

2022 Shalom Club Executive Board Nominating Statements

Susan Markus – Co-President

My name is **SUSAN MARKUS**, and I am running for the position of Co-President. I have been a resident of SCG since 2015 and a member of the Shalom Club for **5** years. With that in mind I want to tell you the qualities I bring to this position for our Club and in utilizing my experience in my professional life:

Susan:

- I have a lifelong commitment to “give back” through volunteerism: Co- chair for the past 2 years of the Annual Kick Off Brunch for SCG Shalom Club, President of Sisterhood of a 1500 family congregation, volunteer for Planned Parenthood, Courtroom Advocate for Victims of Rape Crisis, volunteer at Banner Del Webb Hospital.
- Ability to effectively communicate with various people through my over 30 years of experience in the Hospitality and Tourism Industry.

Michael Markus – Co-President

My name is **MICHAEL MARKUS**, and I am running for the position of Co-President. I have been a resident of SCG since 2015 and a member of the Shalom Club for **5** years. With that in mind I want to tell you the qualities I bring to this position for our Club and in utilizing my experience in my professional life:

Michael:

- Chair for the New Members Committee of a 1500 family congregation and board member for the same congregation. Additionally, volunteered for many activities with the Congregation’s Brotherhood.
- Chair for the Parents Association and a member of the school board at our Son’s School.
- Ability to effectively communicate with employees and clients with over 30 years’ experience in Retail and Technology companies.
- High school Science and business teacher.

We would like to leave you with “OUR VISION” for our Club moving forward.

“We have always worked together. sharing responsibilities, supporting each other in our separate and joint endeavors and enjoying our lives together. We want the Shalom Club to thrive for many years to come. We believe that Club members should be offered as many opportunities as possible to assemble and enjoy avenues that are social, educational, and spiritual. This is especially important to us after a year of social isolation. Suggestions about the Shalom Club and our direction for the future from members are essential and important to us. We look forward to re-bonding with long-time members and meeting new members ready to join us in 2022 and beyond.”

Michael & Susan Marcus

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Lee Goldstein – Co. Vice President

My name is **Lee Goldstein** and I am running for the position of Vice President. I have been a resident of Sun City Grand for 3 1/2 years.

**With that in mind I want to tell you the qualities I bring to this position for our club.

- *Excellent People Skills
- *Organizational Skills
- *Leadership Skill

**I would like to serve on the board, and utilize my experience gained not only within the Shalom Club, but as a:

- *Teacher, Department Chair, District Administrator,
- *Real Estate Broker and owner of my own business....

All in my professional life, as well as other organizations in Sun City Grand.

Finally, I would like to leave you with my vision for our club moving forward:

- *Welcoming & being inclusive of all members
- *Creating experiences that are meaningful & enjoyable

Thank You,
Lee Goldstein

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Rita Kass – Co. Vice President

My name is **Rita Kass and I am running for the position of Co-Vice President. I have been a resident of Sun City Grand since March 2018 and a member of the Shalom Club for 3 1/2 years.

**With that in mind, I want to tell you the qualities I bring to this position for our Club:

*I was a school teacher, business owner and have good organizational skills.

*I am hands-on, enthusiastic and hard-working.

*I am experienced with membership and social activities in different organizations, and at my previous senior community in California.

I would like to serve on the board, and utilize my experience gained not only from the Shalom Club, but as a:

Community leader in my professional life as well as other organizations.

Finally, I would like to leave you with my vision for our club moving forward:

*Let's get the Shalom Club back on our feet again, make new friends and keep our club growing with new members.

*Have new activities that will entice everyone to participate.

Thank you,
Rita Kass

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Beverly Goldman - Secretary

My name is **Bev Goldman** and I am running for the position of Secretary. I have been a resident of Sun City Grand since 2004.

1. I was a teacher and an Assistant Principal in the Chicago Public School System. I acquired scheduling, budgeting, organizing, grant writing, and program development skills.

2. I was given the responsibility of planning graduations, volunteer appreciation lunches and staff celebrations. This party planning experience , ironically, becomes a useful skill for the Shalom Club.

3. I have been a member of the Shalom Club for twelve years and served on the board in various capacities for six of those years. Currently, I am the board secretary and take board meeting notes, submit the yearly forms and assemble and distribute the Shalom Monthly Newsletter. I have enjoyed being involved with the SCG Shalom Club and hope to continue to do so.

