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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 No classes in February: Rabbi Gadi in Israel

Shul Events

Sunday, Feb. 17: Board meeting, 9 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 17: Men's Club speaker David Berson, 11 a.m., followed by lunch, all invited Wednesday, Feb. 20: The Book Circle, 2 p.m., community room

> Lighting Shabbat Candles in February Feb. 1: 4:55 Feb. 8: 5:04 Feb. 15: 5:12 Feb. 22: 5:21

Dates to Remember

Thursday, Feb. 14: Valentine's Day Monday, Feb. 18: Presidents' Day Sunday, March 10: Daylight Saving Time begins, 2 a.m. Sunday, March 10: Great Music Sunday, concert by Basically Baroque, community room, 3 p.m. Wednesday, March 20: First day of spring Thursday, March 21: Megillah reading and Purimshpiel, 4 p.m. Friday, April 19: First Passover Seder, community room, 6 p.m. Saturday, April 20: Havdalah at Seder table, followed by Second Passover Seder, 6 p.m.

(Submission deadline for the March 2019 issue of *The Shofar*: February 20)

From The Rabbi...



"The Wisdom of the Siddur"

Moving from confusion to order is a sign of maturity and responsibility. It is also the price of freedom. We give up our random, spontaneous, aimlessness existence for a purposeful and well-organized life. The Siddur is the Jewish organizer. It accompanies us closely from the minute we awake to the minute we fall asleep, throughout all the seasons of our lives.

The siddur offers us the wisdom to cope with any situation, simple or overwhelming.

The first secret to organization is to compartmentalize. The Siddur does it well for us. It recognizes that the calendar is the wheel that turns the world, picking up the natural rhythm of creation and dividing our schedule accordingly. The day is divided to 3, the week is divided to 7, the year is divided to 4.

The siddur is designed to remind us to be always mindful — of God and of our fellow humans. It is the assistant we all need in our busy schedules. When we are organized, we can react better to life's curvatures. The Siddur prepares us for each spiritual and physical activity, recognizing our needs and helping us gather our thoughts. Ultimately, good organization can lead to a peaceful existence — personally and nationally. A just organization and division of resources is the basis for peace in the world.

May we have a blessed month.

—Rabbi Gadi

A New Workshop: How to be better organized according to the Jewish prayer book

When I return from the annual pilgrimage to Israel, we will resume weekly classes, beginning Thursday, March 7, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. The new series will be dedicated to learning about the Siddur. In this workshop, we will delve into the structure and philosophy of the Siddur, and explore how it can help each person organize his or her life.

Please join us for spiritual insights and lively discussion.

—RG

A personal note...

My deep condolences to the Paulsen/Clauss family on the passing of Jed. His name, Jed, as I found out, is short for John Edward. In my mind he will always stay Jedediah — "God's friend" who was a wonderful friend to many people. He inspired me with his love of life and cheerful attitude. Jed walked with the Jewish people for more than 40 years, crossing the spiritual desert with us. May his memory be for a blessing. We will miss you, Jed.

—RG

From The President...



In his 2000 publication, *Bowling Alone*, sociologist Robert Putnam argues that the social forums that once brought Americans together as Americans have collapsed, and as a society, we spend much of our time feeling disconnected from each other. Boy! You could've fooled me. Home, work, community, family, friends: it all snares a person in a net of daily responsibilities, obligations and commitments. Cut off from each other? Yes, please! It would be a treat from time to time to put some daylight between ourselves and the rest of the world.

Unlike Putnam, Yuval Noah Harari, author of the recently published 21 Lessons for the 21st Century, believes temporary separation from our surroundings can remediate a prevailing sense in developed

nations that our species is spinning out of control. We know a staggering amount about the human species, Harari claims, but ironically, as individuals, we don't know ourselves very well.

It would be a treat from time to time to put some daylight between ourselves and the rest of the world. Harari devotes the final chapter of his book to the value of meditation as a solution to our ignorance. At first, I was stunned by this apparently casual conclusion to a book of such heft. But then I thought about the bliss of utter silence and absolute stillness that

comes with moments of withdrawal from the world, and I saw Harari's point. In those moments, who we are, how our species got here, where our world is headed — all that is unimportant. All that matters, just for those moments, is that you breathe in and breathe out, that you draw oxygen from the outside to feed your body on the inside. Just for those moments, you are only a set of lungs in a mammalian body. That's it. Nothing more. Beyond you, the world is firing on all cylinders, and you'll be going along for the ride whether you like it or not. But according to Harari, the one thing in your control is the 21st lesson that teaches you exactly what you are as you speed through space.

