# PASSOVER ISSUE

# Kehilath Jeshurun Bulletin



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Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun cordially invites you to its

# 125th Annual Meeting and HACHNASAT SEFER TORAH

The Dedication of a New Torah In Honor of the Congregation's 125th Anniversary

It will be an historical and memorable event to which *you should bring your children*. The Chamber Chorus of Ramaz will perform as we dance the Torah into the Main Synagogue. We will be short on "meeting" and long on "celebration." Come join us for this very special occasion.

# This Sunday, April 6th, 10:00 AM

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RABBI JACOB J. SCHACTER

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Saturday: "AT THE TURN OF THE CENTURY —

KJ'S EARLY YEARS"

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# SHABBAT HAGADOL DRASHA / DISCOURSE

# Rabbi Haskel Lookstein "Women and Halacha — Opportunities and Responsibilities"

A halachic analysis of the role of women in ritual with particular reference to current controversies about that role.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19 Following Mincha at 6:45 PM In the Main Synagogue

Men and Women Are Invited.

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# GETTING THE MIND READY FOR PASSOVER

April 9 Wed 8:00 pm RABBI HERSHEL SCHACHTER "Annual Passover Lecture"

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April 12 Sat 7:00 pm (Mincha and Seudah Shlishit) RABBI ELIEZER RUBIN

"PESACH:

THE WHOLE IS NOT EQUAL TO THE SOME OF ITS PARTS"

April 17 Thu 8:00 pm RABBI MARK WILDES "PASSOVER WORKSHOP"

April 19 Sat 6:00 pm RABBI MARK WILDES "GUIDE THROUGH THE HAGADAH:

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# FAST OF THE FIRSTBORN

Passover Eve is a traditional fast for first born males. It is obligatory upon every first born man who cannot observe the fast on Monday, to attend the special service on that day, to join Rabbi Lookstein in completing a tractate from the Talmud, and to participate at its conclusion in the light collation that is served. The service for the first born (*Siyum Bechorim*) will be held in the Main Synagogue on Monday, April 21 as part of the regular morning service which begins at 7:00 am.

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# Schedule of Passover Services

Sunday, April 20, Search for Chometz

After 8:18 PM

Monday, April 21, Passover Eve

Morning Service 7:00 AM A special service for the first born (Siyum) will be conducted following the regular services.

Chometz may not be eaten after 10:39 AM Last time to burn chometz is 11:46 AM

 Candle Lighting
 7:23 PM

 Evening
 7:30 PM

 Start Seder After
 8:19 PM

 Tuesday, April 22 — Passover I
 9:00 AM

 Morning
 9:00 AM

Evening 7:30 PM
Candlelighting and Start of Seder After 8:21 PM
Wednesday, April 23 — Passover II

Morning 9:00 AM
Evening 7:30 PM
Conclusion of Yom Tov 8:22 PM

# **Services During the Week of Chol Hamoed**

Thursday, April 24 - Friday, April 25
Morning (Thursday and Friday)
Evening (Thursday)
7:00 AM
6:45 PM

**Shabbat Chol Hamoed** 

Friday, April 25
Candlelighting
Evening

Saturday, April 26

7:27 PM
6:45 PM

Saturday, April 26
Morning (Song of Songs is read)
Evening
Shabbat Ends
9:00 AM
7:45 PM
8:26 PM

**Concluding Days of Passover** 

Sunday, April 27
Morning 8:00 AM
Candlelighting 7:30 PM
Evening 7:40 PM

Monday, April 28 —Passover VII

Morning 9:00 AM

Candlelighting Evening After 8:28 PM 7:40 PM

Tuesday, April 29 —Passover VIII
Morning 9:00 AM

Yizkor (Memorial Prayers) is recited as part of this service Evening 7:40 PM Conclusion of Yom Tov 8:29 PM

# WHAT TO DO WITH CHAMETZ

The best thing to do with *chametz* during Passover is not to have it.

There are very many people in our city who cannot afford to eat bread properly and are unable to purchase adequate food for minimal sustenance.

We, therefore, urge you to bring sealed packages, cans, jars, bottles and other containers of *unopened* food to KJ at the time of the *Kasher*-

In on Tuesday evening, April 15 between 5:00 pm and 9:00 pm or at any other time between now and Passover. We will then arrange for this food to be distributed to the non-Jewish needy and hungry of our community.

Performing this act of *chesed* is an important means of expressing the commandment to *love thy neighbor* as thyself.

