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Mysterious golden object found in ancient Jewish cemetery has finally been

Chuck Bednar

identified

redOrbit, 23 December 2015

http://www.redorbit.com/news/science/1113411619/mysterious-golden-object-found-injerusalem-cemetery-puzzles-experts-122315/

-- Israel's Antiquities Authority has determined that a 19-pound, 24-carat gold coated, oddly-shaped, metal object discovered at a Jerusalem cemetery in 2015 is a "gilded Isis Beamer", according to an Italian man who said "it is a modern, New Age-type device designed to provide people with energy, harmony, and healing."

Jewish Cemetery in Poland Vandalized; Graves Covered in Antisemitic, Pro-ISIS Graffiti

thealgemeiner, 16 December 2015

http://www.algemeiner.com/2015/12/16/jewish-cemetery-in-poland-vandalized-graves-covered-in-antisemitic-pro-isis-graffiti/#

-- Vandals in the Polish city of Sochaczew desecrated a Jewish cemetery on a Sunday evening scrawling English-language, profanity-laden anti-Jewish slogans on the memorial.

Baghdad Jewish Cemetery Reminds of Bygone Days

Wassim Bassem, Contributor for Al-Monitor

U.S. News & World Report, 2 December 2015

http://www.usnews.com/news/articles/2015/12/02/baghdad-jewish-cemetery-reminds-of-bygone-days

-- Story about Baghdad's Sadr City cemetery which contains 4,000 Jewish tombs and graves.

Lost Jewish cemetery destroyed by Nazis being restored

Petr Josek, AP

CBSNEWS, 1 December 2015

http://www.cbsnews.com/news/lost-jewish-cemetery-destroyed-by-nazis-to-be-restored-in-czech-republic/

-- A small team of researchers has been working to reassemble a Jewish cemetery in the eastern Czech city of Prostejov that was destroyed during the Nazi occupation.

Moroccan group celebrated for Jewish cemetery restoration work

Jewish Telegraphic Agency, 18 November 2016

http://www.jta.org/2015/11/18/news-opinion/united-states/moroccan-group-celebrated-for-jewish-cemetery-restoration-work

-- A five-year program to repair Morocco's Jewish cemeteries was cited as an example of "peaceful coexistence" at a Washington ceremony marking its accomplishments. Speakers at the ceremony included U.S. Senator Ben Cardin (D-MD) and Representative Andre Carson (D-IN).

Bengaluru's Jewish cemetery with a Muslim caretaker shows that ancient conflicts have no meaning here

P Mahalakshmi

The Times of India, 14 November 2015

http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/bengaluru/Bengalurus-Jewish-cemetery-with-a-muslim-caretaker-shows-that-ancient-conflicts-have-no-meaning-here/articleshow/49781047.cms

-- An account of the cemetery dating to 1904, which contains approximately 50 graves, and has been cared for by the family of Sheikh Rafig for the past 24 years.

Jewish cemetery in Pictou County reflects past and present

Michael Lightstone

The Chronicle Herald, 1 November 2015

http://thechronicleherald.ca/thenovascotian/1320144-jewish-cemetery-in-pictou-county-reflects-past-and-present

-- Report on the small Jewish cemetery near New Glascow, Nova Scotia.

Algeria begins plans to uproot Jewish cemetery

Haim Lev

Arutz Sheva 7 (Israelnationalnews.com), 1 November 2015

http://www.israelnationalnews.com/News/News.aspx/202745#.VvKg0uYX 0g

-- An Algerian Jewish cemetery that was first desecrated 45 years ago has been taken over by authorities who are advancing a construction project on the site in coastal town of Oran.

Athens Jewish cemetery vandalized, neo-Nazi group claims responsibility

Jewish Telegraphic Agency, 22 October 2015

http://www.jta.org/2015/10/22/news-opinion/world/athens-jewish-cemetery-vandalized-neo-nazi-group-claims-responsibility

-- The main Jewish cemetery in Athens was vandalized with swastikas and anti-Jewish graffiti, including profanity and Nazi swastikas.

Polish City of Bialystok Allows High Rise on Jewish Cemetery Site

JTA (Jewish Telegraphic Agency), 3 October 2015

http://forward.com/news/breaking-news/321883/polish-city-of-bialystok-allows-high-rise-on-jewish-cemetery-site/

-- The Bialystok City Council rejected a zoning plan on Monday that would have prevent a meat production plant to build a high-rise apartment building on the grounds of a Jewish cemetery. The plant was built at the cemetery during the communist period.

Miami's Jewish history showcased in cemetery walking tour

Marvin Glassman (South Florida Sun-Sentinel)

Sun Sentinel, 29 September 2015

http://www.sun-sentinel.com/florida-jewish-journal/news/miami-dade/fl-jjdc-history-0923-20150928-story.html

-- The tour commemorated the centennial of the founding of the City of Miami Jewish section in 1915.

