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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, April 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29: Hebrew class, 4 p.m.

Thursdays, April 4, 11, 18 and 25: The Siddur, 4 p.m.

Shul Events

Sunday, April 7: Project Genesis, "The Book of Revelations," Peconic Landing, 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 17, Book Circle, community room, 2 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.

Sunday, April 21: Board meeting, 9 a.m. (Next Congregation meeting: May 19 at 10 a.m.)

Lighting Shabbat Candles in April

April 5: 7:06 April 12: 7:14 April 19: 7:21 April 26: 7:28

Dates to Remember

Thursday, May 9: Israel Independence Day

Sunday, May 12: Mothers' Day

Thursday, May 23: Lag B'Omer (33rd day of the counting of the Omer)

Monday, May 27: Memorial Day

(Submission deadline for the May 2019 issue of *The Shofar*: April 20)

From The Rabbi...



“Masks”

The mask covers what we can't simply show in our ordinary lives, something that comes from a world beyond ourselves. Our public persona is taking its Sabbath break, playing hide-and-go-seek with our parent God, who can find us under any disguise. The first “mask” was made by Adam and Eve, right after they sinned. “Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loin cloths...and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.” (Gen. 3:6-8)

Because of the fall in the Garden, because of the serpent, our direct approach to God has become a windy and vulnerable path — the way of the snake. “For he is like one who is inwardly calculating. ‘Eat and drink!’ he says to you, but his heart is not with you.” (Proverbs

23:7) In another place, Proverbs further describes this “new” human condition: “Whoever hates disguises himself with his lips and harbors deceit in his heart;” (Proverbs 26:24)

We may be able to fool people, but we cannot fool God. When it was time to replace King Saul, God conveyed to Samuel not to

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look at a candidate’s appearance or on the height of his stature, “For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.” (1 Samuel 16:7)

What does it mean to look on the heart? We close our eyes for the Shema prayer so we can listen better. We wear costumes and mask our body in order to hear our hearts better. When we hide from others, it’s a good time to find ourselves.

When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, bringing the two tables of the testimony, he was beaming! “And the children of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses’ face sent forth beams; and Moses put the veil back upon his face...” (Exodus 34:35).

Purim is like the Jewish “Carnival.” Whether it is celebrated in Brazil, or as Mardi Gras in New Orleans, the carnival (meaning: without meat) marks the beginning of Lent, the period before Easter in which Christians traditionally abstain from the consumption of meat and poultry. It is to the Christians one more “Fat Tuesday” (Mardi Gras) before removing the spiritual fatty layers they’ve amassed during the year starting Ash Wednesday. Jews, too, celebrate with masks before we start the Passover period, beginning a day after Purim and a month before Passover. That’s when we begin shedding our layers and exposing our vulnerabilities.

The Shabbat before Purim is Shabbat Zachor — a Shabbat of Remembrance. We are commanded to remind ourselves and “never forget” what Amalek did to us when we were vulnerable as we left Egypt. When we shed our protective layers, we have to remember that there may be an Amalek, who would like to take advantage of our weakness, however temporary. We have to remember that when we bow down to God, at that moment we surrender. Attacking someone at that moment makes them an Amalek. The shooter in Christchurch, New Zealand, was an Amalek, taking the lives of 50 worshippers at their most vulnerable time.

It’s important to meet with other faiths all the time, not only after these events. This year, when we put on our masks, let’s remember to unveil our hearts.

From The President...



As the terror of my Sunday School Hebrew Class, I pinched Albert Pizitz and yanked my younger sister out of her chair so we could run wild through the hallway. Was it a mark of poor Rabbi Fischel's incompetence as a teacher that he tolerated such blatant disregard for the holy commandment to learn Torah? The answer shaped my understanding of Judaism.

I was opposed to Sunday School from the outset. Nonetheless, one fine September morning, my parents marched me and my siblings in our scrubbed, brushed and starched best selves to the first day of Hebrew class. I hated the desk, the walls, the other kids, and I was about to hate the rabbi when he called my name so softly that I barely heard him.

