

Message From Rabbi Goldstein

Going to South Africa in Mid-April was Sally's idea. Still, as Jane Goodall wrote about herself, "Africa is in my blood". Since I was a boy, I dreamed of experiencing the rain-forests of the Virunga Mountains, watching within a few feet the magnificence of the mountain gorilla. That dream came true sixteen years ago when Sally encouraged me to go on that challenging and difficult journey. The challenge was worth it. I will never forget the extraordinary encounter with a family of gorillas at high mountain altitudes in Uganda.

This trip was a bit less challenging though still formidable. Factor in two sixteen hour flights, plus three domestic flights in Africa, plus days packed with special trips and activities, and you can imagine the exhaustion we felt upon our return home. Like Uganda 16 years ago this one was worth it: The drive to the Cape of Good Hope; the wonderful Capetown Jewish Museum; Krueger National Park where on two-a-day game drives for four hours each, driving on rough terrain, we observed lions, leopards, wild dogs, hippos, elephants, monkeys (one even snuck into our room to steal a piece of fruit), and so much more; And, two days at the Zambia -Zimbabwe border to see one of the Seven Wonders of the World, Victoria Falls. It was all breath-taking.

Now home, I'm able to think about our trip's applications to our Jewish values. Three come to mind:

- 1. Our heritage consistently teaches that this world is God's, not ours. In other words, we need to work to preserve the natural beauty of our planet. For me, that has meant being an activist for the survival of gorillas. Whatever form it takes, I urge our members to do the mitzvot that are necessary to preserve God's earth.
- 2. One of Judaism's great teachers, Abraham Heschel, stressed that God's presence can best be found in the sense of awe and wonder elicited by nature. Heschel's words were given new meaning for me when I asked our tracker, Julius, what he loved about his work. He said: "When I read the tracks of animals on the ground, that is like reading a great book. And when I hear the sounds of nature, that is like listening to beautiful music."
- 3. Feeling our connection to the Jewish people, even in distant places, was always with us. We rejoiced on Yom Ha'atzmaut in Krueger National Park, as Israel celebrated her 70th birthday. We took pride in the story of South Africa's Jews as depicted in the Jewish Museum of Capetown. I read two great Jewish books on our trip. And throughout, we thought of home: Our family, including our Sha'arey Ha-Yam community.

We felt blessed at this stage in our lives to experience the wonder of Africa. That experience provoked me to say the "she'he'heyanu", thanking God for allowing us to see what we saw thousands of miles away.

SHABBAT WORSHIP IN JULY AND AUGUST

July 13	"Big Tent Zionism"	7:30 PM
July 27	"The Raging Sermons of the Warsaw Ghetto Rabbi"	7:30 PM
August 10	"Judaism Beyond Slogans"	7:30 PM
August 24	"Letters to a Palestinian Neighbor"	7:30 PM

President's Message

Spring has now turned to summer...everything is in bloom...the vacation crowds are here, and that means 2 things.....the greenhead flies are back and it's time to get ready for High Holidays (and of course we all need to get in some beach and barbeque time)!

Before the choir starts practicing, or work begins on the Yizkor Book, or the tallit goes to the cleaners, we have some fundraising to do. The Fundraising Committee has once again organized an Art Auction to be held on Thursday August 9th at the Captain's Inn in Forked River. Tickets are \$10.00 in advance or \$15.00 at the door (the flyer may be found at the end of the newsletter). This will be our major fundraising event for the year, so I am hoping you will all take part and help make it a huge success.

As in past years, you may pay for your purchases with a personal check or credit card. The Fundraising Committee is asking that if possible, you pay for your purchases with a personal check to avoid the credit card fees being deducted from the evening's profits....every little bit helps!

Finally, I still need each of you to take part in the day-to-day activities of the Congregation. In order for us to continue to grow and be successful, everyone must participate...your Congregational Family needs you and I need you! Due to my continued workload, I cannot do it all (membership calls, newsletter on a monthly basis, yahrzeit reminder letters, community outreach/advertising/marketing) and need volunteers to help out. We need to do a better job checking on each other, and we need to offer support rather than criticism. I've listed the activities still requiring support below:

Calls to members who are ill and/or Hospital/Home Visits

Membership calls

Newsletter

Please email me at shaareyhayam@gmail.com with the activity where you may help out.

