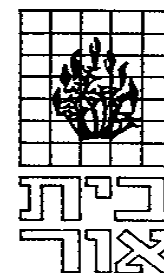


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FROM THE CANTOR



It is the most Jewish of holidays and the least Jewish of holidays.

Do you know to which holiday I am referring?

If you looked at the calendar and saw that Thanksgiving is just

around the corner and chose that as your answer, you’d be correct! It is in a sense the most Jewish of holidays, in that offering thanks and expressing gratitude is so fundamentally part of our religious tradition.

The first prayer we recite in the morning upon awakening, while still in bed, is the Modeh Ani--*I give thanks to You, living enduring Sovereign, for restoring my soul in compassion. You are faithful beyond measure.* In this way, we pause for a moment of thanksgiving before beginning each new day.

And every moment, from morning to night, presents new opportunities for gratitude. We are instructed to recite at least 100 blessings a day, for the food we eat, upon seeing a rainbow, or wearing a new item of clothing. There is even a blessing we recite upon exiting from the bathroom! It ends with: *Blessed are you, Adonai, healer of all flesh, who sustains our bodies in wondrous ways.*

So why do I suggest that this might also be the least Jewish of holidays? It is not simply that its origins are with the Puritans of Plymouth. Rather, it is that we might rightly question the point of a one day celebration built around the idea of thanksgiving if every day, every moment, is ordained by our tradition as a time for gratitude. After all, holidays and holy days are special days because they are different. We make Shabbat special because on the prior six days we are commanded to engage in labor, and only the seventh is set aside for rest. The holiday of Sukkot that we just celebrated is special because during the rest of the year we do not dwell in booths nor take up the esrog and lulav. If every day is a day for serious thanksgiving, why celebrate Thanksgiving?

In truth, I have no problem if you choose not to make a fuss over this holiday. But it is also true that most of us, myself included, often fall short in our awareness of the gratitude we should feel each day, each moment. Our tendency is to spend more time thinking about what makes us unhappy than on what should make us glad.

And so if getting together with family or friends and cooking up a meal with all the trimmings can be an opportunity to focus on all the positive things in life, and more importantly, if it encourages us to carry gratitude with us into every other day of the year, then it is well worth making the fourth Thursday of November a holiday to celebrate.

I wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, and a year of joy, peace and gratitude.

Cantor Steven Stern

Are you missing out?

If you are not currently on the TBO/BT email list, please notify the office and you'll begin to receive timely information each week about our exciting programs that will keep you in the loop. Don't miss out!

Cantor Stern at J Connection’s Course on Jewish Living & Learning Facing Life Challenges

Tuesday, November 15 at 7:30 pm at Rockin’ Joe, 20 Prospect Street, Westfield  
What do Jewish religious and spiritual traditions teach us about dealing with life’s difficulties?

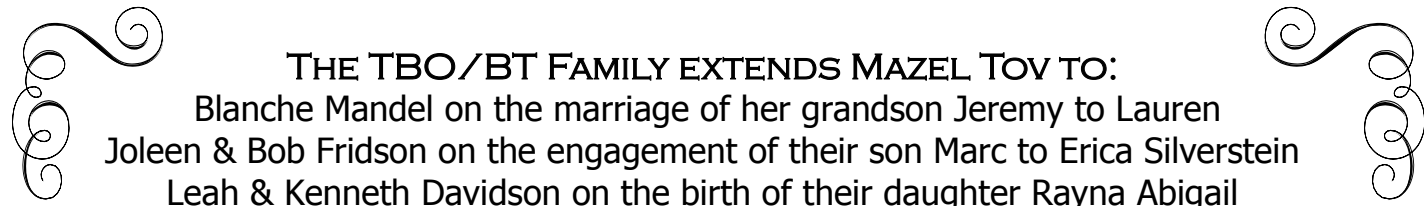
Torah & Haftarah Trope Tutorial Orientation is on Sunday, November 20, at 10:00am. at TBO/BT

Learn to read a portion of Torah or Haftarah. Cantor Stern will provide the audio, text materials, and follow-up practice sessions while you study at your own pace.

