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2023

The worldwide Reform Movement is standing in solidarity and mourning with the people and State of Israel. We pray for an end to the war, healing for those injured, and the safe return of all those taken captive by Hamas.



Though there is no credible threat to congregations at this time, the events in

Israel serve as a palpable reminder to always be vigilant about the safety of our community.





From the President

No Words

Recent events have brought me, like so many of us, down. I'm not spending as much time searching for news of the war as I did in the beginning, but still it dampens my spirit. Many members of our congregation have decamped to Florida, and we wish them a safe and healthy winter. Those who remain here will hold the fort as best we can. I don't know whether to publish cheerful news of progress we have made with our building or to stare at the wall. Then again, in the words of one Israeli living in Gedera, 20 miles from Gaza: "Sad, very sad, but we need to keep hope and good spirit alive and look forward."

Holding that thought, I will try.

We have a signed contract for replacing the rest of the roof; if you are in town, please keep an eye on it. We are hoping that replacing the gutters will ameliorate the flooding in the ladies' room. We are likewise worried about whether the new roofing material will match the shingles on the front of the roof.

We have also signed a contract for upgrading the wiring between the town's electrical service and our building. Because of the age of our electrical system, we are currently at risk of losing electricity entirely. A new underground wire will bring our system up to snuff.

The snow plowing contract is likewise in place. We can expect to hear the sound of a small plow or plow-like machine as soon as we have snow.

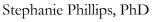


David Ellman is assisting Michael Zalkin with the technology involved in zooming. Hopefully this will allow Michael to take a few Fridays off.

With all this activity, the balance

in our Building Fund has suffered. We hope you will write a check to help bring it back to a healthier condition.

With heartfelt wishes for peace in the new year.



President of the Board of Trustees



We continue to send our love and support to all of our families, friends and connections in Israel and beyond. As of this writing in mid-October, the troubling world events continue to unfold and have brought many of us feelings of heartbreak, rage, sadness and helplessness.

We have been inspired by a family member who is a leadership consultant in private and government settings in the United States and Israel. She shared that as a means of coping, she has been focusing on the practice of "heart, head, and hands" (in that order). "Feel all the feelings, think (and learn), and then do! We can reach out to those in pain, gather in support, give funds for all the people impacted and take care of each other."

It is important to remember that we are not alone and that we are truly needed. Our presence in one another's lives makes a vital difference. Our ability to allow God to flow through us into the heart of this crisis, strengthens, not only our own courage but our ability to be there for one another. God can illuminate inroads where we see only devastation. As a people, we have made our way across seas of hopelessness and we have also managed to bring measures of *chesed* and wisdom beyond our communities. May we be safeguarded and guided so that our lights may bring Tikkun Olam and the possibility of peace.

Being together (even remotely) can be comforting, and we continue to cherish our time together.

Love and Shalom, Julia and Ira / The Levins

The Levins

(Ira Levin & Julia Bordenaro Levin) Harmony-driven Acoustic Duo www.thelevinsmusic.com

Starting November 10, hybrid services start at 6:00 PM (Schmooze at 5:30)

NOVEM	BER 2023	- CHES	SHVAN / KIS	SLEV 5784	
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In-person schmooze among friends at Temple Sholom

Thursdays @ 1:30 (Show and Tell too)

What brought your family to America?
What brought you to the Mountains?
Articles, books, bubbe-meisers, family lore.

"Patterns of Change — Jewish life in the Catskills and the Country"

Contact: Myron Gittell, myrongit@yahoo.com 845-428-3111



Women members of Temple Sholom are invited to join Sue Horowitz and Anne Palley every Monday at 1:00 PM as we come together (on screen).

For more information, leave a message for Sue or Anne through the office.

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To the Hoffman Family, in memory of your Mother Phyllis Hoffman.

From: Rick Stein

To Lauren Miller, Happy Birthday. From: Sue & Don Horowitz

To **Pat Halprin**, Happy Birthday. From: Sue & Don Horowitz

7ribute Cards

To **Jodi Dijennaro**, in memory of your beloved Mother & Grandmother,

Carole Weiner.

From: Phil & Paula Schroeder

To **Robert & Renee Vandermark,** in memory of your Mother, Grandmother, and Great Grandmother,

Harriet Vandermark.

From: Bob, Maureen & Julie Velten

HIGH HOLY DAY APPEAL

Don & Sue Horowitz

Judy Cutler

Bonnie & Jeffrey Kirsch

Lawrence Raydin

Rick & Marilyn Stein

Linda Kleinman

Myron Gittell

Marion Schaal

Bob & Maureen Velten

Paula & Phil Schroeder

Happy November Birthdays

- 03 Ríta Kaplow
- 12 Ruby Shulman
- 20 Bonnie Kirsch
- 22 Jeffrey Kirsch



28 Paul & Sheryl Manz

YIDDISH CIRCLE WEEKLY

Richie Chiger invites all to attend his free and easy **Yiddish class** at 10:30 am. Contact (845) 794-7966

Alternate Wednesdays — at Ethelbert B. Crawford Library (10:30 am)

Alternate Thursdays — at Temple Sholom (10:30 am)



THE WORD "MITZVAH" IS A COMMANDMENT TO DO A GOOD DEED. IT'S KINDLING TO THE SOUL.

2023 Mitzvah Members

Thanks to the generosity of members and non-members, Temple Sholom has been able to continue our service to the Jewish community of Sullivan County. 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
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If you are able, please PAY YOUR FINANCIAL OBLIGATION and BECOME A MITZVAH MEMBER.

