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• 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.

Learning at our Shul

Mondays, Dec. 5, 12, 19 and 26: Hebrew class w/Rabbi Gadi, 5:30 p.m., on Zoom

Sundays, Dec. 4, 11, 18 and 25: Beginner Hebrew Class w/Rabbi Gadi and a team of Israelis, 3 p.m.,
on Project Genesis Zoom

Shul Events

Thursday, Dec. 8: Judaism and Art meeting, 7:30 p.m., on Zoom

Thursday, Dec. 15: Book Circle: 4:15 p.m., on Zoom

Sunday, Dec. 18: Board of Directors and Congregation meetings, 9 and 10 a.m.

Sunday, Dec. 18: Menorah Lighting/Mitchell Park, 5 p.m., followed by celebration at the shul

Monday, Dec. 19: Ritual Committee meeting: 10 a.m., on Zoom

Monday, Dec. 19: Pastoral Committee meeting, 11 a.m., on Zoom

Lighting Shabbat Candles in December

Dec. 2: 4:11. Dec. 9: 4:10 Dec. 16: 4:11 Dec. 23: 4:14 Dec. 30: 4:19

Dates To Remember

Sunday, Dec. 18: First Hanukkah candle

Sunday, Dec. 25: Last Hanukkah candle

Sunday, Jan. 1: New Year's Day

Deadline for the January 2023 issue of *The Shofar* is December 20

From The Rabbi...

“Finding the Holy in the Land”



Last Friday, I returned from Israel with a small group of our congregants. During the trip, we took our time strolling throughout the land. It was a beautiful and intimate experience I am still savoring. Those who travel to Israel for the first time often are surprised to discover how hustling and bustling it is. Serious yet buoyant. The Biblical land is hidden under many layers of highways and new high-rise buildings popping up everywhere. The political landscape is also hectic and ever-changing, with elections looming every minute. This time, too, I arrived on the day of the election, and left with the group just a couple of days after the new Knesset was sworn in. Israel is like a cut diamond that can be seen from many angles, and the holiness is a natural resource to be mined. It's under the surface. Everywhere.

I arrived back in the U.S. just a few days before taking my citizenship oath. Growing up in Israel, in our home, we had a tapestry wall rug of President John F. Kennedy that my mother had brought back with her after spending two years as a student in California. It

was right at the time of his assassination. She also witnessed the discrimination of Blacks and Jews. Nevertheless, my mother always spoke favorably about America, holy in many ways. My experience was similar, from the moment I arrived at JFK airport 27 years ago, even through the loudness and commotion, I heard something in my heart that said I was home — something felt holy before I even knew what holy was. Over the years, I learned that this land is also a holy land that hides under many layers of apparent restlessness. Serendipitously, I took the oath on November 22, the day of JFK's assassination.

The Shabbat before the group arrived in Israel, I spent with my parents in Rehovot, my beloved hometown, where they still live. It was Shabbat Lech Lecha, when Abraham is commanded to leave his father's home and journey to a new land that God will show him. Sitting with my father at the Yemenite synagogue and chanting the Torah portion from the scroll felt like home again but, at the same time, I realized that my journey brought me here to America, which is my home now. I linked my destiny with this land.

Yet, the citizenship oath I took here just a short while later, did not move me. The ceremony, in fact, was anticlimactic. It wasn't just because no confetti was released from the ceiling, but mainly because for me, this rite of passage has been evolving for many years; finally, the rite caught up to me. Many people have told me how happy they are that I became a citizen. It gave them a sense of pride that I *chose* to live in their land. I can relate to it because when I travel with people to Israel, I'm happy to share with them the land of my birth. Some, even upon their first arrival to Israel, share the feeling they have arrived home.

In both Israel and America, the holiness lies under the surface — that under the busy, hectic, and pursuit of the everyday, we are fortunate to live in a land that ultimately seeks to elevate itself and its dwellers. And therefore, during this totally American celebration of Thanksgiving, I reiterate the words that remind us that under the hustle and bustle and the political debates, there is a holy cause and a holy land, and I say again, “I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.” Fr. RTvrđik photo

—Rabbi Gadi Capela

From The President...



“Parameters of Possibility”

Look around today. We ponder the parameters of crazy. We watch Twitter teeter, and Nancy Pelosi step aside. At the same time we consider control of the Senate, coupled with a razor-thin majority in the House. And then in the midst of all that come terrorism warnings from the FBI to synagogues in New Jersey and New York.

