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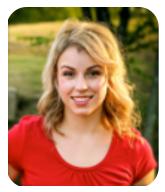
## OCTOBER 2016

## ELUL / TISHREI 5776

The October 2016 issue is available on the WEBSITE ONLY! Hardcopy is mailed for the months of June and July only.



We welcome back **Issac Assor** as our cantorial soloist and **Nissa Kahle**, the accompanist. We are blessed that they are returning to enhance our High Holy Day experience.



# HIGH HOLY DAY SCHEDULE 2016 / 5777

EREV ROSH HASHANAH - Sunday, October 2, 2016 - 8:00 PM

ROSH HASHANAH MORNING - Monday, October 3, 2016 - 10:00 AM

ROSH HASHANAH SECOND DAY - Tuesday, October 4, 2016 - 10:00 AM

KOL NIDRE - EREV YOM KIPPUR - Tuesday, October 11, 2016 - 8:00 PM

YOM KIPPUR DAY - Wednesday, October 12, 2016 Morning Service - 10:00 AM Meditative Harp Music - 1:15 PM Afternoon Service of Healing and Comfort - 2:45 PM Yizkor Service - 5:00 PM Neila Closing Service - Immediately following Yizkor, about 6 PM

## BREAK-THE-FAST with Temple Sholom at Mr. Willy's

Wednesday, October 12 after Yom Kippur services (approx 7 PM)

Contact Stephanie at Temple Office for details ~ 794-8731 From the Rabbi...



#### TWO MUSICAL ADDITIONS TO OUR YOM KIPPUR EXPERIENCE

#### Kol Nidre Cello Reflection

The emotional and moving melody of Kol Nidre is an integral part of our Yom Kippur experience. This year, as a prelude to our soloist singing these powerful words, we will be able to listen to this stirring melody played on the cello. Our cellist is Anneke Schaul-Yoder who studied with Julie Lichten and Marcy Rosen at Yale University, the SUNY Purchase Conservatory of Music, and the Mannes College of Music.

As solo cellist with the Morningside Opera Company, BalletNext, the Atlanta Baroque Orchestra, the Argento Chamber Ensemble, the Queens Consort, and other ensembles, Anneke performs in both modern and period styles at Carnegie Hall, the Brooklyn Academy of Music, and countless other venues in New York and beyond.

Special thank you to Jan Hirsch who arranged for Anneke to be with us this Yom Kippur evening.

### Meditative Harp Music Yom Kippur Afternoon

This year we are offering an additional spiritual experience during Yom Kippur in which to contemplate the meaning of the Yamin Noraim, the High Holy Days. Jan Hirsch, a member of Temple Sholom, will be offering a meditative music experience during Yom Kippur afternoon, between the morning and healing/ afternoon service at 1:15 PM. Jan is a Certified Therapeutic Harp Practitioner, receiving her accreditation in 2012 from the International Harp Therapy Program. Jan plays the harp all over the Hudson Valley and beyond, bringing peace and comfort at the bedside. Jan first started to share her gift of



Check out all the wonderful information the Union for Reform Judaism offers us.

mystical harp music with Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties back in 2008. Jan would play at the Kaplan Family Hospice Residence as part of her Healing Harp Therapy. "Healing," says Jan, "is when we are made whole by finding peace and acceptance in ourselves and in our life."



The harp selections for the Yom Kippur afternoon program are taken from Sunita Staneslow's PSALMS of DAVID. The Psalms include: Hine Ma Tov, Keli Ata, Lev Tahor, and Kol Rinah. Jan explains, "As is my tradition, I will play the Psalms in a woven tapestry of sound without interruption between selections. They will be played in a gentle, fluid style connected by the harp imitating the sounds of the sea and gentle breezes."

## Rabbi Michele Brand Medwin, D.Min.







You can order the Rosh Hashanah book and/or the Yom Kippur book.

