

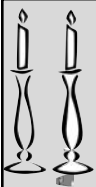
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Rabbi Gerald R. Fox

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SERVICES

Every Friday
Evening
Throughout the
Year,
8-9 p.m.

Light Refreshments

Saturday Service

April 11 • 10 a.m.

Sunday Board Meeting

April 12 • 10 a.m.

Inside or Outside?

Where are you — inside or outside? I don't mean indoors or outdoors, rather I am talking about your life. When you look at your life, do you see yourself as inside or outside? Are you someone who tends to be at the center of the people who make up your family and friends and acquaintances or are you someone who finds yourself always on the outside looking in?

These are important questions to ask yourself at this time of year as we approach *Pesach* as the Passover holiday is about freedom from being narrowly defined. The very word for Egypt in Hebrew, "*Mitzrayim*," can be translated as "from the narrow places." So it was for our ancestors, narrowly defined by their role as an "organic machine," soulless and without need of consideration; what we now call a slave. Probably one of the most revolutionary aspects of the Passover narrative is that Moses approached Pharaoh to insist that his slaves were more than just objects; they too, had spiritual needs and required sustenance other than "potatoes and leeks." He requested of Pharaoh the ability for the descendants of Jacob to commune for three days to praise God (long before the demand was voiced for their complete release from Pharaoh's grip).

Each of us has spiritual needs and requires sustenance other than the food and drink we pass by our lips. We long for and need to be accepted and honored for who we are in all of our complexity. Most of our hopes of being valued and found worthy by our family, friends, and certainly acquaintances, sadly, fall short. We spend an inordinate amount of time trying to get the attention of people who pay us no mind or see us as objects in their own narrative. And, after a time, we just give up. We play the roles that they have assigned for us; we accept ourselves as diminished. This is not the wisdom that we find within the Passover story. Instead, we find a message of persistence.

So, where are you — inside or outside? I think it is fair to say that if we want to be on the inside, and most of us certainly do, then it is important to try and try again to invite others to see the world around them as having space for you as the richly developed person you know yourself to be. We may do this nonjudgmentally because we know that, we too, have the ability to ignore the depth of others in our lives, objectifying them by discouraging their individuality. Living a two-dimensional life or encouraging the same in others is eminently unrewarding. It is only when we begin to value ourselves and our needs and wants that we become aware of the importance of, the blessing of, those around us.

I ask you to ask yourself this question: How do you want others to experience their relationship with and their time around you — do you want them to feel on the inside or on the outside? Passover reminds us that not only must each of us strive for freedom, but also we must grant it. This year, consider inviting others to share who



Coming Events

Friday, April 3
Erev Pesach
No Shabbat Service

Friday, April 10
7th Day Pesach
Office Closed

Saturday, April 11
8th Day Pesach
Yizkor/Kiddush
Service, 10 a.m.

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Passover Yizkor Services will be held on Shabbat,

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A kosher for Passover light kiddish lunch will be served.

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NO SHABBAT SERVICES EREV PESACH – PASSOVER EVE

Temple Beth Shalom will NOT be holding our normal *Erev Shabbat* services on Friday evening, April 3, to allow everyone to observe the *mitzvah* of the Passover Seder with family and friends as we welcome the holiday in our homes. We wish you all *ah zissen und ah kasher Pesach* - a sweet and kosher Passover!

Congratulations

to **Daniel-Paul & Eileen Alva** on the birth of their grandson, Grayson-Scott Alva, who was born March 16, weighing in at 5 lbs., 2 ozs.

Best wishes to the Alva family.

General Donations

Linda Hahn in memory of Fred Raichlen, brother of Linda Millison; and in memory of Sue Alva, mother of Daniel-Paul Alva.

Dr. Henry & Gloria Jacoby in memory of Sue Alva, mother of Daniel-Paul Alva.

Dr. Harry & Sarah Chaikin in honor of their granddaughter Fiona Rizzo's 2nd birthday. Fiona is the daughter of Hannah Chaikin and Tony Rizzo, their daughter and son-in-law.

Leaf on Tree of Life

Purchased by Daniel-Paul & Eileen Alva in honor of the birth of their grandson, Grayson-Scott Alva.

Prayerbook Dedication

Daniel-Paul & Eileen Alva in memory of Danny's mother, D. Sue Alva.

Thank You

A big thank you to the **Apters** for their very generous contribution of wine for our Shabbat dinners!

Get Well

Barry Bornstein, Sandy Cogan, Fred Fabel, Bernie Gittelman, Norma Gittelman, Diane Waxman

Yahrzeit Donations

Natalie Solomon in memory of her mother, Muriel Samuelson Schenker.

