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The Month of Tishrei

Tishrei, the first month of the Jewish year, is filled with meaningful days of observance and celebration. In this month, we recognize Rosh Hashanah, the Days of Awe, Yom Kippur, Sukkot and Simchat Torah. Each one is filled with its own customs and rituals. Some days are serious, times set aside for reflection and soul-searching. Some days are joyous, full of happy and cheerful celebration.

But all the days throughout the month of Tishrei are opportunities to connect, to be inspired, and to become more fulfilled and in-tune with our true inner selves. Tishrei is considered the head of the year, the reservoir from which we draw our strength and inspiration throughout the year ahead.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS •

Shabbat and Holiday Services

(On Zoom; in-person with Covid vaccination/booster; masks optional but recommended)

Fridays: Erev Shabbat, 7:30 p.m.; Saturdays: Shabbat, 9:30 a.m. [High Holidays services: see separate schedule, attached]

Learning at our Shul

Hebrew class will resume Monday, Nov. 21, following High Holidays and Rabbi's Israel trip Beginner Hebrew Class w/Rabbi Gadi and a team of Israelis will resume Sunday, Oct. 23, 3 p.m.

Shul Events

Lunch and Learn: on hiatus; fall restart date TBA Book Circle: Thursday, Oct. 20, 4 p.m.

Put up the Sukkah: Friday, Oct. 7, 10 a.m.

Board of Directors meeting: Sunday, Oct. 16: 9 a.m.; Congregation meeting: 10 a.m., on Zoom Ritual Committee meeting: Thursday, Oct. 20, 10 a.m., on Zoom Judaism and Art meeting: Thursday, Oct. 20, 8:30 p.m., on Zoom

Lighting Shabbat Candles in October

Oct. 7: 6:10 Oct. 14: 5:59 Oct. 21: 5:48 Oct. 28: 5:39

Deadline for the November 2022 issue of *The Shofar* is October 20

From The Rabbi...

"Long Live the Queen!"



With the death and funeral of Queen Elizabeth II this week, hosts of people gathered around her coffin, waiting in never-ending queues just to get a glimpse of her majesty, even if just her spirit. It was the most watched event in human history. The "queen of the world" had passed away. People saw her as a symbol of the Monarchy, but also as a mother and a grandmother, the head of a family deeply rooted in history. She was a constant in an ever-changing world who extended way beyond her entitlement. It's hard to be cynical about this historic moment.

Surely, there are those who do not love what she stood for. Those who see The Crown as a symbol of a dominating power, exploiting other peoples through Imperialism and Colonialism. Even though the funeral was a religious service at a

church, the processions and everything in between displayed military power. After all, the queen's coffin was carried on a gun carriage to Westminster Abbey. It was in England in 1534 that King Henry VIII, whom the Pope titled "The defender of the faith" for going against the recent Reformation, decided then to usurp the religious authority in his kingdom for himself by starting the Anglican Church. The opposite happened in ancient Israel with the Maccabees of the Hasmonean family, who were religious leaders but seized the kingship after their victories over the Greeks. They retained absolute power that inevitably brought absolute corruption.

So, what would Judaism have to say about royalty today? Jews have a complicated history with Britain, the first country to expel Jews from Western Europe in 1290. On the other hand, the State of Israel came out of the British mandate over Palestine. Shortly after the establishment of the State of Israel, my own family walked through Yemen to arrive at Aden, the British refugee city at the southern tip of the Arabian Peninsula, to then be flown to Israel. Would Jews, who intimately experienced the double-edged sword of the Royal British Empire, still want the kingship of the Messiah that we pray for every day? Would we want it to resemble the British model? Is it even possible to convince the future generation that it is beneficial? Perhaps there is a different way to unify the people and create "sacredness of something."

When the people of Israel demanded a king from the Prophet Samuel, he warned them that the sense of security they hoped to achieve through a Monarchy would cost them dearly. The king, Samuel explained, would want to increase horses, for instance, as a symbol of power and military. Because horses are expensive to keep, the king would increase your burden, take you and your children to serve him, essentially bringing you back to Egypt. Do you want that?