Prepare for the High Holy Days by reading from the mahzor at home, bring your device to synagogue to follow along during services, get a sneak preview of the Yom Kippur book and its beautiful readings.

## Mishkan HaNefesh High Holy Day Machzor

Donate a NEW Rosh Hashanah prayer book for the High Holy Days

Donated by - Name(s):\_\_\_\_\_

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Enclosed is a donation of <u>\$18</u> to Temple Sholom for each regular size print book for **Rosh Hashanah** or <u>\$40</u> for each large print book dedication.

## Mishkan HaNefesh - Now available on Kindle through Amazon.com



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SO FAR ... we have received donations for 105 new High Holy Day Machzorim thanks to the generousity of those listed below:

Amy & Larry Rosenthal	10
Anne & Eugene Palley	5
Bernard Kassman	2
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David & Sheila Epstein	1
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## Reminder: If You Have Agreed to Accept a High Holy Day Honor



We have given you this honor as an important part of our High Holy Day services. Because we are depending on you, it is imperative to let the temple know as soon as possible

if you are unable to perform this honor. The worship experience of the congregation may be affected if we don't find a replacement.

Please **arrive at the beginning** of the specific service you are assigned, even if you have a part later in the service. When you get to temple, check in with the ritual committee member who has the responsibility of having all the honor slots filled. He or she must be sure that each of the honorees are present before the service begins or someone else who is already at the service will be chosen to fill the slot. Thanks for your cooperation.

L'shanah Tovah, Temple Sholom Ritual Committee

#### HONORING OUR TEMPLE MEMBERS ON THE HIGH HOLY DAYS -5777

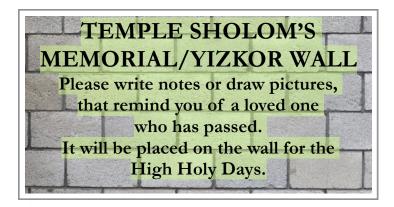
A synagogue is much more than the bricks and mortar used to construct the building. It is the people who are members of the synagogue who make the congregation what it is. Each year during High Holy Day services we like to take a moment to thank all of those members of the Temple who have been active in various ways to make Temple Sholom the special place it is. We will be calling the following groups of people up to the Bima for a special blessing during the following services:

> Erev Rosh Hashanah – Mitzvah Members Rosh Hashanah Morning – Volunteers Erev Yom Kippur – Service Regulars Yom Kippur Morning – Adult Learners

We hope you will be present so we can offer you a special blessing for your involvement in the Temple.

## **High Holy Day Greetings**

HARRIET GOTTLIEB ROSEMARY DEITSCH MAUREEN & BOB VELTEN DAVID & MARY JANE HARRIS JOYCE & MEL GITLIN MARCIA SALTON RICK & MARILYN STEIN MARTY & MARCIA BRAUNSTEIN TEMPLE PRESIDENT-NEAL JACOBS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES



## **HIGH HOLY DAY TICKETS:**

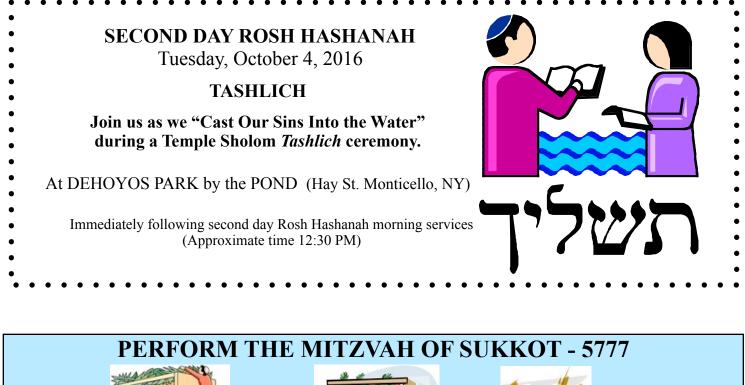
~ High Holy Day tickets are free to Temple Sholom members whose dues are current through the first quarter of this fiscal year.