November 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7:00p Israeli Dancing 8:00p Jack Weinshtanker's Class 4 Cheshvan	2 7:30p Jewish Film Festival 5 Cheshvan	3	4 5:31p 8:00p Services Special Adults 7 Cheshvan	5 9:30a Services 8 Cheshvan
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20 9:00a Morning Minyan 10:00a Cantor's Class 23 Cheshvan	21 6:00p Paid Up Sisterhood Dinner 24 Cheshvan	22 7:00p Israeli Dancing 25 Cheshvan	23 26 Cheshvan	24 Thanksgiving Day 27 Cheshvan	25 4:14p 8:00p Services 28 Cheshvan	26 9:30a Services 29 Cheshvan
27 9:00a Morning Minyan 1 Kislev	28 8:00p Executive Board Meeting 2 Kislev	29 7:00p Israeli Dancing 3 Kislev	30 4 Kislev			





THE TBO/BT FAMILY EXTENDS MAZEL TOV TO:  
Blanche Mandel on the marriage of her grandson Jeremy to Lauren  
Joleen & Bob Fridson on the engagement of their son Marc to Erica Silverstein  
Leah & Kenneth Davidson on the birth of their daughter Rayna Abigail  
Marilyn Weinstein on the birth of her great granddaughter Rayna Abigail  
CONGRATULATIONS TO  
Lauren & Bill Falk on the engagement of their son David to Sarah Serwo  
CONDOLENCES TO  
Susan Barr on the passing of her husband Gary Barr  
Alvin Barr on the passing of his brother Gary Barr

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FROM THE PRESIDENTS



Thelma Purdy's  
Speech on the 1st Day  
of Rosh Hashannah

Good Yontiff,  
It's a pleasure to see all of  
you here—the critical  
mass is heart warming, a  
family gathering.

So you want to know how we're doing. I 'm glad you asked.  
For those of you who wondered how two female co-  
presidents would work out—it's been a rousing success.

This actually has been a threesome, because Lillian,  
Jonathan and I work in concert, not in competition.  
My personal thanks go to both Lillian and Jonathan for their  
untiring devotion to our congregation.

It is not a secret that Cantor Stern has been a sparkplug to  
our shul. His devotion to each of us, and his involvement in  
every phase of TBO/BT life has literally put us on the map  
in so many positive ways. For all this we are eternally  
grateful.

We thank Rabbi Saposh for again sharing our High Holiday  
bema and adding depth to the awesome Days of Awe.

Kudos to Julia for making this crazy quilt that is TBO/BT  
function.

Thanks to Mariela who keeps our shul-home clean and  
manages to keep us fed.

I consider our temple a startup company even though we are  
celebrating our 54th year as a congregation. Those who  
founded our shul took a flyer on a great idea—build a holy  
place where there wasn't one before—what a concept! Our  
continuing strength comes from each of us—the  
stockholders.

So how are we faring? Well, our membership is stable.  
Sadly, a few cherished members have passed away recently.  
In the last two and a half years we have welcomed six Clark  
families with fourteen young children who are learning  
about their Jewish heritage in our Yaldeinu and Hebrew  
Academy classes. It is a commitment we, as a congregation,  
embrace.

As an aside - embrace your old friends today, and please  
greet someone you may not know. Remember, if they are in  
the sanctuary today, they are family.

We are managing well, we're paying our bills, but as mutual  
stockholders we ask you to make whatever extra financial  
effort you can—support our fundraisers, sponsor a Kiddush,  
take on a large or small project that needs doing around our  
shul, join a committee, attend our program offerings, make  
positive suggestions or criticisms. All of the above will be

very appreciated, and you will be working with a great  
group of people. Just look around the room.  
This year we will be celebrating our 54th anniversary, three  
times chai. I asked several clergy what that means in  
gematria, a complicated system in which numbers are  
transposed into words. I received some vague answers. So I  
asked Bruce Bobbins for help. Bruce is a wordsmith by  
trade, and he got it just right: "Fifty-four years translates to,  
we look forward to the future with commitment, energy and  
passion."  
My family and I wish you a year of good health and  
contentment in a peaceful world.

