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# Temple Sholom's *Harbinger*

**AUGUST 2020**

**AV / ELUL 5780**

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 can safely enter the  
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 distancing.**

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Phone messages and emails are monitored regularly and the mail is picked up three days a week.

Hoping you are well and know that we continue to think about and care about you.

*Temple Sholom Officers  
 and Board of Trustees*



**SHABBAT  
IN THE  
PARK**



**AUGUST 7, 2020  
7:30 PM**

## High Holy Days in the Time of COVID-19



The High Holy Days are a time of personal reflection, remembering, renewal, prayer, singing, and being reunited as a community. We look forward to getting together each year, and seeing each other again, and offering a “Shanah Tovah,” a good year, with kisses, hugs and handshakes. We yearn for routine and familiarity. Yet, this year we are confronted with a major — deciding between routine and familiarity or safety. In the time of COVID-19, routine and familiarity will need to take on a new look.

*Pikuach Nefesh* – Saving human life is Judaism’s highest mitzvah and even supersedes the commandments regarding the observance of Shabbat. During the past six months we have been living through a worldwide pandemic, witnessing millions of cases of COVID-19 illness and the death of thousands from the virus in our country alone.

As a congregation, we must keep the safety of our members uppermost as we approach the High Holy Days this year. Almost all of us are in a vulnerable age bracket and many have pre-existing conditions that put us at higher risk of serious illness and death. Following the reports of the scientific community, holding services in the Temple Sholom building for an extended period of time would involve all the scenarios in which the virus most likely spreads: a large group, gathering together indoors, speaking and singing. Based on these facts, and consulting with congregations and Jewish leaders throughout the country, **we have decided to hold all High Holy Days services this year virtually, through Zoom.**

Yes, it will feel different, but different can also be special and meaningful. I have been in constant contact with rabbis throughout the country as we work together to come up with ways to provide a wonderful High Holy Day experience.

Here are some of the things we can do as a Temple Sholom community to enhance our High Holy Day experience this year via Zoom:

### 1. Zoom services as a spiritual experience

- As we have done for Shabbat, the services will be a visual t’filah style, consisting of slides that contain the words of the prayers along with images, videos and recordings to enhance the meaning and beauty of the prayers.

- The Zoom link will be e-mailed before each service. It is the same link as we use for Shabbat services.
- If you are not familiar with how to use Zoom, I will have practice sessions on a day to be determined before the High Holy Days. I can guide you on how to get on Zoom and we can talk by phone as you sit at your computer, tablet, or smart phone.
- If you do not have a device with a camera, you can also use your phone to call in and listen to the service.
- Since it is not practical for the services on Zoom be as long as services in the building, each High Holy Day Zoom service will contain the highlights of that service.

### 2. Curbside High Holy mahzor/prayerbook pick up

– Our mahzor contains many beautiful readings that we won’t be able to integrate into the Zoom service. To help enhance your own personal High Holy Day experience, we would like you to have these books in hand during the High Holy Day season to look through at your leisure. **The books will NOT be needed for the actual services.** I will designate a day in early September, to be determined, that I will personally provide you with a mahzor in a safe way. We will both be wearing masks, I will wear gloves, you will stay in your car, and I can put the book in your trunk or back seat. You will be expected to return the books after the High Holy Days. This is for temple members in good standing only. You can also purchase your own Mahzor as a book or on Kindle. Until the High Holy Days, the CCAR Press is offering the public 20% off *Mishkan HaNefesh* with promo code **MHN2020** on [ccarpres.org](http://ccarpres.org).

### 3. Have a chance to spend time in front of the ark

– Before the High Holy Days begin, you will have an opportunity to spend private time before the ark, with the Torahs dressed in white. Safety procedures will be required including masks, gloves, and one family at a time. Details will follow.

### 4. We invite you to create a High Holy Day atmosphere in your home.

- Buy fresh flowers
- Have candles, kiddush cup and challah ready for services. We will light candles, say the kiddish and do the motzi together during our evening Zoom services.
- Use a white table cloth for dinner.
- Virtual holiday dinner - Join together with other families via Zoom, Facebook, Skype,

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Google Meet (formerly Google Hangouts) etc, for a virtual holiday dinner together.

e. Dress up in the clothes you would usually wear to temple.