~ Children up to 26 years of age are included as part of the family membership

Other immediate family (i.e., siblings, parents) can purchase High
 Holy Day tickets for \$50 each

~ All others can purchase tickets for \$100 each







# Simchat Torah Shabbat Friday, October 28, 7:30 PM

Join us as we celebrate the joy of the Torah. First we will dance with the Torahs around the sanctuary. Then we will unroll the Torah, point out important verses, and take turns reading from the last verses in Deuteronomy and back to the beginning in Genesis! Anyone interested in reading just one verse of Torah that night, contact Rabbi Medwin or add your name to the sign-up sheet on the office door.





## How Yoga's Wisdom Can Help Us Prepare for Elul

By Rabbi Sari Laufer, 9/02/2016

"Let your mind go. Breathe deeply."

The first time the yoga teacher said it, I'm pretty sure I rolled my eyes. The second time, too, and probably the third and fourth times. But somewhere along the way, the dimmed lights, burning candles, and the sounds of everyone else's *ujayyi* breath lulled me into acquiescence.



I'd never been much of a yogi. Give me a good spin class or dance class, or sign me up for a 5K any day. If I'm going to exercise, I want to be panting and sweating. But stretching myself, finding balance, and taking a moment of stillness? That sounds like hard work.

Still, I tried it out, and several days a week, I found myself closing my eyes, breathing deeply, and finally giving in. "Take a breath. Let it travel through your body. And just when you think your lungs are full, sip a little more air. And then a little more. Hold the breath, and in this space: Set an intention for your practice."

Yeah, right. Can't we just start dancing?!

Somewhere along the way, though, my experience in those opening moments shifted. I stopped rolling my eyes and started closing them. I stopped smirking and started breathing. And I began to set an intention – sometimes an inward reflection. At first, my intentions were solely fitness-based: Lose weight. Get in shape. Tone my arms.

As those physical changes started to happen, my intentions grew more expansive, if still totally embodied: Love my shape. Celebrate my body's abilities.

Then my intentions grew wider, more integral to the life I was living. Sometimes a specific goal or just a one-word plan: Hope. Contentment. Focus.

I often hear my yoga teacher's words when I embark on a new project or endeavor. Today, as we get ready to usher in the month of Elul, the preparatory month for the High Holidays, I keep thinking to myself: *What is my intention? Where do I want to go, and more importantly, whom do I want to be in the year ahead? How do I begin the work of getting from point A (where and who I am now) to point B...or C...or D...?* 

Our tradition has many suggestions and expectations for the month of Elul. We're expected to hear the sound of the shofar each and every morning and to recite the words of Psalm 27 daily. All of this leads up to *Selichot*, and ultimately to the work of Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur themselves: the work of *t'shuvah*, of repair and repentance. All of these rituals, I think, are made to break us out of patterns – to shake us up and give us a different perspective, to allow us to imagine a year ahead that is, in real ways, different from the year that was.

There is a discussion in the Talmud, where one of the rabbis raises the question of someone who has already fulfilled his obligation in prayer, presumably at home. What happens, they ask, if she then walks into a synagogue and finds the community at the point of the service where they are beginning the prayers she's already said? Does she join in or just sit there? If the question seems odd, the answer, I think, opens for us a world of possibility, particularly as Elul begins: She can join with the community, they say, as long as she can find something new to add to her prayers.

The month of Elul begins tomorrow, and as it does, perhaps that answer can inspire us, too. We can join in, we can prepare, as long as we can find something new – something to learn, something to pray, something to become.

When I was accepted into rabbinical school, a friend sent me a card quoting the poet Marge Piercy. It still sits above my desk, a reminder of the possibilities, potentials, and pitfalls of a spiritual life. From her poem, *The Art of Blessing the Day*, it reads:

Attention is love, what we must give children, mothers, fathers, pets, our friends, the news, the woes of others. What we want to change we curse and then pick up a tool. Bless whatever you can with eyes and hands and tongue. If you can't bless it, get ready to make it new.

