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MESSAGE FROM RABBI EMERITUS SOLOMON AGIN, D.D., B.C.E.

A Thought for the New Year

Starting Over

As God fashions something anew each day, so we can be born anew and our lives restored to wholeness through many possibilities. This is really the purpose of a new year. A new year expresses renewed hope and possibility. It is a new opportunity, a new beginning, a new start.

There is the story of an angry reader who stormed into a newspaper office waving the current edition asking to see who wrote the obituary column. He was referred to a cub reporter to whom he showed the column, including his own obituary. He said, "You see I am very much alive. I demand a retraction!"

The reporter replied, "I never retract a story. But I tell you what I will do, I will put you in the birth column and give you a fresh start!" Today, we are all being given the opportunity for a fresh start. We are being inscribed in the *sefer hahayim*, "The Book of Life."

We, then, must justify the gift of life. We do this in many ways: By being aware of its preciousness and its fragility; by developing to the fullest the potentialities and sensitivities that come with life; by putting the whole of our intelligence to work in sustaining and enhancing the conditions that make life possible; by cherishing the human habitat and shielding it from devastation and depletion; by using our free will to the upmost in advancing the cause of life; and, finally, by celebrating and enjoying life itself.

As it says in the prayer book, "every day in God's goodness renews the process of creation."

MESSAGE FROM JUDI MIGDOL, PRESIDENT

Welcome Back!

I hope you all had a wonderful summer. For those of us that stayed in Florida, it was a wet one for sure.

We had some good times over the summer at the Temple – starting with Independence Day party and the Dog Days of Summer gathering. Everyone had fun and it was a time to socialize.

We are preparing now for the High Holy Days. They will be led by Rabi Marc Kline, and the musical selections will be done by Dr. David Katz. As always, our Services are open to all.

David has revamped our Friday evening services. We have some delightful new songs, new melodies and some new prayers. Each week our service will be a little different. Thank you, David, for all of your hard work.

Our two major fundraisers this year will be our Sock Hop with the GoldTones, which will be on February 1st. Our theme is "a cruise to Italy". If you have any **new** items you can donate for basket prizes, please bring them to the temple.

Our other major fundraiser again this year is a Caribbean cruise in March on Celebrity Cruise Lines. So far, we have about twenty people going. If you are interested, please let me know. I do not know if I can still get the discounted price at this time, but I can try.

I wish you and your families a Happy and Healthy New Year!!!

BROTHERHOOD

We would like to wish everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year. We will be having a meeting as soon as all the snowbirds return.

Arnold

SISTERHOOD

The first Sisterhood meeting of the year will be a lunch meeting September 9th, at Luigi's Restaurant in Port Charlotte. We will discuss plans for the year and have the important Treasurer's report.

Thank you to the members who have sent me their information sheets and dues for the year. I especially appreciate having the most up to date address and Email information. If there are any members in the Congregation who have not been contacted to join Sisterhood and would like to join, please let me know.

I look forward to another successful and enjoyable year. Naomi

The following congregants join Rabbi Emeritus Solomon and Arline Agin, the Board of Directors and I in wishing you a Happy and Healthy New Year

Jack and Amira Bernstein Catherine Bukovitz Sam and Marsha Cohen Marlene Friedman Lydia Gattanell **Barry and Joyce Gelfand Berna Goldberg Paul and Judy Leight** Al and Elaine Lubiner **Judi Migdol Marc and Cindy Melser** E.C. Roark and Carol Roark **Judi Roth Elaine Sless Robert Tholemeier and Janice Nord** Sandy Walker **Anita Weisglass Neil and Amy Zusman**

YAHRZEITS

August 29, 2025

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

September 5, 2025

| Sylvia Behar | Louis Forster | Ean Katz | Lena Sand |
|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Alvin Berger | Arnold Gller | James Krasik | Ethel Teller |
| Mildred Berger | Nettie Heimovitch | Albert Pever | Max Weisglass |
| John Bragenheim | Anna Jordan | Lucille Porter | James Wilgus |
| | | | Leonard Wissow |

September 12, 2025

| Meyer Arenstein | Leon Eisen | Fannie Kaplan | Woodrow Schoenfeld |
|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Israel Balanov | Benjamin Epner | Robert Lowenthal | Ada Siegel |
| Clifford Batson | Sophie Friedman | Manes Malks | Louis Soll |
| Stanley Demain | Esther Goldberg | Anne Miller | Susan Ugoretz |
| Bessie Dennis | William Hutkin | Geula Pincus | Sara Vishno |
| | | | Frances Warsager |

