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# Temple Beth Israel

The Center of Jewish Living on Longboat Key

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SARASOTA/MANATEE ANNUAL  
**YOM HASHOAH**  
COMMUNITY SERVICE AND COMMEMORATION

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7 ■ 7PM ET VIA ZOOM**

Join Rabbi Benjamin Shull, Rabbi Stephen Sniderman and other community rabbis for a special virtual service that will include memorial prayers, readings, and reflections plus the personal testimony of Pieter Kohnstam, author of 'A Chance to Live: A Family's Journey to Freedom'.



Pieter Kohnstam

*More Details Inside* ➔

Please register at [shana@tbi-lbk.org](mailto:shana@tbi-lbk.org) or call the TBI office at (941) 383-3428 to receive the zoom link.

**TBI Virtual Service Times**  
Fridays at 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays at 10a.m.  
Available on Facebook & YouTube



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

As I'm sure you can imagine the most common question I get literally each week is when are we going to reopen. The Temple Board has been unanimous in the past that we will not reopen until at least 75 to 80 percent of our congregants are vaccinated. Even then we'll ask if your breathing status permits that everyone come to services masked until medical advice deems it unnecessary.

Now you might ask how we are going to determine what level of vaccination has been attained. **Elise Galinsky** has come up with the procedure. On May 1 we are going to send out a questionnaire to our entire congregation along with a return envelope asking all members what number of Covid-19 vaccinations you've had. If you've taken a Johnson & Johnson shot, the one-shot procedure, we will ask that you so inform us. On June 1 and July 1, we will ask the same questions. The questionnaire will not ask for your name or any personal information.

Accordingly, we will get an idea of where we are on our goal to 75 to 80 percent vaccination ratios.

This will help us determine whether or not we can open up for the High Holidays which begin this year in early September. For those of you who been asking when we're going to open, you can assure that occurs by encouraging all members you know to get their shots and to return their questionnaires as quickly as possible.

Our basis for being hopeful that we can reopen in September for the High Holidays is based upon our belief that members' diligence will make this goal possible.

Anyone who needs a ride to get his or her shot, please call the office and we'll help.

Most Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stuart Sinai". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Stuart Sinai, Temple Beth Israel President**



## FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

We talk about degrees of separation. For example, do we know anyone who survived the Shoah? Do we know anyone who knew anyone? In order to bring recent history closer to us, let me share with you three upcoming programs.

The Sarasota-Manatee Rabbinic Association coordinates a Yom Hashoah community service and commemoration every year. This year our speaker is Pieter Kohnstam from Venice. We have all heard about Anne Frank, read the book, seen the play. One of Pieter's neighbors in Amsterdam was the Frank family. Anne was his babysitter and playmate. Pieter will speak at our commemoration on **Wednesday evening, April 7 at 7:00 p.m.** Call **Shana** to

register and get the Zoom link. Thanks to Rabbi Benjamin Shull of Venice for arranging this.

On **Thursday, April 8 at 4:00 p.m.** we have a special documentary to share with you. RESCUE IN THE PHILIPPINES: RESCUE FROM THE HOLOCAUST is about the rescue of about 1,300 German and Austrian Jews through the Philippines during the late 1930s. We thank Anne and Chuck Lieberman for making this program possible. Here is the degree of separation: the rescue was led by one of Anne's cousins who had a tobacco company in the Philippines. I look forward, as I hope you will too, to learning about a hardly known chapter of our history.

Looking ahead to May 7's "Cocktail Party," our guest speaker will be Lois Roman from the Memorial Scrolls Trust. She will be talking about the Torah scroll that is on display in our ark that was rescued from Kromeriz, Czechoslovakia. This scroll, one of many, survived the Shoah. The rescue effort was made possible by Ralph Yablon of London. We have had the honor of getting to know Ralph's son, Tony, during his visits to Longboat Key. For your information, I have made an annual contribution to the Memorial Scrolls Trust through the discretionary fund, and **Corinne** and I have also made our personal contribution.

Our degrees of separation from Amsterdam, the Philippines, and Kromeriz are not that great.

**Rabbi Stephen L. Sniderman**

## FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DESK

For an entire year now, we have been experiencing the consequences of a pandemic. No one can predict the end of it - except that an end will come. From far away in our history, we have overcome adversity because of the quality of our people; that means you. We are the people who rise up magically by the quality of what we reveal, in us and in others. Getting back together will be sweeter than ever before.