As Elul begins, we are asked to take spiritual stock, to reflect on the year that was, and to consider who we have been and what we have done. This "inventory" should inform who we want to become and the steps we'll take to get there.

So I invite you to sit. Close your eyes. Breathe deeply. Breathe in a little more. Set an intention for your practice. And then, get ready to make it new.



Special **thank you** to the ritual committee who is working hard to give you a meaningful High Holy Day season:

Sue Horowitz, Don Horowitz, Jane Jacobs, Neal Jacobs, Lauren Miller, Ellen Nesin, Stephanie Phillips, Marcia Salton, Rabbi Medwin

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#### Sholom Jewish University - Fall 2016-5777 ~~ Temple Sholom, Monticello, NY

Please return this **REGISTRATION FORM** to the Temple office **ASAP but no later than OCT 5th** to avoid the registration fee. This will help us plan for the semester.

Mail to: Temple Sholom, 5 E. Dillon Rd. Monticello, NY, 12701,

or scan and email to: templesholom1954@gmail.com bringing payment to your first class.

**Attention Snow Birds:** Classes are available to view live via the internet through **Zoom.us**. Check the box below and Rabbi Medwin will instruct you how to log on to be part of each class. **Zoom** allows you not only to view the class but also to participate in discussions.

Name:	Email:				
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To reach you for weather cancellations:					
Primary phone ()	<ul> <li>Alternate phone ()</li> <li>HEBREW (See course description for appropriate level based on your Hebrew knowledge)</li> <li>3. Beginners Hebrew – Tuesdays, 11:00 AM Started but you can still join</li> <li>4. Hebrew Level 2 – Thursdays, 1:40 PM Started but you can still join</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li><b>1.</b> A History of the Jewish Experience - Tuesdays, 12:00 noon - 1:15 PM Starts Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup></li> <li><b>2.</b> Kabbalah and Jewish Mysticism - Tuesdays, 1:30 - 2:45 PM Starts Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup></li> </ul>					
MEMBER       of Temple Sholom in good standing: $\square$ 1 class - \$36; $\square$ 2 classes - \$72; $\square$ 2 classes - \$72; $\square$ $\square$	NON-MEMBERof Temple Sholom: $\Box$ 1 class - \$54; $\Box$ 2 classes - \$108;				
<ul> <li>3 classes - \$104 (10% discount for 3rd class)</li> <li>4 classes - \$136 (10% discount for 3rd and 4th classes)</li> <li>5 classes or more - "full-time student" - \$175 (This entitles you to take as many classes as you would like for the fall semester.)</li> </ul>	4 classes – \$205 ( 5 classes or more <i>(This entitles y</i> )	(10% discount on 3rd class.) (10% discount for 3rd and 4th classes) e – "full-time student" - \$250 you to take as many classes as you would like the fall semester.)			

**Registration Fee \$5.00** (Waived if this form and payment are at the temple office by Oct. 5th.) I am enclosing a check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ made out to "Temple Sholom" with "Sholom University" written in the memo.

I will be participating in classes via distance learning through zoom.us. (IMPORTANT: Include your e-mail so rabbi can send you the link to join the class.)

Scholarships are available if you cannot afford to pay in full for the classes. Contact Rabbi Medwin for details. – rabbimedwin@me.com.

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## **KEEP THIS SECTION FOR YOUR RECORDS**

## Sholom Jewish University – Fall 2016/5777 Temple Sholom, 5 East Dillon Road, Monticello, NY

Each course is **10 classes** and is **open to the community**. Please tell your friends and neighbors. Starting dates vary by course and teacher. Please refer to the course description to see the starting date for each class.

## **TUESDAYS:**

**Beginners Hebrew – No experience necessary -- Tuesdays, 11:00 AM Taught by: Lauren Miller** (Class has started but you are welcome to join.)