Minquadale cemetery vandalized

Frank Grace

WDEL101.7 FM (web), 27 September 2015

http://www.wdel.com/story/70855-minguadale-cemetery-vandalized

-- Several tombstones were knocked over at the Machzikey Hadas Cemetery on Wildel Avenue according to New Castle County Police in Delaware.

Online database logs Poland's crumbling Jewish graves

UT Ukraine Today, 25 September 2015

http://uatoday.tv/society/online-database-logs-poland-s-crumbling-jewish-graves-500536.html

-- Researchers have compiled an internationally-accessible database of thousands of Poland's Jewish graves as the sites themselves fall into disrepair.

Pet walkers should avoid cemeteries

Ottumwa Courier online, 25 September 2015

http://www.ottumwacourier.com/news/local_news/pet-walkers-should-avoid-cemeteries/article_57826e6a-63ad-11e5-ab4d-b36835cb706c.html

-- Announcement of the annual herbicide spraying in Jewish cemeteries of Ottumwa and Calvary, Iowa to control broad leaf weeds. Cemetery staff recommends visitors avoid walking their pets in the cemeteries during this period.

Chaverim cemetery dedication

Arizona Jewish Post, 25 September 2015 http://azjewishpost.com/2015/in-focus-9-25-15/

-- Congregation Chaverim consecrated an expanded section of Evergreen Cemetery (Tucson) on 6 September 2015.

Cheaper burials for community

Australian jewishnews, 25 September 2015

http://www.jewishnews.net.au/cheaper-burials-for-community/49907

-- Married couples electing to be buried vertically in a single grave plot will pay 42 percent less for their burials and gravesite.

Sides double down on Chabad project

Michael Gannon, Editor

Queens Chronicle, 25 September 2015

http://www.qchron.com/editions/eastern/sides-double-down-on-chabad-project/article_f11f28de-442a-5083-b67e-96bbdd8b53d8.html

-- Meeting on the proposed four-story Lubavitch complex in Cambria Heights includes concerns about impact on the Montefiore Cemetery which is the final resting place of the late Rebbe Menachem Schneerson.

Wyatt Earp's Mezuzah

Saul Jay Singer

The Jewish Press.com, 24 September 2015

http://www.jewishpress.com/sections/features/features-on-jewish-world/wyatt-earps-mezuzah/2015/09/24/

-- An account of Wyatt Earp's common-law Jewish wife, Josephine Sarah Marcus Earp, and references to the Jewish Cemetery in Tombstone, Arizona.

Beneath These Stones: Charlotte's Hebrew Cemetery

Andy Smith

Charlotte Magazine, 24 September 2015

http://www.charlottemagazine.com/Charlotte-Magazine/October-2015/Beneath-These-Stones-Charlottes-Hebrew-Cemetery/

-- An account of the congregants from Temple Beth El in south Charlotte cleaning gravestones at the historic cemetery on Mitzvah Day.

Kaunas municipality begins refurbishment work on Jewish cemetery

The Baltic Times, 24 September 2015

http://www.baltictimes.com/kaunas_municipality_begins_refurbishment_work_on_jewish _cemetary/

-- Lithuania's second-largest city has confirmed that it is refurbishing the city's old Jewish cemetery in Zaliakalnis. The cemetery was established in 1861 and closed in 1952.

'Hands-on' Bar Mitzvah Project At Cemetery

Stewart Ain (Staff Writer)

The Jewish Week (New York), 23 September 2015

http://www.thejewishweek.com/features/lens/hands-bar-mitzvah-project-cemetery

-- For his bar mitzvah chesed project, Gidon Katz, an eighth grader recruited family members and friends to clean-up and repair headstones at Bayside Cemetery in Ozone Park, Queens, New York.

Pushing history out for indoor stadium

The Hindu, 22 September 2015

http://www.thehindu.com/news/national/kerala/pushing-history-out-for-indoor-stadium/article7676236.ece

-- The 1,000 year-old synagogue and cemetery in Mala, the only remaining monuments of Jewish culture, "are on the verge of extinction" due to development.

Jews prepare for Yom Kippur by visiting loved ones' graves

JoAnne Viviano

The Columbus Dispatch, 22 September 2015

-- Jews visit Columbus cemeteries in the days before Yom Kippur.

D.C. Scandal Reveals Politics Behind European Jewish Memorials

Ron Kampeas

Haaretz, 21 September 2015

http://www.haaretz.com/jewish-world/jewish-world-features/1.676907

-- Controversy surrounding the U.S. Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad including a 2013 General Services Administration Inspector General report stating "a bizarre tale in which an obscure federal agency tasked with making lists of cemeteries in Eastern and Central Europe morphed into the taxpayer-funded lobbying offices of an extravagantly-paid lobbyist,".

Meet the Last Jews of Cairo

Jared Malsin

Time, 21 September 2015

http://time.com/4041832/cairo-jews-population-egypt/

-- Story includes a reference to a "Jewish cemetery dating back to the 9th century where burials still take place, although the graveyard fell into disrepair in recent decades."

