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Rabbi Gerald R. Fox

Elul/Tishri 5771/5772

SERVICES

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

Light Refreshments

Saturday Service
September 10 • 10 a.m.

Board Meeting
Sunday, Sept. 11 • 10 a.m.



RABBI'S COLUMN

Living Finite, Reaching Infinity

Are you shaking a little these days (not from an illness or disease)? Are you staying up late at night (and don't have twins)? Are you checking in with family more frequently than you used to and yet checking on your bank balance twice as often? Do you worry about missing an event or paying a bill, not because you don't care or because you don't have the funds but because you feel like your life is a torrent of "dos" and "should haves" and "absolutely musts" and you can't always keep them straight? Well, you're not alone. Many of your fellow congregants, not to mention fellow Americans, are in the same boat as you.

While you may be experiencing what some might call the "Elul sweats," the worry that comes with the approaching New Year and our most holy Day of Atonement, in truth many Americans have been lost in the haze of empty, busy lives. Yet another retired relative shared with me recently what has become a louder and louder mantra for many: "I am more busy since I retired than I ever was before I retired!" Once people worried about being needed after their work-life has ended, but now people couldn't be happier with the life they've created for themselves because it is based upon a genuine desire for their company and guidance.

But . . . many also tell me that they feel frustrated that they are being left behind with the demands of the Internet Age: real-time personal news broadcast to all; new etiquettes for the new world of technology; and the "new ethics" of obligations to self versus family, to name but a few. That stress is most serious when we seek to fill up our lives with the "busyness" of life.

We all know that stress-related illnesses go up when "times are tough." We look for ways to constructively avoid the worries of our lives. Unfortunately, filling up on such things often turns into the simple act of filling up on "empty spiritual calories," leading to a life that is never grounded and satiated. Without a clarity of purpose, most of us flounder until

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HIGH HOLIDAYS

Schedule for
5772/2011

ROSH HASHANAH

September 28

Erev Rosh Hashanah Service
8 p.m.

September 29

Rosh Hashanah First Day Service
9:30 a.m.

Tashlich Service, Approx. 2 p.m.
Please bring your own bread.

September 30

Rosh Hashanah Second Day Service
9:30 a.m.

YOM KIPPUR

October 7

Erev Yom Kippur / Kol Nidre
6 p.m.

October 8

Yom Kippur Morning Service
9:30 a.m.

Yizkor Service, Approx. 12 Noon
Mincha & Neilah*, 4:45 p.m.

Break-The-Fast
7:15 p.m.

*Anyone is welcome to bring their
Shofar for conclusion of Yom Kippur.

Join the
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for special

DEVOTION BY THE OCEAN

**Friday Shabbat
Beach Services on
Sept. 2 • 6 p.m.**
near the gazebo by the Ventnor Library and the beach
(Atlantic & Newport Avenues)

The services will include musical instruments. Wine, grape juice, challah and dessert will be provided. A strong showing from our Temple is needed, as Rabbi Fox will be participating.

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.

Community-Wide Selichot Program & Service

The case that took prosecutors
3700 years to bring to trial:

THE PEOPLE VS. ABRAHAM
Saturday, September 24 • 8:30 p.m.
at Congregation Beth Judah
700 N. Swarthmore Ave., Ventnor

Real judges, real attorneys. You will hear witnesses testify and help the judges decide the guilt or innocence of Abraham. See full details in Genesis 21 & 22. This has been a hotly contested debate for centuries and the evening will be filled with drama and passion as both sides present their cases.

Be there for this extraordinary event followed by refreshments and the Selichot Service (11 p.m.).

Boscov's SHOPPING PASS

We have a great opportunity for you, and it only costs 5 bucks!