In November 2003, I was in London for a short business trip, and my parents flew from Israel to meet me. As it happened, it was the day the Queen officially opens Parliament. Queen Elizabeth, who favored horses, was leading the parade in her carriage, with rows and rows of stallions. This event, which is steeped in tradition, is reminiscent of the meticulous details required "in the service of the Jewish Temple," everything majestically prescribed. As much as I appreciate and love the pageantry, pomp and ceremony, I'm not sure I'd like it to come back this way.

For us, God is the King, and Shabbat is the Queen — no thing and no person in the middle. More than the Jewish people have kept Shabbat, Shabbat has kept the Jewish people. Long Live Shabbat the Queen!

Shana Tova U'mtuka.

—Rabbi Gadi Capela

Rabbi Gadi has organized a trip to Israel, 11 days and 10 nights, from Nov. 6-18, 2022. The itinerary includes sightseeing and activities in Tel Aviv, Galilee and the Golan Heights, Jerusalem, the Dead Sea to the Red Sea, Eilat, and Rehoboth (Rabbi Gadi's hometown). Book now with a \$300 deposit.

For more information, email rabbigadi@gmail.com/.

From The President...



"The Treasures of Soul and Spirit"

The High Holidays. This truly is a wonderful time of the year to come together with joy and solemnity....with feasting and fasting...and with prayer and inspiration. It is the time of year when we seek out family and embrace our shul community.

In celebration of the season, in 2022 we have taken a giant leap in our financial commitment to strengthen and sustain our shul. Our Leadership

Donors have responded generously: Gold Leadership Donors have contributed \$10,000; Silver Leadership Donors \$5,000, and Bronze Leadership Donors \$2,500. In fact, we have already surpassed last year's total High Holiday giving, which also set a record.

Now we need you to step up. Because of the generosity of our Leadership Donors, every dollar you contribute will be matched 2:1. Your support will help keep the heat on and the air conditioner humming. Your support will enable repairs to the synagogue building and upgrades to the parsonage — our major assets. The funding will also support our hybrid services and programs...and the start of a Hebrew School for our kids.

At this time of the year, when we are united as one people, as one community, please remember that our shul...the soul and spirit of our community...needs your support.

L'Shanah Tovah to our shul family.

—Judith K. Weiner

SHUL NEWS AND NOTES

We Welcome A New Member

The Shofar joins Rabbi Gadi, the board of directors, and the congregation in welcoming Sharyn Grossman of Manhattan and Greenport as a new member of our shul. We look forward to participating with you in the spiritual, educational and social activities we offer. Best wishes and L'Shanah Tovah.

It's An Art Show Opening At ilon Art Gallery In The Heart Of Harlem



The opening of a group show at the ilon Art Gallery in New York featured recent paintings by shul president Judith K. Weiner, whose innovative work is representative of New York City's current art scene. Flanking her painting, "Pandemic Windows," are,

from left, shul members Nancy Torchio, the artist, Carol Ingall and Stephen Brumberg, who attended the opening of "Abstracted," with a gathering of invited artists and collectors. @ilonartgallery Gallery photo

It's a Birthday Party...



Shul members, friends, toddlers, newborns, and two rambunctious dogs joined together on the grounds of the parsonage on August 28 for an old-fashioned pot luck supper to celebrate Rabbi Gadi's 50th birthday. Revelers also saluted the rabbi's colleagues, Father Roy on his 65th birthday, and Don Russo on his upcoming 80th. Pictured, from left, shul members Phyllis Bocien, Sara Bloom, Ann Hurwitz, Lou and Helaine Tepperman, Rabbi Gadi, and Mark Solomon.

It's A TOI Trunk Show...



It's a TOI Trunk Show, starring school supplies. Wow! Check out the trunk.

