



119th Anniversary

VIRTUAL JOURNAL 2020/5780

Susan Rosenstreich, Ph.D.
Congregation Honoree



*Congratulations
to our friend Susan Rosenstreich
on a pivotal 2 years as President of
Congregation Tifereth Israel's Board.
You have been the most recent manifestation
of a long tradition of strong,
thoughtful women guiding CTI toward the future.
With confidence, we send our best wishes as always to
the new Board of Directors and to Rabbi Gadi Capela
as they steer us through
the challenges of 2020/2021.*

Paul and Pamela Birman

In loving memory of our parents,
Norma Robinson Panepinto ע"ה
and Paul Panepinto ע"ה

and

Jean Ansell Birman ע"ה
and Max Birman ע"ה

GOD IS VIRTUAL, AND SO CAN WE



Congratulations to our congregation for celebrating 119 years of togetherness. When we look back at what took place in 2020/5780, likely the first word that will come to mind is “virtual.” From virtual services and classes to virtual meetings, Lunch and Learn, and even a silent auction. And now a virtual Journal Dinner Dance. Having a virtual journal is one thing, but how do you do a virtual dinner or dance?

For years, I didn’t understand the online game called FarmVille. It started out as a social network simulation game where participants are involved in various aspects of farmland management, such as plowing, planting, growing, harvesting, and raising livestock. To progress quickly within the game, players are encouraged to spend FarmCash, which is purchasable with real-world currency. At its peak, the game had more than 80 million active users. Many children played it enthusiastically. They spent significant time with it and made their parents spend significant money on it. I kept thinking, this is not real, why bother? It’s a waste of time and money.

However, as a social network game, it has some commendable social features. For instance, as in a real community, the game gives players credit for visiting or helping their neighbor. Also, contacting other players and using their help as farm hands allows participants to improve their farms more quickly. This game now has become real to me. Whether virtual or in person, life in a community is more about what we do for each other, not what is done for us. It’s not just about paying the currency; it’s about paying attention. We can transfer this exchange into real life and real fundraising for the community. The virtual world has given us the opportunity to reach out to our neighbors everywhere — in Greenport, in Manhattan, in Florida — and to reap the communal rewards of these virtual visits. Let us consider something much more far reaching — God is virtual. In this spirit, Judaism believes that every Jew has a virtual “FarmVille” that we cultivate with God through our actions in this life. When we go up to heaven, to Olam Haba, we will live there on the farm we built here. A community is the home we build with our neighbors and with God; in person or virtually, as long as we build it together. Blessings for the next 120 years.

Rabbi Gadi Capela

FROM THE PRESIDENT



Are we measuring time differently in 2020? I think so. Pre-Covid found us planning the celebration of the venerated history of our beloved 119-year-old Congregation Tifereth Israel. Mid-Covid, we were coping with a public health crisis and the attendant loss of economic momentum that has changed our lives and our social patterns, perhaps for the foreseeable future. As we face this crisis, we find the energy and the determination to adjust, to adapt, and to creatively embrace the new reality with determination to wrap our arms around our shul family.

All of us are besieged these days by a constant blur of warnings, predictions, protocols and practices to stay safe and stay healthy. But notable above all is the impetus to come together — to support one another. By embracing Zoom, we are able to join together for Shabbat and holiday services, virtual onegs, and Lunch and Learn programs at noon every Monday and Thursday. We also attend Hebrew classes on Zoom, participate in the Book Circle, and convene dynamic Judaism and Art gatherings. We partied enthusiastically while bidding on the Virtual Silent Auction merchandise and, thanks to Zoom, we are carrying on the business of running a synagogue through many committee and planning meetings. In fact, some of us have suggested that Zoom has made those initiatives even more efficient and effective.

And here we are with the 2020 Virtual Journal, our major fundraiser for the year, a stunning success thanks to shul members, community support, and an unwavering commitment to the inclusive mission of our synagogue. With this journal, we celebrate together and applaud our synagogue and its rich history. Together, we celebrate our indomitable Susan Rosenstreich who, with brilliance and clear headedness, navigated the waters for multiple terms as our shul president, served for years as a board member, and pitched in for decades as an active synagogue member. With devotion and dedication, Suzi continues to bring her considerable skills and experience to the tasks at hand, building coalitions and creative approaches to foster the growth of the synagogue.

As you look through the pages of this journal, I invite you to share with me the pride of accomplishment that our synagogue and its members and friends demonstrate every day as we connect with each other and our community friends.

Judith K. Weiner, President

SISTERHOOD



An essential part of each synagogue is the work done by its Sisterhood, and Congregation Tifereth Israel is no exception. Throughout its history, the members of the Sisterhood, originally known as the Daughters of Israel, have initiated programs that nurture and sustain Jewish life and vitality in our synagogue and in our community, all while enjoying each other's company. Perhaps it is this social component that draws women to the organization to plan, organize, coordinate and schedule the events that complement the annual program schedule.

It seems that many of the Sisterhood's tasks are food oriented. For instance, the Sisterhood provides an Oneg Shabbat every Friday evening following the regular religious service. Similarly, Sisterhood members also provide lunch following the usual Saturday morning service. Sometimes the group plans Shabbat suppers, and provides refreshments for synagogue events in observance of special holidays throughout the calendar year. We also provide food and home set-up following a death — a service we provide willingly and lovingly to those mourning a loved one. One of the largest responsibilities Sisterhood undertakes is the break-the-fast supper following the day-long Yom Kippur service, when as many as 60 or more hungry people stay for a bagels and lox supper that hits the spot after a day of introspection and prayer.

The Sisterhood also has a role beyond the walls of the synagogue, engaging in activities within the greater North Fork community. For instance, Sisterhood recognizes a deserving Greenport High School graduating senior for a cash award, and has for many years co-sponsored with the North Fork Reform Temple a program titled "Poetry For Peace," where youngsters from North Fork schools are invited to wax poetic with their thoughts on the topic of peace. One of the most anticipated Sisterhood events is the annual (mostly) Back Room Sale, where treasures are discovered by area residents and guests, who line up a hour or more before the doors are opened in order to be in the first wave of hunters and gatherers.

For the past 25 years, Sisterhood member Paula Shengold has organized our most successful fundraiser — the annual Catch-A-Star Literary Luncheon. Year after year, this event attracts an overflow attendance to hear the words and music of artists, writers and musicians.

As a fundraiser, the Sisterhood will send cards to acknowledge personal sentiments for happy as well as sorrowful occasions. These Sunshine Cards bring warm greetings from Sisterhood and its members.

Although Covid-19 has temporarily shuttered the doors of our synagogue and disrupted our observances and programming, we will continue to find ways to provide for our synagogue members and North Fork residents. Thanks to our Zoom lunch meetings, we still socialize, have fun, and share thoughts for future programs.

We invite you join the Sisterhood. We welcome new people and new ideas.

Adrienne Greenberg, Sisterhood President

MEN'S CLUB

The Men's Club of Congregation Tifereth Israel continued its assistance with both financial support and physical shoulders for a variety of events, including High Holidays, Sukkot and Hannukah. Once more, the sukka was erected with the help of Jesse Reece, Alan Garmise and others. It was beautifully decorated with the help of the Sisterhood. Prior to that, the Men's Club hosted a barbeque for all members, sparsely attended due to poor weather — but the hot dogs and hamburgers were once more superb and greatly appreciated!

At year's end, the village menorah was again on display at Mitchell Park with the care and lighting overseen by Doug Jacobs from the Village Electric Department. Once more the fine wooden menorah constructed by David Nyce for the Mitchell Park display performed perfectly for the entire 8 days. The initial lighting was again marked by the many residents of the village present and coffee and donuts were then served at the synagogue. Musical performance was then provided by the ukulele group from Peconic Landing who gave outstanding renditions of many old favorites.

Our tree project continued by supporting several trees lining our sidewalk and trimming of large branches from trees on the west side of the synagogue. In addition, care was taken to maintain the marvelous fig tree given by Sid and Gloria Waxler — which still produces the finest fruit in the village!

Our annual high school senior award was given out again to a senior at Greenport High School who displayed dedication to the service of others in the community. This year's award was presented to Shane Costello utilizing an online presentation due to the covid19 pandemic.

The pandemic has curtailed many of the planned events for the summer and fall, but the membership looks forward to re-grouping in 2021, once a successful vaccine is available. We wish everyone to continue to be safe and remain healthy in this uncertain time.

