



#### WEEKLY BULLETIN

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## SHABBAT SHALOM שבת שלום

DAILY MINYAN SUNDAY - FRIDAY IS HELD VIA ZOOM AT 9:00 AM Contact Rabbi Golden for more information

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 2021

LIGHT CANDLES: 4

4:21 PM

At this time during COVID-19, Friday evening services are not being held



<u>SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, 2021</u> (18 TEVET 5781)

PARASHAT VAYEHI פרשת ויחי

SHABBAT SERVICES 9:30 AM שחרית, קריאת התורה ומוסף

Shabbat Morning Services will be held in the Sanctuary with social distance restrictions by reservation only.

Kindly refer to the Temple's letter regarding our current reopening policy. <u>Please contact the</u> <u>Temple office by Thursday, December 31 to register</u>: admin@thesephardictemple.org (516-295-4644)



Parashat **VAYEHI**... The closing parashah in the book of Genesis describes the final days of both

Jacob and Joseph. With these two events, the period of the patriarchs draws to a close and the stage is set for Israel's interlude in Egypt. The book of Bereshith does not end without leaving us a source for hope. Both Jacob and Joseph promise their families at the end of their lives that G-d will eventually return the descendants of Abraham to their promised land.



SHABBAT, JANUARY 2, 2021

FIRST YEAR EDITH LAMPERT ELINORE METRANO RUTMAN

FRANCES SCHULMAN JACK JOSEPH CONFINO **IRVING GOLDMAN ISAAC GATENIO** JOSEPH KOHEN SOPHIE A. CASSORLA JENNIE FINTZ **ROSE SHURIK** JULIA SEVY **DAVID GAHTAN RUTH A. STEMPLER** LIBBY MANN ZENA CHARLOTTE SKY RACHEL (RAYE) YOMTOV JOSEPH ROSEN **RACHEL RAHAMIM FRANCO** SARAH S. ELIAS SELMA TELSON SIMON ELLIS **ROSE MAYO NELSON E. ROUSSO IRVING H. ASSAEL MURRAY ALDEN** NATHAN GLABMAN DR. LARRY DUMONT ANNA MATZA SARAH RABENO SOLOMON AMIEL MAX KAMHI NAT ALDEROTY SIGMUND GREEN MORRIS YOHAI

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The Sephardic Temple Men's Club hopes that you all had an enjoyable Hanukkah celebration.

This year, due to COVID-19, we were all sheltered in our homes. But thanks to the modern technology of FaceTime, Zoom, Skype and WhatsApp we have been able to keep in touch with family and friends.

Since we have not been able to go out, TV has become a very important part of our daily routine. Possibly the following shows may help you get through these trying times.

On Amazon Prime you may find Fiddler - Miracle of Miracles interesting.

On Netflix you may enjoy watching *Unorthodox*, *Shtisel*, and *Fauda* – limited series options which have Jewish themes.

Also on Netflix there is *Designated Survivor* which was a series on TV a while ago as well as *The Crown* and *The Queens Gambit*.

Hopefully we can be together in the spring.

Wishing you and your families a healthy and happy New Year.

Jerry Hattem



The year 2020 is drawing to a close and I am sure due to the COVID-19 pandemic all of us are happy to see it end. I want to wish everyone a better, happier, and healthier 2021. It will take time to go back to the "old normal" but hopefully we are on the way. We look forward to being able to gather once again with friends and family – and – wow that will feel wonderful!

To help pass the days as pleasantly as possible, I, personally read a lot. Since the end of March, I have read over 30 books. I have recently read some good books whose titles I would like to share with you: <u>Exile</u> by Richard North Patterson <u>The Third Daughter</u> by Talia Carner <u>Daughter of the Reich</u> by Louise Fein <u>The Book of Lost Names</u> by Kristin Harmel <u>House of Endless Waters</u> by Emuna Elon <u>The Fifth Column</u> by Andrew Gross <u>The Button Man</u> by Andrew Gross The above-named books are Holocaust and Jewish themed.

For purely escapist literature: <u>Invisible Girl</u> by Lisa Jewel <u>The Unwanted Guest</u> by Shari Lapina <u>The Couple Next Door</u> by Shari Lapina <u>The Orphans Tale</u> by Pam Jenoff <u>The Return</u> by Nicholas Sparks <u>The Vanishing Half</u> by Brett Bennett

<u>The Return</u> and <u>The Vanishing Half</u> are both currently on the New York Times Bestsellers List.

At this time, I am reading a trilogy by Elin Hildebrand: <u>Winter in Paradise</u>, <u>What</u> <u>Happens in Paradise</u>, <u>Trouble in Paradise</u>.

Sitting on my night table waiting to be read is <u>Kiss the Girls and Make Them Cry</u> - a mystery by Mary Higgins Clark.

TV also helps me pass the days. I recommend *Winter Sun* on Netflix, a wonderful Turkish series with subtitles, and *A Place to Call Home* on Acorn that you can get through Amazon Prime. This series takes place in Australia and has a Jewish theme running throughout but it is also a family story. I also enjoyed *The Crown* about the British Royal Family on Netflix.

Some movies on Netflix: *American Son, Frida*, and *The Life Ahead* - a new movie with Sophia Loren directed by her son - a bit of nostalgia to see Sophia Loren on screen again.

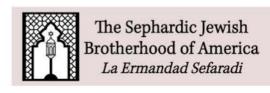
Another movie that I enjoyed was *The Trial of the Chicago Seven*. Albert is currently watching *Tehran* on Apple TV. In February, a new series by my favorite author Kristin Hannah based on her novel <u>Firefly Lane</u> will also be coming to Netflix. Finally, I have not seen it, yet but they say *The Undoing* on HBO is also excellent.

Enjoy, and soon we'll be FREE again! And G-d willing, we will be able to enjoy ourselves at our Annual Paid-up Luncheon at the Cho-Sen and our Card Party at the Temple. Thank you to all who have sent in your Sisterhood dues.

Stay safe, stay healthy, and a happier New Year.

Susan Bahaloul





**Proudly Present** 

### New York Ladino Day 2021: Adelantre / Onward!

#### 2:00 PM EST on Sunday, 10 January 2021

You'll hear Ruth Azaria, actor Hank Azaria's mother, speak about growing-up with Ladino; Rabbi Nissim Elnecavé on expressions we love; Ladino students on learning the language; renowned writer Myriam Moscona; the premiere of a contemporary short play; and celebrated singer Daphna Mor.

Ladino is a bridge to many cultures. It is a variety of Spanish that has absorbed words from Hebrew, Turkish, Arabic, French, Greek, and Portuguese. The mother tongue of Jews in the Ottoman Empire for 500 years, Ladino became the home language of Sephardim worldwide. While the number of Ladino speakers has sharply declined, distinguished Ladino Day programs like ours celebrate and preserve a vibrant language and heritage. These programs are, as Aviya Kushner wrote in the *Forward* last January, "Why Ladino Will Rise Again."

Since 2013, International Ladino Day programs have been held around the world to honor the Ladino language, also known as Judeo-Spanish. January 10th marks New York's 4th Annual Ladino Day created by Drs. Jane Mushabac and Bryan Kirschen for the American Sephardi Federation.

# RSVP for this Zoom event: https://bit.ly/33Ko1TE Early Bird Tickets \$12 until 17 December After 17 December, Tickets are \$15

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