



**Temple Sholom**  
**5 East Dillon Road**  
 P.O. Box 664  
 Monticello, NY 12701  
**845-794-8731**

## OFFICE HOURS

**Tuesday & Thursday**  
**10:00 - 4:00**

**ShopRite cards available**

**templesholom1954@gmail.com**  
**www.templesholomny.org**

## Rabbi Emeritus

Michele Medwin, D.Min; D.Div

## Service Leaders

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 Ira Simon

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**2022**

*The Harbinger*

**ELUL 5782 / TISHREI 5783**

**HIGH  
 HOLY  
 DAYS**



**T**ickets will be provided to **all members in good standing.**

**See page 6** for complete ticket information.

All services will be hybrid save Tashlich, which will be in person at **DeHoyos Memorial Park, (99 Hay Street)** immediately following services on the second day of Rosh Hashanah.

Anyone wishing to attend Yizkor may do so at no fee —

Donations to Temple Sholom would be greatly appreciated.

**S**ervice schedule:

September 25 - **Erev Rosh Hashanah** at 8:00 PM

September 26 - **Rosh Hashanah** at 10:00 AM

September 27 - **Rosh Hashanah** at 10:00 AM (*Tashlich following*)

October 4 - **Kol Nidre** at 8:00 PM

October 5 - **Yom Kippur**

Morning Service - 10:00 am until approximately 1:00 pm

Healing Service - 3:45pm-4:15pm

Afternoon - 4:15pm-5:00pm

Yizkor - 5:00pm-5:45pm

Neilah - 5:45pm-6:30pm

Havdalah - 6:30pm-6:40pm

**O**fficiant: **Rabbi Joshua Gray** — A biography is available on his website (<https://www.rabbijoshuagray.com/>). The website provides contact information for congregants who wish to reach out to him.



## Covid Guidelines for the High Holy Days

Please show proof of vaccination at the door if you have not already sent it to Stephanie Phillips -- [phillipssteph@gmail.com](mailto:phillipssteph@gmail.com) or via text 201-681-0021.

We strongly urge you to wear a well-fitting mask when in temple and to social distance when you can.

- If you are called up for your reading honor, you may take off your mask at that time.
- If you need to take a mask break, please feel free to step out of the sanctuary.
- We appreciate your following these Temple Sholom guidelines.



## From the President

The Ritual Committee has moved into high gear. Headed by Ira Simon, the team has been meeting almost weekly via Zoom, and they have accomplished a lot.

As you can see on page 1, the Committee has finalized the High Holy Day worship schedule. Ira has coordinated the schedule with Rabbi Josh Gray, who has graciously given his time for meetings and helped to select the Torah readings for the various services. He has put in many hours creating slides for the Visual Tefilah.



Ellen Nesin has helped to coordinate and schedule the honors, made many phone calls, and written letters to congregants regarding the Yizkor booklet, memorial wall, and honors. Her daughter, Jessica Nesin Liston, will be recording piano accompaniment for many of the prayers. Ellen reminds us that responses to those letters must be back to her by September 20.

Lauren Miller is partnering with Ellen in assigning honors and readings, and she would still appreciate volunteers to read in both English and Hebrew (especially Hebrew). She is also organizing volunteers to greet and usher, set up, check vaccination status, assure that participants are in attendance when they are called, and run the elevator for the six scheduled services.

Jane Jacobs has already installed a pictorial memorial, which is once again mounted on the wall near the back of the sanctuary. If you'd like to pay your respects to a loved one in this way, send Jane a picture and a tribute typed on a 3 x 5" card, or put the card in the envelope next to the wall.

Gail Abramowitz and Ruth Turk have contributed valuable insights on new High Holiday protocols, such as how to participate via Zoom, electronic ticket distribution, and (especially) covid protocols such as N95 mask recommendations.

All this is in addition to the ongoing work of the Ritual Committee coordinating with Julia and Ira Levin

(cantorial leaders), Ira Simon (officiant), and Michael Zalkin (tech mavin) to secure leadership and technical wizardry for Shabbat services.

The Building Committee has also been busy. An outstanding accomplishment, spearheaded by Rick Stein and Don Horowitz, was to work with Michael Feinstein who secured generous donors to fix our decrepit sidewalk. However, this is a very expensive undertaking, and additional funding is still needed to close the gap.

The Building Committee has also brought in professionals to upgrade our plumbing and wiring and bring it up to code. And, of course, they keep up with routine repairs.

