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• CALENDAR OF EVENTS •

Weekly and Holiday Services

Fridays: Erev Shabbat, 7:30 p.m.

Saturdays: Shabbat, 9:30 a.m.

Yiskor: Apr. 11 (Pesach), May 24 (Shavuot), Sept. 23 (Yom Kippur), Oct. 5 (Shemini Atzeret)

Learning at our Shul

Mondays, August 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31: Hebrew class, 4 p.m.

Thursdays, August 6, 13, 20 and 27: Parasha class, 4 p.m.

Shul Events

Friday-Saturday, July 31-August 1: Shabbaton w/Rabbi Daniel Vaisrub; topic: Jewish law

Wednesday, August 5: Book Circle, *Rabbis and Wives* by Chaim Grade, 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 11, Eldridge Synagogue/Museum, Lower East Side Manhattan, 1:30 p.m.

Sunday, August 16, Board and Congregation meetings, 9 and 10 a.m.

Sunday, August 23: Back Room Sale, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Lighting Shabbat Candles in August

August 7: 7:46 p.m. August 14: 7:37 p.m. August 21: 7:27 p.m. August 28: 7:17 p.m.

Dates to Remember

Monday, Sept. 7: Labor Day

Sunday, Sept. 13: Erev Rosh Hashanah

Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 14 and 15: Rosh Hashanah

Sunday, Sept. 20: Journal Dinner Dance, Sound View Restaurant, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 22: Erev Yom Kippur (Kol Nidre)

Wednesday, Sept. 23: Yom Kippur

Sunday, Sept. 27: Erev Sukkot (Men's Club BBQ)

Monday, Sept. 28: Sukkot (Kiddush in the sukkah)

(Submission deadline for the September 2015 issue of *The Shofar*: August 20)

From The Rabbi...



The Tall Ships and the *Parochet*

It was an incredibly eventful July 4th weekend in Greenport. Of course, the main attractions were the six tall ships that came here from different parts of the world before continuing on their journeys. What is it about tall ships that draws so many people to them? Perhaps it's the history, perhaps the sense of adventure or the unknown; they come from the vast seas and will go back there tomorrow. This may be true for any ship, but the tall ships are different. There is something romantic about them, carried by the wind. Something spiritual.

In a way, we are all like tall ships, carried by our spirit, negotiating the rough waters of life. We come from the unknown and go to the unknown, turning our sails in a direction where they can be filled and move us forward. We use the wind to steer us where we want to go, to constantly negotiate where God wants us to go, and where we think we want to head.

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That weekend, I had a chance to be on a sailboat with a dear family from the synagogue. It was the first time for me, and I even got to steer for a bit. But for the most part, I was an observer. To navigate a sailboat, you have to learn to negotiate, pulling the lines and then releasing a bit, pulling some more and then releasing again. But then you can rest and let the wind move you forward...quietly.

As God willed it, the following Shabbat, the same congregant opened and closed the Ark. As she was pulling the cord to close the *Parochet* — the covering curtain — I saw the *Parochet* as one of the sails on the boat, a sail we open and close when we take out the Torah and return it. It's not enough to have the wooden doors open and close; the Ark needs the soft sail-like drapery to catch the spirit that moves us forward. And then, like the sailboat, it is quiet while we stand for the silent prayer, negotiating with God our way forward.

And then there are the sails in our hearts, those that can be filled only with the good spirit of others, the spirit of giving and sharing. As we are approaching Tisha B'Av, the 9th day of the month that commemorates the destruction of our Holy Temple, we read in the Talmud (Gittin 56) the story of Kamtza and Bar Kamtza, the wealthiest people in Jerusalem. As their similar names indicate, they were both parsimonious, and their tight hearts and the petty honor games they played with each other ultimately caused the destruction of Jerusalem. The lesson is that for communities to survive and thrive, people must stay open and be willing to give and accept the good spirit of others. Like a tall ship with its assembly of sails, we pull forward together, negotiating life's waters into the hopeful unknown, where God wants us to go.

I would like to offer special thanks to Paul and Pamela Birman, who have been extremely generous to our synagogue, blowing new wind into our sails. Yashar Koach — may you keep in strength!

—Rabbi Gadi Capela

From The President...



The synagogue's annual Journal Dinner Dance (JDD) will take place on Sunday, Sept. 20, at the Sound View Restaurant. This year, our community honorees are former Greenport Mayor David Nyce and his wife, Jennifer Benton. The synagogue honorees are long-time members Madelyn Rothman and Audrey Rothman. Madelyn is a former president of the synagogue, and Audrey is a former member of the Board of Directors.

