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A New Year Message From The Editors Of *The Shofar*.

Many thanks to you, our loyal readers, for your contributions and engaged attention to our monthly publication. We extend particular thanks to this year's Congregation presidents, Susan Rosenstreich and Judith Weiner, and to Rabbi Gadi Capela for the thoughtful messages they crafted and submitted each month. May 2021 bring us all peace, good health, happiness and many blessings.

• CALENDAR OF EVENTS •

Shabbat and Holiday Services

Fridays: Erev Shabbat, 7:30 p.m., online only, via Zoom
Saturdays: Shabbat, 9:30 a.m., online only, via Zoom

Learning at our Shul

Mondays, Jan 4, 11, 18 and 25: Hebrew class, 4 p.m., via Zoom
[Please register to attend this class. Call 631-477-0232]

Shul Events

Sunday, Jan. 10: Judaism and Art meeting, noon, via Zoom
Wednesday, Jan. 13: Book Circle, noon, via Zoom
Sunday, Jan. 17: Board of Directors meeting, 9 a.m., via Zoom

Lighting Shabbat Candles in January

Jan. 1: 4:21 Jan. 8: 4:28 Jan. 15: 4:35 Jan. 22: 4:43 Jan. 29: 4:52

Dates to Remember

Friday, Jan. 1: New Year's Day
Thursday, Jan. 28: Tu B'Shevat

(Submission deadline for the February 2021 issue of *The Shofar*: January 20)

From The Rabbi...



“You’re Muted...!”

How does one start to summarize a year like 2020? A year in which so much was beyond our control. A year of re-learning, re-inventing, re-calculating, re-living. At the end of every year, Google publishes the most searched words of the last 12 months. It wouldn’t surprise anyone to find out that this year, the most searched word was “Coronavirus.”

One of the positives of this year’s vicissitudes was the use of Zoom. It brought people together in a new way. It also gave birth to a new locution: “You’re muted...!” Anyone who used Zoom this year, which is pretty much everyone, has heard those words a lot. What started as a minor annoyance quickly became an amusing mantra. “You’re muted... You’re muted...!”

I find this to be one of the most fascinating phenomena of this year. It was a year we learned to mute ourselves and to let other people speak. It taught us to be silent, to wait our turn, and not take for granted that we can speak and be heard instantaneously. What Robert’s Rules of Order couldn’t do since 1876, Zoom did in one year. A social experiment in finding our voice. Perhaps this is the ultimate message that God is waiting for us to internalize — that our voice is not ours alone, but part of a shared conversation.

In Parashat Miketz, which we always read during Hanukkah, Joseph’s lot changes in an instant from the depths to the heights (from Bira Amikta L’igra Rama). In one day, he is hurled from jail to becoming the viceroy of Egypt, from incarceration to beyond imagination. But in between, when Pharaoh was expecting to hear Joseph’s solution to his dreams, Joseph used the key word — Bil’aday — without me. He was telling Pharaoh that his voice was really God’s voice. And just like the story of Hanukkah, in one quick act, the light shines through again.

We are not muted as long as we can keep telling our story together. More importantly, to make the story, continue to create the story. We did it during worse times. Even if we think we’re muted, God continues to hear.

The Talmud tells us that when we go up to heaven, one of the first questions we will be asked is whether we were sincerely hopeful in our lives, whether we sincerely expected to be saved and redeemed at any moment. Because only then can we experience the swift hand of God. It may not come for a while, but when it’s time, it will be quick, as though waking up from a dream. When we mute ourselves for a minute, we let God’s voice come through.

With hopes for complete healing in 2021,

—Rabbi Gadi Capela



Jewish Burial Ground

Rabbi Gadi Capela, president of the East End Jewish Community Council, has negotiated the sale of discounted burial plots in the designated Adrien Felder section of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism Cemetery in Calverton. Plots are available for purchase at \$1,650.

For more information, call Rabbi Gadi at 631-477-0232, or email him at rabbigadi@gmail.com

From The President...



