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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 17 • 10 a.m.

Sunday Board Meeting

October 18 • 10 a.m.

Coming Events

Friday, Oct. 2
Shabbat Dinner in
Sukkah, 6:30pm
Installation of Officers

Monday, Oct. 5
Shemini Atzeret
Yizkor Service, 10am
Office Closed

Tuesday, Oct. 6
Simchat Torah
Office Closed

Friday, Oct. 16
Rabbi Hahn Memorial
Program, 8pm

RABBI'S COLUMN

Fragile AND Happy?!

The High Holiday season can be brutal: We are asked to be humble yet, at the same time, we are told to be confident in our ability to change. This is a very difficult balancing act for most of us as, while we have been breaking down our psyche so that we can acknowledge the truly fundamental failings in our character that need to be addressed in order to become a better person, we must concurrently have faith in ourselves to follow through on our new future. Bridging these two seemingly dichotomous visions of oneself in the world requires finesse.

This is where Sukkot comes in. Instead of being commanded to admit our failings over the last year and request forgiveness of others, of ourselves, and of our God, we are commanded to be happy. Sukkot, at its core, is a holiday that reminds us of our fragility while, within that recognition, we are most significantly able to acknowledge a sense of gratitude that escapes us most of the days of our lives. With the brief traditional greeting of *Moadim L'Simkha* ("seasons of joy!"), we acknowledge how the very season itself — one that in ancient Israel appears to have been marked by the end of water rationing with the onset of the rainy season — encourages us to feel grateful. Simply put: With this realization, we now have the capacity to be truly happy.

We all know that the Sukkah is a fragile structure (hopefully, not too fragile against ocean winds), and yet, why might we be commanded to eat in it, gather with guests in it, and even dwell in it? Despite much of the language on Yom Kippur being in the plural (denoting that we acknowledge our responsibility for each other), humbling ourselves and asking for forgiveness remains a largely solitary act. We hopefully leave Yom Kippur cleansed, but we may feel a bit fragile and isolated. The very act of celebrating Sukkot in the Sukkah is the act of acknowledging our fragility together. In other words, while we may be fragile, happiness is found in dispelling isolation.

So, this year, I encourage you not only to participate in building a Sukkah (it is never too late!) but even more importantly to gather with others in a Sukkah for a meal or even a sleepover! If you're not sure of which blessings to say, please check our

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Devotion by the Ocean

Temple Beth Shalom was well represented at the season's final Devotion by the Ocean.

Our corresponding secretary, Dr. Judy Schwartz, lit the Shabbat candles. She was assisted by Rabbi Fox who had just delivered an inspiring *Kavannah*.

The Prez Sez

The 2015 High Holy Days are now a memory. I am confident that each of you who attended our services were as pleased as I with the solemnity and beauty of what we accomplish in our "Shul by the Sea."



If you think back to Erev Rosh Hashanah, Rosh Hashanah (two days), *Tashlikh*, Kol Nidre, Yom Kippur, *Yizkor*, special readings and the sermons, you will have an appreciation for how much preparation Rabbi Fox and Cantor-Rabbi LaPayover had to expend to provide the required hours of devotion. I for one extend my thanks to them for providing the environment so essential to the "Days of Awe." I believe, whole heartedly, that we are fortunate to have their voices and guidance. Isn't it great to know that you can come to our services and invite family and friends with the knowledge that you will be proud of the results?

Now is the time for you to turn to your calendars and mark down some important dates. Our first affair of 5776 is our dinner in the Sukkah followed by services and the official installation of our new board. That is taking place on October 2. I hope you made your reservation for that evening. We all look forward to seeing you.

We also have dinners planned on January 22 for Tu B'Shevat and March 4 for Shabbat Across America. Add those dates to your planner. We need your support and we want your company.

As the year progresses we will continue to add events with enough notice so you can be a part of each one of them. As always, these dates and all TBS related information will be available on our website, www.seashul.org.