Will this awareness solve income inequality? Will it benefit the disenfranchised? Will it bring about world peace? It's doubtful. But we can be certain that, so far, knowing everything about our species hasn't resolved these crises. Maybe we are approaching these missions from the wrong end. Maybe we should begin by knowing ourselves first. Maybe running around claiming to understand all about our species when we don't know what we really are is a fool's errand. Harari's remedy is a low-impact experiment. Breathe in, breathe out. What are you? Enjoy the silence and stillness in your classroom.

- Susan Rosenstreich

• SHUL NEWS AND NOTES •

The Shofar joins the membership is welcoming seven new members to our congregation: Paul Jeselsohn and Francis Dubois of New York City and Greenport; Ellen Buchbinder-Berman, MD, of New York City; Ladan Shalom-Murray of Manorville; Monica Schnee of Southold; and Rena and Barry Wiseman of East Marion. We look forward to greeting you, and to participating with you at our spiritual observances and our educational and social activities.

Basically Baroque To Perform In Synagogue's 'Great Music Sunday' Concert Series, March 10

Program Includes Works From The German, French And Italian Baroque Periods



Back by popular demand after the group's dynamic presentation last January, Basically Baroque, a quartet of local professional musicians, will perform in the fourth annual Great Music Sunday concert series, to be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, March 10, in the shul's community room.

The Great Music Sunday series, a popular cultural offering on the North Fork, brings professionally trained musicians to local audiences. This year's program will include works by JS Bach, Loeillet, Quantz and Vivaldi, which covers compositions from the German, French and Italian Baroque periods. A

lively question and answer session following the concert provides an opportunity for audience members to get to know the musicians and to learn how music has influenced their lives.

The members of the quartet met here on the North Fork in 1995 through their shared interest in Baroque music, and have been performing together since that time. The quartet's appearances are eagerly anticipated events with local audiences. Members of the quartet are Linda Betjeman, keyboard; shul member Bill Packard, flute; Dan Skabeikis, violin; and Jeannie Woelker, cello. [Photo by Debra Riva]

There is no charge for the concert, but a free-will offering would be appreciated. For more information about the concert, please call the synagogue at 631-477-0232.

Shul Member To Talk About New Book; Lunch Follows Program

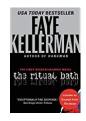
Shul member David Berson will be the guest speaker at a Men's Club program, to be held Sunday, Feb. 17, at 11 a.m., followed by lunch. All members and guests are invited.

David Berson, well-known captain of "The Glory" in Greenport Harbor, has written a new book about celestial navigation, recently released by Skyhorse Publishing.

Berson has been pursuing the discipline for more than 40 years, practicing what he knows, and teaching others the techniques and skills sailors use to find their way without GPS. His book, *Celestial Navigation*, uses clear and concise language to show the reader where he or she is at any given time of day.

Following the talk and a lively Q&A, the Men's Club will provide lunch for all.

In February Book Circle Selection, A Mikvah Is The Crime Scene



The Book Circle will meet on Wednesday, Feb. 20, at 2 p.m., in the shul's community room, to discuss Faye Kellerman's *The Ritual Bath*. In this crime iction selection, Detective Peter Decker of the LAPD is stunned when he gets the report of a brutal crime that occurs as a woman is returning from a mikvah. To solve the crime, Decker must navigate the maze of religious laws.

The Book Circle meets monthly to discuss the Jewish experience in literature, and the writers who portray it. For more information about the selection

and how to join the group, call the shul at 631-477-0232 and leave a message for Susan Rosenstreich.

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In honor of Valentine's Day, Feb. 14...

The Story of Jewish Marriage Brokers

[Excerpted from an essay in Tablet by Jenna Weissman Joselit]



Like sentinels, a series of photographs stand in a row in the living room of my parents' home. The women are encased in lacy white gowns that cover every inch of their bodies; the men are similarly entombed in suits, stiff shirts, and ties. Near as I can tell, there's no sparkle in anyone's eyes. No one is smiling.

This grim lot were my grandparents and great-grandparents, frozen in time and space. I have no idea whether their unhappy demeanor had to do with the weight of their wedding attire or the uncomfortable occasion. The liveliest things about each couple is the ornate metal frame that contains them.

Growing up, I didn't think twice about these solemn forebears of mine. I'd see them all the time, but their presence as people rather than

ornament hardly registered. Nowadays, though, I think about them a lot, contemplating the circumstances of their romantic lives. What, or who, brought them together? A chance encounter? A co-worker? A relative? Mazel? Did they date for a while, take leisurely walks in the park, dance at one of the many dance halls that peppered Jewish immigrant neighborhoods? Or was theirs an arranged marriage, an alliance orchestrated by a *shadchan*, a marriage broker, rather than Cupid?

