Marblehead residents ask: Why did it take so long to uncover police swastika incident?

By Ethan M. Forman
JOURNAL STAFF

Marblehead Police Chief Robert Picariello resigned, which Marblehead residents and the Marblehead Racial Justice Team are demanding answers about an incident involving a former town police officer who allegedly scratched a swastika onto another officer’s personal vehicle. The incident is alleged to have happened in late June/early July of 2019, but the police chief only found out about it more than a year later – in mid-November 2020 – and the public wasn’t made aware of it until a month after that. Residents want to know why it stayed secret for so long.

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The Anti-Defamation League (ADL) has been investigating the group for tagging stickers in the city that read “NSC 131 Zone” during the summer, and it was working with the Salem No Place for Hate Committee to identify individuals in the area tied to the group.

The other group, Super Happy Fun America, which organized the Straight Pride Parade in Boston in the summer of 2019, is no stranger to the North Shore. Two members of the Super Happy group, Mark G. Sahady of Malden – who organized the parade – and Suzanne Ianni of Natick have been charged with misdemeanor trespassing and disorderly conduct.

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Capitol insurrection and pandemic serve as triggers for Holocaust survivor

By Ethan M. Forman

SALEM — Speaking during a Zoom event for International Holocaust Remembrance Day, 91-year-old New Jersey Holocaust survivor and author Judith Sherman told an audience of nearly 400 that the Capitol insurrection and the pandemic have amplified old triggers and added some new ones.

However, Sherman cautioned she did not want to compare the political situation in America today with the enormity of the Holocaust.

"But I hear words, I see acts that are very disturbing echoes of that time of terror," Sherman said.

With her daughter Ora Gelb by her side and her granddaughter Sara Gelb also participating on Zoom, the trio read portions of Sherman's memoir "Say the Name: A Survivor's Tale in Prose and Poetry," during the Lappin Name: A Survivor's Tale in Prose and Poetry," during the Lappin Foundation's commemoration of International Holocaust Remembrance Day on Jan. 27 — the 76th anniversary of Auschwitz liberation.

Sherman's granddaughter, Ilana Gelb, and grandson, Michael Gelb, also took part during the live event.

Sherman, a native of the village Kurima, Czechoslovakia, was 14 at the time she was sent to Ravensbruck, the Nazi death camp for women in northern Germany, and in her memoir, she writes in the voice of a young girl and a teenager.

In 1939, she first knew the terror of waking up with a bayonet in her face. The family separated to stay whole, she said, and she and her younger sister and brother were smuggled into hiding in Hungary where they were imprisoned.

In March 1944, Germany occupied Hungary, and she and her sister, Miriam, were taken in by a Christian family, but they were betrayed and taken to a Gestapo prison where they were interrogated and tortured.

A Slovak guard helped them escape, and another Christian family took in her 7-year-old sister. Sherman was captured hiding with a group of Jews in a forest.

The day after she was captured, her 9-year-old brother arrived in the same prison, a converted castle, where her group was being held. The next day he was sent to the gas chambers of Auschwitz. On the day her group was supposed to be sent to Auschwitz, there was no more room in the camp, so they were sent to Ravensbruck, instead.

Sherman said she has led a normal post-Holocaust life, but "a survivor's world is jolted by triggers." She leads a life on dual tracks. "I'm here and I'm there," she said.

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"The terror I feel is that it is happening in America," she said. "The terror I feel is that it is happening, I am seeing images of mobs breaking into the Capitol, into the house of government, the symbol of this democracy."

In the mob, Sherman recalls seeing a picture of a man wearing a shirt that says "Camp Auschwitz" with the phrase "Work brings freedom."

"This slogan is of course written on the gates of every camp, every concentration camp," Sherman said. She said her grandson, Michael Gelb, was visiting her on the day of the insurrection and he was trying to make sense of what was going on.

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Sherman also asked Perlman to recite Kaddish for the 6 million Jews who died in the Shoah so that they will never be forgotten.

"I have a whole new responsibility and I will fulfill her wishes," Perlman said.

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Doctors work to get residents vaccinated for COVID

By Rich Tenorio

JOURNAL CORRESPONDENT

As the state entered a new phase marked by a shortage of the COVID-19 vaccine and confusion about where and how to sign up for the inoculation, Jewish infectious disease doctors and elder care facilities are continuing their efforts to support preventative measures against the pandemic.

Dr. Mark Poznansky, head of the Vaccine and Immunotherapy Center at Mass General Hospital, is working on the COVID response on multiple fronts.