Street Tales: North Sherwood Street Jewish Cemetery

Joe Earp

Leftlion, 17 September 2015

http://www.leftlion.co.uk/articles.cfm/title/street-tales--north-sherwood-street-jewish-cemetery/id/7692

-- An historical description of the little known Jewish burial ground, established in 1823, which once served Nottingham's Jewish community.

Lithuania announces purchase of land in Jewish cemetery

i24 news, 17 September 2015

http://www.i24news.tv/en/news/international/europe/86061-150917-lithuania-announces-purchase-of-land-in-jewish-cemetery

-- Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu approves of the plan to build convention center there, despite objections from some Jewish groups.

A Writer's "Tomb of Words," And The People Who Took It Personally

Michael Z. Wise

The New Yorker, 16 September 2015

http://www.newyorker.com/books/page-turner/a-writers-tomb-of-words-and-the-people-who-took-it-personally

-- Wise references his visit to the Jewish cemetery in Ferrara, Italy. His article includes this wonderful quote from Roberto Pazzi, "Bassani's achievement, Pazzi said, was to have "built a tomb of words for the Jews, who had no graves, because they died in concentration camps, as if they never lived.

Cemeteries are not forsaken

Toby Tabachnick (Senior Staff Writer)

The Jewish Chronicle, 16 September 2015

http://thejewishchronicle.net/view/full_story/26860401/article-Cemeteries-are-not-forsaken?

-- An account of the disposition of Jewish cemeteries in Pennsylvania that are abandoned or no longer adequately maintained by the congregation to which they were connected.

The Hill: A historic Jewish cemetery in Lakewood goes forsaken

Marianne Goodland

The Colorado Independent, 14 September 2015

http://www.coloradoindependent.com/155292/the-hill-a-historic-jewish-cemetery-in-lakewood-goes-forsaken

-- The Golden Hill cemetery, started in 1908, was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1995, but does not get mowed more than once a year and has been vandalized in the past.

On Israel visit, Lithuanian PM makes pledge on Jewish cemeteries

JTS (Jewish Telegraphic Agency), 10 September 2015

http://www.jta.org/2015/09/10/news-opinion/world/netanyahu-ok-with-construction-on-old-jewish-cemetery-lithuanian-pm-says

-- Lithuania's prime minister, Algirdas Butkevicius, reiterated that all Jewish cemeteries in the country would be marked or memorialized by 2017.

Preserved remains of Jews used for Nazi medical experiments laid to rest Jas Chana (JTA)

Jewish Journal, 10 September 2015

http://www.jewishjournal.com/world/article/preserved_remains_of_jews_used_for_nazi_medical_experiments_laid_to_rest

-- On 6 September 2015 members of the Jewish community of Strasbourg buried the remains of a Jewish victim of Nazi anatomist August Hirt, during a ceremony at the Jewish cemetery of Cronenbourg in eastern France.

Willet Street Cemetery photos sought

Cleveland Jewish News, 10 September 2015

http://www.clevelandjewishnews.com/news/local_news/willet-street-cemetery-photos-sought/article 086e4a82-5634-11e5-8c6e-5b73e585c0eb.html

-- "The Jewish Genealogy Society of Cleveland is seeking photos to create a database of images of the Willet Street Cemetery in Cleveland. The cemetery is the oldest Jewish cemetery in the Cleveland area."

Jewish history in the Yukon to be documented

JTA (Jewish Telegraphic Agency), 3 September 2015

http://www.jta.org/2015/09/03/news-opinion/world/jewish-history-in-the-yukon-to-bedocumented

-- A "grant from the Yukon territorial government will allow the Jewish Cultural Society of Yukon to research a small, Gold Rush-era Jewish cemetery in Dawson City."

Jewish Graves Vandalized on Jerusalem's Mount of Olives

Nir Hasson

Haaretz, 3 September 2015

http://www.haaretz.com/news/israel/.premium-1.674231

-- Graves in the Jewish cemetery on the Mount of Olives were vandalized Tuesday night. Firefighters noticed the smashed headstones while returning from a brush fire.

Lithuania Cemetery Feud Pits Jew vs. Jew-and Rabbi vs. Rabbi

Cnaan Liphshiz

Forward, 2 September 2015

http://forward.com/news/breaking-news/320362/lithuania-cemetery-feud-pits-jew-vs-jew-and-rabbi-vs-rabbi/

-- The Lithuanian government has plans to convert a Soviet-style sports complex built in 1971into a \$25 million conference center, however the site sits atop the remnants of Vilnius' oldest Jewish cemetery, Piramont.

Smashed Century-old Jewish Gravestones Found in East Jerusalem

Nir Hasson

Haaretz, 31 August 2015

http://www.haaretz.com/life/archaeology/.premium-1.673720

-- Jordan had repurposed the gravestones when aiming to build a gas station on the Mount of Olives, archaeologist surmises.