The rabbi introduced himself, again his voice so soft it might have been a whisper. As he handed me the Alef Bet textbook, his shirt slipped up to reveal his inner forearm. Of course, you know what I saw. I had been taught not to ask about or stare at or comment on tattooed skin. If a person volunteered to tell me what the tattoo represented, I had been taught to listen. But initiating a conversation or even engaging in a discussion on the matter was forbidden.

There was a degree of wisdom in these rules. Holocaust survivors were frequent visitors in our home, their wounds and pain entering the house with them. My parents had not hidden the truth from us, but they knew we were too young to express appropriate sympathy for those who had suffered while we had been romping carefree through early childhood. They meant our silence to be a sign of respectful witness.

But Rabbi Fischel just plain got the better of my curiosity. The tattoo, the soft voice, his increasingly indulgent patience with my truant mischief intrigued me. How could a victim of cruelty be patient with anything or anyone? I couldn't do the forbidden, but I could at least ask my father who knew everything about everyone on the face of the earth.

"Who," I asked, "was Rabbi Fischel?" The basics were familiar to me from tales of visitors passing through our home: He, like so many others, had been born in Lithuania, and like so many others, was raised in a learned household. He was sent along with so many others to a labor camp as a teenager, then to a death camp. But unlike so many others, he survived the fires of that hell. What happened after that?

"Well," my father continued, "Rabbi Fischel learned that he had lost his entire family, his parents, his siblings, his aunts, his uncles, his cousins, his home, his world. Everyone. Everything."

For once, I was speechless. Many of the visitors to our home had been through similar hells. But somehow, Rabbi Fischel's hell was different. This rabbi, this person's forearm, this survivor's soft voice — all of it became suddenly and starkly real. I could see him as the boy he had once been, pinching his classmates and running through the halls of his school. And then I saw him alone and destitute after losing everyone, everything.

The following Sunday, I couldn't stop staring at Rabbi Fischel. At last, he asked me, "Is something wrong? You are so quiet today."

No, no, I was fine, but I thought the rabbi should know that I was truly sorry I was a naughty student. I would try to sit quietly like the other pupils.

"Oh, no. Please don't sit quietly."

I was stunned. What was the meaning of this answer? Suddenly I understood the double image I'd had of the rabbi, the carefree boy and the sad survivor. The rabbi could never again be that carefree boy. He was condemned to be the sad survivor for the rest of his life. But he was

not about to let this happen to his pupils. Perhaps his past was sad, but he was here to make sure his pupils remembered their past as a time of laughter. Yes, Torah study is paramount. But there are many paths to Torah, the rabbi seemed to be telling me. All that matters is finding the path. In his wisdom, born both of Torah study and of his experience of horror, he saw that people like me would never find that path by sitting quietly. So pinch away, he was teaching me, and run around laughing, because your path to Torah study is through that Sunday School hallway.

For the remainder of our Sunday School years, my younger sister and I always received the pupil-of-the-year awards. We came by those kudos honestly. We had found our paths to Torah study. Thank you, Rabbi Fischel, for the lasting lesson of the commandment to learn Torah. You were the best pathfinder a Sunday School pupil could ever have.

Epilogue: Rabbi Fischel eventually went to Indiana University, where he established the first Jewish Studies program in the country. Such are the heroic figures who rise to the status of myth in our personal narratives.

• A LETTER TO THE EDITORS •

To the editors:

The Museum of Jewish Heritage is an institution I know reasonably well. The exhibit on the Holocaust [*The Shofar*, March 2019, “Auschwitz Artifacts At Museum Of Jewish Heritage In May,”] is certainly important, but refocusing the museum on the Holocaust is problematic. It was founded as a Museum of Jewish Heritage, and while the horrors of the Nazi era are a vital part of Jewish heritage, our heritage is much more. We need to explore and better appreciate our religious and cultural heritage, the reasons we were fortunate enough to survive, and through which we hope to grow in our collective future. We should “never forget,” but we must also remember why we need to survive.

— Stephan Brumberg

[According to the article in The Shofar, the Museum of Jewish Heritage will devote 40 rooms on three floors to 700 or more artifacts to refocus the museum on the Holocaust at a time when witnesses and memories are fading.]