Much of his time is focused on developing a vaccine in partnership with the Department of Defense. This work is currently in animal testing, with a goal of human testing for the third quarter of 2021 if everything goes according to plan.

He envisions the vaccine as easier to administer, in some ways, than the current Pfizer and Moderna models.

“It does not require specialized deep refrigeration, and it’s more stable than mRNA vaccines,” Poznansky said. “We would be one of the avenues, one of many platforms out there, to go get a vaccine that would be easier to deliver and deploy.”

Additionally, Poznansky and his MGH team are working with a company called Pinpoint Science Inc. on testing for the virus — “more rapid COVID tests in a very short period of time, real time, at point of contact places, schools, businesses, and so forth” — and on developing a new therapeutic for the corona virus in collaboration with Drs. James Torchia and Gordon Freeman at the Dana-Farber Immunotherapy Center at Mass General Hospital.

“We must prevent as much moderate and severe disease as we can,” he said of the therapeutic project. “We’re not vaccinating enough people yet … It would be a direct, targeted therapeutic for people with COVID-19. It should be a simple drug. Monoclonal antibodies can be quite complicated and expensive. This would be simple protection, mass-produced, delivered at larger scale to people with COVID.”

MGH infectious disease specialist Dr. Camille Kotton is working on vaccination efforts at the hospital.

“We’ve been very busy with the vaccine rollout,” she said, as well as “taking care of patients with COVID. There’s a lot of patient education to make sure everyone’s questions are answered.”

“A good amount of my time” involves working with Jewish institutions in the Boston area on COVID policies, including her synagogue, Temple Emanuel in Newton, and Jewish day schools in eastern Massachusetts. Kotton’s priorities in this regard include “keeping the schools open, keeping them healthy, in person.”

Poznansky is also a member of Temple Emanuel, as is Kotton’s husband, Dr. Darrell Kotton, who works at Boston Medical Center and Boston University School of Medicine. A fellow temple member is Dr. Rochelle Walensky, the former head of the Infectious Diseases Division at MGH who in December was appointed the director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention by President Joe Biden.

Kotton and Poznansky praised Walensky’s work on the national COVID response.

“She’s off to a really good start,” Kotton said. “We look forward to really strong leadership from her,” including “with helping the new administration get things up to speed…[to] try to start to contain this horrible pandemic.”

Poznansky described Walensky as “science and data-driven.”

In an alarming recent development, new strains of COVID have been discovered, including in the United Kingdom, South Africa, and Brazil. The UK strain has been detected in two people in Massachusetts, and other states.

“We are in a race here between vaccination, treatment, and the infection rate to get the virus back in the box,” Poznansky said. “The problem in countries like Brazil, the UK, and the US is that it’s way out of control there. We don’t know what will happen on the horizon. Practice caution, be careful moving forward.”

On a statewide level, Kotton and Poznansky said that the rollout is improving. Availability is opening up, with large vaccination clinics for first responders, health care workers, and anyone over age 75 established at Gillette Stadium and Fenway Park. Closer to home, the state is booking appointments at the DoubleTree Hotel on Ferncroft Road in Danvers, including for the over-75 group.

“Now there’s a really organized, well-designed plan for the state of Massachusetts to have a rollout in many different centers across Massachusetts,” Kotton said.

“They’ve expanded who continued on page 11
Antisemitism is nothing new in the halls of Congress, and Marjorie Taylor Greene, the freshman Republican representative from northwest Georgia – and supporter of the radical ideology of QAnon – is just the latest elected official to join the club.

Besides endorsing the execution of leading Democrats, and claims that the 9/11 attack was staged, and the Parkland and Sandy Hook school shootings were hoaxes, Greene has also waded into the waters of Jew hatred. One of the theories she has postulated include her belief that California wildfires might have been caused by a space laser controlled by Jewish bankers. In 2018, she also shared a Holocaust denial video by white nationalists that claimed that “Zionist supremacists have schemed to promote immigration and miscegenation.”

She is not alone in her beliefs about Jews, and Israel. Last year, during the presidential election, Republican House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy posted a message on Twitter that claimed three billionaire Democratic donors of Jewish descent were trying to “buy” elections. “We cannot allow Soros, Steyer, and Bloomberg to BUY this election! Get out and vote Republican November 6.” 