And so it goes. The future looks like the past, and our historical memory helps us define our parameters of possibility. The thought of that is both fierce and frightening. But it cuts both ways because we can instead turn to focus on what grounds us, what brings familiarity and comfort. And just in time,“Here comes Hanukkah.”

The Festival of Lights appears to have no shtick. No stress. Rather we find an indulgence in who we are and in our cultural identity. Here come the potato latkes, the sufganiyot, the apple cider, the gold gelt coins, and the dreidels.

Please join our in-person Hanukkah festivities on Sunday, December 18, beginning at 5 p.m. Bring your family and friends to Mitchell Park in Greenport for the lighting of the official Greenport Village Menorah. And then come back to the shul for a schmooze with donuts and cider.

And there it is. We have expanded our parameters of possibility.

—Judith K. Weiner

• SHUL NEWS AND NOTES •

Hanukkah Begins On Dec. 18: Get Gelt And Goodies At The Gift Shop *Menorah Lighting In Mitchell Park, Then Munchies At The Shul*



With hardly a moment to spare between tasting the turkey on Nov. 26 and lapping up latkes on Dec. 18, you’d better check now to be sure you’re prepared with Hanukkah essentials. If not, happily the shul’s Gift Shop is well supplied with candles (plain and fancy), menorahs (large and small, including those adorable children’s menorahs in choo-choo train, ballet slippers, and soccer motifs), chocolate gelt (parve, of course), plus dreidels (fun for children and adults), and gifts galore — jewelry, menorahs, yarmulkes, mezuzahs, Kiddish cups, picture frames, stationery, and other items for Jewish homes.

Now for the celebration... Join shul members and their families and community friends at the official menorah lighting ceremony in Mitchell Park, at 5 p.m., on Sunday, Dec. 18. Rabbi Gadi will lead us in prayers and songs for the Holiday as the first candle glows, ushering in the eight-day holiday. He will be joined on the platform by shul president Judith K. Weiner and Greenport government officials. Then, everyone is invited back to the shul for refreshments and socializing. Our security guard, Joshua Rakhman, will join us in the park and also at the shul festivities following the menorah lighting.

For Gift Shop sales, call the shul at 631-477-0232 or email ctigreenport@gmail.com with a message for Sara Bloom.

This just in: Hanukkah greeting cards with views of our shul are available in packages of 6 cards for \$18. Order at www.tiferethisraelgreenport.org/.

Tikkun Olam Initiative Members Are Holiday Helpers For CAST Clients



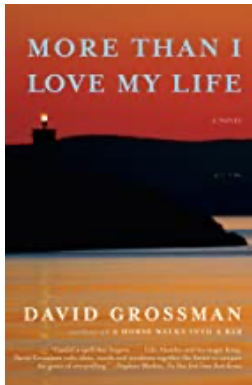
Members of the Tikkun Olam Initiative pitched in to help CAST pack 75 Thanksgiving baskets containing whole chickens, which were purchased by the TOI, plus veggies and potatoes that will provide a feast for the charity's clients.

Also on the agenda for the TOI is the Toys for Kids project, kicking off this month. The group has positioned a barrel at the shul's office door to collect toys so that CAST families in need can provide a happy holiday for their children. Can you help the TOI help?

Veronica Kaliski, organizer of the group, told *The Shofar* that Karina Hayes, food relief program manager at CAST, expressed gratitude for the shul's help, by way of the TOI, to support CAST's programs throughout the year. "Your donation of chickens for our

Thanksgiving baskets goes a long way to help ensure we can serve all of our neighbors in need this holiday season," she wrote. She also posted the photo on Instagram, and the group got 57 likes. Go TOI! Pictured, from left, TOI members Susan Rosenstreich, Carol Seigel, Roberta Garriss, Veronica Kaliski, and Cookie Slade. Not pictured Madelyn Rothman and Adrienne Greenberg. Karina Hayes photo

Book Circle Selection Chronicles Trio On An Unlikely Journey to Croatia



More Than I Love My Life by David Grossman, an International Booker Prize nominee, chronicles three generations of women as they travel to a barren Croatian island to reveal a secret. Here they unravel fear, love, mercy and the complex overlapping demands of romantic and parental desires. The selection will be explored at the next meeting of the Book Circle, to be held on Thursday, Dec. 15, at 4:15 p.m., on Zoom.

