

A Letter from the President January 2025

The Jewish community is facing the most unprecedented threat dynamic in our nation's history, with an almost 200% increase in law enforcement referrals and a 250% increase in college campus incident reports. FBI data reflects that in the last year, more hate crimes have been committed against Jewish people than any other ethnic group. Through our membership and connection with URJ (Union for Reform Judaism), Secure Community Network (SCN), and the Anti-Defamation League (ADL), Temple Shalom has had access to many webinars about antisemitism: what it is, how to discuss it, how to respond, and how to protect ourselves.

AND NOW -- Temple Shalom is proud to announce our participation in Kulanu, ADL's national synagogue engagement program. Kulanu—Hebrew for "all of us"— gives our congregation access to exclusive learning opportunities, tools and resources tapping ADL expertise so we can take action to combat hate and antisemitism.

Through ADL's Kulanu: Synagogues in Action Against Antisemitism, we are now part of a network of hundreds of congregations across the United States and Canada committed to the critical work of combatting antisemitism, hate and bias afflicting Jews and so many others targeted for their beliefs and identities.

ADL partners with us by offering our working group access to ADL experts through monthly webinars and workshops, as well as ADL content, resources and tools on an online portal. ADL's Kulanu Program is national in scope, but local in focus, guiding us to forge formative relationships in our community through collaboration and bridge building between our synagogue and our neighbors.

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SHABBAT SERVICES

We meet at 4023 Belle Terre Blvd., Myrtle Beach, SC 29579.

Our **Friday evening** services begin at 7:30pm. Saturday at 10:30 AM. Members who cannot physically attend Friday night or scheduled Saturday services can view services via Zoom. Contact Templeshalommbpresident@gmail.com to request a Zoom invitation. TempleShalommb.org

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Someone once said that a good teacher is not a person who takes simple ideas and makes them more difficult to understand, but a good teacher is a person who takes difficult ideas and makes them easier to understand. Well, there is a poem some of us may be familiar with entitled, "All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten" by Robert Fulghum. The following are things taught in kindergarten that can serve as guideposts for people throughout their entire lives and certainly during the coming New Year.

Share everything.

Play fair.

Don't hit people.

Put things back where you found them.

Clean up your own mess.

Don't take things that aren't yours.

Say you're sorry when you hurt somebody.

Wash your hands before you eat.

Warm cookies and cold milk make you feel good.

Live a balanced life – learn some and think some and draw and paint and sing and dance and play and work every day some.

Take a nap every afternoon.

When you go out in the world, watch out for traffic, hold hands and stick together.

Be aware of wonder. Remember the little seed in the Styrofoam cup: the roots go down and the plant goes up and nobody really knows how or why, but we are all like that.

Goldfish and hamsters and white mice and even the little seed in the Styrofoam cup – they all die. So do we.

Some of us, during our younger years, attended summer camp. And there were many lessons we learned in summer camp which can guide people throughout their lives.

Be patient.

Help others.

New experiences help us grow.

Remember to be thankful.

It's okay to take a risk.

Friends are a treasure.
Be a good listener.
Drink lots of water.
Wear sunscreen.
Running, jumping and skipping are all good for you.
Play is a great way to learn.
Everyone, even grownups, make mistakes.
When you're scared, take a friend's hand and approach life together.
It's amazing what you can accomplish when you work as a team.

Mary and I wish you a happy and healthy New Year,

Rabbi David Weissman

Lighting the Menorahs 2024 Temple ShalomLighting the Menorahs 2024 Temple Shalom



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Tiffany Andrews is a member of Temple Shalom and President of the Myrtle Beach NAACP. They have agreed to partner with us in breaking down barriers of misunderstanding by joining with us for two programs. Our groups will read and discuss Uncomfortable Conversations with a Black Man by Emmanuel Acho and Uncomfortable Conversations with a Jew by Emmanuel Acho and Noa Tishby. Then, we will join together to participate in our own meaningful conversations.

How can you connect and help fight antisemitism?