L'shalom, Helen

Membership

Let's all pitch in and help to grow our membership....we need everyone's help to grow our congregation..we all are congregants with a mission. Reach out to your unaffiliated friends, neighbors, family members...ask them to join our spiritual community. This is of up-most importance for us to move forward as a Jewish Community and to be known in the community at large. Without our members we do not have a community..let's do this and get new members!!!

Adult Education

MODERN HEBREW FOR ADULTS

Learn or improve your reading skills
Build up your Conversational Hebrew Skills
Choose to read from the Torah Scroll on a Friday night.
Consider this Class as path to Conversion

Led by Rabbi Josh Goldstein Congregation Sha'arey Ha-Yam Place and Time: Alternate Tuesdays, 1:00 – 2:00 pm Lutheran Church of The Holy Spirit Text: "Modern Hebrew" by Blumberg and Lewittes

(Books will be made available to students on a loan basis for one year)

October 2, 16	(Reading Skills: pg. 373 – 391)
November 13, 27	(Reading Skills: pg. 373 – 391)
December 4, 11	(Conversational Skills: pg. 1 – 10)
January 15, 29	(Conversational Skills: pg. 11 – 20)
February 12, 26	(Conversational Skills: pg. 21 – 34)
March 12, 26	(Conversational Skills: pg. 35 – 48)
April 2, 23	(Conversational Skills: pg. 49 – 60)
May 14, 28	Reading A Verse From the Torah Scroll
June 4, 18	Reading A Verse From the Torah Scroll

Our Class is Free and Open to the Public

Please Consider a Donation to Congregation Sha'arey Ha-Yam

Tributes

This is a fabulous way to support our congregation..and also save yourself time and \$\$... These cards are sent for you...all you have to do is contact Joan Silverman phone; 609-698-0000 or email at Joan341@yahoo.com with your information...upon receipt of payment the card will be written, addressed, stamped and mailed for you....what could be easier?!!! Think of sending these cards for a Simcha, Life Cycle Event, Birthday, whatever needs to be celebrated. Your donation will be a tax deduction for you and income for our congregation!!! Remember.....time saving for you, assistance for our congregation!!!



July

Mitchell & Deborah Gardiner

07/25

August

Gary & Ruth Schlyen	08/02
Daniel & Linda Moss	08/08



Birthdays are always something to celebrate

July

Rachel Miller	07/04
John Cocuzza	07/15

August

Daniel Moss	08/07
Rhona Levy	08/14
Allan Levy	08/16
Sheila Ehrlich	08/17
Justin Friedland	08/28



Yahrzeits

יתגדל בראבא

May the memories of our loved ones be a blessing

		July	
07	7/01	Rose Lewis	Mother of Samuel Lewis
07	7/01	Ronald Ehrlich	Husband of Sheila Ehrlich
07	7/06	Ian Shapinsky	Cousin of Helen Cocuzza
07	7/07	Bernice Jachter	
07	7/09	Sarah Halpert	Mother of Marlene Feldhuhn
07	7/12	Esther Ehrlich	Grandmother of Helen Cocuzza
07	7/19	Dorothy Heineman	Mother of Syble Bleiweis
07	7/25	Clark Webb	Brother-In-Law of Cyndy Friedland,
			Uncle of Justin Friedland
07	7/27	Gladys Cohen	Mother of Phil Cohen
07	7/28	Sophie Litt	Mother of Celia Salzman
07	7/31	Brian Jacobs	Brother of Helen Cocuzza
		August	
08	3/08	Attie M.Fisher	Grandmother of Laura Miller
08	3/08	Sophie Litt	Mother of Celia Salzman
08	3/10	Janna Zilinski	Honorary Granddaughter of Joe
			& Fran Breese
08	3/16	Adolph Ehrlich	Grandfather of Helen Cocuzza
08	817	Arthur Salzman	Father of Robert Salzman
08	3/18	Gussie Flaxman	Mother of Joan Silverman
08	3/18	Raymond Goldkopf	Father of Debra Majewski
08	3/19	Trudi Gardiner	Mother of Hope Gardiner
08	3/19	Lillyan Harmon	Mother of Inez Levine
08	3/20	Howard Davenport	Grandfather of Laura Miller
08	3/20	Robert Bailen	Uncle of Rosalie Donadio
08	3/26	Albert Grossman	Brother of Fran Breese
08	3/28	Arthur Salzman	Father of Robert Salzman
08	3/30	Rose Liebowitz	Aunt of Sheldon Wallerstein