Z. Micah Kaplan, MD, Men's Club President

SUSAN ROSENSTREICH REFLECTS ON SUSAN ROSENSTREICH



It was early evening of a summer night when this writer met Susan Rosenstreich in the Zoom room. Since the onset of the coronavirus pandemic, it is here that members and friends of Congregation Tifereth Israel gather for religious services, classes and meetings. The sun was low in the sky that night, casting a pinkish glow across Long Island Sound. Our Suzi — as we call her — was seated in front of her computer, but her image was in deep shadow, a sort of semi-darkness that may have foretold a contemplative mood.

It was scant more than a day since, after two sometimes turbulent years, she had graciously given over the presidency of the synagogue to her successor, Judith Weiner. The quiet of the early evening dusk and the soft natural light combined for a tranquility rarely experienced in a Zoom meeting, the effect of which inspired a setting rife with reflection.

Even in ordinary times, the president of an organization is the everything-in-chief — from making sure the bathrooms are cleaned and organizing supper parties, to setting policy, implementing new initiatives, and dealing with diverse personalities and their competing agendas. Now factor in a novel coronavirus pandemic. In the end, it fell to Suzi to make the hard decisions on how to cope with this life-threatening situation that had descended upon the high-risk population in her charge. Is it any wonder she had orchestrated this moment to talk about Suzi — this time of day, the natural light, a veiling so unlike the stark reality she had wrestled with for so long?

So who is this Suzi, this suddenly ex-president? She said at the outset: “My youth was exciting, my professional life stimulating, and my retirement rewarding. Do you need to know anything else?” Well, yes.

Early on

“We moved to Tuscaloosa from Chicago — Mom and Dad (Albert Lepawsky and Rosalind Almond) and four children (Martha, Michael, Lucy and Susan) — where we lived in a log cabin on 20 acres just outside the city. At first, we had no running water or heat. Later, as amenities improved, my father, who taught political science at the university, was appointed to a technical assistant position in Bolivia, leaving for long periods with only my mother to supervise us on this huge piece of land. It was glorious. Just as terrific was our permanent move to California, after a trial year when my father was a visiting professor at Cal Berkeley.”

With all the moving about, she had attended no fewer than 12 primary and secondary schools before graduating from Berkeley High School. “That’s just how it was,” she observed nonchalantly. “Although my parents were quite strapped for funds, my life was an exciting whirlwind, and we four children were wildly happy. It was the best childhood, adolescence and early adulthood I could have asked for.”

“I chose Cal at Riverside for undergraduate school, and it was paradise. I had a good on-campus job to pay for books and tuition. I knew boys with fast cars and surfboards; it was your California dream. I saved money and received small grants to study at the University of Bordeaux in France and the Università per Stranieri, in Perugia, Italy. I came back to the U.S. for a master’s degree, first at Cal Berkeley and later at the University of Wisconsin at Madison.

At Wisconsin, she was a teaching assistant and perhaps hard to believe considering her aversion to kitchen duty these days was in charge of the kosher kitchen at Hillel, when these three medical residents arrived, “so cute in their little tennis shorts,” she said. She thought she might hear from one of the men, but not the one who called. She was just 23 when she and Saul married, incidentally while she was in the middle of a doctoral program in French language and literature.

In fact, she had considered an academic major in geology or political science, but had chosen French because money was available for study abroad. French has served her well. She and Saul settled in Seattle while he was at the University of Washington, and she easily landed a teaching assistantship there. When he accepted an opportunity to join a practice in some rural outpost on the North Fork of Long Island, she had hesitations but dutifully packed up two daughters, their worldly goods, her collection of academic degrees, and transferred all to the quaint village of Quogue on the south shore. There she set up housekeeping, gave birth to their third daughter, and introduced her language skills to students at Dowling College, where for the next 25 years, she taught Italian language and literature, humanities, undergraduate linguistics and, of course, French, as a tenured professor.

Synagogue life

Throughout this time, their daughters, Lilian, Nicole and Dana, were at or nearing bat mitzvah age. Enter Congregation Tifereth Israel — and Ethel Brown. Congregation members of long standing will well remember Ethel Brown and her whim of iron.

And Ethel wanted Suzi. But Suzi already had two full-time jobs: her professorship at Dowling with its built-in one-and-a half-hour commute three or four days a week, and her family. No matter. As Suzi explained it, “Ethel was devoted to the synagogue, and I was devoted to Ethel.”

As a child, Suzi had been much influenced by her grandparents, who were observant Jews. The leap to synagogue life seemed natural, and it surely pleased Ethel who, with Ida Kaplan, another of the dynamic women in the congregation, believed wholeheartedly that life began not in the womb but with the Daughters of Israel, the first Sisterhood group in the congregation. With her toe in the water, so to speak, it was not long before Suzi, incidentally a long-distance swimmer, was fully immersed. Membership may have been sporadic, depending on the revolving door of spiritual leaders, but the little synagogue in Greenport its rich and colorful history, its lack of pretention, its dedicated followers and, of course, its Ethel drew her in. With her daughters grown and her eye on retirement, she dived in.

She served as vice president to two presidents before her, and two years ago, accepted the presidency herself. Were there problems? No doubt. But she prefers not to dwell on them. “What a remarkable group of people,” she said instead.

On her first day free of the presidency, she rose at 5:30 a.m., answered correspondence, performed her routine stretches, checked the news, swam, gardened at the synagogue’s two Common Ground plots, chatted on the phone with acquaintances, made a few unidentified purchases, and edited some written work for a journal. And as a treat for her husband, she made breakfast: “cholesterol-rich croissants,” she said, with sliced strawberries and mandarin orange sections in plain yogurt, coffee with half and half.

So now, after a quarter century at Dowling, three married daughters, six grandchildren — Ethan, Alana, Sophia, Max, Althea and Eudora — and with two terms as a synagogue president behind her, she has more time to devote to other pursuits, like reading, swimming, bicycling, rollerblading and, perhaps, physical activities yet to emerge in this so-called retirement. She’s a member of the North Fork Writers Group, sings with the Jamesport Chorale, writes poetry, and is working on a book that will collect her essays on the French early modern period.

And there's more. High up in the mix is the Mediterranean Studies Association. Back in 1998, she was asked to attend the annual conference that year in Lisbon. "Here we go again," she thought at the time. "How could a conference sponsored by an entity called the Mediterranean Studies Association be any different from the many other Mediterranean conferences I had attended?"

Bravely," she said, "I dusted off my notes on Voltaire's 1755 Poème sur le désastre de Lisbonne, and mustered arguments from the arts and social sciences yet another time to make the case for impermanence as a marker in the early modern discourse of French literature.

"My paper had been the third of three. When I finished speaking, I looked up, expecting to meet that surly gaze of the hard core disciplinarians I had imagined among the listeners. From the moment I concluded until the moment we all adjourned to a nearby bar, questions and answers, arguments and counterarguments, hypotheses and theories flew around the room. I could hardly believe the speed with which we tore down the walls of our disciplines and let the Mediterranean flood the place. If this was an annual conference, I had found my people."