Our Temple family has become the center of our universe as we confine ourselves to our homes. We need each other more than ever. We have learned to connect on Zoom and watch recordings on Facebook and YouTube. Caring for each other, however, has always been part of our nature. Our cocktail hours, on Friday at 5:00 p.m. have become popular and informative. We have learned so much about each other and we keep discovering layers of goodness.

Your Temple's foundation continues on solid ground. Because of successive Temple Boards that maintained a conservative and protective stance, we now have the funds to sustain the financial shortfall that resulted from the pandemic. We have had lucrative support from our partner organizations and governmental agencies; they provided us with much needed funds. Many of you have participated generously in sustaining our Temple. With your help and continuing support, we will soon emerge with innovative programming that lives up to our vision of The Center for Jewish Living on Longboat Key.

What we need from you now is very simple. Stay safe in your homes until we make sure that your health and welfare is preserved. The time will come soon enough for resuming in-person activities. You recently got a chance to endorse a slate of officers and trustees dedicated to take us to the next level. They are a fine group of hard-working women and men. They will lead us safely in reopening the Temple. It will be a long-awaited reopening and we will do it in a grand way, hopefully in the not-too-distant future.

You were also asked to endorse a 2021-2022 budget prepared in good faith and adopted by your Board of Trustees. No one can guarantee predictions, except to mention once more that we are prepared with contingency reserves to allow for the flexibility needed in these uncertain times.

Your participation in The Annual Congregation Meeting is very much appreciated; your voice is crucial to the operation of the Temple. We can't do it without you. Together we will overcome our current obstacles and we will emerge stronger than ever.



**Isaac Azerad**, Executive Director of Temple Beth Israel

# ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

During the closure of our Temple due to the Covid-19, and since we couldn't conduct our religious services, educational programs or social events, we have attempted to provide virtually, many of the above via live streaming, YouTube, and Facebook. But, we also realize the importance of our responsibility to maintain the structural integrity of our Temple. During this pandemic we have continued to make improvements, along with maintaining our program of preventative maintenance. We have instituted and completed many projects for the purpose of providing better safety and security for our congregants and staff. Since the March issue of our *TBI Bulletin*, we have completed three more projects that will increase our safety while in the Temple or leaving to go to our parking lots:

1. Sanctuary ceiling repairs were completed, along with checking the supports holding objects above us. The entire Sanctuary has been repainted which also gives us better lighting.
2. Completion of the entire railing system was put into place along our new sidewalk, coming from the left exit of the Sanctuary going around the Temple to the front sidewalk.
3. Completion of additional lighting in front of the Temple, increased lighting going to each of our two parking areas, and increased lighting coming from the sides of our building.

A high priority project is being designed by our architect and structural engineer, which will be the construction of another exit in the Sanctuary on the right side. Your security team deemed it essential for the safety of our congregants if someone breached our security, such as in an active shooter scenario. It was also approved by Jeffrey Solomon of our Federation's security department, which is part of the SCN group of Jewish Federations. We need this additional exit in order to be able to move our members out as soon as possible from the two sections of seating, one on the left and the other on the right.

For your information, your security team at TBI has created an on going program for security, which has now become an integral part of our Temple's operation. We realize the importance of maintaining a safe and secure Temple. We are aware of our need to incorporate within our security program a pre-conceived plan on how to react during a possible crisis. We will be issuing more information in the near future on our plans to have a training program for our members and staff, which will be conducted by those individuals with security training.

We are all looking forward to being together again in our Temple as soon as it is safe for all of us. Please make it your priority to go for your vaccinations. We need to make sure that all of our members get their vaccinations.

**Allan Goldfarb**, Vice President of Administration

## Before: Preparations prior to making our ceiling repairs.



Sanctuary was completely sealed with heavy plastic wrap covering the walls, our Ark, bimah, carpet, pews, and our stained glass windows.



Our Sanctuary being protected from the repairs and the repainting.



Repainted Sanctuary with improved lighting.

**AFTER: Ceiling repairs, improved lighting, fresh paint to brighten up the Sanctuary, all the ceiling supports holding our large speakers, projector, radial diffusers, and vents.**



The ceiling of the Sanctuary was completely repaired, and all the supports holding units were checked out for our safety too.



Our Sanctuary completely repainted after making the necessary repairs.



Our new railing that begins from our left exit of the Sanctuary and continues around the Temple till it meets our main sidewalk

## MEN'S CLUB

The Men's Club greatly appreciated Al Treidel's talk about his research of the U.S. presidents and the Jews.

**Sunday April 25 at 10:00 a.m. Isaac Azerad** will continue his talk regarding his journey from Egypt to Longboat Key. Isaac will take up his talk from where he left off which was when he arrived in Sarasota. To access this program, please register with the Temple office by calling **941.383.3428**, or emailing **info@tbi-lbk.org**. **Shana** will send you the Zoom address. There is no charge for this program.

