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## • CALENDAR OF EVENTS •

### *Weekly and Holiday Services*

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

Saturdays: Shabbat, 9:30 a.m.

### *Learning at our Shul*

(Hebrew class moves to Thursday for the winter.)

Thursdays, Nov. 3 and 10: Hebrew at 2:30; Parasha at 4.

(Rabbi Gadi will be away from Nov. 13 to Dec. 1. Classes resume Dec. 8.)

### *Shul Events*

Sunday, Nov. 13: 10th Annual Poetry For Peace Program, Mattituck Library, 2 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 20: Board and Congregation meetings, 9 and 10 a.m.

(Get Hanukkah candles, dreidels, gelt bags and gifts before, between and after the meetings.)

### *Lighting Shabbat Candles in November*

Nov. 4: 5:30 p.m. Nov. 11: 4:23 p.m. Nov. 18: 4:17 p.m. Nov. 25: 4:13 p.m.

### *Dates to Remember*

Sunday, Nov. 6, Daylight Saving Time ends, 2 a.m., set clocks back one hour

Tuesday, Nov. 8: Election Day;

Friday, Nov. 11: Veterans Day

Thursday, Nov. 24: Thanksgiving Day

(Submission deadline for the December 2016 issue of *The Shofar*: November 20)

## From The Rabbi...



### A Servant in the Temple

Dear Members and Friends,

It was wonderful to see so many of you on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur; it always feels like an extended family reunion. After several months of preparation and excitement, then a few days of long and intense prayers, and one long fast day, comes the moment of the last blast of the shofar, telling us that we worked hard, now we can sit and eat! As we read in the Book of Ecclesiastes, “Go, eat your bread with joy, and drink your wine with a merry heart; for God has already accepted your works.” (9:7) There is nothing better for a man than that he should eat and drink, and make his soul enjoy pleasure for his labor.” (2:24) And boy, we do; at Tifereth Israel we break the fast with a feast.

The Book of Ecclesiastes is the book customary to read during Sukkot because its message fits perfectly at the end of the High Holidays season. In the book that is attributed to King Solomon (Kohelet is its Hebrew name), the protagonist tells us that he had everything under the sun in wealth and wisdom, and that he had tried pretty much everything. His main message to us is that life is fleeting (he’vel means breath, often mistranslated as futile or vanity); it is like the wind, which we can never catch. We are not the owners of this world but the guests who come to visit for a few days — our 15 minutes of breath. To use it wisely is to not overdo anything or to try to understand everything. The mystics see in this message a clue that this world is a mere vestibule to Olam Habah — the next, eventual world.

After accepting the kingship of God on Rosh Hashanah and as our gracious host, on Yom Kippur we invite God to be a guest in our lives, in our temple. Then by sitting in the Sukkah — a temporary hut — at the culmination of the High Holidays season, we validate our acknowledgement that life is temporary. Like the Sukkah, we are also temporary. Since we don’t know when the end will come, we should enjoy the process. “I saw that there is nothing better for man than to enjoy his endeavors, since that is his portion. For who can enable him to see what will happen afterward?” (3:22) This idea is also backed by the Mishnah in Avot (Ethics of the Fathers 4:2) “A reward of a Mitzvah is Mitzvah,” which means that the reward of the Mitzvah is the process of fulfilling the Mitzvah itself, leaving future outcomes to God.

All the characters we read about over the High Holidays, including Abraham and Sarah, Isaac, Moses, and Aaron, have one thing in common: all of them feel as though they are God’s servants. But Aaron embodies this message in full in his Avodah — his service — as the High Priest we read about on Yom Kippur. His service has a definite order and a meticulous process, yet the outcome is not in his control, and is decided by casting lots: “And he shall take the two goats, and set them before the Lord at the opening of the tent of meeting. And Aaron shall cast lots upon the two goats: one lot for the Lord, and the other lot for Azazel.” (Lev. 16:7-8)

In our personal and public lives, we are often tempted to rationalize that the end justifies the means, that somehow we can ignore the way as long as we arrive at our destination. But can a product of a non-kosher process still be kosher? Let us remember that being a servant in the temple means keeping the process kosher, and letting God decide the ultimate outcome. It is a humbling and a freeing sentiment at the same time. “...there is nothing better for man than to enjoy his endeavors... For who can enable him to see what will happen afterward?”