When it comes to matters matrimonial, a suitable match, a *shidduch*, was not left to chance; it was determined by the intercession of a heavenly power and its earthly representatives: professional marriage brokers. Pressing their ear to the ground and blessed with a nose for gossip and a sense of discretion, these men and women functioned like goodwill ambassadors, diplomatically scoping out the pool of



possibilities and securing alliances between families - for a fee.

As modernity seized hold of the Jews, introducing them to new forms of social interaction, including the prospect of intimacy and the meaning of love, Jewish marriage brokers lost their standing. Taken to task and vilified for having commercialized affairs of the heart, they symbolized the old order.

In the years that followed, the Jewish marriage maven became more of a curiosity than a casualty of Americanization. In 1938, a profile of Rubin's Matrimonial Bureau appeared in the pages of *The New Yorker*. The piece detailed the comings and goings of "a bearded Cupid" named Louis Rubin, who described his clientele as "respectable business and professional high class working people and nice, intelligent girls from rich business families, also widows and widowers."

Today, among the non-Orthodox, successful matches are no longer made in heaven or facilitated by the Mr. Rubins of the world. Drawing on an algorithm of data rather than intuition, JDate and JSwipe put the prospect of romance just a click away.

Florida Commissioner Sworn In On Nation's First Hebrew Bible



Nikki Fried, the lone Democrat and the first Jewish woman to win statewide office in Florida, was sworn in as commissioner of agriculture using the first Hebrew Bible published in America.

Fried called the University of Florida, her alma mater, to ask if there was a special Bible she could use for the occasion. Curator Rebecca Jefferson of the university's Price Library of Judaica, had just the book — or books.

The library owns a two-volume Hebrew Bible (the Tanakh) dating to 1814, one of about 100 still remaining that were published in Philadelphia using fonts from an older edition printed in Amsterdam. The first volume contains the Torah, and the second the remaining 19 books.

Andy Warhol's Brillo Pads Are Kosher. Who Knew?



When pop artist Andy Warhol set out to turn ordinary consumer goods into art, he got all the details right: the familiar red and white color scheme of Campbell's Soup cans; the wooden crates once used to transport Coca-Cola bottles; the stamped letters on a box of Mott's Apple Juice; the logo of the Orthodox Union, a letter U embedded within a larger O, displayed on the label of a box of Brillo pads.

Brillo pads, it turns out, join more than a million products certified as kosher by the OU, the major worldwide umbrella organization for Orthodox Jews. Warhol's Brillo boxes with the OU symbol, currently on display in the Whitney Museum of American Art's retrospective, "Andy Warhol — From A to B and Back Again," reflects how ubiquitous kashrut has become in the United States, according to Rabbi Menachem Genack, CEO of OU Kosher.

Jamie Geller, the Israeli-based author of the cookbook "Joy of Kosher," called Warhol's Brillo boxes a quintessential example of art imitating life. "This may be one of the most famous works featuring a kosher symbol," she said, noting other inedible yet kosher products: sponges, aluminum foil and pans, paper goods, baking parchment and waxed paper, soap, cleaning supplies, lamps, water, clocks, makeup and toothbrushes. [It's difficult to see in the photo; the OU symbol appears on the lower left corner of each box.) RNS photo by Menachem Weeker



People take photos as workers move the Adas Israel Synagogue in Washington, DC, to a new location. Adas Israel, the oldest synagogue in Washington is to become part of the new Capital Jewish Museum AP Photo/Jose Luis Magana

The Forward, Venerable Jewish Publication, Going Digital-Only



The venerable Jewish-American publication, *The Forward*, announced in late January that it is ceasing its print editions, and will switch to digital-only. According to the publisher, Rachel Fishman Feddersen, *The Forward* will print its last paper issues in English and in Yiddish this spring. The print editions are "no longer financially sustainable," she said in a statement.

The Forward was founded in 1897 as a Yiddishlanguage daily newspaper serving the American Jewish community. It started publishing an English-language version in 1990. Both the English and Yiddish editions have been published monthly since 2017.

Feddersen said *The Forward* reaches more than two million online readers a month, dwarfing the print magazine's 16,000 English-language subscribers and fewer than 1,000 Yiddish-language subscribers.

New Anti-Genocide Law Named For Holocaust Survivor Elie Wiesel

President Donald Trump signed into law on Jan. 14 an act declaring that the prevention of genocide and other atrocities are "a core national security interest" of the United States. The Elie Wiesel Genocide and Atrocities Prevention Act, named for the holocaust survivor, author, activist and Nobel laureate, passed overwhelmingly in both the House of Representatives and the Senate at the end of 2018, having been sponsored by both Democrats and Republicans in each house.