Did you have any idea so much was going on behind the scenes? With volunteers like this, we are poised for another successful year.




I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a joyful Rosh Hashanah and to remind you to get down to your local farmers market to buy some honey and apples!

With gratitude,

*Steph*

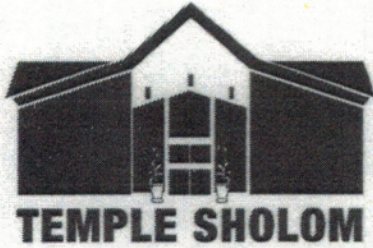
Stephanie Phillips, PhD  
President

### HIGH HOLY DAYS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

-  Volunteers needed to greet and usher, check vaccination status, and run the elevator for the six scheduled services.
-  Volunteers needed to read in both English and Hebrew (especially Hebrew).
-  Volunteers needed to set up and assure that service participants are in attendance and prepared when they are called.

**To attend events at Temple Sholom, proof of vaccination is required.  
Masks recommended.**





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August 24, 2022

Dear Temple Sholom Member:

It's been a tough year. In fact, it's been a tough three years. Despite a flood in the building, a lengthy reconstruction, Covid, and the retirement of our beloved and creative rabbi, Temple Sholom is still here on Dillon Road. We still have services on Friday evenings. We still host trips, classes, and holiday events. We still share our joys and our tzuris at onegs. And we still call on each other when we need help and comfort.

We owe our resilience to a cohesive, hardworking, determined, supportive, and generous community—that's you! As your new President, I have been delighted and impressed by the spirit of volunteerism and generosity of our membership.

The Covid epidemic diminished our ability to gather together for services and events, which predictably reduced our income. Nevertheless, due to responsible budgeting by our Board and Treasurer, we have managed to remain solvent—but it's been challenging.

During this holiday season, reflect on the friendship, learning, happiness, and comfort that Temple Sholom has brought over the years and continues to bring you. How much does this connection to Judaism and the Jewish community mean to you? We hope that it is meaningful enough that we can once again count on your generosity.

Please mail us your tax deductible donation to the address in the letterhead. We are grateful for your help in keeping the temple vibrant and assuring that we can spend the next year together with our temple friends.

Thank you for your support.

With warm wishes for a healthy and happy new year-- g'mar chatima tovah,

Stephanie Phillips, PhD  
Board President





# TEMPLE SHOLOM

*The First Congregation of  
Reform Judaism in Sullivan County*

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Phone: 845-794-8731

August 2022/5783

Dear Members of Temple Sholom,

On Yom Kippur, a Book of Remembrance/Yizkor Book memorializing loved ones who are no longer with us will be created. A copy will be placed in the Ark. If we have your email, a copy will be sent to you upon request.

**PLEASE FILL OUT THE FORM BELOW AND & RETURN IT TO THE TEMPLE OFFICE BY SEPTEMBER 20, 2022.** It is also customary to make a donation in memory of your loved one(s) at this time.

Sincerely,

The Ritual Committee

## TEMPLE SHOLOM'S BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE/YIZKOR BOOK

Please inscribe the name(s) of my beloved of blessed memory so that it may be in the Memorial Booklet for Yom Kippur. I understand that only names appearing on this form will be in the booklet.

**THIS FORM MUST BE IN THE TEMPLE OFFICE BY SEPTEMBER 20 2022.**

ENCLOSED IS MY DONATION \$ \_\_\_\_\_ MY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

**NAMES OF MY LOVED ONES:**

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## Ira & Julia Levin



Shalom! We feel we have passed through a portal of peace getting to continue our journey with this beloved congregation. This new chapter for the temple is also a loving new beginning for us, as well. Your welcoming kindness and assistance has made leading services a true joy.

We see how Rabbi Medwin's beautiful guidance and dedication had rooted and blossomed within the ongoing traditions of Temple Sholom. The more we hear and experience, we also recognize that the spirit and dedication of this community upholds the warm-hearted light of this temple, just as it has for many decades. So, thank you for inviting us in, not only to lead services, but to be a part of this congregation.

We appreciated a recent request to be more conscious of gender references when referring to God. It reminded us that we are privileged to serve an egalitarian loving congregation that senses that the forward evolution of humanity lies in our ability to see beyond gender, color and form to the divine dwelling in each of us. This makes justice and equality a possibility, rather than a distant hope.