In the Hamptons, Come For the Beach, Stay For the Jewish Cemetery Gale Friedman

Forward, 31 August 2015

http://forward.com/the-assimilator/320141/in-the-hamptons-come-for-the-beach-stay-for-the-jewish-cemetery/

-- The 8 acre Shaarey Pardes Accabonac Grove Cemetery has become one of the most exclusive pieces land in the wealthy area of Long Island, and has only 20 percent of its plots remaining for sale.

Lithuanian PM: Sports complex in Jewish cemetery to be built with 'proper respect'

Sam Sokol

The Jerusalem Post, 25 August 2015

http://www.jpost.com/Diaspora/Lithuanian-PM-Sports-complex-in-Jewish-cemetery-to-be-built-with-proper-respect-413226

-- The Lithuanian government will coordinate with the Jewish community regarding the construction of a sports complex in the middle of an historic Jewish cemetery in Vilnius, according to the office of Prime Minister Butkevicius.

Jewish Lebanese expat funding Sidon cemetery makeover

Tamar Pileggi

The Times of Israel, 23 August 2015

http://www.timesofisrael.com/jewish-lebanese-expat-funding-sidon-cemetery-makeover/
-- A rundown Jewish cemetery in southern Lebanon is in the process of rehabilitation thanks to an anonymously funded initiative.

Lithuania's chief rabbi fired amid dispute over construction on former cemetery JTA (Jewish Telegraphic Agency), 14 August 2015

http://www.jta.org/2015/08/14/news-opinion/world/lithuanias-chief-rabbi-fired-amid-dispute-over-construction-around-former-cemetery

-- Rabbi Chaim Burshtein was dismissed as Lithuania's chief rabbi amid his objections to the government's plan to build a conference center over an areas that used to be a Jewish cemetery.

More Than 100 Gravestones Knocked Over in Jewish Cemetery

Rachel Kurland (JE Staff)

Jewish Exponent, 4 August 2015

http://www.jewishexponent.com/headlines/2015/08/more-than-100-gravestones-knocked-over-in-jewish-cemetery

-- 124 gravestones were toppled at the Adath Jeshurun Cemetery, located on Bridge Street in Frankford (Philadelphia).

More than 100 headstones toppled at historic Jewish cemetery in Philadelphia Jessica Chasmar

The Washington Times, 31 July 2015

http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2015/jul/31/more-than-100-headstones-toppled-at-historic-jewis/

-- Police are investigating after vandals toppled 124 headstones at Philadelphia's historic Adath Jeshuran Cemetery.

Oklahoma Jewish community honors unnamed Holocaust victim with proper burial

Carla Hinton, Religion Editor

The Oklahoman, 27 July 2015

http://newsok.com/article/5436327

-- Remains of unknown Jewish woman laid to rest in Oklahoma City's Fairlawn Cemetery. The remains had been obtained by a Jewish man during his investigations into Nazi war crimes as a member of the Office of Strategic Services.

Effort to restore an old Jewish cemetery

Kristin E. Holmes, Inquirer Staff Writer

The Inquirer (philly.com), 25 July 2015

http://articles.philly.com/2015-07-25/news/64821725_1_graves-and-markers-other-burial-grounds-final-resting-place

-- Years of neglect at the Gladwyne Jewish Memorial Cemetery is being addressed by the Beth David Reform Congregation. The six-acre plot was established in the 1890s and has an estimated 1000 graves.

A visit to Jewish heritage in Padova, Italy

Ruth Ellen Gruber

Jewish Journal, 22 July 2015

http://www.jewishjournal.com/enroute/item/a_visit_to_jewish_heritage_in_padova_italy -- Account of Jewish sites in Padova, including the Jewish cemetery behind a high brick wall in via Wiel, in central Padova near the Old Town. One of five remaining Jewish cemeteries in Padova, it was opened in 1529.

Neglected Jewish cemeteries to get loving care

Roxanne Washington (The Plain Dealer)

The Plain Dealer (cleveland.com), 20 July 2015

http://www.cleveland.com/metro/index.ssf/2015/07/forgotten_jewish_cemeteries_to.html

-- An account of the 69,000 graves in 16 cemeteries in greater Cleveland and how many have fallen into disrepair due to the decline in the Jewish population in some areas near the cemeteries.

200 Things that play in Stark County: Hebrew Cemetery

Gary Brown, Writing Editor-at-large

CantonRep.com, 19 July 2015

http://www.cantonrep.com/article/20150719/LIFESTYLE/150719520

-- A description of Canton Ohio's Hebrew Cemetery which was established in the 1890's.

