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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

October 12 • 10 a.m.

Sunday Board

Meeting

October 13 • 10 a.m.

Coming Events

Friday, Sept. 20

Sukkot Dinner, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 26

**Shemini Atzeret/
Yizkor Services,
10 a.m.**

RABBI'S COLUMN

You Can Take You Higher

Sometimes words can overcome and fall short of the experiences that inspire them. No one can truly know what is in our hearts, so we do our best to quantify our thoughts and feelings so that others can share in them. Often we succeed, but sometimes we fall woefully short of expressing the good intentions that are within us. We all know this; we live it every day.

Despite our awareness of our brokenness, or perhaps because of it, we try our best to avoid the ways in which we fall short. Even if we succeed in our denial, we cannot escape completely: Our yearly reminder of our failings arrives about this time of year. This brings many of us anxiety and fear of further failure, but the incredibly good news is that we have been granted a "reset button!"

Lest we think of the Jewish New Year, the Days of Awe from Rosh Hashanah through Yom Kippur, as weighty impositions on our otherwise perfect lives, we need only remember the joy, the calm, the relief, the renewed energy we have after having travelled through these days with intention. Our lives can be beautiful existences, filled with awe and joy, or they can be bereft of any real meaning and lived without focus or inner peace. Adopting a spiritual practice – whether it is reciting of prayers or taking part in religious study or being creative in nature or with our bodies (eg. song, dance, art, etc.) or just witnessing a seemingly passive experiential encounter – is the surest way to bring a true beauty to our daily lives.

We may think that our lives are perfect, but, to twist a lyric written by that great Saskatchewanian sage, Joni Mitchell, "You don't know what you've got 'till its gone:" "You don't know what you're missing 'till you get it." Here is a further thought that those of us who

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BREAK- THE- FAST

Be sure to make reservations to attend Break-the-Fast, which will be held Saturday, September 14 at 8 p.m.

The cost for paid members and guests is \$10 per person.

The meal will be served in the Brigantine Community Center, 265 42nd Street.

Deadline to RSVP is September 9.

**MAKE YOUR
RESERVATIONS
TODAY!**

HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

ROSH HASHANAH

Wednesday, Sept. 4.....**Erev Rosh Hashanah Service**8 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 5.....**Rosh Hashanah First Day Service**9:30 a.m.

Tashlich Service (on Brigantine Beach).....Approx. 2 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 6.....**Rosh Hashanah Second Day Service**9:30 a.m.

YOM KIPPUR

Friday, Sept. 13.....**Erev Yom Kippur/Kol Nidre**.....6:45 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 14.....**Yom Kippur Morning Service**.....9:30 a.m.

Yizkor Service.....Approx. 12 noon

Mincha & Neilah.....5:30 p.m.

Break-The-Fast8 p.m.

Brigantine Community Center, 265 42nd Street, Brigantine

Tickets for Guests of Paid Members, \$75/person • Tickets for Non-Members, \$275
Break-The-Fast Meal, \$10 for Paid Members and Guests; Reservations Required

ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE *Please bring canned goods and non-perishable food items when you attend Yom Kippur Services. These items will be donated to the Jewish Family Service Food Bank. Your donations are gratefully appreciated. Please be as generous as possible. Thank you.*

Donations

In Memory of Rosalie (Roz) Lieberman

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Mary Jane & Frank Gerner

Irma & Bernie Dansky

Bronze Yahrzeit Plaque

Purchased by **Jack Lieberman** *in memory of his wife, Rosalie (Roz) Lieberman.*

Leaves on the Tree of Life

Two leaves were purchased by **Stanton & Aimee Levin** *in memory of*

Daniel Schmerling and Elizabeth Schmerling.

A leaf was purchased by **Mary Morrone** *in memory of Rosalie Lieberman.*

Message Card

Sid & Shirley Morgan & Family: *Condolences to the Butow Family.*

Prayerbook Dedication

A dedication has been purchased by **Joel Cohen** *in memory of Rosalie "Roz" Lieberman.*

Thank You

We thank **Jack Lieberman** for the beautiful and appropriate floral/seashell arrangement he so lovingly donated *in memory of his dear wife, Rosalie (Roz) Lieberman.* Our Bima is greatly enhanced by this gift.