Oneg Sponsorship

Do you or your family have a Simcha to share with our congregation? What better way to celebrate than sponsoring an Oneg! We offer several levels that can be sponsored. \$50, \$75, and \$100. Our Onegs include wine, juice, challah and other desserts. The upper levels include fruit and extras to enhance the Oneg. Kindly contact Madelyn Dunn at 609-660-1614 to reserve your date.

Fundraising News

FEATURED FUNDRAISING EVENTS

ART AUCTION

DATE: THURSDAY AUGUST 9, 2018
TIME: PREVIEW 7:00 PM.....AUCTION 8:00 PM
LOCATION: CAPTAIN'S INN
304 E LACEY ROAD
FORKED RIVER, NJ
PRICE: \$10.00 IN ADVANCE.....\$15.00 AT THE DOOR
CASH BAR AVAILABLE
FOR TICKETS CALL (609) 698-4459

SHOPRITE....GIFT CARDS

SO, LET'S DISCUSS WHAT GOES ON WITH THE SHOPRITE GIFT CARDS....OUR
CONGREGATION SELLS THESE GIFT CARDS AS A FUNDRAISER....IT'S A VERY PAINLESS
PROCESS!! ANYONE CAN PURCHASE THESE CARDS...THEY ARE IN INCREMENTS OF \$25,
\$50, OR \$100.
THE PLUS TO THIS FUNDRAISER IS.....

#1..YOU WRITE YOUR CHECK TO THE CONGREGATION

#2..THIS IS THE SAME AS USING CASH AT SHOPRITE, NOTHING DIFFERENT
#3..YOU ARE ABLE TO RECEIVE YOUR DISCOUNTS, USE COUPONS, QUALIFY FOR SALE

PRICES, ETC. IF YOU USE THE GIFT CARD

#4..YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP DONATE TO THE CONGREGATION.....WE EARN 5% ON EVERY \$100 WE SELL...

#5..IT DOES NOT COST YOU ANYTHING OUT OF POCKET...YOUR PURCHASE OF THE SHOPRITE GIFT CARD IS THE TOTAL VALUE YOU GET TO SPEND IN SHOPRITE...

#6..CURRENTLY, APPROXIMATELY 12 MEMBERS PARTICIPATE IN THIS FUNDRAISER...IF
EVERYONE PARTICIPATES, WOW...SUCCESS!!!

HELEN COCUZZA (609-978-8653), LAURA MILLER (609-713-1771), AND MADELYN DUNN (609-660-1614) ARE THE KEEPERS OF THESE CARDS....REACH OUT TO THEM AND BE A SUPPORTER!! THEY HAVE CARDS AT EVERY SERVICE...



TRIBUTE CARDS

TRIBUTE CARDS ARE AVAILABLE FROM JOAN SILVERMAN 609-698-0000. THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO DONATE TO OUR CONGREGATION WHILE CELEBRATING SIMCHAS, ACKNOWLEDGING BIRTHS, WEDDINGS, GET WELL WISHES, ETC. NON-JEWISH INDIVIDUALS CAN ALSO RECEIVE THESE CARDS!! TRIBUTE CARDS WILL BE MAILED AS SOON AS RECEIPT OF PAYMENT IS MADE.

Amazon Smile

When shopping at www.SMILE.Amazon.com you can designate REFORM JEWISH COMMUNITY of BARNEGAT (there are no additional fees, the congregation makes a percentage).

TD Bank Affinity Program

TD Bank will make an annual contribution to our Congregation simply based on the activity of our member's TD bank accounts. All you need to do is go into your local TD Bank OR visit Dorothy Lassik in the Manahawkin branch (609-978-1112). Tell her (or your local branch) you are a member of "The Reform Jewish Community of Barnegat" and that you want to participate in the Affinity Program. At the end of the year, TD Bank will make a contribution of \$10.00 per enrolled checking account to us – <u>no</u> <u>funds come from your accounts</u>.

For every new checking account, TD Bank will make a 1-time contribution of \$50.00 to our congregation.

