

To Embrace, Promote, and Teach Jewish Life and Values

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A NOTE FROM RABBI EMERITUS SOLOMON AGIN, D.D., B.C.C.

A Joint Undertaking

There is an old Hasidic legend about a splendid bird that lived in a tropical country. The most colorful of creatures, its plumage contained all the colors in the world. But its nest was situated at the top of a tree so tall that no one could even hope to reach it.

When the news of the bird came to the ears of a certain king, he appointed a number of people to bring it to him. They were to stand on one another's shoulders until someone could reach the bird. The people duly assembled near the tree, but while they were balancing on one another's shoulders, some of those at the bottom became bored and wandered off.

As soon as the first component of this living ladder moved, the entire structure collapsed, injuring several people. As a result, the bird remained uncaptured, and king's desire remained unfulfilled.

The people had failed the king in two ways. For even greater than his wish to see the bird was his yearning to see his people united in a great undertaking.

Each Jew is important in the chain of Jewish life. If we stand together, hand in hand, with a shared commitment, we can reach new heights as a people. This in turn, will give us courage and strength as individuals and as Jews.

A MESSAGE FROM TEMPLE PRESIDENT JUDI MIGDOL

Another season has ended. This is the last Shalom until September. Our snowbirds are leaving us, grandkids are coming down to visit, traffic on 41 is decreasing, it is hot, it is humid -- but it is all wonderful.

We have had a very good year at Temple Shalom. We are not only surviving, but we are thriving. Our Friday evening Shabbat services have had good attendance. Our functions have been enjoyed by many. Our building - inside and outside – is looking great. Our "family" has done well – much of it thanks to Barbara, George and Roy.

First and foremost, I would like to thank ALL of you for "hanging on". I know it is not the same as having a rabbi, but you have all stood behind the board and have helped us run this temple well – and we will continue to do so. We are very anxious to get a new rabbi. It WILL happen – I just wish I knew when.

There are so many people to thank for so many things. I cannot list them all – both functions and volunteers – but you know who you are!

Our two **major** fundraisers for the year were the sock hop and the cruise – both of which are happening again this coming year. The sock hop had so many people to thank – but I will just say it could not have happened without all the hard work of Joyce and Barry Gelfand.

The cruise was great – everyone had a good time Yes, we had some "casualties – broken toes, black and blue shoulders, stitches on the forehead, a case of pneumonia – but with it all we laughed and enjoyed. We are going again in March. Want to join us?

The purse party, the hot dog party, the wonderful Seder (which could not have happened without Bill Berland and Rita Kantor), the Chanukah celebration – all were great. Everyone's hard work really paid off – and it was hard work - but all done with love.

Thank you all for the time and work you contributed to everything.

I want to thank David Sommer for bringing his wonderful students to our temple and enhancing any service they come to. We are mesmerized by all of them and love when they are here performing.

I would like to thank the Board of Directors for also hanging in this year — and keeping our temple running so smoothly. As soon as a problem came up, they took care of it. It all went so well.

Now let's talk about Onegs. Thank you to everyone who has sponsored and/or shopped for an Oneg. It is wonderful that you do this. Thank you to our "resident" bakers who make their

Onegs so special – and delicious – Suzanne Berland, Amira Bernstein, Linda Bloom, Marsha Cohen, Hannah Feinberg, Rita Kantor, Barbara Solomon and Idit Stern. Thank you, Elaine Sless, for always helping in the kitchen and setting everything up.

I could not talk about Onegs and leave out Naomi Aleander. Naomi – in her own quiet way – always, always makes sure that we have an Oneg. If nobody is sponsoring, she will shop and get everything. If congregants just pay for the Oneg, but cannot shop, Naomi will take care of it. She keeps track of who is doing which week, do we have a challah, are there "moo moos" for the coffee, etc. etc. Thank you so much, Naomi.