Even though we won't be with you during the High Holy Days, we will be preparing with you through the month of Elul, while also looking forward to a baby naming and Slichot service, during our upcoming Shabbat celebrations.

Thank you for opening your arms and hearts to us as we start this illustrious journey together.

Love and Shalom,

*Ira and Julia | The Levins*

## Honor the Memory of Your Loved Ones Memorial Wall

As in past years, a Wall of Remembrance will be created in the sanctuary of Temple Sholom. It will be a memorial to those loved ones who have passed away. Each "brick" will be a 3"x 5" blank index card. You may include your loved one's name, a photo or picture, write a poem, write words describing that person, etc. on the card. You may create as many as you like. You can find the cards on a table near the wall in the rear of the Sanctuary. If you have blank, white 3"x 5" cards at home, you may use them and save a trip to the temple. Completed cards may be brought to the temple or mailed to Jane Jacobs, Temple Sholom, PO Box 664, Monticello, NY 12701. The deadline for submissions is no later than September 20, 2022. Jane will be building the wall as cards arrive in time for the High Holy Days.





Join us for an evening of fun at  
**El Sombrero, in Rock Hill**  
 (227 Lake Louise Marie Road)

**Wednesday, August 31 at 5 :00 PM**  
 on the deck (*weather permitting*)



### MENU

Salad and Chips and Salsa

**Appetizers:** Chicken and cheese quesadillas and beef tostados

**Buffet:** Pork Spare Ribs, Chicken Fajitas, Steak Chimichangas, Rice and Beans

**Dessert:** Tiramisu and Cheesecake

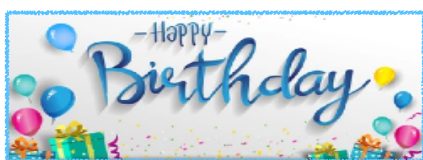
**Beverages:** Coffee, Tea, Soda

**Cost:** \$35 includes dinner, 20% gratuity, and a donation to Temple Sholom.

Reservation and cash payment by **August 28**.

**Contact:** Gail A. 845-796-0421, gabramowitz60@gmail.com

*Bring Proof of Vaccination!*



1 Lorraine Bogursky  
 3 Ida Richter  
 7 Ellen Cutler  
 14 Susan Kantor  
 18 Joel Lerner  
 18 Joyce Slayton  
 26 Gail Abramowitz  
 27 Persephanie Millett  
 30 Maureen Glick

**September**



### **HIGH HOLY DAYS - IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

All services will be hybrid except Tashlich, which will be held at DeHoyos Park in Monticello following Rosh Hashanah services on the second day. If you are unable to attend Tashlich in person, please send an email to Ellen Nesin at [nesineh49@gmail.com](mailto:nesineh49@gmail.com) and she will send the booklet to you that the Rabbi will be using.

- **Tickets will not be mailed out.** You will receive your invitation to services in an email if you are a member in good standing, i.e. your dues are paid in full or other arrangements have been made with Marcia Salton, our Treasurer.
- The ticket cost is \$50 for a relative of a Temple Sholom member and \$100 for non-members. Contact the office to purchase additional tickets.
- A dedicated Zoom link will be emailed to members and anyone who has purchased a "ticket."
- **If you share the link with any non-member who has not purchased a ticket from Temple Sholom, please encourage them to send a donation to the Temple for the amount we are charging.**
- **The link will not be the same as the one we use for Shabbat services.**



Most Shabbat services are now HYBRID but subject to change.  
Check Facebook or call the temple to find out if Zoom only.

