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• CALENDAR OF EVENTS •

Shabbat and Holiday Services

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

Saturdays: Shabbat, 9:30 a.m.

Learning at our Shul

Mondays, Nov. 5, 12, 19 and 26: Hebrew class, 4 p.m.

Shul Events

Tuesday, Nov. 13: Phil Goldman's talk at Men's Club event, "Secret Stories of 27 Years in the NYC Auxiliary Rescue Service," all welcome, 4 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 18: Board and Congregation meetings, 9 and 10 a.m., Hanukkah essentials for sale

Sunday, Nov. 18: Poetry For Peace program, Mattituck-Laurel Library, 2 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 25: latke-making with Joan Prager, in the shul's kitchen at 8:30 a.m.

Sunday, Nov. 28: Book Circle, Community Room, 2 p.m.

Lighting Shabbat Candles in November

Nov. 2: 5:33 Nov. 9: 4:25 Nov. 16: 4:19 Nov. 23: 4:14 Nov. 30: 4:11

Dates to Remember

Sunday, Nov. 4: Daylight Saving Time ends, 2 a.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 6: Election Day

Sunday, Nov. 11: Veterans Day

Thursday, Nov. 22: Thanksgiving Day

Sunday, Dec. 2: Menorah lighting in Mitchell Park, 5 p.m., followed by latke party at the shul

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From The Rabbi...



“Elections”

It’s been a hustling and bustling time — from intense High Holidays observances to a season of elections, from a time of seeking forgiveness for wrong past choices, to a time of making important new choices. Shortly after the High Holidays, I flew to Israel to see family and friends, and to prepare our next interfaith peace event in February. I found myself here also in the midst of a heated election campaign, this time for municipal and mayoral positions. Similar to the U.S. midterm elections, these local decisions will have national impact, and possibly beyond.

What lesson can we learn from the High Holidays that may help us through the time of elections? One of the similarities is the camaraderie people have for each other. It seems that

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everyone is either going to an open house or coming back from one. Perhaps when we go to our group’s open house, we should remember that just recently we sat together in the same room and prayed to one God. Perhaps we can apply this lesson from the High Holidays and continue to experience the sense of camaraderie — not necessarily agreeing, but accepting that others

have their passions, too.

In this time of election, the choice we make is important. The worst choice is to despair and be filled with dejection, to refuse to get involved. One of my favorite expressions is this: Wherever you are, there you are. Similar to God’s ultimate message to Moses in the Burning Bush, when Moses wants to know God’s name, and in turn God replies “Ehyeh Asher Ehyeh” — I will be where I will be (or, I am where I am). It is important to elect a new mayor or congressman/congresswoman, but it’s even more important to fully be where you are.

Last Shabbat in Jerusalem, I spent the day at Kehilat Zion, which has a beautiful blend of Ashkenazi and Sephardi tunes, children, adults, men and women from all walks of life — a true “Israeli congregation,” led by Raba Tamar Apelbaum, of blended background herself, creating a peaceful human field — “...a meadow in Jerusalem.” (I Kings 15:4) It reminded me that we are getting ready to take part in the “Shabbat Project,” opening our house to other Jews and friends, just to be together — to elect each other first. Looking forward to being with all of you soon.

Shabbat Project Shalom,

—Rabbi Gadi Capela

The East End Jewish Community Council, led by Rabbi Gadi, has signed the contract offering discounted burial plots in the designated Adrien Felder section of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism Cemetery in Calverton. Plots are available for purchase at \$1,650. For more information, call 631-353-0803 or 631-477-0232, or email eejccli@gmail.com/.

From The President...



What do we owe each other? The synagogue's Book Circle group's recent selection, *Waking Lions*, asks this question through the story of a privileged Israeli physician and a destitute Eritrean immigrant. It begins simply enough. The physician kills an immigrant in a hit-and-run accident, and the immigrant's widow hunts down the physician. The physician is forced to recognize his moral debt to the widow and, as the guilty party, he must allow her to set the terms of repayment. But the matter is not so easily resolved. The widow refuses to take money to discharge the Israeli's debt and, instead, she commandeers the physician's medical expertise.

Tension steadily mounts in this arrangement of debt and debtor, and the circle of engagement widens precipitously as layer after layer of Israeli society is pulled into the magnetic field of this odd encounter. Soon the concept of debt is no longer adequate to explain the relationship between Israeli and immigrant. Like prisoners chained to each other, the two must act together, though each harbors a hope that is at odds with that of the other. Struggling with each other and against each other in a relationship that has little to do with sex, this reluctant couple must cooperate to transform the power of the privileged Israeli into the power of the destitute immigrant. Far from indebted to each other, both are responsible, each for the other, and together, they are responsible for the increasingly interconnected world of our time.