5. **Wish everyone a happy new year.** Pre-record a short video of you wishing everyone a Shanah Tovah. Send me the video clip ([rabbimedwin@me.com](mailto:rabbimedwin@me.com)), and I will make a video compilation for all of us to view.
6. Yizkor – Send a photo to me ([rabbimedwin@me.com](mailto:rabbimedwin@me.com)) of loved ones you will be remembering to be used during the Yizkor service.

Much of this is still in the planning stages, so as we have more information we will let you know via e-mail and snail mail for those who don't have e-mail.

I look forward to spending a very special High Holy Day season with all of you.

L'shanah tovah,

*Rabbi Michele Brand Medwin, D.Min.*

## Mitzvah Cards

To **Jan Hirsch**, a speedy, easy and complete recovery to you.

*From: Martin & Lauren Miller, Anne Palley, Ellen Nesin,  
Sue & Don Horowitz, Phil & Paula Schroeder, Rabbi Medwin & Steve,  
Temple President Neal Jacobs & Jane, Temple Sholom Board of Trustees*

To **Ann Hazelnis**, Mazel Tov on receiving the Outstanding Educator Award.

*From: Sylvia Schwartz*

To **Mary Jane Harris**, in loving memory of your beloved, David.

*From: Sylvia Schwartz*

To **Paula & Phil Schroeder**, Happy Anniversary.

*From: Judy Cutler*

To **Sue & Don Horowitz**, Happy Anniversary.

*From: Judy Cutler*

To **Sam Wohl**, a speedy, easy and complete recovery to you.

*From :Sue & Ken Kantor, Rabbi Medwin & Steve, Judy Cutler,  
Temple President Neal Jacobs & Jane, Temple Sholom Board of Trustees*

To **Lauren & Marty Miller**, Mazel Tov on the birth of your grandson, Nolan David Duda.

*From: Ellen Nesin, Jane & Rich Gordon*

To **Susanne & Morton Thaler**, Happy 65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

*From: Ellen Nesin & Family*

To **Rick & Marilyn Stein**, Mazel on the birth of your granddaughter.

*From: Lauren & Marty Miller, Rabbi Medwin & Steve,  
Temple President Neal Jacobs & Jane, Temple Sholom Board of Trustees*

## Golden Book

To **Jan Hirsch**, a speedy, easy and complete recovery to you.

*From: Marcia Salton, Judy Cutler, Sue & Ken Kantor*

To **Martha Zalkin**, Mazel Tov on your retirement from the Fallsburg CSD.

*From: Sue & Ken Kantor, Rabbi Medwin & Steve, Temple President-Neal Jacobs & Jane,  
Temple Sholom Board of Trustees*

To **Lauren & Marty Miller**, Mazel Tov on the birth of your grandson, Nolan David Duda.

*From: Maureen & Bob Velten, Judy Cutler*

To **Ann Hazelnis**, Mazel Tov on receiving the Outstanding Educator Award.

*From: Marcia Salton*

To **Nancy Isseks**, condolences on the loss of your beloved mother, Evelyn Schiller.

*From: Marcia Salton*

To **Lorraine Bogursky**, wishing you and easy and speedy recovery.

*From: Marcia Salton, Temple President-Neal Jacobs & Jane,  
Temple Sholom Board of Trustees, Rabbi Medwin & Steve*

To **Don & Sue Horowitz**, Mazel Tov on the birth of your great-grandson, Atom.

*From: Mary Jane Harris Temple President-Neal Jacobs & Jane,  
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## Zoom Book Discussion - POSTPONED

until after the High Holy Days, date to be determined.

**In the meantime**, another great book, after you have read, **White Fragility**, is **How to be an Antiracist** by Ibram Kendi.

### **White Fragility: Why it is So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism**

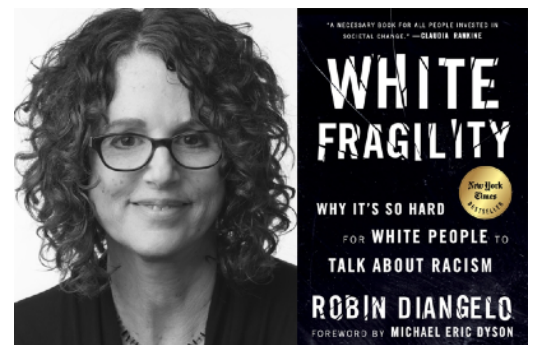
by Robin DiAngelo

It is important for us as Jews, and as a congregation, to educate ourselves about the struggles of the African-American Community.