Drs. Robert & Roberta Ball in memory of Bob's mother, Anna Ball.

Jacqueline & Fred Fabel in memory of their nephew, Jeffrey Bilk, and grandmother, Rebecca Cantor.

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Aaron & Joan Grossman in memory of Aaron's brother, David Grossman, and Joan's grandfather, Philip Goldberg.

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Linda Oram in memory of her mother, Esther Masket.

Howard & Carol Serotta in memory of Carol's mother, Ceila Hecht.

Larry & Diane Hatoff in memory of Diane's father, Max Lefkowitz.

Selma Rosenblum in memory of her husband, Mickey Rosenblum.

Simply Shirley . . .

Welcome to all of my readers.

Points of Interest in March:

March 13: Temple Beth Shalom celebrated Shabbat Across America by hosting a delicious dinner with an Israeli theme. It was a delightful evening spent together. Once again, our hard organizers were Lill, Ron and Jack who organized the dinner and had their elves come and help with setting up. Thank you for making this evening so special.

March 15: Following our board meeting, a presentation was conducted by Yuval Shefi, the Jewish Community Shaliach from Israel: "Guide to the Perplexed: Israeli Politics Made Simple(r). Most informative presentation regarding the dynamic Israeli political system.

Monday, March 16: Our book club met to discuss "South of Broad" – a book written by the Author Pat Conroy who wrote "Prince of Tides." We met at the home of Mary Anne Miller and had a most enjoyable discussion. "South of Broad" is a novel of friendship, marriage and perhaps vintage Pat Conroy. In other words, some crying is justified.

Our next book club is Monday, April 13 and the book to be discussed is "The Girl on the Train," by Paula Hawkins. This will be held at the home of Lill and Ron Shender. We also set the date for May book club which will be May 18 and hosted by Beth Apter. The book to be discussed is "The Falls," by Joyce Carol Oates.

As a member of the Green Team, I would like to ask all of my readers to please remember to bring your reusable bags to the stores when you shop. We all need to avoid using plastic bags whenever possible. The environment needs all of us to recycle and stop the use of plastic bags. I thank you for helping to make the world a better place for us and the next generation to live in.

Please contact Shirley at 609-266-8599 or ssmorgan3@verizon.net should you be interested in being added to our book club list.

We welcome suggestions regarding any good read you may have and thank you in advance.

Happy Reading,

Simply Shirley

Prayer Book Dedication

We are offering you a chance to purchase a memorial/honorarium plaque to be placed in our new prayer books (inside front cover) for only \$36. We have only 18 books remaining for dedication, so call the office at 609-266-0403 and make your wishes known.

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Erev Pesach – Passover Eve

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Thank You To the Oneg Shabbat & Kiddush Sponsors

For March

Friday, March 6 – **Jerald & Sheila Cohen** in memory of Jerry's grandmother, Rose Cohen;

Terry Horowitz in memory of her mother, Elinore Scher.

Friday, March 13 – **Lillian & Ronald Shender** in memory of Lill's father, Jule Harrison;

Betty Chaikin in memory of her father, Harry Schindler;

Drs. Robert & Roberta Ball in memory of Bob's mother, Anna Ball;

Jack Lieberman in memory of his son-in-law, Jonathan Friedman.

Saturday, March 14 – **Carl & Beth Apter** in memory of Carl's parents, Molly & Robert Apter;

Vera Getz in memory of her husband, Solomon Getz.

Friday, March 20 – **Jerald & Sheila Cohen** in memory of Jerry's stepmother, Morray Cohen.

Friday, March 27 – **Albert & Barbara Dragon** in memory of their uncle, Myer Moskowitz;

Michael & Carol Albert in memory of Carol's father, Abe S. Eisen;

Jack Lieberman in memory of his father-in-law, Louis Eisenstein.



Len Coplein Library

We have several new additions in our library. You are invited to browse through the library in the office during the week between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Anything you want to know about Jewish religion, customs, humor, travel, etc. is available. Take advantage of our FREE library!

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they really are with you without offering your judgment upon them. This year, consider the needs of others above your own. This year, worry less about how much others take and more about what you give. If we are successful, then maybe, just maybe, we will all be in Jerusalem next year.

May our search for a place of our own bring us in from the cold. And may we remember the importance of sharing our own "hagaddah," our own story, with others so that they, too, may feel free to find a place of their own.

From my family — Sarah, Matan, Doron, and me — to yours, may you all have a sweet and meaningful Passover.