“A New Normal”

That phrase, a new normal, is one we often associate with some life-altering illness or enduring circumstances, yes, like the COVID pandemic that has upended the global community. But today, as we look forward, I think we can agree that our new normal offers new opportunities and redeeming features. Ultimately, I believe there will be even more to surprise and delight us.

Look at what has occurred in our little synagogue. In 2020 alone, we have 17 new members. Consider that for the past 10 months, we have been operating exclusively in a virtual reality. We see each other in a little square on a computer screen. Some of our new members never have been inside our synagogue building, and have seen our beautiful sanctuary only online. Also in 2020, the High Holidays Matching Gift Campaign has raised almost five times the revenue of the previous year. That represents 83 donors. In the fundraising arena, that is a staggering number that represents almost 75% of our population. And the campaign is still not closed.

And consider this: attendance is up at every service. The Friday night Shabbat service? Robust attendance. A minyan for the Saturday Torah service from the sanctuary? No problem now. The Zoom platform loves Rabbi Gadi, and our members and guests respond to the warmth of his services. Every time we learn about a congregant’s skill or interest, another Lunch and Learn program takes shape. Even the Shul Schmooze is more entertaining than ever, thanks to new contributors. We even turned a recent snowstorm into an opportunity to connect with our members by activating our telephone chain to check on people isolated in their homes.

A new normal is the tactic of our time. And we are riding the wave with a renewed sense of optimism and a vision for our future. It is only our limitations that we cannot envision.

—Judith K. Weiner

• SHUL NEWS AND NOTES •

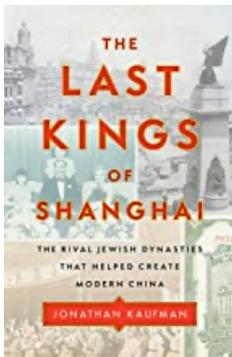
Our Membership Miracle

Even in a pandemic, our shul has added to its membership roll. *The Shofar* joins the congregation in welcoming Emanuel Bloom and Elizabeth Levi Senigaglia of New York City; Linda Feigelson of Orient and New York City; Nathan Graf and Marisa Ryan of Shelter Island, Jerry Ronkin of Florida, Ken and Nancy Stein of East Marion, Jurgen Riehle and Margo Perman of Greenport, Rob Brown and Suri Lan-Brown of Plainview, Richard and Dania Schwartz of East Marion and West Palm Beach, and Rabbi Charles Simon of New York City.

In addition, we are thrilled to welcome back Leah Friedman (with one n), who left us for New York City and now has returned to Shelter Island, a brief ferry ride from our shul; and also Marian Friedmann (with two n’s), who joins us on Zoom from her East End Avenue aerie, where she gardens and enjoys the New York City views.

We got to know our new and returning members at a Happy Hour event on Dec. 14. Great turnout. Thanks to all for making it memorable.

Book Circle Studies Rival Dynasties That Opened Modern China



The next meeting of the Book Circle will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 13, at noon, on Zoom. The selection for the month is *The Last Kings of Shanghai: The Rival Jewish Dynasties That Helped Create Modern China* by Jonathan Kaufman.

The writer tells the remarkable history of how two families participated in an economic boom that opened China to the world. The story stretches from Baghdad to Hong Kong to Shanghai to London, entering the lives of these ambitious men and women who engaged in opium smuggling, family rivalry, political intrigue and survival.

The Book Circle meets each month to explore books on Jewish themes and Jewish writers. For more information, call the shul at 631-477-0232 and leave a message for Susan Rosenstreich, coordinator of the group.

Random Reads: A Variety Of New Books With Jewish Content



- **Lee and Me: An Intimate portrait of Lee Krasner, by Ruth Appelhof**

Lee Krasner is one of the major woman artists of the 20th century. This memoir is full of firsthand material based on interviews with Krasner and with her friends, fellow artists, gallerists and curators. Often seen in her role as Pollock's companion and then widow, Krasner made important contributions to the development of American abstract expressionism. The book arose from the author's summer with the artist in 1974.

- **Jewish Sports Legends: The International Jewish Sports Hall of Fame, by Joseph Siegman**

Following the 1972 Olympics, one sportswriter referred to Mark Spitz, winner of seven gold medals, as "the first great Jewish athlete." He couldn't have been more wrong. As this book shows, Jews have excelled at athletics for centuries.

