



Message From Rabbi Goldstein

With the approach of the summer, I can look back with some clarity on my first year as Sha'arey Ha-Yam's Rabbi. I truly feel privileged to partner with our lay leadership as we guide our Reform Jewish community into the future. And, I have a vision for our congregation that I'll share at the June board meeting, one that I believe is both optimistic and realistic.

For now, I simply want to express my gratitude to our out-going president, Syble Bleiweis. Synagogue presidents sometimes get a reputation for either being too dictatorial or too passive. But in my four decades as a congregational rabbi, I know the formula that makes for a successful president: Using the word "partnership" as a mantra for all congregational relationships; Offering a vision for the future; Feeling energized by recognizing that each synagogue (and, by extension, each member) is part of a great Jewish story. Syble has incorporated all these qualities into her time as our president. We are deeply grateful.

I look forward to seeing you on Friday evenings throughout the summer. When we join together to embrace our heritage through song, prayer, study and, yes, schmoozing at the oneg, we are given the gift of establishing an "island in time" called Shabbat.

Summer Friday Nights at Sha'arey Ha-Yam

June 2: Can We Believe in Revelation at Sinai? Post Shavuot Reflections 7:30 PM

June 16: Are Smart Jews Too Cool for Shul? 7:30 PM

July 14 and 28; August 11 and 25 7:30 PM

LOOKING AHEAD TO THE HIGH HOLIDAYS:

September 20-21 (Wednesday evening and Thursday) ROSH HA'SHANAH

September 29-30 (Friday night and Shabbat) YOM KIPPUR

President's Message

It's finally Spring. The cold weather is gone, it's not raining every day, the flowers are in bloom, and a new Executive Board has been chosen for Congregation Sha'arey Ha-Yam. On behalf of the new Board, THANK YOU for your trust and support. We will do our best to keep our Congregation moving forward. Rather than worrying about the challenges we face, we will embrace the opportunities in front of us.....the opportunity to increase our membership, the opportunity to secure our financial future, and the opportunity to find a home of our own.

The 2017-18 Congregation year is a very special one for Sha'arey Ha-Yam. It's our B'nai Mitzvah! While the Executive Board and the Fundraising Committee are planning exciting celebratory events, I would like to ask each of you to recommit yourselves to our Congregation in spirit and deed. Sha'arey Ha-Yam is a family, and while we do a decent job worshipping together, we need everyone to pitch in and help with the work of each of the Congregation's various committees. Over the course of the next several weeks, I will be in touch with each of you to find out which committee or activity you would like to participate in. I know that we all have busy schedules, health challenges, and family issues. I also know that for us to truly be successful and maximize all of the opportunities before us, we need to do this as a united team...a Congregation...a family.

Finally, we are going to make an effort this year to be "green". Unless absolutely necessary, none of our correspondence will be mailed. We are going to utilize email as much as possible, so please make certain that Cyndy Friedland has your correct email address. The few dollars we save for paper and ink may go toward something we need more. There will be exceptions to this like membership statements and yahrzeit reminders.

It's going to be a busy and exciting year. I hope you are all looking forward to it as much as I am.

L'shalom,
Helen

Dues Reminder

Notices for 2017 – 2018 membership dues will be emailed no later than June 30. The dues structure has not changed: \$325.00 for singles and \$650.00 for families (meaning 2 or more).

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

.....A new course listing and dates will be available soon.....

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 Joan 341 @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!!!

To: Thelma Polon
In Memory of your sister
From: Ruth and Gary Schlyen

To: Thelma Polon
In Memory of your sister
From: Aaron and Sue Shapiro

To: Thelma Polon
In Memory of your sister
From: The Israeli Heritage Club of Greenbriar Oceanaire

To: Linda Moss
Wishing you a speedy recovery from your recent surgery
From: Congregation Sha'arey Ha-Yam

To: Rhona Levy
Wishing you a speedy recovery from your recent surgery
From: Congregation Sha'arey Ha-Yam

To: Syble Bleiweis
Thank you for the great job you did as President
From: Ruth and Gary Schlyen

To: Helen Cocuzza
Congratulations of being elected President
From: Ruth and Gary Schlyen

To: Rabbi Goldstein
Happy 70th Birthday
From: Ruth and Gary Schlyen

To: Mr & Mrs Ira Metzler
In Memory of your brother Alan
From: Syble and Ernie Bleiweis



June

Joan & Terry Silverman
Celia & Robert Salzman

06/12
06/26



Birthdays are always something to celebrate

June

Deanna Bovasso
Loretta Wallerstein
Phil Miller
Terry Silverman
Helen Cocuzza

06/03
06/08
06/10
06/12
06/15

July

Rachel Miller
John Cocuzza

07/04
07/15

**Yahrzeits**

יתגדל בראבא

May the memories of our loved ones be a blessing

	First Year	
09/20/2016	Maralyn Ricciardi	Companion of Jack Crespy and Founding Member
	June	
06/05	Gussie Wallach	Mother of Sheldon Wallerstein
06/06	Charles Cocuzza	Father of John Cocuzza
06/07	Earl Wallerstein	Brother of Sheldon Wallerstein
06/07	Barbara Levine	Mother of Michael Levine
06/21	Harley Crespy	Wife of Jack Crespy
06/24	Ronald Ehrlich	Husband of Sheila Ehrlich
	July	
07/01	Rose Lewis Gtross	Mother of Samuel Lewis
07/07	Bernice Jachter	
07/09	Sarah Halpert	Mother of Marlene Feldhuhn
07/12	Esther Ehrlich	Grandmother of Helen Cocuzza
07/16	Nathan Sales	Father of Maralyn Ricciardi
07/19	Dorothy Heineman	Mother of Syble Bleiweis
07/25	Clark Webb	Brother-In-Law of Cyndy Friedland, Uncle of Justin Friedland
07/27	Gladys Cohen	Mother of Phil Cohen
07/31	Brian Jacobs	Brother of Helen Cocuzza