# 125TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE DEVELOPING PLANS FOR AN EXCITING YEAR OF CELEBRATION

Plans for the celebration of Kehilath Jeshurun's 125th Anniversary year beginning with the Annual Meeting and the New Torah Dedication on Sunday morning, April 6th (10:00 AM in the Main Synagogue) are developing rapidly. A dynamic committee with lots of spark and creative ideas has been meeting and formulating a calendar of activities and other means of recognition.

The theme of the thirteen month celebration is to focus on what has happened in the Jewish community over the last century and a quarter. It is

spotlighting those historical events, movements and trends that have brought the Jewish community to where it is today. Proposed topics include:

The Founding of Yeshiva University Immigration to America

The Holocaust

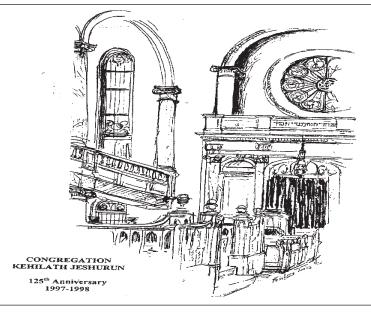
Establishment of the State of Israel Development of the Day School Movement and the the Founding of Ramaz

The Soviet Jewry Movement
The Ba'al Teshuva Movement
The Changing Personality of the
Organized Jewish Community
The Impact of Kehilath Jeshurun in
the American Jewish Community
The Emergence of the Non Orthodox
Community and Where Reform
and Conservative Judaism are
Today

The Changing Role of Women in Orthodox Judaism

Diaspora Jewry Outside of the United States

A Look at Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein: A Man of Vision



Most of the events will be planned around Shabbat programs such as Scholars-in-Residence, the Annual Shabbaton, Shabbat morning lectures and Seudah Shlishit presentations and events tied to other existing programs such as Yom Hashoah and the Annual Meetings of 1997 and 1998. We want members of the congregation and other friends in the community to come at these convenient times when so many people are already likely to be present.

An array of outstanding speakers has been invited to cover the above listed topics. A pre-anniversary "warm-up" sponsored by our Political Affairs Committee initiated the year with Senator Joseph Lieberman of Connecticut, the first and only observant Orthodox Jew to serve in the United States Senate. Rabbi Jacob J. Schacter of the Jewish Center is our Scholar-in-Residence for our Annual Synagogue Shabbaton, April 18-19. Others who have already accepted invitations to speak to us during the year include former President of Israel Chaim Herzog; Brandeis University Professor and leading scholar on Jewish Feminism and the Orthodox Movement, Dr. Sylvia Barack

Fishman; the recently retired principal of the Yeshiva of Flatbush, Rabbi David Eliach; and internationally renowned Torah Scholar, Dr. Aviva Zornberg.

Sub-committees are working on Shabbatot devoted to Jewish music and *chazanut* and publications and and archival studies that will enhance our knowledge and understanding of this period in KJ history.

Our congregational logo, designed by Morris Wyszogrod, in conjunction with our

celebration in 1972, was enhanced this year by Mr. Wyszogrod. We will also use extensively the magnificent drawing of the interior of the synagogue designed by our former members, Mina and Mildred Feinberg ("The Feinberg Twins"), of blessed memory, which they created in 1964. It is clearly the look of the interior of the Synagogue even as it appears today and yet conveys a period of longevity and continuity with the sense of tradition that it represents. It is clearly appropriate for our 125th Anniversary.

As events are announced throughout the year, members of the congregation, their guests and friends, are encouraged to participate and take advantage of this outstanding and unusual opportunity.

The 125th Anniversary Committee is chaired by Dr. Nathalie Friedman with Robert Kurzweil serving as vice-chair. Benjamin Brown and Dr. Gilbert Kahn are co-chairs of the committee. Other members of the 40 person committee include people of exceptional longevity in the congregation and those who have been active in a wide variety of congregational activities.

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# PREPARING FOR PASSOVER

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# I. WHAT IS CHAMETZ?

Chametz results when one of the five types of grain (wheat, barley, spelt, rye, oats) comes in contact with water and is allowed to stand for a brief period of time without being baked. In commemoration of the haste with which the Jews left Egypt, we are forbidden during the Passover festival to eat, own or derive benefit from anything that has been allowed time to rise. Therefore, all grain products or mixtures of grain are prohibited on Passover.