Purchase a Shopping Pass for an all-day shopping spree on Tuesday, October 4, 2011 at Boscov's Department Store for only \$5. Not only will you be entitled to 25% off on your purchases, the Pass also includes free refreshments, entertainment and a chance to win fabulous door prizes! The price for all this enjoyment can't be beat and all of the proceeds will benefit Temple Beth Shalom. These Shopping Passes are now available, so call the Temple office now so you don't miss out on all the fun!

Odyssey Program The High Holidays

at the Jewish Community Center, Margate

Sunday, Sept. 18

Registration and Brunch - 10-10:30 a.m.

Period 1 - 10:30-11:20 a.m.

Period 2 - 11:25 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

(Rabbi Fox is teaching during this session.)

Period 3 - 12:20 p.m.-1 p.m.

Cantors in a musical preview of the High Holidays

Featuring: **Cantor Larisa Averbakh with Cantor Ralph Goren, Cantor Ed Kulp, Cantor Debbie Stern and Hazzan Jeffrey Myers**

Rabbi Krauss - Prayers: What and Why?

Rabbi Rapoport - *Honeymooning with God:*

Experiencing the High Holidays in a meaningful way

Rabbi Weis - *Reward and Punishment in the High Holidays*

Rabbi Gaber - *The Sukkot Festival: the most joyous holiday*

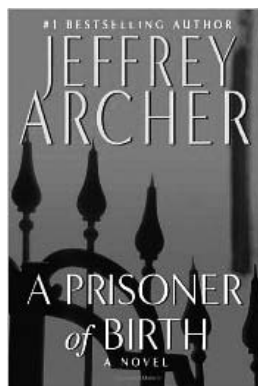
Rabbi Ever - *CPR - Charity; Prayer; Repentance - Resuscitate your Soul*

Rabbi Geller - *Today's Search for God*

Rabbi Lipschultz - *Ritual, Customs and Ceremonies of the High Holiday*

Our own, **Rabbi Fox** will be presenting a session on "*Being Sorry and Saying So: Shedding the Past to Make the Future.*" "Join us as we explore together what it means to make amends."

BOOK CLUB



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of Birth"
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To **Sid & Shirley Morgan**. Their granddaughter, Justine, married Matthew on August 20 in Vero Beach, Florida. Of course, the proud grandparents were in attendance. We wish the newlyweds every happiness. *Mazel Tov!*

Get Well

Bernie Cohen, Carol Dranoff, Steve Dranoff, Ida Levin, Ira Waller, Norma Wexler, Sandra Wray (sister of Lill Shender)

Yahrzeit Donations

Arnie & Lory Schuster in memory of Arnie's father, Karl Schuster and Lory's mother, Eva Zeidel.

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Norton & Gloria Freedman in memory of their fathers, Leon Freedman and Charles Kuperstein.

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Dr. Martin & Linda Millison in memory of Marty's mother, Mamie Millison.

Cary & Trudy Durant in memory of Trudy's father, Eugene Deutsch.

Howard Abber in memory of his father, Bertram Abber.

Gail Coplein in memory of her father, Dr. Leonard Coplein, and her grandmother, Sylvia Coplein.

Aaron Freedman & Rochelle Winston in memory of Aaron's father, Benjamin Freedman.

Beverly Rosendorf in memory of her father, Sol Rosendorf.

Solomon & Vera Getz in memory of Vera's father, Abraham Greenberg.

Seymour & Norma Trachtman in memory of Seymour's father, Nathan Trachtman.



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!

2011-2012 Fiscal Year Dues

Pay your dues now! As a paid member you are invited to our break the fast Saturday, Oct. 8 at no charge. Attendance at High Holiday services is only available to paid-up members!

SUKKOT DINNER UNDER THE STARS

Come and join us on

Friday, October 14 • at 6:30 p.m.

in our beautifully decorated Sukkah which will be erected in the Temple's parking lot. Celebrate the Sabbath and Sukkot with all of us at Temple Beth Shalom. A full course dinner will be served for a donation of only \$25 per person. Reservations are an absolute must. RSVP by calling the office TODAY at 609-266-0403 but no later than October 3. Bring your families and friends to celebrate the Festival of the Booths with us!

