

# MISHPOCHEH

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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

August 8 • 10 a.m.

## Sunday Board Meeting/ General Meeting

August 9 • 10 a.m.

## Coming Events

### Thursdays,

Through August 20

Children's Bingo  
Season, 7 pm

### Fridays,

August 7 & 28, 6 pm

Devotion by the Ocean  
Friday, Saturday,

### Sunday,

August 7, 8 & 9

TBS Scholar's  
Weekend

Sunday, August 9  
General Meeting

10am

Sunday, August 23

Annual Bazaar  
9am

## RABBI'S COLUMN

### Looking Back with Pride

Sometimes, when I am researching details about family members long gone, I wonder why I remain devoted to the memories of my ancestors. Ultimately, I think that I have come to the same conclusion many times: the shared experiences with those who matter to us (and who matter to those who matter to us) are the only accumulated treasure that anyone can claim in their lifetime. Objects are beautiful and can bring us a great sense of self in that they remind us of a place or a time or a person. They cannot, however, replace the depth of love and connection that a human being can offer. It is, indeed, the echoes of kindness and connection that we leave behind that matters most in perpetuity.

None of us are blessed (or cursed) with the knowledge of when we will leave this Life, and so that very fact begs the question: What are we doing today to make our lives and the lives of those around us — loved ones and strangers alike — all the better for our lives having touched each other? A big question, but it needn't yield a complex answer. Grand gestures are wonderful and even essential in our lives, but our lives are made up of thousands, maybe millions, of small gestures that are equally important for their impact on our humanity.

So, please take a moment to ask yourself: Do I want others to look back upon me and my connection with them with the same honest nostalgia that captures the essence of self of those individuals without whose presence my life would have been fundamentally changed or diminished? If so, you must care about one thing: Being present. You cannot define yourself and your connection with others by the past or by the future but rather we must be inspired to experience and to help others to engage in each moment as fully as possible.

(RABBI continued on page 2)



## DEVOTION BY THE OCEAN

Join the  
Jewish Community  
and area synagogues  
for special

Friday Shabbat  
Beach Services on  
August 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.

## Prayer Book Dedication

Purchase a memorial/honorarium plaque to be placed in our new prayer books (inside front cover) for only \$36. We have only 17 books remaining for dedication, so call the office at 609-266-0403 and make your wishes known.

## *Donations in Memory of Ida Levin*

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### *General Donations*

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 Lilyan Cralle

### *Get Well*

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

### *Message Cards*

Beth & Carl Apter – *Get well to Lill Shender;*  
*Thinking of you to Diane Waxman.*

### *Prayerbook Dedication*

Stanton & Aimee Levin – *In loving memory of Ida Levin.*

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

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

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Dr. Burton & Ruth Weiss in memory of Burton's father, Robert Weiss.

Natalie Solomon in memory of her father, Israel N. Schenker, MD.

Linda Hahn in memory of her brother, Dr. Harvey Klevit.

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

## **Rabbi** *(continued from page 1)*

In the Jewish calendar year, the month of Elul is the time for us to make good on any remaining promises that we have made to ourselves or to others. So often, our highly skilled minds trick us into thinking that we know everything there is to know about living our lives. If we are honest with ourselves, we know that this is not true. We face small challenges and enormous ones with awkwardness and disappointing behavior. And yet, we want something more for ourselves and for our neighbors.

We cannot abdicate the reality that we are the guides in life for each other. Nearly all of Judaism and the Jewish year cycle and life-cycle milestones are structured with the essential participation of each individual while being in a communal setting. Think about it. Our lives cannot have meaning without two things: Our mindful participation and shared experiences.

This year, we are blessed to have with us a special guide to help us connect with the wisdom of our ancestors and with each other. Rabbi Jonathan Kligler will be joining us as Scholar-in-Residence for the Temple Beth Shalom Scholar's Weekend on August 7-9 (*see details elsewhere in this newsletter*). Please join us in welcoming him to our community while indulging yourself in his uplifting music and teachings as he helps us to learn how to bring a mindful approach of everyday Jewish wisdom to our lives. Doing so will raise your spirit and bring you a sense of confidence that you can live a calmer, kinder, more grateful life.

As the shofar is sounded in Jewish communities in the month of Elul, we hear the alarm within us that reminds our conscience that there is more to life than what we see before us each day.

Let us heed the call! Let us make choices that will matter and will reflect well when, one day, a very long time from now, those whose paths crossed ours will look back with pride.

May we all be blessed with the courage to experience life in the moment and may we remain open to the wisdom of our ancestors and each other.

***Rabbi Gerald R. Fox***

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# The Temple Beth Shalom Scholar's Weekend

## "Living Jewish Wisdom"

We are pleased to announce that the Temple Beth Shalom Scholar's Weekend will be held on August 7-9 with Rabbi Jonathan Kligler as our Scholar-in-Residence.