Jews of Ashkenazic descent also avoid legumes (*kitniyos*) such as beans, peas, rice and other grains which could be ground into flour and confused with *chametz*. This prohibition applies only to the eating of such products, whereas their *possession* is permissible.

Matzoh, on the other hand, is the unleavened bread which we eat on Passover to commemorate the oppression of our ancestors by the Egyptians and their hasty departure from the land. It is known as the "bread of affliction" and, as we eat it, we recall our debt of gratitude to God for bringing us out of Egypt and for the beginnings of our national history.

Compliance with the prohibition of eating or owning chametz takes three forms. The first is the actual removal of chametz from our homes, either through consuming it or disposing of it. This culminates in a search for chametz on the evening before Passover (b'dikat chametz) which is performed this year on Sunday night, April 20, and in a symbolic burning of the chametz on the morning before Passover (biur chametz) which is performed this year on Monday morning, April 21. The second is the recitation of a formula of nullification of ownership over any chametz we still might have in our possession (bitul chametz) at the time of the burning of the chametz. Finally, any chametz which can neither be consumed nor disposed of before Passover may be sold to a non-Jew through the Rabbi of the synagogue (m'chirat chametz). After Pesach, the non-Jew usually sells the chametz back to the original owner.

# II. PREPARING THE HOME FOR PASSOVER

In addition to not using *chametz* products during the festival, we also avoid the use of dishes and utensils which have been used with *chametz* all year round. For that reason, it is necessary to have two additional sets of dishes for Passover use. These are stored away in a closet throughout the year and brought out for use only on Passover. At the same time, the year-round dishes and utensils are stored away, out of sight, during the Passover festival.

There are certain types of utensils that can be ritually cleansed—or kashered—for Passover use. These are discussed below.

#### 1. Silver and Metal Utensils

Silverware, small pots and metal utensils may be kashered for Passover use. They must first be cleansed thoroughly and then allowed to stand unused for at least 24 hours. They are then completely immersed in a kettle or vat of boiling water.

Larger pots and kettles may be kashered by first cleansing them as above, allowing them to stand for 24 hours, then filling them with water to the very top, allowing the water to boil. A hot iron or stone is then placed inside the pot so that the boiling water runs over the sides of the pot.

We might add that china, pottery, earthenware, utensils that have different parts glued together and items that cannot be cleansed thoroughly (such as a sieve) cannot be kashered for Passover use.

# 2. Glassware

Glasses or glass plates which have *not* been used for hot liquids or solids during the year may be kashered for Passover by immersing them in cold water for a period of 72 hours. The water should be changed every 24 hours.

May we stress that glass utensils, pyrex, corningware, and the like which are used with heat must be treated as china and cannot be kashered. The best procedure for glassware is to have separate glassware for Passover use.

#### 3. The Stove, Oven and Microwave

Every part of the oven and stove must be *thoroughly* cleansed with a chemical cleanser and then allowed to stand for 24 hours or more without being used.

Then the oven should be put on the "self-cleaning" cycle. If your oven does not have such a cycle, then it should be turned on to the "broil setting" for one hour.

The burners of the stove should be completely turned on in order to heat the grates at their maximum temperature for about 15 minutes. The other areas on the sides of the stove should be covered.

Microwave ovens may be used for Passover. They must first be thoroughly cleansed and allowed to sit for 24 hours. Then a large paper container of water is brought to a boil inside the oven. Finally, a paper liner must cover the sides and bottom of the oven. A microwave oven may not be used on Shabbat or Yom Tov.

## 4. Dishwasher

Difficulties in kashering a dishwasher revolve around the difficulties in thoroughly cleaning it. Assuming that all of the corners, edges, and openings can be thoroughly cleaned with a commercial cleanser, a stainless steel dishwasher should not be used for 24 hours, and then run through three hot water cycles, using soap in the first one. There are also opinions that permit this to be done to a porcelain lined or a plastic lined dishwasher when there is a great need. Racks should be replaced.

## III. PASSOVER FOODS

Most foods that are used on Passover require rabbinic supervision. This is especially true of all processed foods. It is important to realize that a label indicating the product is "Kosher for Passover" does not assure us of the adequacy of the supervision. Wherever possible, congregants should use OU products which have a special Passover supervision. If not, it is important to check on the reliability of the particular Rabbi who is giving the endorsement. Please feel free to ask Rabbi Lookstein or Rabbi Wildes in the event of any doubt in this matter.