SUPER KUDOS!!!!!!!!!!

This year's Bazaar was a super, super success! It was not only a financial success but socially as well. The community looks forward to this event every year and lines up outside the Temple well before our opening time. Our repeat customers were there, right on time.

I'd like to thank our Saturday night crew who worked so hard in a short period of time to set-up the boxes of stuff. They were **Roz & Jack Lieberman, Ron & Lill Shender, Gloria Jacoby, Bob Schwab, Diane & Larry Hatoff, Edie Krimstock and Jackie & Fred Fabel**. Great job guys!

Our Sunday crew was equally fabulous. They kept the crowds happy with good prices and moved the merchandise out the door. Thanks to **Jack Lieberman, Ron & Lill Shender, Diane Hatoff, Janis Murphy, Jackie & Fred Fabel, Edie Krimstock, Bob Schwab, Sheryl Mazur, Karen Sederholm, Mina Kramer and Gloria Jacoby**.

Monday mop-up crew consisted of **Lill & Ron Shender, Jackie Fabel and Henry Jacoby**. Muchas Gracias!

Lastly, I would like to thank all of our contributors who donated their treasures. And last but not least to **Diane Alexeev** whose behind the scenes efforts contributed to the smooth collection and organization of this event.

Thanks to all, Lill

TBS CHILDREN'S BINGO

On the 25th of August we concluded another astounding season of Children's Bingo. Kids from 7 to 11 years came, played, won prizes and snacked. As in previous years, we had a bumper crop of kids – all free thanks to the generosity of Dr. Frank Kern.

Let us now acknowledge for outstanding service way beyond the usual call of duty to our outstanding chairwoman, **Jamie Satz** for running a fantastic program for these kids. Special thanks to her troopers: **Jack Greenberg, Jackie Fabel, Betty Chaikin, Madeline Harvey and Terri Ciullo** who all did a magnificent job. And last but not least to **Diane Alexeev**, who not only set up each week but also helped in the evening.

Temple Beth Shalom recognizes you and thanks you! Hope to see you all next season!

Rabbi *(continued from page 1)*

we find one or die; without a spiritual life, many of us become lost in the beliefs of those around us.

As we approach the holidays, I have been thinking about the efficiency of a spiritual life (eg. living with a small footprint). To wit: I recently became aware of a company producing whole homes that are 100 to 350 sq. ft. in size! People who buy and build them on small lots of land repeatedly speak about the joys of living a more simple, mortgage-free, low-maintenance life.

As we travel through the month of Elul on our way to the New Year, we ask for forgiveness from others as we explore our soul to know our true heart. Perhaps, this year, we might consider what it means to limit ourselves in various ways and, thereby somewhat paradoxically, to live more infinitely. While

we are bound to the mundane chores of life, perhaps you might consider how open you have been in the last year and might be in the coming one to nourishing your soul with giving of yourself in ways that allow time for reflection. After all, it is how we reflect on life that frames the meaning of, the nourishment of all that we have been and will ever be. And that is the definition of an infinitely spiritual life.

May you find endless possibilities and a full heart in the reflection of this season and beyond. I offer you and yours a truly warm L'Shanah Tovah Tikateivu from my wife, Sarah, me, and this year I am absolutely thrilled to say, from Matan and Doron!