The annual JDD is one of the highlights of our synagogue programming, and it is also our most important fundraising event. Proceeds from the JDD help keep membership dues as low as possible and also fund many other events during the year.

I appeal to all of our members and friends to attend the Journal Dinner Dance, and to consider placing an ad in the commemorative keepsake journal. If you need additional information on how to place an ad in the journal, please call event co-chair Debra Riva at (631) 456-5903. Information regarding the purchase of tickets will be sent out shortly.

—Alan Garmise

• SHUL NEWS AND NOTES •

Shabbaton Weekend At The Shul, July 31-August 1



A Shabbaton is a group celebration of Shabbat, and our shul is hosting a Shabbaton weekend on Friday and Saturday, July 31 and August 1. The scholar-in-residence for the event is Rabbi Daniel Vaisrub, a professor of Jewish law at the Hebrew Seminary in Skokie, IL.

The Shabbaton will open with a Shabbat dinner at 5:30 on July 31, followed by Shabbat services, and a talk by Rabbi Vaisrub focused on the Ten Commandments. On Saturday morning, Rabbi Vaisrub will talk about Halakhic innovation — reconciling an ancient faith with unchanging principles guided by the Torah vs. new law, new practices, new beliefs. A Kiddush lunch with opportunities for questions and discussion will follow the morning service and talk. Rabbi Vaisrub will conclude the Shabbaton with a summary of the experience.

The Shabbaton is sponsored by Paul and Pamela Birman in honor of Paul's 80th birthday, and is free to all participants. Meals will be provided by Nassau Kosher Caterers. RSVP to Suzi Rosenstreich at 631-734-6961 or srosenstreich@optonline.net/.

Journal Dinner-Dance Plans In Motion; Ad Deadline Aug. 7

The Journal Dinner-Dance, one of the most festive events on the shul's social calendar, will be held this year on Sunday, Sept. 20, at the Sound View Restaurant, beginning with

cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at 5 p.m. The JDD features dinner, dancing, presentations by local dignitaries, and a popular silent auction of goods and services.

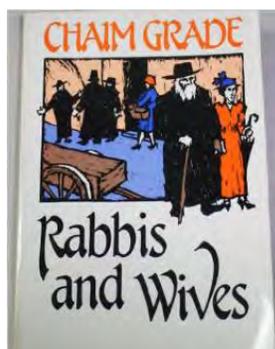
Community honorees this year are former Greenport Mayor David Nyce and his wife, cultural arts organizer, realtor and chef Jennifer Benton. Synagogue honorees are Madelyn Rothman, a former president of the Congregation, and her mother-in-law, Audrey Rothman, who is one of the shul's members of longest standing. Audrey is a former member of the Board of Directors, and volunteers quietly on virtually all shul-sponsored activities.

Ads, ads, ads. the deadline to place your personal ad in the journal is Friday, August 7. Please compose your message for our honorees, our shul, or anyone you feel deserves special mention in the journal. You can post your ad to the shul at P.O. Box 659, Greenport, NY, 11944, or email it directly to adsfortijournal@gmail.com.

At the same time, please respond when your invitation to the dinner arrives in your mailbox so that preparations and seating arrangements can be finalized.

For more information, call event co-chairs Gayle Kaplan or Debra Riva at the shul at 631-477-0232 "With your help, we can reach our goal and more," Debra Riva said.

***Rabbis and Wives* Is The August 5 Book Circle Choice**



The August 5 session of the Book Circle will study *Rabbis and Wives* by Chaim Grade, one of the leading Yiddish writers of the 20th century. The book of three novellas focuses on the everyday concerns, the moral conflicts, and the religious yearnings of Jews in Lithuania between the two world wars.

Previous sessions of the Circle have included *The Lost Wife* by Alyson Richman, Jeremy Leigh's *Jewish Journeys*, *The Yiddish Policeman's Union* by Michael Chabon, *Seyder Tkhines*, a book of common prayer for women, *Children of the Ghetto* by Israel Zangwill, and *My Father's Paradise* by Ariel Sabar.

The Book Circle meets on the first Wednesday of every month at 3:30 p.m., in the social hall at the shul to explore works by Jewish writers on Jewish themes. For more information about participating, call the shul at 631-477-0232 and leave a message for Suzi Rosenstreich.

