



# Kol Kehilat

THE NEWSLETTER OF KEHILAT CHAVERIM

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## CURRENT COVID PROTOCOL FOR KC-SPONSORED, IN-PERSON, INDOOR EVENTS

December 17, 2021

Dear KC Members and Friends,

At its October 19, 2021 meeting, the KC Steering Committee had a robust discussion regarding what our Covid protocols should be for KC-sponsored, in-person, indoor events. We all agreed that taking care of each other's wellbeing is the paramount consideration both in common sense and in Jewish life.

The in-depth and lengthy discussion covered many options and variations of protocols. Ultimately, the Committee voted to require proof of vaccination and indoor mask-wearing at all KC-sponsored events which, sadly, means no food can be served. If members are willing to have their proof of vaccination recorded on a list, that would eliminate having to show proof at subsequent events. The Steering Committee agreed that this protocol will be revisited as CDC guidelines and community conditions change.

We all hope the day comes soon when this protocol is no longer necessary.

Please stay safe and healthy in the New Year!

Ellen Coffey  
Debby Szajnberg  
Administration Committee Co-Chairs

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### REMINDER

Please let us know if any of your contact information changes. Periodically, we will send out a membership list, and want to make certain that it is current.

**KC Member****WINDSOR PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENTS ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE**

Brad Robinson's mobiles are influenced by his background as a biologist and master naturalist. The recurring themes in his work of birds and fish are reflective of this experience.

**Saturday, January 8, 2 to 4**

Meet the artist Brad Robinson and browse his dynamic show. Select items will be shown at this reception that will not be shown elsewhere in the library. Registration not required.

**Live Demonstrations:**

Monday, January 10, 4:00pm—7:00pm, Wilson Branch Thursday,

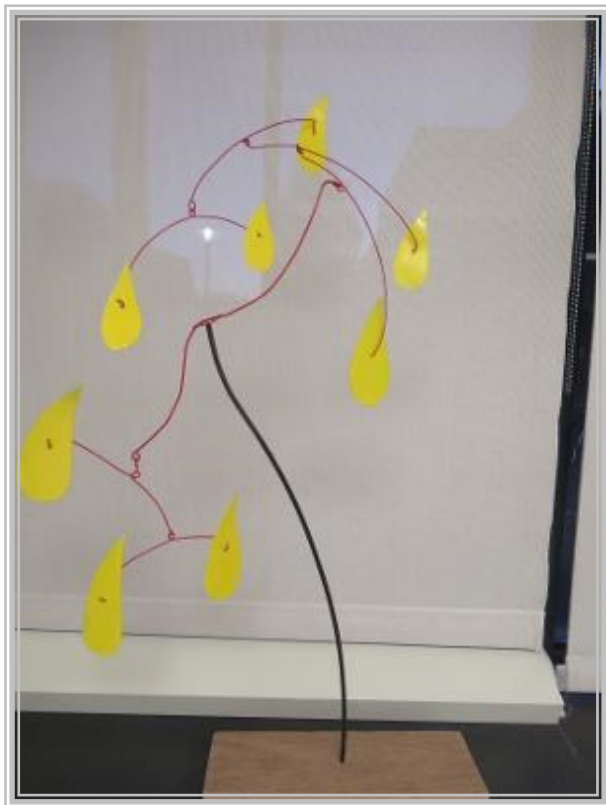
January 13, 6:00pm—9:00pm, Main Branch

Saturday, January 15, 10:00am—1:00pm, Main Branch

Tuesday, January 18, 10:00am—1:00pm, Main Branch

View the display of Brad's mobile sculpture collection in the Meeting Room Artspace for the month of January. Select items may be for sale. (Photos continued on pg. 3)