#### A History of the Jewish Experience: Part 1 -- Tuesdays 12 Noon – 1:15 PM Taught by: Rabbi Michele Medwin

More than a history class, this course will examine Jewish history in the context of how it has affected us as a people. We will be using the book, <u>A History of the Jewish Experience</u>, by Leo Trepp, Behrman House Publishing, available through amazon.com. We will be studying and discussing the first part of the book, "Torah and History," which provides historical insight and perspective. It takes the reader from biblical origins through post-biblical history and on to the development of European Judaism post Renaissance. (*Part two will begin in January and will continue with the different branches of Judaism, Enlightenment, Russian Jewry, Zionism, American Jewry, the Holocaust and the establishment of the State of Israel.*)

#### Kabbalah and Jewish Mysticism: Part I -- Tuesdays, 1:30 PM – 2:45 PM Taught by: Rabbi Michele Medwin -- Classes start October 18th

We will be using the book, <u>A Kabbalah and Jewish Mysticism Reader</u> by Daniel Horwitz, JPS, as we delve in greater depth into the development and varied facets of Jewish Mysticism and Kabbalah. Part I will cover the roots of Jewish Mysticism: early mystical pursuits including mysticism in the Talmud, Song of Songs, the Temple, books that form the root of Kabbalah, and mystical moralism, and concepts in Kabbalah including *Ein Sof, Sefirot, Deveikut*, and *Tzorekh Gavoha*. Even if you have studied Kabbalah before, each new book that we use gives us additional insights and helps us to further grasp the unique concepts of Kabbalah. (*Part two will begin in January and will cover further developments in Kabbalah such a prophetic Kabbalah and Abulafi, the role of the Tora, sexuality in Jewish mysticism, sin, teshuvah, and the yetzer ha-ra, Lurianic Kabbalah, the problem of evil, and mystical experiences and ascetic practices.*)

## **THURSDAYS:**

### Adult Hebrew Level 2 -- Thursdays, 1: 40 PM

**Taught by Lauren Miller** (Class has started but you are welcome to join.)

This is a continuation of Level 1 for those who know the Hebrew alphabet and can read some words.



# 2016 Mitzvah Members

As is happening with most religious and service organizations across the country, Temple Sholom is experiencing a growing gap between income and expenses. To help toward closing the budget gap, Temple Sholom members are being asked to contribute, according to their ability, an additional amount above regular membership dues. Can you step forward to support the continued existence of Reform Judaism in Sullivan County?

The three levels of of Mitzvah Membership are:

Platinum Level - additional \$500 above dues
 Gold Level - additional \$250 above dues
 Silver Level - additional \$125 above dues

## + Platínum (500)

Martín & Lauren Míller\* Bob & Maureen Velten

Anonymous\*

Davíd & Mary Jane Harrís

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David & Sheila Epstein. Phil & Paula Schroeder

# ♥ Sílver (125)

Ron & Carole Berg Ken & Sue Kantor Harriett Gottlieb Judith Cutler Anne Palley\*

\* Paid Mitzvah Membership early for 2017

## Specify: "Mitzvah Membership 2016"

MITZVAH MEMBERS are listed every month for the full calendar year in *The Harbinger* 

and are recognized during High Holy Day Services.

## Prefer to NOT have your name appear? You can be listed as Anonymous.

#### If you are able, please PAY YOUR FINANCIAL OBLIGATION, and BECOME A MITZVAH MEMBER.

Mitzvah Membership donations are tax deductible.



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## There are other ways to support Temple Sholom **besides** or in addition to Mitzvah Membership.

