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# THE WARSAW GHETTO UPRISING

"Fifty Years Ago-  
Revolt Amid The Darkness"

**Yom HaShoah**  
DAY OF REMEMBRANCE OF THE HOLOCAUST  
April 18, 1993



This is the flame of  
destruction and night  
As well as the flame of  
eternal light  
The Ner Tamid

Holocaust Center  
Jewish Federation of the North Shore  
**Yom HaShoah**  
DAY OF REMEMBRANCE OF THE HOLOCAUST

Sunday, April 18, 1993  
4:30 P.M.

Veterans Memorial High School  
Auditorium  
Peabody, Massachusetts

Keynote Speaker  
**Kasey Kaufman**  
*News Anchor - WBZ-TV Channel 4*  
"Fifty Years Ago-  
Revolt Amid The Darkness"  
*The Warsaw Ghetto and Uprising*

3:30 p.m.  
Video Presentations  
The Warsaw Ghetto and Uprising

An Exhibit of  
Arts Projects on the Holocaust  
by North Shore Students

## PROGRAM

Survivors' Candlelighting Ceremony

Yom HaShoah Poem  
*Sonia Schreiber Weitz*

Welcome  
*Rabbi Samuel S. Kenner*

Greetings  
*Edward Snow*

Greetings  
*Mayor Peter Torigian*

## INTERFAITH SERVICE

Cantor Sam Pessaroff  
*Temple Ner Tamid, Peabody*

Msgr. John P. McDonough  
*St. John's Church, Peabody*

Reverend Wendy Fitting  
*Independent Christian Church, Gloucester*

Rabbi David Joel Meyer  
*Temple Emanu-El, Marblehead*

Keynote  
**KASEY KAUFMAN**

Holocaust Center Service Award  
*Presented by Harriet Tarnor Wacks*

"Star Spangled Banner"  
*In Unison*

"HATIKVAH"  
*In Unison*

*Musical Rendition*  
Gordon College Women's Choir  
under the direction of  
Elizabeth White

## WE REMEMBER THE HOLOCAUST

### RESPONSIVE READING:

#### AS WE GATHER HERE TONIGHT, WE MOURN THE SIX MILLION BRUTALLY DESTROYED BY SO-CALLED "CIVILIZED" PEOPLE, BEHAVING LIKE SAVAGES.

THE CRUELITIES OF HISTORY'S MOST TYRANNICAL RULES, SUCH AS PHAROAH OF EGYPT, NEBUCHADNEZZAR OF BABYLONIA, HAMAN OF PERSIA, TITUS OF ROME, CHMIELNICKY OF POLAND, CANNOT BE COMPARED WITH THE DIABOLICAL SCHEMES OF THE MODERN TYRANTS, IN THEIR DESIGN TO EXTERMINATE AN ENTIRE PEOPLE.

#### THE BLOOD OF THE INNOCENT WHO PERISHED IN THE DEATH FACTORIES OF THE MASS MURDERERS, CRIES OUT TO GOD AND ALL HUMANITY.

WE WILL NEVER FORGET KRISTÄLLNACHT, THE BEGINNING OF THE BURNING OF SYNAGOGUES AND HOUSES OF STUDY; THE DESTRUCTION OF HOLY BOOKS AND TORAH SCROLLS, THE SADISTIC TORMENT AND SLAUGHTER OF SCHOLARS, SAGES, TEACHERS AND COUNTLESS OTHER CIVILIAN MEN, WOMAN AND CHILDREN.

#### WE RECALL OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN THE WARSAW GHETTO AND ELSEWHERE, WHO VALIANTLY DEFIED THEIR MONSTROUS ADVERSARIES.

WE RECALL THE HEROISM OF THOSE WHO, IN THE FACE OF UNPRECEDENTED AND OVERWHELMING FORCE, MAINTAINED JEWISH CULTURE AND ASSERTED JEWISH VALUES IN THE VERY MIDST OF ENSLAVEMENT AND DESTRUCTION.

#### EVEN AS WE MOURN SUCH MASSIVE GENOCIDE, WITH ITS PARALLELS THAT HAVE PERSISTED SINCE THE SECOND WORLD WAR, WE RECALL TOO THOSE MEN AND WOMEN OF OTHER FAITHS AND NATIONALITIES WHO AT THE PERIL OF THEIR LIVES SAVED SOME OF THOSE SLATED FOR DESTRUCTION. TRULY, "THE RIGHTEOUS OF ALL NATIONS HAVE A SHARE IN THE WORLD TO COME."

IN OUR REMEMBRANCE TONIGHT, LET US PRAY AND WORK FOR THE DAY WHEN THERE SHALL BE NO VIOLENCE OR DESOLATION ON EARTH, WHEN "NATION SHALL NOT LIFT UP SWORD AGAINST NATION, NOR SHALL THEY LEARN WAR ANY MORE."

