



JAUNJELGAVAS EBREJU MEMORIĀLA BIEDRĪBA
JAUNJELGAVA JEWISH MEMORIAL SOCIETY

After the World War II, the town cemetery and the Holocaust memorial were the only signs that there was once a large Jewish community in Jaunjelgava. There was not a single visible sign of Jews in the streets of the town. Of the several synagogues that had existed in the town, only one remained, and even that had been converted into a residential building.

This situation was finally rectified on July 24, 2023. In pouring rain, a memorial stele was erected in the main street of the city, near the Great Synagogue, which had been the centre of Jewish life from 1859 to 1941.



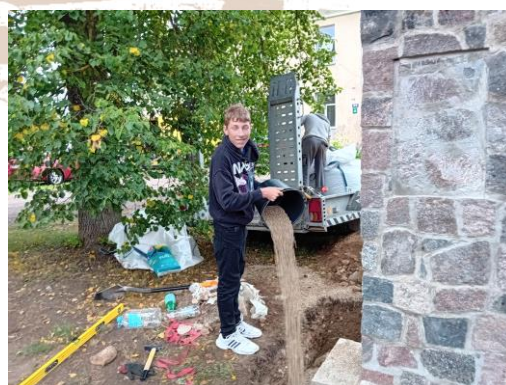
The stele was brought from the workshops



Site preparation



Moving of the stele to the place



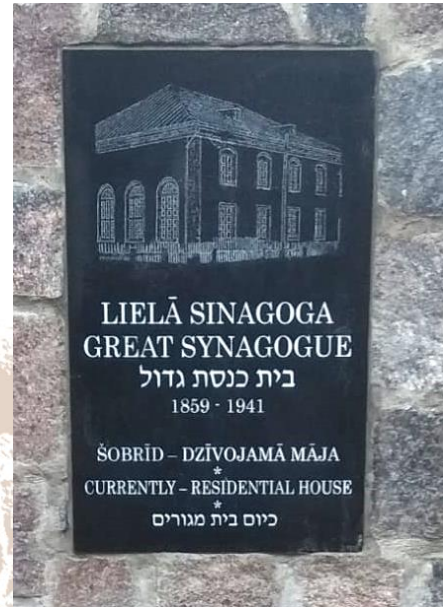
Nathan Schatz, a great-great-great-grandson of former Friedrichstadt City Council deputy Urias Schatz starts the concreting of the foundation

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The job is done. The historical synagogue building can be seen in the background

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