As always, all Men's Club programs are open to both men and women. If anybody has suggestions for topics or speakers, please contact me.

You all received a membership application. Please fill it out and send it along with your application to the Temple. Do not be bashful; if you do not have the application just send your check along with a note to the Temple office. Dues are \$40. Thank you for your participation.

We look forward to being with everyone in the very near future. In the meantime, stay safe.

**Lewis Moyer**, Men's Club President

## BETH ISRAEL WOMEN'S CLUB REPORT

Sarasota's Evelyn & Arthur store is hosting a "Shop & Support" event to benefit BIW.

Join us **April 7th & 8th, from 10:00 to 4:00 p.m.** for an in-store event at 1480 Main Street. Evelyn & Arthur will be giving a 10% discount to our members on all regular priced merchandise, plus, they will donate an additional 10% of the purchase to BIW. If you choose, they will donate the entire 20 percent to BIW.

Sale merchandise is excluded.

All Covid-19 precautions are strictly followed to provide a safe shopping experience.

If you prefer, you can go online to preview clothes and accessories, and then call the Sarasota store, to place your order. Visit [www.evelynandarthur.com](http://www.evelynandarthur.com) and call **(941) 365-2210** and be sure to identify yourself as a BIW member.

All shoppers will be eligible for one of three raffle prizes - a \$50.00 gift certificate or a pashmina in the color of your choice. So plan to get out and have some fun with your fashion and "Shop & Support" our BIW!

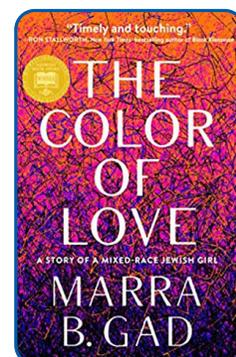
**Nancy Cohen and Sylvia Pastor, Co-Presidents**

## BOOKS AND BROWN BAGS

The next meeting of Books and Brown Bags will be held on **Monday, April 12, at 1:00 p.m.** via Zoom. After some discussion it was agreed that the book originally set for next month would be changed to *The Color of Love* by Marra B. Gad. **Corinne Sniderman** will be the facilitator of this memoir that explores the life of a young black woman who is adopted by a Jewish family.

Enjoy reading the book and then join the group as it expresses its opinions.

**Gloria Sabin, Chairperson and Tina Tessler, Co-Chairperson, BIW Book Club**



## THE NEW COLUMBARIUM FOR TBI

The Cemetery Committee is pleased to announce that our second 48-niche “Columbarium II” in our “Garden” at Palms Memorial Park in Sarasota is almost complete. The new structure and the patio between it and the existing Columbarium contain a large underground vault for the burial of our old and now-unused, religious books and other religious items. An announcement of the ceremony to bury these items that **Rabbi Sniderman** will conduct will be made soon.

Individual private vaults, called “Niches,” for the remains of those who choose cremation, are \$2,500. A niche can accommodate the remains of two people. Our regular burial plots are now \$3,700 per plot. We have also expanded our cemetery capacities by the purchase of 50 additional plots contiguous to our Garden.

The pricing above is for Members only. Whether you are considering pre-planning, or have an immediate need, we can handle either. Please call the Temple office and someone from the Cemetery Committee will immediately contact you.

Naming opportunities for our new Columbarium, the meditation bench and patio area are available should you wish to honor a loved one or create a lasting remembrance of your family name (e.g. the “John Smith Columbarium” or the “John Smith Family Meditation Garden”).

**Stuart Sinai and Dr. Howard Tessler**, Cemetery Committee Co-Chairpersons

## SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

The Social Action Team had been busy with the March Food Drive and is looking forward to the April food collection for Second Chance Last Opportunity (SCLO) on April 30. Our last food collections at the **TBI** parking lot will take place on that date.

It is difficult to gauge the value of the food contributions. We have in our city people who are still hungry and have difficulties supporting their families. When you donate groceries, it says to the needy among us that there are people here who care and want to help. All you generous donors have “said” that by your actions.

SCLO offers much more than food to those who seek help. Counseling, health education and youth programs are a few of the valuable services provided. The Flanzer Philanthropic Foundation believes in this organization and matches donated funds.

The SAC Team headed by **Karen Gary** includes some of our most wonderful “mitzvah-makers”. **Judy Tobias**, **Deborah Nyman**, **Barbara Pressman**, **Lois Lowsky**, **Gail Barzman**, **Maxine Spitzer**, **Carole Cohen**, **Arlene Skversky**, **Maxine Tauber**, **Bonnie Wilder**, **Carole Shaw** and many others unsung helpers constantly give aid in varying ways. Please know that your caring and efforts are treasured.

