr Family Photos



Top row: Jewish sports historian Neil Keller presented an excellent, riveting and touching program on ***Jewish Athletes During the Holocaust.***

2nd row: Mark and Kara Rabinowitz and their two boys at the two Maryland NCAA games in Seattle. Bulletin Board message welcoming Rabbi and Mrs. Seidel

Bottom on left: Alice and David Honig and family (David on extreme left and Alice second from the right) celebrating Alice's special birthday.



Upcoming Events At Main Street Theatre Company

Something Rotten

Book by Karey Kirkpatrick and John O'Farrell

Music and Lyrics by Wayne Kirkpatrick and Karey Kirkpatrick

Conceived by Karey Kirkpatrick and Wayne Kirkpatrick

Directed: Tom Fritzen, Musical Director: A.J. Meeker, Choreographer: Patti Rolzhausen

Two brothers set out to write the world's first musical in this hilarious mash-up of sixteenth-century Shakespeare and twenty-first-century Broadway.

Saturdays, May 10 and 17 at 8PM

Sundays, May 11 and 18 at 3PM

TICKETS AT: <https://mstcob.ludus.com>