The novel was inspired by the true story of one of the author's longtime confidants who, in the early 1950s, was imprisoned there.

The Book Circle meets monthly to discuss works by Jewish authors and/or Jewish themes. For more information about the group, email ctigreenport@gmail.com with a message for Susan Rosenstreich, coordinator of the group.

Oculus: Eye On Art



This month's Oculus feature was inspired by Rabbi Gadi's tour of the Magdala archaeological site in Israel, arranged by the rabbi as part of a Kristallnacht remembrance program and offered live on Zoom from the site. The photo and history were submitted to *The Shofar* by Saul Rosenstreich and Judith K. Weiner, members of the shul's Judaism and Art group.

The Magdala Stone is a carved block unearthed by archaeologists from a synagogue in northern Israel on the Sea of Galilee, remarkably preserved from the year 70. The carvings show a seven-branched menorah, perhaps the oldest representation of a menorah in a synagogue. Based on its size and placement within the synagogue, it may have been used as a reading desk or a podium. The stone responds to important questions about synagogue observance during this period of Jewish history.

Season 2 of ‘My Unorthodox Life’ To Debut On Netflix On Dec. 2

For those who binge-watched the first season of “My Unorthodox Life,” the reality TV show about former Orthodox fashion mogul Julia Haart, more drama is on the way. Season 2 of the popular show will arrive on Netflix on Dec. 2.

And if the pre-debut announcements are to be believed, a ton of changes have taken place since Season 1 premiered in July 2021: Several divorces, the firing of a CEO, alleged abuse, hanky-panky with company finances, fraud, new relationships, new marriages, and a mega-real estate offering. Oy vey, what next?

Taliban Approves Conservation Work On Historic Afghan Synagogue



Conservation work to save a structurally fragile, historic synagogue in Herat, western Afghanistan, is set to begin with the backing of the Taliban government.

Yu Aw synagogue, located in the Momandha quarter of Herat’s old city, will undergo a 16-month restoration project to save it from possible collapse, local officials and the organization responsible for carrying out the works have confirmed.

The project, which includes restoration of the mikvah, known as Hammam-e Mosaie, is one of the first cultural conservation projects to get the go-ahead in the province

since the Taliban formed a government in Afghanistan in 2021, after the withdrawal of US troops from the country.

The Jewish community departed Herat in the 1970s, and the structures that once stood as the symbol of their vibrant life in the city were left abandoned. Not long after their immigration to Israel and the U.S., Herat was faced with decades of war, looting and destruction, which took their toll on the city’s historic monuments, many from its days as the capital of the medieval Timurid Empire (14th-15th century).

The Yu Aw synagogue, a 19th-century structure, the mikvah, a cemetery, and three other synagogues from the same era, are some of the last remaining physical reminders of the presence of Jewish residents in Herat.

Photo: The Yu Aw synagogue. Directly opposite is what was once the main prayer hall. On the right side are steps that lead to an underground mikveh.

Photo by Sarvy Geranpayeh

Group Of Conservative Rabbis Gathers To Support Reproductive Rights



A hundred rabbis gathered to rally for reproductive rights on Nov. 9, 2022, in St. Louis' Memorial Park Plaza. The rabbis were part of the Conservative movement's Rabbinical Assembly. Photo/Rabbinical Assembly

• JEWS IN THE NEWS •

Robert Iger

Robert Iger is returning to Walt Disney Co. as chief executive less than a year after he retired, a surprise comeback that coincides with the entertainment company's attempt to boost investor confidence and profits at its streaming media unit.

Iger, 71, who was chief executive for 15 years and retired as chairman last year, has agreed to serve as CEO for two more years, effective immediately, replacing Bob Chapek, who joined Disney in February 2020. Disney stock sank more than 40% while Chapek was at the helm. Disney is competing poorly with Netflix and is also seeking to revive its share price. The company is hopeful "an old hand on the tiller" can turn the tide.

Hazel Homer-Wambeam

Hazel Homer-Wambeam is from a small Jewish community in Laramie, Wyoming. With only 1,150 Jews in the whole state and no synagogue in sight, the Jews of Laramie gather in a local Masonic Temple for services and meet for potluck dinners. But Hazel Homer-Wambeam took her love for singing and dancing to the Miss Wyoming competition and was named the first Jewish crown holder.