Rabbi Gerald R. Fox

September Yahrzeits

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|------|--|------|--|
| 9/2 | Gerald & Ellen Etter <i>in memory of</i> Gerald's mother, Dorothy Etter
Aaron Freedman & Rochelle Winston <i>in memory of</i> Aaron's father, Benjamin Freedman | 9/16 | Howard & Myrna Levin <i>in memory of</i> Myrna's mother, Lilyan Cylinder |
| 9/3 | Bernard & Norma Gittelman <i>in memory of</i> Norma's father, Sam Cohen | 9/18 | Larry Goldberg <i>in memory of</i> his mother, Yetta Goldberg
Isadore Rosendorf |
| 9/4 | Jack & Rosalie Lieberman <i>in memory of</i> Jack's father, Hyman Lieberman | 9/20 | S. David Pepper <i>in memory of</i> his wife, Florence Z. Pepper |
| 9/5 | Brenda Sacks <i>in memory of</i> her daughter, Ina Gordon
Donald & Phyllis Hoffrichter & Aaron Freedman & Rochelle Winston <i>in memory of</i> their father, Abraham Hoffrichter | 9/21 | Sidney Richmond |
| 9/6 | Betty Chaikin <i>in memory of</i> her sister, Esther Epstein | 9/22 | Seymour & Norma Trachtman <i>in memory of</i> Norma's father, Jacob Freidberg
Harvey & Diane Steiner <i>in memory of</i> Harvey's uncle, Abraham Motel |
| 9/7 | David & Sandra Axelrod <i>in memory of</i> David's mother, Sophia Axelrod
Dr. Robert Schwab <i>in memory of</i> his father, Irving Schwab | 9/23 | Norton & Gloria Freedman <i>in memory of</i> Norton's mother, Mollie Freedman |
| 9/8 | Brenda Sacks <i>in memory of</i> her mother, Matilda Altshuler
Betty Chaikin <i>in memory of</i> her mother, Belle Schindler | 9/25 | Bernard & Norma Gittelman <i>in memory of</i> Bernie's father, Major Gittelman
Dr. Martin & Linda Millison <i>in memory of</i> Marty's father, Harry Millison |
| 9/9 | Lilyan Cralle <i>in memory of</i> her husband, Jack Cralle
Susan Orloff <i>in memory of</i> her father, Maurice Orloff
Karen Sederholm <i>in memory of</i> her mother, Harriet Sederholm | 9/26 | Lillian Goldstein
Jacqueline & Fred Fabel <i>in memory of</i> Jackie's sister, Anna Kahn
Rose Segal |
| 9/10 | Lilyan Cralle <i>in memory of</i> her brother-in-law, James E. Carlin
Laurence & Debra Berger <i>in memory of</i> Debra's father, Simon Nager | 9/27 | Burton & Lorraine Stolove <i>in memory of</i> Lorraine's father, Erwin Augenfeld
Sam Leibowitz
Anita Erman <i>in memory of</i> her mother, Jennie Panitch
Robert & Eileen Linzner <i>in memory of</i> Eileen's mother, Lillian Rogovin |
| 9/11 | Dr. Joseph & Lillian Hassman <i>in memory of</i> Joe's father, Benjamin Hassman | 9/29 | Philip Goisman & Gale Hoffman <i>in memory of</i> Philip's grandmother & Gale's friend, Fannie Goisman
Jack Greenberg <i>in memory of</i> his mother, Janet Greenberg
Stephen & Jamie Satz <i>in memory of</i> Jamie's father, Joseph Kessel
Shirley Schreiber <i>in memory of</i> her aunt, Lucy Lewis |
| 9/12 | Barry Bornstein & Fran Dratch <i>in memory of</i> Barry's aunt, Regina Kaufman
Tema Steele <i>in memory of</i> her mother, Fay Lurie | 9/30 | Beverlee Bearman Reiter <i>in memory of</i> her father, Sy Sumner Bearman
Edward & Judith Rubin <i>in memory of</i> Ed's mother, Minnie Toll
David & Estelle Silver <i>in memory of</i> Estelle's mother, Lilian Waltzer |
| 9/13 | Debbie & Gail Coplein <i>in memory of</i> their great-grandmother, Ethel Erlichman
Linda Hahn <i>in memory of</i> her uncle, David Haufman | | |
| 9/14 | Howard Abber <i>in memory of</i> his mother, Beatrice Abber
Dr. Evlynne Harmon <i>in memory of</i> her mother, Betty Freed
Edith Krimstock <i>in memory of</i> her father, Manus Kunis | | |
| 9/15 | Saul & Nancy Grossman <i>in memory of</i> Saul's father, Samuel Grossman
Drs. Frank & Sarah Kern <i>in memory of</i> Sarah's mother, Sylvia Bliss Mandy | | |

Simply Shirley . . .