Lillian Makow's Speech on the 1st Day of  
Rosh Hashannah

Rabbi Saposh, Cantor Stern, Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah  
family and friends, L'Shanah Tovah. Welcome.

I am honored to stand before you as Co-President of our  
beloved temple. Cantor Stern has often said that saying thank  
you is an important part of our Jewish tradition. I would like  
to thank each of the many, many people who have worked so  
hard during the year to bring us successfully to this day.  
Thank you to the member who spent a hot summer day  
cutting down a dead tree on the temple property, to the  
member who cleaned a blocked gutter in the pouring rain, to  
the member who called to wish you a Shanah Tovah on  
behalf of the congregation, to the member who comes to  
morning minyan so someone else can say Kaddish, to the  
member who leads our vibrant and enthusiastic USY group,  
to the 2 members who have created an exciting Yaldeinu,  
Hebrew Academy, and Hebrew High School for our children.  
The list is endless. If you ask each of these people and the  
others who have done so much why they do it, you will get a  
variation of, "I love this Shul." I would like to thank each of  
you by name but Cantor Stern has also said that one should  
not burden the congregation with overlong speeches. So, to  
all our volunteers, without mentioning names, I say thank you  
for your acts of loving kindness. We feel the love.

Another act of loving kindness that several of our members  
support is the "Yes, We Care Soup Kitchen." This effort to  
serve the needs of the poor was begun a number of years ago  
by Dr. Sanford and Arlene Fineman with the devoted  
assistance of Meryl and Alan Rubin. All, I am proud to say,  
are members of our congregation. Each week food is  
prepared at the Zion Lutheran Church in Clark. On the lawn  
of Zion Lutheran is a sign which I make a point of reading  
each week because it displays pithy statements which are  
both amusing and thought provoking. I especially like:  
"Adam blamed Eve. Eve blamed the snake and the snake  
didn't have a leg to stand on." On these Holy Days, we

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## SISTERHOOD PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Sisterhood had another successful meeting on Sunday morning October 30. After breakfast we listened to Linda Coppleson talk about being a soferet. Thanks to Paula Hymanson for taking over after I made the initial contact with Ms. Coppleson, and also to everyone who helped set up and clean up.

I expect to see many of the women in the Congregation at Sisterhood's Paid-Up Membership Dinner on November 21.

On November 24 we will celebrate Thanksgiving. It is quintessentially American, religious without being denominational and it is based entirely on one of the most important, and noble traits a human being can have - gratitude. I am grateful that as a Jew I have the freedom to practice my religion openly and no matter how bleak things look, I am glad to be in the United States. Our family tradition is to go around the table and let everyone tell one thing they are grateful for. In addition to my family and friends I am grateful to be part of the TBO/BT family which has added an extra dimension to my life. My co-presidents join me in wishing everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Louise Cangelosi

## GOLDEN BOOKS

### MAZEL TOVS

To: Joan & Leon Oberman on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson Ian Oberman

From: Fern & Joe Cammy, Lorraine & Milton Loshin, Audrey & Howard Silverman, Debbie & Arthur Freedman, Louise & Joe Cangelosi, Gloria Sern

To: Susan & Theodore Moreines on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Joshua

From: Claudia & Andrew Dorsch, Lorraine & Milton Loshin, Helene & Michael Miller, Debbie & Arthur Freedman, Betty & Mark Needleman, Paul & Paula Hymanson, Gloria Sern

To: Diane Goldstein, Honoree of the Torah 5772

From: Claudia & Andrew Dorsch, Lorraine & Milton Loshin, Sebley & Bill Hausler, Helene & Michael Miller, Arnold & Myrna Young, Louise & Joe Cangelosi

To: Audrey Silverman, Honoree of the Torah 5772

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### SPEEDY RECOVERY

To: Howard Horn

From: Audrey & Howard Silverman

# Happy Thanksgiving to everyone at TBO/BT!

## Thank you - תודה רבה

Many thanks to my friends at TBO/BT for their good wishes for my speedy recovery during my recuperation after an accident.

Janice Hymason

Marty Richstein would like to thank those who graciously contributed toward Simcha Tree Leaf and sent Golden Books in honor of his selection as Honoree of the Torah.