Akron's Jewish community tries crowd funding for cemetery upkeep

Colette M. Jenkins, Beacon Journal staff writer

Akron Beacon Journal, 23 June 2005

http://www.ohio.com/news/local/akron-s-jewish-community-tries-crowd-funding-for-cemetery-upkeep-1.602507

-- The Jewish Community Board of Akron, which owns Sherbondy Hill and three other local cemeteries, received a grant from the Jewish Federations of North America to test the crowd-funding idea. Crowd funding is an Internet phenomenon that raises set amounts of money from a large number of people to fund specific projects.

Jewish Federation of Cleveland launches campaign to ensure maintenance, sustainability of cemeteries

Crain's Cleveland Business, 22 June 2015

http://www.crainscleveland.com/article/20150622/NEWS/150629980/jewish-federation-of-cleveland-launches-campaign-to-ensure

-- The cemetery preservation campaign has a goal of raising \$3.5 million.

Police Probe R-Rated Pics at Jewish Cemetery

JTA

Forward, 3 June 2015

http://forward.com/news/breaking-news/309363/police-probe-r-rated-pics-at-jewish-cemetery/

-- "Polish police launched an investigation into the actions of two young women who struck what observers said were provocative poses while standing next to headstones in a Jewish cemetery."

Lithuanian Jewish cemetery restored

Sam Sokol

The Jerusalem Post, 2 June 2015

http://www.jpost.com/Diaspora/Lithuanian-Jewish-cemetery-restored-404825

-- The Jewish cemetery of Šeduva, Lithuania was rededicated in a ceremony after two years of restoration work.

Sheriff's Office Lends Hand At Neglected Part Of Jewish Cemetery

CBS2 Chicago, 21 May 2015

http://chicago.cbslocal.com/2015/05/21/sheriffs-office-lends-hand-at-neglected-part-of-jewish-cemetery/

-- Jewish Graceland Cemetery is believed to be the oldest Jewish cemetery in Chicago with the first burial in the 1850s. Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart had a crew of offenders mowing and trimming trees. The cemetery is divided into two parts, each with a separate owner—one part is well maintained and the other lacks funds for maintenance.

Twin Reports Document Desecration at Lithuanian Jewish Gravesites

The Algemeiner, 20 May 2015

http://www.algemeiner.com/2015/05/20/twin-reports-document-desecration-at-lithuanian-jewish-gravesites/#

-- "Two reports emerged this week documenting the seemingly irreverent use of historical Jewish gravesites in Lithuania for urban projects in recent times."

Vandals target French Jewish cemetery, Vienna's Freud museum By JTA

The Times of Israel, 15 May 2015

http://www.timesofisrael.com/vandals-target-french-jewish-cemetery-viennas-freud-museum/

-- A string of hate crimes hits Europe, with tombstones smashed in Lille and mezuzah ripped of door of Polish anti-Semitism group.

Cemeteries grapple with interfaith burial

Lila Sarick, Staff Reporter

CJN (The Canadian Jewish News), 13 May 2015

http://www.cjnews.com/node/139619

-- An account of the changes in Jewish procedures among various movements on interfaith burials.

In Detroit, Jewish cemetery survives within GM auto plant

Jeff Karoub, AP

vahoo.com, 12 May 2015

http://news.yahoo.com/detroit-jewish-cemetery-survives-within-gm-auto-plant-052440027.html

-- Beth Olem Cemetery is surrounded on all sides by the grounds of General Motors Co.'s Detroit Hamtramck Plant.

Vandalism destroys monument to Polish Jewish community killed in Holocaust JTA (Jewish Telegraphic Agency), 10 May 2015

http://www.jta.org/2015/05/10/news-opinion/world/vandalism-destroys-monument-to-polish-jewish-community-killed-in-holocaust

-- Police are investigating last week's vandalism at the Jewish cemetery in Rajgrod, a town in northeastern Poland, whose Jewish population was liquidated in 1942.

Lithuania to co-operate over Vilna Gaon grave site

Simon Rocker

The JC.com (The Jewish Chronicle Online), 1 May 2015

http://www.thejc.com/news/world-news/135593/lithuania-co-operate-over-vilna-gaon-grave-site

-- Lithuania is to erect a monument to mark the site of the historic old Shnipishok cemetery, where a new classical musical auditorium is to be built.

Side Streets: Agudas Achim, a Jewish cemetery oft forgotten but not gone

Marc Munroe Dion, Herald News Staff Reporter

The Herald News, 27 April 2015

http://www.heraldnews.com/article/20150427/NEWS/150426790

-- An account of the Agudas Achim, a cemetery for the orthodox, and the plight of a cemetery when its synagogue has gone.

Polish City to Secure Jewish Cemetery After Vandalism

The Algemeiner, 27 April 2015

http://www.algemeiner.com/2015/04/27/polish-city-to-secure-jewish-cemetery-after-vandalism/#

-- "The city of Olkusz in southern Poland has decided to set up security at its Jewish cemetery and build a high wall around the site following vandalism and antisemetic graffiti that defaced headstones."