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# PREPARING FOR PASSOVER (continued)

# 1. Grain Products

All grain products require strict rabbinic supervision for Passover use

# 2. Milk and Dairy Products

These, too, require supervision. Milk however, may be purchased before Passover without supervision. If one has to purchase it during the festival, however, it requires supervision. Powdered milk, Alba and Carnation, may be used on Passover, without a rabbinic endorsement.

## 3. Fresh Fruits and Vegetables

All of these may be used (except for legumes—peas, beans, rice and corn which are all treated like *chametz*). If these fruits and vegetables are sold in a general grocery store, they should be washed very carefully before being used on Passover.

#### 4. Dried Fruits

These should carry a Passover endorsement.

# 5. Frozen Fruits and Vegetables

With the exception of the legumes that were mentioned above, frozen fruit with no additives listed are usable for Passover without a rabbinic endorsement. Frozen vegetables require special Passover certification. Pure orange and grapefruit juice may be purchased before Passover without a rabbinic endorsement.

One of the most beautiful and meaningful ceremonies associated with Passover is *b'dikat chametz*—the search for chametz. The ceremony is composed of five parts.

- 1. Reciting a special blessing over the mitzvah of the removal of *chametz*.
- 2. The search of the house by the light of a candle to find vestiges of chametz.
- 3. The reciting of the formula of nullification of *chametz*.
- 4. The burning or disposal of any chametz found during the search.
- 5. The reciting of a final, more inclusive formula of nullification.

The first three parts of this ceremony will be observed this year on Sunday evening, April 20. The disposal and final nullification should be on Monday

Processed juices such as tomato, apple and prune require supervision

## 6. Cosmetics

All cosmetic lotions, creams, ointments and toothpaste need no special Passover supervision.

# 7. Baby Foods

Most infant formulas contain corn or soy beans as starting ingredients. Since these are considered *kitniyot*, the baby's utensils and foods should be kept absolutely separate from everything else in the house. If an infant must eat *Chametz* products, in accordance with a doctor's directive, a rabbi should be consulted. Otherwise all *chametz* products should be avoided.

#### 8. Coffee

Some questions have arisen in the past about the adulteration of coffee with grain products. In the absence of specification, therefore, it would be preferable to purchase coffee with proper supervision for Passover. Please check your OU Passover directory.

## 9. All Other Foods

Those processed foods not mentioned in this listing require special supervision for Passover use.

#### 10. Chametz After Passover

According to Jewish law *chametz* which was owned by a Jew during the

Holiday may never again be used by any other Jew. Therefore, after the Holiday is over, one should make sure to buy *chametz* products from a Jew who has sold his *chametz* and not from a Jewish establishment which might have had the particular *chametz* product on the shelf during Passover. In order to avoid confusion, it is best to purchase such products from non-Jewish storekeepers until such time as the Passover stock has been completely used up and replenished with new foods.

## PASSOVER PACKAGE DELIVERY

As Passover approaches, many of us are looking forward to celebrating the holidays with family and friends. DOROT knows many older people who will be spending this holiday alone.

DOROT's annual Passover Package Delivery will take place on Sunday, April 13, 1997 between 10:00 and 1:00 pm at DOROT, 171 West 85th Street (near Amsterdam Avenue).

We need volunteers to deliver hundreds of packages and to visit with our older friends on Manhattan's Upper West Side. While our older friends enjoy the packages they receive, it is time spent with a volunteer which brings a feeling of warmth and caring into their homes.

If you have any questions, please call DOROT (212) 769-2850.

# B'DIKAT CHAMETZ

# "Don't Miss It"

morning, April 21. It is important to note that both formulas of nullification must be recited in a language that one understands. Children especially will be impressed by the ceremony. It should, therefore, be performed with enthusiasm and dedication.

The children should be asked to place pieces of *chametz* in the various rooms—a practice which ensures that the search will not be in vain. They can hold the candle and the feather and they should examine their own possessions, dressers and desks, for long forgotten relics of *chametz*.

Passover is a beautiful festival. It is a serious one, too. Both these aspects can be captured in advance of the festival by a careful observance of b'dikat chametz.

## Disposal of Chametz

No *chametz* may be eaten on Monday morning, April 21 after 10:39 A.M. All *chometz* must be completely *disposed* of by 11:46 A.M.

