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Rabbi Gil Steinlauf

If there is anything that all of us can agree on in synagogue life, it's what we want for our children: we want them to have a positive, joyful experience of Judaism. We want them to *want* to come to synagogue. We want to make sure that, from the moment they enter the building, they're making positive associations with Jewish life. We want them to have wonderful and dynamic teachers and program leaders. We want them to have meaningful and real relationships with the rabbis and cantors. We want synagogue experiences to be engaging and fun. Finally, we want them to feel "at home" in the *shul* itself—laughing, playing, and hanging out with good friends during downtimes and in between the engaging and fun programs. It's a wonderful set of goals for our children. It's a kid-friendly vision that is critical to the success and future of this congregational community. And yet, it's a vision

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Scholar-in-Residence Prof. David Kraemer to Discuss 'Kashrut: Identity, Ritual, and Ethics' March 12-14

Prof. David Kraemer, Joseph J. and Dora Abbell Librarian at the Jewish Theological Seminary—where he helms the most extensive collection of Judaica—rare and contemporary—in the Western hemisphere, and where he has served as professor of Talmud and Rabbinics for many years, will discuss "Kashrut: Identity, Ritual, and Ethics" at our next scholar-in-residence weekend, March 12–14.

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Prof. David Kraemer

"CONFERENCE ON FOOD & JUDAISM" with Scholar-in-Residence David Kraemer, Sunday, March 14. See page 15 for schedule.

Passover at Adas Israel, 5770

Sell hametz by Monday morning, March 29

Mon., March 29; Erev Pesach

Morning *Minyan*—Service for the Firstborn, 7:15 am

Siyyum Breakfast, 8:30 am

Evening *Minyan*, 6:00 pm

Erev *Pesach*—First *Seder*

Light Candles, 7:10 pm

Tues., March 30; Pesach—Day 1

Pesach Service—Day 1 (Combined Service) with

Rabbi Steinlauf, 9:30 am

Evening *Minyan*, 6:00 pm

Congregational Passover *Seder*, 7:00 pm

Light Candles, **after** 8:09 pm

Wed., March 31; Pesach—Day 2

Pesach Service—Day 2 (Combined Service) with

Rabbi Feinberg, 9:30 am

Evening *Minyan*, 6:00 pm

Thurs., April 1 & Fri., April 2; Pesach—Day 3 & 4

Morning *Minyan*, 7:30 am

Evening *Minyan*, 6:00 pm

Sat., April 3; Pesach—Day 5

Shabbat Service, 9:30 am

Traditional Egalitarian *Minyan*, 9:30 am

Havurah Shabbat Service, 9:30 am

Shabbat Spot, 10:00 am

Evening *Minyan*, 6:00 pm

YP Macaroon Madness, 8:30 pm

Sun., April 4; Pesach—Day 6

Morning *Minyan*, 8:30 am

Evening *Minyan*, 6:00 pm

Mon., April 5; Pesach—Day 7

Combined Service, 9:30 am

Evening Service, 6:00 pm

Tues., April 6; Pesach—Day 8

Pesach Service, 9:30 am

Traditional Egalitarian *Minyan*, 9:30 am

Passover *Yizkor* Service, 11:15 am

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that is so very hard to carry out perfectly. Why?

Synagogues are complex places. Think about why synagogues play such a powerful role in Jewish life: they're one of the only places in our whole life where *multiple generations come together at the same times to do exactly the same things!* Granted, there are often different kinds of programs running simultaneously for adults and children, but essentially, we're all here to be Jews together! And for no other reason. We're here to pray together. To celebrate *Shabbat* and holidays together. We're here to learn about our heritage and traditions together. To rejoice and to mourn together—grandparents, parents, and children—ages spanning over a century in one building! This is an extraordinary thing not to be taken for granted. Indeed, we want to put the experiences of our children front and center in our communal life. But for a synagogue to be child-friendly, it also—*simultaneously*—must be parent-friendly and grandparent-friendly. Each generation speaks its own language, has its own values and expectations, its own criteria for meaning and engagement. How to run a community effectively for everyone? It's a problem to "cross a rabbi's eyes!"

Fortunately, our tradition itself comes to the rescue in putting forth the core values we must uphold when generations come together. First and foremost, there is the value that treats the synagogue as *a zecher leMikdash*, a remembrance of the Temple that once stood in Jerusalem. There, it wasn't just generations, but all the Jewish people who would gather on sacred occasions to offer sacrifices to God. The Temple itself was holy ground that ennobled the people who came there. When thinking about *shuls*, then, we want each generation to feel ennobled by coming into the building. We want to feel proud of our sacred space, to hold our heads higher, but also to be humble in the presence of our God and our tradition. This idea is important for us to remember as generations of adults. Unfortunately, not all adults necessarily reflect on the import of a synagogue as a sacred space. Obviously, this idea is infinitely more difficult for our children to understand. And so it is up to us—clergy, teachers, and, most important, parents—to impress on our children the significance of a synagogue as special because it is a sacred space. It is sacred because it represents all that we stand for as the Jewish people. It is a sacred because of the role it plays to the generations of our people. In addition to being a fun, relaxed, engaging, and joyful place, we want to ensure that our children experience the synagogue as an awesome place! It's a place where they can feel the power of an ancient tradition speaking to their lives. Even if every other building in their lives has doorways and hallways and chairs and tables

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and bathrooms, our children need to understand that the doorways and hallways and chairs and tables and bathrooms of a synagogue are different because they all exist in a sacred space for the Jewish people. Indeed, we want our children to feel "at home" in *shul*. When we say "at home in *shul*," what we really mean is "at home in the sacred!" We want them to have fun and to feel joyful and engaged, all the while experiencing the awesomeness of the place, and to treat that place with respect.

The Hebrew word for respect is *kavod*. In our prayers, we say "*Melo Kol ha'Aretz Kevodo*," the whole world is filled with the *kavod* of God. Where we experience *kavod*, we experience the presence of God in our lives. It is incredibly important to treat the place with *kavod*. It is equally, if not more, important for us to treat each other—different generations—with *kavod* when we gather together in the synagogue. It all goes together as a piece: *Kavod haMakom*—Respect for the place, and *Kavod bein Hadorot*—Respect between the generations. As adults together in services or during a program or during *kiddush*, we may feel frustrated and impatient with children bustling loudly in and out or running too quickly from here to there. We may become very frustrated that parents aren't doing more to quiet their children. Of course, parents should do what they can to control their kids. But it's also true that kids are kids—they're not going to be perfect *menschen* the way we often feel they ought to be. In the interest of coming together as generations, we can endeavor to be more understanding.

At the same time, as parents, we must pay attention to our kids whenever we're in the building with them. We must talk to them about *derekh eretz*, the Jewish concept of "manners" and appropriate behavior around others. There should never be a time when we don't know where our children are in the building—both for their safety and out of courtesy of other people. Truth be told, coming to synagogue is a perfect opportunity for our children to learn some of the most basic and essential concepts of civility and thoughtfulness and compassion simply by how we conduct ourselves with respect to each other and to people of other generations. For example, there is a wonderful energy in the area just outside the *kiddush* on *Shabbat*, where kids hang out and sit on the steps and eat, and parents often stand around and schmooze as their children play and eat. All too often, children get up to run around and leave their trash on the steps and on the floor for other adults or the janitors to pick up. This is a perfect opportunity for parents to teach their children to think about their behavior, to respect other generations and the hard work of the maintenance staff who all work together to create a sacred space in our synagogue on *Shabbat* and holidays.

The secret to addressing the complexity of multiple generations in the same place at the same time is for all

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Save the Date

Garden of the Righteous, Sunday, April 11

On Sunday, April 11, at 10:30 am, Adas Israel Congregation will honor Hiram (Harry) Bingham IV, a U.S. diplomat working in Marseilles, France, who helped save the lives of many Jews, including artist Marc Chagall. Participating in the ceremony will be some of Bingham's 10 children, representatives from the Israeli embassy, the Adas Israel clergy, and children from the Melvin Gelman Religious School.

The Garden of the Righteous is a beautiful reminder of the

numerous acts of decency and daring performed by many non-Jews in the midst of one of the most tragic moments in human history. The entire community is cordially invited to this wonderful event.

This program is supported in part by the Adas Israel Men's Club, the Ryna & Melvin Cohen Senior Rabbi Program Fund, and the Peter Dreyer Memorial Endowment Fund. ○



Adas Oneg Shabbat to Feature Robert Satloff, March 5

The Hebrew word *oneg* means pleasure or delight. The great pleasure of *Shabbat* is that it's a time to be together with one another, and to learn, study, and grow together. At the Adas Oneg Service, we welcome extraordinary guest speakers, teachers, and performers who will educate and enlighten us and deepen our experience of Jewish culture, knowledge, and heritage.

