

2017 SUMMER RETREAT AUGUST 20-21, 2017



Don't return home right away if you can possibly arrange to spend just a few more hours "down the Shore." Please stay for the afternoon and enjoy a couple of tourist attractions or visit a quiet park. The Clarion Hotel is only 20 minutes from the Atlantic Ocean. Driving east from the hotel along Route 37, you will cross over Barnegat Bay to the long, narrow "barrier island," arriving first at Seaside Heights, the famous town of ocean, beach, boardwalk, rides, amusements, arcades, entertainment, food and more. Then, both to the north and south, you will find more small beach towns, each with its own character and each with its own policy and prices for admission to the beach. But the boardwalks are free, and the ocean view and salt air aroma are fabulous everywhere. Be sure to include a drive along the equally-beautiful Barnegat Bay side of the barrier island. Also, only 10 minutes south of Seaside Heights is Island Beach State Park. Visit: <http://www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/parks/island.html>.

Alternatively, consider driving 20 minutes north instead to visit Lakewood. Because of the explosive and ongoing influx of Orthodox Jews, Lakewood has now reached a population of over 100,000. There you will find kosher supermarkets, fast-food restaurants, *shatnez*-checking stores, stores selling black hats for men and *shaitls* for women, and literally dozens of Orthodox synagogues, mikvahs and yeshivas (ask us to direct you). You might just as well be in Brooklyn's Borough Park or Williamsburg.

Many points of interest are even closer to Congregation B'nai Israel and the Clarion Hotel, such as Winding River Park, with its picturesque views of the cedar-colored but pure Toms River and its fabled pinelands environment (see below). For those interested in shopping, there is always the Ocean County Mall. There are many other fascinating places to visit elsewhere in Ocean County. Please ask Dan Green or Steve Walvick for their recommendations, or visit this tourism website for ideas: <http://www.oceancountytourism.com/>.

If you do plan to spend the afternoon outdoors in our area, be sure to bring along a hat, sunscreen and insect repellent.



CANTORS ASSEMBLY
New Jersey and Delaware Valley Regions

2017 SUMMER RETREAT REGISTRATION FORM
August 20-21, 2017

RETREAT REGISTRATION DEADLINE: AUGUST 1

Name (PRINT!) _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Please reply to these three questions:

1. Will you rehearse with the ensemble at 2:30 PM and sing in our evening concert? _____

2. If so, please specify your voice part: Soprano, Alto, Tenor or Bass: _____

3. All food to be served will be kosher and will be dairy/pareve/vegetarian. Do you have any serious dietary concerns? Please clearly state them here: _____

Print out this page and reply to above questions. Make a copy for yourself, then mail the other with your check before August 1. This is for retreat registration only--not the hotel.

The enclosed check, payable to **Cantors Assembly NJ Region**, is for:

____ Registration fee of \$90 per person for full Sunday-Monday retreat.

____ Registration fee of \$50 per person for: ____ Sunday only ____ Monday only

Mail this completed page, along with your check, to:

Cantor Daniel Green
6 Teri Court
Jackson, New Jersey 08527

For questions, advice or assistance, please contact:

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Clarion Hotel & Conference Center
815 Route 37 West (just east of Mule Road)
Toms River, NJ 08755
732-341-2400

For full information about the Clarion Hotel visit <http://www.clarionhoteltomsriver.com/>. You must phone the hotel to make your reservation; do not attempt to reserve online.

Phone the hotel at **732-341-2400** as soon as possible but before August 6. Identify yourself as attending the Cantors Assembly Retreat. Tell them the name of any other person with whom you expect to share your room. The rate for our Cantors Assembly Retreat participants is \$99 plus tax per room. Parking is free.

Bob Van Bochove, the hotel manager, has granted us special permission to check in as early as 1 PM on Sunday and to check out up to 1 PM on Monday. Remind the hotel agent of these check-in and check-out exceptions when you call in your reservation. If there is any problem, ask to speak to the manager's office.

CLARION HOTEL RESERVATION DEADLINE: AUGUST 6

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