The sad part is that, in the end, today's world fails this couple. As the story draws to a close, it seems that, once again, the destitute and weak will lose out to the privileged and strong, and no one is responsible for anyone else.

But wait: There is a world of tomorrow in this story. In the final scene, the immigrant lingers near the fence of a repatriation compound, presumably awaiting deportation, while the Israeli stands outside, believing he is helpless to alter this course of events. Suddenly, in the closing words of the book, the reader hears the roar of waking lions, the power of a single person to change the world. Not surprisingly, that person isn't the privileged Israeli.

—Susan Rosenstreich

• SHUL NEWS AND NOTES •

Hanukkah Essentials On Sale At Nov. 18 Congregation Meeting

It seems as though we just cleaned the candle wax from the Hanukkah menorah and packed it away, but here we are, smack-dab at the dawn of another Festival of Lights. Not to worry, the shul's Gift Shop is here to help.

The Gift Shop is ready with candles (long and short), dreidels, net bags of Hanukkah gelt and, of course, elegant menorahs as well as those themed children's menorahs (trains, ballet slippers and others) that are so charming and collectible. Gifts galore for friends and family as well as for the latke makers.

To help you get started on holiday preparations, the Gift Shop will, once again, open its seasonal annex at the Nov. 18 Congregation meeting, where all the essentials will be displayed and on sale. Come to the meeting and learn about shul plans for the holiday and for the coming year, and stock up on Hanukkah goodies.

The meeting is Nov. 18 at 10 a.m. The first Hanukkah candle is only two weeks later, Sunday, Dec. 2.

Hanukkah Celebration Dec. 2: Menorah Lighting in Mitchell Park And Latke Party At The Shul; Klezmer Band Adds To The Fun



The shul invites members and friends to Mitchell Park on Sunday, Dec. 2, at 5 p.m., to witness the lighting of Greenport's Hanukkah menorah, which is taking place this year on the first night of the eight-night holiday. In the spirit of ecumenism, the menorah will remain lighted throughout the holiday season, sharing the park with the Village's Christmas tree in a display of friendship and respect among religions.

With that in mind, the synagogue invites all those who

attend the menorah lighting in the park to join the members and friends of the congregation for a Hanukkah party in the community room of the synagogue. Latkes and jelly doughnuts — traditional foods associated with Hanukkah — will be served. Kvetch, a klezmer band, will add to the festivities, thanks to a contribution from the Marshall S. Hurwitz Fund. Musicians are Andrea Urist, flute/tenor sax; Steve Wishnia, bass; Marilyn Glickman Gold, accordion; and Peter Kowalsky, doumbek/Greek baglama/baritone horn.

Rabbi Gadi will lead those attending the menorah lighting ceremony in blessings and songs of the holiday. Scheduled to participate in the Mitchell Park program are synagogue president Susan Rosenstreich and other local dignitaries.

The Jewish holiday of Hanukkah, called the Festival of Lights, commemorates the rededication of the Second Temple in Jerusalem after desecration by Antiochus IV during the 2nd century BCE. Hanukkah also is a reminder of the miracle that took place then. With only enough consecrated oil to fuel the eternal flame in the Temple for one day, the oil burned for eight days — the length of time needed to press, prepare and consecrate sacred oil.

In recognition of the importance of oil in this holiday, observers prepare and eat foods deep-fried in oil, such as potato pancakes and jelly doughnuts. Other celebrations associated with Hanukkah include playing the Dreidel (a kind of top) Game, exchanging gifts, and giving gelt (money), commemorated by small net bags of gold foil-covered chocolate coins.

For more information about the menorah lighting in Mitchell Park, call the synagogue at 631-477-0232.

To Have A Latke Party, You Gotta Have Latkes; You Can Help

The latke making (peeling, mixing, frying, freezing) will take place on Sunday, Nov. 25, beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the shul's kitchen. You can be in on the fun by contacting Joan Prager, our chief latke maker, and letting her know you will be there to help.

Call the shul at 631-477-0232 and leave a message for Joan.

Poetry For Peace: Inspirational For Poets And The Community

For the past 12 years, the Poetry For Peace program has invited students from the North Fork and Shelter Island schools to submit original poems on the theme of peace. The theme has inspired many young poets over the years, and the presentation is an inspirational event for audience members as well.