- **The Great Kosher Meat War of 1902: Immigrant Housewives and the Riots That Shook New York City, by Scott D. Seligman**

On May 15, 1902, 3,000 Jewish women quietly took up positions on the streets of Manhattan's Lower East Side. Convinced by the latest jump in the price of kosher meat that they were being gouged, they assembled in squads of five, intent on shutting down every kosher butcher shop in New York's Jewish quarter. —Compiled by Miriam Gabriel

A Big 'Thank You' To Our Lunch and Learn Presenters

The Lunch and Learn program extends a big "thank you" to all of our 2020 presenters, from our first program on Monday, April 20, with Ron Rothman, through December 31, with Rabbi Gadi. Applause, applause, applause to our presenters: Adrienne Greenberg, Marian Friedmann, Susan Rosenstreich, Deborah Pittorino, Cantor Melissa Berman, Ladan Shalom-Murray, Elizabeth Holtzman, Saul Rosenstreich, Nancy and Dan Torchio, Dr. Lewis Teperman, Ellen Jaffe, Francis Dubois, Roberta Garris, Dede Whitsit, Bill Packard, Cookie and Michael Slade, Miriam Gabriel,

Sylvia Daly, Rachel Levin Murphy, Ellen Wiederlight, Jody Levin, Stephen Brumberg, Jack Weiskott, Kasa Bayisin, Josh Clauss, Sara Bloom and, of course, Rabbi Gadi who offered facets of Judaism every Thursday at noon.

Zoom at noon every Monday and Thursday in 2021. Bring lunch. Bring curiosity. Bring imagination. Bring an individual perspective and a willingness to connect to our shul and learn.

Oculus: Eye On Art



This month's Oculus feature, titled "A Virtual Service," is an imaginative and playful mixed-media work by Saul Rosenstreich, coordinator of the shul's Judaism and Art group. To fully appreciate the artist's vision, you can visit the source, which takes place every Friday evening at 7:30 p.m., on Zoom.

"In the warm light of our living room, sitting beside my wife in front of a laptop for Shabbat services on Zoom, I have often been struck with how the screen resembles a brightly lighted stage, and the keys like so many rows of seats below. I have imagined that the figures on the screen are in box seats to either side of the stage, and that the Rabbi is on the bimah in a different plane of space beyond the proscenium of the screen. The scale of the figures is obviously too small. But in spite of all these incongruities, I have imagined a spiritual space.

How to represent this feeling? Chagall's floating figures came to mind, but not the fixed grid of figures from a screen shot and certainly not the laptop itself. The final result in collage and acrylic paint on canvas hints of the imagined space without a trace of the laptop."