SEPTEMBER 2022 - ELUL 5782 / TISHREI 5783

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>You can be a VIRTUAL or IN-PERSON oneg Shabbat sponsor. See page 16 for instructions on how to sponsor a virtual oneg Shabbat. CALL SUE KANTOR TO ARRANGE FOR EITHER ONEG.</p>			<p>August 30</p> <p><b>LADIES Night OUT</b></p> <p>See page 6</p>	1	<p>2</p> <p>Schmooze 6:45 Shabbat Services Led by Guest Rabbi Robert Lefkowitz (hybrid) 7:15 Candle 7:08</p>	3
4	5	6	<p>7</p> <p>Primetimers Bus Trip (Lower East Side)</p>	8	<p>9</p> <p>Schmooze 6:45 Shabbat <b>SELICHOT</b> Service 7:15 Led by Ira &amp; Julia Levin (hybrid) Candle lighting 6:57</p>	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Primetimers 5-day bus trip	Primetimers 5-day bus trip	Primetimers 5-day bus trip	Primetimers 5-day bus trip	<p>Primetimers 5-day bus trip Schmooze 6:45 Shabbat Services 7:15 Led by Ira &amp; Julia Levin (hybrid) Candle lighting 6:45</p>	Ki Tavo
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Primetimers meeting 1:00 PM	Board of Trustees mtg 6:30 PM	<p>Hadassah Guest Artists Donna &amp; Rick Nestler 7:00 PM</p>		<p>Schmooze 6:45 Shabbat Services 7:15 Led by Ira &amp; Julia Levin (Zoom only) Candle lighting 6:33</p>	Nitzavim
25	26	27	28	29	30	October 1
EREV ROSH HASHANAH candle 6:30					<p>Schmooze 6:45 Shabbat <b>SHUVAH</b> Service 7:15 Led by Ira Simon (hybrid) Candle lighting 6:21</p>	Vayelech

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SHABBAT sponsors:**

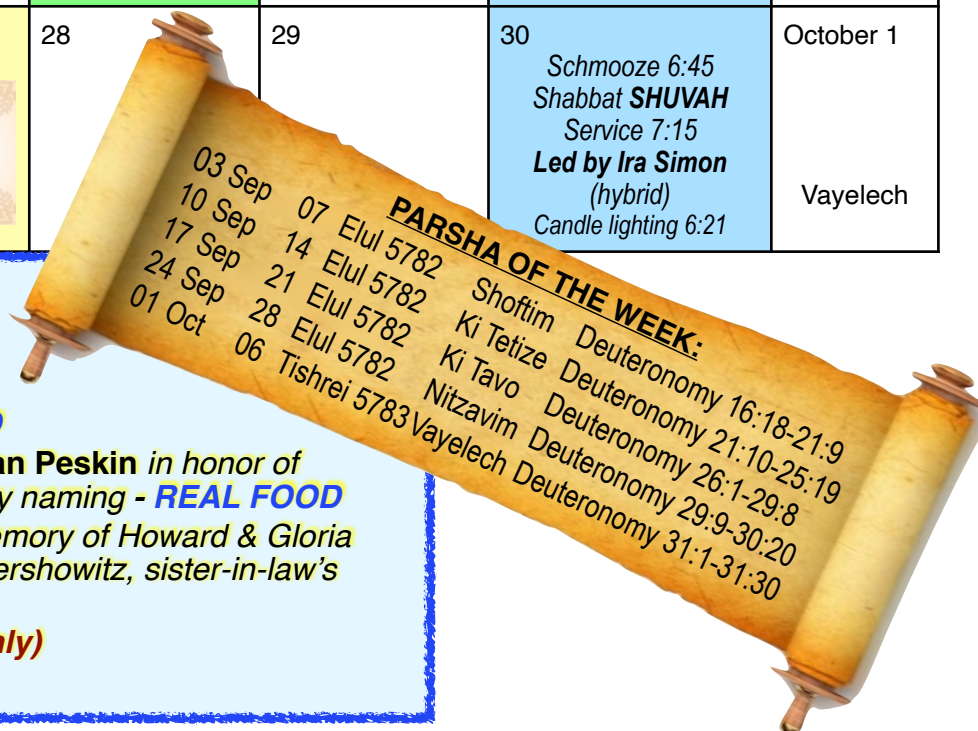
**SEPT 2:** Gail Abramowitz in honor of her 70<sup>th</sup> birthday. - **REAL FOOD**

**SEPT 9:** Primetimers and Judy & Stan Peskin in honor of their great granddaughter's baby naming - **REAL FOOD**

**SEPT 16:** Bonnie & Jeff Kirsch in memory of Howard & Gloria Kirsch and in honor of Susan Hershowitz, sister-in-law's birthday. - **REAL FOOD**

**SEPT 23:** Sponsor needed (Zoom only)

**SEPT 30:** Sue & Don Horowitz



# TWO VERY SPECIAL TORAH SCROLLS

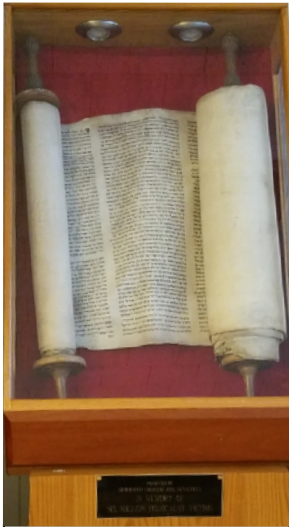
by Anne Palley

Temple Sholom has the privilege of housing two Holocaust Torah scrolls under its roof. This is an unusual honor as so few Torahs were rescued after the destruction of World War II. Surviving Holocaust scrolls are lent to synagogues over the world by a dedicated organization, The Memorial Scrolls Trust in London, England.