May God bless this year in all its outcomes, and may 5777 be a jubilee year of peace and healing for us and for the rest of the world.

## From The President...



Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services were well attended. The team of Rabbi Gadi and Cantor Yager was a huge success. Feedback from members and guests was extremely positive. The new High Holy Days prayer books were a much-appreciated improvement over the books we have used in the past. Approximately 50 people attended our break-the-fast dinner prepared by the Daughters of Israel. We extend our thanks to Adrienne Greenberg for organizing the food preparation, and to all of the volunteers who contributed to that effort.

The day after Yom Kippur, a small group of volunteers arrived to construct our sukkah. We extend our thanks to the sukkah construction team of Micah Kaplan, Jesse Reese, Neville Reese and Ron Adler, and to Gayle Kaplan, Elaine Goldman and Rochelle Garmise for creative decorating in the sukkah.

On Sunday evening, Oct. 16, the Men's Club held its annual pre-Sukkot barbecue, which was well attended. For this project, I want to thank Micah Kaplan for organizing the event, Jesse Reese for presiding over the barbecue, and all who contributed their culinary skills to help make this event a success. Rabbi Gadi conducted an inspiring service in the sukkah, immediately following the barbecue. On Monday, Rabbi Gadi conducted a Sukkot service in the sanctuary, which was followed by a lunch in the sukkah.

My thanks to all of our members and friends for their ongoing contributions of time, energy and financial support for our synagogue. May your generosity continue in the New Year.

—Alan Garmise

## • SHUL NEWS AND NOTES •

*The Shofar* joins the membership in welcoming Sheldon and Joyce Pitkin of Peconic Landing in Greenport, and Nancy Torchio of Cutchogue as new members of our shul. We look forward to greeting you personally.

## Poetry For Peace: 10th Anniversary Program on Sunday, Nov. 13

Poetry For Peace, co-sponsored by our shul and the North Fork Reform Synagogue, will celebrate the 10th anniversary of this program on Sunday, Nov. 13, with readings by K-12 students from the Orient, Greenport, Southold, Mattituck, Cutchogue, Shelter Island and Our Lady of Mercy schools. This year's themes are peace and friendship. The program will be held in the community room at the Mattituck-Laurel Library at 2 p.m. The public is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Judges for the competition are Billy Hands, Jerry Matovcik, and LB Thompson, who visited some of the schools to talk about poetry and provide inspiration. Each winning poet will receive a \$25 prize.

Through this program, the sponsoring organizations hope to encourage young people to focus on peace and friendship in their own poetic language. Paula Shengold represents our shul. Sylvia Eisenstadt Pafenyk represents the North Fork Reform Synagogue.

For more information about Poetry For Peace, call the shul at 631-477-0232.

## News From The October 16 Congregation Meeting

- Sonia Spar reported on her research into Hebrew School/Sunday School programs for young people in other Suffolk County synagogues, particularly those on the South Fork. The goal is to develop an education program at our shul, perhaps as early as summer 2017.
- The Building and Grounds/Beautification Committee is gathering prices for needed upgrades to the rabbi's house. Suggestions for synagogue upgrades can be submitted to committee chair Phil Goldman.



- Adrienne Greenberg, co-president with Eileen Santora of the Daughters of Israel, reported that nine members had volunteered to help prepare the break-the-fast meal following Yom Kippur services. As a result, tasks were completed in record time. The presidents also thanked Helen Weinstein for the attractive floral arrangements on the bimah for High Holy Days services. Additional items on the Daughters of Israel agenda are completing the reorganization of the kitchen cabinets, cleaning the basement, and organizing and preparing the Hanukkah party on Dec. 25.