—Photo by the artist

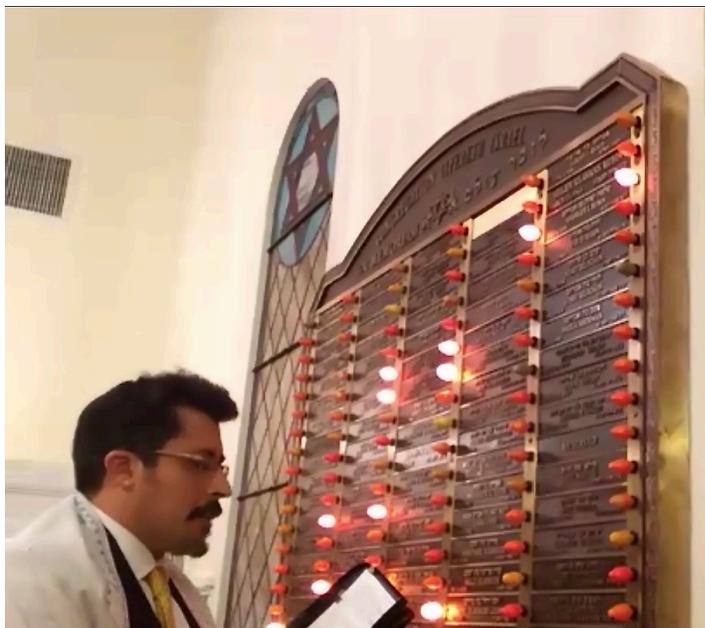
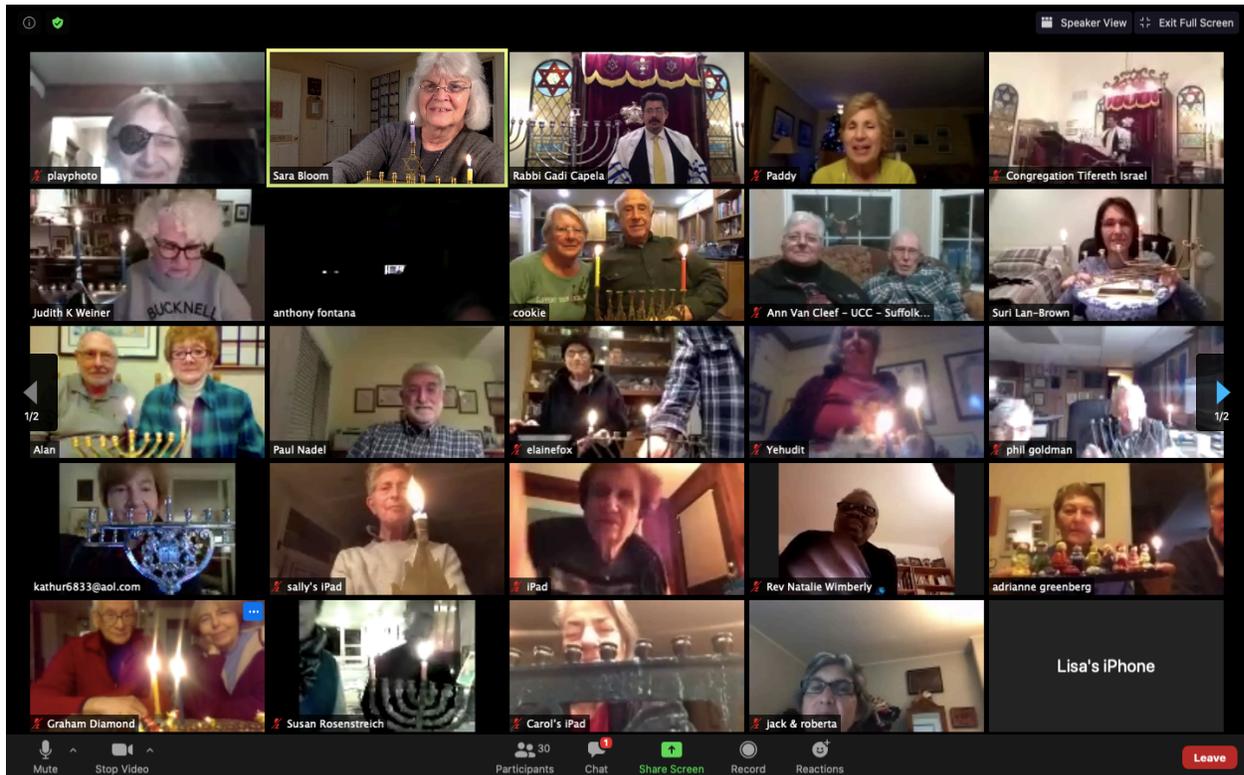
An Update On The High Holidays Matching Gift Campaign

As promised, *The Shofar* has been monitoring the flow of funds in response to the High Holidays Matching Gift Campaign, which kicked off with a challenge to members and friends to meet the match. This is the first time that our shul has appealed for funds in this way, and families have been contributing generously in order to take advantage of the dollar-for-dollar match, some of them contributing additional funds for the match when sending in annual synagogue membership dues and Sisterhood/Men's Club dues.

Keep in mind that each day's mail brings additions to the match. However, the most recent tabulation by shul treasurer Alan Garmise is that, so far, an impressive 83 separate contributions have been added to the match.