Judaism and Art Program Plans Tour of Eldridge Synagogue



As a followup to its June 28 lecture on synagogue architecture, the Judaism and Art program has planned a tour of the Eldridge Street Synagogue and Museum on the Lower East Side of Manhattan. The tour will take place on Tuesday, August 11, at 1:30 p.m. After the tour, participants will meet

at a nearby restaurant for a late lunch and discussion.

The Eldridge Street Synagogue opened its doors at 12 Eldridge Street on Sept. 4, 1887, amid the throes of European immigration to New York City. The synagogue was a proud declaration of newly-found religious freedom for the immigrants. According to the

website, the synagogue was also emblematic of their economic aspirations. With its soaring 50-foot ceiling and exuberant Moorish-style interior, Eldridge Street provided an inspiring contrast to the crowded tenements, factories and shops of the Lower East Side.

For 50 years, the synagogue flourished. Thousands participated in religious services in the building's heyday, through the 1920s. In 1996, the synagogue was designated a National Historic Landmark, and more than \$20 million was raised to restore it to its original grandeur. Today, the synagogue is home to the Museum at Eldridge Street, which welcomes visitors from around the world for tours, school programs, concerts, lectures, festivals and other cultural events. The building is also home to Kahal Adath Jeshurun, a small Orthodox congregation that has not missed a Shabbat or holiday service in the more than 120 years since the synagogue opened.

For information about directions and transportation, contact Debra Riva or Saul Rosenstreich by calling the shul at 631-477-0232.

Help! It's Backroom Sale Time Again

The shul's annual and much anticipated Backroom Sale will be held Sunday, Aug. 23, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Let your unwanted "treasures" find a new home. As event chair Marian Friedmann puts it, "Get into the attic, scour the basement, clean the closets, conquer the cabinets, and get the good stuff to the shul — now.

Wanted: tools, gardening equipment, linens, dishes, pots and pans, bric-a-brac, jewelry, handbags, children's toys and equipment, furniture, sporting equipment, kitchen gadgets, lamps, chairs, bookcases, small tables, antiques and oldies, and interesting "objets."

Not wanted: camera, phone, printer and computer equipment, records and videotapes, and clothing. Donate clothing to the Op Shop or CAST, and other not-wanted items to the Town dump.

We also need help on the day of the sale, and on the three preparation days: Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, August 19, 20 and 21, from 9 a.m. to noon. Call Marian at 917-957-4964 or email marianfnyc@aol.com, and let her know when you can work.

News From The July 19 Congregation Meeting

- Adrienne Greenberg reported that a committee is looking into some possibilities for increasing shul membership and participation by reaching out to different constituencies through social media. An action plan is being prepared.
- The president reported that a generous donation by Paul and Pamela Birman will fund technology initiatives for the shul. These initiatives could include software, hardware, instruction, professional assistance, consultants, etc.
- The president is looking for volunteers to fill the various committees that operate the shul. Please consult the committees listed at the end of this publication, and advise the president of your interests.
- The Building and Grounds/Beautification Committees intend to replace the entrance ramp, and preliminary studies are under way.
- The next meetings of the Board of Directors and the Congregation will be held on Sunday, Aug. 16, at 9 and 10 a.m. Please make an effort to attend.

Thank You, Paula, For Another Catch-A Star Triumph

Paula Shengold has done it again. Twenty years ago, Paula chaired the first Catch-A-Star Literary Luncheon, hoping to provide “a pleasant diversion celebrating the arts and letters” for members of the shul and the community. Would it be successful? Hard to know. With the Daughters of Israel as sponsors of the event, Paula moved ahead with her idea. Not only was it a success, it was a smashing success, and Paula has continued providing that much anticipated pleasant diversion celebrating the arts and letters for 19 years.

This year’s event for another sellout crowd was held Thursday, July 16, at the Sound View Restaurant. It featured Vivian Eyre reading her poetry to the accompaniment of composer and pianist George Cork Maul on keyboard.

Thank you to Jennie Adler, Pamela Birman, Miriam Gabriel, Elaine and Phil Goldman, Gayle Kaplan, Arlene Marvin, Susan Meshover, Denise Morrison, Joan Prager, Jesse Reece, Debra Riva, Eileen Santora, Carol Seigel, Gloria Waxler, and Rachel, Michelle and Nancy at the Sound View.