McCarthy wrote. Last November, U.S. Rep. Rashida Tlaib, D-Michigan – who does not recognize Israel as a state – posted a social media comment that said “From the river to the sea, Palestine will be free,” an affiliation that has been associated with calls to destroy Israel. U.S. Rep. Ilhan Omar, D-Minnesota, also has a history of comments about Jews and Israel. In 2012, she posted on Twitter that “Israel has hypnotized the world, may Allah awaken the people and help them see the evil doings of Israel.”

Then there’s Steve Scalise, the House Minority Whip and Republican from Louisiana. In 2002, he attended and spoke at a convention of the white supremacist European American Unity and Rights Organization, a group founded by David Duke. And Republican Rep. Louie Gohmert who promulgated a debunked theory on the Fox Business Channel in 2018 about George Soros taking property from other Jews during World War II (Fact: Soros was 14 when the war ended).

There are others, including Arizona Republican Paul Gosar, who suggested that Soros funded the Charlottesville neo-Nazi march and claimed that the Jewish billionaire “turned in his own people to the Nazis.”

Greene’s comments are a symptom of a larger problem. It is time that elected officials begin a serious public conversation on the issue of anti-Semitism within its own halls.

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**False comparisons trivialize the Holocaust**

As a member of the Lappin Foundation Holocaust Educa- tion, Response Team (HEART), I personally urge our Journal readers to condemn the indis- criminate use of the words Nazi, Hitler and Holocaust by our leaders, public figures and the media when comparing members of Congress and individu- als who may express differing points of view from one’s own.

This false comparison trivializes the Holocaust.

There is no denying that there are hate groups in our coun- try, including neo-Nazis, that advocate violence. However, anti-Semitism was the system- atic, state-sponsored persecu- tion and murder of more than 6 million Jews and millions of others by the Nazi regime and its collaborators under Hitler’s direction.

While the recent violent attack on our Capitol was an assault on our democracy, compari- ng it to the Holocaust or comparing some leaders to Nazis is morally wrong.

**Of neo-Nazis in our midst**

Thank you for your impor- tant issue commemorating Holocaust Remembrance Day, the attack on the U.S. Capitol and Congressman Mickey Edwards’ departure from the Republican Party (jewishjournal.com, Jan. 21). Remembering history and applying the les- sons to current events – local, national and international – is crucial given the fact that white supremacists in the U.S. have now tragically outdone their counterparts in Germany and the rest of Europe.

This morning, the New York Times reported that a neo-Nazi in Germany was just given a life sentence for the 2019 murder of the mayor of Kassel, a city in central Germany. It was the first assassination of a politician in Germany since World War II.

In 2019 the mayor of Dresden, the capital of Saxony, declared a “NAZIPOSITSTAND,” a “Nazi Emergency.” That emer- gency is far from over. Feb. 13, 2021 marked the 75th anniver- sary of the Allied bombing of Dresden. The far right seized this opportunity to organize a funeral march through the city center, yelling and screaming and flashing stiff-armed (Nazi) salutes, chanting “Foreigners out! Foreigners out!” The show of resentment and rage appeared to be directed less at Brits and Americans, the people who bombed Dresden, than it was at the more than 1 mil- lion immigrants who arrived in 2014-2015, largely from Syrian war zones. Some protestors car- ried pro-Trump signs.

What will happen in Dresden this year on Feb. 13? Will neo- Nazis come out screaming again, or worse? What will hap- pen in the U.S.? Can it get any worse? Yes, it can and we can’t allow it.

I have an unusual con- nection to Dresden through descendants of one of the city’s most prominent Jewish fami- lies – prior to 1933. I have sto- ries, photographs and journal excerpts. In any event, this last issue of the Jewish Journal was hard-hitting. Please don’t stop and don’t let up on the pressure.

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Operation Back to Life: How Israel is leading the world’s vaccination campaign

By Meron Reuben

Coronavirus knows no borders, and as has become all too clear, and countries around the world are facing the same challenges to public health and daily business. But with the onset of the pandemic, Israel emerged as a leading nation in the global fight against coronavirus, learning from others’ experiences and sharing its own with the world. It made the tough choice early on – closing borders and schools, shuttering businesses, limiting all non-essential activities.

Israel sustained the burst of innovation surrounding the global pandemic, including COVID-centric start-ups, in addition to drive-through testing, telehealth, telemedicine, and vaccine research. Israel’s success in responding to the pandemic has continued into 2021. The country now boasts the highest per-capita vaccination rate of any country globally, outpacing all others by far.