**Karen Gary and Alice Blueglass**, Co-chairpersons, Social Action Committee

## LEADERSHIP CIRCLE

This is the time when we, traditionally, have had a Leadership Shabbat Dinner to honor and recognize our wonderful donors. Hopefully, at some time in the future, we will have that dinner and we will celebrate our return to normalcy and our return to being with each other.

A most sincere thank you to all our generous Leadership contributors. Special events, programs and enriching activities are all possible due to your support. You have helped us be all that we can be.

To express our gratitude for this year, we have purchased 100 trees for a garden in Israel in honor of our Leadership Circle members and Life and Legacy donors.

The certificate is on the back page of the *Bulletin*.

It is never too late to join the Leadership Circle. Memberships received after this publication will be listed in next month's issue.

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Phyllis & Eliot Arnovitz	Susan & David Gorin	Paula Post
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Barbara & Edwin Biron	Robin Green & Jay Greenblatt	Margot & Jack Robinson
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Wendy & Ross Born	Stephen Helpern	Lois & Alan Schottenstein
Deborah Cohen	Sue Jacobson	Sharon Schreiber
Judge Edward Cohen	Doris Kaplan	Estelle & Dr. Burton Silbert
Beatrice (z"l) & Ralph Einstein	Maggie Kaplen & Leon Sokol	Mary Ann & Ted Simon
Nancy & Rabbi M.B. Eisenstat	Sy Klionsky	Carole Shaw & Stuart Sinai
Joel Feidelman	Sandra & Ben Krause	Carole & Dr. Ira Singer
Walter Frank & Gale Hacker	Ruth Kreindler	Claire Smith
Sharon & Herman Frankel	Marion Levine	Donna & Edward Sobel
Nancy & David Freund	Nessa & Richard Levine	Maxine & Bob Spitzer
Christa & Frank Fineshriber	Bonney & Len Libman	Barbara Struth
Suzan & Barry Friedman	Rise Loshak	Marilyn Taub
Elise & James Galinsky	Lois Lowsky	Tena & Dr. Howard Tessler
Suzan & Dr. Philip Gaynes	Suzanne Lutkoff	Kelli & Howard Veit
Pat & Dr. Philip Gelber	Betty & Judge Marvin Morse	Robert Vigder
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Miriam & Allan Goldfarb	Richard Olin	
Jan & Melvin Goldsmith	Dr. Sandra Packard & Lew Moyer	
	Sylvia & Irwin Pastor	

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## LIFE & LEGACY HONORS PROGRAM

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To date, ten members of the LIFE & LEGACY Society have chosen to participate in the new LIFE & LEGACY Honors Program by designating their legacy contributions in honor of a loved one. The program is open to all members of the Society whose confirmed (or actual) contribution is equal to, or in excess of \$10,000. Keep in mind, however, that contribution pledges of any amount are welcome.

The fifth year of the LIFE & LEGACY Program is now underway. In view of the congregation's reduced number of members and steadily increasing operating costs, it is now more important than ever to build the future value of our Endowment Fund. It is expected that, in future years, approximately 20 percent of our operating funds will need to be provided by this fund. The LIFE & LEGACY Program is the vehicle for that growth.

For information on how you can help provide for the future viability of TBI by participating in the Program, contact [Isaac Azerad](#) at the Temple office.

[Bob Vigder](#), LIFE & LEGACY Committee Chairperson

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## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

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New full time members, [Debby](#) and [Howard Weiner](#), now reside in Venice, Fl. and are formerly from Chicago. And, they play the ukulele! We look forward to meeting you. Welcome.

Shabbat dinners-to-go have been a big success. Since we have been attracting nonmembers who participate regularly, we are offering them a membership incentive. Individuals who purchase ten or more meals by June, 2021 may join [TBI](#) with a discount towards family or single full-time membership. So, spread the word. Meals can be purchased by logging onto our [TBI](#) website or calling the Temple office.

[Karen Gary](#), Co-Chairperson Membership Committee

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## SANCTUARY SEAT PLAQUES

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Sanctuary seat plaques may still be purchased for a \$500 contribution to the Facilities Fund, a much-needed cause in our Temple. With the exception of the minor \$25 cost for purchasing and engraving the brass plaque, all the funds donated go to the Facilities Fund and you will receive a letter telling you the amount of your contribution for tax deduction purposes. You may purchase as many seat plaques as you wish until they are all sold.