In December, she will head to the national competition and vie to be only the second Jewish Miss America in the program's history. The first, Bess Myerson, competed as Miss New York in 1945.

James Rudin

Rabbi A. James Rudin, the longtime interreligious affairs director of the American Jewish Committee, will be conferred the prestigious Papal Knight of St. Gregory for his work in support of Catholic-Jewish relations. Only eight other Jews have been knighted by the order, established in 1831, that recognizes personal service or unusual labor in support of the Catholic Church. Among them are three other rabbis: David Rosen and the late Mordecai Waxman and Leon Klenicki.

A Reform rabbi and also a writer who has contributed hundreds of columns over the years to Religion News Service, Rabbi Rudin has traveled widely to meet with popes, presidents, Protestant denominational leaders, and world-famous evangelists in his efforts to improve Jewish-Christian relations in the aftermath of WWII and the Holocaust.

This year, he published a memoir, *The People in the Room: Rabbis, Nuns, Pastors, Popes and Presidents*, detailing his 42 trips across the Atlantic on behalf of the AJC.

Bibi's Back. Netanyahu Poised To Return To Office Following Reelection



Former Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu is poised to return to office, following his reelection. Voters gave Netanyahu 64 seats in the legislature, enough for a governing majority. The election was marked by the highest turnout since 2015, with 71.3% of eligible voters casting ballots — more than in any of the last four elections that produced stalemates or short-lived governments. AP Photo

Thousands Of Chabad Rabbis Gather In Brooklyn For Yearly Convention



Thousands of Chabad rabbis gathered in Brooklyn for their annual “class photo,” having traveled from all 50 states and more than a 100 countries to attend a six-day convention at the group’s headquarters at 770 Eastern Parkway.

As a bonus, Rabbi Avrohom Rapoport of the New Jersey shore measured each rabbi’s beard to determine which was the longest. The winner was 26 inches.

Photo by Chabad of Brooklyn

• OBITUARIES •

Beryl Benacerraf

Dr. Beryl Benacerraf, a radiologist who revolutionized the diagnosis of fetal abnormalities like Down syndrome through the use of ultrasound technology, died on Oct. 1, at her home in Cambridge, MA. She was 73.

Dr. Benacerraf, who was a professor of obstetrics, gynecology and reproductive biology and radiology at Harvard Medical School and Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, discovered that a thickening patch of skin at the back of a fetus's neck, known as the nuchal fold, was associated with Down syndrome and other chromosomal disorders.

In the course of her four-decade career, Dr. Benacerraf saw tens of thousands of patients while publishing hundreds of journal articles and several books.

Lenny Lipton

Lenny Lipton, who as a college freshman wrote the lyrics to the classic folk tune "Puff the Magic Dragon," and then used the song's considerable royalties to fund years of pioneering research in 3-D filmmaking, died on Oct. 5 in Los Angeles. He was 82.

Peter Yarrow, Mr. Lipton's classmate at Cornell, put the lyrics to music and in 1963, he and his folk trio, Peter, Paul and Mary, released it. The song was such an immediate and lasting hit that it allowed Mr. Lipton to leave his job and move to California, where he sought out a circle of independent filmmakers and made several short films of his own.

The royalties from "Puff" allowed him to explore stereoscopy, the technical name for 3-D technology. Ultimately, he accumulated some 70 patents related to 3-D, which seeded the emergence of a new generation of filmmaking. Today, some 30,000- movie screens across the United States use 3-D techniques that evolved from Mr. Lipton's innovations, *The New York Times* said.

Halina Silber

Helen (Halina) Silber, who attributed surviving the Holocaust to her transfer from Auschwitz to an ammunition and enamelware factory owned by the German industrialist, Oskar Schindler, died on Oct. 25 in Baltimore. She was 93.

Arriving at Auschwitz at the outset of WWII, she told the members of the Young Israel Shomrai Emunah synagogue in 2019, "I saw endless rows and rows of barbed wire. I could smell the stench of burning flesh... There is no room here for miracles."

But she was selected to work in Schindler's factory, and ended up as No. 16 on Schindler's list of the hundreds he helped to escape. Speaking in 2015 at a Holocaust Remembrance Day event at a Maryland school, she said "You are the last generation to hear of our suffering and the miracles by which we survived the Holocaust. Many of the survivors have passed away and so, when the rest of us will be gone, we hope you will keep reminding the world of our past."