Israel began its vaccination drive in late December, 2020, and within just the first two weeks, nearly 30,000 Israelis were already given their first dose. Now, a month later, more than 30 percent have already received the vaccine, including some 75 percent of citizens over 60. My parents received their first dose two weeks ago Sunday. The Consulate in Boston was instrumental in helping them, as was the deal that Israel inked with pharmaceutical companies.

Presently, the country is on track to vaccinate the entire adult population by the end of March. Additionally, Israel is in the process of administering vaccines to all foreign diplomats within the country.

This speedy and ambitious target has been made possible through a new deal between the Israeli government and pharmaceutical companies in early January. Our Country has invested heavily in facilitating the Moderna deal with Israel. Dubbed ‘Operation Back to Life,’ Israel is deploying the vaccine to the entire population over the coming months, which will enable the country to reach its bold target, and we, hope, become one of the first countries in the world to exit from the coronavirus crisis. Moreover, and outside of the Jewish community, growing awareness of the importance of the vaccine is spreading, making the country the first in the world to vaccinate its entire population with the novel vaccine. Israel will serve as the world’s critical experimental subject.

Israel’s universal healthcare system is globally recognized for its efficiency and effectiveness. It has developed a sophisticated and high-quality individual patient care level, and all Israeli citizens and permanent residents are guaranteed healthcare under the country’s national health insurance law. All Israelis can choose from four comprehensive health plans (public option) that provide a standardized basket of medical services. Each provider must accept all residents regardless of age or state of health. Combined, there are thousands of clinics spread across the country, ensuring that every local community is served. Furthermore, its national healthcare services enjoy a uniquely advanced digitization level, which will make Israel’s data particularly effective for research. Israel’s extensive national network of medical services lies within the ministry of health’s purview.

In Israel, 75 percent of its citizens over 60 have received a COVID-19 vaccination.

By Mae-Lou Zeleski

Why is identity something that I struggle to understand? When I think about changing my self image, I don’t know where to start. I am often my biggest bully. It’s tiring to hate everything about yourself.

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Personal Essay

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I’m exhausted with the weight. The weight of the ignorance and bigotry of this country truly came to the surface at the Capitol, all we could do was watch. It hurts me to think of how many people in that terrorist group would hate me simply because of my race, my ethnicity, my religion, and my political affiliations. My existence would warrant their violence.

To set aside the memory of the racist and Confederate flags being waved proudly is petrifying. To know that these people are my neighbors. I feel like I shouldn’t be here anymore. I don’t understand why these people enjoy watching others suffer. I ask: what is my purpose if my identity is violently condemned by those who I am surrounded by?

I don’t have a community to fall back on when violent acts of racism occur. My family is white, and almost all of my friends are white. Growing up, I only had one other Asian friend, and she lived over an hour away from me. I’ve never had a community of people to turn to when racial violence happens. It’s difficult to walk through this complex society without people who are similar to you. Within the Jewish community, it’s difficult to be anything other than white.

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Goldberg converts Salem landmark

SALEM - A Beverly real estate company, Spire Investments, is making a name for itself on the North Shore with its upscale restoration of the former Knights of Columbus hall adja-
cent to Salem Common.

The project, a 18-unit boutique luxury apartment building, has been named The Breakaway at Salem Common because while it’s set on the quiet side of the common, it’s just steps from downtown and not far from the commuter rail, said Spire Investments owner and president Jay Goldberg.

Goldberg’s company pur-

chased the property at 94 Washington Square East, at the
corner of Briggs Street, for $1.7 million in October 2018.

Goldberg is no stranger to North Shore real estate. His father, Richard Goldberg, is one of the partners of the fam-
ily-owned residential and com-
mercial real estate company, Goldberg Properties of Beverly.

“Real estate is in my blood,” says Goldberg, 42, who grew up in Beverly, and who now lives in Lexington where he is a mem-

ber of Temple Emanuel.

Before closing on the sale, Goldberg and his team spent months going through the permitting process with Salem’s Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals. It required five variances, he said.

“I had the passion for the project,” Goldberg said. “The city saw I wanted to bring the property back to life.”

Jay Goldberg and Spire Investments are working hard to carry on an adaptive reuse of a historic property, which will not only preserve this architectural landmark on Salem Common, but also provide more housing for our community,” said Salem Mayor Kim Driscoll in an email. “It can be tough to take on a project with that many moving pieces, but Jay and his team have been diligent about doing it right.”

Goldberg said he has since spent millions to restore the red brick, three-story historic man-
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sion, with its Italianate win-

dows, limestone carvings, and portico topped with a balus-

trade out front. The project also involved the demolition of a hall that was added at the back in 1970 to make way for a three-

story, four-level addition with an ele-

vator.

