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For every event, careful planning includes finding just the right setting and employing all the right effects. And so it was at Sinai. As we seek to understand the momentous occasion of the revelation at Sinai we do well to consider, as the Talmud and Midrash do, all the elements that went into making that momentous event. There is much commentary on why the Torah was given in a wilderness, why on a mountain, why that mountain, and more.

The Torah in Exodus chapter 20 describes quite a scene that day:

15. All the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the blare of the horn and the mountain smoking; and when the people saw it, they fell back and stood at a distance.

16. "You speak to us," they said to Moses, "and we will obey; but let not God speak to us, lest we die."

17. Moses answered the people, "Be not afraid; for God has come only in order to test you, and in order that the fear of Him may be ever with you, so that you do not go astray."

Something in verse 15 caught the attention of careful readers like the early Rabbis. The verse, translated literally, says that the people saw the thunder, a phenomenon which the rabbis declare "something that is otherwise impossible." In the psychological literature such a confusion of the senses is

known as *synesthesia*, a phenomenon where the brain processes sensory input in an abnormal way - for example, when they hear a

trumpet note they will tell you it sounds purple.

Verse 17 makes clear the purpose of the effects, namely to instill an awe of God in the people. What this presents is a different question. Certainly the

lightning and thunder and smoke would instill awe and fear, but how does that fit with the *synesthetic* experience at Sinai.

Perhaps the experience of *synesthesia* reminds us to limit our trust in our senses that present a picture of reality which is a result of brain function that sorts and distorts. As a simple example consider that 3D movie. Give credit to filmmakers who exploit binocular vision, or the way the brain merges the slightly different images from the two eyes to create depth that is not really there.

The brain combines signals that reach your retina with the models your brain has learned to predict what to expect when you move through the world. Your brain solves problems by inferring what is the most likely cause of any given image on your retina, based on knowledge or experience.

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Respectfully Yours...
from the desk of
Rabbi Weinbach

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CANDLELIGHTING FOR...

JUNE 2020

<i>Date</i>	<i>Light Candles</i>	<i>Shabbat Ends</i>
5	8:08	9:13
12	8:11	9:16
19	8:14	9:19
26	8:15	9:20



From the Editor...

Hoping my Shaarey Israel family is well. I certainly miss seeing my Shabbos "buddies" and "catching up" with them at the Kiddush after Shabbos services. Will or when will we return to "normal"???

The Scroll has never been printed for the months of July and August, however, this year is different. As a means of keeping in contact with the Congregation we will be issuing a July and an August **Scroll**. Social distancing is still on the agenda, but keeping distant from each other by reading **The Scroll** is not.

For a "brighter side" to the quarantine issue I have added a page of some of the quips I have received via e-mail. These appear on page 14 in this issue. Enjoy!

Roberta

I'm sad for the world.



Submissions for the July issue are due by June 10th. Please **promptly** send in any articles or flyers, via e-mail, to be included in the issue.--ED.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Jonathan Meister

As I sit and write this article it is Erev Shabbat and the 10th week we are not in Shul. It seems very strange to not have somewhere to go, particularly on Friday night, Saturday and Sunday mornings. However, those routines are not forgotten and they shall return, albeit differently.

As I mentioned before, while we are not physically in the building, the Synagogue continues to function remotely. Peggy will answer your questions, the Rabbi is always available and to his credit, Red is available too. You can see him in the shul parking lot everyday around 1pm, just keep six feet away. My point is that even though we are not together in our normal routine, the life of the synagogue continues as best as it can in difficult times and we are hear for all of your physical and spiritual needs, they just may be met differently. One of the most important lessons we have learned in the last three months is that we have had to adapt and now is the time to start thinking of the path forward and we must adapt to that as well. Please remember that there are daily services being held on line led by the Rabbi in the mornings and the Chazzan in the afternoon. The Rabbi is posting a series of classes every week and all you have to do is click on the link to access his class.

Many of you have asked me already about the High Holidays and frankly I don't yet have an answer. However, what will not change this year is our annual Kol Nidre Appeal which is now more critical than ever. The reality is that we are faced with an ever increasing need for funds. While we have not spent money in the last three months, the ability for us to raise money has been severely curtailed. The fact we have gone ten Shabbats without Aliyahs, three months without any catering functions and most importantly no Journal Dinner has left us with a gaping hole in the budget and part of our plan forward will have to address this fiscal reality.