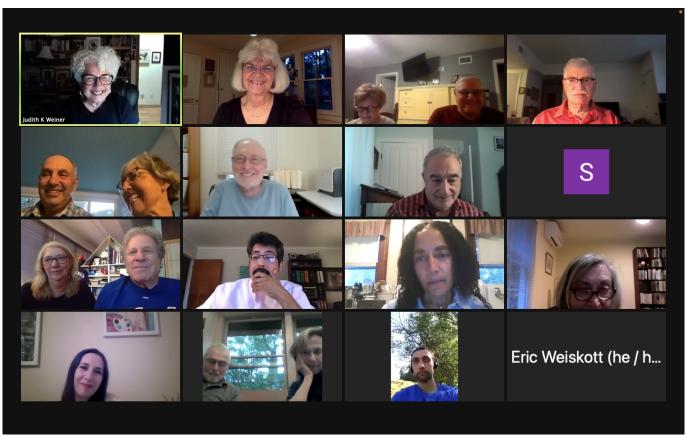
Talk about a successful drive — here's the results of the Tikkun Olam Initiative's recent school supplies drive for the children of CAST clients.

Just the sight of all those notebooks and markers puts all of us in the back-to-school mood.

Hey kids, come and get 'em, and do your best in school this year, compliments of the contributions made by the members of Congregation Tifereth Israel.

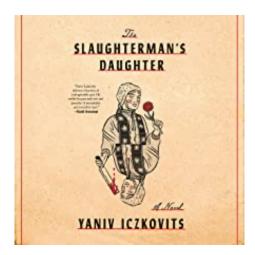
...and veggies from the Common Ground garden. All for CAST. Tom Byrne photo

It's A Launch Party For Journal 2022



Shul family and friends, and journal honoree Roberta Garris and her family ushered in the month of September with a Zoom launch party for Journal 2022. Folks popped in to join the fun, many offering mazel tov and best wishes to Roberta, and all of us raising our glasses to toast our honoree. We then viewed the pages of the journal with its many messages of tribute, and we oohed and aahed over the elegant design and layout created by Andrea Blaga. Capturing everyone on a screen shot, ideally smiling and without an elbow in an ear, proved challenging, but you get the idea. Great honoree. Great fun. Thank you to Judith Weiner for spearheading the project and to all who contributed time, talent and funding for our shul.

Book Circle Chooses Prize-Winning Family Drama As October Selection



The Book Circle will meet on Thursday, Oct. 20, at 4 p.m., at the shul, to explore a prize-winning family drama by Yaniv Iczkovits titled *The Slaughterman's Daughter*, winner of the 2021 Wingate Prize and a finalist for a 2021 National Jewish Book Club Award.

Two sisters take separate paths from their shtetl lives in Czarist Russia. One once considered following in her father's footsteps as a ritual slaughterer. She may have abandoned the profession, but not the slaughter knife that she keeps tied to her leg as she sets off to find her sister's husband, who has disappeared. The story has been described as a comedy of errors that somehow pits the Czar's army against the Russian secret police. How it all sorts out makes for an imaginative work of fiction.

For more information about the Book Circle, email ctigreenport@gmail.com with a message for Susan Rosenstreich, coordinator of the group.

Oculus: Eye On Art



This painting, titled "First Day of School," is the work of a contemporary Israeli artist named Boaz Noy, who lives and works in Haifa. I had been introduced to Noy's work in an oil-painting class that focused on his compositions' use of color to indicate atmosphere, emotions, weather and mood.

Curiously, I found nothing particularly Jewish about his paintings, except that they reflect Israeli locations. So, on a whim, I inquired in an email whether the Torah had influenced his art. To my surprise, I received a detailed note explaining that although he wasn't a student of Torah, his deep Jewish identity likely was evident in all his work. He wrote that he had painted this piece after taking his children to school for the new year, noting that he had embedded a prayer for their success and well-being within the work.

I'm not sure I see it, but I know it is there, somewhere, and certainly it is in his heart.
—Saul Rosenstreich

A High School Graduation...