Tropical Storm Rips Into Jewish Cemetery in Brazil

JTA

Forward, 17 April 2015

http://forward.com/news/breaking-news/218750/tropical-storm-rips-into-jewish-cemetery-in-brazil/

-- A tropical storm in eastern Brazil devastated the Jewish Cemetery of Bahia in Salvador on April 10.

Four years on, Jewish Burial Society celebrates cemetery turnaround

Jewish Press of Pinellas County, 10 April 2015

http://www.jewishpresspinellas.com/news/2015-04-

10/Culture/Four_years_on_Jewish_Burial_Society_celebrates_cem.html

-- Chapel Hill Memorial Park is celebrating its fourth anniversary after being acquired and restored as Tampa Bay's only Jewish cemetery owned and operated by an independent, not-for-profit corporation.

No Peace for the Dead in Callously Neglected Polish Jewish Cemetery

Sergiusz Scheller

Forward, 10 April 2015

http://forward.com/news/world/218362/no-peace-for-the-dead-in-callously-neglected-polis/

-- An account of the town of Kazimierz Dolny, two hours south of Warsaw on the Vistula River, and the abandoned Jewish cemeteries in the area.

Jewish cemetery desecrated in Polish town where Jews were tortured by Nazis JTA (Jewish Telegraphic Agency), 7 April 2015

http://www.jpost.com/Diaspora/Jewish-cemetery-desecrated-in-Polish-town-where-Jews-were-tortured-by-Nazis-396447

-- The graves were desecrated in Olkusz, Poland, the site of "Bloody Wednesday," where in 1940 Jewish men were gathered in the town square, humiliated and beaten.

Sculpture to mark burial site of Dachau victims' ashes

Flo Johnston

The News & Observer (durham news: community), 7 April 2015 http://www.newsobserver.com/news/local/community/durham-news/dn-community/article17532314.html

-- The sculpture by Mike Roig was commissioned by the Center for the Holocaust, Genocide and Human Rights Education and two synagogues: Beth el of Durham and Kehillah of Chapel Hill, and the ashes were interred in the Durham Hebrew Cemetery in 2014.

About a cemetery: Centerville yields rich historical data, but much remains unknown

Lois Goldrich

The New Jersey Jewish Standard, 5 April 2015

http://jstandard.com/content/item/about a cemetery/32839

-- An account of the difficulty in conducting cemetery research when archives are not complete, gravesites are not maintained, and loved ones find conflicting information in their search for ancestral information and burial sites.

Is it happening again? Columbia exhibit helps us recognize rising tide of intolerance

Lilly S. Filler, Guest Columnist

The State, 4 April 2015

www.thestate.com/opinion/op-ed/article17353628.html

-- An opinion piece on the need to pay attention to events of today, regarding attacks on Jewish businesses, cemeteries and synagogues and the similarity to events of the 1930's. Dr. Filler co-chairs the Columbia Holocaust Education Commission in South Carolina.

The Mystery Of The Missing Stained Glass Windows

Ted Merwin

The Jewish Week (New York), 1 April 2015

http://www.thejewishweek.com/news/national/mystery-missing-stained-glass-windows

-- A fascinating account of one man's attempt to regain windows of his former synagogue to enable care of graves in the Sons of Jacob Cemetery in Hometown, Pennsylvania.

United Synagogue reacts to approval for new burial site in London

JewishNews Online, 1 April 2015

www.jewishnews.co.uk/united-synagogue-welcomes-approval-for-new-burial-site-in-london/

-- The United Synagogue has reacted to planner's approval of a new Jewish burial site in north-west London which could save Jewish families hundreds of pounds a year. A previous Hertsmere Council decision refused permission, but was overturned last week.

CoE Congress calls on local authorities to protect Jewish cemeteries

ShanghaiDaily.com, 27 March 2015

http://www.shanghaidaily.com/article/article_xinhua.aspx?id=274586

-- The Council of Europe (CoE) Congress of local and regional authorities has called on its members to take responsibility for Jewish cemeteries in order to protect against vandalism and neglect.

Boys Town J'slm Students Restore Neglected Jerusalem Cemetery

The Jewish Voice, 25 March 2015

jewishvoiceny.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=10493:boys-town-jslm-students-restore-neglected-jerusalem-cemetery&catid=102:education&Itemid=285 -- 400 Boys Town Jerusalem students volunteered to clear layers of rubble, branches, brush and broken gravestone at the Mount Zion cemetery which was the final resting place for around 9000 Jews from the 17th Century to 1945.

Loyal board tends to a Newark cemetery

Robert Wiener, NJJN Staff Writer

NJJN (New Jersey Jewish News), 25 March 2015

njjewishnews.com/article/26685/loyal-board-tends-to-a-newark-cemetery#.VSGFEfnF-So

-- Once a month, Alan Coen and others on the Gomel Chesed Cemetery board of directors gather at the cemetery to assess needed repairs.