- Alan Garmise reported that proceeds from the Journal Dinner-Dance surpassed previous years. He thanked co-chairs Debra Riva and Elaine Goldman, who have volunteered to head the fundraising event in 2017.



The Break-the-fast crew. Photos by AGreenberg and SSpar.

## The Book Circle To Discuss Israeli Writer Batya Gur

At the next Book Circle meeting, the group will read a work by Israeli writer Batya Gur, best known for her detective fiction. Date, time and title TBA.

Previous sessions of the Book Circle have included *Dancing Arabs* by Sayed Kashua, *The Lost Wife* by Alyson Richman, *Jewish Journeys* by Jeremy Leigh, *The Yiddish Policeman's Union* by Michael Chabon, *Seyder Tkhines*, *Children of the Ghetto* by Israel Zangwill, *My Father's Paradise* by Ariel Sabar, *Rabbis and Wives* by Chaim Grade, *FDR and the Jews* by Richard Breitman and Allan J. Lichtman, *The Faith Club* by Ranya Idlibi, Suzanne Oliver and Priscilla Warner, *Restoring Abrahamic Faith* by James D. Tabor, *The Beauty Queen of Jerusalem* by Sarit Yishai-Levi, *The Road From Morocco* by Wafa Hallam, *The Hill Top* By Assaf Gavron, *My Promised Land* by Ari Shavit, and *Mystery Midrash: An Anthology of Jewish Mystery & Detective Fiction*, edited by Lawrence W. Raphael.

The Book Circle meets monthly to explore works by Jewish writers on Jewish themes. For more information, call Suzi Rosenstreich at 516-987-3390.

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### Cook out, eat in

Look what happens when the ladies step aside and the men get into the kitchen. That was the story on Sunday, Oct. 16, when the Men's Club, led by Micah Kaplan, organized the biggest, bestest grand and glorious BBQ for shul members and friends — a preamble to the Sukkot observance that evening at 7:30.

Cool weather and an early sunset suggested moving the menu items indoors, where all participants filled their plates at the buffet table, which overflowed with grilled burgers and dogs and plenty of sides — a real old-fashioned BBQ.

Thanks to all who contributed to the culinary delights and the camaraderie of the evening: Jesse Reece, Sid Waxler, Saul Rosenstreich, Phil Goldman, Martin Ehrenreich, Bruce Bloom, Ron Adler, Alan Garmise, Jed Clauss, Eileen Santora, Joan Prager, and on-the-spot volunteers for kitchen prep and cleanup.  
—SSpar photo

## Welcome CAST To A New Home With A Donation

CAST (Community Action Southold Town) is our synagogue's chosen community outreach program for Tikkun Olam (healing the world). Recently, CAST moved from 311 Front Street to the charitable organization's new home at 316 Front Street. Wouldn't this be great opportunity to

make a thoughtful donation to commemorate the move?

Many in our community are encountering difficult times. More people than ever are coming to the CAST office to apply for assistance. You can deliver your nonperishable food gift to the CAST office, or to the shul, and our volunteers will deliver your gift on your behalf.

## **Let There Be Light**

Indeed, there will be light this year on Dec. 25, when the first full day of Hanukkah and Christmas day converge. This is only the fourth time in a century that this has happened. Let our Hanukkah lights burn ever more brightly this year in celebration of the ecumenical aspect of this rare happening.

Be sure you are prepared with candles, perhaps a new menorah, dreidels, gelt bags, and other gifts of the season. The Gift Shop will open a satellite sales venue at the Nov. 20 Board of Directors and Congregation meetings. Come and learn about the activities planned for our shul, and stock up on Hanukkah goodies for your home and family.

For a sneak preview of the Gift Shop offerings — and to avoid the rush — call the shul at 631-477-0232 and leave a message for Sara Bloom.

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## **A Thanksgiving Story: Clowning Around**

By Rabbi Marc Gellman

Every year on Thanksgiving, I leave my rabbinic duties to become a clown for Macy's at the annual Thanksgiving Day parade. Or is it that 364 days a year, I leave my clown duties at Macy's to become a rabbi?