The Shofar congratulates shul members Marc and Ellen (Levin) Wiederlight on their grandson's graduation from Mattituck High School. Bryce Hansen, son of Martha and John Hansen, received an advanced Regents Diploma, Mastery in Mathematics, and was a member of the National Honor Society. He is attending Keene State College in Keene, NH, and will play on the baseball team.

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The Montana Jewish Project Purchases Helena Temple

The Jewish community in Helena, Montana, has reached its goal to buy a synagogue built there more than 130 years ago to use as a community and cultural center for Jewish residents and visitors. The Montana Jewish Project, the nonprofit group that spearheaded the purchase, closed the deal with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Helena, said Rebecca Stanfel, president of the Montana Jewish Project's board of directors. "Now, Helena's Jewish community will have a

permanent place to meet for religious observances and cultural events," she said.

Ancient Estate Excavated...



A view of a 1,200-year-old rural estate, discovered during excavations by the Israel Antiquities Authority during an expansion of the town of Rahat, Israel. The building dates to the early Islamic period in the 8th or 9th centuries.

AP Photo/Tsafrir Abayov

Germany Compensates Families Of Israeli Athletes Killed In 1972 Games

The German Government has reached an agreement with the families of 11 Israeli athletes killed by Palestinian militants at the Munich Olympics in 1972, the *New York Times* said. The families had said they would boycott a memorial service commemorating the 50th anniversary of the attack. The last-minute deal came together after months of negotiations; the absence of the athletes' families from the memorial would have been a bitter reminder of a major crisis in the modern relationship between Israel and Germany, *The Times* noted.

"We welcome the fact that soon before the 50th anniversary of the massacre of Israeli athletes at the Munich Olympics, an agreement has been reached for a historical inquiry, the taking of responsibility and suitable compensation for the victims' families," President Isaac Herzog of Israel and President Frank-Walter Steinmeier of Germany wrote in a joint statement.

The sum offered is 28 million euros (about \$28.1 million), according to Israeli officials. The German authorities have been accused of botching the response to the attack in Munich on Sept. 5, 1972 — which left the athletes and a German police officer dead — and of withholding information and documents from the families for decades. The response is considered one of the biggest diplomatic rifts in the special relationship that the two countries have tried to build since 1965, 20 years after the Holocaust.

Israel had maintained that the athletes were not adequately guarded, and that the German authorities did not allow Israeli forces to help in the rescue of the kidnapped athletes. After a botched rescue attempt, Germany refused to halt the Games despite demands by the Israeli government.

Jamie Lee Curtis Is Restoring Her Grandparents' Synagogue In Hungary



In honor of her late Father, Tony Curtis, Jamie Lee Curtis is restoring her grandparents' hometown synagogue in Mateszalka, Hungary. She announced that she will partner with the mayor of Mateszalka to turn the synagogue into "a community center for celebrations and art and music." She wrote on her Instagram account that the synagogue "is empty now, as the entire Jewish population was exterminated, but the building stands as a living tribute to those who lived there and continue to live there."

The Curtis family synagogue in Mateszalka was built in 1857, and developed a rich history within the town's

Jewish community, the online magazine *Kveller* said. According to *The Times of Israel*, when the Nazis invaded in 1944, the Jews were rounded up and sent in cattle cars to Auschwitz, where the majority of them perished. Following the war, some 150 survivors returned to Mateszalka, but after the failed Hungarian Revolution in 1956, many of the remaining Jews immigrated to North America or Israel.

U.S. Returns Rare Coin Minted By Jews During Rebellion From Rome



American investigators returned a rare silver coin to Israel that they say was minted as a marker of independence during the Great Revolt against Roman oppression of 66-73 A.D., and centuries later was looted from an archaeological site in the Valley of Elah.

According to the *New York Times*, the coin was seized in 2017 when collectors tried to sell it at an auction in Denver, where it was listed as having an estimated value between \$500,000 and \$1 million. But it did not clear the legal hurdles to be returned to Israel until this summer.