On Friday, March 5, our Adas Oneg speaker is **Dr. Robert Satloff**, executive director of The Washington Institute since January 1993. He is an expert on Arab and Islamic politics as well as U.S. Middle East policy and has written and spoken widely on the Arab-Israeli peace process, the Islamist challenge to the growth of democracy in the region, and the need for bold and innovative public diplomacy to Arabs and Muslims.

Soon after September 11, Satloff and his family moved to Rabat, the capital of Morocco, where he telecommuted to Washington as the Institute's director for policy and strategic planning, overseeing the organization's major programs and research projects. In addition, he traveled throughout the Middle East and Europe and wrote extensively on ways to inject urgency and ideas into the ideological

campaign against radical Islamism, the topic of his 2004 collection of essays, *The Battle of Ideas in the War on Terror: Essays on U.S. Public Diplomacy in the Middle East*.

During Satloff's two years abroad, he also unearthed stories of Arab "heroes" and "villains" of the Holocaust, drawing on

archives, interviews, and site visits in 11 countries. His discoveries, which helped convince the German government to award compensation to Jewish survivors of labor camps in North Africa, are the subject of his 2006 book, *Among the Righteous: Lost Stories of the Holocaust's Long Reach into Arab Lands*.

Satloff's views on Middle East issues appear frequently in major newspapers such as the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Washington Post*, and *Los Angeles Times*, and he regularly comments on major television network news programs, talk shows, and National Public Radio. In addition, he created and hosts *Dakhil Washington (Inside Washington)*, a weekly news and interview program on al-Hurra, the U.S. government-supported Arabic satellite television channel that beams throughout the Middle East and Europe. In that capacity, he is the only non-Arab to host a program on an Arab satellite channel. ○



Robert Satloff

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generations to pay attention to one another, to welcome each other, to make a place for one another, and to celebrate the *kavod* that each has for the other. When we accomplish this, then we're truly a community! We're truly nurturing and caring for one another. The adult generations are loving, yet firm, the children are nurtured and ever-discovering how to be respectful of their elders and of the traditions that sustain them. When we have conditions like these between the generations, the sacredness of the space, for all it stands for, truly comes alive.

One of the most successful experiences of generations coming together in our tradition is the holiday of Passover. By definition, a *seder* is a planned experience of generations asking questions of one another, and exploring answers together. On the *Shabbat* before Passover, we read the words of the prophet Malachi to prepare us for this experience: "Lo, I will send the

prophet Elijah to you before the coming of the awesome, fearful day of the Lord. He shall reconcile parents with children and children with their parents..." (*Malachi* 3:23-4). In these weeks leading up to Passover, let's all learn from Elijah and seek consciously to turn our attention to all the generations that gather in our amazing community. Let's teach our children to see the awesomeness not only of coming to a synagogue, but of being in the presence of so many adults who have so much to share with them through their presence. And as adults, let's celebrate that we are blessed enough to have such a vibrant congregation with the laughter and discovery of our children as a joyous part of our synagogue experience that we can celebrate. When generations turn to one another with both love and respect, this generates a magic that is the very sacredness that sustains our people from generation to generation. ○

'25 FOR 25' SALE

The Ruth & Simon Albert Sisterhood Gift Shop invites you to celebrate our 25th anniversary with our "25 for 25" celebration:

25% off all jewelry

20% off everything else in the shop (excluding books, cards, and food items)

Sale **starts Sunday, March 14** and continues through Friday, March 19. Don't miss this special opportunity!

Applies only to items in stock.



Don't miss this sale!

Office Closings

Erev Passover, 1st Seder, Monday, March 29:

Schools/Offices Close at 1:00 pm

Passover 1 & 2, Tues. & Wed., March 30 & 31:

Schools/Offices Closed

Passover Erev Yom Tov, Sunday, April 4:

Schools/Offices Close at 3:30 pm

Passover 7 & 8, Mon. & Tues., April 5 & 6:

Schools/Offices Closed

Masorti Jews Rally in Jerusalem



How can a woman be arrested for wearing a *tallit*? That's what happened last November when Nofrat Frenkel, a medical student at Ben Gurion University of the Negev and member of Kehillat (Congregation) Hod Vehadar, put on a *tallit* and carried a *sefer Torah* at the main plaza of the Western Wall in Jerusalem. Although the Wall (*Kotel*) by law is supposed to be open to all as a national site, in practice, non-Orthodox men are tolerated and non-Orthodox women are not welcome. The *Kotel* is now in the sole control of the *haredim* (ultra-Orthodox).

According to our Masorti colleagues, "This is a hostile takeover by a small, fundamentalist group . . . and the methodical exclusion of all those who do not adopt its code of behavior." In response, some 3,000 Jews, led by Masorti rabbis and other leaders, staged a protest calling for a free Jerusalem and opposing the *haredi* expropriation of the *Kotel*.

These recent events in Jerusalem show that today's Israelis are thinking differently about religion. A recent poll showed that 63 percent of Israelis now support recognition of and funding for non-Orthodox streams. But government actions tell a different story. The state pays the salaries of almost 3,000 rabbis in various rabbinical positions; every single one of them is Orthodox. Government funds build synagogues and support religious libraries and schools; all but one of which are Orthodox. How long will Israelis tolerate this discriminatory policy?

There is reason for hope, however. More and more Israelis are rediscovering their Jewish identity and learning they don't have to be Orthodox to be Jewish. As Masorti Executive Director in Israel Yizhar Hess said recently, "We cannot continue to be the only place in the Western world in which there is no freedom

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Opening Photography Exhibit & Adas Oneg Service

March 26, 2010

COME EARLY

from 7:30 pm, to view photos

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Guest Speaker Marshall Cohen

Marsh is an editorial photojournalist based here in Washington, DC. With more than 25 years experience, his work has appeared in Time, La Prensa (Panama), "Sixty-Minutes" (CBS), Washingtonian Magazine, and many other publications.

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Pesach

Pesach Guide, 5770

Passover is celebrated this year from **Monday, March 29, through Tuesday, April 6**. The *sedarim* are held on **Monday and Tuesday nights, March 29 and 30**. All cleaning and preparations to make the house *pesachdik* (kosher for Passover) must be completed by **10:00 am on Monday, March 29**. If you have any questions, please consult with the rabbis.

The rule against *hametz* on *Pesach* applies not only to eating but to enjoyment (*hanaah*) and also involves removing all the *hametz* from one's home. No *hametz* is even allowed to be in the possession of a Jew during Passover. To facilitate this cleaning, certain rituals are part of Passover preparations (the text for the ceremonies can be found in most *haggadot*):

- *bedikat hametz*—searching for crumbs of *hametz*
- *bittul hametz*—a formula for renouncing any *hametz* inadvertently missed
- *be'ur hametz*—burning *hametz*
- *mehirat hametz*—the sale of *hametz*

Mehirat Hametz

We are not always able to destroy or remove all of our *hametz*; doing so could be economically disastrous. So the rabbis ordained that a symbolic sale is made of all the *hametz* to a non-Jew in the community, who then sells it back to us after *Pesach*. The *hametz* is then no longer “in our possession.” This is normally done through the synagogue for the entire congregation. Please use the form in this issue of the *Chronicle* and **send it to Hazzan Jenna Greenberg by Monday morning, March 29**. It is necessary to sell or destroy only foodstuffs; dishes and utensils are simply locked away in storage for the duration of the festival.

Bedikat Hametz, Sunday evening, March 28

The Search for Leaven is the lovely home ceremony of searching for the leaven with a candle, feather, and wooden spoon that indicates that all other preparations have been made. It is customarily done at nightfall (immediately after sunset) on the night before Passover when we search for and symbolically eliminate all remaining leavening from the house. This is an especially enjoyable ceremony for your children. The *Kol Hamira* formula for nullifying unseen *hametz*, which can be found at the beginning of many *haggadot*, should be recited at this time and in the morning when the *hametz* is disposed of.

The search is performed in the following manner:

- Place 10 pieces of (visible size) bread in various locations throughout the house.
- Make the following blessing: *Baruch ata Adonai Eloheinu melech ha-olam asher kid-shanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivonu al biur*
- The pieces of bread should be gathered in a container, such as a small cardboard box.
- After the 10 pieces, and any other leavened food, is gathered, make the following declaration: “All manner of

leaven that is in my possession which I have not seen or have not removed, or have no knowledge of, shall be null and disowned as the dust of the earth.”