As we look to the future of a Jewish presence here in Greenport, to our historic building, and to the spiritual, educational and social programs that keep us connected to our past as well as our future, we must act in the present. If you have not yet contributed, we hope you will participate with a gift to our shul at P.O. Box 659, Greenport, NY, 11944.

Rabbi Gadi Leads Menorah Lighting, Rubin Unveiling On Zoom



Hanukkah arrived on Dec. 10, and what a festival of lights it was. Rabbi Gadi led prayers and songs from the sanctuary, while more than 60 members and friends joined on Zoom with their menorahs, ready to light them in unison with Rabbi Gadi. Prior to lighting the menorahs in the sanctuary and in homes across the North Fork, Rabbi Gadi unveiled the memorial plaque for Stanley Rubin, our long-time gabbai and a beloved member of our shul.

Zoom events throughout the coronavirus pandemic, including High Holiday services, Shabbat services, Hanukkah events, membership events, board and congregation meetings, and Lunch and Learn presentations have maintained Jewish life for our members and guests.

—Zoom screen shots by SMBloom



Shul Members Respond Generously To CAST Request For Personal Items

When an announcement was circulated to shul members that CAST (Community Action Southold Town) was soliciting personal care items for clients in need during the Christmas season, the congregation responded with dental supplies, lotions, baby items, and other necessities important to the health and well-being of the organization's clients.

Four shul members — Veronica Kaliski, Suzi Rosenstreich, Madelyn Rothman and Cookie Slade — spearheaded the request for donations, announcing that a box would be left by the shul's kitchen door, where items could be deposited and then delivered to CAST by the women. The box soon was overflowing with supplies, as the photo showing the first delivery clearly attests. To date, 15 bags of items have been donated. With cash contributions, the women purchased items.

The Christmas drive concluded successfully, with grateful thanks from CAST to our shul members and the four holiday elves who made it a happy Christmas for neighbors in need.

—MRothman photo

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Nine-Year-Old Boy Discovers Gold Bead From Era Of First Temple



The Temple Mount Sifting Project allows non-specialists of all ages to aid archaeologists sorting through large piles of soil displaced from the area of Judaism's holiest site. After suspending operations for some time due to the coronavirus, it recently resumed, which led a Jerusalem schoolboy named Binyamin Milt to discover a gold bead that the experts at first dismissed as a modern object. Later it was shown to Gabriel Barkay, one of the project's directors.

When Barkay held the bead, his first response was, "I recognize this type of bead," and he recalled that he had found several similar items when excavating burial systems from the First Temple period in Katef Hinom in Jerusalem. There the beads were made of silver, but were identical in shape and in their manufacturing method, called granulation.

Beads of this type were found also in several other sites over the country, and the layers in which they were found were dated to various periods, from the 13th century BCE [believed to be the era of the Exodus] up to the 4th century BCE [the early Second Temple period], with the overwhelming majority dating to the Iron Age [12th to 6th centuries BCE.] Several similar beads made of gold were also found at other Iron Age sites in Israel.

The bead is roughly cylindrical, with a hole at its center. Its diameter measures 6mm and its height 4mm, and it is built of four layers, each made of tiny gold balls adhered one to the other in a flower shape. Gold being a precious metal that does not tarnish or rust, the bead's state of preservation is excellent.

Archaeologists believe the bead likely was used as a decoration on a priestly vestment.

Well-Preserved Hasmonean-Era Oil Lamp Found In Jerusalem



Archaeologists have unearthed an oil lamp from the Hasmonean Period in the City of David in Jerusalem. The 2,000-year-old lantern, which has been preserved in its entirety, was discovered during excavations in the Old City of Jerusalem, led by the Israel Antiquities Authority (IAA) and the Ir David Foundation.

Archaeologists were excavating the road that was used for pilgrimages in the days of the Second Temple. The road is nearly 600 meters (2,000 feet) long and eight meters (26 feet) wide. It connects the Siloam Pool in the south of the City of David and the foot of the Temple Mount.

The oil lamp is made of clay and has plant decorations on its tip, probably a branch with leaves. It is typical of the first century BCE, at the end of the Hasmonean rule during the Second Temple period.