She spent the final years of her life speaking to groups about the lessons of her long and remarkable life.

Gerald Stern

Gerald Stern, who drew on Nature, history and his own experiences to write prizewinning poetry laced with wistfulness, anger and humor died on Oct. 28 in the Bronx. He was 97.

Mr. Stern, whose "This Time: New and Selected Poems" won the National Book Award for poetry in 1998, came to poetic prominence relatively late; his first published poem, "The Pineys," appeared in

The Journal of the Rutgers University Library in 1969, when he was 44. His first collection “Rejoicings,” was published in 1973, when he was nearing 50.

His second collection, “Lucky Life,” was nominated for the National Book Critics Circle Award and the year’s best poetry book, and was described when published in 1977 as “a cornerstone in American poetry” by Tayve Neese in the *Web Del Sol Review of Books*.

Over the years, he would teach at a number of institutions, including Pitt, Columbia, New York and Princeton universities and Sarah Lawrence College. Mr. Stern retired from teaching in the mid-1990s. In 2010, he received the Award of Merit Medal from the American Academy of Arts and Letters. In 2012, his “Early Collected Poems: 1965-1992” received the Bobbitt National Prize for Poetry from the Library of Congress. Mr. Stern’s most recent poetry collection, “Blessed As We Were: Late Selected and New Poems, 2000-2018,” was published in 2020.

Sy Presten

Sy Presten, a press agent who supplied gags and gossip to newspaper columnists for three-quarters of a century, died on Oct. 18 at his home in Manhattan. He was 98.

His was an era when national attention was focused on New York theater, sports and nightlife. Readers wanted to know what was happening at the Stork Club and the Copacabana. The proprietors of those establishments used Mr. Presten as their press agent, who would gin up publicity for major figures there, like Kate Smith and Charles Revson and Elizabeth Taylor watching Sammy Davis Jr. at the Copa.

According to *The New York Times*, until the end of his life, Mr. Presten remained haunted by a rare lapse in his never-ending hustle. About 10 years ago, the gossip columnist Liz Smith invited him out to lunch at a nice restaurant near her home. She refused to let him pay. According to the dogma of zealous press agency, the event constituted blasphemy. “He was talking about it to his dying day,” his wife said. “He wanted to pick up that check.”

Gael Greene

Gael Greene, who reinvented the art of the restaurant review with sass and sensuality in four decades as *New York* magazine’s restaurant critic, died on Nov. 1 at her home in an assisted living facility in Manhattan. She was 88.

Until her death, Ms. Greene was chairwoman of Citymeals on Wheels, a New York charity she helped create in the early 1980s to provide food for the elderly.

She embarked on her assignment for *New York* with great flair. A fan of the New Journalism, she put a premium on lively prose and colorful detail, throwing overboard the pompousness of the professional gourmets who dominated the profession. She cast an amused eye over her surroundings and shared the pleasures of her plate with enthusiasm, scrutinizing the tables and offerings at renowned restaurants like La Grenouille and 21.

“I wake every day full of hope that I will discover some great new restaurant of a glorious new dish or even an enchanting new flavor,” Ms. Greene wrote in an autobiographical note for the reference work *Contemporary Authors*. “I have dedicated myself to the wanton indulgence of my senses. And I shall consider it fitting and divine if on my deathbed my last words echo those of Pierrette the sister of Brillat-Savarin, who died at table shortly before her one-hundredth birthday: ‘Bring on the dessert. I think I’m about to die.’”

Hannah Pick-Goslar

Hannah Pick-Goslar, whose close friendship with Anne Frank was memorialized in what became “The Diary of a Young Girl, the record of Anne’s life in hiding from the Nazis, died on Oct. 28 at her home in Jerusalem. She was 93.

The two girls' friendship began when they were in kindergarten in Amsterdam in 1933. Twelve years later, Mrs. Pick-Goslar spoke to her friend for the final time through a barbed-wire fence stuffed with straw at the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp and tossed her scraps of food in a sock.

For many years, Hannah spoke widely about the Holocaust — and she had a clear-eyed sense of who Anne Frank was, the *New York Times* said. “Today everyone thinks she was someone holy, but this is not at all the case,” she told The Associated Press in 1998. “She was a girl who wrote beautifully and matured quickly during extraordinary circumstances.”