Arnold Young would like to thank his TBO/BT family and friends for all the good wishes for his birthday.

### We would like to thank

- Gary Klein of Wuhl Shafman Lieberman for the generous donation of fruit for our Sukkot celebration.
- Joe Cangelosi for repairing the Huppah.

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## FROM THE MEN'S CLUB PRESIDENT



The Men's Club has been busy again this past month. The High Holidays saw our participation, through the erecting and demolition of the Sukkah. A special thanks to Dr. Mike Miller, Theo Moreines, Howard Silverman and their crew of Stuart

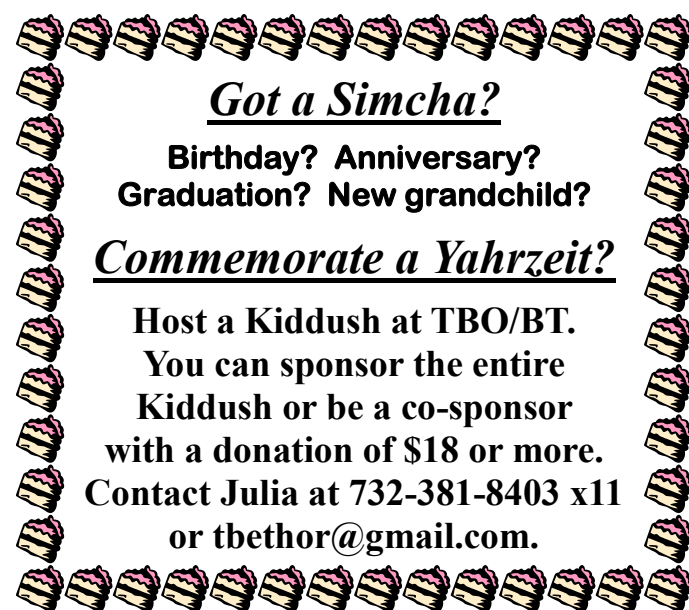
Sherman, Alan Mandelbaum, Russ Kelner (and his tools) and all the other volunteers who aided us in this annual venture. My apologies to those that I forgot to mention.

We had a great monthly breakfast meeting on Health and Nutrition by Sharon Goldner. A big thanks to Dr. Mike Miller for the breakfast setup and to all the guys (and gals) helping with the cleanup.

Our Northern NJ Region, Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs Man and Youth of the Year Dinner will be at the Grand Marquis on November 16th. Our club's past honorees have chosen Michael Roth, who has volunteered his time and efforts for our Men's Club and our synagogue community over the last few years to honor as Man of the Year. This year, Daniel Brotman has been chosen as our Youth of the Year, as a teenager who has been active in our youth groups and synagogue. Reservations are available through Paul Hymanson at \$54 per person. Congratulatory ads are also available for your participation.

I invite every man in the congregation to join Men's Club, to come to our monthly meetings, to a breakfast, to mingle, to enjoy and learn about our contribution to our temple..

Remember: Don't just be an observer, be a



PARTICIPANT in our movement of Conservative Jewish Men.

Harvin Freedman

### MAN-YOUTH OF THE YEAR RECEPTION 2011

**Michael Roth and Daniel Brotman will be honored the evening of November 16, 2011,** at the Northern NJ Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs' reception at 6:00PM at the Grand Marquis in Old Bridge, NJ.

Cost is \$54.00 per person.

**R.S.V.P. To TBO/BT Men's Club: Paul Hymanson 908-233-8145 or Michael W. Miller 908-233-9624 (smmiller@juno.com). Reservations by November 10. Mail payment to MC at TBO/BT office.**

Several people have requested information about placing an ad for Michael and Daniel in the reception journal. A full page ad is \$120, half page is \$72, full page honor ad with twelve names is \$120. I must have the copy and money by November 1st.

Contact Mike W. Miller for the information and ad form.

### MEN'S CLUB MILITARY VETERANS' SHABBAT Friday & Saturday, November 11 & 12

Men's Club invites all temple members, especially Veterans and their families to Military Veterans' Shabbat on Friday and Saturday November 11 & 12. RSVP to Michael W. Miller ([s-mmiller@juno.com](mailto:s-mmiller@juno.com) or 908-233-9624).