I want to give my gratitude to a few "acting Rabbis" for their time to Temple Shalom – Joyce Gelfand, Alvin Lubiner, Jeff Marks, Carol Roark, Alan Solomon and Glenn and Idit Stern. You have all stepped up to the plate and lead Shabbat services, Without you, we would not have a place to be on Friday evening to worship and socialize too. Thank you all so much. And a big thank you of course to David Katz – without him, most of us could not lead services. I appreciate it more than I can say.

Finally, thank you again this year for giving me the privilege of being President of Temple Shalom. It is an honor! And I would be remiss if I did not say thank you to the friend we all miss — Odette Port — who gave me the confidence and knowledge to do what I do.

Have a safe and happy summer.



YAHRZEITS

June 6, 2025

| | Julie | , 2025 | | |
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| Irwin Lee Anderson | Esther Horowitz | Jospehine Lamdan | Janice Pritzsker | |
| Lily Boxer | Dr. Sydelle Katz | Isaac Levinson | Adelaide Lowenthal | |
| Fay Brandes | Albert Kolansky | Boyley A. Lojko | | |
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| | June 13 | 3, 2025 | | |
| Mae Dreifus | Ruth Gooltz | David Kessler | Sam Ostrowsky | |
| Joseph Epstein | Marcia Joseph | Etta Levinson | Rachel Pyle | |
| Samuel Epstein | Nathan Kadans | Dr. Khalil Magahen | Jeanne Rubinstein | |
| Goldie Fritz | Sydele Katz | Maureen Mastrogiacomo | Lawrence Snyder | |
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| | June 20 | 0, 2025 | | |
| Barbara Aroeste | John Finks | Eleanor Lee Kaan | John Misak | |
| Elizabeth Berns | Jack Goldstein | George Kraus | Ronald Pereira | |
| Charles J. Brown | Martin Greenfield | Pearl Kraus | Dora Rubenstein | |
| Dr. Harold Cornblatt | Sylvia Hershkowitz | Adolph William Lerner | Karen Siegel | |
| Herman Ebert | Nathan Jacobson | Anna Lubiner | Herbert Silverman | |
| | | | Florence Wissow | |
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| June 27, 2025 | | | | |
| Anne Cohen | Dora Greenberg | Marcus Netzer | Boris Shlossberg | |
| Judith Demain | Bessie Katzeff | Irwin Nord | Shirley Solomon | |
| Mary Geller | Dr. Harry Leibowitz | William Radding | Selma Sommer | |
| Phyllis Green | Hazel Levy | Maxwell Segal | Lawrence Wagenheim | |
| | | Nathen Shilepsky | Sara Wagenheim | |
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FAMILIES THAT ARE OBSERVING A YAHRZEIT DURING THE MONTH ARE REQUESTED TO ATTEND THE FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE DURING WHICH THE NAMES WILL BE READ PRIOR TO KADDISH.

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July 4, 2025

| Dinah Appel | Harold Gottlieb | Minna Martin | Herbert Seidenbaum |
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| Stephen Brown | Henrietta Isserlis | Louis Odess | Gertrude Snyder |
| Milton Duke | Carl Katz | Bella Rabinowitz | Cory Wanamaker |
| Regina Engleman- | Esther Levinson | Sherman Rafkin | Ben Widzer |
| Epstein | Hazel Martin | Florence Robbins | Frank Wotitsky |
| Larry Friedman | | | |

July 11, 2025

| Arthur Block | Eli Geller | Abe Levy | Selina Rosen |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|
| Jeanie Campion | Tillie Gerger | Lita Melser | Max Rubenstein |
| Morris Chorest | Joseph Goldberg | Harry Nohrr | Muriel Schneider |
| Cecilia Dermer | Louis Greenwald | Hyman Ostrowky | Boris Sorokin |
| Louis Gattanell | Sarah Harris | Max Platzblatt | Marian Ugoretz |
| Surah Gehler | Ruth Landy | Aaron Pyle | |