The building features a vari-

ety of one-, two-, and three-

bedroom apartments, many with high ceilings, tall windows, and high-end touches includ-

ing electric fireplaces, kitchens with quartz or granite counters, and master baths with radiant heat floors.

The apartments vary in size from 700 square feet to a 2,900-square-foot, three-story, three-

bedroom town home with sweeping views of Salem Common and a built-in, ornate-

ly carved hatch. The project will be completed over the course of

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Local Jewish lawmaker spearheads commission to boost local news

By Ethan M. Forman

MARBLEHEAD — A journalism study commission championed by state Rep. Lori Ehrlich of Marblehead and state Sen. Brendan Crighton of Lynn could provide new ways for news to bloom in Bay State media deserts.

Ehrlich, who is one of the Jewish members of the Massachusetts Legislature and a Democrat, also sees a thriving, independent news media as a way to combat disinformation amid a political climate that she said in some way reflects that of pre-World War II Germany. That’s when Hitler demonized the mainstream press as a Jewish “enemy of the people,” and the “Lügenpresse” or “lying press.”

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“Media deserts” can be a concern in some communities, Ehrlich said, pointing to the collapse of several newspapers in Bedford and the surrounding area.

“We're all living in an ecosystem of information,” she said.

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Snapshots of Jewish camp life that will never be forgotten

By Diane Knopf and Ina Resnikoff

Sharon Rich loved her summers at Camp Tevya in Brookline, New Hampshire. She was never without her baseball glove and credits Tevya with preparing her for life. Summers with her fellow camper, Barbara Abrams, turned into lifelong best friends 30 years later, when Sharon realized that the now Barbara Schneider (a former Jewish Journal publisher) was her childhood bunkmate. Sharon loved the camp’s Jewish atmosphere and one of the proudest times in her life was when she was named Sabbath Queen.

Her husband, Howard Rich (who serves on the Journal’s Board of Overseers), also loved his eight summers at Camp Samoset in Gilford, New Hampshire, starting when he was 8, and later as a waiter, counselor in training, and junior counselor. He enjoyed all sports, especially Color War. Many counselors had experienced the World War II years and greatly appreciated nature and freedom, something Howard carries with him. While Samoset was not a “Jewish camp,” his fellow campers were mostly all Jewish and 60 years later they remain active friends. Until the coronavirus, they have had reunions in Florida and, remarkably, over half of his camp peers show up.

Kate Urman attended Camp Matoaka in Smithfield, Maine, for seven summers followed by two years as a counselor. “At camp you learn to address anything that comes up directly and in “live-time. I learned perseverance and pushed myself beyond my comfort zone to try new things and to accept that I may not always win.” The counselors and friends from that developmental time in her life are still her friends. Particularly with today’s pressures, Urman feels strongly that camp is the place kids can “really unplug, be outdoors, make friends and that camp was “truly one of the best gifts my parents ever gave me.”

The epitome of the “happy camper” was, and still is, Karen Robinson. She started camp when she was 5 and her parents worked at Camp Pembroke on the South Shore. On to Camp Tel Noar and then to Camp Yavneh, both in New Hampshire, when her mother was camp director. It was only natural when Karen

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returned to Tel Noar to work for "seven magical summers" while her three daughters were campers. Karen still tears up when recalling the collective sense of peace and warmth every Shabbat. She learned "how to really share, be respectful of others, and how to live with those who are different, and that being part of a community is meaningful and makes for a richer life."

Jay Goldman was both a camper and a counselor at Camp Bauercrest in Amesbury, and has served on their board of directors. He began at age 12 and regrets not having started younger. "Camp taught me independence, the value of relationships, and was probably the first chance I had to stand on my own," he recalled. When looking back at the counselors and campers that he grew up with, “Everyone is well educated, professional, and successful in adult life. Being Jewish just felt natural and Shabbat at Bauercrest was something I had never experienced. For us when we get together, there is an instant bond as if time has stood still.”

Helaine Hazlett attended the Jewish Community Center of the North Shore’s Camp Simchah when it was at its original location on Market Street in Lynn. When she was 18 years old, she joined her brother at Camp Naticook in Merrimack, New Hampshire, then later to Camp Aquila in Raymond, Maine, along with Lynn/Swampscott native Lesley Stahl and her brother. She also found a second home at Camp Milbrook in Marshfield, first as a camper, then waiter, CIT, counselor, and finally head counselor. "Judaism was reinforced with the Motzi before meals and Friday night services," she recalled. She attributes her ability to get along with various groups from those formative years. "Camp made a young girl from Swampscott independent and resilient."