The winning poems will be presented in a program to be held on Sunday, Nov. 18, at 2 p.m., in the Mattituck-Laurel Library. Admission is free, and light refreshments will be served. Judges are North Fork poets Billy Hands, L.B. Thompson, and Jerry Matovcik.

Poetry For Peace is co-sponsored by the North Fork Reform Synagogue and Congregation Tifereth Israel. For more information, call Paula Shengold at 631-477-1234, or email op31@optonline.net/.

Book Circle To Discuss Rembrandt's Affinity For The Jews

The Book Circle will meet on Wednesday, Nov. 28, at 2 p.m., in the shul's community room to discuss the popular and romantic myth about Rembrandt and the Jewish people. One of history's greatest artists seems to have had a special affinity for Judaism. With so many of Rembrandt's works devoted to stories of the Hebrew Bible, and with his apparent penchant for Jewish themes and the sympathetic portrayal of Jewish faces, it is no wonder the myth has endured for centuries.

Rembrandt's Jews, by Steven Nadler, puts this myth to the test as it examines both the legend and the reality of Rembrandt's relationship to Jews and Judaism.

The Book Circle meets monthly to discuss the Jewish experience in literature, and the writers who portray it.

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Nov. 7, 2018: 80th Anniversary of Kristallnacht



Kristallnacht (Night of Broken Glass) was a pogrom against Jews throughout Nazi Germany, Austria and the Sudetenland, carried out on Nov. 7-8 by paramilitary forces and civilians. The authorities looked on without intervening. The name Kristallnacht comes from the shards of broken glass that littered the streets after the windows of Jewish-owned stores, buildings and synagogues were smashed.

Jewish homes, hospitals and schools were ransacked as the attackers demolished buildings with sledgehammers. The rioters destroyed 267 synagogues, and more than 7,000 Jewish businesses.

Kristallnacht was followed by additional economic and political persecution of Jews. The event is viewed by historians as part of Nazi Germany's broader racial policy, and the beginning of the Final Solution and the Holocaust.

Rabbi Makes Services Accessible For Deaf Community



Rabbi Yehoshua Soudakoff and his wife Cheftziba, both deaf from birth, hosted Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services in their Rishon Letzion apartment in Israel for members of the deaf community. When asked by JNS how the services were advertised, Rabbi Yehoshua replied, “Word of hand.”

“We have a hard-of-hearing person sign parts of the prayers so that the rest of the group can follow along, the rabbi said.

Singing is done through signing. There is also shofar blowing. Those who have cochlear implants can hear it; others can feel the vibrations, and some put their hand right on the shofar.

Soudakoff was born deaf to two deaf parents. His two brothers and his sister are also deaf. He attended Yeshiva Nefesh Dovid, a Jewish deaf high school in Toronto. Back in Los Angeles, he continued to pursue Jewish learning, and later started summer camps for Jewish children who are deaf.

“The Soudakoffs are making sure that any deaf Jew has access to Jewish life,” said Moishy Wertheimer, a board member of the Jewish Deaf Foundation, led by Rabbi Soudakoff.

Jews Account For 19% Of *Forbes* List Of ‘200 World’s Richest’



Jews are disproportionately represented on the roster of the richest business people, with 10 Jews among the top 50 (20%) and 38 (19%) among the first 200 world's wealthiest.

Amazon founder and CEO Jeff Bezos ousted Microsoft founder Bill Gates this year, and was named the richest man on the planet, valued at \$127 billion. Bill Gates, who has been 18 times in the past 24 years the world's richest man, moved into second place with a personal fortune of \$91 billion, while Warren Buffet made do

with third place with \$87.7 billion.

Jewish newcomers to the list this year include Russ Weiner, founder and CEO of Rockstar energy drinks, worth \$4.4 billion; Jerry Reinsdorf, owner of the NBA's Chicago Bulls and MLB's Chicago White Sox, \$1.4 billion; and Ken Grossman, co-founder of the Sierra Nevada Brewing Co., \$1 billion.

The richest woman in the world is Alice Walton, daughter of Walmart founder Sam Walton, who has \$42 billion in personal capital and ranks 18th in the world. Jewish women on

the list include Shari Arison, with \$4.4 billion; Karen Pritzker with \$4.3 billion; Lynn Schusterman with \$3.7 billion; Doris Fisher with \$3.2 billion; and Sheryl Sandberg \$1 billion.