Samuel L. Katz

Dr. Samuel L. Katz, a virologist who was part of the research team at Harvard Medical School that developed the measles vaccine, an advance more than half a century ago that has saved countless lives, died on Oct. 31 at his home in Chapel Hill, NC. He was 95.

Dr. Katz took up the fight against measles in 1956, when he joined a laboratory at Children's Hospital Medical Center, now Boston Children's Hospital. Measles was a major medical threat at the time. In the decade before the vaccine was made available in 1963, nearly every child in the United States had measles by age 15, with three to four million people infected by it every year, leading to an estimated 400 to 500 deaths annually, according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention. Worldwide, measles killed 2.6 million people a year before the availability of vaccines, the World Health Organization said.

Dr. Katz brought a prototype vaccine to Nigeria in 1961 to immunize children who were highly susceptible to measles because their systems had been weakened by malaria, intestinal worms, vitamin A deficiency and protein depletion. He vaccinated children in a village there, and they developed immunity.

The measles vaccine was licensed in 1963 and soon became widely available; eight years later, it was incorporated into the combined measles, mumps and rubella vaccine.

Dr. Katz chaired the CDC's advisory committee on immunization practices from 1985 to 1993. He received the 2003 Albert B. Sabin Gold Medal, which is given to public health leaders who save lives through vaccines.

Lewis Kuller

Dr. Lewis Kuller, a top epidemiologist and a leading figure in preventive cardiology, died on Oct. 25, in a Pittsburgh hospital. He was 88.

In his career of more than 60 years, he studied risk factors for cardiovascular disease through a breadth of clinical trials, much of that time as chairman of the epidemiology department at the University of Pittsburgh School of Public Health.

In the 1970s and '80s, Dr. Kuller was the chief investigator in the 10-year Multiple Risk Factor Intervention Trial, colloquially known as “Mr. Fit.” It involved nearly 13,000 men between the ages of 35 and 57, and focused on reducing the risks of heart disease through aggressive intervention by treating blood pressure and high cholesterol and counseling cigarette smokers.

In the 1980s and continuing for nearly 25 years, Dr. Kuller was the architect of a trial called the Healthy Women Study, which demonstrated that menopause was a risk factor for cardiovascular disease.

In 1985, Dr. Kuller's “Mr. Fit” study became a cause célèbre when an advertisement published in 25 newspapers and magazines by the R.J. Reynolds tobacco company used it to say that the study had failed to find a clear link between smoking and heart disease.

Dr. Kuller told *The Washington Post* that the study did not test the link because the evidence on the connection was a long-settled scientific issue. In response to the Reynolds ad, Dr. Kuller told *The Post*, “It's like an ad that says, ‘Eat a carcinogen — we need more time to think about the issue.’”

Ellen Levine

Ellen Levine, *Good Housekeeping's* first female top editor, whose keen sense of what American women wanted from a magazine also led her to success as Hearst Magazines' editorial director and Oprah Winfrey's partner in creating an instant newsstand hit, *O, the Oprah Magazine*, died on Nov. 6 at her home in Manhattan. She was 76.

Ms. Levine massaged *Good Housekeeping's* mix of diet, entertaining and relationship advice, broadening the appeal to working mothers with consumer-oriented reporting — articles about social and political issues, and coverage of career matters like pay equity, and health topics like smoking, heart disease and mental illness.

She was cleareyed about who her mass-market readers were. "I'm not editing for the person addicted to high-fashion magazines," she told The New York Times in 2003. She knew her audience.

Henry Rosovsky

Henry Rosovsky, an economic historian who as a Harvard University dean was instrumental in imposing a back-to-basics core curriculum while establishing groundbreaking undergraduate programs in Black and Jewish studies, died on Nov. 11 at his home in Cambridge, MA. He was 95.

What eventually became the Department of Afro-American Studies was considered an underachieving stepchild until 1991, when Professor Rosovsky recruited Henry Louis Gates Jr. from Duke University as its chairman.

He was also the first Jewish dean of Harvard's Faculty of Arts and Sciences, serving from 1973 to 1984. In 1978, he founded Harvard's Center for Jewish Studies.

In 1978, following his recommendations, the faculty redefined "an educated person" as one who has an "informed acquaintance" with five academic areas: literature and the arts, history, social and philosophical analysis, science and mathematics, and foreign languages and culture.