• SHUL NEWS AND NOTES •

Shul Plans Two Passover Seders, April 19 And 20, At 6 P.M.



Shul members, their families and guests, and visitors to the North Fork are invited to participate in two Passover Seders, to be held on Friday and Saturday, April 19 and 20. Rabbi Gadi will lead the Seder service on both nights, in the community room, beginning at 6 p.m.

This is the second consecutive year that the first Seder falls on the Christian holiday of Good Friday, observed as the day Jesus was

crucified by Roman authorities. This concurrence adds significance for some observers of both faiths. The night before Jesus was crucified, his last meal was a Seder.

The ceremonial portion of the Passover observance retells the story of the Exodus in which the ancient Israelites were freed from slavery in Egypt. Jews throughout the world have celebrated Passover for more than 3,000 years, and yet the story of religious freedom is as meaningful today as it was during the time of the Pharaohs. The ceremony will be followed by a festive dinner, catered by Nassau Kosher Kitchen of East Meadow, Long Island.

The Seder follows an order of service prescribed in the Haggadah, which tells the story, explains the symbols, addresses the issue of slavery, reflects on the beauty of freedom, and expresses gratitude to God for life's many blessings. Among the symbolic foods served at the Seder is a mixture called haroset, made from chopped apples, nuts, wine and spices, which symbolizes the mortar that the Jewish slaves made for bricks in Egypt. Matza is served as a reminder of the hastily prepared unrisen bread made by the Jews as they fled from Egypt across the desert. A roasted lamb bone is a reminder of the sacrifice that spared the Jewish children from God's plague. Salt water represents tears, and horseradish the bitterness of slavery, but parsley and eggs symbolize rebirth.

The dinner will feature traditional foods associated with the holiday, such as chicken soup with matza balls, homemade gefilte fish, roasted brisket, potato pudding, and fruit and nut desserts.

The cost is \$60 per person, no charge for children 12 and under. Reservations are required. Please call Elaine Goldman at 631-765-3504 by Monday, April 1, to reserve a place at the Seder table.

Why Do Jews Eat Gefilte Fish At The Passover Seder?



When Jews gather around the table for the Passover Seder, the ritual meal will likely begin with an oval-shaped appetizer, often mounted on a single leaf of lettuce or a bed of parsley, and crowned with a boiled carrot medallion. Meet gefilte fish, a culinary connection to the shtetls, the ancestral towns of many Jews of Eastern European origin.

“Gefilte” means “stuffed” in Yiddish, and originally the forcemeat was stuffed into whole

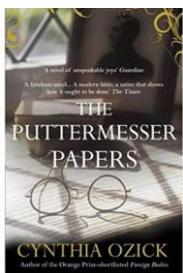
fish, such as pike or carp. Today, the fish is usually deboned, chopped and/or ground and mixed with matza meal, onion, eggs and seasonings, then shaped into oval balls that are poached in fish stock. Over generations, gefilte fish has picked up flavors and versions as Jews have wandered the world. In Poland, gefilte fish is sweet; in Lithuania, it is peppery. In modern Brooklyn, gefilte fish can be found made with sustainably-raised fish, quinoa and micro arugula, and served with a global array of flavors: Asian (with soy or teriyaki sauce); Moroccan (with turmeric and chickpeas); Mexican (with jalapeños), and Indian (with mangoes and tamarind).

Like many ethnic foods, gefilte fish arose out of poverty and need. It was first created by Ashkenazi Jews (Jews of European origin), who relied on it to feed their families. In Jewish lore, fish is a symbol of fertility, and a sign of the coming of the Messiah, who, according to legend, will come in the form of a great fish from the sea.

Like the Maxwell House Haggadah, gefilte fish is the stuff of Jewish legend that Jews carry with them from one generation to the next.

