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Message from the Rabbi Dear Friends,

Ah, summer. Although June has just begun, the pace of life has begun to shift. The school year is almost over. Organizations and committees have their final meetings, wrap up business and go on hiatus until September. Seasonal restaurants and businesses open their doors, seasonal friends return from winters spent elsewhere. Some things speed up, others slow down. Change is in the air.

At this time I want to publicly acknowledge some members of our congregation. First, a very big thank-you to outgoing President, Aaron Shapiro. My father once said that a rabbi has 300 (or 95 or 1000) bosses - the exact number determined by the size of her congregation. Well, you could say the same thing about a temple President. It's not an easy job balancing all the moving parts of temple life, and anyone who accepts the responsibility deserves much praise and appreciation. Thank you, Aaron, for chairing, coordinating, responding, overseeing, delegating, fixing and arranging - the list of verbs goes on. You ably managed the transition from our being led by a Founder-President - Cyndy Friedland - to a system with regular terms of office for the President, thereby insuring that the work is shared and no one gets burnt out. Each President brings her or his own unique set of gifts and skills to the position; no two presidencies look alike. Aaron now passes the baton to his successor, Philip Miler with whom I look forward to working as well.

Deepest thanks also go to Philip Altland and Stan Jackson, for another year of extraordinary musical partnership. To Madelyn and Philomena and Cyndy for so gracefully and quietly working behind the scenes to ensure that every Friday evening we have both nourishment for the eyes (Philomena's beautiful flowers) and nourishment for the body (our oneg!). To all of you who put out the prayer books, greet people at the door, set up the sound system and in a myriad of ways, some small and some large, make Reform Jewish experience in South Ocean County happen. We are a team and one I feel privileged to be part of.

Some of you have asked me what I "do" in the summer. Since during the winter I teach on the faculty of our Reform seminary, Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion in New York City, summer means a good rest from the constant demands of teaching, advising students, and serving on committees. I have various administrative responsibilities in the summer, but I have much more control over my time, and that is, I must confess, a bit of a relief. This summer I am very excited to be doing something I've thought about for ages. I'm going to attend the North American Jewish Choral Festival in the Catskills at the end of July. I'm going to be in one of five choirs which will rehearse twice daily leading up to a final concert on the last day. Although I've never taken a voice lesson in my life, I do love to sing, and so the Choral Festival sounds wonderful to me. Not only that, but Philip Altland plans to attend too, and we hope to bring back new and wonderful and singable music to share with you.

The High Holidays, of course, loom on the not-too-distant horizon. More about that in my next message. Before then, I look forward to seeing you on June 14 and 28. May it be a month of sunshine, a manageable pace and true community for all of us.

Sincerely,

Rabbi Kim S. Geringer



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I begin the honor of serving as the third President of our young congregation, I wish to thank our outgoing President, as well as the Executive Board members who have completed their terms. Doing the work of keeping a religious institution running is not easy, as I am quickly learning, and your dedication to our mission is appreciated by all.

We face many challenges as we move forward, but I am confident we can continue to meet them together as we have in the past. Not to sound overly dramatic, but as they say, failure is not an option for us. I have heard more than once how there is no way we can keep this Temple going, that we do not have enough members, or money in the budget, or a permanent dwelling, and on and on. But I have yet to hear one person suggest the alternative, which we simply give up.

In spite of our obstacles, or maybe because of them, next year we will be celebrating the tenth anniversary of the founding of Congregation Sha' aray Hayam. I am not sure how everyone else feels, but I think that sounds pretty impressive. Maybe it also means we are meant to still be here.

Philip M. Miller

TEMPLE COMMITTEES

Contact Aaron at 242-2390 or email at <u>shap1010@comcast.net</u> if you wish to become a member of one of these committees or contact the Committee Chairperson.

Committee	Chair/Members
MEMBERSHIP	Cyndy Friedland, Syble Bleiweis
RITUAL	Charles Flum
MUSIC	Philip Altland , Stan Jackson
GREETERS	Rose Jackson, Judie Levin, Pat Barndt, Syble Bleiweis, Hope Gardiner, Wendi Higgins, Thelma Polon, Maralyn Ricciardi
FUNDRAISING	Dayna Otto, Syble Bleiweis, Madelyn Dunn, Bari Cohen, Gina Cohen, Rena Kreisler, Cyndy Friedland, Rhonda Daley
SUNSHINE	Syble Bleiweis, Arlene Armstrong, Harriet Cohen, Ruth Schlyen
HOSPITAL VISITS	Susan Shapiro, Sandye Polter, Arlene Armstrong, Ruth Schlyen
RELIGIOUS SCHOOL	Cyndy Friedland, Phil Miller
PUBLICITY	Aaron Shapiro, Cyndy Friedland
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NEWSLETTER	Rose Jackson, Hope Gardiner, Susan Shapiro
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YAHRZEIT JUNE 2013 – OF BLESSED MEMORY

According to the English Calendar

June	Yahrzeit	
5	David Marc Polter	Son of Sandra & Joel Polter
7	Barbara Levine	Mother of Michael Levine
12	Jeannie Sigal	Mother-in-Law of Rhoda Preissman
13	George Levin	Father of David Levin
17	Ronald Ehrlich	Husband of Sheila Ehrlich
17	William Feather	Father of Leonard Feather
22	Harley Crespy	Wife of Jack Crespy
		(Tammuz 20)
23	Julia Polter	Mother of Joel Polter
26	Theodore Shapiro	Brother of Aaron Shapiro (Tammuz 6)

Illness or Sympathy Cards from the Congregation

Please notify Arlene Armstrong at 609-242-1303 or by email at <u>aarmst@hotmail.com</u> of an illness of one of our members or of the death of a member of our congregation or member of their family.