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 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 an insightful counselor.

The schedule is as follows:

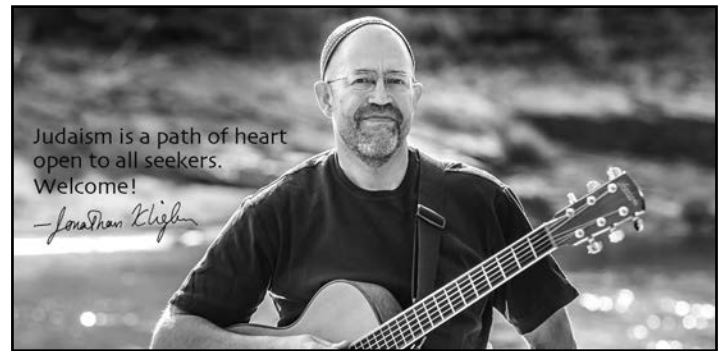
**Friday, August 7 at 8 p.m.** Rabbi Kligler will lead an uplifting musical Shabbat followed by Oneg.

**Saturday, August 8 at 10 a.m.** Share with us a meaningful Shabbat service followed by a Kiddush lunch, Shabbat songs etc.

RSVP required for lunch by August 3 so that we can accommodate all. Call 609-266-0403.

**Saturday Evening at 7 p.m.** Join us for a "Woodstock-style," laid back end to Shabbat at the Apters. We encourage you to bring your instruments and voices to join in and share in the joy of Shabbat. We will be having a pot-luck dinner. Everyone will bring a kosher/dairy appetizer/salad/entrée or dessert. Please call 609-948-5278 no later than August 4.

**Sunday, August 9 at 11:30 a.m.** Rabbi Kligler will lead a special workshop, "Finding Your Way at Any Age: A Manual of Jewish Wisdom," drawing out the wisdom of Judaism and bringing joy and meaning into our lives. Luncheon will be served. Please RSVP by August 4. There will be a \$12 donation for the luncheon. Call 609-266-0403.



## Children's BINGO Returns

Our long-standing summer tradition of hosting Bingo for the children of our community 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.

## BOOK CLUB

The next book club will meet

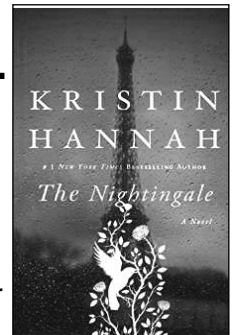
**Monday,  
August 31, 1 p.m.**

to review

**"The Nightingale"**

by **Kristan Hannah.**

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at the Community Center



RSVP to Shirley at

ssmorgan3@verizon.net or call 609-266-8599.

## MAY I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE!

*Are you celebrating a special day, honoring someone or remembering a loved one?*

A good way to do this is to sponsor an Oneg Shabbat on a Friday night or a Saturday Kiddush lunch. It will make you feel good and will help your synagogue carry on this time-honored tradition.

For only \$25 for a Friday night or \$100 for a Saturday Kiddush lunch, this has got to be the biggest bargain on the planet Call Diane at 266-0403 and make your intentions known.