- Sponsor an oneg at Friday night services Buy a Tree of Life to remember a milestone event (\$54)
- Plant a Tree in Israel in honor of a family celebration/commemoration (\$18)
- Think of the temple once a month and become a member of the Chai Club (\$18 or less)
- Send a Golden Book message whenever the opportunity comes up (\$5)
  - Volunteer your time at temple events (\$0)

## Give what you can, when you can. It is deeply appreciated.

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To **Ruth Turk & Family**, condolences on the loss of your beloved mother & grandmother, Esther Abel. From: Larry & Carolyn Richman, Bonnie & Jeffrey Kirsch, Sue & Don Horowitz, David & Mary Jane Harris, Temple President – Neal Jacobs, Temple Sholom Bd of Trustees, Richard & Marilyn Stein, Boni & Michael Barnofsky, Maureen & Bob Velten, Steve & Rabbi Medwin, Sue & Ken Kantor, Marcia Salton, Phil & Paula Schroeder, Marty & Lauren Miller, Ellen Nesin & Family

To **Michael & Fay Cerullo and Family**, condolences on the loss of your beloved father & grandfather, Paul Levine.

From: Bonnie & Jeffrey Kirsch, Marcia Salton, Marty & Lauren Miller, Temple President, Neal Jacobs & the Bd of Trustees, Steve & Rabbi Medwin.

To **Joel Lerner**, thanks for your many years of commitment, dedication, and service to Temple Sholom. Good luck on your move. *From: Sue & Don Horowitz, David & Mary Jane Harris* 

To Rabbi Medwin, continued good health wishes. From: Bonnie & Jeffrey Kirsch, Marty & Lauren Miller

To Ellen Nesin, so sorry for the loss of your belovedRuby.From: Bonnie & Jeffrey Kirsch

To Phil & Lynn Bergman, Mazel Tov on your granddaughter's Bat Mitzvah. From: Bonnie & Jeffrey Kirsch

To Mrs. Sue Hochman, speedy & complete recovery. Love, Sue & Don Horowitz To Mr. Herb Gold,, wishing you a speedy & complete recovery from your surgery.

Love, Sue & Don Horowitz

To Mrs. Frieda Shniper & Family, in memory of beloved, husband, father & grandfather, Lenny. *From: Ellen, Jessica, & Paul Nesin* 

To Jeffrey & Bonnie Kirsch, mazel tov on Jacob's upcoming wedding. *From: Marty & Lauren Miller, David & Mary Jane Harris* 



In beloved memory of Richard Abrams.

Certificate to: Mari Abrams & Hazel Cooke Donor: Gloria Bernstein

Thank you .... Joyce and Melvín Kaplan for your numerous, generous food donatíons to our temple.



Think of Temple Sholom, once a month, when your checkbook is out for other matters. Then, if you can, send us a small love donation, for no purpose other than to keep us here. Some months you might send \$18 *(hence the Chai)*, some months less. Even what seems to be a small amount adds up. Take this opportunity to share in the good feeling of

supporting our temple.

#### CURRENT MONTH DONOR(S):

Neal & Jane Jacobs



A great big thank you to: \*The Watering Crew: Sue & Don Horowitz, Beth & Shelly Leidner, Janet Morganstein, and Paula & Phil Schroeder for watering all season. Due to your efforts the gardens looked lush and colorful all summer and throughout the holidays. \*Clerical: Stephanie Millett who helped in so many ways, and to Shain Fishman, who designed our plant sale flyer and creates the Harbinger. \*Plant Sale and Other Contributions: Everyone who supported our efforts by buying plants at our Mother's Day Plant Sale and contributing to the beautification fund. Special thanks go to Jane Jacobs for helping us with the plant sale, and to Rosemary Deitsch for her donation of 10 hanging baskets. \*2015 Renaissance Prize: New Tile Floor: The tile floor at the bottom of the stairs and leading to the restrooms was very deteriorated, so we used our prize money to replace it The old tiles were removed and new ones installed professionally by TFC Flooring. We also painted nearby areas that were chipping and peeling. \*Many thanks to Lorraine and Jerry Bogursky of TFC Flooring in Woodridge for their donation of the tiles for this project. We really appreciate your generosity. \*Maintenance Crew: Nancy Isseks, Beth Leidner, Jane Jacobs, Janet Morganstein and Carolyn Richman. They clean out, set up and plant in the spring, trim and weed in the summer, and put it all away in the fall. We are very proud of the way the entrance to our Temple looks. We have received many compliments on the

glorious array of flowers. It was our best season yet, thanks to the devotion of our volunteers, the generous help of our Temple members and friends and the extra boost form Sullivan Renaissance.