For eight years, Julie Newburg attended Camp Nokomis, a YMCA non denominational camp in Meredith, New Hampshire, first as a camper, and later as a CIT. She loved all sports and the community activities, but most of all, Julie loved the "feeling of acceptance and not being judged." At Camp Nokomis, the counselors and staff stayed for many seasons and Julie attributes them with "undiluted kindness, enthusiasm and cooperation," qualities that have become part of who she is in the world.

Ariel Berger started working as a camp counselor at Camp Tevya in Brookline, New Hampshire, when he was a junior in college, and later became the boys’ head counselor. He learned "the power of community, treating people fairly, if you do for one, be ready to do for all, managing a staff, and becoming a leader." Though they did not meet at Tevya, Ariel credits mutual camp friends for introducing him to his wife, Carrie. And now, both their children will be continuing the tradition of becoming Tevya campers.

Camp is where campers and counselors become a family, not of blood, but of shared history.

Sharon Rich and Barbara Schneider.

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Temple Sinai names search committee, plans to hire new rabbi in spring

By Steven A. Rosenberg

MARBLEHEAD – Temple Sinai has established a Rabbi Search Committee and expects that a new spiritual leader will be on the job by July 1, according to temple president Ira Dinnes.

“Idiely we would like to hire someone in May,” said Dinnes, who also leads the search committee. After discussions with Temple Sinai’s current rabbi, David Cohen-Henriquez, the congregation’s leaders decided not to extend Cohen-Henriquez’s contract, Dinnes announced in October.

The 10-person search committee includes Dinnes, Emily Andranos, Alan Barnett, Alison Brookes, Sheldon Brown, Marjorie Detkin, Merle Hyman, Michael Lawee, Barbara Rosenstroch, and Carole Skowronski. The committee expects to conduct an initial round of online interviews, and then bring in a final candidate (or candidates) for an in-person visit.

Dinnes said the temple is financially solvent. “We can keep going for many, many years, and that’s why we decided to hire a full-time rabbi,” he said.

Dinnes said the temple plans to advertise for a rabbi online. While the temple is no longer affiliated with the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism – the major congregational organization of the Jewish religious movement in the United States – he described Sinai as a progressive Conservative temple.

The congregation was formed in 1953 with 60 families. It held services at 140 Atlantic Ave. and hired its first rabbi and cantor in 1955, and it opened its building on Community Road in Marblehead in 1961. According to Dinnes, the temple has about 200 members, and has been holding services online during the COVID-19 health emergency.

While the doors have been closed, the temple has been working to renovate its building. In recent months, it replaced its roof, added new windows, and upgraded its Internet service. Dinnes said the temple also plans to paint the inside and outside of the structure.

Dinnes said the congregation is deeply committed to social action and adult education programs. Temple Sinai is a distribution site for Jewish Family & Children’s Service’s kosher food pantry. Once a month, volunteers from the temple help pack free kosher food that is given away to local residents.

“We also have a knitting club that knits a lot of clothes for the Lynn homeless shelter, and we’re meeting next month to make sandwiches for the homeless,” said Dinnes.

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Takes (the vaccine) under the Phase Two plan – people over 75 years old, and above 65 years old with two comorbidities,” Poznansky said. “The big issue is supply, transporta-

tion, and delivery. The vaccine needs to be delivered under deep refrigeration to locations and deployed from locations. It’s challenging.”

Among Jewish elder care facilities, Hebrew SeniorLife has already had nine vaccina-

tion clinics at five senior living campuses – including the Jack Satter House in Revere – with 20 more clinics planned because the vaccines are administered in two steps spaced two or three weeks apart. A total of 1,600 residents and 800 staff members are looking to get vaccinated at the five sites, with 1,300 residents and 700 staff and outside contractors having received the first dose.

“Is made a really good dent in it,” said Kim Brooks, the chief operating officer for senior living at Hebrew SeniorLife. “People are really excited to get the vaccine.”

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Due to regulations imposed by the coronavirus pandemic, services for Ruth are private.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made in Ruth’s memory to the Marblehead Employees Scholarship Organization, c/o Lois Hurwitz, 41 Gooseberry Lane, Swampscott, MA 01907.

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Police swastika incident

action that Marblehead wants to claim truthfully it is no place for hate.