Top, from left, Paula Shengold, George Cork Maul, and Vivian Eyre. Left, a happy event enjoyed by many, including the

Red Hat ladies, right. Photos by Madelyn

Rothman and Paula Shengold.

Israeli Official Promotes State Of Israel At Shul Talk



Amir Sagie, the deputy consul general of Israel in New York, made a special appearance at our shul on July 4 to talk to members and guests about the Israeli Mission in the tri-state area, Israel's largest mission in the world with more than 600 employees. The speaker was invited to Greenport by shul member Sonia Spar, who knows Amir Sagie through her work as liaison with the Jewish communities in Latin America for the Anti-Defamation League.

Amir Sagie maintains contact with government officials, policy experts at think tanks and universities, and leaders in the Jewish and interfaith communities in our region. At the conversation following his talk, the sizeable turnout questioned the speaker about the proposed Iran Nuclear Pact, the BDS (boycott, divest and sanction) initiative, relations between Israel and Christian sects, Israeli/Palestinian relations, and Arab funding of Middle East Studies programs in the U.S., making for a lively and informative exchange of ideas about Israel and its challenges in the world today.

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Ancient Spanish Village Changes Name Offensive to Jews

The tiny Spanish village of Castrillo Matajudios (Camp Kill Jews) has changed its name back to Castrillo Mota de Judios (Jews Hill Camp). The village of about 50 inhabitants, none of them Jewish, yet many with ancient Jewish roots, voted to change the name in 2014 after the mayor argued that the term was offensive and that the village should honor its Jewish origins. The town's official shield includes the Star of David.

Documents show the village's original named was "Jews' Hill Camp" and that the "Kill Jews" name dates from 1627, after a Spanish edict ordered Jews to become Catholics or flee the country. Those who remained faced the Spanish Inquisition, with many burned at the stake. Researchers believe the village got its recent name from Jewish residents, who converted to Catholicism and wanted to reinforce their repudiation of Judaism to convince Spanish authorities of their loyalty.

The Queen Visits Bergen-Belsen

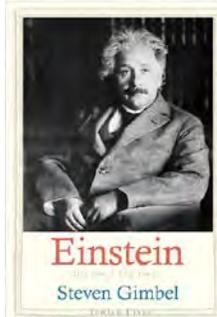
On her final day of a state visit to Germany last month, Elizabeth II, Queen of Great Britain, visited Bergen-Belsen to pay her respects to the tens of thousands of prisoners who died there. It was the first time the 89-year-old monarch visited a former Nazi death camp. The Queen was accompanied by Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh, 94.

During the visit, the Queen met with some of the veterans of the British Army who had helped liberate Bergen-Belsen in April 1945. According to *The Guardian*, one of the veterans was a former Navy captain named Eric Brown, who is now 96 years old. He described to the Queen his discoveries upon arriving at the concentration camp — how it was "littered" with bodies, how the survivors were "dehumanized."

The Queen and the Prince walked somberly around the 13 sites that mark the mass graves, and the Queen bowed her head at the memorial gravestone for Anne Frank and her sister Margot. The royal couple also stopped to lay a wreath at the memorial obelisk that remembers the thousands of Jews, Soviet and Roma prisoners who perished there.

Rabbi Ephraim Mirvis, the UK's chief rabbi said the trip would be considered "deeply significant by Jews the world over."

New Book About Einstein Examines The Scientist And The Jew



The commonly held view of Albert Einstein is that of an eccentric genius for whom the pursuit of science was everything. But in actuality, according to Yale University Press, the publisher of the latest book about Albert Einstein, *Einstein: His Space and Times* by Steven Gimbel, science provided not only a means for understanding the behavior of the universe, but offered Einstein a foundation for considering the deeper questions of life and his place in the Jewish community.

The book is of particular interest to readers of *The Shofar* because of Albert Einstein's connection to the North Fork, where he summered, and to the family of the late David Rothman, who knew Einstein as a friend.

Steven Gimbel's biography explains Einstein's theories in understandable terms, and explains how they directly emerged from the realities of his times and helped create the world we live in today. Steven Gimbel holds the Edwin T. and Cynthia Shearer Johnson Chair for Distinguished Teaching in the Humanities, and is chair of the philosophy department at Gettysburg College.

