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# **BOARD MEETING**

June 9, 2025 5:30

**Yahrzeits** 

RABBI PRAVER'S SHABBAT June 7th.& 21st.

Temple Emanu-El of Bayonne
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5 Sivan-4 Tammuz
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**SHABBAT** 

Fri., June 6/10 Sivan

Candle Lighting 8:07
Sat., June 7/11 Sivan

**NASSO** 

Fri., June 13/17 Sivan

Candle Lighting 8:11

Sat., June 14/18 Sivan

**BAHA'ALOTECHA** 

Fri., June 20/24 Sivan

Candle Lighting 8:13

Sat., June 21/25 Sivan

**SHELACH** 

Birchat Hachodesh

Fri., June 27/1 Tammuz

Candle Lighting 8:14

Sat., June 28/2 Tammuz

**KORACH** 

# PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

The lyrics to the famous Broadway play <u>CAROUSEL</u> states; "June Is Bustin' Out All Over." These lyrics help the overall mood of the plot by giving the story a backdrop of joy and exuberance. Most of the townspeople are good, fun-loving people. Much of the word play in Hammerstein's lyrics suggests the springtime awakening of joy.

These words help us to describe our temple folk. We are good, fun-loving people and we would like our story to be full of joy and exuberance.

How can we accomplish this mood when there are not many of us who are dedicated to the success of our synagogue? How can we realize our dream of growing and flourishing in times of uncertainty? How can we continue our mission of offering our Jewish community hope that we can survive and become the great congregation with many people who are good and kind?

Although we have not found the answer to that yet, we have sent out the message that we are working on it and we are sure that some day, our efforts will be rewarded and will come to fruition.

Let's get on the carousel, turn around and around, and reach our goal. Let us look forward to the future with hope and confidence that all is possible and attainable. We can do it!!!!!



# RABBI'S MESSAGE

# **Shalom and Blessings of Peace**

# Shaul Marshall Praver

As we enter the season of Kayitz, summer, we're reminded of the harvest that comes from our hard work and dedication. Our community has become a beacon of warmth and spirituality, a place where we gather to share authentically and care for one another. We have been fortunate that more and more new residents are discovering our little Jewish Island here in Bayonne.

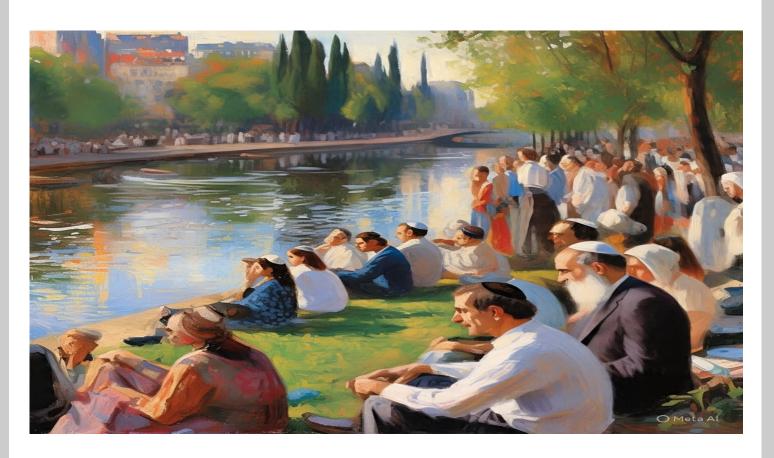
In this season of abundance, let's focus on the richness of our spiritual lives. Let's cultivate compassion, kindness, and comfort in each other's company, embracing our Jewish heritage and traditions together.

As we come together for Torah readings and prayers, let's celebrate the harvest of our encounters with one another. May the warmth of the sun on our skin, the breeze on our faces, and the beauty of nature around us inspire us to appreciate the gift of life.

The James Webb telescope peers into the vast expanse of the universe, witnessing wonders beyond our imagination. Yet, amidst the countless stars and galaxies, our blue luminous planet stands out, so far, as the only haven for life. How fortunate we are to be here, to be alive, and to experience the beauty of this world.