Experts say the coin, a quarter-shekel piece featuring palm branches and a wreath and dated to 69 A.D., is among the rarest coins remaining from the bloody Jewish uprising against imperial Rome. The Roman response included the sacking and burning of the

Temple Mount in 70 A.D. and, in 73 A.D., the demise of the last Jewish holdouts at Masada. The minting of such coins by Jews during the rebellion was considered a major statement of sovereignty by people whom the Romans had forbidden from issuing silver coins.

The trail of the coin ultimately led investigators to Denver, where it was listed for sale by Heritage Auctions. Agents with U.S. Homeland Security seized the coin while the sale was underway. Earlier this year, the Israeli government enlisted the help of the Manhattan district attorney's office to make the case that the coin was provably stolen. The district attorney's office has a special unit that focuses on antiquities trafficking, and it determined it had jurisdiction because the coin had passed through Kennedy International Airport en route to Denver.

Production of the coins stopped in 70 A.D., the year the temple in Jerusalem was destroyed by the Romans under Titus. Now they serve to provide us with incremental but important information about the ancient society that made them, experts say.

[Photo courtesy Manhattan District Attorney's office]



Demonstrators blow shofars outside the U.S. Capitol on Sept. 14 during an abortion rights event organized by the National Council of Jewish Women.

RNS photo by Jack Jenkins



The nonprofit group, Masbia Relief Team, distributes shoes and other aid to asylum-seekers arriving at the Port Authority Bus Terminal in Manhattan. Tote bags are labeled "With love from the Jewish community." Masbia photo

• JEWS IN THE NEWS •

Sue Bird

Legendary basketball player Sue Bird bid farewell to the sport on Sept. 6 when her Seattle Storm lost to the Las Vegas Aces, who advanced to the WNBA Finals.

Bird, 41, announced in June that this season would be her last. In her final game, she finished with 8 points and 8 assists. Bird, the No.1 overall pick in the 2002 WNBA draft, is the league's all-time assists leader and a 13-time All-Star.

She player her entire career with the Storm, where she has won four championships along with five selections to the All-WNBA first team and a record 12 All-Star Game appearances. She has also won a record-tying five Olympic basketball golds with Team USA, and was on four World Cup-winning teams.

"Not a lot of people do something for their entire lives the way that athletes do," she said, pointing out it was the end of a sporting life that began when she was 5 or 6 years old. She looks forward to retirement, she said, noting "I get to start this new life."

Alex Katz

"Gatherings," a retrospective of the work of Jewish American figurative artist Alex Katz, 95, will open in the Frank Lloyd Wright rotunda of the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum on Oct. 21 and run through Feb. 20, 2023. "Across eight decades of intense creative production, Alex Katz (b. 1927, Brooklyn, NY) has sought to capture visual experience in the present tense," the museum said. "Katz has forged a mode of figurative painting that fused the energy of Abstract Expressionist canvases with the American vernaculars of the magazine, billboard, and movie screen.

The retrospective will include paintings, oil sketches, collage, drawings, prints, and freestanding "cutout" works. The exhibition will begin with the artist's intimate sketches of riders on the New York City subway from the late 1940s, and will culminate in the immersive landscapes that have dominated his output in recent years.

• OBITUARIES •

The Shofar joins the membership in offering sincere condolences to shul member Suri Lan-Brown on the recent death of her mother, Esther Lan. May Suri find comfort in the love of family, friends, colleagues and students during this difficult time.

Rabbi Myron Fenster



The Shofar joins the membership in mourning the death of Rabbi Myron Fenster, who served as interim rabbi of our congregation from August 2008 to July 2012. Those who knew the rabbi will recall that he served joyously with distinction illumined by a touch of good humor. Rabbi Fenster died Wednesday, Aug. 31, and was interred at the Beth David Cemetery in Elmont, NY, following funeral services in the sanctuary of the Shelter Rock Jewish Center in Roslyn, NY.

Prior to his tenure at Congregation Tifereth Israel, Rabbi Fenster served for 36 years as spiritual leader of the Shelter Rock congregation. During that time, he also served as president of the New York Board of Rabbis, and earlier was the first American rabbi sponsored by the Rabbinical Assembly to serve as a visiting rabbi to

an Israeli congregation, the Moriah Congregation in Haifa.