Coming home

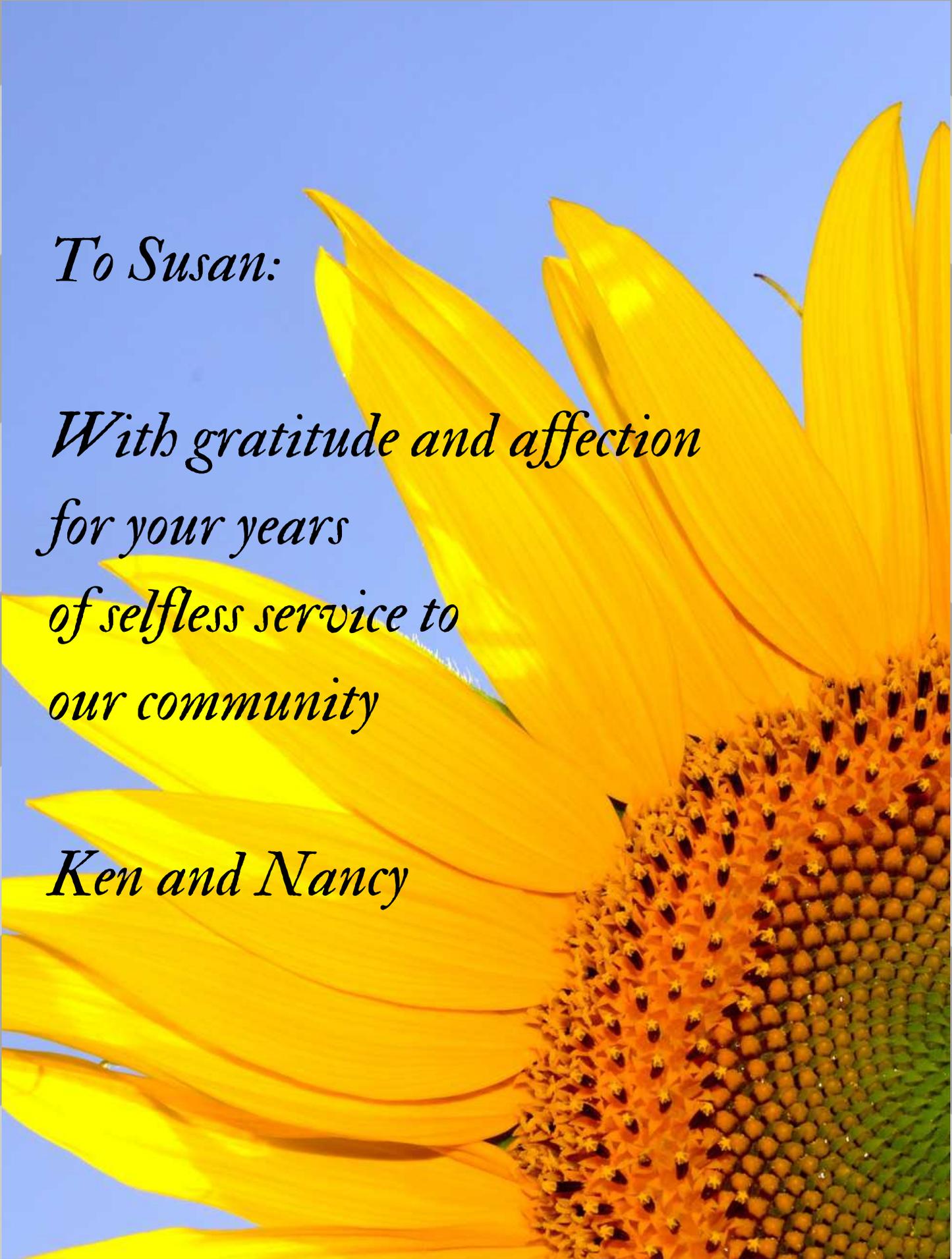
It has been more than two decades since Lisbon, yet each May, she repeats the journey that led her to the Mediterranean Studies Association. As she makes her way to the conference venue of the year, she feels she has come home.

Home in the physical sense is now a secluded corner house on Nassau Point with a lushly landscaped pool where she swims half a mile every day. It is here where Saul paints and where she writes, and where the children and grandchildren visit, and where she has the luxury now to spend time with friends. It is here that she feels the contentment of home.

Home in the spiritual sense is within her, deep-rooted by the quietly observant way of life of her grandparents — her grandfather a rabbi, whose teachings were not lost on an impressionable child. As administrative duties of the synagogue congregation she ministered for the last two years begin to fade, may the sanctity of this place continue to beckon her home.

It is with heartfelt thanks, admiration and respect for her dedicated leadership and personal magic that Congregation Tifereth Israel salutes Susan Rosenstreich as its 2020 honoree.

Well done, Suzi.



To Susan:

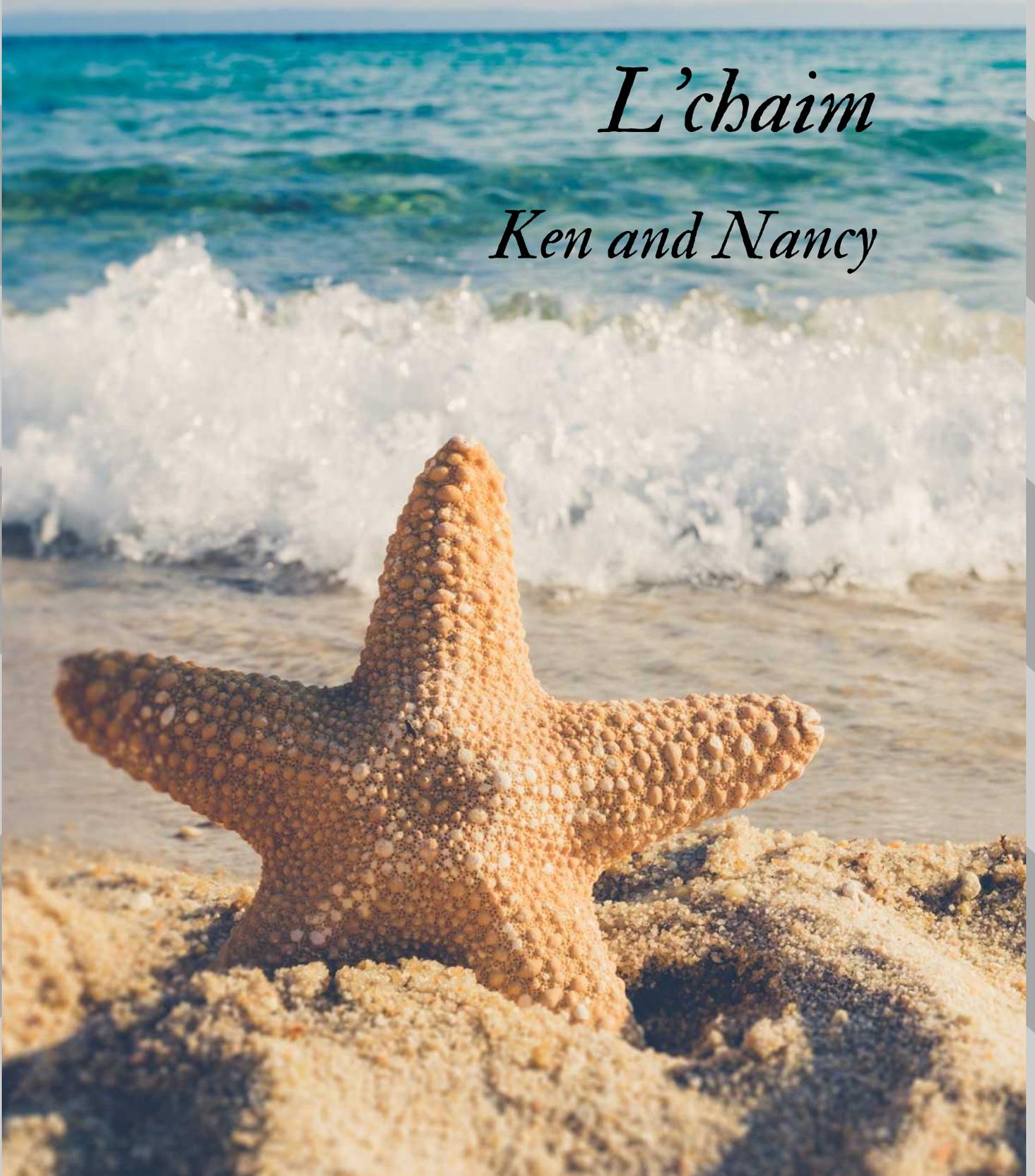
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for your years
of selfless service to
our community*

Ken and Nancy

To Phil and Elaine:

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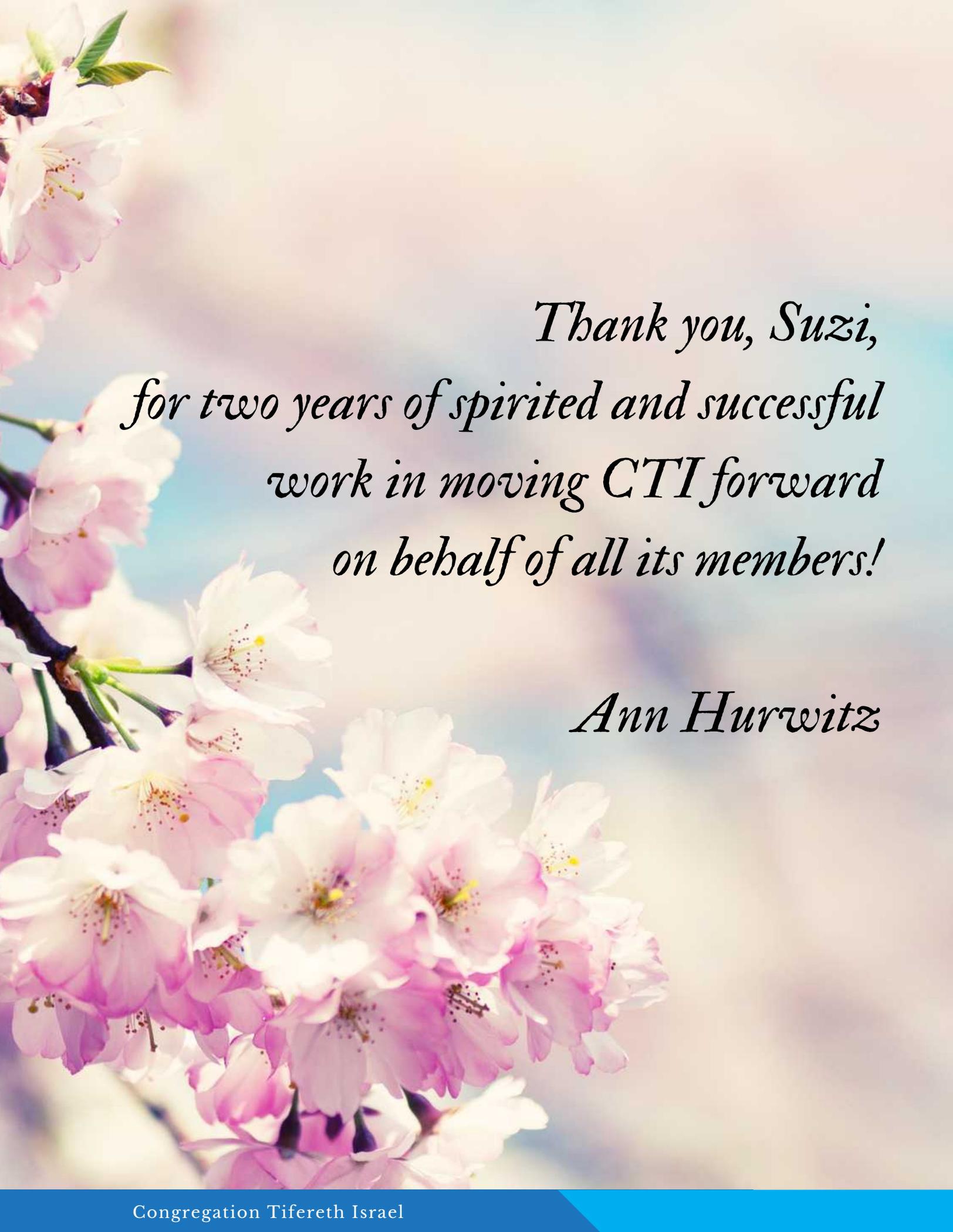
In Memoriam

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Pearl (Peri) Sausmer

*For all that you do,
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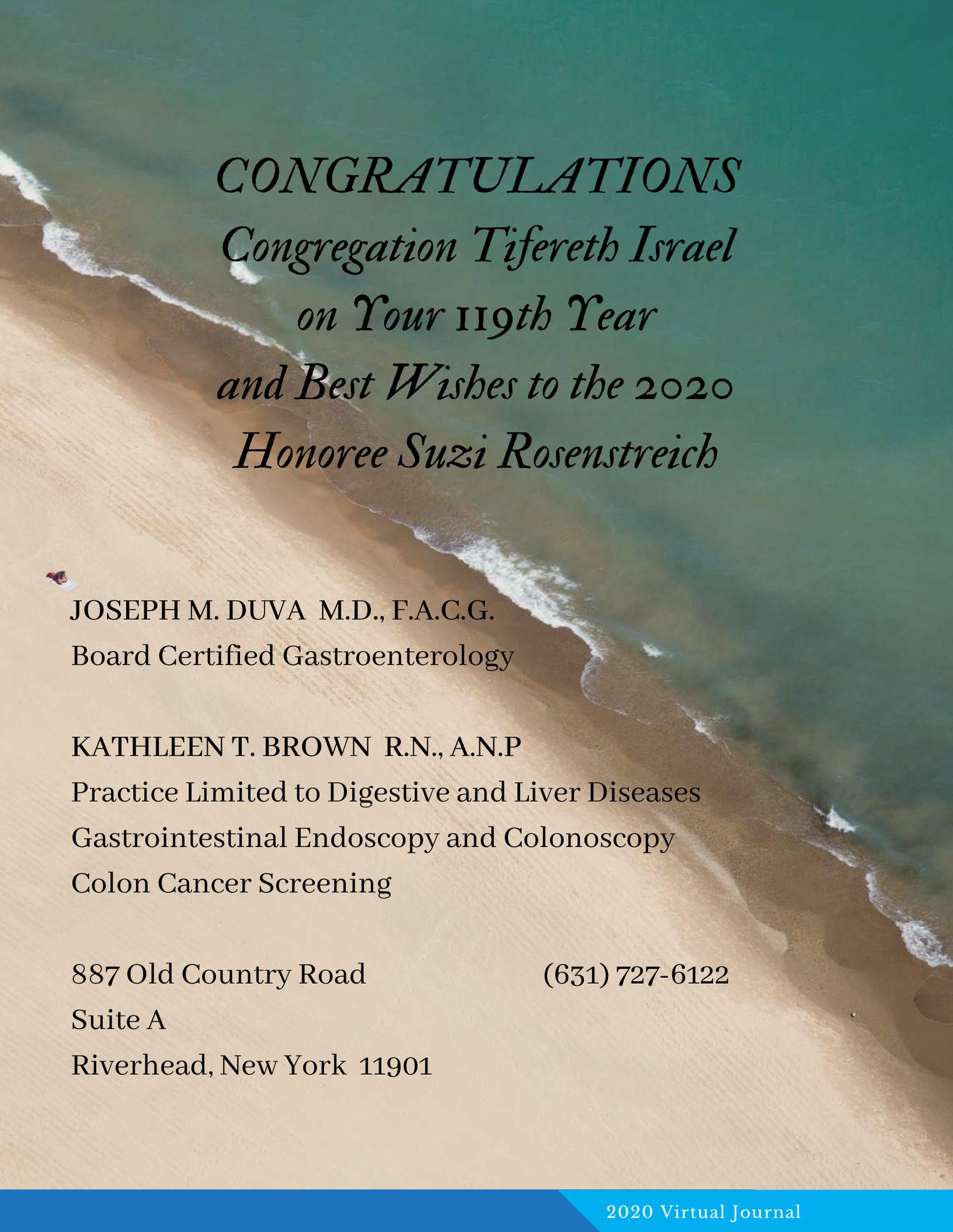
*We also thank Rabbi Gadi for his
leadership*

Bill Packard and Charles Ihlenfeld



*Thank you, Suzi,
for two years of spirited and successful
work in moving CTI forward
on behalf of all its members!*

Ann Hurwitz



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You have brought generations of families and friends together over these 119 years. How fortunate we had been to sit and pray in your beautiful sanctuary. Beloved Tifereth Israel, you gave us roots to our Jewish/Greenport history. We thank you. We haven't abandoned you.

We will all be back.

Miriam Gabriel and Adrienne Greenberg



we nurture our spiritual home
we thank Suzi for her unwavering devotion

Judith K. Weiner

*With love and
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*Congratulations to
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Suzi Rosenstreich
for your time and efforts
and hours for our Shul.
Your work and dedication are
what has made our Shul the
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Thanks again,

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*In loving memory of
Esther (Red) Harris ה"ע
and
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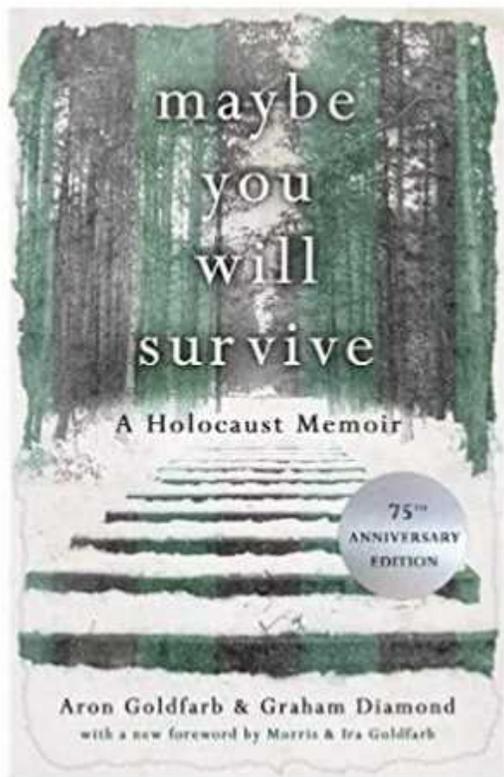
Congratulations and Good Luck

Suzi, CTI has been so fortunate to have had you as its President these last two years.

With intelligence, level headedness and caring you brought us through a number of bumpy roads, and we have all benefitted from your skills and experience.

Judy, as our new President, I know you will be a strong and resourceful leader to carry the CTI torch.

All my love and admiration to you both,
Adrienne Greenberg



Lume Books, London, has reissued a memoir by Aron Goldfarb, as told to Graham Diamond, to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the end of WWII and the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau. A new Foreword includes reflections on Aron Goldfarb's legacy by his two sons, Morris and Ira.