The recovered Torah scrolls at Temple Sholom belonged to the Czech communities of Bohemia and Moravia. They made their arduous journey from Prague to London where they were restored so they could find their rightful place in Jewish life.

In 1941 the Jewish population of these two Czech protectorates was about 92,000. In 1945 it had been reduced to about 7800. The synagogues were destroyed, along with many religious books and scrolls. Some of these were later found buried and hidden in walls by the Jews who tried to save them as Hitler's forces advanced. Most of those Jews perished in Terezin, a concentration camp 30 miles north of Prague. Each remaining Czech scroll represents a lost synagogue and thousands of lost lives.

## *How Did They End Up in Monticello?*



This is one of two heritage Torah scrolls entrusted to Temple Sholom by The Memorial Scrolls Trust in London. These scrolls belonged to the communities of Bohemia and Moravia and were restored after an arduous journey from Prague to London. **If you would like to donate towards the preservation of scrolls rescued after the Holocaust, Temple Sholom will make sure that your donation gets to The Memorial Scrolls Trust.**

After the war, many precious items were found and brought to The Jewish Museum in Prague. The Michle Synagogue outside Prague became a warehouse where the scrolls in various states of damage were poorly stored. With the aid of British rabbis and tedious negotiations, the scrolls were purchased for \$30,000 through Westminster Synagogue and Kent House in London.

Blood-stained, burned, and damaged, these scrolls arrived in London in 1962, and the work of restoration began. By Jewish law, all work must be done by hand by skilled scribes using special ink. The Memorial Scrolls Trust took on this task.

Some scrolls were so damaged that they could not be restored to a condition in which they could be considered "kosher," and therefore permitted to be used ritually under Jewish Law. Nevertheless, both kosher and non-kosher scrolls -- perfect and with errors -- are now on long-term loan to Jewish institutions around the world.

Forty years ago a new rabbi at Temple Sholom, Rabbi Robert Shenkerman, on his very first day at the temple, made the discovery that the temple's Torah scrolls and other items from the sanctuary had been stolen. Funds were very limited, so Rabbi Shenkerman wrote to request the loan of a Holocaust scroll.

The arrival and dedication of the scroll from Pisek, Bohemia, took place on June 4, 1982 -- 40 years ago. This scroll is well over 100 years old, and the temple uses it only on special occasions.

Temple Sholom obtained the names of the original Czech congregants from the Prague Museum. These names are now on a plaque on the wall in Temple Sholom's sanctuary. During the course of each year, the congregation recites yahrzeit -- a memorial prayer -- for each person who died in the Terezin death camp.

## *Temple Sholom Received a Second Holocaust Scroll*

Temple Sholom currently has two Holocaust Torah scrolls. The second scroll was actually stored for years in a garage by a woman that took it home from the abandoned Crescent Hill Synagogue in Rock Hill. It remained in her garage until she notified The Memorial Scrolls Trust. The Trust then turned to nearby Temple Sholom, asking for storage space. Congregant Anne Palley volunteered to be present at the temple to receive the scroll. She had guessed it would be a small item that she could put in the ark and go on her way. To her surprise, a truck arrived with two men to transfer into the temple a 200-year-old sacred item in a heavy display case.

Anne stood before it in awe. She felt honored to be the receiver of this very special scroll. "It's been burned, water damaged, and recovered," said Anne. "It survived the Holocaust and found its way here. I hope we will have the honor of displaying it for many years to come. It's a sacred trust to remind us of the evil that must never happen again."

Anne has taken on the responsibility of raising funds that will be used to restore and care for the Holocaust scrolls.

**Donation checks that are earmarked for this purpose may be sent to Temple Sholom with the memo "Memorial Scrolls Trust." The temple also offers to say kaddish for any Holocaust victims that members of the community would like to memorialize.**



Anne Palley received the Torah scroll delivered to Temple Sholom.