Even though we are beyond Yom Kippur, I want to repeat one of the essential themes. If I or the synagogue in any way offended you, I ask your forgiveness. I also promise you that if you think you offended me, all is forgiven. Let's start 5776 with a clean slate so we can work together for the betterment of our *Kehillah*.

*Shalom.
Jack*

The Eighth Annual Rabbi Sanford H. Hahn Memorial Program

Temple Beth Shalom

welcomes

**Rabbi Philip
Warmflash**

who will speak on

**"A Jewish
Dilemma:**

Me or My People?"

**Building Jewish Community
in the 21st Century"**

October 16, 2015

Shabbat Services begin at 8 p.m.



Rabbi Warmflash, who knew Rabbi Hahn personally and worked with him, is a nationally recognized expert in Jewish Education and Engagement and the recipient of the 2007 Covenant Award for Exceptional Jewish Educators. He is the founding Executive Director of Jewish Learning Venture, which empowers people to make Jewish life relevant and meaningful. Jewish Learning Venture has been selected as one of the 50 most innovative Jewish agencies in North America for the past two years. Rabbi Warmflash has expertise in many areas, including Synagogue Growth and Renewal, Reaching and Engaging the Jewish Family, Jewish Community in the 21st Century, and Finding Spiritual Meaning through Prayer.

We are honored to have Rabbi Warmflash as our guest as he celebrates the memory and legacy of Rabbi Hahn with his talk on, "A Jewish Dilemma: Me or My People? Building Jewish Community in the 21st Century."

For more information, please contact the synagogue office at (609) 266-0403 or via email at office@seashul.org.

Security

Security of our synagogue and its members is a prime issue. The current literature is scanned for possible threats or methods of security enhancement; we have participated in seminars sponsored by law enforcement and the ADL; the police are informed of our activities and patrol regularly.

Improved security comes from members making suggestions and pointing out deficiencies. In that spirit, the congregation owes a huge thank you to our member, **Dr. Joseph Hassman**. Joe saw that our current security camera system was not operating to acceptable standards and offered to improve the system at his expense. The upgrade has been completed.

If you have suggestions on this subject, please, pass them on to any board member.

Simply Shirley . . .

Welcome to all of my readers.

I would like to begin by saying I truly hope you all had a wonderful New Years. May this year be one filled with good health and much happiness for you and your families. So many have had many health issues in the past and my wish is that the future is much better for you. For the crew who have departed for the winter I say be well, happy and return to our lovely Island as do the blessed Piping Plovers.

Best of luck to our new TBS officers. Your dedication is truly appreciated; however, you truly have your work cut out for you since Lill and Ron are a hard act to follow. To Lill and Ron your devotion, hard work and loyalty will always be remembered. We all know you are just making room so that you can begin to enjoy your lives – so just make sure you do that (and of course you will still be active as Board Members).

Since I am not quite sure where we last left off, I will just list our book club dates and books we are reviewing:

October 12th

“All The Love I Know.”

November 23rd

“All The Light We Cannot See.”

December is an off month and we will resume on January 4th with a New Years Tradition –BYOB Bring your own book to discuss and come to the Morgan’s for a celebration of books – including Mimosa’s.

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



Annual Bazaar a Success

The annual bazaar was held on August 23 and was our biggest fundraiser of the year. This year we had a record bulk of merchandise, our ante-room and spare shed were crammed and some donations had to be deferred until auction day.

The real success of the bazaar was the way the congregation responded to the call that help would be needed to deal with the volume of goods. More than 20 volunteers showed up on Saturday evening to unload and display in record time. The volunteers included congregants, bridge club friends of congregants and grandchildren of congregants. It was heartwarming to see the group work together in fellowship and harmony.

The good news continued on Sunday when a dozen volunteers were on hand to keep the sale going without a hitch. Once again the congregation teamwork was great to behold.

TBS thanks everyone that made this event so special – the donators, the stockers, the displayers, the restockers, the sales people, the 50/50 sales people, the outdoors sales people and everyone who supported the activity.