Attend training sessions and invite your friends and neighbors to attend with you: learn how to be aware, protect yourself, and defuse a situation. On January 14, 2025, at 3 P.M., Jason Roebuck will be conducting a de-escalation training on the skills and techniques to defuse or reduce tension, hostility or conflict in a situation. We participated in the situational awareness trainings; this is the newest training. Please invite your friends, these situations can occur anywhere to anyone.

When you receive a request to send a letter to your representatives, respond: Demand that University Leaders Combat Antisemitism, Tell the Department of Education and Congress to Protect Jewish Students, Help Pass the Protecting Students on Campus Act, tell Congress to Stand Up for Democracy, Justice, and the Rule of Law.

Be informed. Watch ADL's Fight Against Antisemitism: From Crisis to Action to Impact https:// www.youtube.com/watch?v=jdRA0rSLKP8 and the 30th Anniversary ADL In Concert Against Hate https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AnIImHIIrK8

Join our Kulanu working group. If you would like to learn more about how to get involved, contact Hope at Templeshalommbpresident@gmail.com.

Urge Your School District to Fight Antisemitism. Antisemitism thrives where ignorance exists, but education can change that. ADL research shows that students exposed to antisemitism education demonstrate significantly lower antisemitic attitudes. Schools can create safer and more inclusive learning environments by teaching students about antisemitism, understanding its impact, and providing clear reporting systems. Join ADL in urging school districts to combat antisemitism. Make your voice heard—contact your school board today and help build a future rooted in knowledge, respect, and understanding. https://action.adl.org/a/k-12-now?sourceid=1082074 Let's make a difference in the fight against antisemitism and hate!

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What's Happening at Temple Shalom January 2025

Friday	01/03/25	Shabbat services followed by an Oneg
Friday	01/10/25	Shabbat services followed by an Oneg
Saturday	01/11/25	Shabbat services followed by a kiddush
Friday	01/17/25	Shabbat services followed by an Oneg
Friday	01/24/25	Shabbat services followed by an Oneg
Saturday	01/25/25	Shabbat services followed by a kiddush
Friday	01/31/25	Shabbat services followed by an Oneg

SAVE THE DATE

Please join us for **De-escalation Training on January 14, 2025, at 3 P.M.** Jason Roebuck will be conducting this deescalation training on the skills and techniques needed to defuse or reduce tension, hostility or conflict in a situation. We participated in the situational awareness trainings; this is the next step. Please invite your friends, these situations can occur anywhere (grocery store, restaurant, mall) to anyone.

Secure Community Network has a new website: <u>https://www.securecommunitynetwork.org/</u>. Some of the key features: Find Your Security Professional, Get Connected (sign-up to receive SCN's Daily Update), Request Support, Commit to Action, Threat Incident & Suspicious Activity Reporting Form (SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING).

VIRTUAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

YIVO Institute for Jewish Research is a research institute, an institution of higher learning, an adult education organization, a cultural organization, and a world-renowned library and archive. Their mission is to preserve, study, share, and perpetuate knowledge of the history and culture of East European Jewry worldwide. YIVO offers adult education, Yiddish language programs, lectures, conferences, art exhibitions and concerts, some free and some for a fee. <u>https://</u> <u>www.yivo.org</u>

Also, check out the Events Recorded section.

THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF ISRAEL (https://www.nli.org.il/)

Read articles, listen to music and attend online events. AMERICA-ISRAEL FRIENDSHIP LEAGUE (<u>https://aifl.org/events</u>)

Participate in events about Israel's entrepreneurship, culture, medical research, environmental protection initiatives, and so much more.

Leo Baeck Institute (LBI) is an archive and research library devoted to the history and culture of German-speaking Jews https://www.lbi.org/

URJ ((<u>https://reformjudaism.org/</u>) – choose the calendar tab

Are you a foodie? Check out The Jewish Food Society at <u>https://www.jewishfoodsociety.org/</u> for interesting stories and recipes. Also visit Jamie Geller at <u>https://jamiegeller.com/author/jamie-geller</u>, Tory Avey at<u>https://toriavey.com</u>, and Jewlish at <u>https://aish.com/jewlish/recipes</u>.