Picariello, who has expressed his dismay about the incident, said he had spoken with Robert Treanor, the executive director of the Anti-Defamation League New England, about future training for officers. He said he pledged an outside review so the department could learn from the incident.

Town Administrator Jason Silva told selectmen Jan. 28, during a Zoom meeting broadcast on local cable TV, that the investigator, Winthrop Police Chief Terrence Delahanty, who is also an attorney, had been given broad latitude to conduct the investigation.

“We've told him to follow the facts and really be independent from any of us,” said Silva, who said the investigation is under way. Silva said the town has been giving Delahanty a deadline for the review.

“We actually want it done when it's done,” said Silva, who did not respond to an email request for more information from the Journal.

In an interview, Picariello said it would be premature to respond to questions about the incident before the review is finished. As to the routine 18-month lag in finding out about the incident, Picariello said he would swear an oath that he knew nothing about what went on until he found out about it incidentally in mid-November.

“I had absolutely no knowledge of this event until it was brought to my attention in November,” the chief said. “It was handled properly when we found out about it.”

In December, Picariello said he had learned it appeared another officer stuck a sticker on a car that could under a windshield wiper on Tufts' car. Tufts is alleged to have seen the can and used it to scratch the swastika into the other officer's car. Neither officer was at the scene of the incident, and it was unclear what, if anything, they knew about the incident, the chief said.

Picariello said he followed proper procurement procedure in hiring Delahanty's firm, LEADS, which stands for Law Enforcement Applications and Development Strategies, to conduct the outside investigation. The chief does not expect the cost to exceed the $10,000 threshold, above which the department would have to issue a request for proposals.

Delahanty previously referred questions to Picariello, and he did not respond to a Journal email requesting information about the firm and its track record on such investigations.

Sweeney and other residents also have raised concerns about whether Delahanty can be objective and independent in professional relationships among local police chiefs.

“IT'S THAT SEPARATION,” Sweeney said. “If we want an objective investigation, it puts our chief and the other chief in an awkward position.”

Picariello defended his decision to hire Delahanty.

“I have the utmost faith in Delahanty’s integrity,” said Picariello, who said he has asked the town's labor counsel to manage the investigation moving forward.

Jackie Belf-Becker, chairwoman of the Board of selectmen, who defended Picariello's actions at the Jan. 28 meeting.

“We know that the delay in discovering the incident may raise questions for some,” said Belf-Becker. “But as soon as Chief Picariello was notified of this situation, he began the process of investigation.”

Helaine Hazlett, cochairwoman of the Marblehead Task Force Against Discrimination, said she was saddened by the incident, but has faith in Picariello.

“It's disturbing and disappointing, and in that vein, I have every faith in our chief,” Hazlett said. “I acted immediately, I feel I did all the right things.”

Hazlett said Delahanty comes highly recommended “by several sources who have used his services for similar types of things and I think we as a community need to have faith in the chief and have some patience and wait for the investigation.”

But another resident, Sherry Gagne, was unconvinced and said the Board of selectmen was “outraged” by the incident. Anti-Semitism and racism are systemic and it's embodied in our systems and our political systems and the ways the systems function together as a whole,” she said.

Have a news tip? Email Ethan Forman at forman@jewishjournal.org.


GOLDBERG, Jeanette (Landy) - late of Revere, formerly of Chelsea. Died on Jan. 27, 2021. Wife of the late David Goldberg. Daughter of the late Eli and Sarah (Druckman) Landy. Mother of Mark Landy and his wife Richelle, Fred Landy and his wife Kim, and Angela and her husband Michael Case of Westwood. Grandmother of Shane, Manoel and her husband Laura of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Great-grandmother of Luciano and Nicodemos. Sister of the late Mildred (Landy) and the late Harold (Landy) (Torf)


PHOTO ALBUM

In 2008, Steve made local news when he needed a kidney transplant and 31 people with his blood type came forward.

from a wonderful anonymous donor in August 2008. Steve was a 45-year member of the Pinewoods Yacht Club, where he held many offices and made a large group of close friends. He was an elected constable in the Town of Swampscott, as well.

Steve will be dearly missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him. Once he connected with a person, he was a friend for life. The family has requested that donations in Steve's memory be made to the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation, 72 River Park St., Suite 202, Needham, MA 02494 (http://bit.ly/SimmonsWetmoreFamily), to help find a cure for his grandson Mason's Crohn's Disease. This would be an extremely meaningful tribute for the whole family.