Please send names and information that was not on last year's list.

### OUR HELP IS NEEDED

ARC of Union County provides housing and services to the majority of the Special Adults who attend services at TBO/BT.

During the floods the homes and workshops were spared but the business office was severely damaged. They are in temporary space.

Financial donations can be sent care of Mrs. Lynn Lott, ARC Union County, 52 Fadem Rd, Springfield, NJ 07081.

## SISTERHOOD SCENE

### Reminder to all Sisterhood members!

Please send in your dues  
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Please make check out to:  
Sisterhood Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah  
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### Morning Minyan Update!

Our morning Minyan serves our temple community by providing us with a place to pray and say Kaddish for those in mourning and those commemorating a yahrzeit. It's there for us when we need it. Will you do your part to insure that it continues to thrive? Join us for one morning a week, or at least whenever you can. Breakfast is included, so we feed both the body and soul. Thank you!

In the month of November Morning Minyan will be held in Cranford  
Monday & Thursday – 6:50 am, Tuesday, Wed., & Friday – 7:00 am,  
Sundays & Holidays - 9:00 am in Clark.  
Evening Services are held every day at 7:30 pm in Cranford.

*Sisterhood cordially invites you to  
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DINNER*

*Monday, November 21, 6:00 pm*

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*RSVP by November 11 to  
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### Fifth Annual Jewish Film Festival

Co-sponsored by Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah, & the JCC  
Wednesday, November 2, 7:30 pm - *Arab Labor* (4 episodes  
from Season 1) (also 11:00 am)  
Wednesday, November 9, 7:30 pm - *La Rafle* (the roundup)  
Thursday, November 17, 7:30 pm - *66* (also 11:00 am)

#### In advance:

\$12 JCC members/ seniors 65+ / students  
\$14 General Public

#### At the door: \$15 General Admission

#### Series Subscriber (1 ticket for each film):

\$55 JCC Members/ seniors 65+ / students,  
\$65 General Public

*All films will be at  
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NJ*

*Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah has for so  
many years been an important part of our  
lives, helping us to celebrate simchas,  
and providing us with an extended family  
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*We thank you.*

recognize that each of us is responsible for his or her actions. There is no pointing fingers; no blaming others. “The devil made me do it” doesn’t cut it.

I think each of them, Adam, Eve, the snake, also had a responsibility to each other. We have a responsibility to each other. We sit here, our Temple Beth O’r/Beth Torah family and guests, because of the many people I thanked earlier. Throughout the year each contributed time, energy, creativity and money to enable us to enjoy this beautiful and comfortable building not only on these Days of Awe but everyday of the year. Please, seize the opportunity! Join us in supporting Temple Beth O’r/Beth Torah in any way

**Ed Leibowitz, Israel Bond Speech,  
10-7-2011**

There’s a chill in the air, the Giants and the Jets are playing football and Ed Leibowitz is talking to us about Israel Bonds....it must be fall.

I would like to once again express my sincere appreciation to the entire congregation for giving me the opportunity to talk to you today about State of Israel Bonds. It has been my pleasure to address you for a number of years on this important subject....and you have always responded generously and made me proud.

Soliciting for Israel Bonds never gets old for me and I never have trouble finding passion to put in my words.

I learned many years ago that asking you to buy Israel Bonds is not about yield and safety. We know that the State of Israel has never defaulted on a payment and their rates of return are always competitive with similar financial instruments. Buying Israel Bonds is about our future and the future of generations to come.

Recently this community and the Jewish world lost a wonderful man, a man who taught me to never lose sight of our future.....at the age of 91, Sol Kramer passed away.....I dedicate my words today to him.

Sol was a special man, not only because he was a successful businessman and a philanthropist...but because Sol believed the most important thing we could do was make sure that our children would inherit a world where they could be safe and proud Jews. Sol survived the Holocaust and knew that teaching young people to become Jewish leaders was critical to our future. Sol and his wife Clara were instrumental in Mindy and me becoming active leaders in the Jewish world.