[Excerpted from an article by Kimberly Winston and Yonat Shimron, Religion News Service]

A Treat For The Book Circle's Book Lovers: An Ozick Novel



The Book Circle will meet on Wednesday, April 17, at 2 p.m., in the shul's community room, to discuss *The Puttermesser Papers* by Cynthia Ozick. "A crazy delight," raves *The New York Times Book Review*. "A tour de force by one of our most visionary novelists," says the *San Francisco Chronicle*. "Fanciful, poignant, intelligent, a spark of light" according to *The New York Times*. In this novel, Cynthia Ozick relates the life and times of what may be her most compelling fictional creation, Ruth Puttermesser.

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.

Judaism And Art Group Mounts New Work At The Shul



On your next trip to the shul, be sure to visit the community room to see the new artwork displayed by some members of the "Judaism and Art" group. At monthly meetings with Rabbi Gadi, the participants discuss the Judaic themes of works in progress. Finished work is mounted in a continuing rotation at the shul. Pictured, a few samples from the current show, including, from left, paintings by Judith Weiner, photography by Cookie Slade, and paintings by Bruce Bloom. For more information, call the shul at 631-477-0232 and leave a message for Saul Rosenstreich, coordinator of the group. SMBloom photos

Shul Members Step Up To Prepare Onegs and Kiddushim

The Shofar joins the membership in commending Elaine Goldman for arranging Friday evening Onegs and Saturday Kiddush lunches. To that end, many thanks to March preparers Roberta Garris, Elaine and Phil Goldman, Gayle and Dr. Micah Kaplan, Suzi Rosenstreich, Nancy Torchio, and Judy Weiner

The tasks are simple to perform, and volunteers are needed. Won't you step up? Please call the shul at 631-477-0232 and leave a message for Elaine, stating your availability.

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The Jewish Experience Featured In ‘Migrations’ Series

As part of a citywide festival, “Migrations: The Making of America,” Carnegie Hall and 70 other institutions are exploring America in a series of 100 events taking place from March 9 through April 15 that show through music, dance, exhibitions, talks and films how America came to be.

The Carnegie Hall concerts highlight the crossings from Scotland and Ireland in the 18th and 19th centuries; the immigration of Jews from Russia and Eastern Europe between 1881 and 1924; and African Americans being pushed north from 1917 to the 1970s. Musical genres, such as bluegrass, klezmer, blues and jazz will help tell the stories.

The Jewish experience will be featured in a concert titled “From Shtetl to Stage: A Celebration of Yiddish Music and Culture” on Monday, April 15, at 8 p.m.

For tickets, visit the Carnegie Hall box office or website.

An Online Yad Vashem Exhibit Details Women’s March

To mark Women’s History Month, the Yad Vashem Holocaust memorial and museum in Jerusalem is featuring an online exhibit titled “The Death March to Volary,” depicting the fate of more than 1,000 Jewish Women forced on a death march in winter 1945. About 350 survived.

The exhibition retraces the march which began on Jan. 24, 1945, when female Jewish prisoners were evacuated from the Schlesiersee concentration camp in Upper Silesia in western Poland, and forced to march on foot for 106 days, more than 800 kilometers, arriving in Volary in Czechoslovakia on May 5, 1945. The exhibit features testimonies of those who survived the march under unbearable conditions, and the U.S. Army veterans who liberated them.

Israel’s Netanyahu To Be Charged With Bribery, Breach of Trust



Avichal Mandelblit, attorney general of Israel, announced that Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu will be indicted in all three ongoing corruption cases against him. The announcement marks the first time in Israeli history that a sitting prime minister has been informed that he will face criminal charges.

Netanyahu is accused of trading favorable government treatment of the Bezeq in exchange for positive coverage on the Walla news site, both

owned by Shaula Elovitch, who, along with the prime minister, will be charged with bribery.

The other two cases include an attempted deal between *Yediot Achronot* newspaper publisher Arnon Mozes and Netanyahu to decrease circulation of rival *Israel Hayom* in exchange for more positive coverage. Mozes is expected to be charged with bribery. In the second case, Netanyahu is accused of receiving gifts from Hollywood film producer Arnon Milchan and Australian businessman James Packer that included gifts worth of tens of thousands of dollars. Netanyahu acted on the Israeli-born producer’s behalf in the telecommunications realm.

Netanyahu has denied all allegations against him.