Maybe You Will Survive tells the harrowing story of 15-year-old Aron's escape after the Nazis invaded his home in Poland.

"Working on the project is an experience I'll never forget," Graham Diamond said. "My job was to make Aron's story come alive. I am grateful for the opportunity I was given."

The anniversary edition is available in paperback and Kindle editions at [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com), and from local bookstores.

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In fond memory of my friends

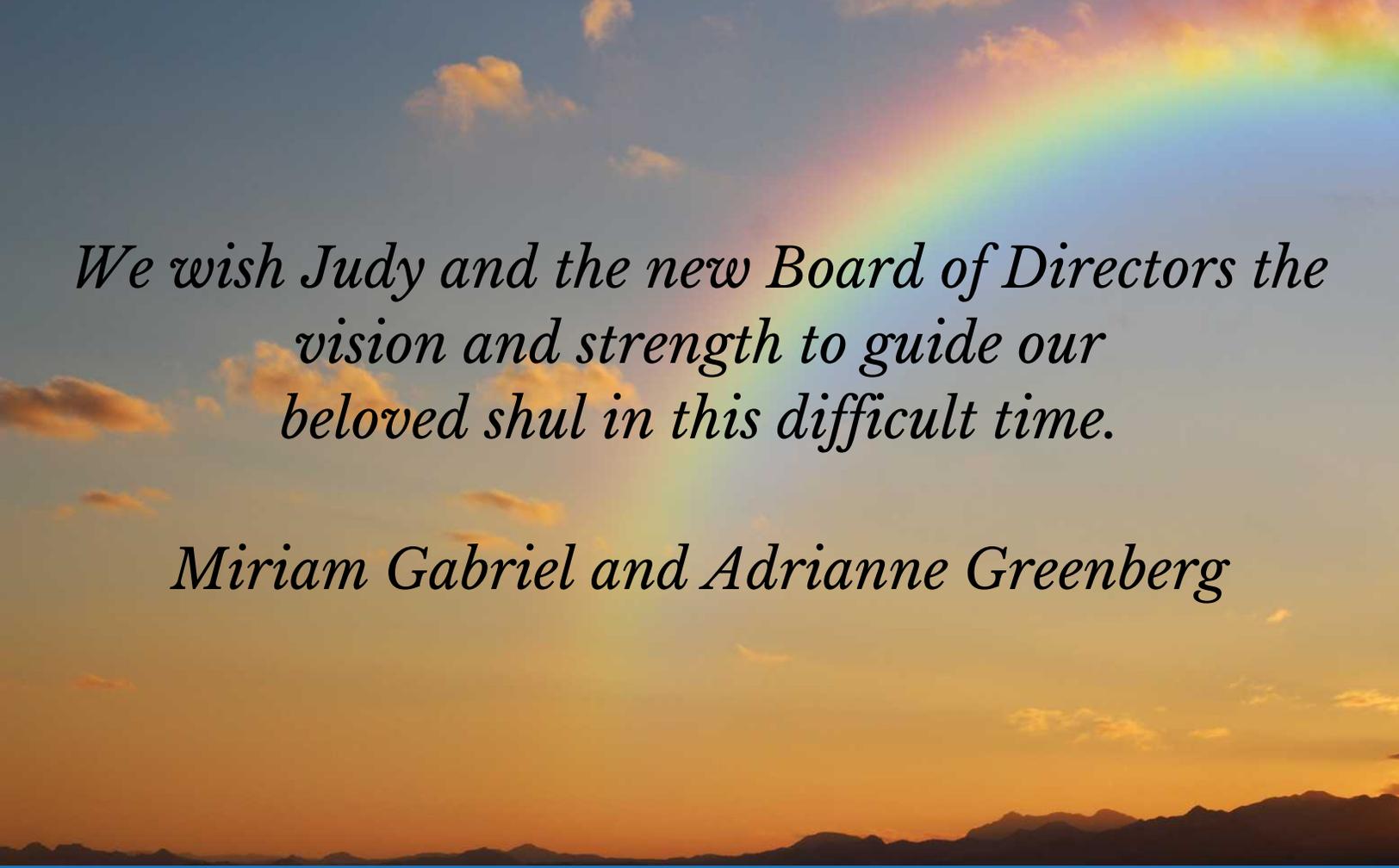
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May their memories be blessings to all.
Paul S. Birman

*In Loving Memory
of our Dear Friend
Audrey Rothman
and
Congratulations to
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*We wish Judy and the new Board of Directors the
vision and strength to guide our
beloved shul in this difficult time.*

Miriam Gabriel and Adrienne Greenberg

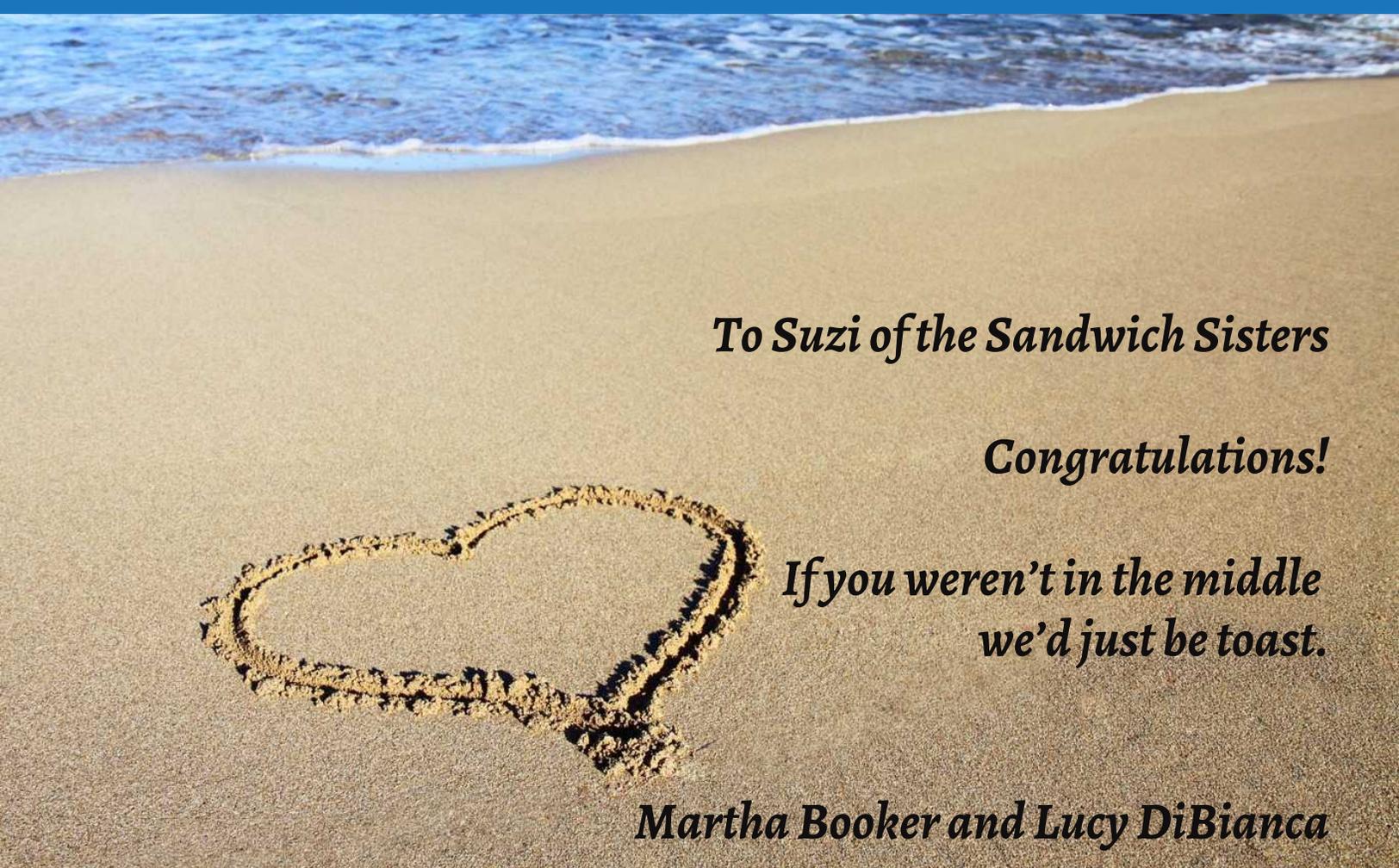


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Sara Bloom and family



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and welcome to Judith Weiner
and the 2020-21 Officers and Directors
Micah and Gayle*



To Suzi of the Sandwich Sisters

Congratulations!



