# MISHOCHEH

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Rabbi Gerald R. Fox

Tammuz/Av 5775

#### **SERVICES**



Light Refreshments

Saturday Service
July 11 • 10 a.m.

Sunday Board Meeting
July 12 • 10 a.m.



<u>Thursdays,</u> <u>July 9-August 20</u> Children's Bingo Season, 7 pm

Fridays, July 10,
August 7 & 28, 6 pm
Devotion by the
Ocean
Friday, Saturday,
Sunday,

August 7, 8 & 9
Scholar's Weekend
Sunday, August 9
General Meeting
10am

Sunday, August 23 Annual Bazaar 9am

#### **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.

#### RABBI'S COLUMN

Freedom For What?

As Independence Day arrives, my thoughts drift back to my childhood: Having grown up in Washington, D.C., I witnessed an unending parade of protests against this issue or that, protesters filled with the hope that their united voices would sway those who held power toward a different path. Especially in mid-Summer, the flowers of the Mall were no longer those of Spring's cherry blossoms but rather the



scent of righteous indignation that wafted through the streets of my hometown. For a young boy coming of age in troublesome times, these voices and tireless marching feet were object lessons in how one expresses the word and lives the idea and ideal of "freedom."

And yet, as season followed season, I began to wonder about the efficacy of these voices for righting injustices. I remember distinctly the turning point: Iranian students marching against American involvement in their home country . . . right down my quiet residential street. My mind turned to the moment after any march, the "now what?" moment when revolution ends and daily living begins. "What is the purpose of freedom?" I would ask myself . . . "freedom for what?"

With texting and Facebook and Twitter and a myriad of other ways to connect to each other through the great computerized worm-hole we call the Internet, we have become nearly obsessed with the connections we make with our like-minded neighbor, but I wonder: "For what purpose?" Are we meant to live in mental ghettos? Freedom is a central aspect of our humanity; we all want to be free. It is that longing that is the germ of revolution. What we must figure out before we start is, what comes next . . . we need to start formulating an answer to the question, "How do we live together?"

With the recent absolutely tragic massacre of nine individuals seeking to understand the world around them and their place in it by exploring the wisdom of our ancestors, we

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## DEVOTION BY THE OCEAN

Join the
Jewish Community
and area synagogues
for special

Friday Shabbat
Beach Services on
July 10 and Aug. 7 & 28
6 p.m.

near the gazebo by the Ventnor Library (Atlantic & Newport Avenues)

The services will include musical instruments.

Wine, grape juice, challah and dessert will be provided.

Let's represent our Temple as we bring in Shabbat with our fellow Jews from across
the area and alongside our Rabbi Fox, who will be participating in the services.

For those who cannot make these events in Ventnor, Temple Beth Shalom will be holding services as usual at 8 p.m. We hope to see you all either on the Ventnor beach or in Brigantine at Temple Beth Shalom.

### Condolences

To **Stanton & Aimee Levin** *on the loss of* Stan's mother, **Ida Levin**, who passed away June 22. Our deepest sympathy to Stan, Aimee and family.

## Congratulations

To **Betty Chaikin** on the May graduations of her two grandsons, who are the sons of her daughter Jamie & Billy Boutin. Dr. Otto Boutin graduated with a medical degree from Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine, Florida. He is doing his residency at a hospital in Mississippi. Scotty Boutin graduated with degrees in music and computer science from The College of NJ. *Mazel Tov and best wishes to* Otto and Scotty on their amazing accomplishments!

To **Jack Lieberman** on the recent high school graduations of his three grand-children. Elias and Noah Jaffe of Silver Spring, MD, children of his daughter Barbra and Larry Jaffe. Allyssa Liehr of Randolph, NJ, daughter of his daughter Abbie Liehr DeFeo. *Mazel Tov and best wishes to* Elias, Noah and Allyssa!

Get Well

Barry Bornstein, Fred Fabel, Bernie Gittelman, Saul Grossman, Diane Waxman

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Judie Bramnick in memory of Gary Selbst; and get well to Larry Zeitz

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#### In Memorian

It is with great sadness that we note the passing of **Ida Levin**, who passed away June 22, 2015. Ida was a long-time member and very generous supporter of the Temple through the years.

We will miss you, Ida. Rest in peace.

## Simply Shirley . . .

Welcome to all of my readers.

The TBS book club met on Monday, June 15 and we discussed "Jane Eyre" which is truly an old classic and worth discussing.

"Jane Eyre" is not a pure romance novel. It's a more complex work combining elements of the coming-of-age story.