Babi Yar Park: Denver Holocaust Memorial Gets An Upgrade



Babi Yar Park in Denver, CO, planned in the 1970s as a living memorial to the people massacred in Kiev, Ukraine, during the Holocaust, was never fully realized — until now. An article in the July 2015 issue of *Landscape Architecture* by Jane Margolies shows how the landscape architecture firm of Mundus Bishop, created new terraces, a prairie, and other upgrades that “bring

greater clarity” to the design of the 27-acre park.

The original mission of the park called attention to the plight of Soviet Jews, who were both persecuted and denied permission to emigrate. Of all the horrors of WWII, the one revolving around the Babi Yar Ravine in Kiev was among the worst. In two days, 33,771

men, women and children were gunned down and lay piled in the ravine. Over the next two years, more than 200,000 were killed there.

For lack of money, the original park was bare bones, and not well maintained. But when the city's parks department took over the site, Mundus Bishop was hired to reconstruct the pathways and the landscape. Now, it is a local park, offering people who live around it a place to walk their dogs or take a constitutional — even if they do not know the story of Babi Yar, even if they are not aware that the paths form a Jewish star.

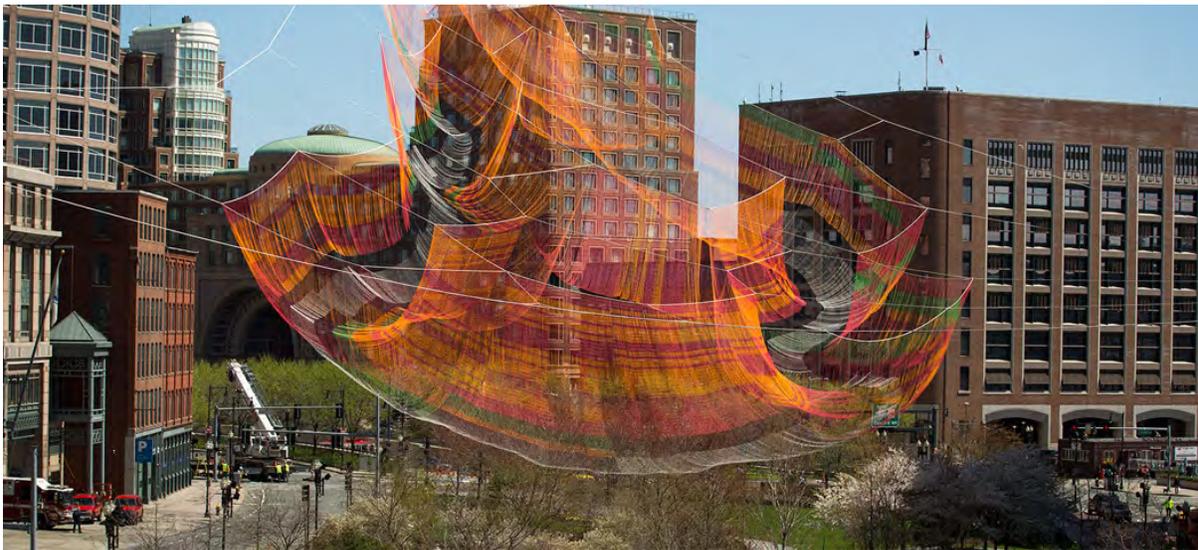
—Photo courtesy The Cultural Landscape Foundation

Janet Echelman Unveils Public Art Installation in Boston

“As If It Were Here Already” is the public art installation hovering above downtown Boston's Greenway by Jewish American visual artist Janet Echelman. The work soars 365 feet above the ground at its highest point and weighs 2,000 pounds. The sculpture, suspended above Fort Point Channel Parks, is comprised of 100 miles worth of rope and, in wind, exerts 100,000 pounds of force on the Intercontinental Hotel, one of the anchor points for the project.

The structural net is made of ultra-high molecular-weight polyethylene, eight times stronger than steel. The colored twine is standard polyester fiber. At night, the wispy sculpture is illuminated with LEDs. The work, commissioned by the Rose F. Kennedy Greenway Conservancy, is likened to a landscape painting stretching across the sky.

The installation will be up through October 2015.



Bullied Jewish Students In Upstate NY to Receive \$4.5 Million

In 2012, five Jewish students filed a civil rights lawsuit against the Pine Bush Central School District in upstate New York, which stood accused of “failing for years to take action to protect the Jewish students from anti-Semitic bullying, slurs and other intimidation,” reported the *New York Times*.

