

# THE SHO-שופר FAR

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## UPCOMING EVENTS...

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## Temple Emanu-El of Bayonne

Volume 92/ December 2020  
15 Kislev-16 Tevet  
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## SHABBAT

**Fri., December 4/18 Kislev**

*Candle Lighting 5:10*

**Sat., December 5/19 Kislev**

**VAYISHLACH**

**Fri., December 11/25 Kislev**

*Candle Lighting 5:10*

**Sat., December 12/26 Kislev**

**VAYESHEV**

**CHANUKAH-Day2**

**Fri., December 18/3 Tevet**

*Candle Lighting 5:12*

**Sat., December 19/4 Tevet**

**MIKETZ**

**Fri., December 25/10 Tevet**

*Candle Lighting 5:16*

**Sat., December 26/11 Tevet**

**VAYIGASH**

## PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

### UNITY

**"I don't need you to agree with me,  
I need you to care about me!" – Rabbi  
Jonathan Sacks**

As our country struggles with very important decisions, we feel a need for unification and support for human dignity. This is not a judgment, it is an observation.

It seems like our synagogue needs the same thing and I see that we have retained our sense of unity and support human dignity.

What do we mean by that? Sometimes we feel alone as we struggle to hold our temple together. We work diligently every day to make sure that things get done. Since some of you live far away, you don't see the difficulties that we face every day. You assume that things are just fine. However, when we ask for help, many of you come through.

As you saw in our Shofar, our building is leaking from all sides. Although this is not a new "problem," it persists and we are helpless to its insidious drain on our nerves.

We want to thank those of you who have decided that you feel strongly about our synagogue and, therefore, decided to contribute to our very expensive endeavor.

You don't have to agree with us, just care about us and our beloved Temple Emanu-El.

## RABBI'S MESSAGE

*And you shall remember the Lord your God, for it is He who gives you the power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he swore to your fathers, as it is this day. Deuteronomy 8:18*

We are told clearly in the Torah, that wealth is necessary to the purposes of G-d. The *Pasuk* (verse) above is a very lucid statement of this necessity for G-d's purposes and His will to be done. He gives us the *power to get wealth*. The obvious question is why then are so many of G-d's people not the people with wealth and influence?

We just read in our *Parasha* that Abraham's wife was barren, and, so too, were Isaac's and Jacob's wives but why? We find the answer in G-d's purposes, The verse in Deuteronomy says "*the power to get wealth*" the Hebrew word is *ASAH*, which has several meanings, including, that which is produced or brought forth (Gen 1:11) from a seed. Everything G-d does is with a seed; babies, lions, whales, trees, eagles, even tiny gnats start from a seed. G-d too, can give us an idea, concepts or wisdom, so that we become his womb to bring forth a yield or harvest. The "*power to get wealth*" is from a seed in us or those near us. It is something we conceive, carry to full term with a fierce faith.

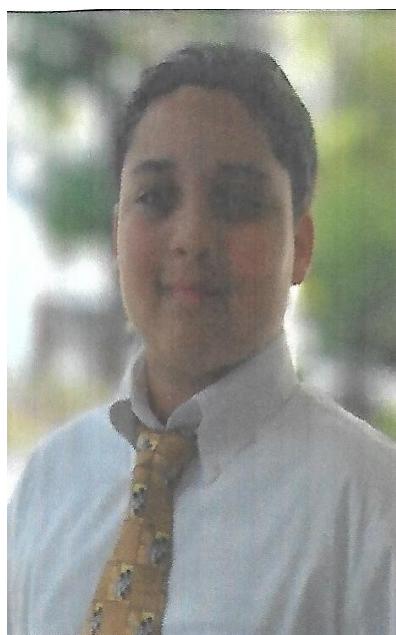
Many people are waiting for G-d to give them wealth; he does not give wealth, he gives us the "*power to get wealth*" We have to take the seed of power and produce wealth with it with faith.

Instead of turning to G-d, people trust in their minds, hearts or others. I see this is an endemic problem. Therefore, they do not recognize G-d's giving as Jeremiah 17:5-6 tells us and what the sad result is

*Thus says the Lord: "Cursed is the man who trusts in man  
And makes flesh his strength,  
Whose heart departs from the Lord.  
For he shall be like a shrub in the desert, and  
shall not see when good comes  
But shall inhabit parched places in the wilderness,*

When we trust in our own abilities or people even princes and our heart is not depending on G-d, we become like a shrub in the desert, we inhabit parched places, we miss the good. Don't be one who missed the good, turn to the Lord and repent. Then we will see a new light, intact many new lights that chases much of the world's darkness away. Hannukah reminds us of this possibility of always overcoming the darkness, A Happy Freilich Hannukah to you and your family, Rabbi Jacob

# BAR MITZVAH



Sammy Fuchs, the son of Mae and Fred Fuchs has been a student of the Jewish Learning Project for the last five years. He has profited from our wonderful educational model. Although the family moved to Teaneck a few years ago, they chose to continue their affiliation with our synagogue.

