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Live Purim Celebration at Temple Sholom

Sunday, March 5

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM



Megillah dramatization by Ira Simon.



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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Ellen Nesin (nesineh49@gmail)

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Temple Sholom of Monticello



From the President

People of the Book

I gave a very special gift to my grandson Eli on the occasion of his bar mitzvah. That gift was a wall chart of his ancestors going back ten generations.

I had been digging into the ancestry of my family since I was a teenager. I queried my grandparents and my parents. I took notes. This only got me as far back as my great grandparents, who lived in the "Pale of Settlement" that stretched from Lithuania to Kiev. When my daughter attempted to locate the tombstone of her great grandfather in Kovna, she found that most of the Jewish cemeteries had been destroyed during WWII.



But my Ex was a fifth-generation American, and a Reform Jew. His family kept records, which greatly enhanced the genealogy chart that I gave to Eli. That's how, at his bar mitzvah, I was able to tell Eli that his ancestors

- were all Jewish—for at least the last 300 years,
- all got married and had children,
- had the good fortune to leave Europe well before the Holocaust,

• all could read and write—every single one of them.

Which brings me to the high regard for learning in Jewish culture. We Jews are so eager to learn that we continue studying into old age--which brings me to Sholom University. We are eager not just to learn, but also to teach—which brings me to Ira Simon and the outstanding Bible study class he conducted last semester on I Samuel. We continue to look forward to outstanding adult education classes at Temple Sholom. Teaching courses for us during the next few months will be Eric London and Rabbi Joshua Gray, both of whom will surely bring their psychological expertise to bear on topics of Jewish interest. And Ira Simon will be back in the coming months with more biblical exploration.

I can't predict the end of this story. Will my grandson Eli stay Jewish? Will he get married and have kids? Will he be lucky and safe? One thing I know for sure, he will study and learn, just like the rest of us.

Steph

Stephanie Phillips, PhD President

Do you want to take a closer look at the map? https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pale_of_Settlement#/ media/

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Shakespeare's reminder that, "All the world's a stage and we are all merely players," is echoed in the suggestion given on **Purim** to "drink until you cannot tell the difference between the hero and the villain."

This mandate, meant for adults, is restricted to this holiday. It is not encouraging cantankerous behavior, but asks the participants to push their boundaries *communally*. The drinking can be literal or figurative but we honor our Purim intention by going beyond the labels of the mind and frolic in a state of being where we are all one.

Every month of Adar we tell the story of standing up for our beliefs in the face of oppression. It demonstrates the courage to overcome our inclinations to seek personal power at the expense of our humanity. It is also a victorious celebration of our diversity, which manages to thrive despite any demagogue's attempts to destroy those that are different.

As this timeless story unfolds in celebration again this year, we are taking note how, unfortunately, our own nation is mirroring characters with strong attempts at oppressing our nation's diversity, as well as the overall well-being of humanity.

This Purim we will enjoy ourselves and become one with community. We will dance and march while we share this story with our young ones so it can carry on as a reminder. But also, may this Purim celebration truly inspire us to find the spirited and righteous fire of Esther in our souls and voices. It is needed. Let Esther and Mordechi both inspire and remind us all how important it is to find ways to speak up, speak out, and stand up for one another.

We are looking forward to hearing all about your celebration when we return to services in temple on March 10th!

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by Anne Palley

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- 10 Judy Cutler
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- 16 Neal Jacobs
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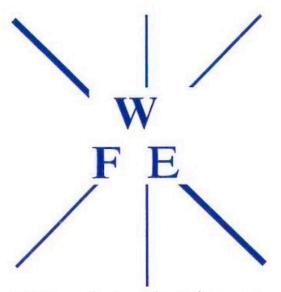
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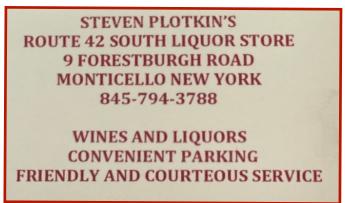




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