Welcome New Members

Terry & Fred Horowitz of Brigantine (formerly of Yorktown Heights, NY).

Paul & Dr. Janet Sachs of Bala Cynwyd, Pa. and Brigantine.

Drs. Burton & Judith Schwartz of Brigantine (formerly of Ft. Worth, Texas).

Get Well

Bernie Cohen, Fred Fabel, Dr. Howard Waronker, Sandra Wray (sister of Lill Shender)

Yahrzeit Donations

Dr. Robert Schwab *in memory of his father, Irving Schwab.*

Ronald Miller *in memory of his former spouse, Phyllis Miller.*

Jacqueline Fabel *in memory of her sister, Anna Kahn.*

Betty Chaikin *in memory of her sister, Ruth Bocour.*

Norton & Gloria Freedman *in memory of Norton's mother, Mollie Freedman.*

Seymour & Norma Trachtman *in memory of Norma's father, Jacob Freidberg.*

Ronald & Jo-Ann Massanova *in memory of Jo-Ann's mother, Rose Aufiero.*

Jack Greenberg *in memory of his mother, Janet Greenberg.*

Beverlee Bearman Reiter *in memory of her father, Sy Sumner Bearman.*

Carol & Howard Serotta *in memory of Carol's father, William Hecht.*

Judith Blum-Crawford *in memory of her father, Eugene W. Blum.*

Dr. Barry & Barbara Glaser *in memory of Barry's sister, Flora Furman.*

Stewart Lapayowker *in memory of his grandmother, Mary Moskowitz.*

Thank You To the Oneg Shabbat & Kiddush Sponsors

For August

Friday, August 2 – **Donald & Phyllis Hoffrichter** *in memory of Phyllis's mother, Tillie Benson.*

Friday, August 9 – **Norma & Bernard Gittelman** *in memory of Norma's father, Sam Cohen;*

Betty Chaikin *in memory of her mother, Belle Schindler, and her sister, Esther Epstein;*

Donald & Phyllis Hoffrichter *in memory of Don's father, Abraham Hoffrichter.*

Saturday, August 10 – **The Apter Family** *in memory of Roz Lieberman.*

Friday, August 16 – **Tema Steele** *in memory of her mother, Fay Lurie.*

Friday, August 30 – **Jack Greenberg** *in memory of his mother, Janet Greenberg;*

Jamie & Steve Satz *in memory of Jamie's father, Joseph Kessel.*

HELP EXPAND OUR FAMILY

We need more new, active members.

Do you have friends or neighbors

who could join us?

An Open Letter to Temple Beth Shalom:

My family and I extend our deepest gratitude to all of our Temple Beth Shalom "family." While things were at their darkest during our recent loss, it was comforting to know that you were there standing beside us and propping us up.

I cannot possibly say enough about Rabbi Fox. He was there every step of the journey, before during and after. His eulogy was perfect. It was as if he had known Roz all of her life. Many who attended the funeral continue to tell me how moved they were by how perfectly he captured the woman that she was. We also thank the Rabbi for honoring my wife's last requests so beautifully. It is good to know that when spiritual and humankind guidance are required, we have the asset that we need.

A special thanks to Sarah. Her contribution to the service and to the minyan will never be forgotten by any of those who were present.

The congregation made sure that we had a minyan during Shiva. That was wonderful. Not only were you there physically, but your warmth and caring was evident and obvious. Your presence will always be a warm memory. The family was also very appreciative of your gifts of kindness.

So, thank you all for providing comfort and solace. I am honored to be a member of such a caring community.

Jack Lieberman

P.S. Roz had a hobby and a passion for providing flower arrangements for the bima. We have a great collection of her supplies and vases. If anyone else would like to take on the mitzvah, the supplies are available, just for the asking.

Desperately seeking a Mah Jong game in Brigantine

Novice player looking to find players, or anyone interested in learning to play Mahjong. Call Carol Dranoff @ 215-280-2141.



SUKKOT DINNER UNDER THE STARS

Come and join us on

Friday, September 20 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 September 12. Bring your families and friends to celebrate the Festival of the Booths with us!