The law calls for the State Department to establish a Mass Atrocities Task Force to help the department and other federal agencies prevent atrocities from happening, and to thwart them should they occur. Also, the director of national intelligence is to provide a detailed report to Congress about countries and regions at risk for atrocity crimes.

The 13th Annual 'Kosher Food & Wine Experience' Coming to NY

A destination for wine and food lovers, the Kosher Food & Wine Experience offers an opportunity to sample creations by hot new chefs and caterers, plus wines and spirits from around the world.

The event will be held Monday, Feb. 11, at Chelsea Piers, Pier 60. Trade professionals are invited to attend from noon to 4 p.m. The event is open to the public from 6:30-9:30 p.m. For tickets and more information, visit the KFWE.com/.

Anti-Semitism Charges Create Drama Behind the Women's March

Because of controversial statements by a Women's March leader, accusations of anti-Semitism caused tension around the 2019 march. The first Women's March took place in January 2017, the day after Donald Trump was sworn into office.

Questions about alleged anti-Semitism and possible racist rhetoric connected to the Women's March organizers have swirled for months. Organizers have repeatedly denied all accusations of misconduct or using inappropriate speech, but the issue resurfaced in earnest when two of the march's organizers appeared on a television program, "The View."

During the show, march co-president Tamika Mallory was asked why she posted a photo of herself and Louis Farrakhan, a minister who has made a number of racist and anti-Semitic statements in the past. Pressed on the issue, Mallory sidestepped the question directly, responding "I don't agree with many of Minister Farrakhan's statements."

Several high profile groups, including the Democratic National Committee and the NAACP rescinded their sponsorship of the march.

The main march took place in Washington, D.C., but dozens of other marches took place in cities around the country. New York hosted 15 marches. Marches took place also in Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Indonesia, Israel, Nigeria, Uganda, Zambia, South Africa, and more than a dozen countries in Europe.

• JEWS IN THE NEWS •

Robert Kraft



New England Patriots owner Robert Kraft is the winner of the \$1 million genesis Prize, the so-called Jewish Nobel, according to a report by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency (JTA). Kraft, 77, said he will donate the money "to initiatives combatting anti-Semitism and other forms of prejudice as well as attempts to delegitimize the State of Israel."

The award honors individuals who serve as an inspiration to the next generation of Jews through their outstanding professional achievement along with their commitment to Jewish values and the

Jewish people. JTA reported that "over decades, the Kraft family has given more than half a billion dollars to causes including health care, education, the Jewish community, Christian organizations, and local needs."

With a net worth of \$6.6 billion, Kraft is the 79th richest American, according to Forbes. He is chairman and CEO of Kraft Group, a holding company with assets in sports, manufacturing and real estate development. He has been an outspoken supporter of Israel, and has arranged trips for NFL Hall of Famers to the Holy Land.

"I am honored to receive the Genesis Prize, and thank the Genesis Prize Foundation for its recognition and willingness to direct my prize money to such worthy causes," Kraft said. "It is important that we continue to support organizations that focus on combatting prejudices by building bridges and uniting people of different backgrounds."

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu is expected to present the award to Robert Kraft in Jerusalem in June.

Jason Spindler



The U.S. State Department has confirmed the identity of the American citizen who was killed in the terror attack in Nairobi, Kenya, on Jan. 15, as Jason Spindler. His family said he was a survivor of the attacks on the U.S. on Sept. 11, 2001.

At the time of the attack in Nairobi, Mr. Spindler was working at an office inside the hotel complex, according to the Washington Post. He was in a meeting when terrorists stormed the office and opened fire.

The Kenyan government said that 14 victims were killed in the attack — 12 Kenyans, one American (Spindler), and a British national, along with all the terrorists; no exact number of attackers was given. Some 700 people were evacuated from the complex during the siege. The Somali Al-Shabaab Islamic terror organization claimed responsibility for the attack

• OBITUARIES •

The Shofar joins the membership in mourning the passing of long-time shul member John Edward (Jed) Clauss on Jan. 8. Jed and his wife, Joanna, have been valued supporters of our shul. He will be missed. Our condolences to Joanna and the family.

Amos Oz

Amos Oz, one of Israel's most distinguished writers, died Dec. 28. He was 79. In his fiction, memoirs and essay, "he portrayed the private ambitions and public contradictions of a country struggling to find its footing while surrounded by conflict," the *Washington Post* reported.

