



Temple Shalom

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Tuesday & Thursday
10:00 - 4:00

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2022

The Harbinger

AV / ELUL 5782



Sunday, August 7, 2022
11:00 am

Hosted by Temple Shalom

Bernie's Holiday Restaurant
277 Rock Hill Road
Rock Hill, NY 12775

We sincerely hope that you will be with us to honor **Rabbi Michele Medwin** for her many years of dedication and commitment to our community. We are coming together to give **Rabbi Medwin** the celebration she deserves.

- **BUT --** If you can't attend in person, you can still be represented at the luncheon. **Send a donation in honor of Rabbi Medwin to Temple Shalom by the deadline date. An honor roll listing each donor will be distributed to the attendees.**

RSVP by calling Sue Kantor (845) 434-6679 or Paula Schroeder (845) 794-2314.

- **DEADLINE EXTENDED: Monday, 8/1/22 Reserve your seat by mailing \$54 (3xChai) per person to: Temple Shalom, POB 664, Monticello, NY 12701**

NOTE: The cost of the luncheon does not include money for a gift. If you wish to contribute towards a gift for the Rabbi please let Sue or Paula know and send your contribution to Temple Shalom. Your name will be included in the program.



From the President

Temple Sholom is humming. The energy and goodwill are contagious. The newly constituted committees have set to work with zeal. And non-committee members (notably spouses) are pitching in as well.

Have you noticed? Besides the lovely flowers out front, we have a cute little spruce tree to replace the big tree that went down between the building and the parking lot. Thank you to Carolyn Richman, the Beautification Committee, Dr. Larry Richman, and Sheldon Leidner for the greenery.

There's a lot going on musically at the temple. With joy and enthusiasm, we've joined the Levins in song for several Shabbat services now. Rabbi Bella Bogart chanted us through some serene classes in Jewish meditation. And three talented young musicians from Nesin Cultural Arts enthralled the Primetimers with their performances at the last meeting.

Keep checking our facebook page (Temple Sholom Monticello) to keep abreast of goings on at the temple for the rest of this summer.

After spending a few months in the winter wondering what she could find to do next, Pat Halprin is now working her tail off in the office. What exactly is she doing, you ask? Here's a partial list:

- Picks up mail from the Post Office in the morning
- Picks up & answers emails
- Answers the phone
- Reviews & answers voicemail messages
- Goes to the bank to deposit checks
- Prepares announcements for the service leader and the Harbinger (upcoming events, yahrzeits)
- Sends out emails and links for Zoom meetings (services, Board meetings, committee meetings)
- Let's people in when they ring the doorbell
- Stops at the Post Office to drop off outgoing mail

- Writes out checks to pay bills & gets them signed
- Prepares the Harbinger for mailing
- Tracks membership and attempts to keep the list up to date
- Mails invoices
- Categorizes incoming checks for dues, Primetimers, events (onegs, card party, rabbi luncheon, Golden Books, tribute cards, Century Club, etc.)



Pat Halprin

- Sweeps & cleans the office (because she is working in the office when the cleaners come)
- Tracks oneg sponsors & provides list to Sue Kantor
- Looks for miscellaneous documents –she spent 25 minutes looking for a report from the building inspector for the insurance company. She'd like to straighten up the haphazard filing system...when she has time.

We hope Pat can maintain her calm, cool, and collected demeanor as we head into the High Holiday season. Aren't we lucky we've got Pat?!

Steph

Stephanie Phillips, PhD
President

Sholom University – Summer 2022/5782 - 2nd Semester

Temple Sholom, 5 East Dillon Road, Monticello, NY

(845) 794-8731 templesholom1954@gmail.com

Classes are **open to the community**. Please tell your friends and neighbors.

THE BEDTIME SHEMA: TRANSFORMING SLEEP INTO A DAILY SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

Tuesdays at 1:30 starting August 9, 2022

“**Forgiveness**” is a major theme of Jewish practice. That focus intensifies on the High Holy Days, but rabbinic Judaism also provides us with a **nightly** forgiveness practice. The energy of forgiveness, especially before we go into rejuvenating and healing sleep, is powerful.

But how? Traditionally speaking, we just need to let go of the ego and the anger. The tool is right there...connect with God...get out of our own way...and do the Bedtime Shema every single night. The power of forgiveness, true forgiveness, will set us free...So release the chains, flee from Egypt and run to the Promised Land. All through forgiveness.