Two well-known Jewish figures are among the first 10 of the world richest: Mark Zuckerberg (Facebook), \$71 billion, number 5; Larry Ellison (Oracle), \$58.5 billion, number 10. In the 10-20 rankings are Jewish men Michael Bloomberg (Bloomberg LP) with \$50 billion; Larry Page (Google) with \$48.8 billion, and Sergey Brin (Google) with \$47.5 billion. In the 20-50 range are Sheldon Adelson (casinos), \$38.5 billion; Steve Ballmer (Microsoft) \$38.4 billion; Joseph Safra (banking), \$23.5 billion; Michael Dell (Dell computers) \$22.7 billion; and Len Blavatnik (diversified), \$20.2 billion. And finally, in the 50-200 group are 29 Jews, including Carl Icahn (investments), with \$16.8 billion; Leonard Lauder (Estee Lauder), \$12.9 billion; Ronald Perelman (leveraged buyouts), \$9.8 billion; David Geffen (movies, record labels), \$8 billion; and George Soros (hedge funds), \$8 billion

In Israel, 22 men and women entered the 2018 rankings, including Eyal Ofer, who holds Israeli citizenship, but lives permanently in Monaco, who has a personal fortune of \$9.6 billion.



Artists of Warsaw's Jewish Theatre perform the Yiddish language play "Biblical Songs," based on Itzik Manger's Khumesh Lider (Bible Poems), inside the Great Synagogue in Bucharest, Romania, in October. The show is part of the International Yiddish Language Festival, organized by the Jewish State Theatre, which also commemorates 142 years since the opening in 1876 of the first Yiddish theater in the world, in the Romanian city of Iasi. AP photo/Andreea Alexandru

How Much Would You Pay For A Prayer?

“How can I get a divine intervention for my career?” That’s the question Ravi Ganne, a young investment banker in Bangalore, typed into Google seven years ago. His search results led him to the website of a new company called ePuja. For about \$15, the start-up would have a puja, a Hindu devotional prayer ritual, performed on his behalf at one of its many in-network temples.

A few clicks later, Ganne had arranged for a ritual at his favorite temple. “It worked out for me,” he says. “I got a better job offer. So I started doing this on a regular basis.”

In recent years, tens of thousands of Indians have turned to ePuja and other prayer-by-proxy companies, whose smartphone apps and websites make summoning a godly intercession as easy as ordering a pizza. Just select a puja and temple, pay a fee, and the company gets a priest to perform the ritual. Some companies even allow customers to Skype into rituals as they’re being performed. Reportedly, ePuja has facilitated about 50,000 pujas for customers in 65 countries. Non-Hindus arranging pujas account for about 20 percent of the requests.

Although paying for a prayer might seem crass to some non-Hindus, it is common in India. Nor does it strike most Hindus as strange for the supplicant to be absent. Apparently, it doesn’t matter if someone is saying a prayer for you because you paid him or her \$15 to do so. It matters that the prayer is being said, because the words themselves are believed by Hindus to have the power to transform the universe. According to Shiva Kumar, ePuja’s founder, “I am just a postman carrying your request to God.”

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Oldest Inscription of ‘Jerusalem’ Found On Pillar



A pillar from the Second Temple period bearing a three-line inscription was unveiled at the Israel Museum on Oct. 9, the earliest stone inscription of the full modern Hebrew spelling of “Jerusalem.”

“Hananiah son of Dodalos of Yerushalayim” was discovered during a salvage excavation earlier this year of a large Hasmonean Period Jewish artisans’ village near what is today’s western entrance to the city.

In an interview with *The Times of Israel*, Israel Antiquities Authority archaeologist Danit Levi said when her team alerted her to the find, she could not believe that the word “Yerushalayim” could be on an ancient pillar, and that it must be graffiti. When she saw the expertly chiseled Hebrew lettering on the 31.5-inch tall column, she dusted it off and began to read. “My heart started to pound, and I was sure everyone could hear it. My hands were trembling so badly, I couldn’t properly take a picture,” she said.

Levi believes the column and inscription date back to 100 BCE. This is the first inscription of its kind in stone, although the full spelling of Jerusalem has been seen before, including on the Dead Sea Scrolls, which were written as early as 400 BCE.

• JEWS IN THE NEWS •

Julie Swetnick

Julie Swetnick, a longtime federal contract worker, has accused Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh of sexual misconduct at “train rape” parties when they were both in high school. Swetnick is the third woman to level accusations against Kavanaugh.

