



Message from the Rabbi



One of the fastest-moving Internet videos this season has featured the 91 year-old former President of Israel, Shimon Peres, looking for a new job – seriously! If you haven't seen it, you must. Here's the link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7b9O8k1tw&feature=youtu.be>.

I've watched this video, produced by the, "Peres Center for Peace several times now, and I love it. It's incredibly clever. It's so Israeli. The supporting characters are priceless. At the start, we see President Peres packing up his official presidential office suite; among the items that he decides to file in the trash or give away is his copy of *Presidency for Dummies*. In the clip (in Hebrew with English subtitles), Peres then heads over to the unemployment office where he learns that his past jobs as cow milker, shepherd, minister of Postal Services and designer of an advanced defense system not only fail to impress his job counselor (who doesn't seem to recognize him) but apparently qualify him for absolutely nothing in today's high-tech world. The unemployment counselor sends him out hoping for the best. The game and unflappable Peres then tries everything: pumping gas, working as a security guard, delivering pizza, grocery store cashier, stand-up comic and skydiving instructor - and in each, his customers, clients and audience members are the recipients of gems of wisdom that he dispenses.

The video concludes with his famous statement: "You are as great as the cause that you serve and as young as your dreams." The video is very, very funny, but it also contains some serious and very important messages.

First, although the unemployment counselor in the video is not impressed with the former President's resume, the point is clear: no experience in life is ever wasted. We can learn from everything that happens to us, and every experience shapes us and prepares us for what comes next.

Second, the virtue of modesty. This former President of Israel doesn't ask for or expect any special treatment once he leaves office. In this, he calls to mind former President Harry Truman who was famously photographed carrying his own suitcases from the White House into his home in Missouri on the day his successor, Dwight Eisenhower, was sworn in as President. Nor does Peres appear to be ashamed of the jobs he does fill after leaving the Presidency. On the contrary, in each he is dignified, courteous, hard-working – and wise.

And finally, there's this. Shimon Peres is 91 years old. Yet nowhere in the video is there any suggestion that he should slow down. On the contrary, the final scene has him jumping out of an airplane, encouraging a much younger parachutist to jump with him, and then – when they've landed in an empty desert – saying, "Let's go! We have a lot of work to do! When there's nothing, you can do anything!"

Watch this video and be inspired. Be reminded that all work is noble and ennobling. Remember the

virtues of modesty, of speaking one's truth, and of knowing that every experience shapes us and gives us the opportunity to grow. A colleague of mine, commenting recently on this video, wrote, "When I grow up I want to be like Shimon Peres." Let me chime in here – me too!

Have a very good month,

Rabbi Kim S. Geringer



Message from Philip Miller – President

I write this message having just enjoyed our Temple's services on both the evening and first day of Rosh Hashanah, together with members of my family. The services were well attended, well organized and meaningful, despite a slight monkey wrench thrown in by some bad weather on Thursday. I expect more of the same for the Yom Kippur services on Friday evening and Saturday morning, minus the weather. Hopefully we will see all of you there.

The public is invited to attend the Yizkor service on Saturday afternoon. Feel free to invite a friend, neighbor or family member.

On behalf of the Congregation Board of Trustees and myself, I would like to wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

LAST CALL...

If you have forgotten to make your reservation for Break the Fast, contact Madelyn Dunn at 609-660-1614 ...there are a few seats left if you would like to join us right after concluding services. \$18.00 for members, \$23.00, for non-members.

Membership

We are always looking for unaffiliated Jews in our area. Check out your neighborhood and bring a friend to our Shabbat services. Our warm community can always use more members, and volunteers to assist with our many committees. Where else can you find a close knit spiritual family....bring a friend to services on Friday, October 17th.



Yahrzeits



בראבא יתגדל

October 7	Barbara Lewis, Wife of Samuel Lewis, Hebrew date Tishre 4
October 12	Walter Heineman, Father of Syble Bleiweis
October 14	Fannie Bleiweis, Mother of Ernie Bleiweis
October 22	Solomon Wallerstein, Father of Sheldon (Shelly) Wallerstein
October 25	Israel Bailen, Grandfather of Rosalie Donadio
October 26	Ruth Porter, Mother of Rosalie Donadio

May the memories of our loved ones be a blessing.