# You Can Help Make this Happen!

by Rick Stein

During our first few decades, Temple Sholom lived with a red rocky, muddy parking lot. Then about 20 years ago an angel of a man decided to raise the funds the temple did not have. Founding member Joe Cohen called a gaggle of long time members, members who saw our temple as home. We had a beautiful, paved parking lot by Rosh Hashanah.



Fast forward to last month when our new president asked me to investigate the terrible and now unsafe shape of the interlocking block walkway and gathering area out front. Despite hard physical work by

our past president to maintain the walkway, it is now beyond repair.

Not 48 hours after tasked to find a solution, long-time member Michael Feinstein beshertly approached me before services to tell me about his dissatisfaction with the walkway and that he wanted to be part of the solution. In the spirit of Joe Cohen, Mike started making calls to raise funds the temple coffers presently doesn't have. Not only has his list of contemporary individuals with temple ties already stepped up, Mike was able to find a paver company willing to donate much of the cost to get us a considerably more reasonable estimate than from others. (See Chris and Branden's ad on page 18.)

We are almost there, but still a few dollars short. **WOULD YOU be able to send a check to Temple Sholom to help?** I want to thank those who have already understood the necessity and were able to step up financially. Please join this esteemed list:

Jerry & Elaine Bogursky

Howard Seigel

Robert Green.

Michael Feinstein

Larry & Shain Fishman

Rick & Marilyn Stein

## PREVIEW OF ADULT ED CLASS

Samuel I, Winter, Sholom University

This course, to be taught by Ira Simon, will explore the first book of Samuel. This book details the transition of the leadership of the early Jewish people within the context of fulfilling their covenantal relationship with God.

The course will be separated into two sessions, each lasting six weeks. The first session will begin the second week of November, and the second session will begin the first week of January, 2023. This course will be virtual.

Please email Ira Simon at [ira.m.simon@gmail.com](mailto:ira.m.simon@gmail.com) so a decision can be made about the day and time for the class.

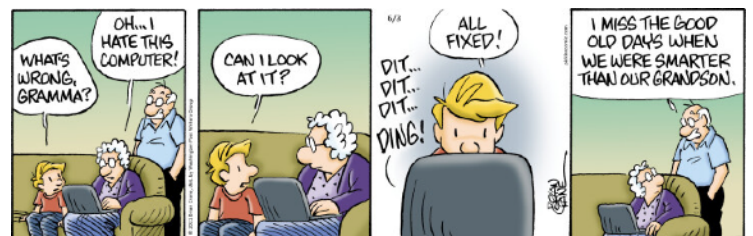
Registration fees will be \$54.00 for Temple members and \$108.00 for non-members.

Ask your children and grandchildren to follow Temple Sholom on Instagram. It's a mitzvah to spread the word about temple events!

## Techie Help Needed

We are looking for tech-savvy people who would like to do a mitzvah for the temple. Ask if your children or grandchildren would like to:

- Help with technology during Friday night hybrid services
- Help post temple happenings on Facebook
- Help post temple happenings on Instagram



## FAMILY TREE



## 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](mailto: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 Rabbi Medwin, Happy Birthday**      *From: Sue & Don Horowitz*

**To Lauren Miller, Wishing you a speedy easy recovery.**

*From: Maureen & Bob Velten, Bonnie & Jeff Kirsch, Paula & Phil Schroeder*

**To Don & Sue Horowitz, Speedy easy and complete recovery**

*From: Maureen & Bob Velten, Bonnie & Jeffrey Kirsch, Lauren & Marty Miller*

**To Phil Schroeder, Happy Birthday**      *From: Sue & Don Horowitz*

**To Paula Schroeder, Thank you for all your hard work on the card party fundraiser**

*From: Bonnie & Jeffrey Kirsch*

**To Marty & Lauren Miller, Happy Anniversary**

*From: Sue & Don Horowitz, Bonnie & Jeffrey Kirsch, Paula & Phil Schroeder*

**To David & Sheila Epstein, Happy Anniversary**      *From: Sue & Don Horowitz*

**To Mindy Barcham, In loving memory of your husband, Marvin Barcham**

*From: Sue & Don Horowitz*

**To Martha & Michael Zalkin, Congratulations on the marriage of daughter, Andrea to Sean**

*From: Sue & Don Horowitz*

**To Julia & Ira Levin, Happy 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**      *From: Sue & Don Horowitz*

**To Neal & Jane Jacobs, Upon the appointment of their daughter, Sula, as director of Olympic National Park in Washington**      *From: Sue & Don Horowitz*