Rabbi *(continued from page 1)*

have been lucky enough to share in a spiritual practice know to be true: We are never more surprised at these truths than after we have partaken in a spiritual practice. In fact, I can tell you that during the eight years I either prepared to enter Rabbinical College or attended it, I learned that we are never as hungry as we are when we are seeking for meaning and don't even know it.

Despite the fact that no spiritual practice comes without effort, the good news is that it needn't be burdensome, either. We are blessed, as Jews, to have had Sages who provided us "road maps" to help make life more meaningful and satisfying. Our Jewish calendar cycle, combined with these instructions, provides us an understandable path to an enlightened life; a life with less distress and more calm, with less isolation and more connection, with less hunger and more blessings.

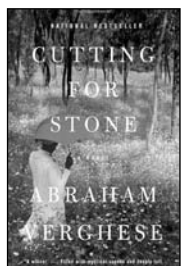
All this is well and good, but how do we start? We must set aside just a little bit of our time and our attention; if you enjoy giving of yourself, join us in doing for others; if you enjoy the song and fellowship of services, come to several in a row to absorb the warm feelings they bring; if you enjoy focused learning, join us for one of our many learning opportunities; and if you enjoy transformative experiences, join us for one of our many celebrations throughout the year. No matter the details, take a risk . . . make a choice to grow, to be open to transformation, to raise your spirit ever higher. In doing so, I have no doubt that you will be healthier, happier, and have more peace of mind than you are blessed with today.

I look forward to seeing you at services or at a synagogue event or in our Sukkah; I am warmed by the anticipation of sharing your journey with you.

May you find a path forward that includes the blessing of ever-expanding spiritual experiences that in and of themselves cultivate our connection with something greater than ourselves.

May this be a joyous New Year season for us all – *L'Shannah Tovah Tikateivu!*

**Rabbi Gerald R. Fox
and Sarah Fox, Matan & Doron**



BOOK CLUB

The next book club will meet **Monday, Sept. 23, 1p.m.** to review

"Cutting For Stone" by **Abraham Verghese.**

The club will meet at the **Brigantine Community Center, Art Room #138** located at 265 S. 42nd Street