Julie Swetnick claims in a sworn affidavit that she was a victim of “gang rapes” at parties frequented by Kavanaugh and his friend Mark Judge, lawyer Michael Avenatti tweeted prior to the Senate’s confirmation hearing of Kavanaugh.

“She reached out to me for representation, and yes she is Jewish,” Avenatti told *The Forward* via email.

Joshua Kushner



Senior White House advisor Jared Kushner’s younger brother Joshua married supermodel Karlie Kloss in a Jewish ceremony in upstate New York on Oct. 18, with about 80 people attending, according to a report in *People Magazine*. The “Project Runway” host had converted to Judaism, as had her sister-in-law Ivanka Trump before she and Jared married in 2009. Kloss studied with Rabbi Haskel Lookstein, an upper east side Orthodox rabbi.

Joshua Kushner is the founder and managing partner of the venture capital investment firm Thrive Capital.

• OBITUARIES •

Leon Lederman

Leon Lederman, whose ingenious experiments with particle accelerators deepened science’s understanding of the subatomic world, died Oct. 3 in Rexburg, Idaho, where he had retired from his position as director of the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory. He was 96.

Joseph D. Lykken, a theoretical physicist at Fermilab, said he considered Dr. Lederman “the best ambassador of physics to the general public since Einstein.”

“Instead of intimidating people with fancy jargon and mathematical equations, Leon had the ability to convey the genuine joy and fun of doing science,” Dr. Lykken. “He used his inexhaustible grab bag of jokes to burst the bubble of the scientist as dignified brainiac and bring modern science back to the human scale.”

Dr. Lederman, an American experimental physicist, received the Wolf Prize in Physics in 1982, along with Martin Lewis Perl, for their research on quarks and leptons, and the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1988, along with Melvin Schwartz and Jack Steinberger, for their research on neutrinos.

Richard Kaplan

Richard Kaplan, who directed an Oscar-winning documentary about Eleanor Roosevelt and oversaw production of an acclaimed portrait of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. two years after his assassination, died Sept. 29 in Manhattan. He was 93.

According to the *New York Times*, the Roosevelt and King films were the start of a productive period in which he made documentaries about the actress Liv Ullmann; the American journalist Varian Fry, who led a covert rescue operation in France during WWII that saved more than 2,000 artists, writers, philosophers and their families; and one about some of those exiles, who had emigrated to the United States.

Charles Aznavour



French singer Charles Aznavour was not Jewish, but he and his family were honored in Israel for efforts to protect Jews and others persecuted by the Nazis during WWII. Aznavour died Oct. 8 at one of his homes, in the village of Mouries north of the French port city of Marseille. He was 94.

The singer, who sold more than 100 million records in 80 countries, was honored in 2017 by Israeli President Reuven Rivlin, who presented him with the Raoul Wallenberg Award, named for the Swedish diplomat who helped thousands of Jews flee Nazi-

controlled Hungary during WWII.

Short in stature, Aznavour nevertheless possessed a magnetic stage presence. Fans admired his mature storytelling ability and quavering vibrato voice, rich in sensitivity and range. A fluent linguist, he could perform in French, Spanish, English, Italian and German.

Sydney Goldstein

Sydney Goldstein, a San Francisco impresario who helped pioneer the art of showcasing conversation as a cultural offering, died Sept. 25 in Los Angeles. She was 73.

In 1980, Ms. Goldstein founded City Arts & Lectures, a nonprofit organization that brought notable figures — mostly writers, critics, artists and musicians — to San Francisco for “thoughtful, onstage conversations with smart interviewers,” the *New York Times* said. Over nearly four decades, a parade of accomplished celebrities was drawn to her stage, among them Stephen Sondheim, Doris Lessing, Bruce Springsteen, Nora Ephron, Maurice Sendak, Pauline Kael, John Updike, Patti Smith, Gilda Radner, Roxane Gay, M.F.K. Fisher, William F. Buckley Jr., and Joan Didion.

Terry Gross, host of the NPR’s “Fresh Air,” said in a tribute that Ms. Goldstein’s program series “became a model for cities around the country.” She thanked her “for all she contributed to the world of arts and culture, the boost she gave writers, and the thousands of interesting evenings she gave audiences.”

Rabbi David Posner

Rabbi David Posner of Temple Emanu-El in Manhattan died Oct. 19. He was 70. He had served the Reform congregation there for 40 years. He was promoted to senior rabbi in 2002, and retired in 2012.