As our knowledge of the universe expands, so does our gratitude for the gift of life. Let's cherish the opportunity to live on this precious planet, to breathe its air, and to bask in its beauty. Let us appreciate the gift of our community, the light that shines through it and through our hearts. May this summer bring us joy, growth, and a deeper connection to each other. We need and deserve this secure and peaceful place. Our house is a house of prayer for all people. It is a good and calmly place.

May we emerge from this season with hearts full of gratitude, spirits renewed, and a deeper appreciation for the blessings of life. Gratitude is the essence of being Jewish. From the moment we wake up in the morning and we say, *Mode Ani Thankful am I before you Living and existing G-d who restores my soul to me daily, great is your kindness*. To the time we go to sleep, we are grateful for the gift of life.



The annual" "Shavuot Blintz" Festival will be celebrated on Tuesday, June 3rd, following Temple services. The sponsorship of this holiday tradition is made by Albert and Renee Bousso, in loving and blessed memory of Renee's father

**In Loving Memory of** 

ELWYN JAMES BLATTNER
SHAVUOT

# SCHMOOZE A LITTLE, EAT A LITTLE, LEARN ALOT

On April 26, 2025, Lee Smulen did a presentation entitled "Jews in Baseball." He shared with some information about the challenges that faced some of these players and he talked about their stories.

There have been some players who identified themselves as Jewish, including those who converted, who have had at least one Jewish parent, or simply identified as one by virtue of their parentage.

Lip Pike was the first Jewish Major League Baseball player and one of the first players in history. Cal Adams, one of the "Boys of Summer" players became famous for playing for the Brooklyn Dodgers during the 40's and 50's. Harry "The Horse" Danning, played for the New York Giants in the 30's and 40's. Other players include Sid Gordon, an All-Star, five-two outfielder for the Giants, Larry Sherry, relief pitcher and 1959 World Series MVP for the L.A. Dodgers, and others.

This project enlightened the audience about the richness that the Jewish players brought to the game of baseball.

On May 16, 2025, Paloma & Kevin Martinez and their children, Kevin and Kenneth, gave us a history and cultural lesson about the Dominican Republic. They concentrated on "Being Jewish in the Dominican Republic."

Jews arrived in that country after their expulsion from Spain in 1492. They practiced their faith in secret because of their experience in Spain. However, they explained that the organized and visible Jewish community was formed there in the 20th century.

The most important moment for Jews occurred in the 1930's and 1940's, when the dictator, Rafael Leonidas Trujillo, offered them refuge. He was one of the few world leaders who agreed to accept Jews.

They settled mainly in the city of Sosua, in the northern coast of the D.R. The government gave them land and they worked in agriculture.

Today, there is a synagogue and a Jewish museum in Sosua. Although small in number, the people are active and proud to be Jewish.

We thank the Martinez family for sharing their time in the Dominican Republic with us.

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In June, Bennet Carlin will present a talk titled "Funny You Should Ask: Using Language of Comedy to Discuss Jewish Issues/Seriously."

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# **TRIBUTES**

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# CONDOLENCES...

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FROM: SUZANNE SURPIN, VIOLA LUPO

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FROM: ROZ FELSTEIN

KIDDUSH... SHAVUOT BLINTZES BY ALBERT & RENEE BOUSSO

LEE & ALAN SMULEN IN MEMORY OF THEIR MOTHER

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TO: ANDY PLATIZKY- IN HONOR OF YOUR SPECIAL BIRTHDAY!!

FROM: RENEE AND ALBERT BOUSSO

MAZAL TOV...

TO: LINDA DROGIN- HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

FROM: SUZANNE SURPIN,

SANDRA DROGIN GREENBERG

GET WELL...

TO: DR. KERRI PEARL- GET WELL- SPEEDY RECOVERY!

FROM: ROZ FELSTEIN

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Harry Hollander Grandfather



# June 1-7/5-11 Sivan

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# **June 2025**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 erev shavuot	<b>2</b> shavuot	3shavuot yizkor	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15father's day	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	<b>26</b> rosh chodesh	27 <sub>rosh</sub>	28
29	30					

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