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website for a list and explanations, and if you need guidance on how to go about anything connected with the holiday, please feel free to contact me. Don't forget that Temple Beth Shalom's Sukkah is available for your use for meals or just to sit and enjoy it throughout the holiday (please follow the guidelines mentioned on the synagogue's website).

As we enter the Jewish New Year with new purpose, let's try to acknowledge the richness of our heritage that provides guidance for us, especially when the road ahead would make our steps a bit uneasy. Of course, the good news is that we are not alone, that we have each other to rely upon when searching for understanding, cultivating gratitude, and relearning how to be happy in the life in which we find ourselves.

Indeed, I know that I am with you and you with me as we meet this New Year together, *Moadim L'Simkha* — with “seasons of joy” that we pray will last the whole year ahead and beyond!

Rabbi Gerald R. Fox

October Yahrzeits

- 10/1 Edith Krimstock *in memory of* her mother, Minnie Kunis
- 10/2 Edward & Judith Rubin *in memory of* Judy's uncle, Nathan Bell
Helen & John Spinrad *in memory of* Helen's husband and John's father, Malcom Spinrad
- 10/3 Faye Kahn *in memory of* her mother, Malka Mittelman Landau
Gerald Pepper *in memory of* his mother, Tillie Pepper-Blum
- 10/4 Henrietta Burke
Fred & Marlene Paul *in memory of* Fred's mother, Celia Paul
- 10/5 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
- 10/6 Bernard & Camille Rosenberg *in memory of* Bernard's father, Charles Rosenberg
Saul & Sheila Feder *in memory of* Sheila's mother, Dora Werbin
- 10/7 Judith Blum-Crawford *in memory of* her father, Eugene W. Blum
H. David & Gloria Caplan *in memory of* David's mother, Henrietta Ginsburg
Charlotte Sweet
- 10/8 Anita Erman *in memory of* her mother-in-law, Rosalie Erman
Joel & Stephanie Miller *in memory of* Joel's aunt, Eva Dora Goldsmith
Susan Mintz *in memory of* her father-in-law, Aaron Herbert Mintz
Leon & Harriet Ackovitz *in memory of* their uncle, Albert Orner
- 10/10 Helen Spinrad & Stewart Lapayowker *in memory of* Helen's mother & Stewart's grandmother, Mary Moskowitz
- 10/11 Ronald & Rhoda Bermon *in memory of* Ron's father, Samuel Bermon
Martha Cohen & Jerald & Sheila Cohen *in memory of* Martha's husband and Jerry's uncle, Frank Cohen
Michael & Marcia Kurland *in memory of* Michael's father, Irving Kurland
Jeffrey & Rhoda Rosen *in memory of* Rhoda's mother, Hannah Meyer
Annieta Mann *in memory of* her mother, Virginia Shanack
- 10/12 Arnie & Lory Schuster *in memory of* Arnie's mother, Margot Schuster
- 10/13 Albert & Barbara Dragon *in memory of* Al's mother, Betty (Becky) Dragon
- 10/14 Ronald & Rhoda Bermon *in memory of* Rhoda's sister, Marilyn (Mikki) Boyer
- 10/16 Saul & Sheila Feder *in memory of* Saul's mother, Lillian Feder
Bernard & Norma Gittelman *in memory of* Bernie's mother, Henrietta Gittelman
Howard Abber *in memory of* his sister, Joyce Small
Selma Sofsky *in memory of* her husband, Sol Sofsky
- 10/17 Dr. Martin & Tina Freedman *in memory of* Tina's mother, Edythe Ribowsky
Annieta Mann *in memory of* her father, Leon Shanack
- 10/19 Carl & Beth Apter *in memory of* Carl's brother, Allen Apter
Fannie Levin
Ronald & Lillian Shender *in memory of* Ron's mother, Leah Shender
- 10/20 Aaron & Joan Grossman *in memory of* Joan's mother, Esther Broder
Anna Leibowitz
- 10/21 Jacqueline Fabel *in memory of* her father-in-law, Lewis Fabel
Stephen & Eileen Engber *in memory of* Eileen's mother, Gladys Greenspun
Jack Segal
- 10/22 Michael & Cheryl Guterman *in memory of* Michael's father, Hyman Guterman
- 10/24 Mark & Pearl Erdman *in memory of* Mark's father, Nathaniel Erdman
Mitchell & Mina Kramer *in memory of* Mitch's father, Harry Kramer
Sara Rutberg
- 10/25 Toby Waller *in memory of* her brother-in-law, Shep Waller
- 10/26 Jerald & Sheila Cohen and Martha Cohen *in memory of* Jerry's grandfather and Martha's father-in-law, Albert Cohen
Dr. Martin & Linda Millison *in memory of* Marty's brother, Carl Millison
Norman & Pearl Reiff *in memory of* their daughter, Jill Reiff
- 10/29 Barry & Sandy Cogan *in memory of* Sandy's father, Morris Rubinstein
- 10/30 Dr. Howard & Arlene Waronker *in memory of* Howard's father, Isadore Waronker
- 10/31 Fred & Marlene Paul *in memory of* Marlene's father, Leon Lindenberg