Siyyum Bechorim, Monday morning, March 29

On the day before Passover, it is customary for the firstborn to fast as an expression of gratitude that they, unlike the Egyptians' firstborn, were saved. However if they attend a *siyyum* (a public completion of the study of a tractate of the *Talmud*) on the morning before Passover, they are exempted from fasting and may eat. Thus any firstborn who participates in the ceremony may eat. This is known as the *Siyyum Bechorim*. As do many congregations, we hold a *siyyum*; ours takes place as part of the morning *minyan* on **Monday, March 29, at 7:15 am**.

Seudat Mitzvah

This small meal follows, and any firstborn who is present may eat and need not fast that day (following the *Siyyum Bechorim*).

Biur Hametz, Monday morning, March 29

This day should be treated as an ordinary *Erev Pesach* with regard to *biur hametz* (removal of *hametz*). The burning of the *hametz* should be completed **by about 10:00 am**, after which the stove should be *kashered* for *Pesach*. All cooking should be done in *Pesach* pots using only *Pesach* utensils. Food required for the first *seder* should be cooked at this time.

First Seder, Monday night, March 29

Tradition encourages that the *seder* not begin until after sundown.

Candlelighting Times:

Monday, March 29: light candles at 7:10 pm

Tuesday, March 30: light candles after 8:09 p.m.

Friday, April 2: light candles at 7:14 pm

Sunday, April 4: light candles at 7:16 pm

Monday, April 5: light candles after 8:16 pm

Memorial Candle—It is customary to light a memorial candle for departed members of the family before lighting the holy day candles

The blessings recited are:

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם, אשר קדשנו במצותיו, וצונו להדליק נר של יום טוב.

Baruch ata Adonai Eloheinu melech ha-olam, asher kid-shanu b'mitzvotav v'tzevanu l'hadleek ner shel yom tov.

Praised are You, Lord our God, Master of the universe, who has sanctified us with Your commandments and commanded us to light the festival candles.

And on the first night only:

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם, שהחיינו וקיימנו והגיענו לזמן הזה.

Baruch ata Adonai Eloheinu melech ha-olam, she'hecheyanu, v'kee'manu, v'heegee anu lazman hazeh.

Praised are You, Lord our God, Master of the universe, who has kept us in life, sustained us, and enabled us to reach this season. ○

Passover Preparations: A Guide Prepared by the Rabbinical Assembly

The *Torah* prohibits the ownership of *hametz* (leaven) during *Pesach*. Therefore, we arrange for the sale of the *hametz* to a non-Jew. The transfer is accomplished by appointing an agent, usually the rabbi. If ownership of the *hametz* was not transferred before the holiday, use of this *hametz* is prohibited after the holiday.

As the *Torah* prohibits the eating of *hametz* during *Pesach*, and because many common foods contain some admixture of *hametz*, guidance is necessary when shopping and preparing for *Pesach*.

During the eight days of *Pesach*, *hametz* cannot lose its identity in an admixture. Therefore, the minutest amount of *hametz* renders the whole admixture *hametz* and its use on *Pesach* is prohibited. However, during the rest of the year, *hametz* follows the normal rules of admixture, that is, it loses its identity in an admixture of one part *hametz* and 60 parts of non-*hametz* (*batel be-shishim*). This affords us the opportunity to differentiate between foods purchased before and during *Pesach*.

What follows is a general guideline; however, consult one of the rabbis when any doubt arises. *Kosher l'Pesach* labels that do not bear the name of a rabbi or one of the recognized symbols of rabbinic supervision, or that are not integral to the package, should not be used without consulting.

What is *hametz*?

If one of the five grains—wheat, oats, rye, barley, or spelt—

comes in contact with water after being harvested, it becomes fermented or *hametz*. This fermentation takes 18 minutes, according to tradition. *Pesadik* baked goods are made from flour that has not been fermented. The term *hametz* also applies to dishes and utensils that have been in contact with *hametz* foods during the year.

Most Ashkenazic authorities have added the following foods (*kitniyot*) to the above list: rice, corn, millet, and legumes (beans and peas; however, string beans are permitted). The Committee on Jewish Law and Standards has ruled unanimously that peanuts and peanut oil are permissible, as peanuts are not actually legumes. Some Ashkenazic authorities, Conservative authorities in Israel, and some in the United States now permit the use of legumes in a natural state and certainly in a form other than their natural state, for example, corn sweeteners, corn oil, or soy oil. Sephardic authorities permit the use of all of the above. Those who forbade legumes were concerned that a dough might be made from them that could be confused with the prohibited flour from the five grains.

Prohibited foods on Passover include leavened bread, cakes, biscuits, crackers, cereal, coffees containing cereal derivatives, wheat, barley, oats, spelt, rye, and all liquids containing ingredients or flavors made from grain alcohol.

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Sale of *Hametz*

During Passover, it is technically forbidden to have any *hametz* in our possession. Because we cannot finish it all, and it is improper to destroy usable food, the rabbis provided for a symbolic sale of all the *hametz* to a non-Jew who then “sells” it back to us after *Pesach*. The *hametz* is then no longer “in our possession.” This includes food, dishes, and utensils, which are locked away in storage for the duration of the festival. This year the sale can be done through Hazzan Jenna Greenberg.

Funds collected through donations and through the “sale” of *hametz* are used for charitable purposes and to help provide Passover food for those who might otherwise have none. This legal procedure technically transfers ownership of *hametz* that remains in our pantry during the festival. Technical ownership reverts to us when the festival is over.

Please use this form and send it to Hazzan Jenna Greenberg by Monday morning, March 29.

Dear Hazzan Greenberg:

Please sell our *hametz* so that we have fulfilled our obligation of religious ownership and accept this contribution so that others are assured of a *seder*.

Name _____

Home Address _____

Business Address _____

This Passover, let one who is hungry enter and eat.

We begin our Passover *seders* with the words, “Let all who are hungry enter and eat.” Again this year, **MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger** asks you to give meaning and life to those ancient words by letting **one** who is hungry enter and eat.

A gift to **MAZON** of *chai* (\$18), or whatever you would spend to invite one extra person to your *seder*, will bring food, help, and hope to poor and hungry people in our own country, in Israel, and around the world.

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Permitted Foods

A. The following foods require no *kosher l'Pesach* label if purchased before *Pesach*: unopened packages or containers of natural coffee without cereal additives (however, be aware that coffees produced by General Foods are not kosher for Passover unless marked KP); sugar; pure tea; salt (not iodized); pepper; natural spices; frozen fruit juices with no additives; frozen (uncooked) vegetables (for legumes see above); milk; butter; cottage cheese; cream cheese; ripened cheeses such as cheddar (hard), muenster (semi-soft), and Camembert (soft); frozen (uncooked) fruit (with no additives); and baking soda.

B. The following foods require no *kosher l'Pesach* label if purchased before or during *Pesach*: fresh fruits and vegetables (for legumes see above), eggs, fresh fish, and fresh meat.

C. The following foods require a *kosher l'Pesach* label if purchased before or during *Pesach*: all baked products (*matzah*, cakes, *matzah* flour, farfel, *matzah* meal, and any products containing *matzah*); canned or bottled fruit juices (these juices are often clarified with *kitniyot*, which are not listed among the ingredients. However, if one knows there are no such agents, the juice may be purchased before *Pesach* without a *kosher l'Pesach* label); canned tuna (as tuna, even when packed in water, is often processed in vegetable broth and/or hydrolyzed protein; however, if it is known that the tuna is packed exclusively in water, without any additional ingredients or additives, it may be purchased with a *kosher l'Pesach* label); wine; vinegar; liquor; oils; dried fruits; candy; chocolate-flavored milk; ice cream; yogurt; and soda.

D. The following processed foods (canned, bottled, or frozen), require a *kosher l'Pesach* label if purchased during *Pesach*: milk, butter, juices, vegetables, fruit, milk products, spices, coffee, tea, and fish, as well as all foods listed in Category C above.

Detergents

If permitted during the year, powdered and liquid detergents do not require a *kosher l'Pesach* label.

Medicine

Because *hametz* binders are used in many pills, the following guidelines should be followed: If the medicine is required for life-sustaining therapy, it may be used on *Pesach*. If it is not required for life-sustaining therapy, some authorities permit it, while others prohibit it. Consult your rabbi. In all cases, capsules are preferable.

Kashering of Utensils

The process of *kashering* utensils depends on how the utensils are used. According to *halacha*, leaven can be purged from a utensil by the same process in which the utensil absorbed it (*ke-voleo kach polet*). Therefore, utensils used in cooking are *kashered* by boiling, those used in broiling are *kashered* by fire and heat, and those used only for cold food are *kashered* by rinsing.