To donate and select a seat(s) for your plaque(s), you may contact the [TBI](#) office or me ([248.568.9206](tel:248.568.9206)) or ([packard@oakland.edu](mailto:packard@oakland.edu)). Once [TBI](#) has your check and we have met so you can select your seats, I will order the plaque(s) and have them attached to your seat(s) of choice - ready to greet you when we all return to the synagogue.

[Sandy Packard](#), Vice President Development



*"Providing Jewish communities with proven tools and training to help them secure their long-term financial goals is absolutely vital. Through the LIFE & LEGACY® program, I'm hopeful that we will be able to help sustain vibrant communities that allow future generations to enjoy our rich Jewish culture and heritage."*

- Harold Grinspoon

**The Following Legacy Donors have ensured that future generations will enjoy Temple Beth Israel and a Jewish presence on Longboat Key:**

Isaac Azerad  
 Alice Blueglass  
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*In memory of Dr. Cecelia & Ben Liebow and Helen & Louis Galinsky.*  
 Dr. Philip & Suzan Gaynes  
*In honor of Jill & David Gaynes and Leslie Beckman-Gaynes. In memory of Seth Gaynes and Solomon Gaynes.*  
 Shelley & Sy Goldblatt  
 Miriam & Allan Goldfarb  
 Elana & Earl (z"l) Gordon  
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 Robin Green  
*In memory of my husband Kermit 'Kit' Green who loved life and was a caring man. He is very missed by his family and many friends.*  
 Jay Greenblatt  
 Norman (z"l) & Barbara Gross  
 Dr. Jon & Joyce Gudeman  
 Debby & Gerald Hamburg  
 Dr. Audrey Heimler  
*In memory of my beloved son, Richard Adam Heimler*  
 Sue Jacobson  
 Maggie Kaplen  
 Sy Klionsky

Benjamin & Sandra Krause  
 Richard & Nessa Levine  
 Marion & Dr. Bernard (z"l) Levine  
*In memory of Dr. Bernard Levine*  
 Bonney & Len Libman  
*In honor of our delightful dozen.*  
 Suzanne Lutkoff  
*In memory of David M. Lutkoff. He loved TBI in many ways including serving as president of the Men's Club.*  
 Donald & Judith (z"l) Markstein  
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*In Honor of Dr. Martin T. Packard's (z"l) love & commitment to the study of Judaism and the support of Israel.*  
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 Gloria Sabin  
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*In honor of Terry Berk, my much loved brother.*  
 Carole Shaw & Stuart Sinai  
 Sidney & Theresa Sinick (z"l)  
 Rabbi Stephen & Corinne Sniderman  
 Marilyn Taub  
 Marjorie L. Tick (z"l)  
 Robert & Judy (z"l) Vigder  
*In Honor and Loving Memory of Florence Katz*  
 Mel Weisel & Fran Mann (z"l)

**1 BILLION DOLLARS** pledged nationwide in support of our Jewish Communities across the United States and Canada!



*Honor a Loved One!*

**NEW! LIFE & LEGACY Honor Society:**

The Temple is happy to announce the establishment of a new program to enable members of the congregation to provide a perpetual tribute in honor of a loved one, or another person of their choice. The honor will be in the form of a **LIFE & LEGACY** gift made in the honor of the person designated.

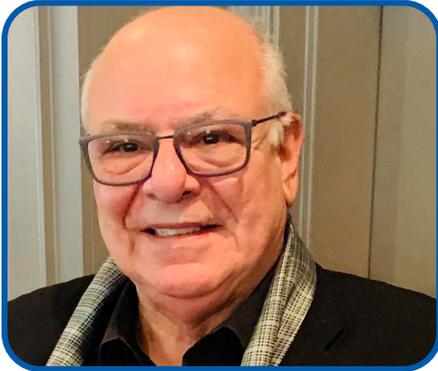
Temple Beth Israel is proud to participate in this national effort to ensure our Jewish heritage continues for future generations!



**For more information about LIFE & LEGACY program please contact:**

Isaac Azerad, Executive Director  
 Office: (941) 383-3428  
 iazerad@tbi-lbk.org

## MY JEWISH JOURNEY: Isaac Azerad



### *Brotherhood Breakfast Lecture*

Thank you, **Lew Moyer, President of TBI Men's club** for inviting me to speak. This Brotherhood series has been very well received; it is well attended even with the pandemic. So, I am humbled by the opportunity and I hope to keep your attention for a little while.

In my case, being exposed to four cultures is the product of circumstances beyond my control. It's the luck of the draw. When religion, politics, education and family-history conspire, they create the conditions for this accident of birth.