Not a day goes by when the Rabbi and I do not have a conversation about "the first day back". We are certainly not sure what it will look

like but we are thinking about it and we are thinking about all of our congregants, all of the Shul routines we have missed and basically don't even think twice about under normal circumstances. What we are certain of though is that our routines will be different and we are certain they will be different for a long time to come. To that end, I am providing you all an opportunity to help shape the path forward. There are many of you who are eager to get back to shul and so am I but it has to be done with everyone's health and welfare in mind. We will need to meet the health and safety standards of the government but also want to address your individual concerns. As much as we can read up on what must be done, I want to hear what you want as well. Please feel free to write me any specific suggestions or concerns you have and send to me by email at bethjam1023@gmail.com. I promise that your concerns will certainly be taken under advisement. We have been in this together and we will come out of this together as well.



Please note that this is an abbreviated issue of *The Scroll*.

Time-sensitive material has been eliminated.

G-d willing the future will be brighter and we will return to normal soon.

Condolences to...

Larry Shoenthal and Family on the loss of his beloved wife and mother, Barbara.

Martin and Bobbie Goldstein on the loss of their son-in-law, Jason Weinger, husband of Jill and father of Tamar, Mikalah & Elie.

The Schloss Family on the loss of our former member, Sam Schloss.

The Savid Family on the loss of our former member, Paul Savid.

THE CANTOR'S CLOUD by Cantor Menachem Bazian Being Creative

DER CHAZZAN'S
CH' MAREH

ahhh... *Shabbos*. My favorite day of the week. Even when I was locked up in quarantine and then isolation, *Shabbos* was still my favorite day of the week. I can't exactly tell you why... It's not that I don't work on *Shabbos*; after all, I didn't work when I was in quarantine and isolation. There is a special quality to the day that just calls to me. *Shabbos* is just a mental recharge every week, regardless of what the rest of my week was like. I also, sometimes, get my best ideas on *Shabbos*.

Take this past *Shabbos*, for example. I went to bed on Friday night between 9 and 10, as usual. I woke up, did my morning wake up routine and went into the kitchen. Normally, if I have remembered to leave water on the *blech*, I will have a cup of tea or coffee. After coffee, I went to *shul* (also known as the living room), sat in the premier cantor's chair (also known as my recliner), and proceeded to recite the morning services.

On a typical *Shabbos* morning, it is not unusual for me to sing during the prayers like we do in *shul*. I will sing *Kel Adon*, for example. On *Yom Tov*, I sang the entire *Hallel* just like we do in *shul*. Sometimes, I will even do a cantorial piece because it just makes the prayer more meaningful to me. For example, a few weeks ago we blessed the month of *Iyar*. The cantorial piece I usually recite for that was recorded by my father and, therefore, has great meaning to me. I did that piece right there in the middle of my *shul*... uh... living room.

I also take the time to read the entire *Torah* portion for the week (which, lately, have been double *Parshiyot*) and the *Haftorah* as well. All in all, the service takes me about an hour to an hour and a quarter.

After services, I pulled out some of my *Sefarim* and spent a couple of hours learning. I reviewed the sections of *Talmud* and *Mishnah* I expected to cover during our *Shabbat* morning learning groups (which are now happening during the week, in the evenings, via Zoom. If you would like to join us, just email me at njchazzan@gmail.com and I will add you to the notification list. Include your cell phone number and, if you use WhatsApp, I will add you to our WhatsApp group which is a fun place), and during our weekday Facebook Live afternoon services. I spent some time reviewing *Halacha* and a few other

topics. That took me until about noon.

Noon was the best part of the day. There was a knock on the door. On went the mask and gloves and I grabbed a few things: a small table, a bottle of scotch, a bottle of bourbon (yes, I know, we are a scotch *shul* but I will admit to heresy and state that I happen to like a good bourbon) and some disposable *schnapps* cups. I opened the door.

Our front lawn is about 20 feet long. At the end of the walk by the sidewalk were two of our closest friends in town. I put the table in the middle of the walk, about equidistant between us, took a shot of bourbon and stepped back to my porch. They came forward and helped themselves to some scotch. We made *kiddush* and just enjoyed a nice conversation in gorgeous weather for the better part of an hour. People walked by and we shared some laughs at our impromptu, socially distant, *Kiddush*. It was a beautiful, fun, uniquely *Shabbos* time. (I can't imagine doing something like that during the week, can you?)

Chana and I enjoy that hour when the weather lets us have it. Then it is in to the house for lunch, a nap and quiet time. We spend our quiet time reading, talking, laughing, you name it.