We met at Beth Apter's lovely home and were once again welcomed in a most gracious style. To all of the bookies who open up their homes to us I say Thank You. You all do a great job in making our afternoons so very special – as do our bookies who use the Community Center.

We have chosen our July book which will be "The Lone Survivor." The date is July 27 and will be hosted by Joanne Price at the Community Center.

Upon recommendation of Burton, we will read "The Nightingale" for our August 31 book club, which will be hosted by Lilyan Cralle at the Community Center.

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

## Yahrzeit Donations

**Bruce & Dolores Bortner** *in memory of* Bruce's parents, Henrietta & Benjamin Bortner.

**Sheila & Saul Feder** *in memory of* Sheila's daughter, Alexandra B. Feiertag.

**Jerald & Sheila Cohen** *in memory of* Jerry's mother, Vera B. Cohen, and his uncle, Daniel Cohen.

**Albert & Barbara Dragon** *in memory of* Al's father, Samuel Dragon, and his brother, Dr. Arnold Dragon; Barbara's uncle, Morris Lonsky, and her stepfather, Max Hyman.

**Howard & Debbie Schlesinger** *in memory of* Howard's grandmother, Emma Schlesinger.

**Irene Siegel** *in memory of* her husband, Marvin Siegel, and father-in-law, Ben Siegel.

**Drs. Burton W. & Judith P. Schwartz** *in memory of* Judy's mother, Yetta G. Parker.

**Stanley & Judith Levick** *in memory of* Stanley's mother, Mary Levick.

**Aaron & Joan Grossman** *in memory of* Aaron's mother, Sylvia Grossman, and brother, Dr. Leon Grossman.

**Dr. Robert Schwab** in memory of his mother, Sophie Schwab. **Sue Goldstein** in memory of her parents,

George & Evelyn Lipson.

**Jacqueline & Fred Fabel** *in memory of* their mothers, Betty Bilk and Ruth Fabel, and Jackie's brother, Marvin Bilk.

**Drs. Warren Heymann & Rhonda Schnur** *in memory of* Warren's brother, Andrew Heymann.

**Debbie Coplein** *in memory of* her father, Dr. Leonard Coplein. **Howard & Myrna Levin** *in memory of* their son, Daniel Levin.

**Janis Murphy** *in memory of* her father, Bernard Milstein. **Arnie & Lory Schuster** *in memory of* Arnie's father, Karl

Schuster, and Lory's mother, Eva Zeidel. **Dr. Martin & Linda Millison** *in memory of* Marty's mother,

Mamie Millison.

**Howard Abber** in memory of his father, Bertram Abber.

## **Thank You** To the Oneg Shabbat & Kiddush Sponsors

#### For June

Friday, June 5 - Dr. Howard & Arlene Waronker in memory of Arlene's father, Max Glaberson.

Friday, June 12 – Terry & Fred Horowitz in memory of Fred's mother, Bella Horowitz-Cobert;

**Jerald & Sheila Cohen** in memory of Jerry's mother, Vera B. Cohen.

Saturday, June 13 – Alan Simon in memory of his father, Paul Simon.

Friday, June 19 – Jamie & Stephen Satz in memory of Jamie's mother. Ida Kessel:

Jerald & Sheila Cohen in memory of Jerry's uncle, Daniel Cohen;

Drs. Burton W. & Judith P. Schwartz in memory of Judy's mother, Yetta G. Parker.

Friday, June 26 - Jack Lieberman in memory of his mother, Ida Lieberman.



#### **BIRTHDAYS**

18Dr. Robert A. Ball,
Alan Simon
19Irene I. Siegel
22Estelle Silver
23John M. Bacha
24Barry Bornstein
31Neil I. Goldfarb, Jamie M. Satz

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

5	Eric & Frances Goldstein
9	Karen & Clyde Ferguson, Jr.
	Barry Bornstein & Fran Dratch
	Jeffrey B. & Rhoda J. Rosen
16	Rabbi Gerald R. & Sarah Fox
27	Dr. Ira S. & Donna J. Wertheimer
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cannot help but ask ourselves why such an act occurred and why we have become reluctant to call out the evil in our midst. Rabbi Elazar is attributed with putting the answer succinctly: "Evil does not prevail until it is given power."

Each of us, at one time or another, have worried about being labeled a "difficult person" that might accompany speaking out about an injustice (even and especially small ones) in our midst, and so we remain silent. Let's face it, it is not always easy or even possible to make a difference by engaging in a direct assault on distasteful behavior and the like. So, perhaps we should look at the issue differently: The Kotzker Rebbe had a response in the affirmative: "Where do we find God? Where the Divine presence is permitted entry."