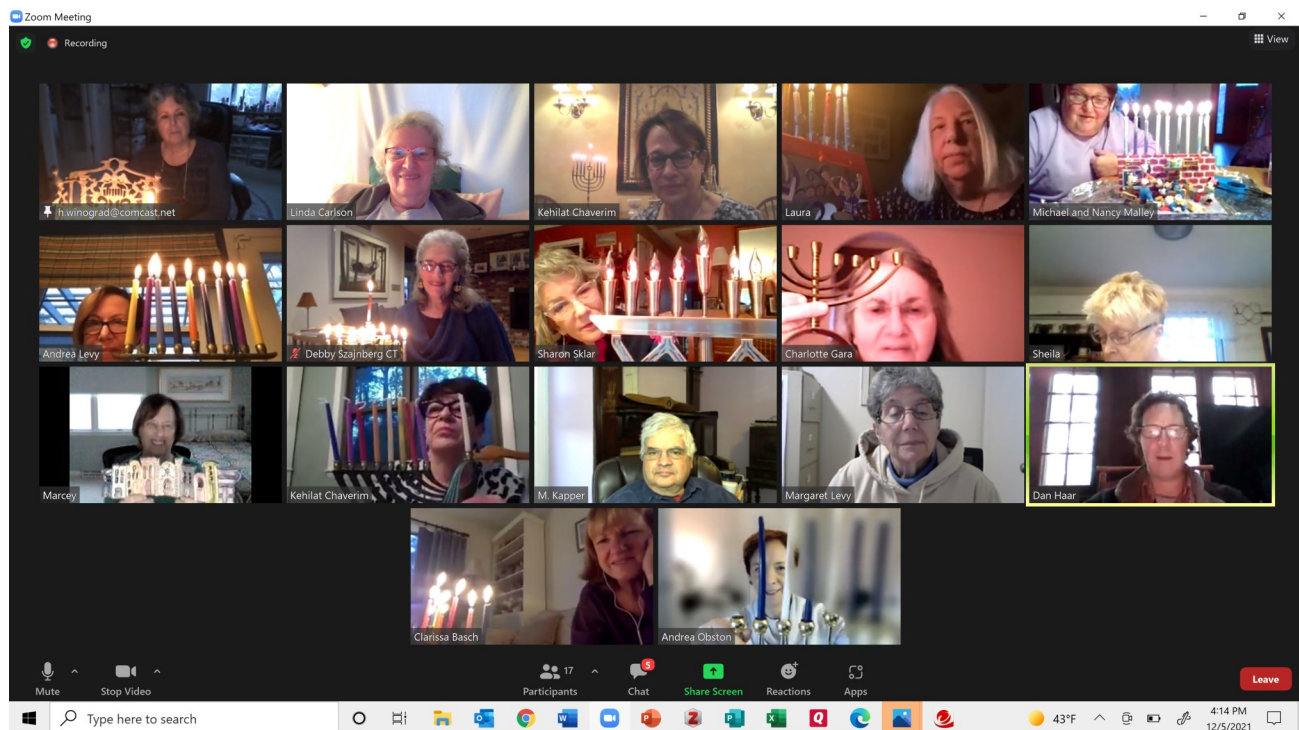
## Condolences

### In Memoriam: Robert "Bob" Vose

Kehilat sends condolences to the family of former member Robert W. Vose, who passed away Nov. 17 at age 87 after a brief illness in Asheville, N.C., where he and his wife, Mary Lou "ML" Mayer, moved in 2011. Bob was born (one year after Elvis Presley, as his obituary made clear) in Maine. He moved to the Hartford area upon graduating from Bowdoin College in 1955 and worked as an actuary at Connecticut General, CIGNA and Lincoln Financial until his retirement in 1998. Bob and his wife ML were active in the KC Book Club. A baseball fan, avid reader and gardener, Bob leaves, in addition to Mary Lou, two children, three step-children and four grandchildren.

[https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/hartfordcourant/name/robert-vose-obituary?](https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/hartfordcourant/name/robert-vose-obituary?i=1)

# Hanukkah



Marty Kapper led Yizkor and Ellen Coffey led the prayers to light our Hanukiah.



## Hanukkah

**Some members of Kehilat Chaverim shared their menorah stories at the Hannukah celebration. Match the stories below to the pictures on the following pages:**

Harriet - her menorah just appeared at her house. She doesn't know where it came from.

Andrea - her childhood menorah.

Debby - her Menorah belonged to her great aunt Tillie.

Charlotte - Bought her menorah in Tel Aviv on her first trip to Israel. It was made in Jerusalem.

Sharon - Her menorah is electric because when she used candles her cat set his tail on fire.

Nancy - She used her daughter Rachel's toddler menorah.

Rafie - His menorah came from his parents house where he used it growing up.

Laura - Used a New York Giants menorah from her collection.

Elaine - Her family could not be together so they started a new tradition of sending each other pictures of the lit menorah each night.

Clarissa - Using her husband Alan's childhood menorah.

Ellen - Her menorah was a wedding gift from her grandparents

Marcy - Her menorah was a ceramic village.



### MEMBERSHIP SUPPORT CONTACT INFORMATION

Healing wishes are sent to members who are ill or grieving. If we can help by providing food or sustenance, a ride, or a sympathetic ear, please reach out to one of us.

If you become aware of a member in need please contact one of us. If you are comfortable please ask your friend/member if they mind having a person from membership support reach out. Some people prefer to keep their situation private or only among their inner circle. Thank you for caring.