We were proud to call Sammy our own this Shabbat morning as he recited the Torah portion and part of the Haftarah so beautifully.

After not having a Bar or Bat Mitzvah at the temple for so long, it was a pleasure to hear Sammy pray.

We extend our congratulations to the Fuchs family and wish Sammy success in his endeavor.

## ***THANK YOU***

We want to thank Rabbi Benzaquen and the Brotherhood of Temple Emanu-El, as well as all the congregants who attended our son Sammy's Bar Mitzvah. Your support is truly and gratefully appreciated.

**Mae & Fred Fuchs**

# HELP



We discovered that there is a leak that is coming from the wall by the big stained glass window. In order to take care of it, we need money. If you can help us with that problem, we would appreciate it very much.

Thanks to everyone who decided to heed the cry of help.

# CHANNUKAH



This year, the first candle of Channukah will be lit on Thursday evening, December 10th. Because the numbers of the COVID 19 virus are mounting in New Jersey, Temple Emanu-El will not have a big celebration. We will have to decide our actions closer to that date..

May you have a wonderful celebration with your families and may the lights shine upon us and bring us a positive and complete outcome.

# TRIBUTE

In loving memory of Betty S. Troum ז"ל, who passed away on October 28, 2020, at the age of 92. She was the daughter of Nathan & Lillian E. Susskind, the sister of the late Stanley Susskind and of Henny Weiss of Scottsdale, AZ.

She was also the beloved mother of Sherry Trachtman of Virginia & Sue Atkinson of New Hampshire. She was the grandmother of Nora Trachtman Croll and of her great-grandson, Wyatt Croll of CT.. She was the sister-in-law of Beverly Susskind and several nieces and nephews.

Betty was a former longtime resident of Bayonne, and lived in Florida for many years. She later moved to Jaffrey, NH. She was a life long learner and teacher and will be sorely missed.

## KOL NIDRE 2020 APPEAL

Doris Altschuler  
Mark Altschuler  
Joan Abramson  
Natalie & Robert Armstrong  
Diane Birne  
Albert & Renee Bousso  
Bernice Bramson  
Ellen & Bill Broderick  
Roslyn & Albert Cameron  
Bennet Carlin  
Audrey Cohen  
Marshall & Diane Duberstein  
Diane Dworkin  
Roz Felstein  
Paul Funk  
James Gleich  
Sandra Drogin Greenberg  
Harriet Grodberg  
Hon. Sam Kaye  
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Michael Shimshak  
Bernie & Toby Shimshak  
Dr. Theodore Stahl  
Beverly Susskind  
Varda & Arnie Wendroff  
Deborah & Harriet Werner  
David Weisman & Family  
Phyllis Zuckerman

## WALL CONTRIBUTION

**Natalie & Bob Armstrong**  
**David & Biatriz Bernal**  
**Albert & Roz Cameron**

**Janis Levine**  
**Roz Felstein**  
**Harriet Grodberg**



## TRIBUTES

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### CONDOLENCES...

**TO: Jack Joskowitz & Family– In loving memory of Beverly Joskowitz ז' -beloved wife, mother , friend, and grandmother**

*FROM: Ellen & Bill Broderick, Varda & Arnie Wendroff,  
The Thursday Night Poker Group, Roz Felstein,  
Janis Levine, Suzanne Surpin, Marty & Esther Schnitzer*

**TO: the Eisenberg Family– In loving memory of Eilene Eisenberg ז"ל , beloved mother, and grandmother**

*FROM: Suzanne Surpin*

**TO: Erica Mercado & Family-In memory of Fran Wien ז' -beloved wife, mother, and grandmother**

*FROM: Bill & Ellen Broderick, Suzanne Surpin*

**TO: David Wien & Family-In memory of Fran Wien ז' -beloved wife, mother, and grandmother**

*FROM: Bill & Ellen Broderick, Suzanne Surpin*

**TO: Freda Gettenberg & Family-In memory of Freda Gettenberg ז' -beloved wife, mother, and grandmother**

*FROM: Florence Grossman*

**TO: Marcia Ripps & Family-In memory of Lewis Ripps ז' -beloved husband, father, and grandfather**

*FROM: Sandra Drogin Greenberg*

**TO: Troum & Susskind Families-In memory of Betty Troum ז' -beloved mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.**