In the work world, the ironclad law of the marketplace rules all: That which has economic worth is rewarded; that which does not is not. But clowns, an essential ingredient of the Macy's parade, flit in and out of its open spaces and serve as the theme for its endless variations, reaching out from the massive floats to connect to the people on the street, the watchers, touching their hands, communicating love, playfulness, tenderness, making participants of spectators. The clowns are the ushers in a fantasy world that is streaming down the street. The clowns say, "Enter this sweet world, and stay a while."

I have learned more about clowning in each of the three years I've participated in the Macy's parade. The first thing I learned is that love is the only trick you need. My first clown year, I was so insecure and excited I thought I needed to pass out a bag full of candies to express joy. But I couldn't give everybody candy, so I dumped the bag, and substituted a friendly smile and a handshake. People liked me just for being a clown; my gift of love was all I needed because it was all they wanted from me.

The second year, I learned that you don't need words. The face of a clown is painted to reveal itself; words are an intrusion, unsuited to a fleeting encounter. My real world is made up of words to praise God, but now I choose silence on this great day. We read that when Abraham went up to the mountain to bind Isaac, they walked together in silence. Sometimes, words get in our way.

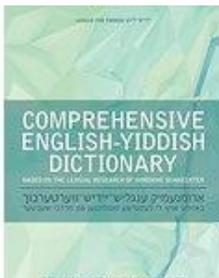
And third, clowns are cooperative, not competitive. Here, the floats are for joy and for laughter rather than for victory, and the clowns circle the floats and offer them to all along the parade route.

Every year after the parade, as I wipe the white paint from my face, my silent musings turn to what I do on the other days, and how truly close to my work as a rabbi is my work as a clown. In both, I offer nothing that can be weighed or wrapped or sold. Joy and love and thankfulness are the offerings in each. I cajole and entreat people who come only to watch, encourage them to participate, whether in the holy task of doing God’s work here on earth or in the fantasy play of America’s time of thanksgiving and blessing. I want to help people reach out to another realm, a different ordering of time and space, to invite them to the possibility of the streets — and their lives — transformed.

Our tradition teaches that the messianic age will be one that is “entirely Shabbat.” I like that, but I wouldn’t mind just a touch — maybe, say, once a year — of Thanksgiving as well.

[Excerpted from *Moment Magazine*. Marc Gellman is rabbi of Temple Beth Torah in Dix Hills.]

## New English-To-Yiddish Dictionary Includes Pop Culture Words



The first full-fledged English-to-Yiddish dictionary in 50 years will carry Yiddish into the 21st century with translations for words unknown during the heyday of the language, when it was the lingua franca of the Jews of Eastern Europe and the garment workers of New York’s Lower East Side. The dictionary, with its 826 pages and almost 50,000 entries, is the work of language conservationists Gitl Schaechter-Viswanath, a Yiddish editor and poet, and Paul Glasser, a former dean at YIVO Institute for Jewish Research.

Included among the usual chutzpah, kvetch, kibitz megillah, schmooze, nosh and schlock are email (blitspost), a combination of the Yiddish words for lightning and mail; designated driver (der nikhterer shofer), a combination of the words for sober and driver; binge watch (shlingen epizodn), literally wolf down episodes; and transgender (tsvishnminik), which blends words for between and type.

The new dictionary was adapted from the lexical research of Mordkhe Schaechter, Ms. Viswanath’s father, a leading Yiddish linguist. As a refugee in a displaced persons camp in Vienna after WWII, he sensed the wound that Yiddish had suffered with the murder of six million Jews, and he began collecting Yiddish words on index cards. His daughter and Mr. Glasser pored through his 87 card catalogs and shoe boxes full, then added Yiddish equivalents for hundreds of new English words spawned from technology, science and pop culture.