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

September Yahrzeits

- 9/1 Bernard & Norma Gittelman in memory of Bernie's father, Major Gittelman
Dr. Martin & Linda Millison in memory of Marty's father, Harry Millison
- 9/2 Lillian Goldstein
Jacqueline Fabel in memory of her sister, Anna Kahn
Rose Segal
- 9/3 Burton & Lorraine Stolove in memory of Lorraine's father, Erwin Augenfeld
Sam Leibowitz
Anita Erman in memory of her mother, Jennie Panitch
Robert & Eileen Linzner in memory of Eileen's mother, Lillian Rogovin
- 9/4 Samuel & Arlene Maisus in memory of Arlene's father, Albert Steinberg
- 9/5 Philip Goisman & Gale Hoffman in memory of Philip's grandmother and
Gale's friend, Fannie Goisman
Jack Greenberg in memory of his mother, Janet Greenberg
Stephen & Jamie Satz in memory of Jamie's father, Joseph Kessel
Shirley Schreiber in memory of her aunt, Lucy Lewis
- 9/6 Beverlee Bearman Reiter in memory of her father, Sy Sumner Bearman
Edward & Judith Rubin in memory of Ed's mother, Minnie Toll
David & Estelle Silver in memory of Estelle's mother, Lillian Waltzer
- 9/7 Helen Spinrad in memory of her sister, Lorraine Moskowitz
- 9/9 Michael Axler in memory of his brother, Charles Axler
Drs. Frank & Sarah Kern in memory of Frank's mother, Shirley Kern
Seymour Leibowitz
- 9/10 Dr. Joseph Hassman & Bret Bergman in memory of Joe's mother, and
Bret's grandmother, Ethel Hassman
Dr. Eli & Nancy Zucker in memory of Eli's mother, Minnie Zucker
- 9/11 Louis Kessel
- 9/12 Dr. Evlynn Harmon in memory of her father-in-law, Jerome Harmon
Howard & Carol Serotta in memory of Carol's father, William Hecht
Sylvia Leibowitz
- 9/14 Saul & Sheila Feder in memory of Saul's father, Jacob Feder
Fred & Marlene Paul in memory of Marlene's mother, Eve Lindenberg
- 9/15 Ronald & Jo-Ann Massanova in memory of Jo-Ann's mother, Rose Aufero
- 9/17 Daniel-Paul & Eileen Alva in memory of Eileen's stepfather, Henry Keiser
Louis Young
- 9/18 Betty Chaikin in memory of her sister, Ruth Bocour
Rose Zeltser in memory of her husband, Ronald H. Zeltser
Martin Zuckerman
- 9/19 Edward & Judith Rubin in memory of Ed's brother, Jeffrey Rubin
- 9/20 Natalie Fishman
Bessie Holtzman
- 9/21 Earl & Doris Berger, Gale Hoffman & Philip Goisman in memory of
Doris's mother, Gale's grandmother & Philip's friend, Janet Kerstetter
Seymour & Dorothy Katz in memory of Dorothy's father, Louis Perilstein
- 9/22 Edith Krimstock in memory of her mother, Minnie Kunis
- 9/23 Edward & Judith Rubin in memory of Judy's uncle, Nathan Bell
Helen Spinrad & John Spinrad in memory of Helen's husband & John's
father, Malcom Spinrad
- 9/24 Faye Kahn in memory of her mother, Malka Mittelman Landau
Gerald Pepper in memory of his mother, Tillie Pepper-Blum
- 9/25 Henrietta Burke
Fred & Marlene Paul in memory of Fred's mother, Celia Paul
- 9/26 Leon & Harriet Ackovitz in memory of Leon's father, Julius Ackovitz
Jacqueline Fabel in memory of her father, Emanuel Bilk
John Spinrad in memory of his grandmother, Eve Frankel
Dr. Barry & Barbara Glaser in memory of Barry's sister, Flora Furman
- 9/27 Saul & Sheila Feder in memory of Sheila's mother, Dora Werbin
- 9/28 Judith Blum-Crawford in memory of her father, Eugene W. Blum
Charlotte Sweet
- 9/29 Anita Erman in memory of her mother-in-law, Rosalie Erman
Neil Goldfarb in memory of his father, Edward Goldfarb
Susan Mintz in memory of her father-in-law, Aaron Herbert Mintz
Leon & Harriet Ackovitz in memory of their uncle, Albert Orner

SUPER KUDOS FOR ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL BAZAAR!

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

We'd like to thank our Saturday night crew who worked so hard in a short period of time to shlep and set-up all the merchandise. They were: **Howard Abber, Beth Apter, Irene Brodsky, Betty Chaikin, Terri Ciullo, Jackie Fabel, Diane Hatoff, Henry & Gloria Jacoby, Edie Krimstock, Jack & son Wayne Lieberman, Sheryl Mazur and son Matt, Lill & Ron Shender, Nancy & Eli Zuker.** Fantastic Job! (If I forgot anyone, please forgive me.)

Our Sunday crew was equally fabulous. They kept the crowds happy with good prices and moved the merchandise out the door. Thanks to: **Howard Abber, Irene Brodsky, Betty Chaikin, Jackie Fabel, Diane Hatoff, Henry & Gloria Jacoby, Edie Krimstock, Jack Lieberman, Sid & Shirley Morgan, Janis Murphy, Sheryl Mazur, Lill & Ron Shender.** (Again, if I forgot anyone, I'm tired.)

Monday morning's clean and mop-up crew consisted of **Howard Abber, Irene Brodsky, Jackie Fabel & son Stewart, Jack Lieberman, Lill & Ron Shender.** This crew needs some R&R.

Finally, we would like to thank all of our donors who contributed their treasures. And last but not least, thanks to **Diane Alexeev** whose behind the scenes efforts contributed to the smooth collection and organization of the gigantic event. THANK YOU ALL!!!!