A. Earthenware (china, pottery, etc.) may not be *kashered*.

However, fine translucent chinaware that has not been used for more than a year may be used if scoured and cleaned in hot water.

B. Metal (wholly made of metal) utensils used in fire (spit, broiler) must first be thoroughly scrubbed and cleansed and then made as hot as possible. Those used for cooking or eating (silverware, pots) must be thoroughly scrubbed and cleaned and completely immersed in boiling water. Pots should have water boiled in them so that it overflows the rim. The utensils should not be used for least 24 hours between cleaning and immersion in boiling water. Metal baking utensils cannot be *kashered*.

C. Ovens and ranges—Every part that comes in contact with food must be thoroughly scrubbed and cleaned. Then, oven and range should be heated as hot as possible for a half-hour. If there is a broil setting, use it. Self-cleaning ovens should be scrubbed and cleaned and then put through the self-cleaning cycle. Continuous cleaning ovens must be *kashered* in the same manner as regular ovens.

Microwave ovens, which do not cook the food by means of heat, should be cleaned, and then a cup of water should be placed inside. Then the oven should be turned on and remain on until the water disappears. A microwave oven that has a browning element cannot be *kashered* for *Pesach*.

D. Glassware—Authorities disagree about the method for *kashering* drinking utensils. One opinion requires soaking in water for three days, changing the water every 24 hours. Another opinion requires only a thorough scrubbing before *Pesach*, or putting them

through a dishwasher.

E. Dishwasher—After not using the machine for 24 hours, run a full cycle with detergent.

F. Electrical appliances—If the parts that come into contact with *hametz* are removable, they can be *kashered* in the appropriate way (if metal, follow the rules for metal utensils). If the parts are not removable, the appliance cannot be *kashered*. (All exposed parts should be thoroughly cleaned.)

G. Tables, closets, and counters—If used with *hametz*, they should be thoroughly cleaned and covered, and then may be used.

H. Kitchen sink—A metal sink can be *kashered* by thoroughly cleaning it and then pouring boiling water over it. A porcelain sink should be cleaned and a sink rack used. If dishes are to be soaked in a porcelain sink, however, a dish basin must be used.

I. *Hametz* and non-Passover utensils—Non-Passover dishes, pots, and *hametz* whose ownership has been transferred, should be separated, locked up, or covered, and marked to prevent accidental use.

J. Refrigerator—Remove all *hametz* food and opened packages. Clean thoroughly with boiling water and scour the racks. In a freezer, frozen *hametz* food should be put in a sealed box or bag and should be sold with other *hametz*. ○



Moss Haggadah

The *Moss Haggadah* is one of the most beautiful among the more than 3,000 editions of the *haggadah*. David Moss, who now lives in Israel and is known worldwide as a Jewish calligrapher, made every page a unique artistic rendering. Drawing both on the text and its interpretations, he prepared the beautiful *haggadah* in an exquisite, evocative, and unique manner. The quality of his work makes it a source of study as well as inspiration.

Adas Israel is fortunate to have acquired one of the *Moss Haggadot* through the generosity of Dr. Clement and Sandra Alpert. It is currently on display in the museum case opposite the rabbis' offices in a special case designed for it. The open pages are changed periodically to allow viewers to see and appreciate this wonderful creation.

We thank Clem and Sandra for enabling us to celebrate Passover in such a beautiful way. ○

Final Passover Preparations

Bedikat Hametz

Bedikat hametz, the lovely home ceremony of searching for the leaven with a candle, feather, and wooden spoon as an indication that all other preparations have been made, is carried out on Sunday evening, March 28. The *kol hamira* formula for nullifying unseen *hametz* found in the *haggadah* should be recited the following morning, March 29, before 10:00 am when the *hametz* is disposed of.

Siyyum for the Firstborn

The fast of the firstborn is a time-honored custom that recognizes God's role in history. As do many congregations, we hold a *siyyum* (the celebration of concluding a section of the *Mishna*); the firstborn present may then join in the festivities. Our *siyyum* is part of the morning *minyan* at 7:15 am, followed by breakfast. ○

Passover Collection Available

The library is pleased to share our new collection of *haggadot* and books about Passover for both children and adults. The collection was assembled by Sybil Wolin and funded by her friends and family in honor of her *Yad Hakavod* award, 2006.

The collection will be on display in the library after *Purim*. We hope you will find it useful as you prepare for *Pesach* and that it will inspire you to create an interesting, meaningful, and enjoyable *seder*.

In addition to the individual volumes in the collection, six Passover kits have been included. Each of the kits, which can be borrowed from the library and used for your *seder*, contains a set of 15 copies of a single *haggadah*. In choosing the *haggadot* for each kit, it was our intention to provide a diverse selection of styles that will meet the different needs of people within the congregation.

We thank Sybil and her friends and family for this wonderful gift, which enriches the collection of the Adas Israel library. ○



Remembering Harriette Plotkin

We express our appreciation to the late Harriette Plotkin, of blessed memory, who remembered Adas Israel with a thoughtful bequest. Harriette and her late husband, Leonard (z"l) met at an Adas Israel singles dance. Their children, Joel, David, Judith, and Charles, all celebrated their *b'nai mitzvah* and Confirmation at Adas Israel.

Harriette was an active member of the congregation and Sisterhood. She was a generous supporter of our hearing assistance system and donated many audio loops to the synagogue over the years.

We are honored to include Harriette Plotkin in our Legacy Circle of friends who have remembered Adas Israel in their wills and estate planning. For information about our Legacy Circle, please contact Eric Fox, vice president for development, or Glenn Easton at the synagogue office.

May Harriette Plotkin's memory forever be a blessing and an inspiration. ○

SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Scholar Series, Kraemer will speak on "What Does Judaism Say about Our Life after Death?" on Thursday, March 11, 7:30–9:00 pm at B'nai Israel Congregation.

At our *Shabbat* service on Friday, March 12, 8:00 pm, he will discuss "Sacrificial Judaism, Vegetarianism, and the 'Theology' of Food and *Kashrut*." Once upon a time, Jews sacrificed animals to God. What does this mean about the value of the life of an animal? If God "eats" meat and we eat meat, what does this mean about us? By exploring the sacrificial foundations of Judaism, we will discover what Judaism really thinks about our relationship to our food, our world, and our God.

The next day, Saturday, March 13, after *Shabbat* services (at 12:30 pm), Kraemer's topic will be "Laity in the Lead," how common pious Jews, and women in particular, have been in the forefront of developments in *kashrut* over the ages—and what this tells us about ourselves.

On Sunday, March 14, the "Conference on Judaism & Food," featuring Prof. Kraemer, begins with coffee and bagels at 9:30 am. At 10:00 am he will discuss "Jew vs. Jew," the trend toward greater stringencies in *kashrut* observance in our time, including *glatt kosher* and the "bug" scare, coupled with a growing concern over unethical labor practices in the kosher food industry. See complete conference schedule on page 15.

This weekend is sponsored by the Tillie Laskin Fenichel Scholar Fund and the Martha & Joseph Mendelson Adult Education Fund, and the public is invited. ○

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of religious expression for Jews. . . . We are not far from the day when Israeli politics will identify this source of power. And on this day, the people of Israel will be greatly blessed."

To find out more about what's happening in the Masorti movement in Israel, go to www.masorti.org. ○

Life Cycle

Milestones

Birth

Hannah Sivan Fistel, daughter of **Cherrie Daniels & Jeffrey Fistel**

We wish our newborns and their families strength, good health, and joy

B'nai Mitzvah



Julia Leibowitz, March 6

Julia, daughter of Ruth Marcus and Jon Leibowitz, is a seventh grader at Georgetown Day School and attends the Melvin Gelman Religious School. For her *mitzvah* project, she is collecting money for solar cookers for women in Darfur. Julia, who is the granddaughter of Arnold and Judith Marcus of Bethesda and

Marshal and Ruth Leibowitz of Ridgefield, CT, shares her *simcha* with her sister, Emma.



Zachary Winter, March 13

Zachary, son of Ellen and David Winter, is a seventh grader at Thomas W. Pyle Middle School and a student at the Melvin Gelman Religious School. He is the grandson of Carole and Bob Winter of Potomac; Ruth and Stanley Kent of Longboat Key, FL; and Mort Sobel of Bethesda. Zachary shares his *simcha* with

his brothers Jake and Matthew, other family members, and his friends and the community. For his *tzedakah* project, he is helping to lead Friday night *Shabbat* services for the Jewish residents of Springhouse–Westwood, an assisted living facility in Bethesda. He also is serving and preparing meals at Luther Place Women's Shelter.