# Sale of Chametz.

The ritual sale of *chametz* must be completed by early Monday morning, April 21. There are those who prefer to perform this ritual in person. For those who cannot attend to this matter in person, there is a form provided in this Bulletin which authorizes Rabbi Lookstein to sell your *chametz*. THIS FORM SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE SYNAGOGUE BY MONDAY MORNING, APRIL 21, NOT LATER THAN 8:30 A.M.

Individuals who will be in Israel for Passover should consult the rabbis in advance to make special arrangements.

# UNDERSTANDING THE SEDER

**A. SEDER** means "order" and it refers to the meals, recitations, reenactments, and songs of the first two nights of Pesach. It is obligatory to recount on these evenings the story of our deliverance and exodus from Egypt as it is instructed in the Torah: "And you shall tell your son on that day saying: It is because of that which the Lord did for me when I came forth out of Egypt."

**B.** HAGGADAH is the special book which leads us in carrying out the *seder* service. The word "haggadah" means "telling" of that portion of Biblical history that recounts the story of the exodus as well as the rabbinic interpretation of these relevant verses.

The process of "telling" on these evenings is initiated by the children who ask the Four Questions and the text of the Haggadah is a response to these questions. We answer by quoting laws, recounting tales, and singing songs all in the spirit of responding to the children's questions while at the same time making sure that they remain interested in the *seder*.

The children are the focal points of

the *seder* and we make every effort to involve them in the description of the miracles of the exodus.

We respond to the Four Questions not only by "telling" but also by "doing." We eat certain things at the *seder* to remember and reenact the exodus and to excite the children about everything that is taking place on this evening.

**1. Matzoh.** The Torah refers to *Matzoh* as "*Lechem Oni*," the bread of poverty or affliction. However, *Matzoh* also represents the bread of freedom because as the Jews left Egypt, they did not have enough time to allow the bread to rise. *Matzoh* reminds us that it is our choice; are we still slaves or have we emerged into the freedom of Torah?

We eat *matzoh* three times during the *seder*:

- a) At the beginning of the meal—to fulfill the Biblical obligation to eat *matzoh*.
- b) Korech. To fulfill the Torah's command to eat the Pascal lamb together with matzoh and maror. Hillel introduced this practice of eating a

sandwich at the *seder* to include all three ingredients in one act of eating Today, since we have no Pascal lamb, our sandwich consists of only *matzoh* and *maror*.

- c) Afikomen. We eat matzoh at the very end of the meal, to commemorate the Pascal lamb that was eaten at the end of the meal in the time of the Temple. We are left with the taste of the matzoh in our mouths as we continue to tell the story of the exodus.
- **2. Maror**. We are commanded to eat bitter herbs at the *seder* to remind us of the bitterness of the slavery in Egypt.

One can fulfill this obligation by eating either horseradish or Romaine lettuce.

We eat *maror* twice at the *seder*, once immediately after the *matzoh* and then in the sandwich together with the *matzoh*.

- **3. Charoset.** It is a mixture of apples, nuts, cinnamon and wine. Its colors and appearance resemble the mortar and clay that the Jews used in making bricks in Egypt. We dip the *maror* into the *charoset* to lessen its sharpness somewhat.
- **4. Karpas.** We dip a potato, parsley, celery or carrot into a bowl of salt water. This custom is meant to arouse the curiosity of the children and to remind us of the tears that our ancestors shed in Egypt.
- **5. Four Cups of Wine**. Everyone at the *seder* is obligated to drink four cups of wine. These four cups remind us of God's four expressions of redemption: "I will bring you ... I will deliver you... I will redeem you ... and I will take you."

Some authorities claim that one should drink wine and not grape juice for the four cups of wine since wine is the drink of royalty. Rabbi Soloveitchik, of blessed memory, however, allowed you to use grape juice because the true sign of freedom is to use the drink of your choice.

A fifth cup of wine is poured but not drunk and this is the cup of Elijah. We pray that Elijah himself will come and drink from this cup heralding the arrival of the Messiah.

# KASHER-IN

Tuesday, April 15

Kehilath Jeshurun will sponsor its *Kasher-In* this year on Tuesday, April 15 between 5:00 PM and 9:00 PM.

Large sinks of boiling water will be available in the second floor kitchen so that people can bring their silver and metal utensils and prepare them for Passover use.

A Word of Caution. Remember that in order to kasher something for Passover, the item must first be cleansed thoroughly and allowed to stand unused for at least 24 hours before the actual kashering procedures.