The Passover seder reminds us that we should be kind and welcoming to "the stranger since we were strangers in the land Egypt" and know how that feels. Judaism also teaches us, "Justice, justice, shall you pursue." As Jews we are responsible to see that justice is carried out in our nation.

This New York Times best-selling book explores the counterproductive reactions white people have when their assumptions about race are challenged, and how these reactions maintain racial inequality.

When rescheduled, a link to the Zoom class will be sent out from the temple email list the day before the discussion. If you are not receiving emails from the temple, please send an email to Rabbi Medwin and tell her that you want to receive the link.



(Available from Amazon in paperback, Kindle, and Audiobooks.)



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Sat

Va'etchanan

8

Ekev

15

Re'eh

22

Shoftim

29

Ki Tetze

31

01 August	11 Av	Ekev
08 August	18 Av	Re'eh
15 August	25 Av	Shoftim
22 August	02 Elul	Ki Tetze
29 August	09 Elul	

August 2020



## PRIMETIMERS

### Next meeting: AUGUST 10 via ZOOM at 1:00 PM

We had our first meeting on ZOOM on Monday, July 13, 2020. We were privileged to have our county historian, John Conway, as our guest speaker. Thank you Rabbi Medwin and Sue Horowitz for helping make this happen.



Primetimers ZOOM with John Conway.

Our next meeting will be on Monday, August 10, at 1 PM. Gordon MacAdam will do a power point presentation on one room schoolhouses.

We were able to rebook our wonderful trip to Vermont for next year. It will be from August 23 to 27, 2021. Many of you left your deposits with us and are looking forward to this great trip. Please let me know if you need a brochure. (See next page.)

Dues notices have been sent out and I am very saddened by the poor response for the \$10/pp dues that we are requesting. As you know for \$10 we give the temple a donation for your birthday, you get priority and special pricing on trips, and you have access to the Harbinger online. Non-members will pay an additional \$5/pp for most trips. We hope to again have our NYC trips, gambling trips, and the Catskill mountain train ride.

Please send your dues checks to  
**Ellen Nesin, 85 RockRidge Drive, Monticello, NY. 12701.**

Since our fundraising has been cancelled, we are relying on the annual dues to continue donations to Nesin Cultural Arts, Hospice of Orange and Sullivan County, and the Sullivan County Federation for the Homeless. We will try to help Temple Sholom with their many expenses. Thank you to all that renewed their membership. I sincerely hope that next season the Primetimers and the temple will again be an important part of our lives in Sullivan County.

Our beloved treasurer, Mary Jane Harris, has moved from Monticello to NYC. We thank her for all that she did for the Primetimers and for Temple Sholom. Our new treasurer is Annette Zerah.

### AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

8	Dolly Fineman
8	Gladys Jacobson
8	Ronald Sherman
11	Ann Mace
14	Honora Wohl
17	Phyllis Kaufman
18	Phil Schroeder
22	Ester Effel
28	Robert Garrett

Shalom,  
*Paula*

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- ◆ Visit to Stowe Village

and much more

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(Mon - Fri)

August

23 - 27, 2021

**Departure: Temple Sholom, 5 E. Dillon Rd, Monticello, NY @ 8 am**

**Day 1:** Board your spacious, video and restroom equipped Motorcoach and set off for beautiful Vermont! Later, you will enjoy a visit to Bennington Pottery in Bennington, VT. Dine at a local restaurant tonight before checking into your hotel for a four night stay.

**Day 2:** After enjoying a Continental Breakfast, you'll depart for the Shelburne Museum. NOT your typical museum, this OUTDOOR museum spans 45 acres with 39 antique buildings. See all this stunning attraction has to offer with ease! A shuttle circumnavigates their "campus" all day long. It takes about 15 minutes to do the circuit of this massive attraction, with whatever stops you like to get off at along the way to explore! It has a collection of 150,000 items including circus pieces, toys, carriages, vehicles, furniture, and more. The buildings are arranged to welcome visitors and tell informal stories. The buildings include houses, a schoolhouse, a jail, lighthouse, railroad station, barns, and 220 foot steamboat. Next, you'll head to downtown Burlington's Church Street Marketplace. This award-winning open air mall is a hub of activity where you'll find architecture and over 100 places to shop and dine. This evening, enjoy a scenic Dinner Cruise on beautiful Lake Champlain, complete with entertainment and dance floor.