Mitchell S. Rosenthal

Dr. Mitchell S. Rosenthal, the founder of Phoenix House, the largest private nonprofit therapeutic drug-treatment program in the United States, died on Nov. 14 in Manhattan. He was 87.

Dr. Rosenthal, a psychiatrist, popularized a regimen of abstinence and group therapy in a communal residential setting where people could recover from drug and alcohol addiction, as well as address other behavioral problems. He started Phoenix House in 1967 in a former flophouse on the Upper West Side of Manhattan. The program grew from there into a nationwide network that by the 1990s had residential treatment centers in 10 states and in some prisons. Programs in Britain, the Netherlands and Israel were established on the Phoenix House model.

Jay N. Pasachoff

Jay M. Pasachoff, an astronomer at Williams College who spent more than 50 years traveling the world to observe solar eclipses and, with 74 sightings, probably witnessed more of them than any other human in history, died on Nov. 20 at his home in Williamstown, MA. He was 70.

He was more than just an eclipse fan. He studied the corona, the outermost layer of the sun's atmosphere, which, being one-millionth as bright as the sun itself, is best studied when the rest of the sun is obscured by the moons — during an eclipse. A focus of his work was testing theories about the corona.

While his contributions to astronomy were many, Dr. Pasachoff was equally adept at encouraging amateurs to share his passion for the night sky.

He and his wife, Naomi, are immortalized in the names of a pair of asteroids: 5100 Pasachoff and 68109 Naomipasachoff.

Birthdays in December

21: Elizabeth Berg; Elyse Kirschner
22: Barbara Glassner
24: Lori Melvin
26: Matthew Nathel
29: Roberta Garris
31 Pamela Birman

Anniversaries in December

2: Robert Brown and Suri Lan-Brown
14: Miriam Gabriel and Adrienne Greenberg

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/.

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Please mail your donation to the Sisterhood (P.O. Box 659, Greenport, NY, 11944) or go to the shul's website (www.tiferethisraelgreenport.org), to pay with a credit card.

Yahrzeits in December

1: Solomon S. Carasso; Samuel Shemaiah Kaplan; Esther Sperling
2: Beverly Rose Seigel; Mortimer Silberger
3: Sidney Holtzman; Beulah "Billy" Raphael Sher
4: Norman Elsky; Marshall Hurwitz; Betty Millman; Henry Newman; Mildred Pushkin Pelovitz
5: Murray Buchbinder; Rose Katcher
6: Sylvia Dornfield; Susan Felder; Doris Ann Levine; Samuel Novick
7: Eva Bloom
8: Sanford Firestone; Morris Kaplan; Sylvia Karp
9: A. Harry Brown; Abram Philip Kaplan; Harry Levin; Charles Millman
10: Abraham Abba Levine; Helen S. Rose

11: Max Rosenstreich
13: Miriam Lipman Gluckman; Brigitte Jarvi
14: Philip Ballen; Henry Kessler; Herbert Michael Krasnow; Bracha Rothman; Robert Rothman
15: Annie Wandt
16: Sylvia Brittman; Anne Lengyel
17: Rosanne Silberger Lieberman; Lt. Earl M. Silverstone; Mollie Kaplan Singer
18: Julius Lieberthal; Dr. Monte M. Warren
19: Jack Feinberg; Samuel Weisbein
20: Joseph Teperman
21: David Robert Levinson; Sidney A. Schneider
24: Donna Levin
26: Edward Henry; Michael Lepawsky
27: Goldie S. Friedman
28: Joseph Adelson; Morris Levin; Helen Newman
30: Chuck Kahn

Refuah Shlemah

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Ellen Wiederlight
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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:** seat nameplate in sanctuary. Cost: \$200 members; \$250 nonmembers

• SCHEDULE OF SYNAGOGUE FEES •

[Fees revised by Board of Directors 10/23/2022; effective for all events planned after 11/1/2022]

Membership Per Year:

Family: \$850
 Individual: \$550

Event	Members	Nonmembers
Lifecycle Event*	\$1,000	\$2,000
Sanctuary Only	\$500	\$1,000
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, also cleanup fee. Renters of our facilities must sign a contract at least 30 days prior to the event, and satisfy the fee schedule accordingly. For more information, email ctigreenport@gmail.org with a message for Elizabeth Adams. ** Seat plates are for current members or to honor deceased members.

• WHO'S WHO AT OUR SHUL •

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