## WE REMEMBER THEM

### RESPONSIVE READING:

At the rising of the sun and its going down,  
*we remember them.*

At the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter,  
*we remember them.*

At the opening of the buds and in the rebirth of spring,  
*we remember them.*

At the shining of the sun and in the warmth of summer,  
*we remember them.*

At the rustling of the leaves and in the beauty of autumn,  
*we remember them.*

At the beginning of the year and at its end,  
*we remember them.*

As long as we live, they too will live; for they are now  
a part of us, as *we remember them.*

When we are weary and in need of strength,  
*we remember them.*

When we are lost and sick at heart,  
*we remember them.*

When we have joy we crave to share,  
*we remember them.*

When a Jew cries out from a great distance that he is  
afraid, cold and hungry, *we remember them.*

When a man, woman or child cries out from here or  
far that he is afraid, cold and hungry, *we remember them* --- and we shall help.

Together: As long as we live, they too will live; for they  
are now a part of us, as *we remember them.*

## KOLO KOLAINU KOLAINU KOLO

His voice is our voice  
Our voice is His Voice  
My father believed in man  
My grandfather believed in God  
One taught me to speak  
One taught me to sing  
And when I speak or sing  
I hear their voices  
Whispering from beyond the silent storm

- Elie Weisel -

## FOR YOM HA'SHOA

*A Reading*  
by Sonia Weitz

COME, TAKE THIS GIANT LEAP WITH ME  
INTO THE OTHER WORLD... THE OTHER PLACE WHERE  
LANGUAGE FAILS AND IMAGERY DEFIES,  
DENIES MAN'S CONSCIOUSNESS... AND DIES  
UPON THE ALTAR OF INSANITY

COME, TAKE THIS GIANT LEAP WITH ME  
INTO THE OTHER WORLD... THE OTHER PLACE  
AND TRACE THE ECLIPSE OF HUMANITY...  
WHERE CHILDREN BURNED WHILE MANKIND STOOD  
BY, AND THE UNIVERSE HAS YET TO LEARN WHY ...  
HAS YET TO LEARN WHY.

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Ye-hei shlama raba min shmaya ve-hayim aleinu  
זֵהָא שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא מִן שְׁמַיָּא וְחַיִּים עֲלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל-יִשְׂרָאֵל.  
וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן.  
v'al kol yisrael v'imru amen.

Oseh shalom bimromav hu ya'aseh shalom aleinu  
עוֹשֵׂה שְׁלוֹם בְּמִרְמֵיּוֹ הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שְׁלוֹם עֲלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל-יִשְׂרָאֵל.  
וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן.  
v'al kol yisrael v'imru amen.

Yit-gadal	יִתְגַּדַּל
Majdanek	מַיְדָנֵק
vi-yit-kadash	וְיִתְקַדֵּשׁ
Warsaw	וָרְסָו
shmei raba	שְׁמֵה רַבָּא
Auschwitz	אֹשְׁוִיטְצ
b'alma divra khir'utei	בְּעֵלְמָא דִּי כְרָא כְרַעוּתָהּ
Dachau	דַּכָּאוּ
ve-yamlikh mal-khutei	וְנִמְלִיךְ מַלְכוּתָהּ
Buchenwald	בּוּכֵנְוֹלְד
be-hayei-khon uve'yomei-khon	בְּחַיֵּינוּ וּבְיוֹמֵינוּ
Babi Ya	בַּבִּי יָר
uve-hayei di-khol beit yisrael	וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל-בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל
Belzec	בֵּלְזֵצ
ba-agala u-vizman kariv	בְּעֻלְיָא וּבְזִמַּן קָרִיב
Chelmno	צְחֵלְמֵנוּ
v'imru amen.	וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן.

זֵהָא שְׁמֵה רַבָּא מְבַרְךְ לְעָלְמִי וְלְעָלְמֵי עָלְמַיָּא.

Ye-hei shmei raba meva-rakh l'alam ul'almei'almayya

Yit-barakh ve-yish-tabh	יִתְבָּרַךְ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח
Sobibor	סוֹבִיבּוֹר

ve-yit-pa'ar ve-yitromam	וְיִתְפָּאֵר וְיִתְרַמַּם
Gross-Rosen	גְרוֹס-רֹזֵן

ve-yitnasei ve-yit-hadar	וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא וְיִתְהַדָּר
Terezin	טֵרֶזִין

ve-yit'aleh ve'yit-halal	וְיִתְעַלֶּה וְיִתְהַלַּל
Treblinka	טְרֵבְלִינְקָא

shmei di-kudsha brikh hu	שְׁמֵה דְקֻדְשָׁא בְרִיךְ הוּא
Bergen-Belsen	בֵּרְגֵן-בֵּלְזֵן

l'eila l'eila	לְעֵילָא לְעֵילָא
Vilna	וִילְנָא

mikol bir-khata ve-shirata	מִכָּל-בֵּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא
Mauthausen	מֹאוּטְהַוְזֵן

tush-behata ve-nehe-mata	חֲשִׁבְתָּתָא וְנִחַתָּתָא
Birkenau	בִּירְכֵנְאוּ

da-amiran b'alma	דְאָמִירָנוּ בְּעֵלְמָא
Plashov	פְּלַשׁוֹב

v'imru amen.	וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן.
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