In a related matter, internationally recognized constitutional attorney and former Harvard law professor Alan Dershowitz came to the defense of the prime minister. In an open letter to the attorney general, published Feb. 27 in the Israeli daily *Haaretz*, Dershowitz argued that “To bring down a duly elected prime minister on the basis of an expansive and unprecedented application of a broad and expandable criminal statute endangers democracy.”

\$6.3 Million Raised For Synagogue Massacre Families, Survivors

The Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh announced that a \$6.3 million fund established in the wake of the Pittsburgh synagogue massacre will be divided primarily among the families of the dead and survivors of the worst attack on Jews in U.S. history.

The federation had set up a “Victims of Terror Fund” after the Oct. 27 attack at Tree of Life synagogue that killed 11 and sounded seven. The fund took in donations from more than 8,500 people, companies and organizations in 48 states and eight countries. A portion of the money will fund repairs to the heavily damaged synagogue.

Characters In Beards, Black Suits And Side Curls Are Netflix Stars



viewers to the characters and everyday stories that occupy all families of all faiths. “Shtisel” tells the many intertwined stories of the Shtisel family, led by Shulem Shtisel, a proud Torah scholar, and his children, Akiva, as yet unmarried in spite of intense matchmaking, and Giti, a mother of six with an scheming husband. Together, the family’s storylines tell tales not so much of religious life in Jerusalem, but rather of universal drama — unrequited love, unfaithful husbands, and unfulfilled goals in the slog of daily life.

Watching the show, one is so caught up with the human drama and its comic asides that although the beards and black hats are there, they become secondary to the narrative. The response on social media has been so strong since the show started streaming on Netflix in December that the creators are contemplating a third season.

When the venerable *New York Times* devoted a full page to a Netflix series about a family of Haredim, *The Shofar* decided it was time to take a look at “Shtisel,” an Israeli series in which the characters are, as *Times* writer Joseph Berger described them, “black-hatted, side-curled men and bewigged women of ultra-Orthodox Judaism.”

This insular subculture, unfamiliar even to many Jews let alone other faiths, vividly portrays the traditions and customs of the observant while endearing its

• JEWS IN THE NEWS •

Theodore and Harriette Perlman



Chicago businessman and philanthropist Theodore Perlman and his wife, Harriette, have donated \$25 million to BBYO (B'nai B'rith Youth Organization) to help support women in their young adult lives. It is one of the largest single gifts in recent Jewish organizational history.

The gift will allow the 95-year-old organization to start a women's leadership initiative to connect Jewish women through their

college and early professional careers with mentorship and training. The initiative is named in honor of Mr. Perlman's mother, Anita M. Perlman, who founded B'nai B'rith Girls in 1944.

"My mother had the foresight to know, even decades ago, the capabilities of young women and their desire to move into positions of leadership," said Perlman, 82.

Perlman is the founder of the Havi Group, a firm that supplies chains like McDonald's, KFC and Subway with packaging and toys, including those found in McDonald's Happy Meals. [Pictured, Harriette and Theodore Perlman with Noga Hurwitz, one of two teen presidents of BBYO. Photo courtesy of BBYO.]

Guy Nattiv

The Oscar award program 2019 had hardly begun when Israel took one home. Guy Nattiv and his team accepted the award for Best Live Action Short Film for their movie, *Skin*. The film examines race by showing a white racist dad getting angry about his son being treated warmly by a black man.

Nattiv told the audience and viewers on national television that his grandparents are Holocaust survivors. "The bigotry they experienced in the Holocaust, we see that everywhere today." He said he hopes the film can show people how to teach their children "a better way."

Michael Bloomberg



Former New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg announced that he will not seek the presidency in 2020. Mr. Bloomberg had been seriously contemplating his bid for the office. "As I've thought about a possible presidential campaign, the choice before me has become clear," he wrote in an opinion piece for Bloomberg News. "I've come to realize that I'm less interested in talking than doing. And I have concluded that, for now, the best way for me to help our country is by rolling up my sleeves and continuing to get work done."

He wrote that he will instead focus his efforts on a new campaign titled “Beyond Carbon,” which he described as a “grassroots effort to begin moving America as quickly as possible away from oil and gas and toward a 100-percent clean energy economy.”