EODM EOD CALE OF CHAMETO

FURM	FUR SALE OF CHAMEIZ
I,	, do hereby authorize RABBI
HASKEL LOOKSTEIN, O	of 125 East 85th Street, City, State and County of New
York, to sell, transfer and a	assign all Chometz of whatever kind and nature which l
possess, or in which I may	have an interest, wherever situated, in my residence at:
	, or in
my place of business, or in	any other place, without reservation and limitation.
If you plan to spend P	Passover in Israel or Europe, please check this box:
If you plan to spend P	Passover in another US time zone, please circle below:
Central	Rocky Mountain Pacific
Signature	Date:
<i>C</i>	Synagogue office by Monday, April 21, at 8:30 A.M.

# KJ BEGINNERS PROGRAM TO HOLD PASSOVER SEDER

Under the leadership of Rabbi Mark Wildes, KJ will host a Beginners Seder service designed and planned as a learning experience. It is intended for those wishing to learn and understand more about the content and meaning of a seder and how to conduct it properly. This special seder will be held on the first night of Passover, Monday evening, April 21.

The cost will be \$65 per adult and \$45 per child.

Reservations can be made only by forwarding a check to the Synagogue Office listing the names of those planning to attend.

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We are proud to provide KJ's SHAVUOT decorations in the Main Synagogue each year.

# SHMURAH MATZOS AVAILABLE AT KJ

The Shotzer hand matzos are under constant rabbinical supervision from the wheat cutting until the packaging of the matzos. They are renowned world wide for being well baked and tasty.

The congregation is pleased to be able to bring this service to our community. The matzos are available at \$12.00 per pound. They may be picked up at the synagogue during the Kasher-In on Tuesday, April 15, between 5:00-9:00 PM.

All orders must be pre-paid and ordered by Thursday, April 10.

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Name: Address:				
Phone (day)				

# PASSOVER RELIEF — WE NEED YOUR GIFT NOW

The first order of priorities in preparing for Passover is Maot Chitim, Passover Relief. It is our way of saying that our personal joy on the festival is incomplete if we do not share what we have with others who are less fortunate.

Who gives to Passover Relief? According to the Shulchan Aruch (The Code of Jewish Law) there are only two types of people as far as Passover Relief is concerned: donors and recipients. If you are not a recipient you must be a donor.

The Kehilath Jeshurun Passover Relief Appeal serves first and foremost this communal mitzvah. Last year the readers of the Bulletin contributed more than \$62,000. It was a most gratifying response to a call for charitable funds. But, we need even more this year.

A large part of our funds go to the Joint Passover Appeal, which last year helped 24,000 individuals and 12,658 families, many of whom were sick and elderly.

There are additional causes which are helped generously by our appeal.

They include among others:

- Gifts to needy individuals in our community.
- The New York Board of Rabbis Passover Fund for Jewish patients in hospitals and inmates in prisons.
- Many organizations and institutions who seek our help and depend on our assistance in this season and throughout the year.

Due to the current economic climate in our city, the needs are greater and the number of people contributing may be fewer. Some donors of last year may be recipients this year. We need your extra effort.

Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun does not conduct appeals for all these causes. Your one gift at Passover time represents your gift to a variety of recipients. Please be as generous as possible and please send in your contribution now when it will do the most good.

Our best wishes to you for a happy and kosher Passover. Please make your checks payable to "KJ Benevolent Fund."

# LET ALL WHO ARE HUNGRY . . .

Each year, KJ lends its support to Project Ezra and helps to provide Passover food for the needy elderly Jews of the Lower East Side. This year's food drive will last one week from Sunday, April 6 to Sunday, April 13, 1997.

In order to maximize our efforts, we have assigned Passover food items which we would like donated. Please look for the flyer in your mail which will outline your specific item to buy for Project Ezra. Receptacles will be in the KJ/Ramaz lobby for collection. Should you have any questions, please

contact the KJ office.

We also invite you to join the KJ Youth Department on Sunday, April 13th starting at 10:30 a.m. to pack the donated Passover food in boxes. We will be adding a personal touch by asking children to come and decorate the boxes.

We sincerely hope the Congregation will respond generously and help Project Ezra provide the opportunity for the elderly Jews of the Lower East Side to celebrate Passover proudly this year.