The lessons I learned from Sol sitting with him on the board of the Federation, the Green Lane Y and the Jewish Home for the Aged in Somerset were many.

Many years ago, I led a young men’s mission to Poland and Israel. Joining me were Rabbi Zell, a dozen young men and, of course, Sol Kramer. Poland was his

you can. Become a member, come to any of our daily and Shabbat services, attend one or all of our informative adult education classes. Have fun and make friends while serving the community by joining Sisterhood or Men’s Club, buy a ticket to an event, become a sponsor of that event, join a committee, chair a committee. There are so many opportunities that are fun, rewarding and important to all of us. You and we will be richer for your participation.

To each of you I wish a healthy, peaceful and prosperous 5772. May we all go from strength to strength! Thank you.

homeland and the country where his beloved Clara was hidden during the war. As we left Kennedy Airport, he handed me a roll of money, easily totaling in the thousands. Sol said he would take it back once we went through customs. The money was to be given to the children of the family that hid Clara. He had vowed that as long as he drew a breath, he would take care of that family. As I did not want to spend the rest of my life in the Warsaw State Penitentiary, I asked Sol “**Can’t we get in trouble**” to which he replied “**Don’t worry, if we have to, will give the guard a few bucks**”.

We spent the next five days in Poland traveling throughout a country where Jewish life had once blossomed. All that was left of a vibrant Jewish world were the remains of concentration camps, desecrated cemeteries and old, poorly maintained buildings. I met no Jews below the age of 70. I am sure by now they are all gone. Sol would constantly show us landmarks where Jewish life had once thrived.

One night we were having a drink in a bar that had a live band. Sol went to the leader and gave him some money to play a song. He came back and said, “**Watch this and see why we came here.**” As the band played *Hava Nagila* every eye turned toward our table. You could feel the hate. We were lucky Sol didn’t want to do the *Hora* or I think we would have fought our way out the door that night.

The next day we got on an airplane for Israel. When we arrived in Israel it was like the Wizard of Oz when Dorothy landed in OZ. Everything went from bleak gray to vivid colors. Sol made us take a moment to do a *shehekiyanu* and told us that when he would be gone, it was our job to make sure that future generations would always have a free and safe Israel. We had lost Eastern Europe. We must never lose Israel.

Sol is gone now but I made a promise to him that day to always look toward the future. I am here today to keep my promise.....but I desperately need your help. I need you to invest in our future....I need you to invest in Israel. Our ongoing love of Israel and understanding what

**Adult Education Programs**

**Speaker on the Triangle Shirtwaist  
Factory Fire - 2011 marks the 100th  
anniversary of this tragic event**  
Sponsored by Adult Ed. & Men’s Club  
**Sunday, Nov. 6, 10:00 am**

Lillian Swanson is managing editor of the Jewish Daily Forward and has worked there since August 2008. She has a master's degree from the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University. For nearly two decades, she was an editor at the Philadelphia Inquirer. She also teaches editing, management and online skills at journalism conferences.

**Exploring Judaism’s Ethical Values  
Regarding Matters of Life and Death**  
Led by Jack Weinshanker.  
Tuesdays at 8:00 pm on November 1,8,  
and 15

Based on Rabbi Joseph Telushkin’s “Code of Jewish Ethics.”

Among the questions to be discussed will be:

- When observing Jewish law threatens life
- When we are not required to intervene
- Self sacrifice at its limits
- When someone else’s life is at stake

Please call the office to register.

**The award-winning film, *The Last Klezmer*, is featured as part of the College of St. Elizabeth Film Studies Festival on Thursday, November 3 at 7 p.m. in Dolan Performance Hall, Annunciation Center.** The *Last Klezmer* tells the story of Leopold Kozlowski, the last Klezmer musician alive today to have grown up in the Jewish culture before the Holocaust. He is still teaching, performing, and composing Klezmer music in Poland. The program opens with a demonstration of Klezmer music and a lecture by Yale Strom, the film’s award-winning director, a master Klezmer musician, and an artist-in-residence at San Diego State University. At the end of the film, Strom will answer questions from the audience. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Dr. Anthony Santamaria, 973-290-4338 or [asantamaria@cse.edu](mailto:asantamaria@cse.edu). The College of St. Elizabeth is located at 2 Convent Road in Morristown.