July 18, 2025

| Ada Alpern | Leon Hammer | Josph Levinson | Isadore Rabinowitz |
|----------------|-----------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| Jay Carson | Lena Fischman | Samuel Gerger. | Leopold Goldmuntz |
| Leon Hammer. | Morris Jobrack. | Israel Kahan | Philip Keila |
| Simon Levine | Joseh Levinson | Cantor Abraham Levitt. | Herman Mann |
| Rebecca Neiman | Hazel Olsan. | Isadore Rabinowitz. | Milton Rich |
| Myrtle Schmidt | Andrea Sommer | Gail Sommer | Jacob Winter |

July 25, 2025

| William Brown | William Hoffman | Kaye Philips | Abraham Silverman |
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| Clarice Bukovitz | Lilly Maroff | Herman Platt | Eli Starkman |
| William Diamond | Nathan Maroff | Abraham Radin | Benjamin Stein |
| Aaron Friedman | Chaim Netzer | Ella Ramer | Ethel Steinberg |
| Samuel Gorelick | Lynette Nord-Bowson | Lester Scholl | Esther Waksler |

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August 1, 2025

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| Moe Baskind | Lawrence Horowitz | Max Lubiner | Hersch Rosenwald | |
| Estelle Burke | Meyer Horwitz | Meyer Pever | Marion Schmidt | |
| Edward Cohen | Nathan Kahn | Jeremy Pollack | Samuel Seidel | |
| Henry Finks | Boley Lojko | Phoebe Potnick | Fred Sommer | |
| | | Rebecca Pyle | Irma Taylor | |
| August 8, 2025 | | | | |

| Lilyan Alpern | Gregory Dunbar | Miriam Rose Leight | Samuel Rosenthal |
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| Jack Baldwin | Edward Freiman | Jacob Pincus | Dorothy Sadoff |
| Daniel Becker | Joseph Herbets | John Platoff | Beatrice Salzinger |
| Fannie Berks | Ruth Horwit | John Platoff | Malcolm Siegel |
| Joseph Cohen | Charles Kiken | Samuel Ramer | Melvin Silverman |
| Herbert Cook | Morris Kirschner | Esther Raskin | Nathan Spivack |
| | | Julie Richardson | Carrie Wilson |

August 15, 2025

| Carolyn Baker | Edward Goldberg | Eugene Newman | Philip Roshkind |
|----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Frances Chart | Sam Goldstein | Edward Nussbaum | Samuel Ruskin |
| Michael Cooper | Eric Goldwyn | Minnie Pitasky | Josepb Wagman |
| Irving Demain | George Gottfried | Harry Rosen | Morton Waksler |
| Minnie Feirman | Ralph Murphy | Estelle Rosenthal | |

August 22, 2025

| Louis Baker | Gusse Isaacson | Sarah Levy | Beatrice Schiffman |
|------------------|----------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Jacob Balanov | Naomi Joseph | Irving Meltzer | Joan Schmidt |
| Ruth Falk | Judith Levin | Gladys Esther Misak | Merrill Siden |
| Bessie Goldstein | Morris Levy | Mynne Rome | Benjamin Weinstein |
| | | | Lotti Weisglass |

August 29, 2025

| Laura Agin | Lois Gerber | Henry Gralitzer | Abraham Pincus |
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| Minnie Block | Edward Goldberg | Mira Malks | David Schmidt III |
| Harry Davis | Sarah Goldberg | Chana Netzer | Lillian Seiler |
| Saul Epstein | Abraham Golden | Sarah Odess | Harry Stein |
| | | Elliot Pereira | Jack Tackler |

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SUMMER CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays

Berna Goldberg – June 3rd
Cindy Melser – June 3rd
Alex Shuman - June 7th
Judi Roth – June 15th
Sandi Walaker – June 16th
Hannah Feinberg – June 17th
Glenn Stern – June 24th