Cambria Revsine, March 20

Cambria, daughter of Jacqueline Henderson and Paul Revsine and sister of Mahler, is a seventh grader at the Washington Latin Public Charter School. She has attended the Melvin Gelman Religious School since kindergarten. Cambria is the granddaughter of Dr. Edward Henderson of Carpentaria, CA, and the late Janet Henderson, and Bernard

and Joan Revsine of Chicago.



Theodore Daniels-Kolin, March 27

Born in Mexico City, Theo moved to the Washington area in 2003, and he has been a part of Adas Israel from the very first day. A seventh grader at the French International School, Theo shares his *simcha* with his loving family and friends from all over the world.



Ben Roth, March 27

Ben, a seventh grader at Westland Middle School, began his formal Jewish education at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington preschool and has been attending the Melvin Gelman Religious School since first grade. He celebrates becoming a *bar mitzvah* with his parents, Sharon and Mark Roth; his sister, Evelyn; his grandmother, Paula Roth; and his other relatives and friends.

Members in the News

Julia Gordon, senior policy counsel of the Center for Responsible Lending, testified before the Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission created by Congress to examine the causes of the financial meltdown and the collapse of major financial institutions.

Two Adas Israel members recently returned from Haiti: **Dan Hanfling**, who spent two weeks there as part of the Virginia Emergency Rescue Task Force, and **Leslie Rodnan**, whose stay included work at Hôpital Albert Schweitzer in Deschapelles. Hanfling's team, which deployed the day after the earthquake and has served in New Orleans and Turkey in disaster situations, pulled 16 people out of buildings in Haiti and provided medical care to many others

In Memoriam

We mourn the loss of synagogue members:

Mildred Kaufman

Linda Thaler

We note with sorrow and mourn the passing of:

David V. Becker, father of Daniel Becker

Jerome Friedland, uncle of Ellen Ranzman

Andy Goldscheid, father of Arielle Goldscheid

Laurence W. Hartge, father of Patricia Hartge

Sylvia Kletzkin, mother of Morris Kletzkin

Norman Korff, father of Jane Beller

Karola Nyberg, mother of Lynn Abramson

Arthur Siegel, stepfather of Stuart Steingold

Life Cycle Information

Visit the Mikvah

The Adas Israel *mikvah* is available to members and to the community. For daytime appointments, please contact Naomi Malka, mikvah@adasisrael.org or 202-841-8776. For evening appointments, please contact Menuhah Peters, menuhahp@mac.com. To learn more about our *mikvah*, visit adasisrael.org/LifeCycle/mikvah.htm.

When Death Occurs

When death occurs, please call the synagogue office, 202-362-4433, so that we may inform the clergy and be of assistance. During business hours, ask for Glenn Easton or Henry Silberman. After business hours, a staff member on call may be reached by calling the synagogue office at the number above and pressing "2" to be connected automatically, or by calling the answering service, 301-421-5271, which will page the staff member on call.

On *Yom Tov* and *Shabbat*, even though detailed funeral arrangements should not be made, a staff member on call can still be reached at 301-421-5271.

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SHABBAT HIGHLIGHTS & ADDITIONAL SERVICES:

Adas Oneg Service: Friday, March 5, 8:00 pm; guest speaker, Dr. Robert Satloff

Ruach Minyan Service & Dinner: March 5, 2010, 6:30 pm; RSVP by noon, March 3 to carol.ansell@adasisrael.org.

See <http://adasisrael.org/Ruach minyan.htm> for cost and RSVP details

YP 'Shir Delight' Shabbat Service: March 12, 7:00 pm

Scholar-in-Residence Weekend, March 12–14 with Prof. David Kraemer

***Gan Havdalah* Service & Dinner with Rabbi Feinberg and Robyn Helzner:**

March 19, 5:30 pm

Congregational/New Member *Shabbat* Dinner with Rabbi Steinlauf:

March 19, 6:30 pm

Adas Oneg Service: March 19, 8:00 pm

Arts@Adas Oneg Shabbat: March 26, 7:30 pm

Adas Israel Congregational Second Night Seder: March 31, 7:00 pm

In the Charles E. Smith Sanctuary: Cantor Jeffrey Weber will chant the liturgy. Naomi Malka will read *Torah*.

Congregational *kiddushim* co-sponsored by the Paul Goldstein–Lillian Goldstein-Lande Shabbat Kiddush Fund.

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WEEKDAY SERVICES (note new times): Morning *Minyan*, Monday–Friday, 7:30 am; Evening *Minyan*, Sunday–

Thursday, 6:00 pm; Civil Holidays, 8:30 am & 6:00 pm; refer to calendar for *Erev Shabbat* and *Shabbat Mincha* times.