Mr. Oz was a sabra who grew up in Jerusalem when it was under British control. He lived through Israel's fight to become an independent country in the late 1940s, then later served in the Israeli military during two wars in the 1960s and 1970s. These experiences impacted his writing. He spent many years on a kibbutz, and later became one of Israel's most robust liberal voices.

Georges Loinger

Georges Loinger, a physical education teacher in France who saved more than 350 Jewish children from deportation to concentration camps by helping to smuggle them into Switzerland, died Dec. 28 at his home in Paris. He was 108.

According to a report in the *New York Times*, Mr. Loinger devised many schemes to transport children across the border into neutral Switzerland, fooling the Nazi soldiers. Sometimes, he told the Nazis the children were going to camp. He also disguised them as mourners in a cemetery, then spirited them over a wall within a few feet of Switzerland. A blue-eyed, blond Jew, he himself passed as an Aryan and was never questioned by the soldiers.

For his heroism, Mr. Loinger was awarded the Resistance Medal, the Croix de Guerre, and the Legion of Honor from France. In 2016, he received the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany.

According to his son, Daniel, Mr. Loinger's last words were, "Personne ne pourra d'truit la culture Juive," or "Nobody can destroy Jewish culture."

Moshe Arens



Moshe Arens, the Israeli politician and statesman who was one of the last of his country's founding generation, died Jan. 7 at his home in Savyon, Israel. He was 93.

A former member of the Irgun militia and a young leader of the Betar Youth Movement, Mr. Arens remained until his last days a beacon of Israel's ideological right, according to the *New York Times*. After helping to found the Herut (Freedom) party, he reached the top echelons of its outgrowth, the Likud. Mr. Arens served three times as defense minister, also as foreign minister, and as Israel's ambassador to the United States.

His political memoir, *In Defense of Israel*, published last February, conveys a sense of satisfaction with his life's work. "I look back in wonder at Israel's 69-year history," he wrote in the epilogue. "In a few decades, it has developed into a country well able to defend itself with a dynamic economy growing at a rapid rate, while simultaneously fulfilling its declared mission and absorbing millions of Jews in need of a haven."

• COMMEMORATIONS •

Yahrzeits In February

1: Lore Seligson 2: Phil Rosenstein; Harris Wilitzkin 3: Sophie Berson; Ida Kaplan; Michael Payne 4: Jerome Lipman; Leah Gertrude Sachs 5: Edward Prager 6: Daniel Bostian; Sylvia Golden; Maury Harris; Gertrude L. Poulson 7: Irene Feinman: Sara Slotkin 8: Herman Keller; Arthur Meyer 9: Celia Feigen; Nathan Goldin; Nora Levi 11: Jennie Kessler 12: Anna Levine; Irma Rybka 13: Philip Cohen; Emanuel Garmise; Michael Adam Rosenbaum; Kurt Seligson 14: Ruth Berman Cohen; Max Kremsky; Leo Schneider; Lottie Sherrin Schultz 15: Mollie Kaplan; Joseph Bruce Ross 17: Norman Blaustein: Annie Goldin 19: Dr. Mark Youmans 21: Anna Garmise 22: Harold Michelson; Abraham Nissenfeld 23: Nathan Burch; Daniel Harris; Natalie Wisse Wellisch 24: Jack Eskell; Joseph Liburt; Julius Schwartz 25: Rose Fierer 26: Stephen E. Goldberg; Rhoda Kahn 27: Samuel Levine; Alice M. Ross; Jacob Schneider 28: Gabriel Fortgang

Birthdays in February

7: H. Lee Blumberg 11: Justin Solomon 18: Allison Nathel 24: Georgia Downey 27: David Weinstein; Stanley Rubin

Anniversaries in February

19: Philip and Elaine Goldman

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

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• MONEY MATTERS •

Donations in January

Jed Clauss and Joanna Paulsen Carol Seigel Patricia Bogen Drs. Saul and Susan Rosenstreich Ellen Buchbinder-Berman, MD Barbara Glassner Harold and Peninah Neimark Irma Strimban Larry Kotik Barry and Rena Wiseman Bruce and Sara Bloom Lawrence Kotik Michael and Lorene Solomon

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

Event	Members	Nonmembers
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
Commemoratives	Members	Nonmembers
Commemoratives Memorial Plaques	Members \$300	Nonmembers \$600
Memorial Plaques	\$300	\$600
Memorial Plaques Tree of Life Leaf	\$300 \$54	\$600 \$108
Memorial Plaques Tree of Life Leaf Prayer Book Bookplate	\$300 \$54 \$54	\$600 \$108 \$54

*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.

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