## Holocaust Survivor, 113, Celebrates His Bar Mitzvah



Yisrael Kristal, 113, considered by Guinness World Records to be the world’s oldest man, celebrated his bar mitzvah on Oct. 2 — 100 years late. The ceremony, arranged by his daughter, Shalomit Kuperstoch, at his local synagogue in Haifa, was attended by 60 relatives and friends.

Kristal, who survived the Auschwitz death camp, where his first wife died [his two children

from that marriage died in the Nazi-controlled Lodz ghetto] was born in Poland on Sept. 15, 1903. He didn't celebrate his bar mitzvah on time because WWI was in full swing. His 13th birthday was "just another day," Kuperstoch told the *New York Post*.

Kuperstoch said her father's longevity doesn't surprise the family, given his will to survive. When he was liberated from Auschwitz, he weighed 81 pounds, but he gathered himself, remarried, had more children, and built a new family. He never once said it was too hard, his daughter said. In 1950, Kristal and his second wife and son immigrated to Israel, where he opened a candy factory. His daughter was born in Israel.

Kristal credits God with giving him a long life. "I believe that everything is determined from above, and we shall never know the reasons why. There have been smarter, stronger, and better-looking men than me, who are no longer alive," he said. "All that is left for us to do is to keep on working as hard as we can and rebuild what is lost."

## **Smithsonian Appoints Curator of American Religious History**

The Smithsonian National Museum of American History has hired Peter Manseau as the first Lilly Endowment curator of American religious history. The Lilly Endowment has provided a \$5 million grant to present religion as a vital element in American life. "Americans will now be able to see more clearly the role of religion in the history of the United States," the museum said.

As his initial task, Dr. Manseau will complete the exhibition scheduled to open in summer 2017 titled "Religion in Early America," which tells the story of what religious freedom, diversity, and growth meant in the Colonial period until the 1840s. The exhibition will include objects from Protestant denominations, Catholicism, Judaism, Native American religions, African traditions, and Islam.

Peter Manseau earned a Ph.D. in religious studies from Georgetown University, and is the author of the history, "One Nation, Under Gods," and the novel, "Songs for the Butcher's Daughter," among other writings.

## **• JEWS IN THE NEWS •**

### ***Bob Dylan***

Bob Dylan was awarded the 2016 Nobel Prize in Literature, becoming the first songwriter ever to win the award. The Swedish Academy said the 75-year-old iconic songwriter was chosen for "having created new poetic expressions within the great American song tradition," comparing his lifetime work to ancient Greek poets. The academy emphasized Dylan's versatility as an artist and that he "recorded a large number of albums revolving around topics such as the social conditions of man, religion, politics and love."

"Dylan has the status of an icon," the Swedish Academy said. "His influence on contemporary music is profound, and he is the object of a steady stream of secondary literature." Songs, including "Blowin' in the Wind," "The Times They Are A-Changin'," and "Like A Rolling Stone," are just a few of Dylan's legendary tunes that were largely influential on popular music and American culture, especially during periods of social unrest.

The Nobel Prize comes with an award of \$927,740. Dylan is the first American to win the prize since the novelist Toni Morrison in 1993

Dylan, born Robert Allen Zimmerman, took his stage name from the poet Dylan Thomas. He was born and raised in a Jewish family in Minnesota.

## • OBITUARIES •

### *Roslyn Litman*

Roslyn Litman, rebuffed by major law firms because she was a woman, became a tenacious civil liberties advocate, winning groundbreaking victories in her distinguished career. She died Oct. 4 in Pittsburgh. She was 88.

To the chagrin of her parents, Jewish immigrants from Ukraine, her first case for the civil liberties union was defending the right of the American Nazi Party to protest in Pittsburgh. At perhaps the opposite end of the spectrum, in her first argument before the United States Supreme Court, she persuaded a sharply divided bench to rule 5-4 that displaying a Christmas crèche in the Allegheny County courthouse in Pittsburgh alongside a banner proclaiming “Glory to God in the Highest” was unconstitutional. In his majority opinion, Justice Harry A. Blackmun declared that the First Amendment’s clause prohibiting the official establishment of religion could not accommodate such an explicitly religious message.