For a time, in my teens and early twenties, I felt like a tennis ball in a game of doubles, bouncing back and forth between four players, each one of the players determined to dominate the game. Over the years I learned to appreciate my multicultural experiences. It taught me to adapt to whatever environment I find myself in. Adaptation, is a learned skill that teaches you flexibility. I believe that to be one of the most valuable traits in dealing with adversity.

Sometimes I am asked, "Where are you from?" This question used to raise feelings of hesitation and confusion. The answer is not simple. I was born in Cairo in 1946 of Jewish parents. I spoke Arabic, yet I never had an Egyptian Passport. I carried an Italian Passport, never having been to Italy or spoken the language. We spoke French at home, went to French Schools, and yet never carried an official French identity. Along the way, we picked up a little Spanish, Ladino, Portuguese, Greek and Armenian from our neighbors and friends. Along the way, and many miles later, I embraced the Israeli culture and language and finally settled on a strong American Identity.

Today my identity is much simpler: I am an American Jew, born in Egypt.

A Jew born in an Arab country today would live a totally different life than the one I had as a child. The cosmopolitan Cairo of the fifties was a thriving metropolis where cultures from the four corners of the world intermingled while keeping their unique identities. We went to The French Lycée, where the privileged classes sent their children to school. We mingled with Saudi Princes, nephews of The King, sons and daughters of ambassadors and those of high-ranking officials. We led the charmed life of ease and abundance. We had a staff of helpers, nannies, maids, laundress, cooks, chauffeurs to tend to our every need.

Our lives revolved around our extended family, our synagogue, and country club. Every summer and for a period of three months we would travel to our seashore dwelling where we would meet other Jewish families from Heliopolis, Cairo and Alexandria. Our little enclave of twenty villas surrounded by a high wall and a guard house kept us in relative comfort and security. In this idyllic setting we would also establish a makeshift synagogue for Shabbat Services. We were exposed to theatre from London, Symphony from Vienna and Ballet from Paris or Moscow. We enjoyed horse racing, dancing and elaborate galas. Our culture was a mixture of French, Jewish and Egyptian.

The Egyptian character that we encountered in the streets and through our servants, was good hearted, honest and dedicated. There was a high sense of class distinction, servitude and deference to the higher classes. Perhaps as a result of their colonial past.

It was a country where the members of the middle class, who were enormously better off financially than their peasants and the working-class counterpart, were often addressed in exalted terms such as your excellency, or your presence. Titles, relics from the Ottoman Empire, such as Bey or Pasha, were often used indiscriminately.

Paradoxically, despite our Egyptian birth we were considered foreigners. In the early days, being a foreigner was a sign of distinction but soon turned into resentment from the government and the masses. Nationalism at the hand of Gamal Abd el Nasser, after 1956, turned into persecution of Jews and foreigners. After confiscating our assets and nationalizing my father's business, we were pushed out, others were incarcerated or expelled. We left Heliopolis for Paris in 1962, penniless and with no immediate prospect for a viable future.

The francophone upbringing of my childhood did not prepare me for the rude awakening of an unwelcoming France. My France of culture and refinement, of Moliere and Corneille, Debussy and Charles Aznavour, rejected us along with the multitude of refugees from North Africa who converged on its shores after the liberation of Algeria, Tunisia and Morocco. We were persona non grata, scorned and overtly resented. The French Character is uniquely protective of its own identity. One does not become French; one is French from birth and the farther back the ancestry, the better. With a very strong adherence to class, there is practically no upward mobility. Once you are branded as part of a certain societal class, you are stuck. I remember

that after high school my guidance counselor summoned my parents for a conference and after reading about my background, simply rejected my good grades and branded me unsuitable for college. I was directed to learn a trade such as TV repairman. My self-esteem was shattered and my self-worth came into question in the mind of the sixteen year old that I was.

After a tumultuous period in France, we emigrated to Israel. I had not been particularly enthusiastic about a country (Israel) that I perceived to have a lack of sophistication and a language that harkened back to antiquity. I could not see myself fit in. I felt like this tennis ball again; tossed from the Middle East to the Western world and back to yet another kind of Middle East.

What I did find out is that the cult of equality was an unwritten rule in Israel: no one is better than anyone else, I kept hearing. Meritocracy was the norm in this brash and sometimes uncouth environment. You could become whatever you proved capable of becoming.

That was my personal experience when I was drafted. I was quickly identified as having special aptitudes. After basic training in anti-aircraft artillery, I was asked to become an instructor in enemy-aircraft identification to a class of pilots. I was transferred to the central command air force base and I soon became an unofficial consultant to the base Commander. He would run by me his strategic vision and involve me in the analysis.