*If you weren't in the middle
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Martha Booker and Lucy DiBianca

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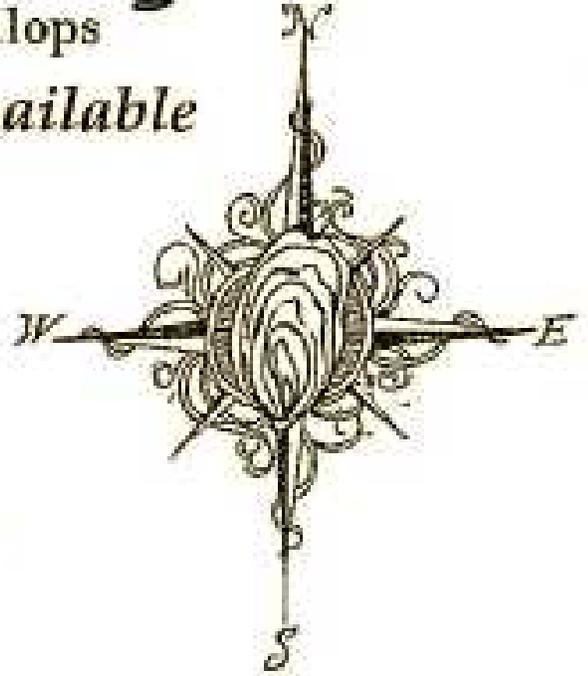
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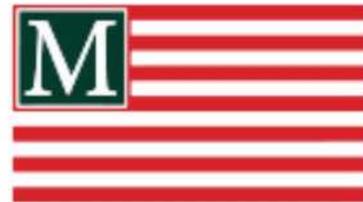


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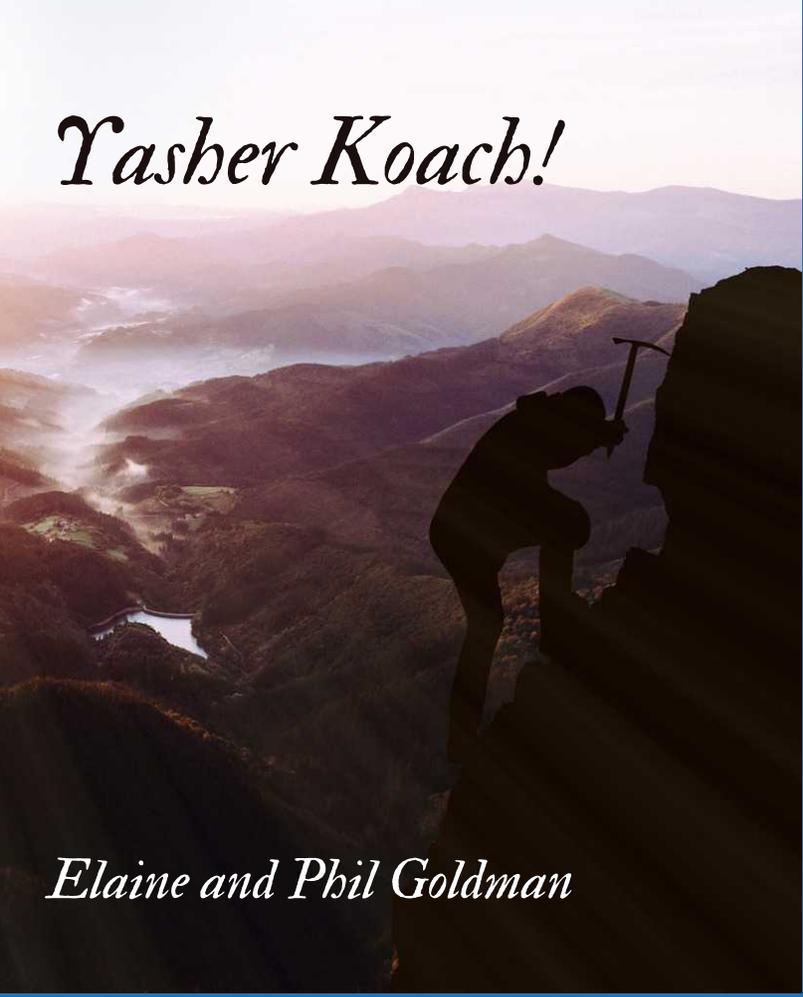
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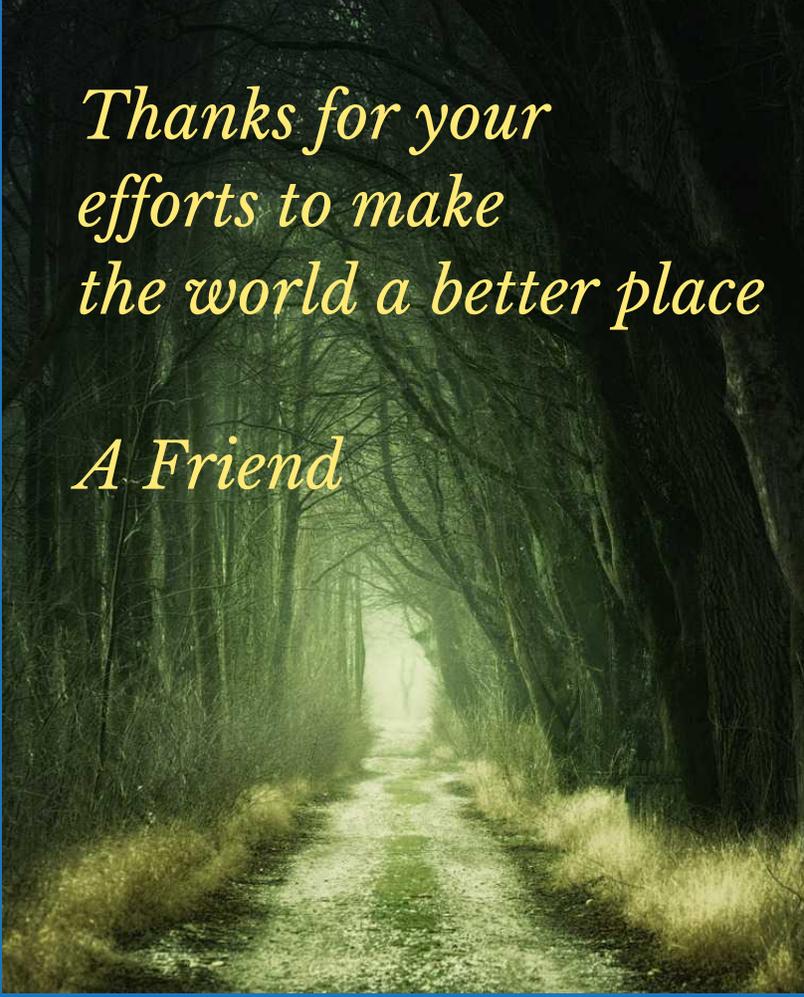
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Yasher Koach!

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*Thanks for your
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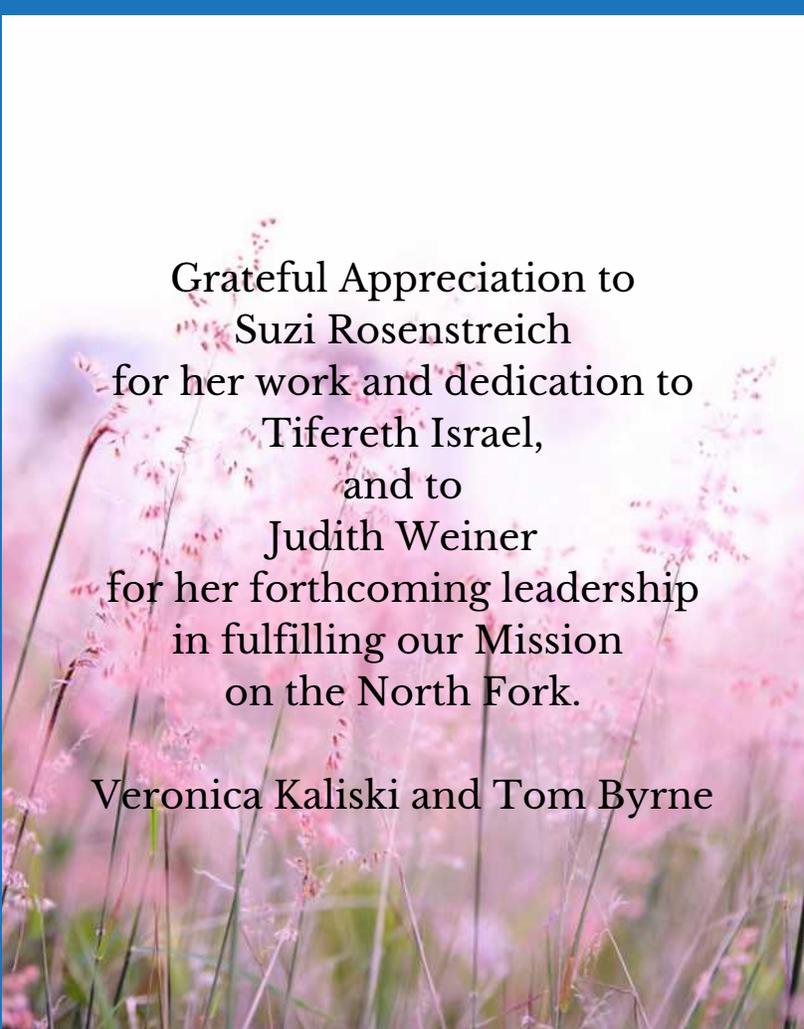
In Loving
Memory of

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Grateful Appreciation to
Suzi Rosenstreich
for her work and dedication to
Tifereth Israel,
and to
Judith Weiner
for her forthcoming leadership
in fulfilling our Mission
on the North Fork.