The ruling established a case-by-case approach for testing the constitutionality of religious displays on public property.

[Sidebar: This writer contributed to *The Scarsdale Inquirer’s* coverage of the Village of Scarsdale, NY, vs. the Scarsdale Crèche Committee. The Village Board, responding to protests from minority groups, denied permission for the Nativity scene display at Boniface Circle, based on the constitutional guarantee of separation of church and state. The crèche committee sued. The case moved through the court system all the way to the U.S. Court of Appeals, which allowed the committee to display the crèche with a prominently placed note that the Nativity scene was sponsored by a private organization. Scarsdale then appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court, which deadlocked at 4-4 because Justice Lewis Powell was not present for oral arguments. The decision reverted to the Appeals Court ruling, and the crèche continues to be displayed annually at Boniface Circle, with the appropriate disclaimer. SMBloom]

### *Max Mannheimer*

Max Mannheimer, who survived Theresienstadt, Auschwitz and Dachau, died Sept. 23 in Munich. He was 96

During the last decades of his life, he admonished later generations of Germans that while they carried no guilt for the Nazis’ crimes, they bore a responsibility to ensure that they never happen again. He was one of the country’s best-recognized and most vociferous witnesses to Germany’s WWII history. Brandishing a yellow star labeled “Jude” — like the one the Nazis issued him on Sept. 1, 1941 — he visited hundreds of institutions and appeared on television, telling his story of loss and survival to students, soldiers, neo-Nazis and the wider public.

He and his family fled to Hungary in 1938, but were deported four years later. His parents, three of his siblings and his first wife, Eva, were killed at Auschwitz. He was a slave laborer until shortly before the camp’s liberation by American forces in 1945.

### *Jacob Neusner*

Jacob Neusner, an influential voice in American Jewish intellectual life, died Oct. 8, at his home in New York. He was 84.

Neusner taught theology at Columbia University, the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Brandeis University, Dartmouth College, Brown University, the University of South Florida and, most recently, Bard College. He wrote or edited more than 950 books. He also produced a library of classic Jewish sources in translation: the Babylonian Talmud, the Palestinian Talmud, most of the Midrash, and many other books that were made available to the general reader.

His area of expertise was rabbinic Judaism and rabbinical Jewish writings. Two of his best-known textbooks for general audiences are *The Way of Torah: An Introduction to Judaism* and *Judaism: An Introduction*.

## ***Shimon Peres***

Shimon Peres, one of the last surviving pillars of Israel's founding generation, who did more than anyone to build up his country's formidable military might, then worked as hard to establish a lasting peace with Israel's Arab neighbors, died on Wednesday in a Tel Aviv area hospital. Mr. Peres died just over two weeks after suffering a stroke. He was 93.

He was prime minister twice, minister of defense, foreign affairs, finance and transportation and, until 2014, president of Israel. During Israel's seven decades, he never left the public stage.

He led the creation of Israel's defense industry, negotiated key arms deals with France and Germany, and was the prime mover behind the development of Israel's nuclear weapons. But he was consistent in his search for an accommodation with the Arab world.

In 1957, Mr. Peres was awarded the French Legion of Honor. 1994, he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize together with Yitzhak Rabin and Yassar Arafat. In June 2012, he received the Presidential Medal of Freedom from President Obama, and in 2014, the U.S. House of Representatives voted on H.R. 2939, a bill to award Peres the Congressional Gold Medal.



In 1994, Yasser Arafat, Shimon Peres and Yitzhak Rabin shared the Nobel Peace Prize following the signing of the Oslo Accords as part of the Arab-Israeli peace process.

## *Joseph L. Birman*

Joseph L. Birman, a physics professor honored for his humanitarian work with scientists facing repression in the Soviet Union and elsewhere, helping scores of them to come to the United States, died Oct. 1 in New Rochelle, NY. He was 89.