Jewish cemetery vandalized in Hungary

JPOST.COM staff

The Jerusalem Post, 23 March 2015

http://www.jpost.com/Diaspora/Jewish-cemetery-vandalized-in-Hungary-394776

-- Unknown assailants desecrated 15 to 20 graves in northern Hungarian city of Gyongyos, which is 75km northeast of Budapest. The small graveyard was previously attacked in 2013.

Frightened mourners at Malmo Jewish cemetery get police protection

JTA (Jewish Telegraphic Agency), 16 March 2015

http://www.jta.org/2015/03/16/news-opinion/world/police-guard-malmo-jewish-cemetery -- Swedish police posted officers at a Jewish cemetery in Malmo after mourners said they had been intimidated by passers-by.

Tracing Jewish Heritage Along the Danube

Lisa Schwarzbaum

The New York Times, 13 March 2015

http://www.nytimes.com/2015/03/15/travel/tracing-jewish-heritage-along-the-danube.html?_r=0

-- Includes reference and photo of The Chatam Sofer Memorial, formerly the Old Jewish Cemetery, in Bratislava.

Arson probed at Moroccan Jewish cemetery

JTA (Jewish Telegraphic Agency), 13 March 2015

http://www.jta.org/2015/03/13/news-opinion/world/arson-probed-at-moroccan-jewish-cemetery

-- A Jewish-owned building inside a local Jewish cemetery was set on fire in a possible anti-Semitic attack in the Moroccan town of Oujad. Conflicting reports also suggest the arson was a result of a money dispute between the caretaker and the rabbi in charge of the cemetery.

Jewish center, cemetery attacked in central Argentina town

JTA (Jewish Telegraphic Agency), 12 March 2015

www.jta.org/2015/03/12/news-opinion/world/jewish-center-cemetery-attacked-in-central-argentina-town

-- The Argentine Zionist Union of Rosario, or USAR, a Jewish community and sports center in a city 200 miles north of Buenos Aires, was attacked this week with graffiti reading "F*** Jew." Some 15,000 Jews live in Rosario.

Jewish cemetery in Eden Memorial Park sued again for throwing out remains

Susan Abram, Los Angeles Daily News

Los Angeles Daily News, 6 March 2015

http://www.dailynews.com/general-news/20150306/jewish-cemetery-eden-memorial-park-sued-again-for-throwing-out-remains

-- A second multi-million dollar lawsuit has been filed against the managers at Eden Memorial Park, a Jewish Cemetery in Mission Hills, California. One of the largest Jewish cemeteries in the U.S., has been accused of negligence and fraud for destroying graves and discarding human remains to make room for new burials.

Jewish graves desecrated in Jerusalem

Roi Yanovski

ynet news.com, 7 March 2015

www.ynetnews.com/articles/0,7340,L-4634258,00.html

-- Vandals damage headstones in Jewish cemetery on Mount of Olives. Jerusalem City Council member Aryeh King said gravestones had been damaged extensively.

Los Angeles Jewish Cemetery Sued for Dumping Bodies--Again JTA

Forward, 27 February 2015

http://forward.com/news/breaking-news/215589/los-angeles-jewish-cemetery-sued-for-dumping-bodie/

-- Eden Park Memorial Cemetery is being sued a second time for disturbing dead people's remains.

5 Teens in custody after Jewish cemetery attack

Eliott C. McLaughlin

CNN, 18 February 2015

http://www.cnn.com/2015/02/16/europe/france-jewish-cemetery-tombstones-damaged/
-- The desecrated cemetery was located in Sarre-Union, France and the minors were

between the ages of 15-17, and grew up in the Alsace region of France. The teens reported that they didn't know the graves were Jewish when they broke into the cemetery and vandalized gravestones.

Jewish Cemetery in Germany desecrated, mirroring French

The Jerusalem Post, 17 February 2015

http://www.jpost.com/Diaspora/Jewish-Cemetery-in-Germany-desecrated-mirroring-French-vandalism-391278

-- A Jewish cemetery in the northern city of Oldenburg was desecrated over the weekend, with swastikas painted on the cemetery's entrance, as well as on parked cars.

Jewish graves desecrated in Dunedin attack

Hamish McNeilly

New Zealand Herald, 16 February 2015

http://www.nzherald.co.nz/nz/news/article.cfm?c_id=1&objectid=11402612

-- A swastika was painted on a headstone and two other headstones were knocked over and broken in an anti Semitic attack at the Jewish section of the Southern Cemetery in Dunedin.

Jewish cemetery desecrated hours after Israeli premier calls for mass migration of Jews

Elizabeth Bryant

RNS (Religious News Service), 16 February 2015

http://www.religionnews.com/2015/02/16/jewish-cemetery-desecrated-hours-israeli-premier-calls-mass-migration-jews/

-- Several hundred tombs at a Jewish cemetery in Alsace were desecrated and suspected of sustaining heavy damage.