## A MODERN MIKVEH

is located in our Community at: 232-4 West 78th Street (East of Broadway) Telephone 799-1520 For Information about the weekly status of the Manhattan Eruv
Call the ERUV HOTLINE
362-2602

(Recorded Message)

# A SHABBAT LIKE NEVER BEFORE IN THE UNITED STATES

The historic launching of the SHABBAT ACROSS AMERICA this Friday evening, April 4, is the culmination of many years of planning and the result of close to two decades of extraordinary efforts. It is an expansion and enhancement of the TURN FRIDAY NIGHT INTO SHABBOS program which we have been conducting in our congregation since the mid 1980's. As of this writing, over 65,000 North American Jews have celebrated Shabbat together at TFNIS programs.

Thus, this Friday night will be the first of the new SHABBAT ACROSS AMERICA as we will be one of hundreds of congregations across North America taking part in this historic Jewish event which celebrates what unites us all — SHABBAT! Every kind of Jew is invited... singles, couples, families — people of all ages. People are encouraged to invite neighbors, friends, co-workers, clients and to celebrate together. It is only \$15.00 per person and those wishing to participate at Kehilath Jeshurun are asked to call us no later than 12 o'clock noon this Tuesday, April 1. The Synagogue phone number is 427-1000.

# 1997 - 1998BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

# — Now In Preparation —

Once again during this season of the year, Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun will publish a BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE in which the names of departed dear ones are recorded by their living relatives who recite Yizkor for them four times a year. At the Yizkor service there is a prayer which says that an offering has been made in memory of those for whom Yizkor was recited.

Members of the congregation and the community-at-large may authorize us to publish the names of their departed relatives by making a token contribution of \$18 or more for each name to be memorialized. Please use the form below if you wish us to record names for you.

The Book will go to press on Friday, May 16, so that it will be ready in time for

# Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun Book of Remembrance

Enclosed please find my Yizkor offering\* for the entire year in memory of those listed below, who are to be recorded in the BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE published by the congregation

congregation.		
Please duplicate last year's listing(s) Offering \$ Please add the following:	for	people
FULL NAME IN ENGLISH (PLEASE PRINT)	OFFERIN	IG
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\*This offering is a token of reverence and is designed to be within reach of all. We suggest a contribution of \$18 or more for each name. This form should be returned to our office by Friday, May 16.

# **MEZUZOT, TEFILIN AND SHATNES**

Because of the great interest in checking mezuzot, tefilin and shatnes, Kehilath Jeshurun will again have a second round of checking this year. Times coincide with the Kasher-In and Shmurah Matzah pickup on Tuesday, April 15 between 5:00 and 9:00 PM.

Plan to have your items for testing ready at the that time and come to the KJ lower lobby to avail yourself of these services.

# **ACADEMIC NEWS** REQUESTED

At this season of the year we are already beginning to think of milestones and honors which the members of the Congregation and their families will be experiencing during the coming months.

We would like to record all of those honors in the Bulletin. If you, as a member of the Congregation or anyone in your family is observing such a milestone or receiving a particular honor in academic or professional life, we ask you to please send us the information without delay. It is one more way of creating the family spirit we like to foster at KJ and Ramaz.

We hope to hear from you soon.



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# WITHIN OUR FAMILY

#### **BIRTHS**

Mazel tov to:

Steven and Lisa Birnbach Haft on the birth of a daughter, Sophie Claire. Similar good wishes to the proud grandparents Naomi and Maks Birnbach.

Rochelle and Eugene Major on the birth of a son, David Jacob. Similar good wishes to the proud grandparents, Gabriella and Dr. William Major.

Suzanne and Phillip Schein on the birth of a daughter Alexandra Mara. Similar good wishes to the proud grandparents, Rochelle and Morton Rubin.

Dasi and Jeremy Schwalbe on the birth of twin sons, Samson and Jack Schwalbe. Similar good wishes to the proud grandparents, Janie and Robert Shwalbe.

May these children grow up in the finest tradition of Torah, chuppah and maasim tovim.

#### WEDDINGS

Mazel tov to:

Jonathan Boyarsky and Jennifer Gelb

on their recent marriage and to Nicole Boyarsky and Jeffrey Fisher on their recent marriage. Similar good wishes to Jonathan and Nicole's parents, Shirley and Neal Boyarsky.

Toby and Izhak Perlman on the recent marriage of their son, Noah, to Stephanie Leven, daughter of Letitia and Joshua Leven of Summit, New Jersey.

May these families enjoy marriages with happiness and blessing

#### **CONDOLENCES**

Our condolences to:

Linda Ossad Ellenberg on the passing of her mother, Lillian Ossad.