Veronica Kaliski and Tom Byrne



*We will never forget the momentous
Bar Mitzvah of our son, David.
These memories will always bring us joy and
hope for the future.*

*We thank you Rabbi Gadi,
and the entire congregation for making a
difference in our lives.*

*Congratulations Dr. Rosenstreich
and well wishes to all.*

The Mallin and Latney families.

*In loving memory of
Norman Weiner נ"ע*

*We congratulate his wife,
Judith, as the new president
of
Congregation Tifereth
Israel!*

*With much love,
Joy and Larry Weiner*

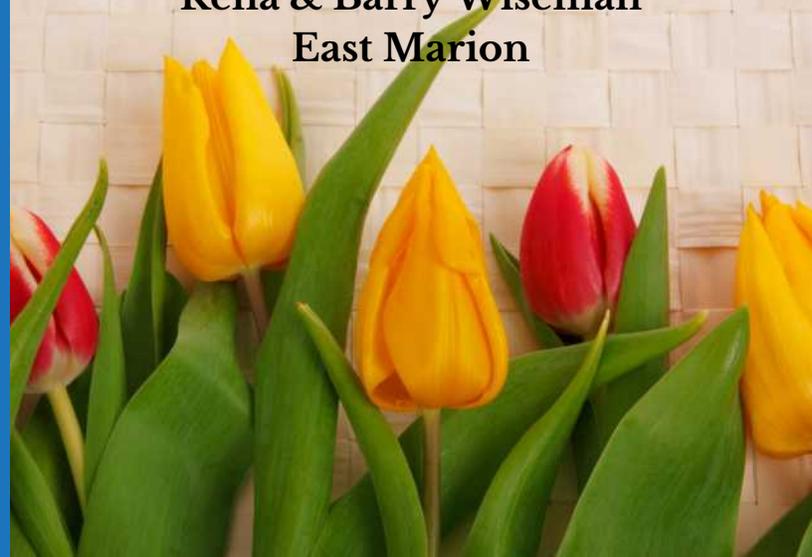
**Thank you
Susan Rosenstreich
For All You Do for CTI**

**Nancy and Daniel
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**Thank you, Susan,
for your welcoming spirit
and your administrative expertise,
which helped to connect all of us
to the synagogue.**

**Congratulations,
Rena & Barry Wiseman
East Marion**

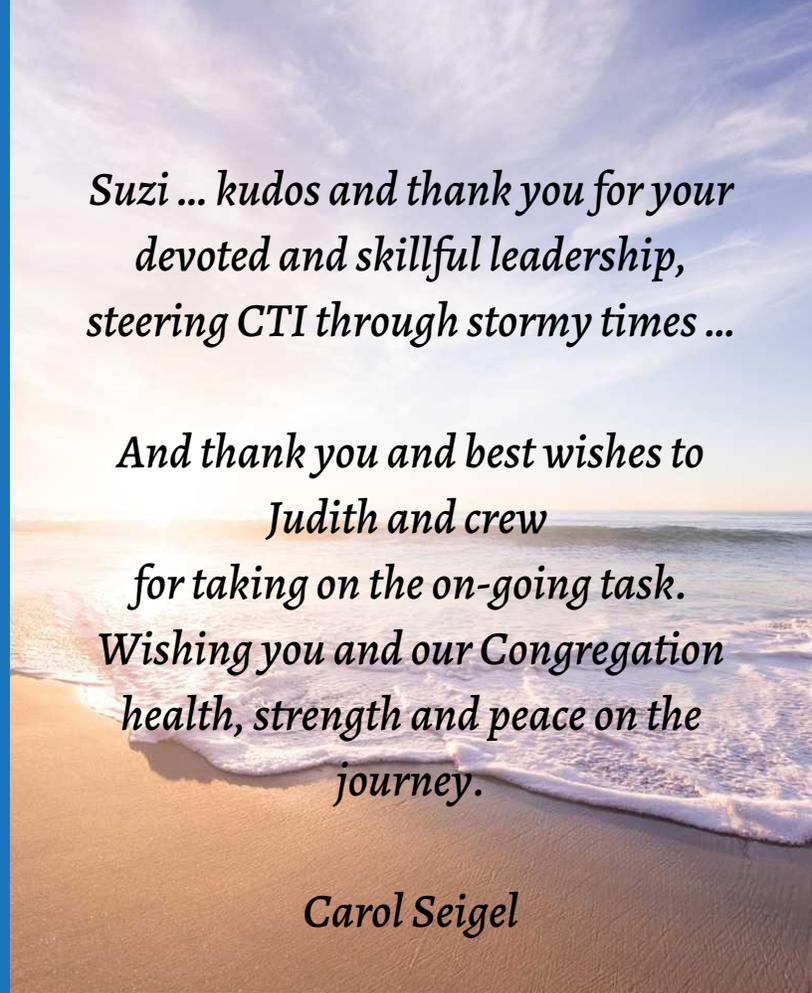




*Congratulations to Susi Rosenstreich
and to Our Shul on its 119th Year.*

*May Congregation Tifereth Israel
continue to serve our
North Fork community for many years to come.*

Larry Kotik and Tim Mueller



*Suzi ... kudos and thank you for your
devoted and skillful leadership,
steering CTI through stormy times ...*

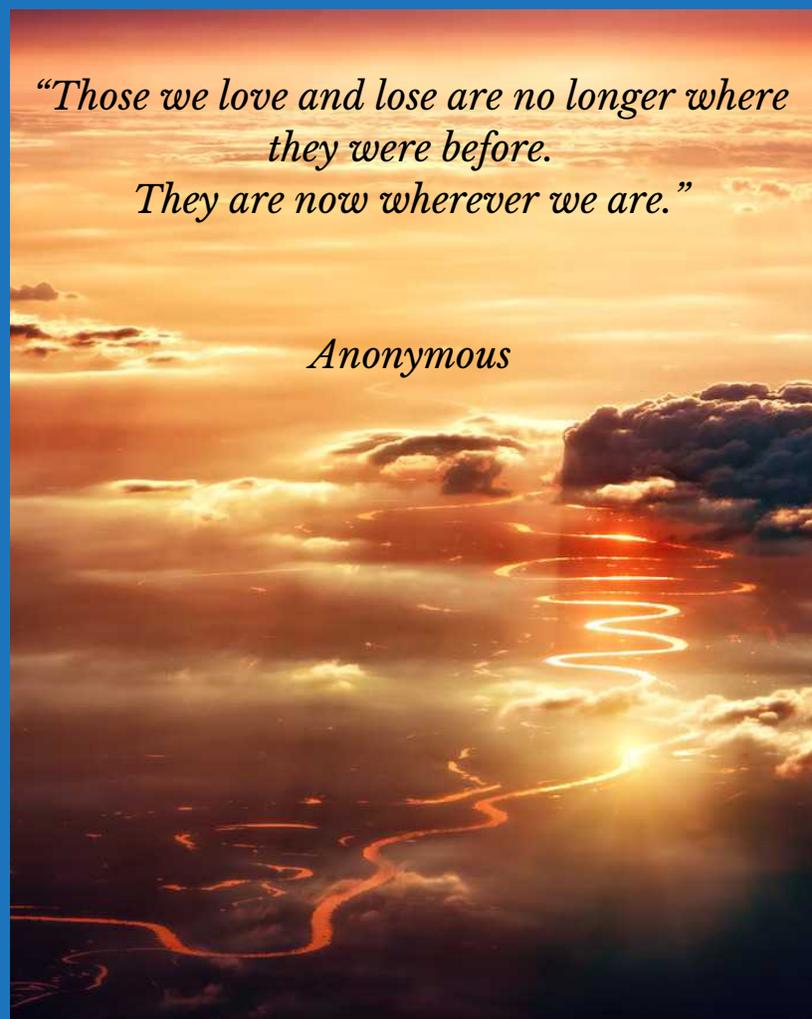
*And thank you and best wishes to
Judith and crew
for taking on the on-going task.
Wishing you and our Congregation
health, strength and peace on the
journey.*