According to *The Times*, the students found swastikas drawn on walls, desks, lockers and other school property; were called epithets and nicknames, were shoved and beaten, endured bus rides with classmates leading “white power” chants and making Nazi salutes.

The number of students accused in the 3,500-page deposition was at least 35, and the instances of bullying date back to when some of the students who testified were still in elementary school and middle school in Pine Bush, a community that has a history of racism and Ku Klux Klan activity.

In addition to the money, the settlement decrees that Pine Bush must now train faculty and staff to recognize instances of anti-Semitism, and integrate anti-bullying education.

• JEWS IN THE NEWS •

Leah Kornfeld Friedman

Shul member Leah Kornfeld Friedman, who is serving as artist in residence at the 13th Street Repertory Company in New York City, read from her new book, *Essie Finklestein: Monologues for an Actress*, for The Rep audience on Monday, July 20.

Shul members were introduced to Essie at the November 2014 Judaism and Art program. The 49 monologues in the book tell Essie's story from birth to her 97th year — the sorrows, the joys, the laughter, the pain. Some of the monologues are autobiographical, others are based on experiences of friends, and still others are fictional. The Rep's invitation described the writer's characters as "wise and wild women speaking their truth in the fierce voice of the Bronx, Coney Island, and her deep and wise heart."

Alan Grayson

Central Florida's Democratic Congressman Alan Grayson has declared for the U.S. Senate, to fill the seat vacated by Marco Rubio, who is hoping to get the Republican nomination for President.

Tablet described Grayson as an "unabashedly left-wing, loud-mouthed, Bronx-born son of two Jewish teachers' union members." If nominated and elected, he would become Florida's first Jewish Senator since Richard Stone, another New York native, who served one term in the 1970s. Grayson has said the religious principle of tikkun olam inspires his work.

Sofia Mechetner



Sofia Mechetner, 14, was discovered by a talent scout representing the Roberto management agency in Israel, and will become the leading model for the House of Christian Dior. Prior to her discovery in a Dior store, she and her younger brother and sister and their single mom had been living in a modest apartment in Israel, having moved from their native Russia.

Sofia now has a \$265,000 contract that includes introducing the Dior Haute Couture fall-winter line for 2015 at Paris Fashion Week. Asked what she will do with her new paycheck, Sofia said, "I expect we'll move to an apartment where I will have my own room."

Arthur George Weidenfeld

Arthur George Weidenfeld, 95, a Jewish peer in the House of Lords, who was rescued from Nazi-occupied Austria and transported to Britain by Christians in 1938, has pledged to return the favor by funding the rescue of Syrian and Iraqi Christian refugees who are suffering at the hands of ISIS. He feels he “has a debt to repay,” he told Britain’s *The Times*.

Lord Weidenfeld has set up the Weidenfeld Safe Havens Fund, which last month flew 150 Syrian Christians to Poland on a privately chartered airplane. They are the first of an estimated 2,000 refugees expected to be rescued from the country. Once the refugees are resettled, Weidenfeld’s program will offer 12-18 months of financial support as they adjust to their new homes. Weidenfeld told *The Times* it was the Quakers and other Christian denominations that had brought Sir Nicholas Winton’s Kindertransport children to England.

Yair Trebitsch

Yair Trebitsch, 37, the son-in-law of former New York Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver, pleaded guilty in Manhattan federal court to defrauding investors out of close to \$7 million through a Ponzi scheme lasting seven years.

Trebitsch has waived any right to appeal. Under a plea agreement, he will receive a prison term under 5-1/4 years and have to pay back \$5.9 million in restitution. He will be sentenced on Nov. 2, when his father-in-law Silver is set to begin his trial on corruption charges.

• OBITUARIES •

James Horner

American-Jewish composer James Horner was killed in a plane crash on June 23. He was the sole casualty when his single-engine plane went down in the Los Padres National Forest in Southern California. He was 61.

The son of Austrian Jewish immigrants, Horner’s career in movie music brought him 10 Oscar nominations. He won the 1997 Academy Award for Best Original Score and Best Original Song for *Titanic*. It is the best-selling soundtrack in cinema history.

Other film scores include *Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan*, *Field of Dreams*, *Apollo 13*, *Braveheart*, *A Beautiful Mind*, *Searching for Bobby Fischer*, *Glory*, and *Legends of the Fall*.

Among his awards are two Golden Globes, three Satellite Awards, and three Saturn Awards. He was nominated for three British Academy Film Awards. In 2013, he received the Max Steiner Award at the Hollywood in Vienna Gala, an award given for extraordinary achievements in the field of film music.

