



# TIKKUN LEIL SHAVUOT 5777

## TUESDAY, MAY 30, 2017

### DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 PM

#### CO-SPONSORS:



Join us to commemorate the giving of the Torah as we study, pray and rejoice.  
Come for one session or the entire evening.

B'nai Jeshurun Congregation, 27501 Fairmount Blvd., Pepper Pike, OH

Free and Open to the Community

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#### Ongoing Programs

- Teen Tikkun- 6:30-8:30 pm: Unique programming for 6<sup>th</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup> graders
- Open Library with Dr. Rafi Simon- 7:00 pm-midnight
- icnext Cohort 3 Teen Israel Photo Exhibit: *Food for Thought- Exploration of Israeli Identities*

#### Session 1 - 7:00-7:45 pm

- Professor Doron Kalir, Cleveland- Marshall College of Law: *Be're'sheet Ba'ra Elo'him- What Happened "In the Beginning"?*
- Rabbi Melinda Mersack, jHUB: *Ephraim & Menashe: The Blessing of Children from Interfaith Families*
- Alan Rosskamm, CEO Breakthrough Schools: *Meeting the Challenges of Urban Education*
- Dr. Sylvia F. Abrams, Retired Dean, Siegal College of Judaic Studies, **BOOK DISCUSSION:** *"The Secret Chord" by Geraldine Brooks: an emotional reconsideration of the story of King David*
- Frances Ritsky-Kluter, **MEMOIR WRITING:** *Stories My Bubbe Told Me about Mitzvot- Reflect, Write, Share (limited to 15 participants)*
- Ken Bravo, V.P., International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies: *The Nuts & Bolts of Jewish Genealogy*
- Leah Kamionkowski: *A Reconstructionist Approach to the Meaning of Shavuot*
- Marjorie Falk, Art Teacher, **HANDS ON:** *Chalk Art Project- Mt. Sinai Experience (no experience necessary- limited to 25 participants)*
- Oudi Singer, Gross Schechter Day School: *Hassidic Wizards, Jewish Magic & Segulot Tehillim*

#### 7:45 PM LITE BITE APPETIZERS AND MINCHA

#### Session 2 - 8:30-9:15 pm

- Rabbi Stephen Weiss, B'nai Jeshurun: *One Law Shall There Be: The Rise, Decline & Renewal of the Partnership between Jews and African- Americans in the Fight for Civil Rights*
- Kyla Epstein Schneider: *Fascinating & Provocative Texts: Six Genders*
- Rabbi Shalom Plotkin: *Maximizing Well- Being as We Age*
- Dr. Brian Amkraut, Executive Director, The Laura and Alvin Siegal Lifelong Learning Program at CWRU: *Finding the Torah in the Tanach: What Happens When Biblical Figures First "Discover" the Torah*
- Charles Hersch, Cleveland State University: *Jews & Jazz: Improvising Ethnicity*
- Kevin Adelstein & Bob Jacob, Cleveland Jewish News: *How to Carry Out our Mission in Today's Political Climate*
- Carolyn Stulberg, Parenting Consultant: *Tale as Old as Time: Jewish Parenting/Grandparenting Lessons Learned from Beauty and the Beast- Not Your Typical Disney Story*

#### 9:30 PM MA'ARIV FESTIVAL EVENING SERVICE

*OVER: Tikkun continues into the night & morning*

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## CONTINUES INTO THE NIGHT & MORNING

### 10:00 PM GRAND DESSERT BAR

#### Session 3 - 10:15 pm-11:00 pm

- Cantor Aaron Shifman, B'nai Jeshurun: *The Prophet that Never Died- Eliyahu HaNavi*
- Rabbi Stephen Grundfast, Beth El, Akron: *Gematria: It's a Numbers Game*
- Rabbi Megan Doherty, Director of Hillel & Jewish Campus Life, Oberlin College: *Jewish Models of Dialogue Across Differences*
- Rabbi Peter Haas, CWRU Abba Hillel Silver Professor Emeritus: *Yigdal & Maimonides' Philosophy in Our Prayer*
- Judge Dan Polster: *Justice versus Mercy: One Judge's Struggle to Strike a Balance*
- Rabbi Dan Roberts, Emeritus Rabbi, Temple Emanu El: *After 120: Jewish Concepts of Life after Death & Reconciliation with Loss of a Loved One*
- Alex Blumin, Gross Schechter Day School: *Megillat Ruth Study*
- Barbara Epstein: *Jewish Perspectives on the Treatment of Animals from Biblical to Modern Times*
- Ilana Horowitz Ratner: *What We Learn from Ruth about The Other*

#### Session 4 - 11:15 pm-midnight

- Rabbi Josh Foster, B'nai Jeshurun: *Superman vs. the Nazis: A Modern Text Study on the Superman Comics during WWII & a Response from Goebbels of the SS*
- Rabbi Steve Segar, Kol HaLev: *Jewish Theological Approaches to Suffering*
- Ed Horowitz, Cleveland State University: *11 Mind-Blowing Mysteries of the Ark of the Covenant. #3 Will Shock You!*
- Rabbi Enid Lader, Beth Israel- The West Temple: *Ruth's Journey- How Ruth Changed Her Life by a Series of Bold Choices & Taking Risks*
- Dr. Jay Geller, CWRU Samuel Rosenthal Professor of Judaic Studies: *Myths, Urban Legends & Not-Quite- True Stories in Jewish History*
- Todd Rosenberg: *How Miracles Differ between Judaism & Christianity*
- Ayelet Isaac, Community Shlichah: *Israel through the Lens of our Shlichah*
- Toby Rosenberg: *Slow & Easy Torah Yoga (beginners welcome)*

### MIDNIGHT - 4:00 AM BREAKFAST BAR

#### Midnight-12:45 am

- Rabbi Scott Roland, Shaarey Tikvah: *Better to Sleep? Rabbi Zadok HaKohen's Case for Sleeping on Shavuot*
- Dr. Aaron Goldenberg, CWRU School of Medicine (Bioethics): *Jewish Response to Gene Editing*
- Bob Kimmelfield: *Guided Outdoor Spiritual Hike*

#### 1:00-1:45 am

- Elise Braverman-Plotkin, MA Talmud J.T.S.: *A Lonely Woman & a Forgotten Tree, What They Teach Us About Leadership*
- Rabbi Ben Shlimovitz, Gross Schechter Day School: *Organ Donation & End of Life*

**2:00-2:45 am** Jerry D. Isaak-Shapiro, Head of School, Joseph & Florence Mandel Jewish Day School: *Our Greatest Torah Commentators: Who They Were Says A Lot About What They Wrote*

**3:00-3:45 am** Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria, B'nai Jeshurun: *Self-Driving Cars- Torah in the Tesla*

**4:00 AM KABBALISTIC MYSTICAL WEDDING CEREMONY**-Rejoicing with the Torahs (*outdoors weather permitting*)

**4:45 AM SUNRISE SHACHARIT FESTIVAL MORNING SERVICE** (*outdoors weather permitting*)

Contact Shani Kadis at B'nai Jeshurun for more information or to RSVP.

Reservations requested, but not required.

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