Please turn off cell phones and pagers before entering services. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div><div>28 Purim14 Adar</div><div>8:30 am Morning Minyan Megillah Reading</div><div>9:30 am Lifelong Learning Classes</div><div>9:30 am Religious School Megillah Reading</div><div>11:00 am Purim Carnival</div><div>1:00 pm Religious School Leadership Class</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div></div>	<div><div>1 Shushan Purim15 Adar</div><div>Gan Staff Professional Day—NO CLASSES</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>10:00 am Sisterhood Taste of Tanach</div><div>1:00 pm Senior Staff Meeting</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div><div>6:30 pm Sisterhood Board Meeting/ Membership Program</div></div>	<div><div>216 Adar</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>12:00 pm Downtown Study Group</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div><div>7:15 pm Lifelong Learning Classes</div><div>7:30 pm YP Committee Meeting</div></div>	<div><div>317 Adar</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div><div>6:30 pm Board of Directors Meeting</div></div>	<div><div>418 Adar</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div></div> <div>Synagogue dark: no evening activities</div>	<div><div>519 Adar</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv Service</div><div>6:30 pm Ruach Minyan Service & Dinner</div><div>8:00 pm Adas Oneg Service with Rabbi Steinlauf</div><div>Guest Speaker: Robert Satloff</div><div>9:30 pm Oneg Shabbat sponsored by Jon Leibowitz & Ruth Marcus</div><div>5:46 pm</div></div>	<div><div>6 PARSHAT KITISSA/SHABBAT PARAH20 Adar</div><div>8:00 am Boker Ohr Parashat Hashavuah Class</div><div>9:30 am Shabbat Service, Smith Sanctuary</div><div>Bat Mitzvah: Julia Leibowitz</div><div>Sermon by Rabbi Steinlauf</div><div>9:30 am Traditional Egalitarian Minyan</div><div>9:45 am Havurah Shabbat Service</div><div>D'var Torah by Richard Spero</div><div>10:00 am Shabbat Spot</div><div>11:00 am Tot Shabbat</div><div>11:00 am Netivot Service (grades 2–3)</div><div>11:00 am Shorashim Service (grades K–1)</div><div>12:15 pm Congregational Kiddush sponsored by Jon Leibowitz & Ruth Marcus</div><div>5:45 pm Shabbat Mincha/Maariv Service</div></div>
<div><div>721 Adar</div><div>8:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>9:30 am Men's Club Bagel Boys@ Sunday School</div><div>9:30 am Lifelong Learning Classes</div><div>10:00 am Routes: A Celebration of Jewish Life & Learning at the Partnership for Life and Learning, Rockville, MD</div><div>12:30 pm Religious School Faculty Meeting</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div></div>	<div><div>822 Adar</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>11:00 am Sisterhood Book Club</div><div>1:00 pm Senior Staff Meeting</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div><div>7:30 pm Social Action Committee Meeting</div></div>	<div><div>923 Adar</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div><div>7:15 pm Lifelong Learning Classes</div></div>	<div><div>1024 Adar</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div></div>	<div><div>1125 Adar</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div></div> <div>Synagogue dark: no evening activities</div>	<div><div>1226 Adar</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service</div><div>6:30 pm Scholar-in-Residence/Congregational Shabbat Dinner</div><div>7:00 pm YP Shir Delight Shabbat</div><div>8:00 pm Maariv Service with Rabbi Steinlauf</div><div>Scholar-in-Residence Lecture by Prof. David Kraemer</div><div>Scholar-in-Residence Weekend</div><div>9:30 pm Oneg Shabbat sponsored by Ellen and David Winter</div><div>5:53 pm</div></div>	<div><div>13 PARSHAT VAYAKHEL/PEKUDE/SHABBAT HACHODESH27 Adar</div><div>8:00 am Boker Ohr Parashat Hashavuah Class</div><div>9:30 am Shabbat Service, Smith Sanctuary</div><div>with Rabbi Steinlauf</div><div>Bar Mitzvah: Zachary Winter</div><div>Scholar-in-Residence: Prof. David Kraemer</div><div>Scholar-in-Residence Weekend</div><div>9:30 am Traditional Egalitarian Minyan</div><div>10:00 am Learners' Minyan with Rabbi Feinberg</div><div>10:00 am Shabbat Spot</div><div>11:00 am Tot Shabbat</div><div>11:00 am Netivot Service (grades 2–3)</div><div>11:00 am Shorashim Service (grades K–1)</div><div>12:15 pm Congregational Kiddush sponsored by Ellen and David Winter</div><div>12:30 pm Scholar-in-Residence Lunch and Learn</div><div>5:45 pm Shabbat Mincha/Maariv Service</div></div>
<div><div>1428 Adar</div><div>8:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>9:30 am Scholar-In-Residence Food Conference</div><div>12:20 pm Religious School Leadership Class</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div></div>	<div><div>1529 Adar</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>10:00 am Gan Rabbi/Parent/Child/ Program—Pesach</div><div>1:00 pm Senior Staff Meeting</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div></div>	<div><div>16 Rosh Chodesh Nisan1 Nisan</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>Rosh Chodesh Nisan Breakfast sponsored by the Goldstein Rosh Chodesh Minyan Breakfast Fund</div><div>Evening Minyan</div><div>6:00 pm</div><div>7:15 pm Lifelong Learning Classes</div></div>	<div><div>172 Nisan</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div></div>	<div><div>183 Nisan</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div></div> <div>Synagogue dark: no evening activities</div>	<div><div>194 Nisan</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>5:30 pm Gan Family Shabbat Dinner and Service with Rabbi Feinberg & Robyn Helzner</div><div>6:00 pm Kaballat Shabbat</div><div>7:00 pm Ruach Minyan Service</div><div>8:00 pm Adas Oneg Service with Rabbi Steinlauf</div><div>9:30 pm Oneg Shabbat sponsored by Jacqueline Henderson and Paul Revsine</div><div>7:00 pm</div></div>	<div><div>20 PARSHAT VAYIKRA5 Nisan</div><div>8:00 am Boker Ohr Parashat Hashavuah Class</div><div>9:30 am Shabbat Service, Smith Sanctuary</div><div>Bat Mitzvah: Cambria Revsine</div><div>Sermon by Rabbi Feinberg</div><div>9:30 am Traditional Egalitarian Minyan</div><div>D'var Torah by Rabbi Steinlauf</div><div>9:45 am Havurah Shabbat Service</div><div>D'var Torah by Arnold Hammer</div><div>11:00 am Tot Shabbat</div><div>11:00 am Netivot Service (grades 2–3)</div><div>11:00 am Shorashim Service (grades K–1)</div><div>11:00 am Junior Congregation (grades 4–6)</div><div>12:30 pm Congregational Kiddush sponsored by Jacqueline Henderson and Paul Revsine</div><div>6:00 pm Shabbat Mincha/Maariv Service</div></div>
<div><div>216 Nisan</div><div>8:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div></div>	<div><div>227 Nisan</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>1:00 pm Senior Staff Meeting</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div><div>6:15 pm Budget & Finance Meeting</div></div>	<div><div>238 Nisan</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div><div>7:30 pm Lifelong Learning Classes</div></div>	<div><div>249 Nisan</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div><div>6:30 pm Religious Practices Committee Meeting</div></div>	<div><div>2510 Nisan</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div></div>	<div><div>2611 Nisan</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>10:00 am Senior Lunch—Last Lunch until 4/7</div><div>6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv Service</div><div>7:30 pm Arts @ Adas Preview</div><div>8:00 pm Adas Oneg Service</div><div>9:30 pm Oneg Shabbat sponsored by Abraham and Leslie Stein</div><div>7:07 pm</div></div> <div>Synagogue dark: no evening activities</div>	<div><div>27 PARSHAT TZAV/SHABBAT HAGADOL12 Nisan</div><div>8:00 am Boker Ohr Parashat Hashavuah Class</div><div>9:30 am Shabbat Service, Smith Sanctuary</div><div>B'nai Mitzvah: Theodore Daniels-Kolin & Benjamin Roth</div><div>Sermon by Rabbi Steinlauf</div><div>9:30 am Traditional Egalitarian Minyan</div><div>10:00 am Shabbat Spot</div><div>11:00 am Tot Shabbat</div><div>11:00 am Netivot Service (grades 2–3)</div><div>11:00 am Shorashim Service (grades K–1)</div><div>12:15 pm Congregational Kiddush sponsored by Abraham and Leslie Stein</div><div>6:00 pm Shabbat Mincha/Maariv Service</div></div>
<div><div>2813 Nisan</div><div>Pesach/Spring Break—Schools Closed</div><div>8:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div></div>	<div><div>29 Erev Pesach—1st Seder14 Nisan</div><div>Pesach/Spring Break—Schools Closed</div><div>7:15 am Morning Minyan—Service for the First Born</div><div>8:30 am Siyyum Breakfast</div><div>1:00 pm Senior Staff Meeting</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div><div>7:10 pm</div></div>	<div><div>30 Pesach—Day 1/2nd Seder15 Nisan</div><div>Pesach/Spring Break—Schools Closed</div><div>9:30 am Pesach Service—Day 1 (Combined Service) with Rabbi Steinlauf</div><div>10:00 am Youth Pesach Activity</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div><div>7:00 pm Congregational Passover Seder</div><div>After 8:09 pm</div></div>	<div><div>31 Pesach—Day 216 Nisan</div><div>Pesach/Spring Break—Schools Closed</div><div>9:30 am Pesach Service—Day 2 (Combined Service) with Rabbi Feinberg</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div></div>	<div><div>1 Pesach—Day317 Nisan</div><div>Pesach/Spring Break—Schools Closed</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div></div> <div>Synagogue dark: no evening activities</div>	<div><div>2 Pesach—Day 418 Nisan</div><div>Pesach/Spring Break—Schools Closed</div><div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div><div>6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv Service</div><div>No Late Service</div><div>7:14 pm</div></div>	<div><div>3 Pesach—Day 5/Shabbat Chol HaMoed Pesach19 Nisan</div><div>9:30 am Shabbat Service, Smith Sanctuary—Chol HaMoed Pesach</div><div>Sermon by Rabbi Feinberg</div><div>9:30 am Traditional Egalitarian Minyan</div><div>9:30 am Havurah Shabbat Service</div><div>D'var Torah by Rabbi Joshua Haberman</div><div>10:00 am Shabbat Spot</div><div>12:15 pm Congregational Kiddush`</div><div>6:00 pm Shabbat Mincha/Maariv Service</div></div>

YP @ AI

YP@AI is a community for young Jewish adults between the ages of 21 and 35. Singles can meet singles, young couples can meet young couples, newcomers can connect with other newcomers.



Shir Delight, Adas Israel's Friday night *Kabbalat Shabbat* experience for young professionals, Friday, March 12, 7:00 pm

YP Matzah Factory



Sunday, March 21

Join other young professionals for an afternoon of fun as we make our very own matzah...just in time for Passover.

Sunday, March 28

Join other singles in our search to find the last remaining pieces of leavened bread before *Pesach* arrives.



Tuesday, March 30

Adas Israel invites young professionals from the Greater Washington community to join us at our synagogue's second-night *seder*. Young professionals (between the ages of 21 and 35) get a heavily discounted price of \$20 to participate. If you're interested in joining us, please send in your check, payable to Adas Israel, by March 5.



Ketubah Klub members enjoy one another's company at our January Havdalah and dinner event.

Simcha Stimulus Package Hold Your Simcha at Adas Israel

To assist our members celebrate their family *simchas*, such as weddings and *b'nai mitzvah*, Adas Israel has inaugurated a "simcha stimulus package" eliminating room use fees for catered events. Families are only required to reimburse the congregation for outside security personnel and maintenance overtime expense.

Celebrate your family *simcha* at your home synagogue. For additional information, please contact Henry Silberman in the synagogue office, 202-362-4433.

YP@AI T-Shirts for Sale



YP@AI T-shirts are available for only \$10. Order yours online at www.adasisrael.org/yp.