He was a respected scholar of comparative Semitic languages, having learned the ancient languages of Aramaic and Syriac as well as Hebrew and Arabic. In 1988, Rabbi Posner received a doctorate in piano pedagogy from Columbia University. In 2005, he became a member of the board of governors of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, the Reform seminary.

To his congregants, he was a man of great empathy, *The New York Times* reported. He seemed to have a natural affinity for those who toil and suffer in privacy, some have said: the sick, children with learning problems, the forgotten or ignored. On the High Holy Days, when he would ask the congregation to remember the unrecognized and the nameless, tears would run down his cheeks at the pulpit.

• **COMMEMORATIONS** •

Yahrzeits In November

- 1: Morris Sausmer
- 2: Mary Glickman; Jacob Rubinsky
- 3: Herman P. Farber
- 5: Ethel L. Komar; Normal Mordkofsky
- 7: Rose Ehrlich; Rabbi Isaac Kiev
- 9: Maurice E. Bloom, Nat Dolin; Gussie Levin; Wayne Scott Mountain
- 10: Mollie Friedman; Goldie Pushkin
- 12: Moe Harris; Max Posner; Rachel Stollar
- 13: Libbie Esther Brown
- 15: Solomon S. Carasso; Samuel S. Kaplan; Esther Sperling
- 16: Beverly Rose Seigel; Mortimer Silberger
- 17: Sidney Holtzman; Beulah "Billy" Raphael Sher
- 18: Norman Elsky; Marshall Hurwitz; Betty Millman; Henry Newman
- 19: Murray Buchbinder; Rose Katcher
- 20: Sylvia Dornfeld; Susan Felder; Herbert M. Krasnow; Doris Ann Levine; Samuel Novick
- 21: Eva Bloom
- 22: Sanford Firestone; Morris Kaplan; Sylvia Karp
- 23: A Harry Brown; Abram Philip Kaplan; Harry Levin; Charles Millman
- 24: Abraham Abba Levine; Helen S. Rose
- 25: Max Rosenstreich
- 27: Miriam Lipman Gluckman; Brigitte Jarvi
- 28: Philip Ballen; Henry Kessler; Bracha Rothman; Robert Rothman
- 29: Annie Wandt
- 30: Sylvia Brittman; Anne Lengyel

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

Attention members: When is your birthday? Your anniversary? *The Shofar* would like to know. If you have not seen your name in these columns in the past year, please forward the information to sbblazer@hotmail.com so that the shul family can join your family and friends with good wishes.

Spreading Sunshine

In times of triumph and celebration as well as those of sadness and turmoil, a card to a family member or friend is a welcome expression of sunshine and your love.

Yes, you can purchase a card created by Hallmark. But better still, you can purchase a card from the shul's Sisterhood by calling Thelma Novick at 631-734-6952, who will write a personal message on a card, indicating your feelings and that a donation to the Sisterhood has been made in the recipient's honor. Thelma, who has been in charge of this service for decades — yes, decades — can help you write the perfect message to convey your thoughts.

Your sunshine card serves double duty: a personal message to the recipient, and a donation to the Sisterhood, whose work supports our shul.

Refuah Shlemah

Jed Clauss
Victor Friedman
Arlene Marvin
Thelma Novick
Judith Schneider
Gloria Waxler
Michael Murphy
Jane Sachs
Jody Levin
Bruce Bloom
Daniel Slatkin
Philip Goldman
Sidney Waxler
Paul Birman

• MONEY MATTERS •

Donations in October

Jeroen and Robin Bours
Philip and Elaine Goldman
Robert and Judith Goldman
Debra Riva
Raisa Milyavsky
Lawrence Kotik
Dena Zemsky
Elizabeth and Joseph Brittmann

Miriam Gabriel and Adrienne Greenberg
Lori Hollander
Dr. Lewis and Helaine Teperman
Ladan Shalom-Murray
Ann Nottes
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Cantor George Hirschfeld
Sally Heitel
Alan and Rochelle Garmise
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Dr. William Packard
Dr. Ellen Birenbaum
Paul and Kay Hymovitz
Drs. Saul and Susan Rosenstreich
Carol Seigel
Louis and Sandee Lipsitz

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.
- **Marshall S. Hurwitz Fund for Special Programs and Projects:** supports cultural endeavors for the shul and community.

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 death, the balance in the trust goes to the charity.

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, Bar/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 •

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