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NEW MEMBER

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NEW Fundraisers... We need your support!!!

Clothing Drive - Pick-up October 25th. Collecting clothing, drapes, linens, stuffed animals, shoes, purses in any condition. Contact Dayna to drop off or bring to services. 609-709-9410

Amazon Smile - When shopping at www.SMILE.Amazon.com you can designate **REFORM JEWISH COMMUNITY of BARNEGAT** (there no additional fees, the congregation makes a percentage). We have already received a check from this fundraiser :)

ShopRite Cards are always sold at services, but can be purchased anytime by contacting Dayna (609.709.9410) or Syble (609.978.4240)

Tribute Cards can be sent to anyone for any reason with a *minimum* donation of \$5.

Yizkor Books will be done by Wendi Higgins. Please contact her to get the names of your loved ones in it.

10th Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, November 2 - See more information on Page 6.

October Dine-A-Round - October 16th Tan's in Manahawkin See flyer on Page 6.

Next Fund Raising meeting at Joan Silverman's at 7pm on October 7th. Anyone wanting to join us are welcome to! Please RSVP 609-709-9410.

Hebrew School News

The first day of class will be Monday, October 20th starting at 5PM, concluding at 7PM. Iris Harari will be leading the students with Emily Miller as her assistant.

Added to our curriculum will be music with our Musical Director, Philip Altland. This will be offered once a month so our students will be more familiar with our music for Shabbat services. Iris is eager to return to her students this year... see you on the 20th!!



- October 7 Rich Goldsborough
- October 7 Matthew Dunn
- October 11 Blanche Spiegel
- October 12 Filomena Jonas
- October 25 Joe Breese
- October 28 Sam Lewis
- October 31 Ben Feather



- ♥ October 2 Debbie & Alex Majewski
- ♥ October 8 Mr. & Mrs. Charles Flum
- ♥ October 9 Rhona & Allan Levy
- ♥ October 24 Madelyn & Robert Dunn
- ♥ October 31 Phyllis & M. Leonard Feather

TEMPLE COMMITTEES

New Members Welcome

Temple Committees	Chair/Members
Birthdays & Anniversaries	
Choir	<u>Philip Altland</u> Cyndy Friedland, Wendi Higgins, Pat Barndt, Madelyn Dunn, Robert Dunn, Syble Bleiweis, Rena Kreisler
Finance	Treasurer, Financial Secretary, President
Fundraising	<u>Dayna Otto</u> Pat Barndt, Syble Bleiweis, Bari Cohen, Madelyn Dunn, Cyndy Friedland, Wendi Higgins, Joan Silverman, Blanche Spiegel
Greeters	Pat Barndt, Syble Bleiweis, Hope Gardiner, Wendi Higgins, Rhona Levy, Thelma Polon,
Hospital Visits	<u>Jack Crespy</u>
Membership	<u>Cyndy Friedland</u> Syble Bleiweis, Joan Silverman
Music	<u>Philip Altland</u> Stan Jackson
Newsletter	<u>Rose Jackson</u> Hope Gardiner
Oneg & Dinners	<u>Madelyn Dunn</u> Pat Barndt, Wendi Higgins
Publicity	<u>Cyndy Friedland</u>
Religious School	<u>Cyndy Friedland/ Phil Miller</u>
Ritual	<u>Allan Levy</u> Charles Flum Philip Altland , Stan Jackson
Sunshine	<u>Syble Bleiweis</u> Ruth Schlyen, Phyllis Blum, Harriet Cohen
Tributes	<u>Syble Bleiweis</u>
Yahrzeits	<u>Harriet Cohen</u>



10 Year Celebration - Sunday, November 2

Mark your calendars for November 2nd to celebrate the anniversary of our congregation! Aside from buying tickets, here's how you can help:

We will be having an auction at the celebration, we are in need of themed gift baskets &/or new items for the gift baskets &/ gift certificates.

Ad Journal - \$50 full page, \$30 1/2 page, \$18 1/4 (business card size) page, \$5/name friends of the congregation.

Contact Cyndy Friedland at 609-698-4459 or email cfriedland119@comcast.net for ads and to donate items.