Rabbi Gerald R. Fox



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 4Linda Oram
- 8Saul Grossman
- 13Jacqueline Fabel
- 15Idie Benjamin, H. David Caplan
- 17Dr. Judith P. Schwartz
- 20Rabbi Gerald R. Fox
- 21Beverlee Bearman Reiter
- 22Marvin Elfant, Jeffrey B. Rosen
- 23Edith Krimstock
- 24Terry Horowitz

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

- 2Dr. Henry & Gloria Jacoby
- 22Leslie & Susan Tuerk
- 24Stephen & Jamie Satz

April Yahrzeits

- 4/1 Ronald & Lillian Shender *in memory of* Lill's cousin, Dr. Harvey Goldman
Michael & Marcia Kurland *in memory of* Michael's mother, Devera Kurland
- 4/2 Wendy Martelli *in memory of* her mother, Donna Himmelstein
Rabbi David & Janet Maharam *in memory of* Rabbi David's mother, Besse Maharam
Daniel-Paul & Eileen Alva *in memory of* Eileen's grandmother, Katie Wallach
- 4/3 Joshua & Elaine Shapiro *in memory of* Elaine's mother, Gertrude Nerenberg
- 4/4 Samuel Fishman
Ida Levin *in memory of* her father, Morris Lotstein
Fannie Melnitzer
- 4/5 Edward & Judith Rubin *in memory of* Judy's aunt, Celia Bell
Judith Blum-Crawford *in memory of* her grandmother, Rebecca Furst
Aaron & Joan Grossman *in memory of* Aaron's brother, David Grossman
Linda Hahn *in memory of* her grandmother, Cheitel Hahn
Lilyan Cralle *in memory of* her aunt, Betty Levin
Jennie Segal
- 4/6 Anna Harris
Donald & Phyllis Hoffrichter *in memory of* Donald's mother, Marcella Hoffrichter
Selma Rosenblum *in memory of* her husband, Mickey Rosenblum
Stanton & Aimee Levin *in memory of* their niece, Elizabeth Schmerling
- 4/7 H. David & Gloria Caplan *in memory of* David's brother, Saul Caplan
Jack Lieberman *in memory of* his father-in-law, Louis Eisenstein
- 4/8 Bruce & Barbara Nussbaum *in memory of* Barbara's mother, Rita Coopersmith
Sidney & Shirley Morgan *in memory of* Sid's father, Abraham Morgan
Dr. Stephen & Rosalyn Weinstein *in memory of* Steve's mother, Elsie M. Rosenblatt
- 4/9 Joel & Stephanie Miller *in memory of* Joel's aunt, Rose Goldsmith
Linda Hahn *in memory of* her aunt, Miriam Schloff
Rose Zuckerman
- 4/10 David & Estelle Silver *in memory of* Estelle's sister, Beverly Axman
Dr. Ira & Donna Wertheimer *in memory of* Donna's father, Ervin Bergenfeld
Albert & Barbara Dragon *in memory of* Al's aunt, Rose Marcus
- 4/11 Erika Brooks *in memory of* her mother, Carol Brooks
Judge Sandra Mazer Moss & William Boyd Deane *in memory of* Sandra's grandmother, Dora Boyer Levin
- 4/12 Albert Greenberg
- 4/12 Earl & Doris Berger, Gale Hoffman and Philip Goisman *in memory of* Doris's father, Gale's grandfather and Philip's friend, Charles Kerstetter
Terry Horowitz *in memory of* her brother, Mark Scher
- 4/13 Herbert & Rita Axelrad *in memory of* Herbert's mother, Ruth Axelrad
Allen & Natalie Abramowitz *in memory of* Allen's mother, Rae Glass
Anita Erman *in memory of* her father, Bernard Panitch
- 4/14 Drs. Robert & Roberta Ball *in memory of* Bob's father, Simon Ball
Linda Oram *in memory of* her mother, Esther Masket
Seymour & Dorothy Katz *in memory of* Dorothy's brother, Jules Perilstein
- 4/15 Carol Dranoff *in memory of* her brother, Alan Epstein
- 4/16 Dr. Howard & Arlene Waronker *in memory of* Howard's mother, Fay Waronker
- 4/18 Drs. Burton W. & Judith P. Schwartz *in memory of* Burton's mother, Frances W. Schwartz
- 4/19 Esther Fishman
Howard & Carol Serotta *in memory of* Carol's mother, Ceila Hecht
Estelle Lungo
Barbara Pearlman *in memory of* her mother, Therese Salus
- 4/20 John & Lena Elzufon *in memory of* Lena's father, Albert M. Jacobs
- 4/21 Robert & Eileen Linzner *in memory of* Robert's father, Myer Linzner
- 4/22 Rebecca Hirsch
Ronald & Jo-Ann Massanova *in memory of* Jo-Ann's aunt, Lenore Yudof
- 4/23 Judith Blum-Crawford *in memory of* her aunt, Jessica Frances Blum
Susan Mintz *in memory of* her mother-in-law, Lillian G. Mintz
- 4/24 Larry & Diane Hatoff *in memory of* Larry's father, Edwin Hatoff
- 4/25 Amy Hammel *in memory of* her father, Irving Lutin
Drs. Robert & Roberta Ball *in memory of* Roberta's father, Fred P. Robin
Bernard & Camille Rosenberg *in memory of* Bernard's mother, Lillian Rosenberg
- 4/27 Barry & Sandy Cogan *in memory of* Barry's mother, Hilda Cogan
Seymour & Norma Trachtman *in memory of* their lifetime friend, Carole Kramer
- 4/28 David Horowitz *in memory of* his father, Jerome Horowitz
- 4/29 Ronald & Rhoda Bermon *in memory of* Rhoda's father, Solomon Boyer
Edward & Judith Rubin *in memory of* Judy's brother, Allen Lam
Paul & Dr. Janet Sachs *in memory of* Janet's brother, Steven Sandell
Dora Young
- 4/30 Aaron & Joan Grossman *in memory of* Joan's grandfather, Philip Goldberg