## *August Jahrzeits*

- 8/1 Dr. Martin & Linda Millison *in memory of* Marty's mother, Mamie Millison
- 8/3 Albert & Barbara Dragon *in memory of* Al's brother, Dr. Arnold Dragon
- 8/5 Howard Abber *in memory of* his father, Bertram Abber  
Norton & Gloria Freedman *in memory of* Norton's father, Leon Freedman  
Lisa Yuen *in memory of* her mother, Harriette Sengin
- 8/6 Ronald & Jo-Ann Massanova *in memory of* Jo-Ann's father, Albert Aufiero
- 8/7 Michael Axler *in memory of* his father, Nathan Axler, and father-in-law, Arthur Myers  
Debbie & Gail Coplein *in memory of* their grandmother, Sylvia Coplein  
Cary & Trudy Durant *in memory of* Trudy's father, Eugene Deutsch  
Lillian Froom *in memory of* her sister-in-law, Tina Tolk
- 8/8 Jack Lieberman *in memory of* his mother-in-law, Reba Eisenstein  
Sam Holtzman  
Dr. Martin & Tina Freedman *in memory of* Tina's father, Solomon Ribowsky  
Drs. Robert & Roberta Ball *in memory of* Roberta's mother, Evelyn F. Robin
- 8/9 Norton & Gloria Freedman *in memory of* Gloria's father, Charles Kuperstein  
Toby Waller *in memory of* her husband, Ira Waller
- 8/11 Vera Getz *in memory of* her father, Abraham Greenberg
- 8/12 David Koetseroff  
Samuel & Arlene Maisus *in memory of* Sam's mother, Rose Maisus  
Sanford & Karen Dare *in memory of* Karen's father, Abe Siminoff
- 8/13 Donald & Phyllis Hoffrichter *in memory of* Phyllis's mother, Tillie Benson
- 8/14 Sidney & Shirley Morgan *in memory of* Shirley's sister, Helen Berger  
Sue Goldstein *in memory of* her mother, Evelyn Lipson  
Mildred Richmond  
Natalie Solomon *in memory of* her father, Dr. Israel N. Schenker
- 8/15 Linda Hahn *in memory of* her brother, Dr. Harvey Klevit
- 8/16 Jerald & Sheila Cohen *in memory of* Sheila's stepfather, James Clancy  
Hannah Lindenbaum  
Stephen & Jamie Satz *in memory of* Steve's mother, Leah Satz
- 8/17 Marvin & Diane Waxman *in memory of* Marvin's father, Max Waxman
- 8/18 Gerald & Ellen Etter *in memory of* Gerald's mother, Dorothy Etter  
Aaron Freedman & Rochelle Winston *in memory of* Aaron's father, Benjamin Freedman
- 8/19 Bernard & Norma Gittelman *in memory of* Norma's father, Sam Cohen
- 8/20 Jack Lieberman *in memory of* his father, Hyman Lieberman
- 8/21 Brenda Sacks *in memory of* her daughter, Ina Gordon  
Donald & Phyllis Hoffrichter and Aaron Freedman & Rochelle Winston *in memory of* Donald's and Shelly's father, Abraham Hoffrichter
- 8/22 Betty Chaikin *in memory of* her sister, Esther Epstein
- 8/23 David & Sandra Axelrod *in memory of* David's mother, Sophia Axelrod  
Dr. Robert Schwab *in memory of* his father, Irving Schwab
- 8/24 Brenda Sacks *in memory of* her mother, Matilda Altschuler  
Betty Chaikin *in memory of* her mother, Belle Schindler
- 8/25 Lilyan Cralle *in memory of* her husband, Jack Cralle  
Susan Orloff *in memory of* her father, Maurice Orloff  
Karen Ferguson *in memory of* her mother, Harriet Sederholm
- 8/26 Lilyan Cralle *in memory of* her brother-in-law, James E. Carlin  
Laurence & Debra Berger *in memory of* Debra's father, Simon Nager
- 8/27 Dr. Joseph Hassman and Bret Bergman *in memory of* Joe's father and Bret's grandfather, Benjamin Hassman
- 8/28 Barry Bornstein & Fran Dratch *in memory of* Barry's aunt, Regina Kaufman  
Tema Steele *in memory of* her mother, Fay Lurie
- 8/29 Debbie & Gail Coplein *in memory of* their great-grandmother, Ethel Erlichman  
Linda Hahn *in memory of* her uncle, David Haufman
- 8/30 Howard Abber *in memory of* his mother, Beatrice Abber  
Dr. Evlynn Harmon *in memory of* her mother, Betty Freed  
Edith Krimstock *in memory of* her father, Manus Kunis
- 8/31 Saul Grossman *in memory of* his father, Samuel Grossman  
Drs. Frank & Sarah Kern *in memory of* Sarah's mother, Sylvia Bliss Mandy

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## **PROPOSED SLATE FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2015 – 2017**

### Executive Officers

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*This slate will be voted on at the General Meeting  
on August 9. Be sure to attend!*

**Thank You** To the Oneg Shabbat  
& Kiddush Sponsors  
For July

Friday, July 3 – **Howard & Debbie Schlesinger** in memory of Howard's grandfather, Sol Schlesinger.

Friday, July 10 – **Irene Brodsky** in memory of her mother, Rose Gamberman.

Saturday, July 11 – **Ronald & Jo-Ann Massanova** in memory of Jo-Ann's father, Albert Aufiero.

Friday, July 17 – **Albert & Barbara Dragon** in memory of Barbara's stepfather, Max Hyman;

**Irene Brodsky** in memory of her husband, Dr. Arthur B. Brodsky;

**Jerald & Sheila Cohen** in memory of Sheila's mother, Nancy Clancy;

**Michael & Carol Albert** in memory of Michael's mother, Sarah Albert.

Friday, July 24 – **Jack Lieberman** in memory of his wife, Rosalie Lieberman;

**Drs. Bob & Roberta Ball** in memory of Bob's sister, Barbara Ball Portner;

**Dr. Eli & Nancy Zucker** in memory of their sister-in-law, Freyda Zucker, and very close friend, Herb London.

Friday, July 31 – **Albert & Barbara Dragon** in memory of Al's brother, Dr. Arnold Dragon.