Your work truly made the difference!

Nancy Isseks & Carolyn Richman Temple Beautification Committee

A Visit from the Sofer -- Tuesday, November 1, 2016

Two years ago we had a sofer (Torah scribe) come to Temple Sholom to repair our Torah. We did not have enough funds to complete the restoration. The sofer is returning on November 1 to continue the work needed on the Torah we use most often. The schedule is not finalized yet but you will have a chance to visit the sofer during his stay to watch his work and ask questions. Please check the temple website <u>www.templesholomny.org</u> or your email as we get closer to the date to find out more information.





# PRIMETIMERS

## Appreciation Luncheon: Monday, October 10th 12:30 PM Frankie & Johnny's

We just returned from a fabulous trip to Ottawa and the Thousand Islands. We went to a winery, museums, Parliament, and the famous Byward Market.



A highlight of our trip was a Cruise on the St. Lawrence River in the Thousand Islands. On the way home we went to the Erie Canal Museum and were treated to a lovely farewell luncheon. A good time was had by all.

We are accepting refundable deposits for our 5-day trip to Washington, D.C., and Mount Vernon, Virginia. All inclusive price is \$539/pp and deposit is \$75/pp. This will be from September 8-12 2017. Brochures are available at the Temple or by calling Paula or Sue.

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS:

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- 12 Judy Anger
- 23 Diane Duberstein
- 24 Rosemary Heins
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- 25 Ronnie Millman
- 25 Roz Sharoff
- 26 Patsy Marshelek
- 28 Helen Gold
- 29 Lauren Miller
- 30 Sheila Feldman
- 31 Rose Schapiro

Our appreciation luncheon will be on Monday October 10th at Frankie and Johnny's in Hurleyville at 12:30 PM. This is not a fundraiser and full luncheon is \$20/pp for members and \$25/pp for guests. Please call Ellen Nesin with your luncheon choice. It can be eggplant parmigiana, chicken parmigiana, or fish. Our guest speaker will be Steve Israel from the the Times Herald Record.

Please join us on Friday, October 7th at 7:30 PM at Temple Sholom to honor Rosemary Heins on her upcoming 90th birthday. The Primetimers are sponsoring a lovely Oneg Shabbat in her honor. There will be a visual service prepared by Rabbi Medwin.

#### Our next meeting will be Monday May 22, 2017

Our first NYC bus trip will be Wednesday, June 21. As always we will give priority to our members and will start accepting checks in April.

Have a safe and healthy winter whether you are in the Catskills or Florida.

Shalom,

Paula

Barbara Wolensky's 3-D creation

RAFFLE DATE: October 10, 2016





## THANK YOU for your GIFT of SERVICE to Temple Sholom .....

Steve Plotkin for the kiddush and holiday wines

Boni Barnofsky, Yvonne Williams, Howard Perlman, & Bob 'Gandalf' Rosengard for the weekly oneg setup and cleanup

Amary Jane Harris for building and maintaining the website

- **Stephanie Phillips** for maintaining the facebook page
- Sam & Honora Wohl for maintaining our adopted exit

Sue Horowitz for sending out the Yahrzeit reminder letters

- **Rosemary Heins** for sending out the birthday cards
- Shain Fishman for creating the monthly Harbinger

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## October

- 14 Alíce Guttman
- 23 Harriet Gottlieb
- 24 Rosemary Deitsch
- 25 Stacey Sharoff
- 29 Lauren Miller
- 29 Morris Heller
- 30 Zachary Sticco
- 31 Rose Schapíro