But how?! Together, we’ll explore this practice and its promises.

Tuition - Fee is \$20 per 4-session course for Temple Sholom members and \$40 for nonmembers. *Scholarships are available for those who cannot afford the full cost. Contact Don Horowitz regarding scholarships. (donho10804@yahoo.com)*

Classes will be interactive both in-person and via ZOOM. Please provide your email address on the registration form, and you will receive information on how to join the class and participate in discussions. Your email address will allow us to solicit your opinion on course topics and inform you what the topic will be next semester.

Please submit registration form with your check to the temple office by August 2, 2022 to Temple Sholom, P.O. Box 664, Monticello, NY with “Sholom U” written in the memo line. OR — email form to templesholom1954@gmail.com and send check separately.

Registration forms are also available at the Temple Sholom office.

Sholom University courses were initiated in 2014 by Rabbi Michele Medwin, D.Min, D.Div. The courses have proven to be popular among temple members and nonmembers alike. This summer’s classes are conducted by **Rabbi Bella Bogart**. Rabbi Bella is a gifted prayer leader, teacher, musician, and healer, with over 30 years of congregational experience in Florida and California. She has taught Torah, Talmud, Hebrew, and Jewish spirituality. We are fortunate that she has chosen to spend her summers here in the Catskills.

The Bedtime Shema: Transforming Sleep Into A Daily Spiritual Practice

Name _____ Email _____

Address _____ Town _____

To reach you for alerts and/or cancellations:

Primary phone _____ Alternative phone _____

MEMBER of Temple Sholom in good standing: \$20

NON-MEMBER of Temple Sholom: \$40

I am enclosing a check for \$_____ made out to “Temple Sholom” with “Sholom U” written in the memo line.



Temple Sholom Annual CARD PARTY

Monday, August 1 11:30-3:30 PM
at the CAMELOT WOODS CLUBHOUSE

Get your MAH JONGG, CANASTA,
& BRIDGE GAMES together to help Temple Sholom

Donation: \$30 per person
(checks payable to Temple Sholom)

Get your table together and
call for your reservation:

Paula 845-794-2314

Bonnie 845-807-7247



SHADOWLAND STAGES



Thursday, August 25, 8 PM

Almost Heaven Songs by John Denver and others

Orchestrations and Vocal Arrangements by Jeff Waxman
Original Concept by Harold Thau

ALMOST HEAVEN is a musical tribute and intimate celebration of John Denver's life and career, told through his numerous hit songs – including "Rocky Mountain High," "Sunshine on My Shoulders," "Annie's Song," "Leaving on a Jet Plane," "Calypso," and more. This musical revue creates a uniquely theatrical narrative celebrating a true American troubadour, and chronicling his impact as both storyteller and activist.

"A winning musical revue! The show pays excellent tribute to an artist who remains great at making people feel good." – Variety
"[It's like] flying along with John Denver through some mountain air!" – The New York Times

TICKETS: Call Paula (845)794-2314 or Lauren (914) 799-1424 or Sue (845)798-0578
\$39, (This is less than box office price.)

Checks payable to Temple Sholom, P.O. Box 664, Monticello, NY 12701

Tickets will go quickly because we have fewer this year.

Let us know if you need a special seat.

Shadowland follows CDC guidelines.

AUGUST 2022 — AV / ELUL 5782

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 CARD PARTY Camelot Woods	2 Sholom U	3 Hadassah Bethel Woods Museum Trip	4	5 Schmooze 6:45 Shabbat Services 7:15 (Hybrid - led by Ira Simon) Candle 7:51	6 Devarim
7 RABBI MEDWIN RETIREMENT CELEBRATION Bernie's Holiday Restaurant	8	9 Sholom U 2nd semester Hadassah Israeli Dancing Guest: Eugenia Manwelyan	10	11	12 Schmooze 6:45 Shabbat Services 7:15 (Hybrid - led by The Levins) Candle 7:42	13 Va'etchanan
14	15	16 Sholom U 2nd semester	17 Primetimers Bus Trip "Day on your own"	18	19 Schmooze 6:45 Shabbat Services 7:15 (Zoom - led by the Levins) Candle 7:32	20 Eikev
21	22	23 Sholom U 2nd semester Board of Trustees 6:30 PM	24	25 Theater Night Shadowland Stages	26 Schmooze 6:45 Shabbat Services 7:15 (Hybrid - led by the Levins) Candle 7:22	27 Re'eh
28	29	30 Sholom U 2nd semester	31			