IAA director of excavations Ari Levy said that these oil lamps and candles were used for different purposes, from simple everyday uses, such as lighting rooms and streets, to religious ceremonial uses like Shabbat. “We are used to finding only parts of them. It’s not every day that we get to find one preserved in its entirety,” Levy said.

Supreme Court Hears Two Holocaust Survivors’ Cases

The U.S. Supreme Court heard two cases concerning whether American courts have a role in deciding whether Hungary and Germany must pay for property said to have been stolen from Jews before and during WWII, the *New York Times* said.

The Hungarian case, Republic of Hungary v. Simon, was brought by 14 Holocaust survivors, four of them United States citizens, who said their property was stolen by Hungary and its state-owned railway, which deported hundreds of thousands of Jews to Nazi death camps in the summer of 1944.

The German case, Federal Republic of Germany v. Philipp, concerns the Guelph Treasure, a trove of medieval religious art that was once owned by a consortium of Jewish art dealers in Frankfurt and that is now estimated to be worth \$250 million.

A decision is expected in late winter or spring.

New Exhibit Focuses On Jews Who Fought Back Against Nazis

While the basic facts of the 1943 Warsaw Ghetto uprising are relatively well known, few are aware of the numerous other instances of Jewish resistance against the Third Reich, according to Mosaic, an online Jewish news site. A new exhibit at the Wiener Holocaust Library in London aims to set the record straight. The exhibit makes clear that in every European country which fell under Nazi rule, Jews resisted the Germans, their allies and their collaborators.

Warsaw and Bialystok, where several hundred Jewish fighters launched a short-lived uprising in August 1933, were just two of the seven major and 45 smaller ghettos in occupied Poland and the Soviet Union, where Jewish underground groups operated. In Krakow, Vilna, Kovno, Bedzin, and Czestochowa, Jews took up arms against their persecutors

The Minsk ghetto also saw an audacious effort to smuggle out Jews and sabotage German factories. The exhibition highlights the story of Mikhail Gebelev, who organized mass escapes, and helped 10,000 of the 100,000 imprisoned there successfully get away.

Jewish Foundation Donates Over \$300,000 To Righteous Gentiles

In time for Christmas, the Jewish Foundation For the Righteous (JFR), headquartered in West Orange, NJ, sent more than \$300,000 to Polish gentiles who rescued Jews during the Holocaust. The financial assistance included \$2,500 for each of the 110 righteous Poles who had been identified by Yad Vashem. The awards will go towards the purchase of food and other needed items, like medications and home heating fuel. This is the largest award that JFR has made in its 30-year history of charitable giving.

Also sent this year was a \$10,000 grant to the Anne Frank Foundation in Basel, Switzerland. A separate grant of \$5,000 was made to the kosher food pantry in Warsaw for the distribution of food parcels to righteous gentiles living there.

The increased gifts demonstrate the JFR's commitment to helping righteous gentiles, particularly during the COVID pandemic that has created shortages of food and medications and funds to purchase these items, said Stanlee Stahl, the organization's executive vice president. "This financial assistance is just one of the ways we can offer our boundless gratitude for all that they did to save Jews during the Holocaust."

• JEWS IN THE NEWS •

Janet Yellen



U.S. President-elect Joseph R. Biden Jr. has nominated former U.S. Federal Reserve chairwoman Janet Yellen to be Secretary of the Treasury. If confirmed by the U.S. Senate, Yellen would be the first woman to lead the 231-year-old U.S. Treasury Department.

Yellen was the first woman to lead the Federal Reserve, which is America's central banking system. She served as chair between 2014 and 2018, and was the body's vice chair from 2010 to 2014, following an earlier term as a member of its board of governors and as president of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco.

In related news, Biden announced the appointment of economist Jared Bernstein as a member of the Council of Economic Advisers.

Hayley Orlinsky



When Hayley Orlinsky of Chicago learned on the news in March that doctors and nurses were running low on masks amid the frantic early weeks of the COVID pandemic, she wanted to help. She ran to her room and made a friendship bracelet. She told her mom she wanted to sell the bracelets to make money for one of the hospitals.