# Happy Anníversary

## October

- 13 Gary & Mimi Werner
- 15 Dr. Theodore & Nancy Isseks
- 27 Richard & Dr. Barbara Shaw Zirt
- 29 Helene & Howard Perlman

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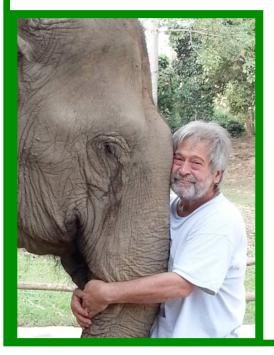


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ARE YOU DONATING TO THE YAHRZEIT FUND in honor of a loved one whose name does not appear on the member list, or on a memorial plaque, or on a tombstone at the Temple Sholom cemetery?

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#### **IN MEMORY - YAHRZEIT WILL BE READ ON:**

#### October 7<sup>th</sup>

Alex Berg, Jacob Mitzner, Shoshana Cohen, Rochelle Richter, Beatrice Tobin, Dr. Morton Fox, Samuel Margolis, Sam Berger, Samuel Jacobson, Esther Ullman, Suzanne Rodan, Arnost Bejkovska\*, Samuel Blank, Bertha Leitner Cominsky, Barbara Hunt

#### October 14th

Ethel Greenberg, Viktor Bondy\*, Seymour Block, Darlene S. Fredenburgh, Elaine Miller, Jacqueline Heller, Morris Gottlieb, Joseph Block, Hyman Rodkin

#### October 21st

Bess Berman, Velda Sodell, Pavla Sipova\*, Dr. Gordon Bendersky, Edna Katz, Abe Sperber, Harold Braunstein, Jay Kinsbruner, Frantiska Mollova\*, David Alper, Maxine Kannert, Ethel Cominsky Linnetz, Lillian Benmosche, Claire Plotkin

#### October 28th

Martha Gold, Jacob Bernard Sacks, Mary Millett, Sylvia Hudes, Warren Miller, Donald Rasch, Harry Bandler, Regina Bejkovska\*, Ota Bejkovska\*, Richard Vandermark, Anita Israel, Shirley Soshensky, Bernard Israel, Miriam Snyder, Sylvia Schroeder, Sylvia Blank, Louis Grossman

#### \* Holocaust Victims from Pisek and perished in Terezin

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#### YAHRZEIT REMINDERS

Temple Sholom sends out yearly reminders of yahrzeit dates to our members, and the names are read at the appropriate Shabbat service. If you are not receiving these reminders but would like to be reminded and have the names read at services, please give the following information to the temple office:

Name of deceased, date of death (conventional and/or Hebrew date), and relationship to you.



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October 2016



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Fridays 7:30 PM - Oneg afterward

## Winter hours begin Nov 11th

Snack & Schmooze @ 5:30 PM Services @ 6:00 PM

## **OCTOBER:**

- Sun 2 Erev Rosh Hashanah
- Mon 3 Rosh Hashanah
- Tue 4 Rosh Hashanah
- Wed 5 Hadassah Guest speaker
- Tue 11 Erev Yom Kippur (Kol Nidre)
- Wed 12 Yom Kippur
- Wed 12 Break-the-Fast at Mr. Willy's (call office for price and details)

## **NOVEMBER:**

- Tue 01 Visit from the Sofer *(see page 12)*
- Fri 04 Religious School helps to lead the service
- Sun 06 Daylight Savings Time ENDS
- Fri 11 Veterans Day OFFICE CLOSED --Services -- WINTER HOURS (see box above) Thur 24 Thenkasiving Day OFEICE (LOSED)
- Thur 24 Thanksgiving Day -- OFFICE CLOSED

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# Is your oneg sponsorship for a special commemoration or occasion?

Let Stephanie Phillips know and she will post your celebratory words on our FACEBOOK PAGE.

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