Dr. Birman, a theoretical physicist at City College in New York, was widely known for his work with organizations like the Committee of Concerned Scientists. With the French-American theoretical physicist Pierre Hohenberg, Dr. Birman set up the committee's Program for Refugee Scientists, which helped more than 100 émigrés restart their scientific careers here.

The refuseniks were Soviet citizens, many of them Jewish, who were refused permission to emigrate and dismissed from their jobs, leaving the scientists with no access to research institutions. Dr. Birman was the grandson of Jewish immigrants from Russia.

## • **COMMEMORATIONS** •

### **Yahrzeits In November**

- 1: Benjamin Ballen
- 2: Anna Budofsky; Allan Richter
- 6: Fannie Levin
- 8: Abraham Kaplan; Nettie Ruth Liburt
- 10: Leo Weinstein
- 11: Roslyn Lepawski
- 12: Bessie Bush
- 13: Alexander Kahn; Jeremiah Levy; Esther Skurowitz
- 14: Eve Bloom; Arthur Levinson
- 15: Joseph Skurowitz
- 17: Jessie Farber
- 18: Mordechai Julius Kahn; Tippins Brown Serbin; Harold Winters
- 21: Louis Britvan; Irving Elsky; William Kapell; Anna Novick; Frank Prager
- 22: Abe Feldman; Edythe Packard; Rose O. Silverstone
- 23: Murray J. Farber; David Rothman
- 24: Morris Sausmer
- 25: Mary Glickman; Jacob Rubinsky
- 26: Herman P. Farber
- 28: Ethel L. Komar
- 30: Rose Ehrlich; Rabbi Isaac Kiev

### **Birthdays in November**

- 1: Harris Levine; Michael Sausmer
- 3: Jenny Beth Bloom; Helaine Teperman
- 11: Jessica Friedmann; Philip Goldman
- 24: Jacob Spar

## **Anniversaries In November**

11: Adam and Sonia Spar  
22: Stephen and Susan Meshover  
26: Bruce and Sara Bloom  
30: Tom and Sabrina Silverberg Sarig

## **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. 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  
Arlene Marvin  
Thelma Novick  
Judith Schneider  
Gloria Waxler  
Michael Murphy  
Marshall Hurwitz  
Ann Hurwitz  
Bill Pittorino  
Jane Sachs  
Jody Levin

## **• MONEY MATTERS •**

### **Donations in October**

Carol Seigel  
Gayer Tax Service  
Allison Nathel  
Bruce and Sara Bloom  
Stanley Rubin  
Heidi Hoffman  
Robert and Judith Goldman  
Dr. William Sausmer and Peri Sausmer  
Philip and Elaine Goldman  
Sheldon and Joyce Pitkin

Richard Smith  
 Claude and Phyllis Lazar  
 Paul and Alice Nadel  
 Michael and Rachel Murphy  
 Diana Whitsit  
 Scott and Heidi Vayer  
 Anthony and Francine Fontana  
 Peggy Alper  
 Debra Riva  
 Michael Solomon  
 Scotty McIntire and Lori Hollander  
 Suzan Lipson  
 Drs. Saul and Suzi Rosenstreich  
 Martin and Patricia Pincus  
 Paramount Dentistry PC  
 David Judlowitz  
 Michael and June Shatkin  
 Lloyd and Randi Straus  
 Dena Zemsky  
 Menachem and Sherry Kastner  
 Jack Weiskott and Roberta Garris  
 Bruce and Sara Bloom  
 Stanley and Myrna Feinman  
 Audrey Rothman  
 Aaron and Thelma Novick  
 John Carter and Meryl Kramer  
 Daniel and Nancy Torchio

### **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
- **Paul S. Birman Technology Fund:** supports updates and new communication programs

### **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 tax deduction and an income for life. Upon the death of the contributor, the balance in the trust goes to the charity. For 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

<b>Event</b>	<b>Members</b>	<b>Nonmembers</b>
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
<b>Commemoratives</b>	<b>Members</b>	<b>Nonmembers</b>
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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