VIRTUAL or IN-PERSON ONEG SHABBAT sponsors:

AUG 5: Anne Palley in honor of Ira Simon and Michael Zalkin for their work performing Shabbat services

AUG 12: Mindy Barcham in memory of her husband, Marvin

AUG 19 Sponsor needed

AUG 26: Judy Cutler in memory of her mother, Martha Cutler

PARSHA OF THE WEEK:

06 Aug 09 Av Devarim
13 Aug 16 Av Va'etchanan
20 Aug 23 Av Eikev
27 Aug 30 Av Re'eh

Deuteronomy 1:1-3:22
Deuteronomy 3:23-7:11
Deuteronomy 7:12-11:25
Deuteronomy 11:26-16:17

VIRTUAL or IN-PERSON

See page 17 for instructions on how to sponsor an oneg Shabbat.



Welcome Walter Webmaster

Stephanie Philipp's grandson, Walter Teitelbaum, has agreed to take on the job of webmaster for us. Currently based in Santa Cruz, California, he has just earned his degree in Engineering / Robotics.

Welcome Walter, our new Webmaster.

Does anybody else have a grandchild who would be willing to help with tech and social media? It would be very helpful to have somebody post birthdays on facebook for us. This is a straightforward job that can be done once a month. Posting other events is another need that we have.



RITUAL COMMITTEE REACHING OUT:

High Holy Days are coming up fast. Rabbi Joshua Gray will be leading services this year. He and the committee will need extra time to prepare.

The Ritual Committee will be assigning the honors. If you would like to participate in the service, please let Lauren Miller know ASAP by email or phone.

lauren.miller13@gmail.com (914) 799-1424

Let Lauren know when you will be available, and if you would you like to: read from the torah, have an aliyah, do an english reading, hold the torah, or march with the torah.

Erev Rosh Hashanah: September 25, 8 PM

1st day Rosh Hashanah: September 26, 10 am

2nd day Rosh Hashanah: September 25, 10 am

Erev Yom Kippur: October 4, 8 PM

Yom Kippur: October 5, 10 am



As we prepare for the High Holy Days we remember our family and friends who are not with us at this time. In the past we had a memory wall which was in the back side wall of sanctuary. We will be putting it up again this year in late August. As in the past there will be a table where you can take an index card and put a picture and or words of those you wish to be placed on the "memory wall." Jane Jacobs we start and maintain our Memory Wall.

New Blue Spruce in the Yard!

A big thank you to **Larry Richman and Shelly Leidner** for planting a beautiful blue spruce tree, replacing a big evergreen which fell down this past spring. The new tree will be a graceful addition as people enter the temple. Thanks for a great job!



This project was paid for by the Temple's Beautification Fund.



The outdoor patio of **Tony's Woodridge Family Restaurant** was the venue for this year's first **Ladies Night Out**.

Gail Abramowitz organized this successful and delicious fundraiser for Temple Sholom, and Paula Schroeder didn't miss the opportunity to make a few announcements about upcoming Primetimers events. You don't want to miss the next **Ladies' Night Out** so make sure Gail has your email address. Contact her at gabramowitz60@gmail.com.



Improving Your Electric Services

Electric charges are going through the roof in Sullivan County.

One thing you can do is sign up with Delaware River Solar (DRS) to get your electricity from a solar field nearby. By signing up, you will save 5-10% on your bill, monthly. Additionally, you will receive a \$100 Visa Gift card and **Temple Sholom will get the gift card** as well.

Needless to say, this is a no brainer! Good for you, good for Temple Sholom, and great for the environment and jobs in Sullivan County. This program does not require solar panels on your property and applies to homeowners, renters and businesses.

The temple is in the process of getting this same community solar program and is looking forward to having many members of the congregation doing the same since it is a fundraiser as well.

Timeliness is essential since the incentives may not be available long term.

To get the process started, contact Barb Schmitt at 845-434-4747 and tell her you were referred by Gail Abramowitz on behalf of Temple Sholom. She is the agent for DRS and will be happy to answer your questions and help sign you up. You can also call Gail Abramowitz if you have questions at 973-746-4513.



Musical Shabbats from Temple Sholom

--Joan Rosenfelt

Some people may think that Shabbat services are boring. Well, let them come to Temple Sholom on a Friday evening when our lively cantorial Duo is joyously singing the service in harmony and accompanying themselves on guitar and keyboard!