The Forward -- founded in 1897 as a Yiddish-language daily, the Forward soon became a national paper, the most widely read Jewish newspaper anywhere. The English Forward was launched as a weekly in 1990 and moved to fully digital publication in 2019. The Forward delivers incisive coverage of the issues, ideas and institutions that matter to American Jews. Its rigorous reporting and balanced commentary on politics, arts and culture have won numerous awards year after year and made it the most influential nationwide Jewish media outlet. It is currently free and available to everyone everywhere.

Music

I Wrote You This Song: Neta Weiner and Stav Marin https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FdIzOn6Qe5IMusician Ellen Allard | JLive [HD] | Jewish Arts Collaborative https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uRR-Qpsh1ho

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Artist Sandra Mayo | JLive | Jewish Arts Collaborative https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nVliPPkQw9o



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Tool, in partnership between our Federation, the ADL Southeast, and Secure Community Network. Now, when you witness an act of hate, you can report it so that all three organizations can collaboratively respond, investigate, and track patterns of similar incidents around the state.

The Secure Community Network (SCN), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, is the official homeland safety and security organization of the Jewish community in North America. Founded in 2004 under the auspices of The Jewish Federations of North America and the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, SCN serves as the central organization dedicated exclusively to the safety and security of the American Jewish community, working across 146 federations, 50 partner organizations, over 300 independent communities, and other partners in the public, private, nonprofit, and academic sectors. SCN is dedicated to ensuring that Jewish organizations, communities, life, and culture can not only exist safely and securely, but flourish. Learn more at securecommunitynetwork.org.

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HAVE YOU EVER WANTED TO SEE YOUR WRITING PUBLISHED?

HAVE YOU WANTED TO LET OTHERS KNOW THE IMPACT TEMPLE SHALOM MEMBERSHIP HAS HAD IN YOUR LIFE?

NOW is your chance. We are looking for members willing to write an article for the monthly newsletter/bulletin about the impact Temple Shalom has had on them. The article can be any size and we will publish one each month.

Please send your article to Hope Sachwald at <u>TempleShalomMBPresident@gmail.com</u>.

Thank you for your help!



January 2025 TEVET 1 - SHEVAT 2

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Donations to Temple Shalom can be made in several ways and are greatly appreciated.

	MEMORIAL BOARD PLAQUES are a great way to remember someone perpetually. Every year, on their Yahrzeit (anniversary of death), the person will be remembered in regular services. Available to and for members only. Cost: \$250.00 • \$125.00 deposit required • takes at least 6 weeks Name on plaque:
_	Date of death (English): We will figure Hebrew date.
	TREE OF LIFE PLAQUES (LEAF) commemorates special events such as birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, and other life events we want to celebrate. Available to members only.
	Cost: \$50.00 - small leaf OR \$75.00 - large leaf
	HIGH HOLIDAY DONATION is a great way to make an annual donation to Temple Shalom for any amount. Available to all.
	CHAI CLUB OF TEMPLE SHALOM is a unique way to support Temple Shalom with a donation of \$18 per month per individual. The club is open to everyone. This can be set up on a monthly pay basis or \$216.00 per year. There are no club meetings or responsibilities. Available to all.
	YAHRZEIT is a wonderful way to remember loved ones who have gone before us and can be in any amount. Congregation members receive notices prior to Yahrzeit observances. Available to all. Yahrzeit for whom:
	IN MEMORY/HONOR OF is a tribute on behalf of someone who was/is special in your life and can be in any amount. Available to all. In Memory/Honor (circle one) of:
	Relationship to Donor: GENERAL DONATION is a way to support Temple Shalom and is a mitzvah (good deed). Available to all.

Please take a moment to select your donation(s), write a check, and mail it to Temple Shalom, or use PayPal. NAME:

ADDRESS:

PLEASE MAKE ALL THE CHECKS PAYABLE TO TEMPLE SHALOM. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PAY VIA CREDIT/DEBIT CARD, PLEASE GO TO THE DONATIONS PAGE ON OUR WEBSITE – www.TempleShalomMB.org.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATION!

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