Manahawkin Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram, Manahawkin, NJ

The dealership will make a \$100 donation to the Congregation for every car purchased by a member. If you're looking for a new car or SUV, contact Justin Friedland (609-597-1045) for assistance.

Executive Board

There next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Thursday, July 19, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the home of Sam Lewis. If you would like to attend, please contact Helen at (201)370-8927.

2018 (5778)-2019 (5779) Shabbat & Holiday Services Dates/Times

July 2018

Friday, July 13, 7:30 PM Friday, July 27, 7:30 PM

August 2018

Friday, August 10, 7:30 PM Friday, August 24, 7:30 PM

September 2018

Sunday, September 9, Erev Rosh Ha'Shanah 7:30 PM Monday, September 10, Rosh Ha'Shanah Morning 10:00 AM Tuesday, September 18, Kol Nidre 7:30 PM Wednesday, September 19, Yom Kippur Full Day 10:00 AM – 5:30 PM (followed by Break Fast)

October 2018

Friday, October 12, 7:30 PM Friday, October 26, 7:30 PM

November 2018

Friday, November 9, 7:30 PM

December 2018

Friday, December 7, 7:30 PM Friday, December 21, 7:30 PM

January 2019

Friday, January 11, 7:30 PM Friday, January 25, 7:30 PM (Shabbat Dinner prior to services)

February 2019

Friday, February 8, 7:30 PM Friday, February 22, 7:30 PM

March 2019

Friday, March 8, 7:30 PM Friday, March 22, 7:30 PM (Shabbat Dinner prior to services)

April 2019

Friday, April 12, 7:30 PM Saturday, April 20, 1:00 PM 2nd Night Seder

May 2019

Friday, May 10, 7:30 PM Friday, May 24, 7:30 PM

June 2019

Friday, June 14, 7:30 PM Friday, June 28, 7:30 PM

	Shabbat Candle Lighting Times and Holiday Calendar					
July 2018/577 SUNDAY		TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 18 Tamuz Tzom Tammuz	2 19 Tamuz	3 20 Tamuz	4 21 Tamuz Independence Day	5 22 Tamuz	6 23 Tamuz Shabbat Candle Lighting 8:11 PM	7 24 Tamuz
8 25 Tamuz	9 26 Tamuz	10 27 Tamuz	11 28 Tamuz	12 29 Tamuz	13 1 Av Shabbat Candle Lighting 8:08 PM Rosh Chodesh Av	14 2 Av
15 3 Av	16 4 Av	17 5 Av	18 6 Av	19 7 Av	20 8 Av Shabbat Candle Lighting 8:04 PM	21 9 Av Shabbat Chazon Erev Tish'a B'Av
22 10 Av Tish'a B'Av	23 11 Av	24 12 Av	25 13 Av	26 14 Av	27 15 Av Shabbat Candle Lighting 7:58 PM Tu B'Av	28 16 Av Shabbat Nachamu
29 17 Av	30 18 Av	31 19 Av				

	Shabbat Candle Lighting Times and Holiday Calendar					
August 2018/3	5778 MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 20 Av	2 21 Av	3 22 Av Shabbat Candle Lighting 7:50 PM	4 23 Av
5 24 Av	6 25 Av	7 26 Av	8 27 Av	9 28 Av	10 29 Av Shabbat Candle Lighting 7:42 PM	30 Av Rosh Chodesh Elul
12 1 Elul Rosh Chodesh Elul	13 2 Elul	14 3 Elul	15 4 Elul	16 5 Elul	17 6 Elul Shabbat Candle Lighting 7:30 PM	18 7 Elul
19 8 Elul	20 9 Elul	21 10 Elul	22 11 Elul	23 12 Elul	24 13 Elul Shabbat Candle Lighting 7:22 PM Tu B'Av	25 14 Elul
26 15 Elul	27 16 Elul	28 17 Elul	29 18 Elul	30 19 Elul	31 20 Elul Shabbat Candle Lighting 7:11 PM	

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Please join us on

Thursday Evening, August 9, 2018

at

The Captain's Inn 304 East Lacey Road. Forked River, New Jersey 08731

Preview: 7:00 p.m. Auction: 8:00 p.m.

\$10.00 per person in advance/\$15.00 at the door

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