**Day 3:** Today, you'll have a Continental Breakfast followed by a Guided Tour of the spectacular Rock of Ages Granite Quarry - the world's largest granite quarry. The scenery at this attraction is stunning! At the Craftsmen Center, you will watch talented sculptors transform granite into lifelike statuary. Then visit Montpelier, the State Capitol of Vermont, and take an informative tour. This afternoon you'll enjoy a fun tour of the Morse Farm Sugar Works. With operations dating back 200 years and spanning eight generations, see how real Vermont Maple Syrup is made from the tree to your table. Your visit also includes its "Sugar & Snow" experience! This evening you'll enjoy a dinner party with entertainment.

**Day 4:** After enjoying a Continental Breakfast, you'll take a scenic drive to the Cold Hollow Cider Mill, one of the leading New England producers of fresh apple cider. Today, the mill produces more than one million gallons of cider every year. You'll also enjoy a taste of fresh apple cider while learning how it's made. Then you will visit Stowe Village, a charming New England village. Later, you will take a tour of the world-famous Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Factory. Nestled in Vermont's Green Mountains, this fully guided factory tour will show you the complete ice cream making process. You'll stop by the flavor room to try out some samples of their freshly made ice cream after the tour. This evening, dine at a local restaurant.

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Nancy Isseks' mother, Evelyn Schiller.



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# August

3 Mimi Werner  
4 Joyce Gitlin  
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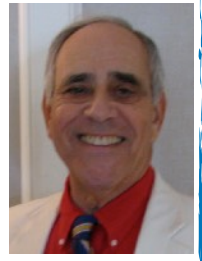
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- ★ **Sue Horowitz** for sending out the Yahrzeit reminder letters
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- ★ **Shain Fishman** for creating the monthly Harbinger
- ★ Harbinger proofreaders: **Mary Jane Harris, Susan Kantor, Rabbi Medwin, Lauren Miller, Stephanie Phillips, Paula Schroeder**
- ★ **Anne Palley** for monthly labeling and folding the Harbinger, and for helping in the office when needed.
- ★ **President Neal Jacobs and Board Member Howard Perlman** (our handymen) who are at the temple every Wednesday doing all the small (and not so small) jobs required to maintain our 66-year-old building.



David Harris was devoted to Temple Sholom as president, past president, and board member. He supported the temple financially, spiritually, relentlessly, and was always a forceful and creative advocate. His smiling face and upbeat, appreciative, passionate and optimistic approach at temple inspired us all. He is missed.

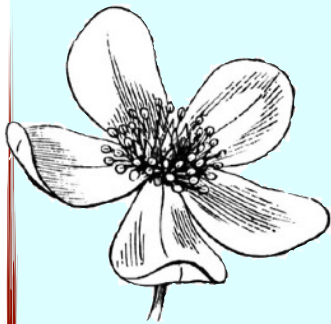


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Judy Cutler, Joyce Gitlin, Mary Jane Harris, Bonnie Mitzner, Ellen Nesin, Marcia Salton, and Maureen Velten  
for your generous donations.

### **ADDITIONAL DONATION: Phil & Paula Schroeder**

We were saddened not to be able to kick off the summer season with our annual plant sale, but were heartened to receive your support during this challenging time.

With much appreciation,  
Carolyn Richman, Nancy Isseks, and Beth Leidner

## 2020 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*

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

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## Mitzvah at Exit 105A



The Adopt-an-Exit program has been operating in New York State since 1996, and Temple Sholom of Monticello was one of the early adopters. The Temple raised money to sponsor Route 17 Exit 105A about 20 years ago and has taken care of it ever since.

What is involved in maintaining an exit? Several times a year, volunteers from Temple Sholom pick up reflective vests and helmets from the New York State Department of Transportation, which manages the program along with the Sullivan County Division of Public Works. Thus suitably equipped, the volunteers drive out to the exit and park on the grass along the curve of the off ramp. They bring their own equipment—long-handled clippers, saws, grabbers, gloves, leaf bags, weeding tools, and bug spray.



There is plenty of work for the volunteers. Thoughtless drivers litter the sides of the road with bottles and cans, old car parts, broken toys, food wrappers, Styrofoam peanuts, and other unattractive items. The volunteers pick up and haul away trash, trim the bushes, weed the garden, and put in new plants as the traffic whizzes by. For reward, they get an occasional honk, thumbs up, wave, or a smile.