But, the day does get long nowadays. *Shabbos* doesn't end until almost 9pm now and that is a long day. By the time the clock gets towards 7 o'clock, I tend to get "quiet timed out" and I want to go do something. I can't read much by this point. Chana and I spent this time just talking and that is nice.

Last *Shabbos* ended about 8:40 or so. Somewhere around 8 o'clock, I looked around the room and I saw my new "rig." That's what I call the new computer I bought. I needed a new computer for all the live streaming I was doing. Between the Facebook Live services (6:45 afternoon service on Sunday through Thursday and 6:30 sing-a-licious *Kabbolas Shabbos* on Friday) and the Zoom meetings (I am averaging about 4-6 of those a week between the learning, my private studies with my learning partner and work), the old computer I was working with just couldn't cut the mustard anymore. Anyway, I saw the computer and a flash bulb went off in my head. Why couldn't I use that to come a little closer to our grandchildren?

THE CANTOR'S CLOUD

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I turned to Chana and asked if we had any children's story books in the house, either that we had bought for the grandchildren and not yet given or left over from when Yitzchak was young. She answered that we did indeed have some picture stories. I was excited. I suggested that, after *Shabbos*, we video record us reading stories to the grandchildren. We could send them the videos and they could see us as often as they wanted.

Well, that's what we did. As soon as *Shabbos* was over, I recited the *Maariv* service (no singing this time), counted *Sefira*, said *Havdalah* and immediately went to work. Let me tell you, Chana and I had a total blast and the kids have taken to them like fish to water. To date, we have recorded two Mercer Mayer books and I have begun reading *Charlotte's Web* to them one chapter at a time. We had some technical issues to work out (such as having to upload the videos to YouTube to share them because they were too big to email) but everything is going along swimmingly. Chana and I are having fun and we have figured out a new way to connect with our kids and grandchildren.

During these times of physical isolation, we have to stay connected in every way we can. Today's technology is just awesome and allows us to do so many things. I know that not all of us are technologically savvy but having a smartphone gives us an entire audio/visual studio in the palm of our hands. In our case, the new idea has not only allowed our grandchildren the opportunity to see us, hear our voices and connect with us, it has given Chana and I a new outlet which has added much to our lives.

Make no mistake, we will get through this dark time. All we need to do is look for the opportunities we have to not only make it through each day but to make each day purposeful and meaningful. We do not have to be alone, we can be with others even if they are only at the other end of an Internet based tether.

Hang in there. This night will end and Chana and I look forward to seeing each and every one of you in *shul* in the near future.

Note: *The op inions expressed in this article are mine and mine alone. Have a comment? Disagree with me? Please let me know. You can email me at: njChazzan@gmail.com.*

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RABBI'S MESSAGE

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Perhaps the lesson of the experience of *synesthesia* at Mount Sinai is to distrust your expectations. After all, we know that 94% of matter in the universe is invisible to our senses, which makes you wonder just how limited sense perception is. Furthermore, one explanation for why we don't see angels, a phenomena described repeatedly in the Bible, is that we don't expect to see them anymore. Finally, the failure to recognize the limitations our brain places on reality is one of the reasons why modern materialistic science has been so deadening to spirituality.

If we can't rely on our senses for the full picture, how can we hope to know reality? That is one reason why the event of Revelation is so essential.

The importance of what we saw at Sinai lies in understanding that we can't exclusively rely upon what we see, or for that matter what we hear or touch or taste or smell - only divine revelation can lead us to a complete understanding of reality

Undoubtedly part of the Sinai experience was to instill an awareness and even a natural fear of the awesomeness of God as displayed through the various pyrotechnic and other special effects. But another part of the experience was to arouse within us a distrust of the capacity of our senses to be a guide to reality, and perhaps to stimulate within us a curiosity to look beyond what we can see and even understand.

As we approach another anniversary of the unique and special revelation of God to the Jewish people over 3300 years ago, let us remember all of the lessons of Sinai, the words and the setting, the content and the experience, and thereby resolve to regain a measure of humility before the greatness of God, the wonder of the life we have been granted and the gift of our holy Torah.



SISTERHOOD MESSAGE

President Audrey Meister

WHEN WOMEN SUPPORT EACH OTHER INCREDIBLE THINGS HAPPEN!

This has been a most unusual few months for us all. Something that no one can even have visualized has kept us safe at home, socially distant, and hopefully well. We all miss seeing each other; laughing, dancing, crafting, learning, and most importantly praying together. Let's hope that soon our meetings will take place in real time and place.