Our annual coat drive for the Yes, We Care Soup Kitchen is November 1 to November 4.  
Please drop your coats in good condition in the box in the temple’s lobby.

**SHABBAT SERVICES**

Friday Evening Services @ 8:00 pm  
Saturday Morning Services @ 9:30 am.

**November 4 & 5**  
LECH-LECHA  
**November 11 & 12**  
VAYERA  
**November 18 & 19**  
CHAYEI SARA  
**November 25 & 26**  
TOLDOS

**Yes, We Care Soup Kitchen**  
*A Non- Profit Organization*

We need your help! Over the years our student volunteers have graduated and moved away. Please come and help us make sandwiches **Monday evenings at 5:00 pm** at Zion Lutheran Church 559 Raritan Road, Clark, NJ  
Call Arlene Fineman, 908-403-6554, for further details.  
Time commitment is less than an hour.  
**Yes, We Care Soup Kitchen continues to collect canned goods. Please leave them in the box in the temple’s lobby.**



## Coming soon!

**November Interchapter Events:** November 6th—Kindergarten Night @ Cranford.  
November 23rd —Ice Skating @ Mennen Arena, Hanover  
Details for both of these events will be sent out in an email as soon as they are available.

## Action required!

Fall Kinnus— November 18—20 in North Brunswick. Check out [www.hagalilusy.com](http://www.hagalilusy.com) for more information and applications. Don't miss the deadline. If you are not attending the entire weekend and wish to attend the dance only you need to contact me by November 4th so I can ensure that a chaperone is on site.  
December 25—29 International Convention 2011 in Philly. Pre-con 12/23-25 in Marlboro. Check out the HaGalil website. [www.hagalilusy.com](http://www.hagalilusy.com). There may still be space available.

## Looking ahead!

December 9th: CLUSY Shabbat Service. Keep the date open. Alex C. will be contacting you to take a part in the service.

## Your fearless Leaders!

Dan B.—Pres., Alex C. – Rel/Ed & Exec./IA V.P., Ilana D.—SATO V.P., Steven L.—Freshman Rep and Barbara James—Advisor. Contact us at [clarkusy@gmail.com](mailto:clarkusy@gmail.com). No calls on Shabbat or other Jewish Holidays.  
CHECK IT OUT: If you have a Jewish friend who isn't a USY member, but wants to check us out—let 'em come to any chapter program! We can't wait to meet them.  
Applications and dues for 2010-2011 are overdue. Make sure you have sent yours in.

## Mazel Tov to our Prez!

Dan B. will be honored on November 16th by the FJMC at the annual dinner. Dan has been selected as the Youth of the Year by the TBOBT Men's Club. CLUSY is so proud of our president!

TBO/BT invites you to the screening of the 2010 documentary

## FOOD STAMPED

a humorous and informative look at how to live on  
one dollar a meal, as part of the

## Fighting Poverty with Faith Mobilization

*The annual Fighting Poverty with Faith mobilization focuses on addressing root causes of poverty. We enlist the moral authority and organizing power of the faith community to ensure meeting the needs of those living in poverty is a national priority. This mobilization utilizes the strength of the coordinated faith community to move individuals and communities to action and advocate for clear, immediate policy solutions to address the root causes of poverty.*

Our guest speaker and presenter will be Marc Schlesinger,  
Legal Fellow at the Jewish Council for Public Affairs.

**Saturday, November 12, 2011 at 7:00pm**

Sponsored by the Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah Bikur Cholim & Chesed Group &  
Jewish Federation of Central NJ.

our dollars accomplish are two critical reasons to buy bonds. This year, however, we have another reason to buy State of Israel Bonds.

We only need to listen to the passion and vitriol in the words of those who seek to destroy the State of Israel and wipe the Jewish people off the face of the earth. Remember, our adversaries are willing to strap a bomb to their children's bodies to make a point. ***The hate in our enemies' hearts should be a constant reminder that our future is dependent on every Jew having more passion for survival than those who seek to end it.***....There is never a moment to rest or Israel could be a distant memory like the Poland where Sol and Clara Kramer were forced to flee.