Jack Carter

Jack Carter, one of television’s first stars in the late 1940s, who continued working as both a comic and an actor well into the 21st century, died June 28 at his home in Beverly Hills. He was 93.

Known for his rapid-fire delivery, he first wanted to become a serious actor, but his antics at rehearsals suggested he turn to comedy. He appeared in clubs and on television into his 90s and, until recently, was working the condo circuit in South Florida, tailoring his jokes to an audience of his contemporaries. One of his stock lines: “He’s so old, he ordered three-minute eggs and the waitress wanted money in advance.”

He was born Jack Chakrin in Brighton Beach, Brooklyn, one of three children of Harry Chakrin and the former Anna Borofsky, Jewish immigrants from Russia. His father owned a candy store and restaurant on Coney Island.

Nicholas Winton

Sir Nicholas Winton, nicknamed “The British Schindler” for rescuing more than 650 children from Nazi-occupied Czechoslovakia through Kindertransports to the United Kingdom, died July 1. He was 106.

Winton was born to German Jewish parents in London. In 1938, he traveled to Czechoslovakia to visit a friend. There, he witnessed the dangerous conditions for the country’s Jewish population. When he returned home to London, he organized a series of trains to transport the endangered Czech children to London, successfully coordinating the arrival of eight of the trains. During those dangerous journeys, Winton frequently had to bribe officials and forge documents. When the rescued children arrived in London, Winton worked to find each of them British foster homes.

In 1998, Winton’s wife Grete uncovered a scrapbook in their attic full of lists of children’s names and letters from their parents, bringing his heroism to light. In 2002, he was granted knighthood by Queen Elizabeth II, and last year he was honored by the Czech Republic, receiving The Order of the White, the country’s highest accolade.

E. L. Doctorow

E .L. Doctorow, author of critically acclaimed and award-winning novels, including *Ragtime* and *Billy Bathgate*, died July 21 in Manhattan. He was 84.

Doctorow wrote a dozen novels, three volumes of short fiction, a stage drama, and essays and commentary on literature and politics. He was widely lauded for the originality, versatility and audacity of his imagination. The Modern Library editorial board named *Ragtime* one of the 100 best novels of the 20th century. He taught at Sarah Lawrence College, the Yale School of Drama, the University of Utah, the University of California, Irvine, Princeton University and New York University.

He was born in the Bronx, the grandson of Jewish immigrants from Russia. His father, David, had a store that sold musical instruments in the old Hippodrome building in Manhattan; his mother, Rose, played the piano.

Theodore Bikel

Theodore Bikel, who created the role of Baron von Trapp in the original Broadway production of *The Sound of Music*, and who toured for decades in more than 2,000 performances as Tevye in *Fiddler on the Roof*, died July 21 in Los Angeles. He was 91.

He was born in Vienna, but corrected people if they called him Viennese. “I am nothing of the kind; I am an Austrian-born Jew,” he wrote. “I refuse to let a country that so shamefully treated my people lay any claim to me, to my life, to my successes, to my failures, to my very identity.” Two years before the Nazis marched into Poland, his family moved to Palestine.

• **COMMEMORATIONS** •

Yahrzeits In August

- 2: Ann Handler
- 3: Florence Wells
- 5: David Lewis; Charlotte Meyer; James Sidney Slotkin
- 7: Wilson DeLynn; Rachel A. Israel; Minna Orliansky
- 10: Hannah Lesser Goldstein; Irving Meshover; Marjorie Teperman
- 11: Esther Winters
- 12: Yomtov Safer
- 15: Meyer Levenback
- 16: Leonard Berg; Franklin Mountain; Arthur J. Sharp
- 18: Ethel Brown
- 19: Morris A. Schottland
- 20: Rose Wander Kornfeld
- 21: Emanuel Bloch; Louis Posner
- 23: Morris W. Brown; Anna Goldin
- 24: Jack Kaplan
- 25: Herman Revere
- 26: Rose Crohan; Rae B. Levy
- 27: Golda Orleans; Mort B. Shakin
- 28: Fanny Levine
- 29: Rabbi Ya'acov Berman; Max Seigel
- 30: Dorothy Kaliski; Eva O. Rubin