### BIRTHDAYS

2 .....	Irene Brodsky	14.....	Deborah M. Cimini
6 .....	Camille Rosenberg	15 .....	Gloria Jacoby
8.....	Tina Freedman	16 .....	Jack Lieberman
9.....	Joshua Shapiro,	18 .....	Diane Hatoff
	Lorraine Stolove	20 .....	Cary Durant,
10.....	Mitchell Kramer		Burton Stolove
11 .....	Joel Miller	21 .....	Jonathan S. Caplan
12.....	Jeffrey Mazur	26 .....	Dr. Henry Jacoby

### ANNIVERSARIES

2.....	Michael & Marcia Kurland, Burton & Lorraine Stolove
7 .....	Howard & Natalie Solomon
14 .....	H. David & Gloria G. Caplan
	Drs. Warren Heymann & Rhonda Schnur
15 .....	Dr. Howard & Arlene Waronker
16.....	Larry & Diane Hatoff
17 .....	Dr. Martin N. & Tina Freedman
23.....	Barry & Sandy Cogan

## EVERYDAY ATHLETE:

### Brigantine Doctor (and TBS Member) Balances Work, Cycling

AS SEEN IN THE PRESS OF ATLANTIC CITY JUNE 30, 2015\*

Most people would find it difficult to juggle training for long-distance bicycling with the rigors of being a full-time physician.

For Harry Chaikin, 62 of Brigantine, it is hard for him to imagine his life being any different.

A practicing physician for 34 years and a serious cyclist for the last 12 years, Dr. Chaikin has translated his love of bicycling into numerous fundraising efforts.

His first fundraising effort was on behalf of the National MS Society, the MS150, a two day 150 mile round trip from Cherry Hill to Ocean City and back. Dr Chaikin has now ridden for the cause more than 10 years, raising more than \$50,000.

"It became more of a passion for me," Dr. Chaikin said. "I went from being a recreational rider to taking my training more seriously. Since then he has competed in the Battle Against Hunger for the past eight years, and the American Cancer Society Bike-a-thon for the past seven years riding for AtlantiCare, a team he helped organize as team captain.

To train for charity and other long-distance events, he generally rides 100 miles a week.

He often trains with the Jersey Shore Cycle Club, where he serves as treasurer.

Dr. Chaikin, who works at AtlantiCare Internal Medicine of Brigantine, has to schedule rides around his busy schedule.

Dr. Chaikin stresses that bicycling is an activity that people can tackle at any age if they have the proper guidance. "If you're starting out and don't have a lot of knowledge, look into various bicycles and find out what other people may be riding if you're going on a ride with a particular group. Try to find a mentor group and pick up the contagiousness of the sport.

\*This article can be read in its entirety at The Press of Atlantic City June 30, 2015 issue.

\*\*Dr. Chaikin, his wife Sarah and his mother Betty have been valued members of Temple Beth Shalom for many, many years.

## Temple Beth Shalom BrigStrong Report

As we near the third anniversary of Superstorm Sandy, the County long-term recovery group, REVIVE, has ceased operating as it had been. Assistance will continue through funds obtained from national partners, such as United Way and the American Red Cross. Brigantine has been very well represented on the County level, and available remaining funds will be distributed to those in need locally, along with BrigStrong/True Spirit Coalition Sandy Relief Fund and Lions Club grant money earmarked for construction supplies. BrigStrong continues to function! Cases are vetted by local case managers, including Temple Beth Shalom member Natalie Solomon. Weekly mental health sessions are held at the Community Center. It is an opportunity for storm survivors to discuss issues and receive information and support. These sessions are frequently conducted by congregant Gloria Jacoby. We are mindful that some still suffer as a result of this and other disasters, and our Temple continues to support the Brigantine True Spirit Coalition.

*Beth Apter*



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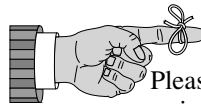
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to all Temple Beth Shalom members  
 Please notify the office of any births, engagements,  
 marriages, illnesses or deaths. This way the Rabbi,  
 Board and Temple membership can be notified. The answering  
 machine is on 7 days and 24 hours a day.

## 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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<i>Leaf on the Tree of Life</i> .....	\$50
<i>Oneg Shabbat Sponsor</i> .....	\$25
<i>Kiddush Lunch Sponsor</i> .....	\$100
<i>Message Card</i> .....	\$5 each
<i>Yizkor Memorial</i> .....	Minimum \$10
<i>Building Fund</i> .....	Whatever you desire
<i>Rabbi's Discretionary Fund</i> .....	Whatever you desire
<i>Library Fund</i> .....	Whatever you desire
<i>Kiddush Fund</i> .....	Whatever you desire