My vision for our club is to foster friendships among our members while participating in fun and educational activities.

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Jay H Goldberg - Treasurer

I am a Certified Public Accountant. During my 45-year work life, I was involved in accounting and auditing firms of all sizes...from small "Mom & Pop" shops to Fortune 100 public companies. I served on several State and National professional committees as well.

Since moving to Grand in 2013, I have served on the Golf Advisory Committee, been vice-chair of the Finance Advisory Committee and I am currently the President of the SCG Wine Interest Group. I also am the former Treasurer of your Shalom Club serving in 2016 and 2017.

My familiarity with accounting software, spreadsheets and understanding what information Board members need has enabled me to design financial reports for Board members to more effectively guide this Club. I also developed and produced timely quarterly financial reports for distribution to the general membership.

I believe my years of experience in the financial arena in general and with the Shalom Club in particular, will provide needed information for your Board to make informed decisions and to continue to successfully manage our Club.

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Shirley Beaser - Program Director

My name is **Shirley Beaser** and I am running for the position of co-chairman of Programming assisted by Fred Cohn. I have lived in Sun City Grand since October 2018 and have been a member of the Shalom Club since that time. We moved to Surprise, AZ from central Maryland to be closer to family and grandchildren. The qualifications I bring to this position are:

- Two years as Sisterhood Programming Chair at my Temple in Maryland
- Co- President of the Homeowner’s Association of the condominium where we lived for several years.
- Currently, I am Secretary on the Tikvah West Valley Hadassah board

Finally, I would like to leave you with my vision for our club moving forward.

- To have fun and enjoy programs of interest.
- To meet and make new friends.

Thank you,

Shirley Beaser

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Chuck & Judy Miller – Co-Hospitality Directors

Judy and me are nominated to be the co-chairs of the hospitality director position. Judy and I bought our home here in SCG in the Fall 2016 and have lived here as permanent residents since August 2017. We joined the Shalom Club at the end of 2017. Judy was co-chair of the Feast without Yeast in 2018. We also helped with the raffles held by the

Club at large events which are shared with charities. Judy also was president of the Medicare division of a large, nationwide medical supply firm, before she retired. I spent 37 and 1/2 years in my second career as a financial, estate, and retirement planner before we retired to our present home. I also served as the treasurer on the board of a large condo association in Chicago for 6 years, and currently serve as treasurer of the SCG Pinochle Club. We, especially Judy, are hard workers, and take directions well.

Chuck and Judy Miller

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Brenda Finberg – Social Director

My name is **Brenda Finberg** and I am running for the position of Social Director. My husband Roger Finberg and I have lived in Sun City Grand since 2006 and have been members of the Shalom Club for 13 years.

I have been actively involved in the Shalom Club by serving on various committees yearly.

When we lived in Alameda, California, I was President of Temple Israel’s Sisterhood twice.

During that time, I taught first and second grade. Later I worked with children who had learning disabilities. After my teaching career, I worked for a law firm for 18 years as their bookkeeper.

My qualities: I am organized, a self-starter, and enjoy planning social events. I enjoy meeting new friends and engaging them in social activities.

One of my goals this year is to plan activities that will motivate others to participate and get to know their fellow Shalom Club members in order to foster an even warmer community that we already share.

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Donna Davidson – Co-Membership Director

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Co- Membership
Shalom Club 10 years

Served on the Board 9 years as Social Chair and Creator-of the Wiki, which helped to expand membership from 125 to almost 300 due in part to the enhanced opportunities for people to get together outside regular monthly meetings.

I believe my experience in dealing with people in my business life as a sales person and bookstore owner enables me to connect with a broad spectrum of personalities.

I envision with the end of Covid restrictions an enhanced opportunity to maintain membership and attract new ones that may once again be willing to participate and volunteer new ideas for our Shalom Club.

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Debbie Harris – Co-Membership Director

I would like to serve as co membership chair of the Shalom Club with Donna Davidson. I have previously served on the Board, as secretary and as Membership chair for several years.

After the year and a half that we have experienced with the pandemic, I would love to see the Shalom Club thrive again. So, I have decided to step up and volunteer to serve on the Board again.

Debbie Harris