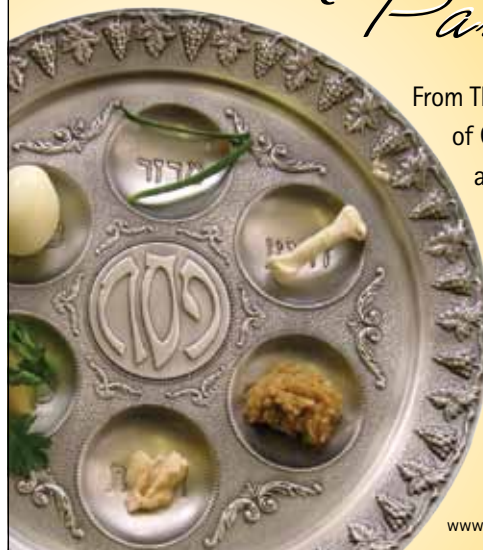
Meet your *bashert* (soulmate) at a YP event, get a free wedding at Adas Israel!

That's right, if you meet someone at one of our events, you are welcome to have your special day at Adas Israel at no charge (to rent the space). Now there's an incentive...no pressure!



Wishing you and yours peace, good health, prosperity and happiness always.

*Happy
Passover*



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Schools

Religious School Mah Tovv Moments

Mah Tovv means how wonderful, and this section highlights positive and memorable moments in the Religious School.

Band-Aid Drive for the Children of Haiti a Success!

We sent out an e-mail to families asking for donations of band aids for Haitian children who were injured by the devastating earthquake. Over the next two days, we had a great response—hundreds of boxes were collected! The band aids then made their way to Haiti with a team of doctors and other medical professionals from Baltimore. Thank you to all our families for participating in this important hesed (kindness) project!



Parent Involvement



Celia Waldman and her mother, Linda Coe, share a story with the second graders in Sandy Eskin's class as part of our Parent Connection book reading program. ○

Faculty Spotlight: Yvette Epstein

Returning faculty member Yvette Epstein has been teaching at Adas for 23 years. Born and educated in Morocco, Yvette made *aliyah* to Israel and lived there for 10 years until she completed her college degree at Haifa and Bar Ilan universities in English and Hebrew studies.

She has been living in the Washington area for the last 33 years and has worked for 10 years in *Gan HaYeled* teaching kindergarteners and two-year-olds and for 10 years at Jewish Primary Day School teaching kindergarten and first- and second-grade Hebrew and Judaic studies. She currently teaches kindergarten and first- and second-grade Hebrew and Judaic studies at Kemp Mill Montessori School in Silver Spring.

Yvette has three children, all of whom live in New York and is the proud grandma of a three-year-old grandson. In her spare time, she loves reading, walking, and cooking, and she's always eager to learn something new. ○



Important Dates in the Melvin Gelman Religious School

March 14: Vav (6th grade) Model Seder

March 28–April 6: NO SCHOOL, Pesach Break

Gan HaYeled

Superman meets Rabbi Gil Steinlauf at the Gan Parents Association Carnival.



Jewish Value for March-April:

Pidyon Sh-vuyim, Redeeming the Captive

Pidyon sh-vuyim is the obligation to do everything in one's power to help release people who are trapped or suffering in some way. This value will be developed during Passover where we discuss the concept of slavery. The value will also be highlighted for the Garden of the Righteous ceremony, where Adas Israel honors individuals who exemplify the Jewish value of redeeming the captive.

Library Update

The library's display of new books is now situated next to the library's entrance. We hope this will encourage you to browse the display.

We have a new display in the glass cases closest to the library, called "Some Treasures from Our Library." Included are a *machzor* printed in Vienna, 1932; "Shabbos" from the Babylonian Talmud, Berlin, 1880; a facsimile edition of *the Rylands Haggadah*, London and Manchester, 1988; and a stunning contemporary volume, *Midrash Jerusalem; A Metaphysical History of Jerusalem*, which features outstanding calligraphy.

Remember, the library catalog is online at adasisrael.org/library. ○

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Bereavement Committee

The Bereavement Committee assists families with all of the arrangements surrounding the funeral and subsequent burial of loved ones. We welcome your interest and encourage your participation and assistance. We need you; please join us. If you have questions, or know of someone whom you think might be interested in participating in this important work, please feel free to call either Jane Beller (301-986-1133) or Edie Hessel (202-244-7189) or contact Toni Bickart (202-244-2747) regarding the *Tahara* Committee.

Celebrating Simchas and Comforting Our Mourners; Congregational Notices

If you would like to receive bereavement notices regarding members of the congregation, please send an e-mail to jane.baldinger@adasisrael.org. E-mails regarding the deaths of congregants and their family members are sent automatically to those who request such notification. By sharing this information, our entire congregation can comfort the mourners in our synagogue family. ○

Youth @ AI



The winter months have rushed by and we can now taste the fresh spring air. In the meantime, we've had some great youth programming. Since the beginning of this year, we have stepped up our programming at all levels, and we intend to keep increasing the excitement and involvement with our youth programs. We offer a lot of great opportunities, and we encourage all of you to check them out. Be sure to grab a calendar at our youth office so you'll know what's happening!

February has been an exciting month for every age group. More than 20 *Chaverim* recreated the story of *Purim* with puppets. Not only did everyone have a great time, but we all learned the lessons of *Purim*! We recently got together with *Machar* and made s'mores and hot chocolate while we watched a great movie. The movie warmed our hearts, and the food warmed our souls! Even though our *Kadima* program was canceled, we are looking forward to our next great event. In USY, we had our first lounge night ever. A few kids came before religious school started on Monday, and we just hung out together. In addition, we had our Sushi and Sumo program, where we got the best of both worlds: eating sushi and watching sumo wrestling. Our first ever *Shabbat* Dinner was a giant success! USYers also helped out at the end of January by doing a coat check for a Men's Club event, and we helped raise over \$250 for *tikkun olam*!

While we've already had a few great programs, there is still a lot to look forward to in the coming month. Here's how to stay in the loop of youth programming for the month of March.

Chaverim (K-2nd grade)

Our next program is on Sunday, May 23, when we'll make our very own tie-dye T-shirts. You don't want to miss this psychedelic experience. Be on the lookout for more details as the date gets closer!

Machar (3rd-5th grade)

Our next event is March 21, at All Fired Up to make our very own pottery! This will be an awesome program, one that you don't want to miss! Check the flyer that has been sent out for more details!



Machar kids kick back and enjoy a Wizards game at Verizon Center

Kadima (6th-8th grade)

Our next program is on Sunday, March 14, when we'll continue our annual IRON CHEF! We're going to cook our fantastic treats and compete to see who's the best chef! Check the flyer that



Kadimaniks Justin Sherman and Ethan Sorcher enjoy their night out at Seaboard Region's annual Saturday Night Live event

has been sent for more details. Also, don't forget about Spring *Kadima Kallah*, so get excited!

USY (9th-12th grade)

Our next event is Saturday, March 13. We're going to learn all about USY and have a special surprise activity for 8th graders. You don't want to miss out on all the fun! Be sure to check the flyer that has been sent out for more details. Also, don't forget that we plan on having another lounge night in March, as well as another *Shabbat* Dinner. Watch for more information as the events approach.

We look forward to seeing you all at our programs! ○

Informal programs director Elie Greenberg displays his award when he was honored as one of "20 Emerging Leaders in their 20s" by the Jewish Educators Assembly in January. Pictured with Elie are his wife, Samara Greenberg, and Josh Bender, Adas Israel's director of education.



'From generation to generation...'

L'DOR VA'DOR

Introducing a *Shabbat* experience for all generations with a Friday night service and *Shabbat* meal.

April 9th

6:00 - Service
7:00 - Dinner



\$9.75 - Child Dinner (12 and under)

\$18.75 - Adult Dinner

RSVP by Tuesday, April 6 by emailing kate.bailey@adasisrael.org or by calling (202)362-4449.

Lifelong Learning

Conference on Judaism & Food

March 14, 9:30 am–3:30 pm

9:30–10:00 am Coffee & Bagels

10:00–11:15 am Keynote Address, Prof. David Kraemer: "Jew vs. Jew"

Prof. Kraemer will discuss the trend toward greater stringency in *kashruth* observance in the Orthodox community and the significance of the Magen Tzedek Project of the Conservative Movement.