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

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 – **no funds come from your accounts**. 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, June 22, 2017 at 7:00 PM at the Stafford Community Center, 25 Pine Street, Manahawkin. If you would like to attend, please contact Helen at (201)370-8927.

2017 (5777) Shabbat & Holiday Services Dates/Times

June 2017

Friday, June 2, 7:30 PM
Friday, June 16, 7:30 PM

July 2017

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

August 2017

Friday, August 11, 7:30 PM
Friday, August 25, 7:30 PM

September 2017

Wednesday, September 20, 7:30 PM Erev Rosh Hashanah
Thursday, September 21, 10:00 AM Rosh Hashanah
Immediately following the morning oneg – Tashlich
Friday, September 29, 7:30 PM Kol Nidre
Saturday, September 30, 10:00 AM Yom Kippur

Times for Afternoon Services, Yizkor, Ne’ilah, Havdalah and Break the Fast to be posted next month

October 2017

Friday, October 13, 7:30 PM

Friday, October 27, 7:30 PM

November 2017

Friday, November 10, 7:30 PM

Friday, November 24, 7:30 PM

December 2017

Friday, December 8, 7:30 PM

Friday, December 22, 7:30 PM

January 2018

Friday, January 12, 7:30 PM

Friday, January 26, 7:30 PM

February 2018

Friday, February 9, 7:30 PM

Friday, February 23, 7:30 PM

March 2018

Friday, March 9, 7:30 PM

Saturday, March 31, 5:00 PM 2nd Night Seder

April 2018

Friday, April 13, 7:30 PM

Friday, April 27, 7:30 PM

May 2018

Friday, May 11, 7:30 PM

Friday, May 25, 7:30 PM

June 2018

Friday, June 8, 7:30 PM

Friday, June 22, 7:30 PM

Shabbat Candle Lighting Times and Holiday Calendar						
June 2017/5777						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 7 Sivan Second Day of Shavuot	2 8 Sivan Shabbat Candle Lighting 8:04 PM	3 9 Sivan
4 10 Sivan	5 11 Sivan	6 12 Sivan	7 13 Sivan	8 14 Sivan	9 15 Sivan Shabbat Candle Lighting 8:08 PM	10 16 Sivan
11 17 Sivan	12 18 Sivan	13 19 Sivan	14 20 Sivan Flag Day	15 21 Sivan	16 22 Sivan Shabbat Candle Lighting 8:11 PM	17 23 Sivan
18 24 Sivan Father's Day	19 25 Sivan	20 26 Sivan	21 27 Sivan 1 st Day of Summer	22 28 Sivan	23 29 Sivan Shabbat Candle Lighting 8:13 PM	24 30 Sivan
25 1 Tammuz	26 2 Tammuz	27 3 Tammuz	28 4 Tammuz	29 5 Tammuz	30 6 Tammuz Shabbat Candle Lighting 8:13 PM	

Congregation Sha'arey Ha-Yam Board of Trustees			
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Temple Committees	
Committee	Chair/Membership
Music/Choir	Cyndy Friedland, Madelyn Dunn, Robert Dunn, Syble Bleiweis, Helen Cocuzza
Finance	<u>Treasurer, Robert Dunn</u> Financial Secretary, Justin Friedland President, Helen Cocuzza
Fundraising	<u>Cyndy Friedland</u> Syble Bleiweis, Madelyn Dunn, Joan Silverman, Ruth Schlyen, Helen Cocuzza
Greeters	Hope Gardiner, Rhona Levy, Myles Levy
Hospital Visits	Jack Crespy
Membership	<u>Cyndy Friedland</u> Syble Bleiweis, Joan Silverman, Helen Cocuzza
Newsletter	Helen Cocuzza
Oneg & Dinners	<u>Madelyn Dunn</u> Filomina Jonas
Education	Phil Miller, Helen Cocuzza
Ritual	<u>Allan Levy</u> Jack Crespy, Charles Flum, Mike Weiss, Helen Cocuzza
Tributes & Get Well	Joan Silverman
Yahrzeits	Helen Cocuzza

Kibbitz Corner

General Announcements

- ❖ *The July and August newsletters will be a combined issue. Please provide your articles/contributions no later than July 5.*
- ❖ *It's time to confirm birthdays, anniversaries, yahrzeits, and spelling. Should you have any updates/corrections, please send them to Helen Cocuzza at shaareyhayam@gmail.com*
- ❖ *2017 Yizkor Book Forms will be emailed to everyone no later than July 1st. Forms and Checks will be due by August 20th.*