Lill Shender
Chair



BIRTHDAYS

4.....Michael M. Axler,	21.....Mark D. Erdman
Samuel Maisus	26.....Judith Blum-Crawford,
10.....Eileen D. Alva	Dr. Stephen Weinstein
12.....Dr. Evlynn Harmon	29.....Leon Ackovitz
14.....William Boyd Deane,	
Tema Steele	

ANNIVERSARIES

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

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Children's

BINGO

Though we hate to say good bye for the summer, on the 22nd of August we concluded another astounding season of Children's Bingo. Kids came, played, won prizes, sipped lemonade and ate cookies – courtesy of Dr. Frank Kern and his generous donation. As in previous seasons, we had an abundance of kids who thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and great prizes donated by local vendors.

This event would not have been possible without *Jamie Satz*, the MC hostess with the mostest, *Ron Shender*, *Sid Morgan* and *Beth Apter* for coordinating and picking up the prizes from the merchants, and all who volunteered: *Howard Abber*, *Diane Alexeev*, *Jackie Caplan*, *Betty Chaikin*, *Lilyan Cralle*, *Jackie Fabel*, *Jack Greenberg*, *Madeline Harvey*, *Mina Kramer*, *Shirley Morgan* and *Lill Shender*. Thanks everyone for another fantastic season!

Welcome to my fellow readers

I would like to begin this column by saying what a wonderful Friday night was had by all when TBS presented its annual Rabbi Sanford Hahn Memorial Program on August 9. Over one hundred people were present when Rabbi Daniel S. Brenner was introduced. His words were just wonderful and he certainly had everyone listening and also involved in what he was saying. Truly an evening to be proud of and also a tribute to our wonderful Rabbi Hahn.

Hard to imagine, however, the following Sunday was “Bagels and Fox” which rounded out this wonderful weekend with a most enjoyable and informative program. Rabbi Fox discussed “Who am I? Exploring Jewish Values in an Ever-Changing World.” This probably is a discussion which should be continued at a later date since so many seemed to enjoy the presentation.

To all who worked so very hard on making this most memorable weekend possible, I say thank you and want you to know your efforts are truly appreciated by all.

On Sunday, August 18 TBS held its annual Bazaar which seemed to be a very busy event. Once again, our faithful Lill and Ron Shender, along with a crew of hard workers, put together a very hustle, bustle day which brought in many shoppers looking for bargains, or as Lill would say “treasures.”

Our book club was held on August 19 and the book we reviewed was “And the Mountains Echoed” by Khaled Hosseini. Hosseini has made a career writing about the recent history of his native Afghanistan. This is his third novel, after the bestselling “The Kite Runner” and “A Thousand Splendid Suns.”

Our next book club date is: Monday, September 23 and we will meet at the Community Center – Room 138, the Art Room. Our sponsor is Lorraine Stolove. The time is 1 p.m. The book to be reviewed is “Cutting for Stone” by Abraham Verghese, “An unforgettable story of love, betrayal and forgiveness.”

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

*Until I write again,
Simply Shirley*

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Temple Beth Shalom held their annual General Meeting August 11, 2013.

The following members have been officially elected to serve in these capacities for the 2013 – 2015 term:

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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 27 books remaining for dedication, so call the office at 609-266-0403 and make your wishes known.

September Office Closings

Monday, September 2.....Labor Day
 Thursday, September 5.....1st Day Rosh Hashanah
 Friday, September 6.....2nd Day Rosh Hashanah
 Thursday, September 19.....1st Day Sukkot
 Friday, September 20.....2nd Day Sukkot
 Thursday, September 26.....Shemini Atzeret / Yizkor Services
 Friday, September 27.....Simchat Torah

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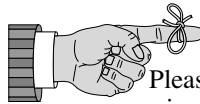
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A Reminder

to all Temple Beth Shalom members
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 marriages, illnesses or deaths. This way the Rabbi,
 Board and Temple membership can be notified. The answering
 machine is on 7 days and 24 hours a day.

Help Our Temple through your donations

Your donations in memory of loved ones, simchas, our Library Fund or Rabbi's Discretionary Fund not only help the Temple, but also are a way to remember various happy and sad events in your life. Unsolicited general donations are needed to help the Temple meet its annual operating expenses. Keep in mind, less than 50% of our operating expenses are covered by membership dues. Listed below are the various items to which you can contribute.

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Leaf on the Tree of Life	\$50
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Message Card	\$5 each
Yizkor Memorial	Minimum \$10
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