In the Rabbinical Assembly, he had been chairman of the Social Action and Israel Committees, served on the Law Committee that accepted gays to the rabbinate among other watershed decisions, and was editor of the quarterly magazine, *Conservative Judaism*. He was also co-chairman with Bishop John McGann of the Education Committee of the Long Island Holocaust Commission. A writer of note, Rabbi Fenster was widely published in *Newsday*, *The Jerusalem Post*, and *Hadassah Magazine*. His personal story, *Up From the Straits: A Memoir*, was published in 2011.

Ronald J. Glasser

Dr. Ronald J. Glasser, an Army physician who wrote the acclaimed book, 365 Days, a scorching account of the war in Vietnam through the words of the soldiers who were wounded there, died on Aug. 26 in. St. Louis Park, MN. He was 83.

Dr. Glasser was opposed to the war when he was drafted in August 1968. He was assigned to a hospital in Zama, Japan, one of four frenetic Army hospitals in Japan that every month were receiving 6,000 to 8,000 injured troops airlifted from the battlefields of Vietnam during their 365-day tours of duty.

Dr. Glasser explained in 365 Days, published in 1971, that he had never intended to become a writer, but that he felt compelled to record what he had seen and heard at the hospital.

Reviewing 365 Days, in the New York Times, Thomas Lask said its "quiet eloquence, its factual precision, its emotional restraint braided into the horror and pain of the subject matter make it a book of great emotional impact."

Dr. Glasser went on to write several other books, including *Ward 402* (1973), *The Body is the Hero* (1976), *Another War Another Peace* (1985), and *Broken Bodies, Shattered Minds* (2011).

Peter Straub

Peter Straub, whose literary novels of terror, mystery and the supernatural placed him in the top ranks of the horror-fiction boom of the 1970s and '80s, died September 4 in Manhattan. He was 79.

Mr. Straub was both a master of his genre and an anxious occupant of it, the New York Times said. Novels like *Julia* (1975) and *Ghost Story* (1979) helped revivify a once-creaking field, even though he insisted that his work transcended categorization and that he wrote how he wanted, only to watch readers and critics pigeonhole him as a horror novelist.

Nevertheless, he won praise from reviewers and topped best seller charts with a type of story that previously had been sidelined as sub-literary, *The Times* said.

"I wanted to take the genre and pull it upstairs a little bit," he told *The Times* in 1979. "Not exactly transcend the genre, but make a little more of the material than has been made of it in the recent past.

Of the horror label, he told *Publishers Weekly* in 2016, "I like its acknowledgment that life is a dodgy and uncertain business, and a monster with a smiling face may live or work right next door to you."

William Klein

William Klein, a photographer who captured the energy as well as the glamour of New York, died Sept. 10, in Paris. He was 96.

Mr. Klein was one of his generation's most celebrated photographers, represented in museums across Europe and the United States. Mr. Klein began his career as a restless postwar American in Paris, who took a studio on the Left Bank, defied traditions and plunged into his anarchic visions of painting, sculpture, street and fashion photography, feature films and documentaries

He painted whirling murals and sculptured shapes that moved. His photos looked like accidents. He overexposed negatives, bleached out contrasts, and posed subjects to fake illusions of spontaneity. "Klein broke half the rules of photography and ignored the other half," Jim Lewis wrote in *Slate* magazine in 2003.

Howard Slusher

For more than 20 years, Howard Slusher was an enemy of National Football League and National Basketball Association owners, who found his relentless, aggressive style difficult to abide. He was known as "Agent Orange" for his tough tactics on negotiating players' contracts as well as his red hair. Mr. Slusher, who went on to a second career as a consultant for Nike, died on July 13 at a hospital in Portland, OR. He was 85.

"I have never in my life *not* negotiated," Mr. Slusher told Mike Lupica of *The Daily News*. "I sit and negotiate. I don't sit and wait."