Most of us write off our ability to change the world around us; we feel small and unimportant and there are far too many people who are happy to remind us of this "dysmorphic fact" in a vain attempt to magnify themselves and their impact on the world. To the contrary, our entire religious tradition, our heritage as Jews, speaks to the opposite vision: We were set upon this earth for a purpose, the first among them is to find a way to get along with each other . . . to love one another.

And so I set a task upon you: Find someone whose positive vision of their world has atrophied—all of us know someone like this—and find a way to love them. Speak out and remind them that to be human is, in part, to reflect the Divine. And most of all, do not give up on them or yourself. When we act with love and offer forgiveness, we invite God's presence to dwell among us.

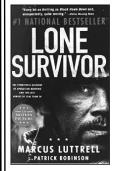
In the end, that is at the heart of what makes "freedom" holy.

#### Rabbi Gerald R. Fox

(Rabbi Fox's message above is also being published in the "Jewish Exponent" on July 1, 2015.)

### **BOOK CLUB**

The next book club will meet



### Monday, July 27 1 p.m.

to review

"The Lone Survivor" by Marcus Luttrell.

Hosted by Joanne Price at the Community Center

Monday, August 31 1 p.m.

to review

"The Nightingale" by Kristan Hannah.

Hosted by Lilyan Cralle at the Community

Center



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

## July Yahrzeits

- 7/3 Dr. Robert Schwab *in memory of* his mother, Sophie Schwab
- 7/4 Drs. Warren Heymann & Rhonda Schnur *in memory of* Warren's brother, Andrew Heymann
- 7/5 Joshua & Elaine Shapiro *in memory of* Josh's father, Sidney Shapiro
- 7/6 Bernard & Norma Gittelman in memory of Norma's mother, Sonia Cohen Howard & Debbie Schlesinger in memory of Howard's grandfather, Sol Schlesinger
- 7/7 Jacqueline Fabel *in memory of* her brother, Marvin Bilk Neil I. Goldfarb *in memory of* his mother, Norma Goldfarb Sue E. Goldstein *in memory of* her father, George Lipson
- 7/9 Debbie & Gail Coplein in memory of their father,
   Dr. Leonard Coplein
   Ellie Risso in memory of her friend, Harry Fishman
   Linda Hahn in memory of her father, B. Max Klevit
   H. David & Gloria Caplan in memory of Gloria's mother,
   Rose Leiken
- 7/10 Howard & Myrna Levin *in memory of* their son, Daniel Levin Arnie & Lory Schuster *in memory of* Arnie's father, Karl Schuster
- 7/11 Janis C. Murphy in memory of her father, Bernard Milstein
- 7/12 Irene Brodsky in memory of her mother, Rose Gamerman
- 7/13 John Spinrad *in memory of* his step-grandfather, David Frankel Dr. Eli & Nancy Zucker *in memory of* their sister-in-law, Freyda Zucker
- 7/15 Mitchell & Mina Kramer *in memory of* their son-in-law, Donald Mathew Aronow
- 7/16 Gregory & Bella Royzman *in memory of* Greg's mother, Faina Lorman
- 7/18 Jerald & Sheila Cohen *in memory of* Sheila's mother, Nancy Clancy Albert & Barbara Dragon *in memory of* Barbara's stepfather, Max Hyman
- 7/19 Irene Brodsky *in memory of* her husband, Dr. Arthur B. Brodsky Michael Axler *in memory of* his sister, Helen Concors
- 7/20 Michael & Marcia Kurland *in memory of* Michael's grandmother, Gussie Kurland
- 7/21 Michael & Carol Albert *in memory of* Michael's mother, Sarah Albert Bruce & Dolores Bortner *in memory of* Bruce's father, Benjamin Bortner Jack Fishman Dr. Burton & Ruth Weiss *in memory of* Burton's father, Robert Weiss
- 7/22 Ronald & Shelley Miller *in memory of* Ron's former spouse, Phyllis Miller
- 7/24 Beverly Rosendorf *in memory of* her father, Sol Rosendorf Samuel & Arlene Maisus *in memory of* Arlene's mother, Anna Steinberg Seymour & Norma Trachtman *in memory of* Seymour's

father, Nathan Trachtman *in memory of* Seymour's

Toby P. Waller in memory of her father-in-law, Sidney Waller

- 7/25 Drs. Robert & Roberta Ball *in memory of* Bob's sister, Barbara Ball Portner
- 7/27 Joel & Stephanie Miller *in memory of* Joel's uncle, Abraham M. Goldsmith
- 7/28 Hannah Karsevar
  Jack Lieberman *in memory of* his wife, Rosalie Lieberman
  Barry & Sandy Cogan *in memory of* Sandy's mother, Evelyn
  Rubinstein
- 7/30 Jacqueline Fabel *in memory of* her mother, Betty Bilk Arnie & Lory Schuster *in memory of* Lory's mother, Eva Zeidel
- 7/31 Wendy Martelli in memory of her father, Martin Himmelstein

#### JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER

On August 9 at 10 a.m. there will be a Board Meeting and a General Meeting. Elections of the new officers will be held. Now is your chance to speak up and be heard. If you haven't returned your Nomination Form, this is your last chance.