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Past President

Jewish Trivia

Trivia Questions and Answers

Sports:

1) Tal Brody coined a famous quote after defeating the Russian Moscow team in 1977. What was it? Answer: "We are on the map and staying on the map in sports and all else."

2) How many times did the Maccabies of Tel Aviv win the European basketball championship?

Answer: 3 times

3) What is the sport in which Israel won most Olympic medals?

Answer: Judo

The Western Wall:

1) What is the weight of the heaviest stone discovered in the Western Wall?

Answer: between 500-570 tons

2) What type of stone is the Wall built with?

Answer: Limestone

3) What was the function of the Western Wall in regards to the Temple?

Answer: Retaining Wall

Tribute Cards

Tribute cards are available to congregants and friends for making donations in memory of, in honor of, to

celebrate all life cycle events.

To make the donation kindly contact:

Syble Bleiweis at 609-978-4240 or sybern3539@comcast.net

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As soon as your check for the donation is received the tribute card will be mailed to the recipient. Checks should

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Syble Bleiweis, 70 Oak Ridge Lane, Manahawkin, NJ 08050

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June	Date	Congregant
	3	Deanna Bovasso
	8	Ret Wallerstein
	10	Philip Miller
	12	Terry Silverman
	15	Arlene Armstrong
	30	Patricia Barndt



Happy Anniversary, Happy Anniversary to



Rhonda and Gary Daley – June 12, 1999

Celeste and Benjamin Lessig - June 3, 2011



Rose and Stanley Jackson – June 12, 1966

Joan and Terry Silverman – June 12, 1962

Sue and Aaron Shapiro – June 13, 1961







Casey, Garrett and Corey

Our students were very busy this last month, studying about Shavuot, and tasting blintzes for the first time! Thanks to Bari Cohen for providing this delicious snack for the class:)) They also traveled to Stockton College to visit the Holocaust Studies Program's display of donated artifacts. They had a guided tour by Director Gail Rosenthal. Ms. Rosenthal presented the tour in a very age appropriate way for the students to grasp many different representations of families before, during and after their lives in the prison camps. The students would like to make this field trip an annual event. Our last day of class was celebrated with Israeli delicacies; ruggalah, homemade mandel bread, blintzes, (can you guess these were a big hit on the first try), halavah, and matzoh and jelly!! Of course, "Feed them and they shall come" is true for this class!! Our thanks to Iris and Mike for a great year of learning, eating, studying, eating, doing projects, eating, and for sure, learning Hebrew!!

Cyndy Friedland, Director



Students, parents and Director Gail Rosenthal at the Stockton's Independence Walk





Fundraiser 50% Benefits Congregation Sha'arey Ha-Yam

Tickets for Sale

\$6.50

These make great gifts!

Tribute Cards

Starting donation \$5 for any reason - contact Syble Bleiweis 978-4240 (birthday, graduation, special occasion, anniversary, in memory of,...)

ShopRite Cards

the only place to shop around here Write a tax deductible check to RJCB and the congregation gets 5% of the sale. Sold in \$25, \$50 & \$100 make great gifts too!

Used Book Sale June 8th

Founder's Day

We need donations & volunteers!

Support upcoming Fundraisers: Raffle, Clothing Drive, Honey for Rosh Hashanah, monthly Dine-A-Rounds, Shabbat Dinners, Flea Market, Pirates Day...

Any questions or to make a purchase or donation, contact a member from the Fundraising Committee

Temple Membership

Are there unaffiliated Jews in your community, in your neighborhood, in the stores of services you utilize. Reach out; they may be seeking a spiritual home. You may be surprised.

Welcome them and we will be able to expand our community and share our heritage. Be proactive and invite them to our Services. Our Congregation is unique and our community warm and welcoming. It's time to share what we have developed. Invite a friend to visit our services and meet our spiritual community. Ask them "To try it; they might like it"!!



June Dates to Remember

- Saturday, June 8, Book Sale Founder's Day Manahawkin •
- Friday, June 14, Services 7:30pm •
- Sunday, June 23rd 10AM Board of Trustees Meeting at Phil Miller's office
- Friday, June 28, Services 7:30pm

Membership Dues Information

At our congregational meeting on May 19th our dues for membership was increased and accepted to be \$295. per person. This year we are offering a few different ways that you can pay vour dues.

1. Dues may be paid in one payment.

2. Dues may be paid in one payment using a credit card; go to our website www.shayareyhayam.org under *donate*. Fill in the information from your credit card and fill in amount, \$295.00 per single or \$590.00 per family This can only be done by paying the full amount due.

3. Dues may be paid in 4 payments; June1, July1, August1, September1. This would be at \$75. each month with the last payment being \$70. This amount would be doubled for family memberships.

All dues must be paid in full by October unless an arrangement has been made with Cynthia Friedland (Financial Secretary) cfriedland119@comcast.net, 609-698-4459 or Ernie Bleiweis (Treasurer) sybern3539@comcast.net, 609-978-4240. If you have any questions kindly contact us.

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