Lighthouse Players present

"Rumors"

The community theater of Brigantine, known as the Brigantine Lighthouse Players, will be putting on another great hit play "Rumors," a sophisticated comedy by Neil Simon. One of TBS's own, Jamie Satz, is one of the talented actors! Performances will be held at the Community Presbyterian Church, 1501 W. Brigantine Avenue:

**Fridays & Saturdays, April 17 & 18 and
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Sundays, April 19 & 26 at 2 p.m.**

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See you at the show!



Chuckles

Western Wall

A female CNN journalist heard about a very elderly Jewish man who had been going to the Western Wall to pray, twice a day, every day, for a long, long time.

So she went to check it out. She went to the Western Wall and there he was, walking slowly up to the holy site.

She watched him pray and after about 45 minutes, when he turned to leave, using a cane and moving very slowly, she approached him for an interview.

"Pardon me, sir, I'm Rebecca Smith from CNN. What's your name?";

"Morris Feinberg," he replied.

"Sir, how long have you been coming to the Western Wall and praying?";

"For about 60 years."

"60 years! That's amazing! What do you pray for?";

"I pray for peace between the Christians, Jews and the Muslims."

"I pray for all the wars and all the hatred to stop."

"I pray for all our children to grow up safely as responsible adults and to love their fellow man."

"I pray that politicians tell us the truth and put the interests of the people ahead of their own interests."

The journalist then asked, "How do you feel after doing this for 60 years?";

"Like I'm talking to a wall."

BOOK CLUB

The next book club will meet

**Monday, April 13
1 p.m.**

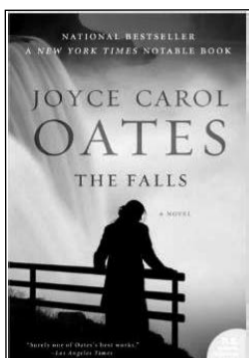
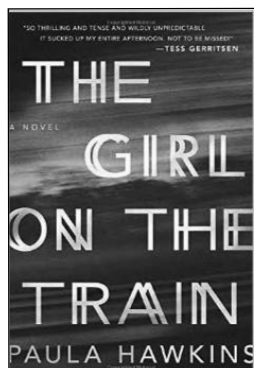
to review

"The Girl on the Train"

by **Paula Hawkins.**

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**Monday, May 18
1 p.m.**

to review

"The Falls"

by **Joyce Carol Oates.**

Hosted by

Beth Apter
402 31st Street

RSVP to Shirley at
ssmorgan3@verizon.net or call 609-266-8599.

Simkha, Simkha —

Read All About It!

Don't Keep It to Yourself — if you have great news, share it! Please let us know about your wonderful news such as births, graduations, promotions, awards and, we hope for many, weddings, and so on! No matter your joy, we'd like to share in it! Whether with a blessing or an "attaboy," communities are built by getting to know each other and sharing both bad times, but even more so, our good times! Contact us at the office via phone or via email at office@seashul.org or rabbi@seashul.org for Rabbi Fox.

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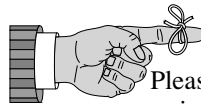
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