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SAINT-JACQUES – THE FRENCH CONNECTION, 1 p.m. French film director François Ozon presents his latest film, adapting Pierre Lemaitre’s crime novel. The film takes place over the course of several days as a lovesick young man tries to win back his ex-lover. Free. Registration required, English spoken.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 24

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 17

THURSDAY, FEB. 11

JUDAISM AND JEWISH LIFE, an engaging multi-session course on Zoom. 7:30 p.m. Presented by Temple Emanuel-EI, Haverhill, and Congregation Beth Israel of the Merrimack Valley, Emanu-El, Haverhill, and Congregation Beth Israel of Greater Lawrence. Open to anyone wishing to learn about Judaism and Jewish life. The class will be held through June 3 (Class will not meet on Feb. 25, April 1 or April 8). For more information, contact Nancy LePak at nancy@TempleElM-Law.org or 978-373-0881 at Temple Emanuel-EI or Amy Shen at Amy@BElaw.org or nancy@Em Bahrain.

SUNDAY, FEB. 14

MEET NATHAN SHARANSKY AND GIL TROY, 1 p.m. “Never Alone,” Nathan Sharansky – Soviet dissident, political prisoner, and Israeli activist – and historian Gil Troy explore the relationship between Israel and the Jewish people from multiple perspectives: from prison, from within the Israeli government, and as head of the Jewish Agency. Register at www.torat-eli.org/events/a-conversation-with-authors-natan-sharansky-and-gil-troy/.

TUESDAY, FEB. 16

PJ LIBRARY CELEBRATES KINDNESS, 4 p.m. Children, ages 6-8, are invited to a special virtual story time about kindness. Sofia Vatnik leads a discussion on the many ways children can do acts of kindness on National Random Acts of Kindness Day, which is celebrated on Feb. 17. Free. Parents can register their children at Lappinfoundation.org.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 17

JUDAICA IN MINIATURE, 2 p.m. Lappin Foundation, NSJCC and the Jewish Thematic Society invite the community to view a fascinating presentation about Judaica on stamps. Philatelist Gary S. Goodman will talk about his vast collection of stamps. Each stamp is a fascinating example of the Jewish people, from the under the surface. Free. Register at Lappinfoundation.org. For more information, contact Susan Feinstein at 978-40-4431 or email sfenstein@lappinfoundation.org.

SUNDAY, FEB. 21

PJ LIBRARY PURIM PARTY SHOW, 11 a.m. Lappin Foundation invites families to a special PJ Library Purim puppet show for children, ages 5 and younger, with puppeteer Anna Sokol. Join us on Zoom. In this colorful, carnival-inspired show, children get to know the characters of Purim through song, dance and games. Children are invited to wear a costume and have their favorite Purim foods at home, too. All are open to all. Visit Lappinfoundation.org. For more information contact Sharon Wyner at 978-565-4650 or swyner@lappinfoundation.org.
Adam Berman, president of Chelsea Jewish Lifecare begins ‘Superheroes Saving Lives’ campaign

and cooperation in keeping our residents safe and healthy. This campaign is our way of thanking our employees and letting them know how much we appreciate their efforts.’

The campaign slogan, ‘Not all superheroes wear capes. At Chelsea Jewish Lifecare, we wear masks,’ emphasizes the fact that healthcare workers have emerged as real-life superheroes, risking their own health every day to save the lives of their beloved residents. Each of the Chelsea Jewish Lifecare assisted living and skilled nursing residences created their own video, showcasing heartfelt ‘thank you’ messages from the residents. Phyllis Silverman, who is a resident of the Harriet and Ralph Kaplan assisted living residence in Peabody, summed it up best. ‘I know you only want us to be happy, you want us be healthy, you want us to be safe,’ said Silverman. ‘I truly thank the entire staff for that.’

Components of the campaign include Superheroes buttons, care packages, T-shirts, candy, and capes. Employees are encouraged to take the Chelsea Jewish Lifecare Superhero pledge, in which they promise to ‘keep myself, my co-workers, my residents and my community safe by following safety practices at work, at home, and in my community.’ Updates to the campaign will be made regularly throughout the three-month period with new videos, posters, messages, and tributes to staff members. The campaign will also be rolled out in CIL’s sister organizations, JGS Lifecare in Longmeadow and Deutsches Altenheim in West Roxbury.

Chelsea Jewish Lifecare begins ‘Superheroes Saving Lives’ campaign

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Israel is right to question any new Iranian nuclear negotiations

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