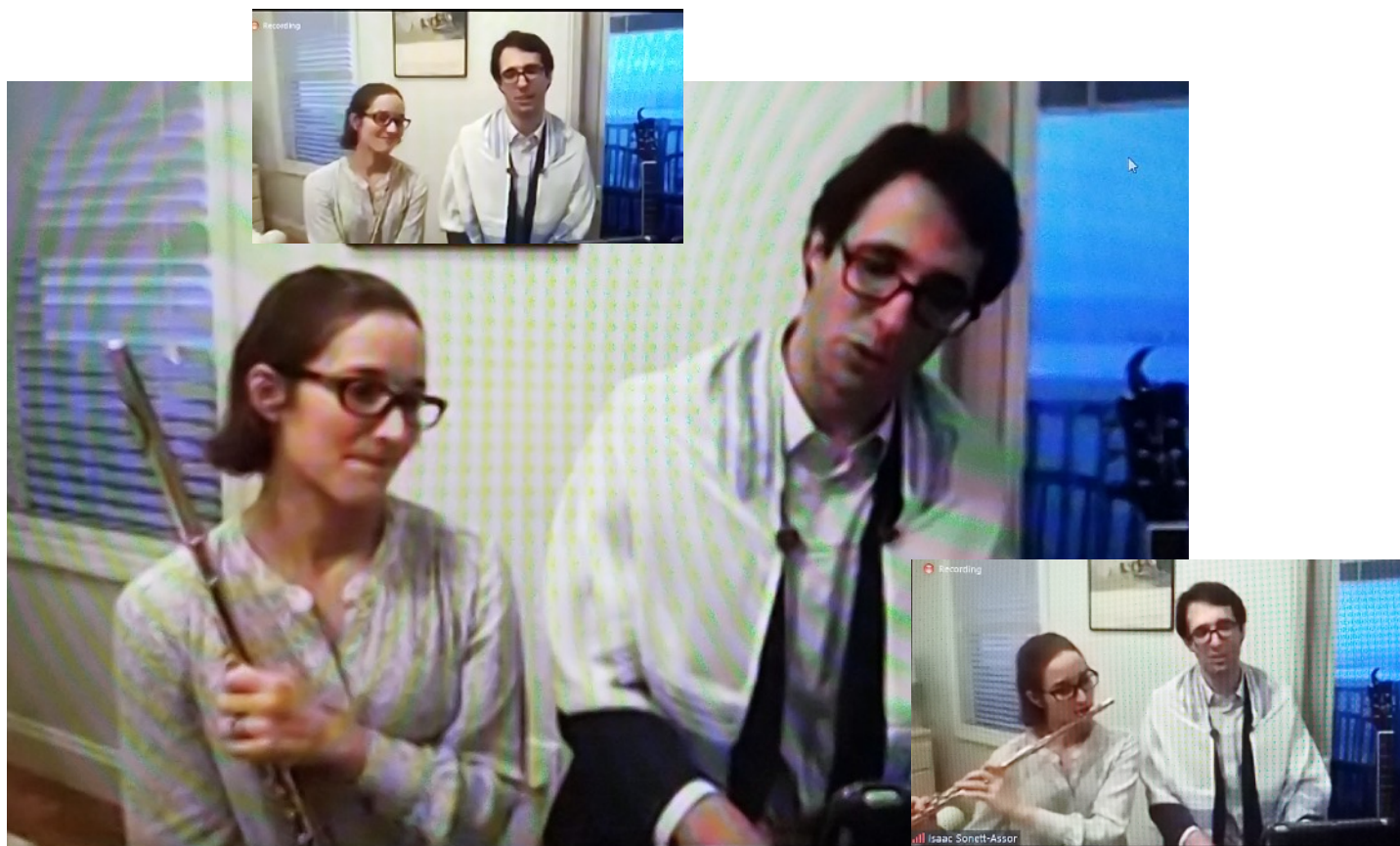
During the maintenance operation this past week, litter plucker Gail Abramowitz picked up a rusty old switchblade, “but no bodies,” she quipped.

Pictured are volunteer captain Rick Stein and trash pluckers Ellen Nesin, Howard Perlman, Gail Abramowitz, and Stephanie Phillips.