Carol Seigel



*Our congratulations
to Susan!*

Elana, Ella, Ellen



*“Those we love and lose are no longer where
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to the honoree,
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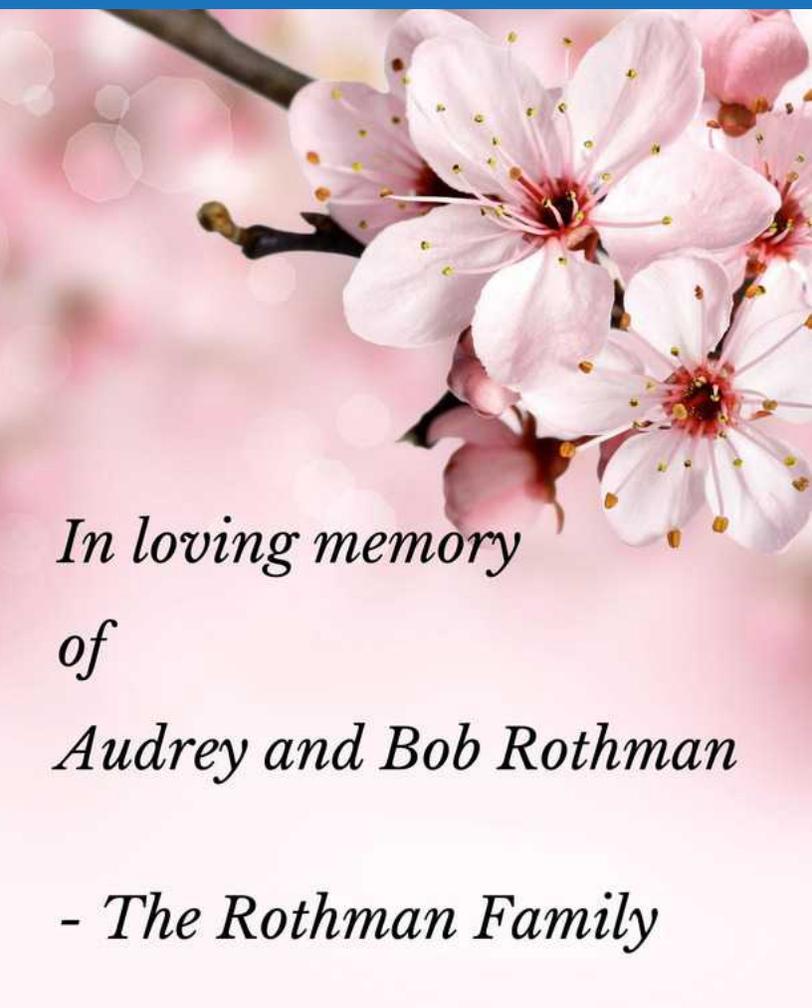
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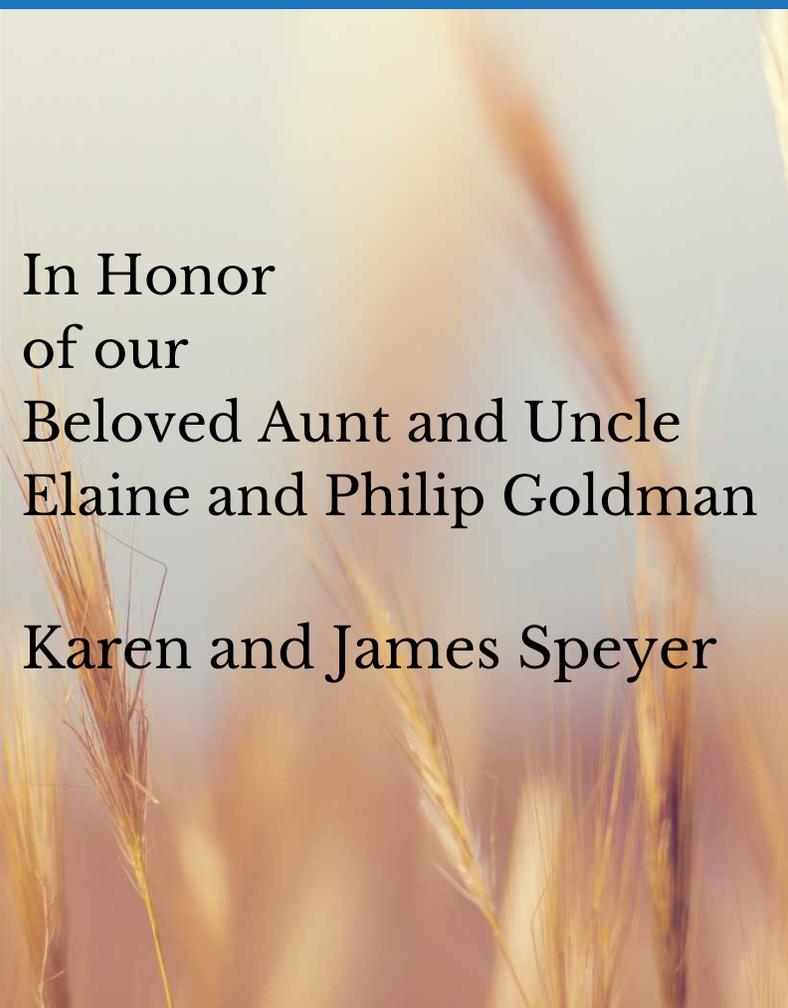
A photograph of several white daisies with yellow centers, growing in a field. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light blue and white.

**Good job Suzi,
Thank You**

Paula

A close-up photograph of pink cherry blossoms with yellow stamens, set against a soft, blurred background of more blossoms.

*In loving memory
of
Audrey and Bob Rothman
- The Rothman Family*

A photograph of golden wheat stalks, slightly out of focus, against a warm, golden-brown background.

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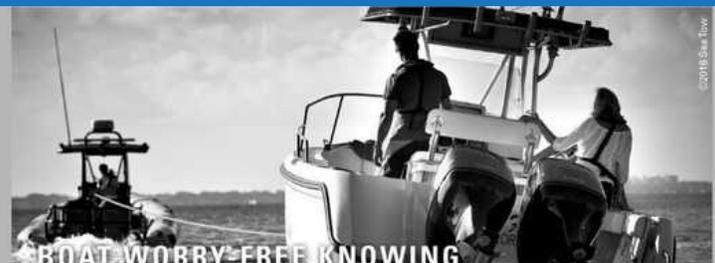
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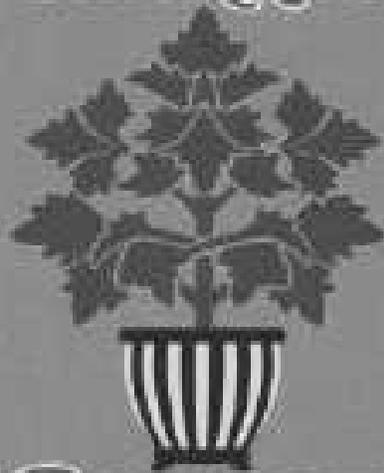
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to the community
and to
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A Salute to Suzi

Each president who has served our synagogue and our congregation brings individual attributes and strengths to the task. We have been blessed these past two years with Susan Rosenstreich at the helm, for our Suzi offered that singular combination of intelligence, fairness and strong sense of duty to the job at hand.

Indeed, this act of serving as president of our congregation is just that — a job, one requiring long hours with few amenities and no pay. Yet, Susan Rosenstreich found joy amid the chaos, satisfaction among the exasperations, and a bounty of successes that comes from diligence and skill.

Suzi rarely, if ever, missed a Shabbat service, a board or congregation meeting, or a gathering of any of the 25 standing committees to which her insights could prove valuable. But being a good president is more than simply showing up. To all of these venues, Suzi brought her whole self — her Biblical knowledge, her sense of religious ritual, her prodigious academic training, and her life experience as a professor and a wife, mother and grandmother — to every policy to be developed, every decision to be implemented.

It is with profound admiration and love that we salute Susan Rosenstreich as Congregation Tifereth Israel's 2020 honoree. Suzi, we are so proud of you.

The Levin-Murphy-Wiederlight family