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Congratulations

to Irene Siegel & family on the birth of her 5th great-grandson, Sean Preston Murphy, born July 24, 2015.

Get Well

Dr. Roberta Ball, Barry Bornstein,
Fred Fabel, Bernie Gittelman, Saul Grossman,
Mitchell Kramer, Diane Waxman

General Donations

Suzanne Friedman in memory of Ida Levin.

Irene Siegel in honor of the birth of her 5th great-grandson, Sean Preston Murphy.

Natalie Solomon in honor of Jack Lieberman as President.

Sidney & Shirley Morgan in honor of Betty Chaikin's 90th Birthday.

Dr. Henry & Gloria Jacoby in honor of Betty Chaikin's 90th Birthday.

Ronald & Lillian Shender in honor of Betty Chaikin's 90th Birthday.

Message Cards

Beth & Carl Apter –Get well wishes to Mitch Kramer.

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Bernard & Camille Rosenberg

purchased two prayerbook dedications in memory of Charles & Lillian Rosenberg.

Welcome New Member

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Feder

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Simon Nager

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S. David Pepper in memory of his wife, Florence Z.
Pepper

Jacqueline & Fred Fabel in memory of Jackie's sister,
Anna Kahn

Harvey & Diane Steiner in memory of Harvey's uncle,
Abraham Motel

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Greenberg

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Lillian Waltzer

Ronald & Lillian Shender in memory of Ron's mother,
Leah Shender

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Friday, September 4 – Marvin & Diane Waxman with
thanks for all the prayers and good wishes;

Terry Horowitz in memory of her father-in-law, Morris
Horowitz;

Bernard & Norma Gittelman in memory of Bernie's
father, Major Gittelman.

Friday, September 11 – Jerald & Sheila Cohen in
memory of Jerry's father, Bernie Cohen;

Lorraine & Burt Stolove in memory of Lorraine's
father, Erwin Augenfeld.

Friday, September 18 – Ronald & Jo-Ann Massanova in
memory of Jo-Ann's mother, Rose Aufiero;

Dr. Joseph & Lillian Hassman in memory of Joe's
mother, Ethel Hassman.

Friday, September 25 – Betty Chaikin in memory of her
sister, Ruth Bocour.



BIRTHDAYS - October

9.....Daniel-Paul Alva	19Diane A. Waxman
10.....Larry Hatoff	22.....Carl P.Apter
Judge Sandra Mazer Moss	23Stephanie Miller
14.....Anna Weinstein	26Howard Abber
15Michael Kurland	28.....Sidney Morgan
16.....Betty Chaikin	30.....Nancy K. Zucker
17.....David W. Silver	

ANNIVERSARIES - October

6.....Michael & Carol Albert
10.....Jerald & Sheila Cohen
13.....John & Beth Bacha
22.....Dr. Joseph & Lillian Hassman
31.....Jacqueline & Fred Fabel



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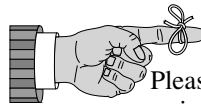
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