What a wonderful way to wind down summer by sailing our "Salute to Summer" Boat Trip, which was held August 7. We cruised the scenic back bays, listened to great background music, ate delicious food (most of which was catered by Goochie Brothers) and shared a lovely evening surrounded by friends. The cruise was truly wonderful and all who attended really enjoyed themselves. I am truly happy to say that this event was once again, as it was last summer, a night to remember.

I would like to say how very nice it is to see new faces at services on Friday nights. As always the synagogue doors are always open for new visitors as well as our faithful Friday nighters.

This writer would be remiss if she did not add what a wonderful weekend was had at our shul. The Caplan family brought a wonderful group of visitors with them on Friday night which certainly made for a youthful service; and then on Saturday our own twins came. Matan and Doron chanted the entire service and once again brought smiles to our faces. How wonderful to be able to see them grow.

Reminder: The next book club will meet on Monday, September 12 at 1:30 p.m. at the home of Arlene Waronker, 4 Atlantis Cove. The book to be discussed is, "A Prisoner of Birth" by Jeffrey Archer. Please keep this date and RSVP to me at 266-8599 or email me at ssmorgan3@verizon.net.

Enjoy the rest of your summer, stay well, be happy and remember to look around and see how lucky we all are to live on this wonderful Island. "An Island You Love For Life."

*Until I write again,
Simply Shirley*



SALUTE TO SUMMER BOAT TRIP

Members and friends of Temple Beth Shalom enjoyed the company, the food and the rippling boat trip that made the evening on Sunday, August 7 and look forward to next summer's trip.

New 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 only have 50 books available for dedication, so call the office at 609-266-0403 and make your wishes known.

Simchas

Sept.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

3.....Barbara K. Schaeffer	14.....Linda Millison
4.....Michael M. Axler	21.....Mark D. Erdman
10.....Eileen D. Alva	26.....Judith Blum-Crawford, Dr. Stephen Weinstein
12.....Dr. Evelynne Harmon	
14.....William Boyd Deane, Tema Steele	29.....Leon Ackovitz

ANNIVERSARIES

3.....Judith Blum-Crawford & Max Crawford
5.....Harvey T. & Diane Steiner
12.....Jeffrey & Sheryl Mazur
29.....Norton A. & Gloria Freedman

Person of the Month*

Gale Chaikin Donohue

I grew up as a native in Brigantine. Not many people can call themselves true Brigadunarians. It is very different today on the island when comparing it to the early 60s. Back then, all of Seapoint consisted of the apartments and one dirt road going along Lagoon Blvd. The high points of Brigantine that I had as a child that are missing today consisted of the eight lane bowling alley, an amazing mini-golf at 10th Street North, Mac's Snacks and the Barefoot Pub. I knew most of the locals since I worked at Penn Food and because of my parents, Dr. Joe and Betty, which made it a cozy community for me. My husband Steve spent every summer in Brigantine and we originally met from sailing at the Yacht Club. Today, I teach Anatomy and Physiology and Biology at Neshaminy High School in Bucks County and Steve works for the Environmental Protection Agency in Philadelphia. Our daughter and son, Allie and Mike, have spent many summers enjoying the beaches in Brigantine with their grandparents and their cousins.

** We'd like to make you Person of the Month. Tell us about you. We'd like to hear more about our members.*



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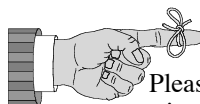
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