Amar'e Stoudemire



Six-time NBA All-Star Amar'e Stoudemire received his Israeli citizenship on March 13 in a ceremony at Israel's Interior Ministry. Although the American basketball star is still in the process of converting to Judaism, Interior Minister Aryeh Deri granted him the citizenship based on his “unique contributions to Israeli society.”

Stoudemire has played for Hapoel Jerusalem of the country's Premiere League since 2016. He immediately led his team to the Israeli Basketball League Cup. In 2017, he led the team to the Israeli League Championship. He is also a part-owner of the team, but suspended his position in order to play.

Michael H. Steinhardt



Michael H. Steinhardt, 78, a retired hedge fund founder, is among an elite cadre of donors who bankroll some of the country's most prestigious Jewish nonprofits. His foundations have given at least \$127 million to charitable causes since 2003, public filings show.

But for more than two decades, that generosity has come at a price. Six women said in interviews with *The New York Times* and *ProPublica*, and one said in a lawsuit, that Mr. Steinhardt asked them to have sex with him, or made sexual requests of them, while they were relying on or seeking his support. He also regularly made comments to women about their bodies and their fertility, according to the seven women and 16 other people who said they were present when Mr. Steinhardt made such comments.

According to *The Times*, which headlined the story on the front page of the March 21 issue, and devoted two full pages to it inside the issue, none of the women interviewed said Mr. Steinhardt touched them inappropriately, but they said they felt pressured to endure demeaning sexual comments and requests out of fear that complaining could damage their organizations. Witnesses to the behavior said nothing or laughed along, women said.

Mr. Steinhardt has denied the accusations.

• OBITUARIES •

It is with sadness that *The Shofar* reports the death of Buddy, beloved canine companion of Elaine and Phil Goldman for 14 years, and a welcoming presence for the residents and visitors to Christopher Street. Rest in peace dear friend. The Goldmans thank all for notes and cards.

Edward F. Zigler

Edward F. Zigler, a psychologist who in the mid-1960s helped design Head Start, the vanguard federal government program for preschool children, died Feb. 7 at his home in North Haven, CT. He was 88.

Since 1965, more than 35 million children have been enrolled in Head Start, which each year provides early education and medical services to about a million children under 5 years old at a cost of about \$10 billion.

In 1976, Dr. Zigler was named a Sterling professor, Yale University's highest professorial honor. In 2005, Yale's Bush Center for Child Development and Social Policy was renamed the Edward Zigler Center in Child Development and Social Policy. He was director emeritus until his death.

Al Silverman

Al Silverman, a magazine editor and publishing executive, died March 17 at his home in Manhattan. He was 92. Mr. Silverman collaborated with Chicago Bears halfback Gale Sayers on an autobiography that was adapted into "Brian's Song," the popular 1971 television movie about the friendship between Mr. Sayers and his dying teammate, Brian Piccolo.

Early on, Mr. Silverman was well known in sports publishing. He was a freelance writer for several sports magazines and wrote books about (or with) Mickey Mantle, Joe DiMaggio and Frank Robinson. Later, he left the sports world and joined the Book-of-the-Month Club as executive vice president and editorial director, ultimately becoming president and chief executive before joining Viking Books as a general editor.

In his review of Mr. Silverman's book, *The Time of Their Lives*, about postwar book publishing, the novelist and playwright Bruce Jay Friedman said, "It could have been written only by a 'bookman,' someone with printer's ink in his blood and bones."

Marian Sulzberger Heiskell

Marian Sulzberger Heiskell, a New York civic leader and philanthropist, who led campaigns to create the Gateway National Recreation Area and restore the grandeur of theaters on 42nd Street, and who was a member of the family that controls *The New York Times*, died March 14 at her home in Manhattan. She was 100.

As the granddaughter, daughter, wife, sister, aunt and great-aunt of six successive publishers of *The Times*, and as the wife of Andrew Heiskell, the chairman of Time Inc., Mrs. Heiskell moved in the circles that dominated New York's philanthropic and social world.