Prior to the Six-Day War, I was summoned to the underground war room and helped in the design of the tracking maps of logistics and enemy troupes' movements. I was the only Sargent among officers holding the Lieutenant rank and above. My language ability and knowledge of Arabic became an asset to my commanders.

Soon after my discharge from the army, I was recalled to fight in the Sinai during the Six-Day War. In my three years spent in the service, I have forged many friendships that endure until today. More importantly, I had regained my dignity and sense of pride along with my self-worth. I had demonstrated special strategic talents in the most demanding and formidable military in the Middle East. I was now ready to pursue my University education at 23.

In 1967, after the heavy toll on the economy, the prospect for scholarships were nonexistent. My parents were struggling financially and I could not impose on their generosity. Despite my love-hate relationship, I made a plan to return to France and work my way through college. I had anticipated a part time, night time, work-study path that would allow me to obtain a degree in a matter of six to seven years. I was determined.

The best laid plans are sometimes superseded by an event that changes the course of our lives. Such event happened to me and because of it I am here today to tell you about it.

Our extended family spread out in many countries after the exile from Egypt. My cousin Sheila Levy ended up in Cleveland, Ohio and married a nice young man by the name Jonathan Rosenthal. Dr. Jon was the son of Rabbi Rudolph Rosenthal a distinguished figure in Cleveland Jewry. Rabbi Rosenthal was planning a trip to Israel to experience first hand the after war euphoric atmosphere and to celebrate the victorious state. Rabbi Rudolph and his wife Bertha were accompanied by Bernard and Theresa Shulman, two young entrepreneurs and philanthropists on their way to dedicate some building at Hadassah Hospital. Cousin Sheila urged her in-laws that when they arrive in Israel to please look up her relatives. We soon got a phone call from the Rosentals and the Shulmans to join them for dinner at The Dan Hotel in Tel Aviv. We sat around a table in a private dining room. My uncle the judge sat next to the Rabbi and exchanged insights on the similarity and differences between Jewish Law and Religion. My mother sat next to Mrs. Shulman, who was French Canadian and exchanged niceties in the language they had in common. Because of my rudimentary understanding of English, although I couldn't speak it, I sat next to Bernie Shulman so I could nod occasionally to show comprehension. He told me about his intention to dedicate an edifice and that he felt awkward doing it. He was not much enamored with the publicity or the prestige associated with it. They had stopped in Rome, he told me, on the way to Tel Aviv and had purchased a picture book on the Six-Day War. In a moment of silence and perhaps to keep the conversation going he pulled the book out of a bag by the side of his chair to show it to me.

Right after the Six-Day War many photo albums were circulating in Europe. They depicted the bravery of the IDF soldiers in many of the fronts. Jews all over the world were exuberant and keen on having a memento of this historic time. Among the more colorful ones were those photoshoots by foreign correspondents in the Sinai.

By an act of sheer serendipity, one of the photos depicted my commander and me at the shore of the Suez Canal after Israel captured the Sinai. Mr. Shulman, upon realizing the coincidence, gasped in astonishment and disbelief. Looking at me intently, he interpreted this as a sign that he should redirect his donation to "serve those who served." He told me that he wanted to invest in me, and not in some building. He offered me a four-year scholarship; all expenses paid. The next day, true to his word, he hired an interpreter and came to visit us at home to explain to my parents what his intentions were.

Thus, in August of 1968 I was on my way to the US to start a new life!

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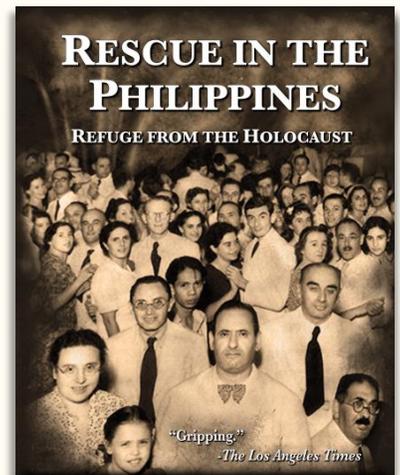


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## A SHOT IN THE ARM

Sarasota's real estate, like the entire community, is experiencing the VACCINE EFFECT. As peoples' immunological responses are strengthened, they are emerging from quarantine and heading here. There's a lot of activity locally and our real estate market is no exception.

With the amount of buyers coming into town there is also a dramatic increase in in-person showings (as opposed to virtual or video showings). We are actually seeing a lot more multiple offer situations. In fact, just this week we've helped two of our clients secure very special waterfront properties thanks to our ability to very strategically position and structure their offers.