Specify: "Mitzvah Membership" Mitzvah Membership donations are tax deductible.

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Anonymous (10/22)

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Lauren & Marty Miller (7/23)

Paula & Phíl Schroeder (10/23)

Maureen & Bob Velten (11/23)

8 Gold (250)

Gail Abramowitz (10/22)

Michael Zalkin (10/22)

Marion Schaal (1/23)

Bonnie & Jeffrey Kirsch (7/23)

Sheila & David Epstein (7/23)

Sue & Don Horowitz (10/23)

Judy Cutler (11/23)

Anne Palley (11/23)

♥ Silver (125)

Howard & Helene Perlman (11/22)

Sue & Ken Kantor (4/23)

Mitzvah Membership listing in *The Harbinger* will appear the month following receipt of your donation and will continue to be listed for the following 12 months.

As long as your membership dues are up to date, consider making a tax-deductible Mitzvah Membership donation any time during the year.

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Linda Kleinman (10/22)

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IN MEMORY - YAHRZEIT WILL BE READ ON:

November 3: Herbert Weinstein, Max Fried, *Egon Platovsky, Lesroy A. Millett, Samuel Bernard Rosen, Sarah Jacobs, Joseph Sarowitz, Celia Galant, Israel Wyde, Harry R. Green, Rhoda Barnofsky, Irving Steinberg, George Kellerman, Daniel Mark Rosenfelt, Wallace Berkowitz, Anna Green, Betty Chodos

November 10: Dr. Bernard Lauterstein, Eleanor Kannert, Jack Elias, Harry Weinberg, Warren Miller, Mollie Drew, Beatrice Isseks, Hal Wrobel, Ernest Jacobs, Kip Morganstein, Robert B. Green, Helen Fox, Jenny Weinstein, Evelyn Richman, William 'Billy' Goldsmith, Max Savetsky

November 17: Charlotte Leidner, Clarice Rose Jacobs, Lloyd Wagner, Seena Nelson, Berice Millett, Lucy Benjamin, Craig Bryan Seidler, Freddy Jay Chance, Dr. Robert Stuzin, Lena Cosentino

November 24: Bebe Holtzman, Albert Kannert, Dora Fried, Joan Rubin, Samuel Schneider, Sandford Horowitz, Rebecca Mckay, Aaron Zeigler, Morris Turetsky, Archie Morganstein, Esther Prince, *Bedrich Neumann, *Ema Neumannova, *Irene Kafkova, *Jana Frohlichova, *Jiri Kafka, *Marie Neumannova, *Max Kafka, *Vlasta Kafkova, *Zofie Weisskopfova, Irving Isseks

 st Holocaust victims from Pisek who perished in Terezin



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Linda Cahill by Marion Schaal
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Starting December 15, ALL SERVICES WILL BE ZOOM at 6:00 PM

(Schmooze at 5:30)

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17	18	19	ZOOM Bd of Trustee Meeting 7:00 PM	21	22 Shabbat Services ZOOM w/ Temple Beit Shalom (Adelaide, Australia) 6:00 PM Candle 4:14	23 Vayigash
31 NEW YEAR'S EVE	25	26	27	28	29 Shabbat Services The Levins 6:00 PM Candle 4:18	30 Vayechi

PARSHA OF THE WEEK:							
	18 Kislev	Vayishlach	Genesis	32:4-36:43			
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16 December (04 Tevet	Mikeitz		41:1-44:17			
23 Dec ember	11 Tevet	Vayigash		44:18-47:27			
30 December	18 Tevet	Vayechi		47:28-50:26			
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You can be a VIRTUAL or IN-PERSON oneg Shabbat sponsor. See page 9 for instructions.



Oneg Shabbat means, "The Joy of Shabbat."

We are now HYBRID!

You can sponsor an **IN-PERSON ONEG SHABBAT** or host a **VIRTUAL ONEG SHABBAT**.

Pick a Friday night that you would like to sponsor.
Contact **SUE KANTOR** (845-798-0578 or

skantor914@yahoo.com) and tell her which Shabbat you will sponsor and if you have a specific reason: birthday, anniversary, in memory of, in honor of, to celebrate Shabbat, to support the temple, etc.

For virtual oneg — Send a donation check to:
Temple Sholom
PO Box 664, Monticello, NY 12701
Write "Virtual Oneg Shabbat" in the memo line.

You will be recognized as the sponsor/host in the email sent to temple members the week of your oneg, and you will be acknowledged during the service and on facebook.

Is your friend sponsoring an oneg? You can make a donation to the temple in their honor.

Due to the high prices of coffee and paper goods, we are suggesting a small donation to the temple when sponsoring an oneg.

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- Steve Plotkin donates the kiddush and holiday wines.
- Stephanie Phillips maintains the facebook page & Instagram.
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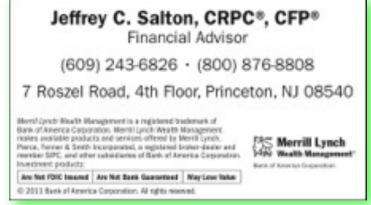




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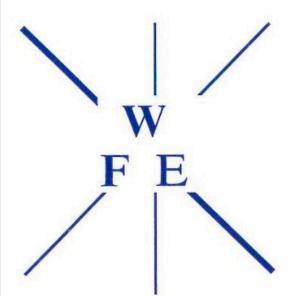
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If you have never used ZOOM before, you will need to download the software and follow the instructions. Go to https://zoom.us/download and from the **Download** Center, click on the **Download** button under "**Zoom** Client For Meetings". This application will automatically **download** when you start your first **Zoom** Meeting.

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