11:30–12:30 pm Workshops (choose one)

- Glatt Kosher, Grass-Fed, Organically Raised Kosher Meat
- The Challenges of Genetically Modified Food
- Setting up a Farmers' Market at Adas Israel
- A Theory of *Kashruth*
- Eating Disorders and Obesity

12:30–1:30 pm Lunch (Needs RSVP, information below)

1:30–2:30 pm Workshops (choose one)

- Industrial Production of Meat & Cruelty to Animals
- Can We Eat Rice on *Pesach*?
- Eating Disorders II
- Hunger in the District
- Setting up a Farmers' Market at Adas Israel

2:30–3:30 pm Panel Discussion: "The Kosher Food Industry—Three Retailers' Perspectives"

Featuring representatives from Brookville Grocery Store, Giant, and Shalom Kosher Meat Market

Suggested donation for brunch and lunch is \$20. Child care available. Please reserve a place by March 7 (Lunch by March 10) by contacting Marcia Miller, 202-362-4433, ext. 112 or Marcia.miller@adasisrael.org. Kadima Iron Chef Program (6th–8th graders), 12:15–2:30 pm. ○



Prof. David Kraemer

Men's Club

Henry Waxman Feted as Men's Club Man of the Year

On January 31, the Adas Men's Club hosted a regional dinner for honoring Rep. Henry Waxman (D-CA). Waxman delivered the keynote address during which he spoke humbly about his own service to the community and challenged each of us to give back to the community that has supported us throughout the last 200 years.



Henry Waxman

Friday Night Live

The Men's Club has taken Rabbi Steinlauf's community-building initiative seriously by again welcoming new member families to *Shabbat* dinner at a host family home. This was our second in a series of three weekends where we have reached out to new congregants and included them in our synagogue community. Men's Club matches new members with hosts and provides a fruit arrangement and *challah* for the dinner. If you are interested in hosting, are a new member, or know a new member who might like an invitation, please contact us at mensclub@adasisrael.org. The last Friday Night Live is scheduled for Friday, April 30.

Upcoming Events

- *Purim* Carnival, Sunday February 28: We need help at the food booths!
- Bagel Boyz, March 7: Join us for Starbucks coffee and bagels.
- Garden of the Righteous weekend, April 11: Come hear about U.S. State Department official Hiram Bingham.
- Friday Night Live, April 30: Help us welcome new members to the community. ○

Scenes from January Board of Directors Meeting



Synagogue President Robert Peck (center) accepts a generous \$15,000 contribution to the synagogue from Sisterhood and Gift Shop leaders (left to right) Nancy Weiss, Leah Chanin, Diane Keller, Sisterhood president Alisa Abrams, Helene Weingarten, and Jean Bernard.



Seaboard Region United Synagogue President Bill Bresnick (right) attended the January Board of Directors meeting to present our USCJ Solomon Schechter Awards for Synagogue Excellence. Bob Peck (left) accepts the award recognizing our Young Professionals programming.



On behalf of the congregation, Jean Bernard, who is beginning her 15th year as editor of the Adas Israel Chronicle, accepts a Gold Solomon Schechter Award for the publication.



Margaret Siegel and Ed Kopf accept a Schechter Award for Excellence in Strategic Planning, in recognition of our Transition and Senior Rabbi Search process as a model for other congregations.

One Shul, Many Voices

Breaking Bread Together: New Kiddush Menus Debut After Pesach

The Adas Catering Committee will present newly designed *kiddush* menus beginning with the first *Shabbat* after *Pesach*. *B'nai mitzvah* families will have the opportunity to choose from several enhanced menu options as the entire congregation joins in their *simcha*.

The Gan Parents Association will continue to underwrite the platters of mini-bagels and cream cheese placed on the special children's tables. Of course, as always, all congregants are encouraged to co-sponsor a *kiddush* in honor of a life cycle or other event. The buffet each week will feature one of the many traditions of Jewish cuisine:

- Adas Kiddush
- Deluxe Kiddush
- Your Israeli Cousin's Kiddush
- Mediterranean Kiddush
- Your Bubbie and Zaydie's Kiddush
- Lower East Side Kiddush

And look for special themed *kiddushim* coming this summer! We hope this new format will add to the joy of our community as we celebrate many *Shabbatot* and *s'machot* together.

For more information, contact Catering Committee Chair Amy Golen, agolen@verizon.net.



Happy birthday, Norman!

Our Senior Lunch Program surprised Norman Shore with a cake and song for his 60th birthday. Norman has been a beloved teacher at our lunch program for nearly 30 years. Senior lunch coordinator Aviva Atkin joins in honoring and thanking Norman. ○

Memorial Plaques

New Memorial Plaques Dedicated, April 6

Dedication of new memorial plaques will take place during the Passover *Yizkor* Service, Tuesday, April 6 (the service begins at 9:15 am; *Yizkor* is at 11:15 am).

At that time, we will formally dedicate all new memorial nameplates installed since last Passover.

In loving remembrance these names have been recently inscribed on the Memorial Boards in the Charles E. Smith Sanctuary:

Cecile Alpert
Seymour Alpert
Esther K. Austern
H. Thomas Austern
Sarah Euzent
William Finglass
Estelle S. Gelman
Lee Goldman
Jeanne K. Goldstein
Hyman M. Goldstein
Harold Greenberg
Shelley Kay

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Gerald Gelman Kossow
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Jack Sloan
Anne Wiederkehr
Saralyn V. Wolff

May their memory be a blessing.

Memorial plaques are a traditional and dignified way of honoring your dear departed. Each memorial plaque bears the name and *yahrzeit* date of a loved one. The memorial light adjoining the plaque is illuminated on every *yahrzeit* and for every *Yizkor* service. These plaques are truly perpetual memorials.

The cost is \$750 per nameplate. If you are interested, please call Elinor Tattar at the synagogue office, 202-362-4433.

We have a permanent *yahrzeit* listing at the entrance of the Charles E. Smith Sanctuary. Each month we display the names, locations, and corresponding English date of *yahrzeit* for all who have plaques on the Memorial Boards in the back of the Sanctuary.

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Winter Swing Dance



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(The first two funds are from the preceding month; there was not enough space to accommodate them in the February Chronicle.)

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Thank You, Shira

Shira Reeves, our communications director, has decided to leave Adas Israel to pursue other opportunities. Shira has been a key staff member since 2002 serving a variety of important roles. We have had the pleasure of celebrating her marriage to Ari, the birth of Gili, and the anticipation of another baby in July.

We thank Shira for her work on behalf of the synagogue and wish her and her family all the best in the years ahead. We hope she will visit often and remain a member of the Adas Israel family.

Until a permanent replacement for Shira is engaged, several current staff members will take on portions of her portfolio. We thank our staff for pitching in during this transition. Please send any *Kesher Ishi* or the Weekly *Shabbat* Announcement submissions, along with any communications questions, to Glenn. Easton@adasisrael.org. ○

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with staples. Each time you come to the synagogue for an event or to drop off a child, grab (or have your child grab) one of the items and place it on the Ezra Pantry shelves in the coat room. What a great way to meet your obligations and make them a part of your family's everyday life! ○

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Tikkun Olam

Ezra Pantry Shelves Want Your *Hametz*!

As Passover approaches, please remember to fill the Ezra Pantry shelves with your unwanted *hametz*. These food items can make a huge difference in someone's life. In fact, consider taking this opportunity to enlarge your *tzedakah* donations by purchasing food for the Pantry shelves.

Needed pantry items include canned meats and fish, peanut butter, and beans (low sodium); pasta, macaroni and cheese, grains,

canned soups and vegetables, fruits and juices (low sodium and low sugar); cereals and snacks; and condiments, including oils, sauces, dressings (low sodium and low sugar). Industrial and household sizes are welcome.

The Ezra Pantry Passover Food Drive will collect food until March 25. To make your contributions go even further all year long, put a carton in the back of your car and fill it

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Solar Cooker Project a Success!

Next Darfur vigil, March 21; Hope for Darfur—Justice in Sudan Walk, May 23

As we enter our third year of witnessing genocide in Darfur, we remain committed to continuing our efforts and cooperation with national advocacy agencies to put an end to the suffering.

- Three thousand dollars' worth of solar cookers will be sent to Darfur, thanks to the generous donations of Adas members. The cookers will enable Darfuris to cook family meals safely without risking their lives to collect firewood and encountering violence when leaving the refugee and resettlement camps.
- On May 23, Darfur *interfaith* activists will walk from the Holocaust Museum across the National Mall to Lafayette Park to send President Obama the message that the Darfur

conflict and the increased violence between the south and north require more U.S. action, negotiations, and humanitarian aid. Please join an Adas Israel contingent. For further information, contact Judy Herr, jnherr20814@yahoo.com or 301-717-3828.

• **Please join us for our next Darfur vigil, Sunday, March, 1:30–2:30 pm in front of the Sudanese embassy** (2210 Massachusetts Avenue, NW). Adas congregants continue to bear witness to the ongoing civil war and genocide in Darfur, Sudan in our monthly third-Sunday vigil with members of People's Congregational Church and other faith communities. Please join us rain, snow, or shine—children, grandparents, friends and neighbors welcome. For vigil questions, call Laura Cutler, 301-980-7182. **Never forget; never again!** ○

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