September 19, 2025

| Isadore Barenbaum | Elizabeth Hammer | Shirley Jean Nohrr | lda Sarfati |
|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Ellen Marsha Cook | Isidore Mallach | Sarah Pincus | Anna Schwartz |
| Beatrice Epner | Julius Margolis | Russell Pollack | Rose Schwartz |
| Lawrence Friedman | David Miller | Meyer Sand | William Selenkow |
| | | | Arthur Strent |

September 26, 2025

| Alfred Appel | Dr. Joseph Kaplowe | Blanche Pever | Otto Treidel |
|------------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Bob Bader | Lee Marks | George Silverman | Evelyn VanCleve |
| Sucher Labe Gehler | Walter Mason Jr. | Alfred Treidel | Martha A. Von |
| Faye Green | Jean McCreadie | Mathilde Treidel | Ruth Whitfield |
| Siegfried Guckenheimer | Shirley Morrow | | |

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.

A DONATION TO THE TEMPLE IN MEMORY OF YOUR LOVED ONE IS AN HONORED TRADITION.





SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS BIRTHDAYS

Maria Sommer – September 1st
Dr. David Katz – September 13th
Dr. Matthew Bagan – September 21st
Marlene Friedman – September 21st



ANNIVERSARIES

Jack and Amira Bernstein - September 12th Leon and Anna Shlossberg – September 22nd



DONATIONS

Sam and Marsha Cohen In memory of Hyman Sugarman

In memory of Samuel Seidel

In honor of birth of David and Maria Sommer's daughter

Elaine Sless Donation

In honor of birth of David and Maria Sommer's daughter

Rebecca Wellhouse Donation

Rabbi Solomon and Arline Agin In memory of Murray Levine

Loretta and Susan Levi Get well wishes to Anita Weisglass

Jeff and Shelly Pollack In honor of George Cook's 95th birthday

In memory of Jeremy Pollack In memory of Herbert Cook

Patria Gunn Donation

Gayle Drucker Get well wishes to E.C. Roark

In honor of Glenn and Idit's new granddaughter

Barry and Joyce Gelfand In memory of Anne Cohen

Al and Elaine Lubiner In memory of Anna Lubiner Kushner

In memory of Max Lubiner

Leon and Anna Shlossberg In memory of Col. Boris Shlossberg

In memory of Boris Sorokin

Dr. Janice Nord and Robert Tholemeier In memory of Irwin Nord

In memory of Lynette Nord Benson

Alan and Barbara Solomon In memory of Alice Batson

In memory of Shirley Solomon

Marlene Verber In memory of Dinah Appel
Dr. Marc and Cindy Melser In memory of Lita Melser
In memory of Mayor Magid

In memory of Meyer Magid

Marlene Friedman Donation

Naomi Alexander In memory of Jay Carson

Lawrence Zeides Donation

Patricia Castro In memory of Odette Port
Dr. Catherine Bukovitz In memory of Clarice Bukovitz
In memory of Richard Greenwald

Get well wishes to Jonathan Agin Get well wishes to E.C. Roark

In honor of birth of David and Maria Sommer's daughter

Sharon Forsch In memory of Lilly and Nathan Maroff

Paul and Judy Leight In memory of Miriam Leight

Joe and Anita Sabatino Donation

Sandi Walker In memory of Charles Kiken Sandi Walker In memory of Morris Kirshner

Judi Migdol In honor of birth of David and Maria Sommer's daughter



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.

Amazon. Smile is a charitable component of Amazon Corporation that provides income to charitable organizations, such as the Temple, based on purchases made by Amazon customers

Any camera buffs in our congregation? Would you like to volunteer to take some pictures at our functions and some of our Shabbat Services? If so, please let Judi Migdol know – 516-635-9871.



Please join us for a catered Rosh Hashanah Buffet Luncheon at the Temple

Fish

Chicken

Several Side Dishes and Salads

Desserts

Tuesday, September 23, 2025

Following Rosh Hashanah services – prior to Tashlich \$36.00 per person

Please send your check by September 15th to:

Judi Migdol 24699 Buckingham Way Port Charlotte, Florida 33980

Please mark your check "Rosh Hashanah Lunch"



Break-the-Fast

Thursday October 2, 2025

6:30pm

at

Temple Shalom

\$25.00 per person

Dairy Break-the-Fast Menu



Please send your check by September 20th. to:

Judí Mígdol

24699 Buckingham Way

Port Charlotte Florida 33980

Please make checks payable to Temple Shalom.



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