*FROM: Harriet Grodberg, Roz Felstein, Janis Levine,*

*Beverly Susskind*

**TO: The Savoy Family-In memory of Dr. Perry Savoy ז' -beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather**

*FROM: Joan Abramson & Family, Margie Perlman Landolfi,*

*Renee & Albert Bousso, Karen Mishkin, Barbara & Charles Sacks*

### GET WELL...

**TO: Irene Kravitz– For a quick and complete recovery of recent procedure!!**

*FROM: Renee & Albert Bousso*

### MAZAL TOV...

**TO: Janis Levine– Mazal Tov and a Happy 99th Birthday to a special lady.**

*FROM: Phyllis Meltzer*



**TO: Linda & Jeffrey Drogin– Mazal Tov and Happy Anniversary to two special people.**

*FROM: Phyllis Meltzer*

# Yahrzeit

## November 29-December 5/13-19 Kislev

Solomon Lazarus, Morris Slotkin, Fanny Schwartz, Charles Goldman, Samuel Blacher, Morris J. Bloom,, Rose Drogin, Sol Levine, Mae Ruth Dolgins, Harry Gross, Nathaniel N. Daybock, Irving Sanowitz, Dr. Elizabeth Bollag, Harold Block, Efraim Cohen, Samuel Berkowitz, Ruth Wasserman, Hannah G. Cohen, Max Naylor, Barney Hart, Harry Steinert, Anna Wertheimer

## December 6-12/ 20-26 Kislev

Jean Penchansky, Louis Greenberg, Marvin B. Epstein, Ruth Lourie, Max Levine, Reuben Greenberg, Meyer Herman, Sally Derechin, Nathan Handler, Hannah Soloway, Adolfo Max Perl, Arthur "Archie" Eisler, Florence Rosenfeld, Irving Goldman, Maurice Dorn

## December 13-19/27 Kislev-4 Tevet

Elsie A. Levy, Morris Finkelstein, Goldie Frank, Philip Freeman, Hannah K. Freeman, Edward Marks, William H. Wolff, Dr. John Bedrick, Charlene Hyman, Fred D. Goldman, Elsie Hockstein, Pauline Schwartz, Irving B. Sugerman, Herman Drogin, Louis Samuels, Dorothy Shopkin Murro, Carole H. Goldman, Estella Herman, Hyman Baer, Phyllis Botwinik, Genendel Berlin, Herman M. Schulman, Dr. Morris Samuel Frank, Samuel Flax, Benny Eisler

## December 20-26/5-11 Tevet

Victor Resnick, Rae Zuckerman Lifschitz, Hyman Frank, Dr. Samuel W. Green, Rose Kravitz, Sol Iskowitz, Isidor Feldman, David Soloway, Leah B. Perwin, Jeanette Greenberg, Harry Weiss, Irving Kahn, Ida Doroshinsky, Minnie Lake, Joseph ( John) Blaustein, Aron Feinberg, Morris Schapiro, Alfred B. Scolnick, Rabbi Joseph H. Wise, William Levine, Jacob Greenberg, Dora Blaustein, Abraham Burg, Jacob Eisenstat, Herbert Rothman, Estella Lavine

## December 27-January2/12-18 Tevet

Samuel Goodman, Dina Wein, Nathaniel Cohan, Edward J. Guterman, Aaron Marshak, Sidney A. Rose, Sidney M. Penner, Miriam Toffel, Mordicai Batlan Epstein, Irving Landau, Abram S. Turteltaub, Abraham Friedland, Rose Zweig, Doris Helfand Gurian, Anne Lazare, Yecheiel Michel Ravitt

### The following are this month's Yahrzeit

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#### Yahrzeit Donations...

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Norma S. Friedland  
Vickie Abrutyn  
Carol Klein  
Beverly Susskind

##### Yahrzeit For

Barry Ira Drogin  
Mollie Drogin  
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David L. Grodberg  
Meyer Lifschitz  
Libbie J. Shapiro  
Vivian Scolnick  
Seymour Klein  
Stanley M. Susskind

##### Beloved

Precious son  
Dynamic mother-in-law  
Dear cousin  
Husband  
Father  
Mother  
Mother  
Husband  
Husband

We regret to announce the passing of three extremely dedicated members of our temple community—**Dr. Perry Savoy**, past president, **Mel Weiss** and **Betty Troum**. May they Rest In Peace!!!!

# December 2020

| Sun | Mon      | Tue | Wed | Thu                        | Fri                         | Sat        |
|-----|----------|-----|-----|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|
|     |          | 1   | 2   | 3                          | 4                           | 5          |
| 6   | 7        | 8   | 9   | 10Chanukah first<br>candle | 11Chanukah                  | 12Chanukah |
| 13  | 14       | 15  | 16  | 17                         | 18Chanukah eighth<br>candle | 19         |
| 20  | 21Winter | 22  | 23  | 24                         | 25                          | 26         |
| 27  | 28       | 29  | 30  | 31                         |                             |            |

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