In one such example, there were 14 COMPETING OFFERS and our buyers prevailed! It's not always the highest price that wins, it's an entire package. With these multiple-offer situations we are now seeing a situation in this first part of March where the median sales price is actually greater than the original list price.

## SALES TO LIST PRICE RATIO RISING

In fact, what we're seeing is a trend over the last several months. The sales price to list price ratio in January was about 98.2% and in February it was about 98.6%. We'll see what happens in March.

With all these multiple offers, there's a lot of scrutiny going on, however I really believe that Sellers and Brokers are pricing those properties effectively. They are stepping back and letting the market dictate where the right price should end up. There is not a lot of greed in the market. Right now we're all waiting to see what happens and let the buyers dictate the outcome of the sales.

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There is also a little bit of a serendipity and a little bit of luck going on in the market. For example, this week on Lido Key I helped a family buy a property that has never before been on the market. We've been working together for over a year and it just so happens they are here in Sarasota this week. So the moment I saw the property come to market, they were able to walk over to look at the property, and put it under contract before anyone else could see it.

The Sarasota real estate market, like our community, continues to have tremendous growth and opportunity. I don't see the enthusiasm for Sarasota abating any anytime soon. A couple of indicators are that airlines have extended their non-stop service- which is usually seasonal- through September. This means that they're expecting a very strong summer here in our community.

The real estate market is going to be tight for the next several months. Though I do believe that we're going to see increases in inventory in May and June. And finally, there are sellers in the market because those individuals are consistently reevaluating their quality of life and their current home. When it no longer is the right match or they seek a different lifestyle experience, they become sellers. And because Sarasota still has lots to offer, and is growing in its amenities, content, and quality, we're going to see buyers coming here for the foreseeable future.

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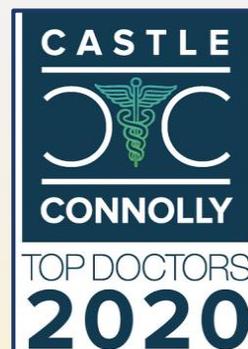
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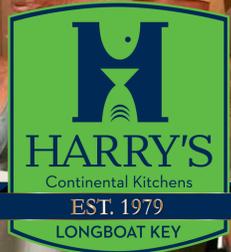


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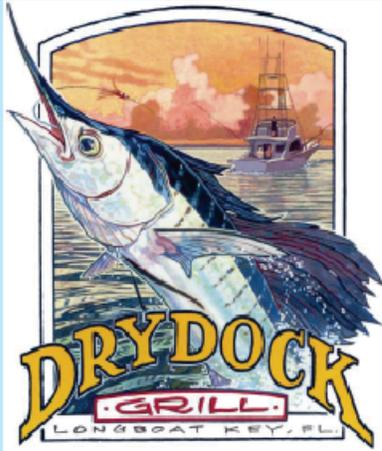


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<p>PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL SCHEDULED EVENTS ARE CURRENTLY VIRTUAL AND AVAILABLE ONLINE ONLY. Please see the weekly E-Blasts for updates.</p>			31 Programming Committee Meeting 4:00 PM	1 Passover (Day 5)	2 Shabbat Meals 3pm @ TBI ZOOM Social Hour 5:00 PM Shabbat Service 7:30 PM ON ZOOM	3 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Passover and Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 AM LIVE ON ZOOM
4	5 BIW Board Meeting 11am via ZOOM	6 Rabbi Sniderman's ZOOM Judaism Class 11:00 AM	7 Yom HaShoah Commemoration w/ Rabbi Sniderman & Rabbi Shull 7pm via ZOOM	8 Yom HaShoah Virtual Screening & Discussion 4pm via ZOOM Rescue from the Philippines, Refuge from the Holocaust	9 Shabbat Meals 3pm @ TBI ZOOM Social Hour 5:00 PM Friday Shabbat Service 7:30 PM LIVE ON ZOOM	10 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 AM LIVE ON ZOOM
11	12 Books & Brown Bags via ZOOM 12:45pm Long Range Planning 2 PM	13 Rabbi Sniderman's ZOOM Judaism Class 11:00 AM Exec. Committee Mtg 2:00 PM	14 Yom HaZika	15 Yom HaAtzmaut Endowment Mtg 10:30 AM 	16 Shabbat Meals 3pm @ TBI ZOOM Social Hour 5:00 PM Friday Shabbat Service 7:30 PM LIVE ON ZOOM	17 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 AM LIVE ON ZOOM
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