Wait until you hear **Rabbi Ira Levin and his wife, Julia**, “sing it out” for Shabbat! This couple has contagious spunk and spirit! You’ll almost want to jump up and shout “Hallelujah!” – but no dancing in the aisles, please - well, unless they say you can.

Together the Levins deliver a lovely, heartfelt message – very melodious and meaningful - at times very sweet and moving and all of it spiritual in the best Jewish tradition. They are an award-winning folk music duo, known for the blending of their

voices, acoustic guitar, and piano. They have released numerous albums and perform regularly throughout the New York Metropolitan area. They are also well known in the Jewish music world and have earned many awards for both their secular and spiritual music. They have performed for gatherings of the Union for Reform Judaism (URJ) and the International Jewish Music Festival. They are winners of the prestigious Shaleshale Jewish Music Award.


We’re excited to have the Levins join our Friday evening Shabbat services three times a month, and we look forward to sharing in their Shabbat spirit. This is the kind of service where you’ll walk out humming the tunes, smiling, and feeling spiritually uplifted.

All are welcome to come and partake of our delightful musical, religious service.

Temple Sholom is a Reform Temple with an eclectic congregation – from young to old – from nearby communities as well as from further away. The congregation includes many mixed religion families. Members are “young at heart,” welcoming, and enthusiastic about the assorted programs that are presented.

Services are held on Friday evenings at 7:15 pm – but do come early and join our “Meet & Greet” session starting at 6:45. Come and meet your neighbors and friends, and catch up on the latest community news. Then join the service and sing your heart out with the Levins. We think you’ll enjoy it--give it a try!

In-person services are followed by an Oneg Shabbat with tasty goodies. Check your email or call Temple Sholom to find out whether this Friday’s services are in person, Zoom, or hybrid.



In loving memory of **Dennis Denenberg**
Certificate to: Michele Denenberg & Family
Donor: Maureen & Bob & Julie Velten

In memory of your beloved **Caren Lerner**
Certificate to: To Joel Lerner & Family
Donor: Maureen & Bob Velten

MITZVAH CARD vs GOLDEN BOOK

A Golden Book postcard with your personal message is mailed to the recipient. Cost \$5
A Mitzvah Card is a personalized greeting card with your unique message and mailed in an envelope. Cost \$10

Email your message to templesholom1954@gmail.com, specifying whether Golden Book or Mitzvah Card, and drop off or mail your payment to the office (P.O. Box 664, Monticello, NY 12701).

To **Michele Denenberg & Family**, in loving memory of your husband Dennis, our deepest condolences.

From: Maureen, Bob & Julie Velten, Sue & Ken Kantor

Mitzvah Cards

To **Paula & Phil Schroeder and Don & Sue Horowitz**, Happy Anniversary.

From: Mindy Barcham, Don & Judy DeSatnick, Annette & Rene' Zerah, Donald & Bernice Greenberg, Marsha & Jerry Pollak

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

From: Paula & Phil Schroeder

To **Rene Zerah**, happy 90th Birthday.

From: Don & Bernice Greenberg, Gladys Graff, David Epstein, Marsha & Jerry Pollak

To **Lauren & Marty Miller**, in honor of their friendship.

From: Sue & Don Horowitz

To **Joel Lerner & Family**, condolences on the loss of your beloved Caren.

From: Julie Rowner, Maureen, Bob & Julie Velten, Neal & Jane Jacobs, Sue & Ken Kantor, Judy Cutler

To **Ellen Pupkin**, Happy Birthday.

From: Your friends at Camelot Village

Golden Books

To **Joyce Salimeno Gitlin & Family**, deepest condolences for the loss of your husband, Mel. *From: Maureen & Bob Velten, Judy Cutler*

To **Dolly Levner & Family**, in loving memory of your beloved husband, Howard.

From: Maureen & Bob Velten

To **Michele Denenberg & Family**, condolences. *From: Sue & Ken Kantor*

To **Joel Lerner & Family**, condolences. *From: Carolyn & Larry Richman*

To **Jeff & Bonnie Kirsch**, Happy Anniversary. *From: Lauren & Marty Miller*

To **Sue & Ken Kantor**, Happy Anniversary. *From: Lauren & Marty Miller*

To **Larry & Shain Fishman**, mazel tov on the b'nai mitzvah of your grandchildren.