Jewish Cemetery Desecrated in France

Jewish Press News Briefs

The Jewish Press.com, 15 February 2015

http://www.jewishpress.com/news/breaking-news/jewish-cemetery-desecrated-in-france/2015/02/15/

-- Hundreds of Jewish tombstones have been desecrated in a cemetery in Brumath, near Strasbourg, according to French government officials.

Chisinau to restore Jewish cemetery destroyed in World War II

JTA (Jewish Telegraphic Agency), 13 February 2015

http://www.jta.org/2015/02/13/news-opinion/world/chisinau-to-restore-jewish-cemetery-destroyed-in-world-war-ii

-- The mayor of Chisinau, Moldova, said he would restore the dome-shaped Tahara room located at the Sculeni cemetery, largely destroyed during the Holocaust, as a monument to local Jews who died in the genocide.

Paliam trust claims ownership of Jewish cemetery

M K Sunil Kumar, TNN

The Times of India Kochi, 10 February 2015

http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/kochi/Paliam-trust-claims-ownership-of-Jewish-cemetery/articleshow/46180739.cms

-- The cemetery of Kerala Jews at Chendamangalam is facing an 'ownership' threat with the Paliam trust, run by the decendants of Paliyathachan, claiming the three-acre land on which the graveyard is situated.

Morocco's Jewish cemetery project lauded at Paris event

JTA

The Times of Israel, 8 February 2015

http://www.timesofisrael.com/moroccos-jewish-cemetery-project-lauded-at-paris-event/

-- Preservation of over 150 sites across North African state hailed as symbol of 'tolerance, dialogue and respect'. 167 Jewish burial sites have been restored since 2010.

Warsaw's Jewish cemetery defender

Penny Schwartz

The Times of Israel, 7 February 2015

http://www.timesofisrael.com/warsaws-jewish-cemetery-defender/

-- Anna Chipczynska, President of the Warsaw Jewish Community, is committed to restoring graveyards vandalized by Polish citizens.

Former NY Jewish cemetery head pleads guilty to embezzling \$1.9 million

JTA (Jewish Telegraphic Agency), 5 February 2015

http://www.timesofisrael.com/former-ny-jewish-cemetery-head-pleads-guilty-to-embezzling-1-9-million/

-- Timothy Griffin, while serving as acting president of the United Hebrew Cemetery, made six unauthorized wire transfers from the cemetery's account to his own attorney escrow account.

Vandals Deface Fence of Jewish Cemetery in Warsaw JTA

Jewish Daily Forward, 2 February 2015

http://forward.com/news/breaking-news/213950/vandals-deface-fence-of-jewish-cemetery-in-warsaw/

-- Unknown vandals defaced the fence of the Jewish cemetery on Okopowa Street, which is an active cemetery.

35 trees to be planted at Charlotte's Hebrew Cemetery

Marissa Brooks

The Charlotte Observer, 31 January 2015

http://www.charlotteobserver.com/news/local/community/south-charlotte/article9285809.html

-- On February 8, in honor of the Jewish holiday Tu B'Shvat, the Hebrew Cemetery Association, in conjunction with TreesCharlotte, will plant 35 trees at the cemetery, which was established in 1867.

Jewish Congressman Asks Pakistani Ambassador to Safeguard Karachi Jewish Cemetery

JTA

Haaretz, 30 January 2015

http://www.haaretz.com/jewish-world/jewish-world-news/1.639810

-- Rep. Lee Zeldin (R-N.Y.) in his letter asked that the Karachi Jewish Cemetery not be disturbed, as there have been reports that some groups hope to take over the land.

Lottery funding helps restore historic Penzance Jewish Cemetery CMCherie

The Cornishman, 28 January 2015

http://www.cornishman.co.uk/Lottery-funding-helps-restore-historic-Penzance/story-25935513-detail/story.html

-- Restoration work is due to begin at the Penzance Jewish Cemetery after it received a grant of £13,000 from the Heritage Lottery Fund.

Memorial brings recognition to Iran's Jewish 'martyrs' AFP

Daily Mail.com, 20 January 2015

http://www.dailymail.co.uk/wires/afp/article-2918855/Memorial-brings-recognition-Irans-Jewish-martyrs.html

-- The memorial has been raised in the three-hectare (eight-acre) Jewish cemetery in south Tehran where thousands of Jews are buried.

Swastikas carved into chapel doors at Springwood Jewish Cemetery

BBC News (Liverpool), 13 January 2015

http://www.bbc.com/news/uk-england-merseyside-30791908

-- The doors at the Springwood Jewish Cemetery in Allerton were discovered by members of the congregation on Monday. Merseyside Police have opened an investigation.

Historic Jewish cemetery in Greece damaged in storm

JTA (Jewish Telegraphic Agency), 7 January 2015

http://www.jta.org/2015/01/07/news-opinion/world/historic-jewish-cemetery-in-northern-greece-damaged-in-storm

-- A massive weekend storm in loannina toppled trees, crushing 20 gravestones and destroying the flagstone path that leads into the cemetery, which was established in the 1920's.

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