## Shabbat Services, Friday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020 via Zoom with Cantorial student Isaac Sonett-Assor and flutist Caroline Sonett-Assor



Temple Sholom was treated to a special musical Kabbalat Shabbat service featuring beloved classic religious melodies as well as contemporary compositions by some of today's leading Jewish composers (including a few pieces by Isaac).



Sorry, but no pictures to share of the Saturday night fundraising concert of music spanning the history of American songs. Those who zoomed in heard selections from the **Golden Age of Broadway** as well as more modern classics by Stephen Sondheim, Jason Robert Brown, and Lin Manuel Miranda. They heard songs from the **Great American Songbook** and **singer-songwriters** like the Beatles, Elton John, and Carole King. The program honored this pivotal moment for social justice in our country by exploring and showcasing the repertoire of pioneering **Black composers**, whose music has influenced, shaped, and inspired the sounds of Broadway, Jazz, Rock and Roll, and Pop music. This was a very special weekend shared together as a community.



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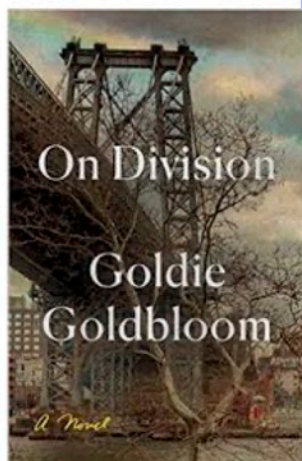
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## **IN MEMORY - YAHRZEIT WILL BE READ ON:**

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**August 21:** Betty Amchir, Howard B. Kaplow, Jerome Lovenheim, Louis Miller, Rae Bick, Milton Imbey, \*Arnostka Meislova, \*Emil Frohlich, \*Gabriela Frohlichova, \*Helena Meislova, \*Ida Stinglova, \*Josef Fantl, \*Ludmila Hergetova, \*Ludvik Fantl, \*Matylda Fantlova, \*Ota Fantl, \*Ota Meisl, \*Vlasta Meislova, Harry Newman, Rose Rosen, Joseph Slayton, Jose Castillo, Beatrice Miller

**August 28:** Helen Donowitz, Ludwig Stein, Kenny Makransky, Samuel Levine, Clara Gewanter, Samuel J. Goodman, Dr. Josef Richter, Miriam Schechter, Steven T. Weisbaum

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		1	2	3	4	5
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20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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27	28	29	30			
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**PARSHA OF THE WEEK:**

Deuteronomy 26:1-29:8  
Deuteronomy 29:9-31:30  
Genesis 21  
Deuteronomy 32:1-32:52

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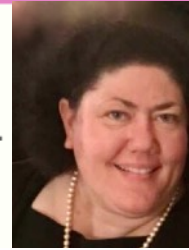
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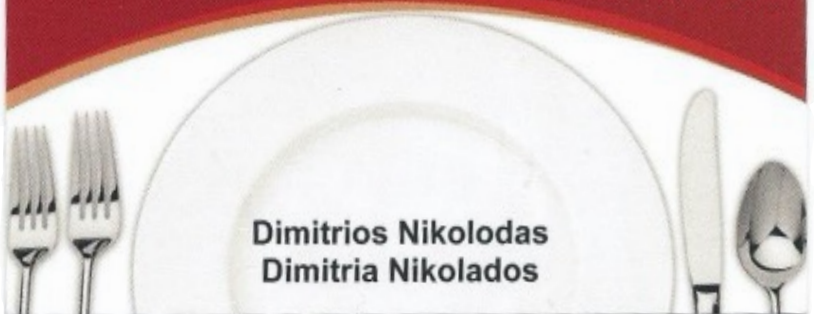
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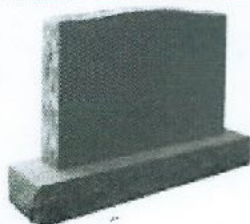
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**TUESDAYS:** Rabbi is generally at the temple teaching classes from **12:00 noon – 3:00 PM**, arriving at **11:20 am** and staying through **4:00 PM** in the summer months when there is religious school.

**FRIDAY:** Rabbi arrives at temple 1½ hours before services.

**OTHER DAYS:** Rabbi is at the temple at least one day a week, preparing for classes, services, and temple business.

**Please note:** Contact the rabbi directly if you would like to talk or set a time to meet.

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