This past September, Mahmoud Abbas, current President of the Palestinian Authority was given the opportunity to address the United Nations...he asked them to recognize Palestine as a sovereign state. Here is a man who follows in the footsteps of Yasar Arafat, a known murderer and self-proclaimed anti-Semite. Abbas may have replaced Aratfat's fatigues and kaftan with a business suit and a clean shave but the ideology is still the same. He is... just...if not more dangerous than Arafat. For the world to give audience to a group of terrorists and murderers is appalling. This, my friends, is the scary world that Israel lives in every day...and this is why we must remain ever vigilant.

Buying Israel Bonds helps Israel in this life sustaining cause. No one is asking for a donation...we are simply asking you to make an investment in the future of the Jewish people. There is no excuse not to participate on some level.

Tragically, Israel is forced to spend an excessive percentage of its budget defending itself. The money raised through Israel Bonds is used for humanitarian causes and infrastructure. Our investment in Israel Bonds builds roads, schools and hospitals. Our dollars teach the young, heal the sick and care for the elderly....our dollars improve the quality of life for every person living in Israel and those who go there to visit.

In a few moments your fellow congregants and our USYers will collect your pledge cards.

Every year I watch the collection process carefully and see people uncomfortably looking away from the ushers. Some of these ushers will be our impressionable young adults....what lessons will we teach them about **our** commitment to Israel.

Waiting for others to support Israel for **you** is wrong...we must all do **something**.

I would hope that everyone in the congregation will participate in this year's bond appeal. I believe that there is no reason that anyone who was given a bond pledge card cannot at least buy a \$100 Mazel Tov Bond.

Again, let me remind you that this is not a donation, it is an investment. You will get your money back...with interest and help Israel at the same time. Many of us I know, will make larger contributions....Israel is counting on it.

As Jews, we must never again let our complacency

turn our homelands into memories. We must never again count on others to provide for our children or our children's children...it is our job to do that work.....and the time to go to work is today.

Sol Cramer left a better Jewish world for his grandchildren...will you do the same?

Let us all take a moment to read the ***Prayer for Israel and Peace*** printed on the back of the bond pledge card.

- ***May we see the day when war and bloodshed cease.***
  - ***When a great peace will embrace the whole world.***
  - ***Then Nation will not threaten Nation, and humankind will not again know war.***
  - ***Compassionate One, bless the state of Israel and shield it with your love.***
  - ***Shed over it the shelter of your peace and strengthen the hands of those who defend her.***
  - ***We pray for love and justice to flow like the mighty river.***
  - ***And for peace to fill the earth as water fills the sea.***
- And let us say, Amen.***

Israeli soldiers are led in combat by their superiors being in the front and asking their troops to follow them, Acharai

At this time I would like everyone to take their pledge card and follow me or ***Acharai*** in making our commitment to Israel. On this most holy of nights, I know we will all do what is right.

Thank you and on behalf of myself, Mindy, Scott, Steven and our new addition Lucy, we wish you a happy and

## From the Mailbox

October 4, 2011

Attn: Thelma Purdy and Lillian Makow, Co-Presidnets

Dear Lillian & Thelma,

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to you, to the Board of Trustees and to your members for the warm hospitality you expended to us and our congregation during this trying time for our synagogue.

Your open arms on Shabbat and Selichot made us feel safe and comforted. Your generous offer for a temporary home for our Religious School has enabled our children to continue their education without interruption. On behalf of our students, their families and our congregation, we thank you for the support and love you have shown us all. Best wishes for a Happy and Healthy New Year for you and your families.

L'Shana Tovah,  
Harold Oslick and Laura Rubin



# Happenings at TBO/BT

**Festifall in Westfield**



**Sunday Morning Minyan during Chol Hamoed Sukkot**



**Yaldeinu and Hebrew Academy in the Sukkah on Sunday, October 16 & 23**



**Pizza in the Hut with Hebrew High School Students**