Our fiscal year ended on April 30. I would like to congratulate those "Sisters" who made Donor this year. We honor you at our Donor Dinner each year. This year awardees are:

Lois Bashoff	Audrey Meister
Sandra Chaitin	Phyllis Polovsky
Louisa DePaola	Rochelle Prestipino
Eleanor Donath	Dale Smith
Anita Finkelstein	Renee Weiner
Paulette Frankel	Barbara Weisel
Esther Ingber	Elly Egenberg
Diane Leifer	Julie Feldman
Evie Maher	Marsha Forman

Thank you all. Your certificates will be waiting for you at our special welcome back meeting and dinner in the not too distant future. A special thank you goes to Barbara Weisel for always keeping the records of credit and service points.

It is now time to collect membership dues for the next year. The dues remain \$36 for the year. A flyer will go out in the next few weeks with an attachment to return with your check. This year you can send it to the office to the attention of Julie Feldman. (checks only, no credit cards)

Here is the list of the Sisterhood Board for 2020-2021

President: Audrey Meister
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Paulette Frankel	Phyllis Polovsky
Lois Price	Esther Ingber
Diane Leifer	Sandra Chaitin

At our Paid-up Membership Dinner, usually in November, we celebrate our Sisterhood.

These are ongoing fundraisers: Shoprite cards, Yankee candle gifts, Sisterhood donor cards. Check through **The Scroll** for the flyers for more information.

STAY HEALTHY, STAY SAFE



SISTERHOOD GIFT SHOP SPECIAL

Handmade Washable MASKS \$6.00

Mailed in plain envelope.

Washed before mailing!

Part of proceeds go to Sisterhood

Some Judaica items are available for shipping to your home. Boxed or original container.



MEN'S CLUB MESSAGE

President Mark Pfeffer

This spring we missed the opportunity to celebrate Passover with all of our Shul friends and missed Seders with our families and loved ones. The Yom Hashoah spring event had to be cancelled as well. As a part of our Yom Hashoah commemoration we were just beginning to distribute Yellow Candles and thank the many of you who purchased, but this too was put on hold. This is an important reminder we should never forget and we intend to continue selling Yellow Candles in the future. Our memories of past tragedies should forever be remembered. Traditionally Men's Club would host a Mother's Day Breakfast which we were not able to do this year. There are many valuable members of the Men's Club who would be able to re-vitalize, and bring new growth into a great idea. The Men's Club hopes this practice can be resumed in future years. Maybe other Men's Club activities contemplated for the upcoming Summer months will yet come to fruition. Hopefully we will be able to engage in a few of the Summer activities we have planned for the upcoming season.

The **Annual Calendar Sweepstakes** continues throughout the Spring. March and April winners have been recognized in the April and May **Scrolls**. You can find May winners in this issue. Numbers are drawn 6 out of 7 days per week. We wish to congratulate those lucky winners. Congratulations to all of the winners and thank you to all of you who have joined our **Annual Calendar Sweepstakes**. We hope to do it again next year. It's a fun way to divert us from much serious and troubling news.

You may have noticed that grocery food prices are soaring and have increased dramatically in recent weeks. Fruit, vegetables, meat, and eggs, are just a few of the items that have gone up dramatically. Men's Club is fortunate in that we have a **Master Gardener, Bob Leifer**, who has agreed to do a Zoom computer television program to teach us the art of backyard or container gardening to help us control some of our costs and give us an excuse to grow some of our own vegetables and get out

onto our terraces or back yards and plant some of our own food. Consider it the Men's Club Horticultural Initiative, a Zoom Program where we will grow tasty vegetables in our own back yard or terrace. Dates and times will be posted very shortly.

Other Men's Club events we anticipate for the Summer months include possibly having a **Movie Night at the Chester Drive** in Movie Theater where friends can get together to see a first run movie from their individual automobiles. In the early spring we discussed going on a **Charter Fishing Party Boat** ride during the summer. This is still a possibility as there is an opportunity to be out of doors and enjoy an afternoon on a charter fishing boat. We need an opportunity to be together and share a community activity with minimal social risk. Let Men's Club members know of your interest in some of these enterprises.

We would like to initiate a Men's Club zoom meeting. What are your opinions of going forward with zoom meetings through the summer? You can express your ideas, and your comments virtually. Your comments, and thoughts are valuable, helpful, and greatly appreciated. Help make the Men's Club a successful organization. Please don't forget to send in your annual dues of \$36.00. The New Year starts June 1st. Thanks for your support.