Marsha Cohen – July 4th
Dr. Dale Greenberg – July 8th
David Sommer – July 10th
Laurie Rodetsky-Joffe- July 17th
Gary Kramer – July 23rd
Robert Burke – July 27th
Jeff Pollack – July 27th
Rabbi Solomon Agin – July 28th
Wiliam Berland – July 31st

Jada Pina – August 7th Elaine Lubiner – August 14th Arnold Kantor – August 19th Gayle Druker – August 23rd Leonard Katz – August 29th



Anniversaries

Alan and Barbara Solomon – June 2nd
Bill and Suzanne Berland – June 4th
Dr. Marc and Cindy Melser – June 7th
E.C. and Carol Roark – June 16th

Paul and Jean Galburt – July 28th Joseph and Geri Waksler - July 28th

Dr. Herbert and Maryanne Remer – August 12th
Ed and Naomi Alexander – August 17th
Joseph and Anita Sabatino – August 19th
Alvin and Elaine Lubiner – August 20th
Shelly and Freya Harris – August 22nd





You are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item to Temple as a sign of a "Mitzvah of Concern", that we have an obligation to help those who are in need in the community.

Do you have any **GOOD IDEAS** for the Temple – functions, fundraisers, and committees? If so, please let us know. Please contact any board member with your thoughts. This is *your* temple, and we want *your* input!!!!

Would you like to sponsor and shop for an Oneg Shabbat? It could be for a life cycle event – birth of a child, birthday, anniversary, or just to do it. Please call Naomi Alexander to schedule it. We really need different members to sponsor and shop for Onegs.

Would you like to advertise in the Shalom (and reach all our congregants) – or do you know someone who would like to advertise? If so, please call Judi Migdol at 516-635-9871 for information.

We have a wonderful library in Temple Shalom. Please let us know what kind of books you would like us to obtain for your reading pleasure.

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Arts and crafts committee meeting at Temple

Scheduled: June 12, 2025 at 11:00am to 12:15

Contact Joyce Gelfand

DONATIONS

Barry and Joyce Gelfand In honor of E.C. Roark's 90th birthday

In honor of David Sommer's chorus service

Get well wishes to Rita Kantor

Rebecca Wellhouse Donation

Allen Levin In memory of Gabrielle Azar Levin

Dr. Neil and Amy Zusman In memory of Phyllis Zusman

Marlene Friedman In memory of Sheldon Friedman

Sharon Cooper Donation

Judi Migdol Donation

In memory of Wallace Sadoff In memory of Beatrice Strent

Leon and Anna Shlossberg In memory of Dr. T. Shlossberg

E.C. and Carol Roark In memory of Herman and Sadie Fleishman

In memory of Sally and Earl Roark

In memory of Phyllis and Wallace Sadoff

David Katz and Chuck Whittington In memory of Barbara Katz

Leonard Katz In memory of Barbara Katz



LOOK WHAT'S COMING AHEAD

Sunday Sundae on July 13th come make your own sundaes

Lunch bunch with the Federation – date to be announced speaker on self-defense during crisis situations

Dog Days of Summer on August 10th Grilled by our own grill master Glenn

SISTERHOOD

Our official Sisterhood activities for the year have concluded.

We had an enjoyable lunch at The Olive Garden on Monday, May 19th. Fourteen members attended, although several members from Punta Gorda had a hard time getting there. Next Fall I will have to notify the highway department not to work on the bridge when the Sisterhood has a lunch meeting.

Thank you to all the loyal members who always make an effort to support our activities. As you know, we are responsible for providing an Oneg after every service all year long. If you are able to sponsor or shop for an Oneg in June, July or August please let me know. We appreciate it very much.

We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable summer. Naomi

BROTHERHOOD

Another season has come and gone.

We had an active season helping and doing work around the Temple - from doing new planting and helping to set up events. We are always looking for new activities and programs,

If you have any ideas, please contact me - Arnold Kantor 908-310-9760.

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