With a video on Facebook, the idea took flight, and Hayley's rubber band bracelets began to sell. She thought she might make around \$200. As of Dec. 16, the *New York Times* reported that she had sold about 9,000 bracelets and had raised more than \$22,000 for the Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago. Hayley said she would continue making bracelets until COVID was over.

Jeffrey Rosen

Jeffrey Adam Rosen is an American lawyer who has served as the United States Deputy Attorney General since 2019, and will become Acting United States Attorney General of the Trump administration upon the resignation of William Barr on December 23, 2020.

In an interview with the New York Times about his approach to the law, Mr. Rosen said, “At the end of the day, it doesn’t matter what politicians say. It matters what the facts and the economic analysis and the law are. That guides our decisions.”

• OBITUARIES •

Joseph Safra

Joseph Safra, a Lebanese-born financier, who became the world’s richest banker after building an international business empire in Brazil, his adopted country, has died. He was 82.

The scion of a Sephardi Jewish family, Safra was born in Beirut and was guided by his financier father, Jacob. Famous for his discretion and conservatism, Safra chaired until his death the Safra Group, a conglomerate spanning banking, property, cellulose and bananas. Forbes magazine estimated his wealth this month at \$23 billion, making him the world’s 63rd richest person and its wealthiest banker, according to the *Financial Times*.

The Safra Group’s extensive global property portfolio includes London’s Gherkin building, one of the city’s most distinctive landmarks, 660 Madison Ave. in New York City, J. Safra Sarasin private bank in Switzerland, Safra National Bank of New York.

Known for his philanthropy, Safra donated Rodin sculptures to a São Paulo public museum, gave money to two hospitals in the city, and funded the construction of a lavish synagogue. The family’s best-known gift came via the Jacob Safra Foundation, which gave Albert Einstein’s original manuscript on the theory of relativity to the Israel Museum in Jerusalem.

Guido Goldman

Guido Goldman, who used his vast inherited wealth and extensive network of friendships in politics and the arts to help rebuild America’s relationship with Germany after WWII, died Nov. 30 at his home in Concord, MA. He was 83.

Mr. Goldman’s fingerprints can be found on many of the leading postwar academic and cultural institutions linking the United States and Germany, including the Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies at Harvard University, which he founded with his mentors Henry Kissinger and Stanley Hoffmann.

Mr. Goldman’s father, who was president of the World Zionist Organization, instilled in his sons a commitment to social justice, which led Mr. Goldman to underwrite civil rights activism in the 1960s and ‘70s.

Already rich from his mother’s inheritance, Mr. Goldman amassed even more wealth during the 1970s and ‘80s as a real estate investor and private money manager — money he gladly and often anonymously dispensed among his friends and people he admired, including civil rights activists like Harry Belafonte and Marian Wright Edelman, the founder of the Children’s Defense Fund, the *New York Times* said.

Jack Steinberger

Jack Steinberger, who shared the 1988 Nobel Prize in physics for expanding understanding of the ghostly neutrino, a subatomic particle, died Dec.12 at his home in Geneva. He was 99.

The neutrino's existence was first proposed in 1931, but finding one proved difficult. It has no electrical charge, travels at nearly the speed of light, and has almost no mass. Not until 1956, when ways to smash atoms and examine the debris were developed, was one detected.

Six years later, Dr. Steinberger joined with two fellow Columbia University physicists, Melvin Schwartz and Leon M. Lederman, to show that two types of neutrinos existed. Just as significant, they devised a method to produce a beam composed of vast numbers of neutrinos at very high energies to study one of the basic forces of nature.

In bestowing the physics prize on the three men, the Nobel awards committee said they had "opened new opportunities for research into the structure and dynamics of matter."

He was born in Bad Kissingen in Bavaria, Germany. His father was a cantor and religious teacher to the town's small Jewish community. With the rise of the Nazis, his parents arranged for him to go to the U.S. with the help of the American Jewish charities. He was placed in the home of a wealthy grain broker named Barnett Faroll, who several years later arranged for his parents and brothers to join them in Chicago, rescuing them from the Holocaust.