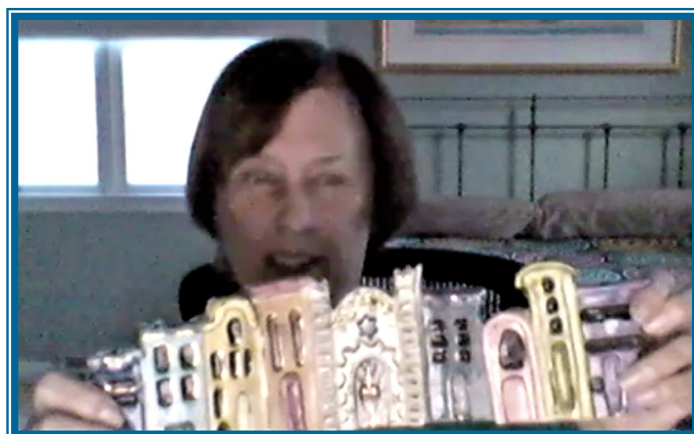
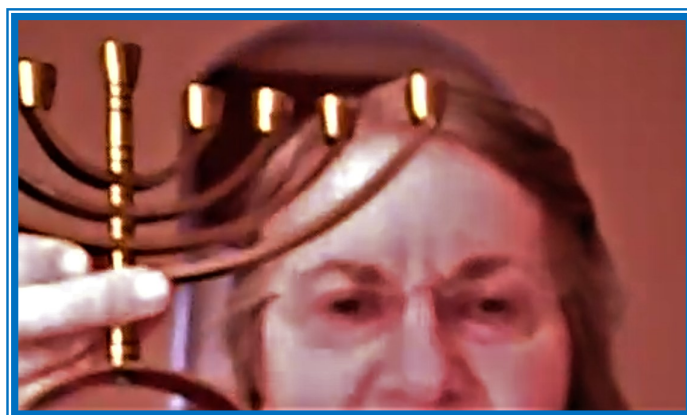
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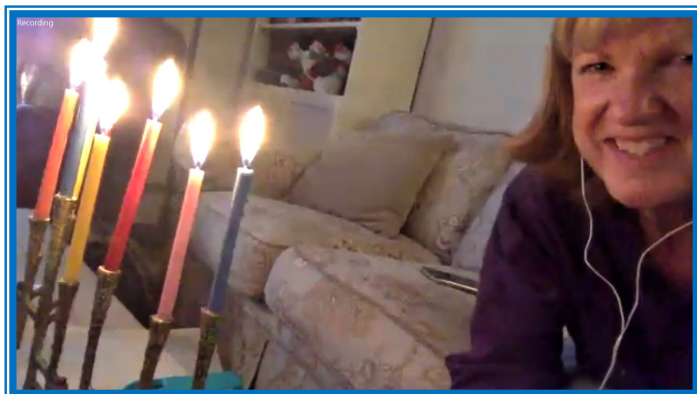
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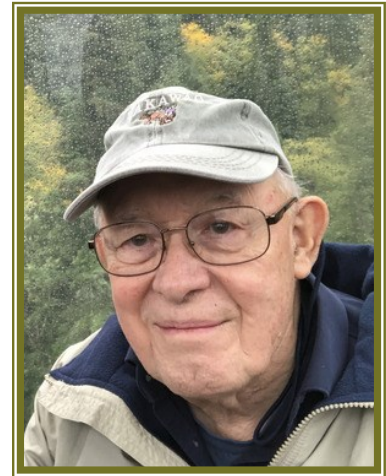
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## Condolences

Our condolences to Mark Overmyer-Velazquez and his family on the passing of Mark's father, Dan Overmyer on November 24, 2021.

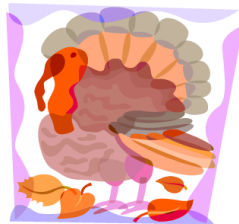
Husband, father, abuelito and teacher to many, Daniel died peacefully at home after a brief battle with cancer surrounded by loving family and friends. Born in Columbus, Ohio, Dan grew up in China and the Philippines, spending the majority of his career as a pioneering scholar of Chinese popular religions and philosophy in Vancouver, BC, where he lived with his wife, Estella (d. 2018). He published widely and taught for 27 years at UBC and in universities around the world. He is survived by his two children, sister, and five grandchildren. An ardent protector of Mother Earth, donations in his honor can be made to Nature Vancouver, for which he had served as president: <https://naturevancouver.ca/>



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## Community Action



### Turkey Collection by Community Action Committee

Thank you everyone for contributing to the Turkey drive. We donated 25 turkeys to the Good Samaritan Church in Hartford and Rosa was thrilled.

Hope you all had a great Thanksgiving.

Linda Busch



### ***Kehilat Chaverim Contact List***

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##### **Administration**

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### **CALENDAR**

**Future events, including Shabbat, will be announced by e-mail.  
See the KC Website at [www.kehilatchaverim.org](http://www.kehilatchaverim.org).  
Please check the website calendar for conflicts before scheduling**

Thank you to Joan Walden, Eric Hammerling and Dan Haar for proofreading this newsletter.

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