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# Torah Restoration

עץ חיים היא למחזיקים בה

**Eitz Chaim Hi  
Lamachazikim Ba:**

**It is a Tree of Life for Those  
Who Hold Fast to It**



## What is *Torah* Restoration?

Honoring *Torah* and its role as a pillar of Judaism requires us to care for our sacred scrolls. This work includes repairing and rewriting broken letters as well as restoring damaged parchment.

Find out how you can engage with *Torah* and participate in our *Torah* Restoration Project -- whether you are a family looking forward to a *B'nai Mitzvah*, a congregant honoring a *simcha* (joyous occasion), a young friend on a journey of Jewish discovery, a senior reflecting on your enduring legacy, or anyone looking to enhance your connection with Judaism.

## Meet Our Scribes (*Soferot*) Join at the Scribes in Residence Weekend: April 28 - April 30

### Community *Shabbat* Dinner:

**Meet Rabbi Bec Richman: Friday, April 28**

After services, meet one of our *soferot*, Rabbi Bec Richman, who is working to restore our *Torah* scrolls. Get a preview of this weekend, full of opportunities to learn, study, repair, and connect with *Torah*.

***Shabbat* Morning *Torah* Study with Rabbi Bec Richman: Saturday, April 29 at 9:15 a.m.**

Join for a special scribal arts-focused *Torah* and text study.

**Community *Torah* Restoration Programs with both Rabbi Bec Richman and *Soferet* Linda Coppleson: Sunday, April 30**

**9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. - Berkman Mercatz Limud students & families** learn from our *soferot* and deepen their connections to *Torah* through hands-on scribal arts workshops.

**1:00 - 2:00 p.m. - Our entire congregation** is invited to a **community-wide *Torah* repair demonstration with Q&A.**

**2:00 – 6:00 p.m. - Scribal Sponsors** help scribe a letter in one of our *Torah* scrolls.

## Help Scribe as a Scribal Sponsor

Become a **Scribal Sponsor** in support of our Philanthropic Year.

Sponsors at each level receive the opportunity to help repair a letter in one of our *Torah* scrolls on Sunday afternoon, April 30.

### Interested in a private *Torah* repair session?

Please let us know you are participating by April 7 to schedule your session on April 30 -- for sponsorship at \$360 and higher. Additional *Torah* repair sessions will be added as needed. To become a Scribal Sponsor, contact Noah Levine at [nlevine@rodephshalom.org](mailto:nlevine@rodephshalom.org).

## Scheduling Your *Torah* Repair Time

After signing up to be a Scribal Sponsor, Noah Levine will contact you for your *Torah* repair time on Sunday, April 30.

### Do you have a special occasion or a special relationship to a particular *Torah* portion?

For Scribal Sponsors at \$540 and higher, Noah Levine will help match you with a corresponding *Torah* part for your repair.

## With appreciation to our *Torah* Restoration Project Co-Chairs Jon Broder and Ellen Simon



Jon and Ellen are eager to speak with you to help deepen your understanding of this work and answer questions.



## Scribal Sponsor Gift Levels

**\$1,080** – Identify a unique *Torah* repair opportunity that is meaningful to you with the help of our staff and lay leaders. Participate in a private *Torah* repair session with our scribe.  
- Repair a letter from the Hebrew word of a favorite Jewish value or  
- Honor a family ancestor by repairing a letter found in their (or your) Hebrew name.

**\$540** – Commemorate your *B'nai Mitzvah* or another life cycle *simcha* date by repairing a letter in the *Torah* portion that we help you identify -- during a private *Torah* repair session.

**\$360** – Participate in a private *Torah* repair session. You and each member in your household will help repair a letter in one of our *Torah* scrolls.

**\$180** – Participate in a small *Torah* repair group that starts with a prayer for the sacred work. Then, each household helps repair a letter in one of our *Torah* scrolls.

**\$36** – Participate in a community *Torah* repair session that begins with your group saying a prayer for the sacred work and, in smaller groups, get up close with one of our *Torah* scrolls to help repair a letter.