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President's Message

A s we welcome the new year (5780), we have exciting news: Our organization is expanding to include a number of other

cemeteries in a partnership that will allow us to broaden our contribution base and centralize administrative functions. While we remain dedicated to our original mission to ensure the preservation of our cemeteries in Perth Amboy and Woodbridge, we are joining with neighboring colleagues in Essex, Bergen, Union, and Middlesex Counties to expand our charitable and educational organization to raise funds for Jewish cemeteries in Newark, North Arlington, Kenilworth, Perth Amboy, Woodbridge, and South Plainfield.

As we expand our mission, we are changing our name to **Friends of New Jersey Jewish Cemeteries**, Inc. Be assured that our concerns and attention

to the Shaarey Tefiloh cemeteries will not diminish and will, in fact, be strengthened by our new structure. However, expanding our mission and function and changing our name to Friends of New Jersey



Jewish Cemeteries, Inc. will enable us to achieve the same charitable goals for Newark Jewish Cemeteries, United Cooperative Cemetery Association, Galloping Hill Cemetery Association/Beth David Memorial Park, and Samptown Jewish Cemetery — and possibly others in the future. All donors will have the opportunity to indicate where their contributions should be directed — to specific cemeteries, to our organization in general, or where the need is greatest.

We know many of you also have relatives buried at some of these additional cemeteries, and we are confident you will be glad we are adding these cemeteries as new partners. Please share this information with your friends and family, and please send us the names and contact information for anyone you know who may want to help us in contributing to this effort. We are actively seeking individuals who want to be involved in any capacity — as

leaders, cemetery representatives, cemetery tour guides, genealogists, newsletter readers and writers, community and cemetery historians, and donors.





Clockwise from top: Entry gates of Hebrew Fraternity, Bingle Street, and Shaarey Tefiloh

Cemetery Tours

We plan to continue our Cemtery Tours next year and will post the dates on our website and in our Spring 2020 newsletter.

2019 Cemetery Tours

were scheduled on the following Sundays:

- May 12 (Mother's Day) rain cancellation
- June 16 (Father's Day)
- October 6 (between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur)

Let us know if you can join us for one of our tours! All tours begin at noon at the Hebrew Fraternity Cemetery entry gate on New Brunswick Ave. in Hopelawn, followed by visits to the Shaarey Tefiloh and Beth Mordecai Cemeteries on Florida Grove Rd.

All tours are free, but advance registration is recommended so that we can notify you of weather-related cancellations and can locate any family graves of special interest to you.

Contact us for more information on our website www.friendsofjewishcemeteries.org, by phone at 856-222-1418, or by e-mail to FPMCJC@gmail.com. Check our website frequently for more information about the tours, including any schedule changes.

Shaarey Tefiloh Cemetery Association Contact Information

Office: 908-245-7100

The Shaarey Tefiloh Cemetery Assoc. office will provide information and answer questions about the following services at Shaarey Tefiloh Cemetery Assoc. cemeteries:

- Purchasing cemetery plots
- Planting grave covers
- Arranging for perpetual or annual care of plantings
- Arranging funerals
- Constructing or repairing cemetery monuments and/or foundations
- Cleaning (acid-washing) discolored cemetery monuments



David Greenhouse, Sara Greenhouse



Jack Singer



Martin Silverman, and Siri (service dog)

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If you know any individuals who can share their memories of these Jewish communities whose members are now interred at any of these cemeteries, please let us know.

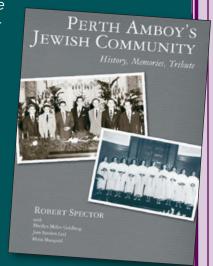
Our new structure will present new opportunities and new challenges, and we are counting on your continued enthusiasm and support to continue this enhanced mission. We really appreciate all of the positive feedback you have sent us — in emails and in handwritten notes — thanking us for our efforts. Your encouragement has inspired us to continue and expand our mission. We hope we can count on your continued support as we begin this new chapter in our journey.

—Mona Shangold

Perth Amboy's Jewish Community History, Memories, Tribute

Derth Amboy's Jewish Community: History,

Memories, Tribute has been available for sale since December 2012. The book is an elegant 9x12 coffeetable book that presents the complete and accurate history of the Perth Amboy Jewish Community — with many photos, stories, tributes, and



memories. According to the book's authors, it was written "to honor our ancestors and to provide a lasting record for our descendants." Many recent book orders have been from people who initially purchased books for themselves and now want books for their children and grandchildren so they can understand and appreciate their Perth Amboy legacy. To purchase the book — while supplies last — send your request for an order form to FPMCJC@gmail.com or call 856-222-1418.

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