In 1978 — long before players made tens of millions of dollars a year — Mr. Slusher laid out the fundamental tension between players and teams. "The owners like the kids but don't respect them," he told *The Miami News*. "The kids don't like the owners, but they're in awe of them. They wonder, 'How did they get to where they could have so much power over my life?' The kids resent him, but still respect him. Besides, they are worried they could get shuffled off to Buffalo."

Steven Hoffenberg

Steven Hoffenberg, a brash New York debt mogul who spend 18 years in federal prison after admitting to running a fraud scheme that prosecutors said was then among the largest such crimes in U.S. history, was found dead on August 23 in the modest apartment in Derby, CT, where he had lived for about two years. He was 77.

Mr. Hoffenberg pleaded guilty in 1995 to conspiracy and fraud charges arising from a Ponzi scheme tied to his main company, Towers Financial Corporation, which was primarily a collection firm that bought debt from businesses like hospitals, nursing homes, and phone companies.

Prosecutors said that Towers sold more than \$460 million in fraudulent notes and bonds to investors, and used some of the money to pay interest owed to earlier investors. The rest went to propping up a fiscal house of cards that relied on inflated revenue and phony profits to make Towers look like a major healthcare financing firm. In his guilty plea, Mr. Hoffenberg, who once had a corporate jet, a limousine, a yacht, a Long Island estate, and a Manhattan apartment admitted to being the scheme's mastermind. After leaving prison, he sought to blame someone else: his onetime business associate Jeffrey Epstein, who was later charged with the sexual abuse of young women and girls.

Kurt Gottfried

Kurt Gottfried, as theoretical physicist who barely escaped the brutal reality of one war and devoted his career to preventing another as a co-founder of the influential Union of Concerned Scientists, died on August 25, in Ithaca, NY. He was 93.

Dr. Gottfried, who fled Nazi-controlled Austria when he was 9, became an outspoken opponent of nuclear weaponry, a champion of politically dissident scientists in the Soviet Union and South America, and a critic of the George W. Bush administration's environmental policy, which he said was grounded in research skewed to comport with the White House's political agenda.

Dr. Gottfried and the physicist Henry Way Kendall, as future Nobel laureate, founded the Union of Concerned Scientists in 1969. A nonpartisan organization, it lobbies to shift the nation's research priorities from military technology to "the solution of pressing environmental and social problems."

He rallied fellow scientists in the early 1980s to help derail the Reagan Administration's proposed Strategic Defense Initiative, the ambitious missile defense system that became mocked as a "Star Wars" shield. They argued that the initiative wolld be technologically futile, and that pursuit of space-based weapons amounted to an abandonment of the policy of mutually assured destruction, which until then had prevented nuclear conflict.

Dr. Gottfried was hired as an associate professor at Cornell in 1964, and was considered a mentor to a generation of prominent scientists and government officials. He was named a professor emeritus in 1998. He also served on the senior staff of the European Center for Nuclear Research in Geneva.

Marc Lewitinn

Marc Lewitinn, who spend 850 days on a ventilator, struggling with long COVID, died of a heart attack on July 23 at Palisades Medical Center in North Bergen, NJ. He was 76.

Mr. Lewitinn was an ardent supporter of Israel and Jewish causes. He raised money for Ethiopian Jews fleeing their country as refugees, and won praise from the Nazi hunters Simon Wiesenthal and Charles Kremer for helping to persuade the U.S. government to deport Archbishop Valerian Trifa, a Romanian; cleric and fascist collaborator who had moved to the United States after WWII.

In 1995, Mr. Lewitinn sued the Egyptian government to win the release of several Torah scrolls, prayer books and other religious items seized from the country's Jewish community in the late 1950s.

Susan L. Solomon

Susan L. Solomon, an advocate for stem cell research and founder of a leading independent stem cell research laboratory, died Sept.8 at her home in Amagansett, NY. She was 71.

In 2005, Ms. Solomon abandoned a successful career as a lawyer, new media entrepreneur and management consultant to join Mary Elizabeth Bunzel, a former journalist, in founding the New York Stem Cell Foundation, of which Ms. Solomon was chief executive for 17 years.