Birthdays In August

- 1: Andrew Sausmer
- 2: Marilyn Bayer-Levine
- 3: Paul Birman; James Sausmer; Simeon Seigel
- 5: Daniel Slatkin
- 6: Laurie Pinchuk
- 9: Rebecca Seigel
- 11: Jane Messing
- 20: Abby Mendillo
- 21: Ashley Solomon
- 23: Dr. Tom Byrne
- 25: Carolyn Finn
- 25: Adrienne Greenberg
- 28: Aaron Novick
- 30: William Sausmer
- 31: Rabbi Gadi Capela

Anniversaries in August

- 5: Alan and Helen Weinstein
- 31: Paul and Alice Nadel

Spreading Sunshine

Rain or shine, a Sunshine Card brightens the day for recipients. Remember friends, family, and fellow shul members on joyous occasions, and wish them well when illness and sadness strike. It costs so little to do so much. Please make your contribution payable to the Daughters of Israel, and send to P.O. Box 659, Greenport, NY 11944.

To send a Sunshine Card, call Thelma Novick at 734-6952.

Refuah Shlemah

Jed Clauss
Victor Friedman
Ann Hurwitz
Arlene Marvin
Thelma Novick
Judith Schneider
Paula Shengold
Gloria Waxler

• MONEY MATTERS •

Donations in July

Miriam Gabriel and Adrienne Greenberg
Philip and Elaine Goldman
Eileen Santora
Joan Prager

Dedicated Funds

- **Capital Improvement:** covers major additions and repairs to our building and grounds.
- **Archive/Library:** supports new books for our library, plus archival materials.
- **Education:** provides supplies/materials for the Hebrew School and adult education classes.
- **Ritual Materials:** replaces prayer books, tallit, kippah, Torah mantles, Rimmonim, breastplates, curtains, reader's table covers, etc.
- **Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:** allows the rabbi to provide help when he is asked.
- **Financial Assistance Fund:** supports those in need in Southold Town.
- **Harold Winters Fund For the Hebrew School:** supports Jewish education

Invest In Our Shul

- **Bequest:** Make a gift to the shul with an inclusion in your will.
- **Charitable Gift Annuity:** A cash or appreciated stock gift provides fixed income for life.
- **Life Insurance Policy:** Contribute a fully-paid or new policy with the shul as owner.
- **Life Estate:** Donate real estate through a grant deed, and use the property for life.
- **Charitable Remainder Unitrust:** This investment allows the contributor a current tax deduction and an income for life. Upon the death of the contributor, the balance in the trust goes to the charity. For more information, contact Financial Secretary Z. Micah Kaplan, MD.

Honor Loved Ones With A Plaque

- **Memorial Plaque:** mounted in the sanctuary, lighted during the anniversary month.
Cost: \$300 members; \$600 nonmembers.
- **Tree of Life Leaf:** commemorates a simcha or joyous event, mounted in social hall. Cost:
\$54 members; \$108 nonmembers
- **Sanctuary Seat Plate:** nameplate is placed on the back of a seat in the sanctuary.
Cost: \$200 members; \$250 nonmembers.

Schedule of Synagogue Fees

Membership Per Year

Family	\$850
Individual	\$550

<u>Event</u>	<u>Members</u>	<u>Nonmembers</u>
Wedding, Bat/Bat Mitzvah, Baby Naming*	\$450	\$900
Sanctuary Only	No charge	\$300
Community Room Only	\$25 per hour	\$50 per hour
Community Room, Kitchen and Park	\$300	\$600
Rabbi's classes	No charge	No charge

<u>Commemoratives</u>	<u>Members</u>	<u>Nonmembers</u>
Memorial Plaques	\$300	\$600
Tree of Life Leaf	\$54	\$108
Prayer Book Bookplate	\$54	\$54
Pentateuch Bookplate	\$72	\$72
Sanctuary Seat Plate	\$200	\$250**
Isidore Handler Hebrew School	No charge	No charge

*Fee includes use of the sanctuary, community room, kosher kitchen, and Andrew Levin Park. Setup and cleanup fees will be paid by the individual or group renting the facilities. Renters of our facilities must submit an agreement 10 days prior to the event.

** A seat plate designee must be a member or a deceased member of the synagogue.

• WHO'S WHO AT OUR SHUL •

Rabbi Gadi Capela: 631-477-6940
Gabbai Stanley Rubin: 631-765-6848

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Sara Bloom

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Joanna Paulsen

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Garmise, Aaron Novick, Debra Riva, Eileen Santora.

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