### Golden Books

**To Lauren Miller, Get well**

*From: Carolyn & Larry Richman, Stephanie Millett,  
Sue & Ken Kantor, Ellen Nesin*

**To Sue & Don Horowitz, Get well and continued health**

*From: Sue & Ken Kantor, Ellen Nesin*

**To Sylvia Reynolds, Complete recovery**      *From: Sue & Ken Kantor*

**To Phil Schroeder, Happy "90th" Birthday**      *From: Sue & Ken Kantor*

**To Martha and Michael Zalkin, Mazel Tov on the marriage of Andrea to Sean**

*From: Sue & Ken Kantor*



# Thank you...

- \* **SUSAN HOCHMAN**  
for the donation in honor of  
Paula Schroeder
- \* **BRAD & JANET SACKS**  
for paying the clubhouse fee  
for the card party fundraiser
- \* **MAUREEN & BOB VELTEN,  
LOIS WEINSTEIN,  
and PAUL & SHERRYL MANZ ,**  
for the donations in honor of Rabbi Medwin



## To donate your expertise and enthusiasm, join a committee!

Contact Stephanie Phillips - [phillipssteph@gmail.com](mailto:phillipssteph@gmail.com)

- \* **Adult Education** - Organizes courses (may include teaching), chooses topics, schedules with coursemaster
- \* **Fundraising** - Organizes trips & events, tracks participant sign-ups, writes grant applications (possible grant for nonprofit security heading for House Appropriations Committee)
- \* **Membership** - Keeps membership list and directory updated, encourages new membership, makes recommendations for possible online membership
- \* **Technology** - Tech assistance for services; instruction will be provided
- \* **Yahrzeit** - Tracks yahrzeits, sends out cards, supplies list to officiant



What else can Reform Judaism offer you? Check this out!



### From The Lounge (For Adults of All Ages)

#### Gather | Discover | Connect

The Lounge is a virtual community for adults to explore meaning, discover new ideas, and connect with others through Judaism. Gather with others from around the world for facilitated experiences, conversations, and opportunities for personal growth in spirituality, social justice, wisdom, and more. New content is added and sourced all the time! The Lounge is committed to making a more whole, just, and compassionate world. We are committed to Racial Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion and strive to be a space where all Jews and Jewish-adjacent individuals from a wide range of backgrounds are reflected, included, and valued.

<https://onthego.reformjudaism.org/s/landing-page?id=a1L4u00000XiD9tEAF>

# THE WORD “MITZVAH” IS A COMMANDMENT TO DO A GOOD DEED. IT’S KINDLING TO THE SOUL.

## 2022 Mitzvah Members

Thanks to the Payroll Protection Loan that Michael Zalkin spent hours getting for us and the generosity of members and non-members, Temple Sholom has been able to continue our service to the Jewish community of Sullivan County this year. So that we can ensure our future, 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.*

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

Specify: **“Mitzvah Membership”** Mitzvah Membership donations are tax deductible.

### ✦ Platinum (500)

Lauren & Marty Miller (7/21)  
Anonymous (8/21)  
Jan Hirsch (10/21)  
Maureen & Bob Velten (10/21)  
Mary Jane Harris (10/21)  
Paula & Phil Schroeder (5/22)  
Anne Palley (8/22)

### ⚡ Gold (250)

Judith Cutler (10/21)  
Sue & Don Horowitz (10/21)  
Marion Schaal (1/22)  
Lorraine & Jerry Bogursky (6/22)  
Neal & Jane Jacobs (6/22)  
Bonnie & Jeffrey Kirsch (7/22)  
Dr. Rick & Marilyn Stein (8/22)

### ♥ Silver (125)

Howard & Helene Perlman (11/21)  
Sue & Ken Kantor (4/22)

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# PRIMETIMERS

**NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2022 1:00 P.M.**

Our August meeting was well attended and we all enjoyed the program by Dr. Chris McGinnis and Mary Colabattista. They spoke about falls and balance issues, which pertained to many of our members. Each person got a 3-page balance program created by Premier Care PhysicalTherapy.

Our next meeting will be on Monday, September 19, at which René Zerah will be our speaker. He will discuss scams and identity theft and possible ways our members can deal with it.