The foundation's goal is to accelerate cures for major diseases through stem cell research. The foundation's lab in Manhattan is, perhaps, the largest independent stem cell research lab in the country. It has been credited with making inroads against Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, neurodegenerative diseases and vision loss, as well as mitochondrial disease in pregnant women, which can lead to stunted growth, kidney disease or neurological disorders in their offspring.

The foundation has grown into an institution with a \$40 million annual budget and more than 114 employees, including 45 full-time scientists. It has also overseen fellowships that support researchers at other institutions. As chief executive, Ms. Solomon has helped raise more than \$400 million for stem cell research.

Earl J. Silbert

Earl J. Silbert, who led the federal prosecution of the botched Watergate burglary, which secured the convictions of all five burglars and two of the break-in's planners, E. Howard Hunt and G. Gordon Liddy, died on Sept. 6 in Keene, NH. He was 86.

The break-in at Democratic National Committee headquarters at the Watergate office complex in Washington on June 17, 1972, set off a chain of events that led to the resignation of President Richard M. Nixon two years later.

Mr. Silbert later became a respected white collar defense lawyer, notably described as a "lawyer's lawyer." He was the go-to person when a lawyer got into trouble. His clients included former Attorney General Griffin Bell, when he was accused of defaming an E.F. Hutton branch manager in an investigative report on a checking scandal; former White House Chief of Staff Erskine Bowles during the independent counsel Ken Starr's investigation of President Bill Clinton; and Kenneth Lay, the former chairman and chief executive of the bankrupt energy firm Enron.

Art Rosenbaum

Art Rosenbaum, a painter and folk musician acclaimed for a half-century of field recordings of American vernacular music, including old-time Appalachian fiddle tunes and ritual music imported from Africa by enslaved people, died on Sept. 4 at a hospital in Athens, GA. He was 83.

His passion was to document a broad range of American musical traditions passed down and performed at work camps, church gatherings and rural living rooms. An important inspiration was Pete Seeger, who once told Mr. Rosenbaum, "Don't learn from me; learn from the folks I learned from."

As a painter, he was inspired by Cezanne and Max Beckmann, the German Expressionist.

Melvin Sokolsky

Melvin Sokolsky, a photographer who pushed boundaries by creating fantastical tableaus that seemed to defy gravity and logic, died on August 29, at his home in Beverly Hills. He was 88.

His career in fashion photography imbued cool couture style with high-art surrealism. Later, he moved on to directing and shooting television commercials, collecting more than 25 Clio Awards. Many of his images were later shown in galleries and museums, including the Louvre in Paris, the MOMA in New York, and the Getty in Los Angeles.

Birthdays in October

2: Marjorie San Filippi 10: Alice Nadel; Judith Weiner 11: Michael Kolin 27: Joshua Clauss

28: Jaxon Kolin

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/.

Yahrzeits in October

1: William Bernard Sachs

2: Donald Simon

3: Ann Malaspina Holton; Hannah Kaplan; Roza Spokoini

4: Hannah R. Levinson

5: Sam Winters

6: Ethel Ballen

8: Stan Finkelstein; Lena Fortgang; Jacob (Jack) Levin

9: Samuel Lipman; Joseph Wiederlight

10: Norma Panepinto

11: Abraham Kaufman; Edna Kremsky

12: Miriam Goldman; Fannie B. Lipman; Paula Rubin Sherman

13: Abraham Ehrenreich; Adele Blanche Lustig; Diane Nadel; John M. Weiss

14: Bruce Jay Bloom; Hilda Finkel

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- 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

Event

- 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.

Members

• Sanctuary Seat Plate: seat nameplate in sanctuary. Cost: \$200 members; \$250 nonmembers

• SCHEDULE OF SYNAGOGUE FEES •

Nonmembers

Event	HDCIS	TOHINCHS
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. Seat plates are for current members or to honor deceased members.

Membership Per Year: Family: \$850; Individual: \$55

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