## Children's BINGO

## Returns

Our long-standing summer tradition of hosting Bingo for the children of our community will kick off on Thursday evening, July 9, and will continue for seven Thursday evenings from 7 - 8:30 p.m. until August 20. The games are open to all children ages 6 to 12.

Many new events and new prizes will be available this year along with several new masters of ceremonies.

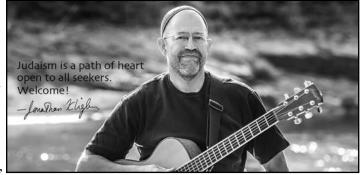
As in the past, many volunteers are needed to monitor the games. Please sign up!! You don't have to volunteer for the entire season. Come for a few and stay for more. It's fun...Call the office now!!!, 609-266-0403.





## The Temple Beth Shalom Scholar's Weekend

We are proud to announce that the Temple Beth Shalom Scholar's Weekend will be held this year on **August 7-9** with **Rabbi Jonathan Kligler** as our Scholar-in-Residence. After serving 25 years as the Rabbi of the Woodstock Jewish Congregation, Rabbi Kligler "retired" to become the Senior Scholar at the Lev Shalem Institute (LSI) of the Woodstock Jewish Congregation, in the famed arts colony of Woodstock,



New York. LSI offers a year-round calendar of workshops and retreats that inspire full-hearted living through the wisdom, joy, and gifts of Judaism.



Rabbi Kligler has a special gift for creating settings that invite and inspire openness, insight, and self-revelation. Drawing on his passionate love of music and dance and his evocative skills as a writer, he brings a rich and varied palette to his life's work: sharing the joy, love, and wisdom of Judaism. Rabbi Kligler is truly an inspiring and joyful spiritual leader, a masterful teacher, and a compassionate and insightful counselor. Please see more about Rabbi Kligler at his website: www.rabbijonathankligler.com

The schedule is as follows:

**Friday, August 7, 8 p.m.** – Rabbi Kligler will lead an uplifting musical Shabbat as he lifts our spirits, followed by a special Oneg befitting this beautiful evening.

**Saturday**, **August 8**, **10** a.m. – Come share a meaningful Shabbat service followed by a *Kiddush* lunch, Shabbat songs, and maybe a brief story or two! This is a perfect opportunity to get to know our Scholar-in-Residence, Rabbi Kligler! RSVP required for lunch by August 3 so that we can accommodate everyone.

**7:00 p.m.** – Join us for a "Woodstock-style," laid-back end to Shabbat filled with conversation, a story or two, and, of course, music! We encourage you to bring your instruments to join in and certainly your voices and your Shabbat joy to share. We will conclude this *haimishe* evening by raising our voices in song for *Havdalah*.

**Sunday, August 9, 11:30 a.m.** — Rabbi Kligler will lead a special workshop on drawing out the wisdom of Judaism and bringing joy and meaning into our lives. In order to make sure that we are excellent lunch hosts, an RSVP and a modest donation are required for this event by August 5.

Bring us your treasures, not your trash!

ANNUAL BAZAAR Sunday, Aug. 23 · 9 a.m.

We are accepting good, clean merchandise.
NO clothing, electronics or electrical gadgets

NO clothing, electronics or electrical gadge (NO JUNK, PLEASE)

So go through your closets, kitchens, garages, jewelry boxes, etc. and bring them to the Temple 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

Call the office at 609-266-0403 if you have any questions or need to make special arrangements.



Temple Beth Shalom greatly appreciates the contributions of all toward this weekend and, in particular, the generous gift and support of Drs. Frank and Sarah Kern in helping to make the vision of the Scholar's Weekend a reality.

For more information on this incredible Scholar's Weekend that will raise our spirits, please contact the synagogue office or Rabbi Fox.

## **BRIGANTINE NORTH SCHOOL AWARDS**

Every year, Temple Beth Shalom participates in the North Middle School Awards Assembly. On June 22, Beth Apter attended this year's ceremony and presented an award for Effort and Attitude to 8th grade graduate Samantha Alberti, on behalf of Temple Beth Shalom. It is an honor to continue participation in this annual community event.



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