• COMMEMORATIONS •

Yahrzeits In January

- 1: Lillian Silberberg
- 2: Arnold Jaffe; Dr. Melvin Shengold
- 4: Jean Birman, Dr. Arthur Goldin; Jennie Levinson;
- 5: Rose Wasserman
- 7: Phil Rosenstein
- 8: Ida Sausmer
- 9: Toivo Jarvi
- 10: Marcia B. Block; Martha Levin
- 11: Herman Millman; Gerald Nathel; Stanley Sydney
- 12: Norma Good; Nedjat Lazar; Steven Newman; Alvin Robins; Dr. William Sausmer
- 14: Nathan Forman; Rose Katz Grossman; Julius Levine; Mel Morrell
- 15: Jed Clauss; Monir Lazar; Benjamin Lipman; Ralph J. Michelson and his five brothers
- 16: Annie Bush; Rebecca Edelstein; Louis Felder; Anna Neimark
- 17: Helen Newman
- 18: Clara Nissenfeld
- 19: Adrian Felder; Herbert R. Mandel
- 10: Bella Schwartz
- 22: Morris Budofsky; Evelyn Rosenbaum
- 23: Victor Friedman
- 24: David J. Brown; Jeffrey Doss; Gladys Feinberg; Yehuda L. Levinson; Joan Slade
- 25: Rebecca Revere
- 26: Anna Posner
- 27: Tillie Chroborsky; Dorothy Kaplan
- 28: Jack Dalven
- 30: Oscar Goldin; Donna Nadel; the Rev. David Orliansky
- 31: Adele Blanche Lustig; Samuel Joseph Pelovitz

Birthdays in January

2: Molly Byrne
3: Seth Greenseid
4: Stanley Kaplan
8: Alan Weinstein
20: Sara Bloom; Carly Teperman
22: JoAnn Blumberg
24: Veronica Kaliski

Please share your celebrations with the shul family. Forward the month and day of your birthdays and anniversaries and those of your immediate family to Sara Bloom at sbblazer@hotmail.com

Refuah Shlemah

Jane Sachs
Jody Levin
Paul Birman
Thelma Novick
Harold (Hal) Neimark
Menachem Bloom

• MONEY MATTERS •

Donations in December

Alan and Rochelle Garmise
Philip and Elaine Goldman
Ann Hurwitz
Diana Whitsit
Paula Shengold
Colleen Clark
Thelma Novick
Carol Seigel
Philip and Elaine Goldman
Roberta Katcher
Dr. Richard Schwartz and Daria Kier Schwartz
Richard Smith
Irma Strimban
Jack Weiskott and Roberta Garris
Sara Bloom
Z. Micah Kaplan, MD, and Gayle Kaplan
Gerald Ronkin
Joyce Shapiro
F. Marc and Ellen Wiederlight
Anthony and Zipporah Fontana
Peter Krasnow and Christine Cerny
Joshua and Dawn Teyuca

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Carol Levin
Hoppy's Cleaners
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Southold Quarry, Inc.
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Dr. James Speyer and Karen Speyer

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, 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.

Spread Sunshine With A Sisterhood Sunshine Card

On the front, our historic sanctuary greets the recipient; an acknowledgment of your generosity appears inside.



A donation has
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In times of celebration as well as those of sadness, a card to a family member or friend is a welcome expression of love. Purchase a Sunshine Card from the Sisterhood by calling Andrea Blaga, the shul's office assistant, at 631-477-0232. Relay your message to Andrea, and she will send a Sunshine Card, indicating that a donation has been made to the Sisterhood.

You can mail your donation to the Sisterhood (P.O. Box 659, Greenport, NY, 11944) or go to the shul's "donate tab" on our website (www.tiferethisraelgreenport.org), where you can use a credit card for payment. Your loved one and the Sisterhood appreciate your thoughtfulness.

As a fundraiser, Sisterhood is selling the cards at \$18 each (chai) or three for \$36 (double chai). Get yours by calling Andrea, and paying by mail or online by credit card.

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• 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 Paul Nadel: 631-734-8519

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Yahrzeits:

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Shul president Judith K. Weiner is an ex officio member of all shul committees.