**Join morning
and evening
prayers on
Facebook
8am and
6:45pm.**

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CHAT LIGHTS

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Sean Amona
 Gary Bell
 Halie Cohen
 Dylan Egenberg
 Gabriella Green
 Sandra Pfeffer
 Adeya Pinkus
 David Zechnowitz



Thank You...

Much thanks to all of you who called and sent cards to wish me a speedy recovery after my recent fall.

Loretta Burton

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

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 15 Rabbi & Yocheved Weinbach
 17 Chana & Cantor Bazian
 22 Michael & Iris Sharon
 22 Marvin & Saralyn Finker
 23 Bill & Ditza Bradin
 24 Fred & Sheree Newmark
 24 Stanley & Glenda Saunders
 25 Jeff & Eileen Pollack
 26 Edward & Sandy Folb
 27 Paul & Millie Rosalimsky

GET WELL WISHES

If you would like a mishe barach for a relative/friend, please forward any names to the office by Friday morning or email Peggy: shaareyisrael@optimum.net

A new list starts at the beginning of each month and you must call the office if you want the name to stay on the list, otherwise it will be removed.

Mazel tov on the Engagement of..

Red Avner's grandson, Samuel Salmirs to
 Zoe Album



We invite you to check out our website at www.ShaareyIsraelRockland.com.

We're adding content and information on a regular basis. Here's a few highlights:

A complete Shabbat schedule is posted on the home page.

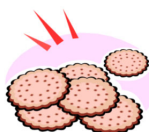
Shabbat times are now shown on the home page.

Want to see a back issue of *The Scroll*? We have that too at: shaareyisraelrockland.com/the-scroll.html.

We hope you like our content. We hope to add more in the near future so keep checking back!



**RHODA BLOOM
 KOSHER FOOD
 PANTRY**



Call Sandra Chaitin

845-727-4199

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HATS OFF TO THE GRADUATES



Yitzchak Bazian (AKA Ike, Isaac), son of Chana and Cantor Bazian, will be graduating Summa Cum Laude from the Rutgers University School of Arts and Sciences Honors Program. He has been awarded the Philip's Award for outstanding Honors Thesis.

Erica Gueli, granddaughter of Red Avner, graduated from MIT with an MBA degree.

Madison Harris, granddaughter of Red Avner, became a doctor on April 15 with a specialty in surgery. She will be working in a hospital in Delaware.

Megan Ingber, granddaughter of Esther and Marty Ingber, will be graduating from Sage College, Albany, NY and will continue her studies there for her Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy.

Anna Lieman, granddaughter of Roberta and Marv, will be moving up from Suffern Midedle School to Suffern High School.

Jordan Lieman, granddaughter of Roberta and Marv, will be graduating from Fair Lawn High School and will be attending Bergen Community College in the fall.

Avery Weisel, granddaughter of Barbara Weisel, graduated from nursery school and will be attending Kindergarten in Michigan in the fall.



Believe it or not, September is coming quickly and with that the High Holidays and our **Annual Kol Nidre Appeal**. Now more than ever Congregation Shaarey Israel needs your support.

Look for **Kol Nidre Appeal** donation forms in the next issue of **The Scroll** and e-blasts from the synagogue. Please donate generously. As in the past, donors' names will be posted on our uniquely designed **Kol Nidre Board**.

CSI Funds & Contributors...

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8am and
6:45pm.**

Are you interested in
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If you are interested please RSVP to:
Bobbie Goldstein 201-746-0723 or
Paulette Frankel 845-641-1298

Minyons

**Cancelled until further notice.
Follow morning and evening
prayers with the Rabbi and
Cantor daily on Facebook at
8am and 6:45pm**

**Weekday evenings:
Sunday-Thursday: 7 pm**

**Weekday mornings:
Monday & Thursday: 7:00 am
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 7:10 am
Sunday mornings: 9 am
Friday evenings: 6:00 pm**



The Rockland Jewish Family Service at the JCC, 450 West Nyack Road, West Nyack, NY provides a Kosher Food Pantry for those in need. Each month a dedicated group of volunteers help pack out and distribute food to our recipients.

The pantry is staffed only by volunteers and can always use more help. If you are available please come to help on Sunday morning in 2020 the following is a list of distribution dates: June 14, July 19, August 16, September 13, October 18, November 22, and December 20, 2020. If you have any questions, concerns, or wish to volunteer your time please contact me at 845-727-4199.

