



# MOUNTAIN SYNAGOGUE

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**AUGUST 2022**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Shabbat Services in-person and on Zoom  
Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm & Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup> 10:00am

**ANNUAL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON AUGUST  
20<sup>th</sup> after services**

(See newsletter article on next page for details)

**For those members who prefer to attend via Zoom, please watch your  
email for the link!**



### **OUR TREE OF LIFE**

A place to honor and celebrate life's great events!  
(This is not for memorials)

Contact Bobbi Serra for details at: [ms.treasurer79@gmail.com](mailto:ms.treasurer79@gmail.com)



**Yosi Knight**  
**Our Spiritual Leader**

*Please watch your email and our website for notices regarding dates and times of services, which  
will be conducted both in-person and live online via Zoom.*

## ANNUAL MEETING

Mountain Synagogue will hold its annual meeting on August 20<sup>th</sup> after services. Year-end reports will be presented and there will be an election of Officers. The event will be held both in-person and on Zoom, so please watch for the link.

## NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Have some news to share with our members? We want it all! Contact our newsletter editor, Harvey Morse at [harvey@probate.com](mailto:harvey@probate.com) (828) 631-0000
2. All Friday evening services will begin at 7:00pm and all Saturday morning services will start at 10:00am.
3. If anyone is interested in joining a discussion group regarding Judaism or the world that Jewish people live in today, please contact Mike Serra at: [serrafamily73@comcast.net](mailto:serrafamily73@comcast.net)

4. **Mi Shebeirach – (Prayers for the ill)**  
(Additions may be sent to [harvey@probate.com](mailto:harvey@probate.com))

Rhoda Haber  
Howard Fuhrman  
Phyllis Cardoza  
Wendy Newman  
Cathy Kelly  
Mike and Deb Arnold

5. **Yahrzeit Information**

We are updating our list of member's family Yahrzeits. Please send the names, your relationship to the deceased and the dates of death to Vickie Sanders. [walknnature186@yahoo.com](mailto:walknnature186@yahoo.com)

6. **Recent Yahrzeit Donations**

Marcia Goldstein for sister, Harriett Greenhut  
Harvey Morse for father, Harry Morse  
Harvey Morse for sister, Vivian Beth Morse (July)  
Harvey Morse for grandfather, Nathan Moskowitz  
Harvey Morse for grandmother, Sadie Moskowitz

7. **New Members**

8. **August Member Celebrations**

Birthdays:  
Bonnie Jeroslow, Kristen Rabinowitz, Deb Arnold  
Gary Sinrich & Vickie Sanders

9. **Tree Of Life Leaf - Celebrations**

10. **Memorial Plaques**

There is no better way to honor the memory of a deceased loved one than purchasing a memorial plaque which will be placed in our social hall. The cost is only \$50 per name for an engraved, permanent remembrance. [*Our Tree of Life is reserved for celebrations, family or personal events of note, but not for memorials*].

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Joel Edelson, President

Shalom, y'all!

Sum-mer-time, and the livin' is ... easy? Or, so the song says! For many here in Western North Carolina and North Georgia mountains, the livin' is getting a little – tougher, due to the prolonged heat, rising gas prices, and well, just about everything. But, we should all feel good knowing that everything comes in cycles, and what goes up, must come down. Let's just pray they come down a bit faster!

Speaking of cycles our High Holiday season is almost upon us once again! This year, we are all excited to have our lay-worship leader "Yosi" Knight to lead us once again in meaningful prayer and thoughtful discussion. We are also excited to invite back Rhett Barnwell to join us on the cello during the Yom Kippur Kol Nidre service. Thanks again to Norma Schulman for making this possible.

We are hopeful that we will be planning a Break-the Fast as well, so please RSVP when you see the request, so we can plan accordingly. It will be here before you know it.

Also, we are excited to announce that Shayna Sinrich has agreed to join our board of directors and fill the role of Recording Secretary! We are grateful and honored to have you, Shayna!

We hope many of you that have traveled during the summer continue to do so safely and we look forward to hearing your wonderful stories of new journeys and many memories made!

We look forward to seeing you at upcoming services in August!

B'shalom,

Joel Edelson  
President

## MOVIES

For fans of old-school Hollywood war melodramas such as "Casablanca" and "From Here To Eternity," Netflix has a new Israeli offering that might be up your alley.

"Image of Victory," which has been called the most expensive Israeli movie ever made, is a dramatization of the 1948 battle over Kibbutz Nitzanim. In that battle, Egyptian forces successfully captured Nitzanim and took more than 100 of its residents as prisoners of war.

The movie version, directed by acclaimed Israeli filmmaker Avi Nesher, introduces us to many of the Nitzanim residents, as well as to Hassanin, an Egyptian journalist making a documentary about his country's efforts to seize the kibbutz. The film wrestles with what kinds of images and storylines can best depict such a fraught and heavily disputed moment in Israel's history, without overly simplifying the narrative.

### PRAYER BOOKS

As we continue to have services in-person and on Zoom, having your own prayer books at home is important to follow along. **Our Mishkan t'Filah prayer books are available for \$40 each. Our new High Holiday Mahzor's are available for \$40 each.** These are very important to have, if you attend services online.

Shipping is \$5.00 for one or two books. If interested, please send your name, address and which books you want together with payment to Mountain Synagogue, PO Box 504, Franklin, NC 28744. (Books may be picked up in person during services to avoid the shipping costs). Contact [ms.treasurer79@gmail.com](mailto:ms.treasurer79@gmail.com)

## MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

We are asking **ALL MEMBERS** to provide us with their address, emails, month of birth and anniversary and phones for our upcoming printed directory. Please notify Norma Schulman at [normaschulman5@gmail.com](mailto:normaschulman5@gmail.com)

We will also be selling ads, Holiday Greetings, Memorials Messages, Thank you's, Family Notices, Business ads, announcements and so forth, for the publication, which is printed every two years.

Business card size is \$50, a half-page is \$100 and a full page is \$200. Our directories are printed every two years, so your ads and messages will be available for all to see.

### WEBSITE

[www.MountainSynagogueWNC.com](http://www.MountainSynagogueWNC.com)

### CEMETERY PLOTS

Mountain Synagogue has sold the last of the cemetery plots which it has held for years. The good news is that we have been informed that there is another section that is available to us, adjacent to the current plots. For us to secure those lots, we must make a substantial investment of funds, as they cannot be held without our purchasing them. We are of course very willing to make the purchase, but only if there is an interest from our members or the Jewish community.

If you think that you might have a need to have access to a plot in the Jewish section, please let us know as quickly as you can, before they are taken by a non-Jewish entity, by contacting Vickie Sanders. [walknature186@yahoo.com](mailto:walknature186@yahoo.com)

### Congratulations!

#### AED - CPR – STOP THE BLEED

Harvey Morse, Marcia Goldstein, Mike Serra and Bobbi Serra have each completed an extensive online course in AED, CPR and "Stop the Bleed" training, then attended in-person instruction in Asheville, all at their own expense, and are fully certified in the event of an emergency which we hope will never occur.

Mountain Synagogue thanks them for their efforts as part of our Safety Team.

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