***Please note that because of the Virginia trip this will be the third Monday of the month and not the second.***

We still have availability on the walking tour of The Lower East Side on Wednesday, September 7. The bus will leave the temple at 8:15 am. We will meet our professional guide and visit the Bialystocker Synagogue, the Pickleman, Eldridge Street Synagogue, The Forward newspaper factory building, and the Henry Street Settlement. You can bring your own lunch or we can do a group order from the famous Kossars Bagels and Bialys. We will then picnic on the water with views of Brooklyn. We need people to join us on this great trip. Call Paula at 845-794-2314.

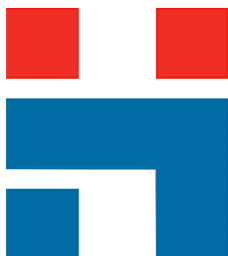
We realize that because of Covid our trips have not been well attended. Hopefully next year we pray that it will be gone and that we can continue with our great meetings and wonderful trips. I want to thank our members that supported us with Primetimer membership, attendance at meetings, and participation on the trips. It is truly appreciated.

Shalom,

*Paula*

## Primetimers September Birthdays

3	Janice Fagan
3	Ida Richter
3	Irma Roth
5	Lenny Goldfarb
6	Donald Fries
7	Ellen Cutler
13	Mel Kaplan
14	Susan Kantor
26	Gail Abramowitz
27	Stephanie Millett



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

**September 2:** Jose Castillo, Beatrice Miller, Helen Donowitz, Ludwig Stein, Kenny Makransky, Samuel Levine, Clara Gewanter, Samuel J. Goodman, Miriam Schechter, Dr. Josef Richter

**September 9:** Steven T. Weisbaum, Rebecca Medwin, Saul Harris, Irving Salton, Lillian Shabus, Alan Millett, Jeremiah Barnes, Howard Kirsch, Renee Bendersky, Mildred Rothberg, Gert Spero Rosen, Samuel Moss, Philip Hazelnis, Clifford Schwartz

**September 16:** Arnold Herbst, Rosalyn D. Feinstein, Joseph Braunstein, Shirley Gold, Harriet Gottlieb, George Rosen, Helen Leshner, George Fine, Sally Epstein, Sylvia Salpeter, Morris Sims, Rita Melis, Susan Portonova, Victims of World Trade Center attack

**September 23:** Rebecca Frank, Herbert Gitlin, Betty Kellerman, Ida Silk, Alvin Z. Mildner, Leonard R. M. Prince, Dr. Michael C. Kemelhor, Harold L. Supon, Sandra Simon, Rose Lerner, \*Laura Sipsova, Morris Klein

**September 30:** Alex Berg, Jacob Mitzner, Rochelle Richter, Beatrice Tobin, Samuel Margolis, Dr. Morton Fox, Sam Berger, Samuel Jacobson, Esther Ullman, Suzanne Rodan, \*Arnost Bejkovska, Bertha Leitner Cominsky, Barbara Hunt

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2	3	4 <b>EREV YOM KIPPUR</b> Kol Nidre candle 6:15	5 <b>Yom Kippur</b> 	6	7 <b>Shabbat Services 7:00</b> VIRTUAL let by RABBI SHOSHONA KAMINSKY - BEIT SHALOM SYNAGOGUE IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA  Candle 6:10	8  Ha'Azinu
9 <b>EREV SUKKOT</b> Build the Sukkah 10 am Service to follow 	10  <b>Sukkot</b>	11  <b>Sukkot</b>	12  <b>Sukkot</b>	13  <b>Sukkot</b>	14  Schmooze 6:45 <b>SUKKOT SHABBAT</b> 7:15 Candle 5:59	15  <b>Sukkot</b>
16  Erev Shmini Atzeret candle 5:56	17  Shmini Atzeret	18  <b>Simchat Torah</b>	19	20	21  Schmooze 6:45 <b>SIMCHAT TORAH</b> Shabbat 7:15 Candle 5:49	22  Bereshit
23.	24	25	26	27	28 Schmooze 6:45 Shabbat Services 7:15  Candle 5:39	29  Noach
30	31					

**PARSHA OF THE WEEK:**

01 Oct	06 Tishrei	Vayelech	Deuteronomy 31:1-31:30
08 Oct	13 Tishrei	Ha'Azinu	Deuteronomy 32:1-32:52
15 Oct	20 Tishrei	Sukkot	Exodus 33:12-34:26
22 Oct	27 Tishrei	Bereshit	Genesis 1:1-6:8
29 Oct	04 Cheshvan	Noach	Genesis 6:9-11:32

**VIRTUAL or IN-PERSON**

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on how to sponsor an  
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**ONEG** שבת  
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