Sandra Chaitin



**Drawings for the
Annual Men's Club Calendar
Sweepstakes**

continues through June.

**If you haven't yet joined you can find a
form on-line as part of the weekly
Shabbos mailing.**

Many chances to win.

Ya gotta be in it to win it!



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**Sisterhood gathers
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**Drop off any
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Gift Shop
or call Evie at
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MAY CALENDAR SWEEPSTAKE WINNERS!

Day	No.	Winner	\$
1	233	Herman Berzon	18
3	105	Evie Maher	14
4	48	Neil Kaplicer	14
5	190	Elaine and Al Bernstein	18
6	170	Myron Block	14
7	254	Andrew Polovsky	18
8	174	Bill Weissman	14
10	258	Connor Bates	14
11	4	Joe Moskovic	14
12	165	Sue Lieman	14
13	268	Sam Farber	14
14	96	Marty Goldstein	14
15	158	Roz Ruhm	18
17	274	Cindy Burton	14
18	214	Eric Frankel	18
19	157	Ava Grace Donath	14
20	60	Shelly Ohren	14
21	121	Marv Lieman	14
22	140	Sy Marenberg	14
24	178	Barbara Weisel	14
25	129	Bruce Weinfeld	18
26	256	Red Avner	14
27	90	Jay Safier	14
28	196	Morty Julius	14
31	102	Sandy & Ed Folb	14



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**Include the recipient's name and address, the
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and the sender of the tree.**

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has announced that dogs cannot
contract Covid-19. Dogs
previously held in quarantine
can now be released. To be clear,
WHO let the dogs out.



SPRING 2020



FUNDRAISING

CSI Sisterhood presents Yankee Candle Fundraiser
(IT'S NOT JUST CANDLES)

Support CSI: every purchase gives us back 40%

Go ONLINE from NOW till Wednesday, July 8, 2020.
You can order & have it delivered *anywhere*.

To get to our Yankee Candle Homepage:

-Go to www.yankeecandlefundraising.com

-Type in our group #999989542 in the "start Shopping" box (lower right side of the webpage) & hit "enter" on your keyboard

-You will now be on our home page. Just browse and order!

*Shipping Charges can be shown before you check out by clicking on the "Shipping Info" tab (bottom right of the shopping cart page).

IT'S THAT EASY

For questions call:
Phyllis Polovsky
845-365-0750

**leave a detailed message & I will get back to you.

Gates of Zion Cemetery



Saddle River Road
Airmont, NY

owned and operated by
Congregation Shaarey Israel

For information:

phone: (845) 352-3102

gatesofzioncemetery@gmail.com

CSI SISTERHOOD GIFT SHOP

The Gift Shop: *more than Judaica.*



Handmade Washable MASKS \$6.00

Mailed in plain envelope.

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Part of proceeds go to
Sisterhood.



Call: Louisa DePaola 845-533-4069 louisad10964@gmail.com

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The dumbest thing I've ever bought was a 2020 planner.

New monthly budget: Gas \$0 Entertainment \$0 Clothes \$0 Groceries \$2,799.

Breaking News: Wearing a mask inside your home is now highly recommended, not so much to stop COVID-19, but to stop eating.

I stepped on my scale this morning. It said: "Please practice social distancing. Only one person at a time on scale."

Not to brag, but I haven't been late to anything in over 6 weeks.

It may take a village to raise a child but I swear it's going to take a vineyard to home school one.

You know those car commercials where there's only 1 vehicle on the road - doesn't seem so unrealistic these days ...

Day 37: The garbage man placed an AA flyer on my recycling bin.

The spread of Covid-19 is based on two things:

1. How dense the population is. 2. How dense the population is.

Appropriate analogy: "The curve is flattening so we can start lifting restrictions now?" = "The parachute has slowed our rate of descent, so we can take it off now?"

People keep asking: "Is coronavirus REALLY all that serious?" Listen y'all, the churches and casinos are closed. When heaven and hell agree on the same thing it's probably pretty serious.

Never in a million years could I have imagined I would go up to a bank teller wearing a mask and ask for money.

Home school Day 1: I'm trying to figure out how I can get this kid transferred out of my class.

Putting a drink in each room of my house today and calling it a pub crawl.

Coronavirus has turned us all into dogs. We wander around the house looking for food. We get told "No" if we get too close to strangers and we get really excited about going for walks and car rides.

Enjoy your day. You don't have anything else to do.