Marian Effie Sulzberger was the last surviving member of her generation of the Sulzberger family. Her siblings were Ruth Sulzberger Holmberg, who was the publisher of *The Chattanooga Times* for 28 years, and who died in 2017; Judith P. Sulzberger, a physician, who died in 2011, and Arthur Ochs Sulzberger, who died in 2012. He was publisher of *The Times* from 1963 to 1992 and chairman and chief executive of the company from 1973 to 1997, when he became chairman emeritus.

Mrs. Heiskell stepped down as a director of *The Times* in 1997, but remained a principal owner of the company under a trust that passed to the four children that was intended to preserve family control of the company. In succeeding years, Mrs. Heiskell maintained an office at *The Times*, dining in the cafeteria with staff members and conferring with her brother, the chairman emeritus, and her nephews, Arthur Ochs Sulzberger Jr. and Arthur Gregg Sulzberger.

Rafi Eitan

Rafi Eitan, a legendary Israeli spy who led the capture of Holocaust mastermind Adolf Eichmann, died March 23 in Tel Aviv.

“Rafi was among the heroes of the intelligence services of the State of Israel on countless missions on behalf of the security of Israel,” Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said, also pointing out Eitan’s work to return Jewish property that was taken during the Holocaust.

Later in life, Eitan entered politics and served as a Cabinet member, but was best known for his role in the 1960 operation to capture Eichmann in Argentina and bring him to trial in Jerusalem, which remains one of the Mossad’s most historic missions.

• COMMEMORATIONS •

Yahrzeits In April

- 1: David Bloch; Edward Hyman
- 2:2: Samuel Katz; Herman, Leibel, Mahtel Wander, and Ruchel Leah Zausel
- 3: Helen Klavans Rubin; Ralph Silverman
- 4: Irving Briller
- 6: Max Kalter; Isaac Orleans
- 7: Robert Friedmann; Abram S. Kaplan; Terry Slade
- 9: Miriam Wellington
- 10: Sylvia Levine; Audrey Rothman; Mara Slatkin; James J. Winton
- 11: Zelig Kaplan; Aline Prager
- 13: Irwin Seigel; Harvey Simpson
- 14: Ethel Kahn
- 19: Louis Kelwick; Frances Meshover; Hana Shaw
- 20: Mervin J. Goldin; Anna Katz; Harry Katz
- 21: Dorothea Serrane
- 22: Herman Ballen
- 23: Yafa L. Melamud; Sasha Victory
- 24: Bertram Feinberg; Joseph Lipman
- 25: Benjamin Forman; Rose Levinson Goldsmith; Irving Levin
- 28: Ella Bush Lipton; Milton Reece
- 29: Miny Bloch; William Pittorino
- 30: Bess Fineberg Brown; Florence Cohen; Raphael Owen Hurwitz; Barney Kaplan

Birthdays in April

- 8: Eric Friedmann
- 9: Jennifer Morris
- 15: Mimi Bloom; Carol Ingall; Sy Brittman
- 20: Helen Weinstein
- 26: Isaac Kaplan
- 28: Thelma Novick; Adam Weinstein
- 30: Susan Meshover

Anniversaries in April

6: Paul and Pamela Birman
16: Victor and Leah Friedman

Refuah Shlemah

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

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.

• MONEY MATTERS •

Donations in March

Maury Harris
Madelyn Rothman
Joanna Paulsen
Alan and Rochelle Garmise
Eileen Santora
Diana Whitsit
Michael and Froma Solomon
Barry Mallin and Gail Kriegel Mallin
Michael Ferber
Stephen and Susan Meshover
Stanley and Roberta Kaplan

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
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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Journal Dinner-Dance

Elaine Goldman, Joanna Paulsen, co-chairs

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Saul Rosenstreich, chair

Rabbi Gadi Capela, June Shatkin, Cookie Slade, Irma Strimban, Dan Torchio, Judith Weiner

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Phil Goldman, chair

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Rabbi Gadi Capela, Miriam Gabriel, Elaine Goldman, Carol Seigel

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Adrienne Greenberg, Jesse Reece, Stanley Rubin

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