Dr. Wallace Lehman on the passing of his mother, Dora Lehman.

May these mourners be comforted among those who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem.

#### PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations to Jonathan M. Wagner on becoming a partner in the law firm of Kramer, Levin, Naftalis and Frankel.

# YOM HASHOAH SERVICES HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

Sunday, May 4th, 7:30 PM

In the Main Synagogue

We invite you to a once in a lifetime event featuring a man who made history.

# PETER MALKIN

will speak on

# "How I Captured Eichmann"

The program will begin with a candle lighting ceremony by survivors and second, third and fourth generation participants. (Those who fit into these categories are urged to call the Synagogue Office - 427-1000, to inform us of their history and to indicate their participation.) Ma'ariv, readings for a Holocaust Service, appropriate songs by the Ramaz School Chorus and poems written for Yom Hoshoah by students of the Ramaz School will complete the evening.

#### **BAT MITZVAH**

Mazel tov to Tova and Norman Bulow upon the forthcoming Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter, Ricki Berkowitz, the daughter of Shoshana Bulow and Alan Berkowitz. Ricki will participate in the women's Megillah reading service in Cleveland where she and her mother and father reside.

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# UJA MEGA-MISSION FOR 1998

In celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the State of Israel, the UJA-Federation will observe this grand milestone with a Mega-Mission to Israel from Sunday, April 26 through Monday, May 4, 1998. This will, of course, include the celebration of Yom Ha'atzmaut in Israel. Seymour Zises, a member of Kehilath Jeshurun, is the general chairman of this spectactual event.

It is anticipated that 800 people will participate in this mission and we would like to have significant participation from the KJ community.

Plan to set aside those dates now and contact Robert Leifert in the Synagogue Office in order to get on line for further information (427-1000).

# THE FIFTH CHILD THE ONE THAT CANNOT ASK

On this night, we remember a fifth child.

This is the child of the Shoah (Holocaust),

who did not survive to ask.

Therefore, we ask for that child — Why?

We are like the simple child. We have no answer.

We can only follow the footsteps of Rabbi Elazar ben Azariah,

who could not bring himself to mention

the Exodus at night

until Ben Zoma explained it to him through the verse

In order that you REMEMBER the day of your going out from Egypt, all the days of your life (Deut. 16.3)

"The days of your life" indicates the daylight and the goodness of life.

"All the days of your life" means even in the darkest nights when we have lost our firstborn, we must remember the Exodus. We answer that child's questions with silence.

In silence, we remember that dark time.

In silence, we remember that Jews preserved their image

of God in the struggle for life.

In silence, we remember that seder night when the Warsaw Ghetto rose in revolt.

(lift the cup of Elijah)

In silence, let us pass the cup of Elijah, the cup of the final

redemption yet-to-be.

We remember our people's return to the land of Israel,

the beginning of redemption.

Let us each fill Elijah's cup with some of our wine, expressing the hope that through our efforts,

we will bring closer that redemption.

We rise now and open our door to invite Elijah, the forerunner of the future which will bring an end to the nights of our people. We sing as they did.

Ani ma'amin b'emunah shleimah, beviat Hamashiah,

V'af al pi sheyitma-meah, im kol zeh ani ma'amin.

For I firmly believe in the coming of the Messiah, and even though the Messiah may tarry, in spite of this, I still believe.



# A TOY AND A MITZVAH

The Mitzvah Toy Campaign is a project sponsored by the KJ Social Action Committee. Each month, children who celebrate birthdays are asked to donate one of their gifts to this campaign. The toys are collected in the synagogue office and are donated to worthwhile charities. In the past we have donated toys to Sloan Kettering, Mount Sinai Pediatrics, Long Island Jewish Hospital, Emunah, Children of Chernobyl in Israel and to various orphanages in Israel. Children who participate in this campaign receive a beautiful certificate on behalf of the Social Action Committee.

This is a wonderful opportunity to teach our children the important mitzvah of helping others less fortunate than ourselves. Anyone who is interested in joining our efforts to expand this project is requested to contact Carolyn Rubin at 861-2336.

# THE SABBATH BEFORE PASSOVER

(No Cooking For You)

One of the most exciting advantages of the timing of the Annual Synagogue Shabbaton only a week before Passover, is that by our serving Friday dinner and Saturday lunch, it means a Shabbat of no cooking for you!

Dinner will be served Friday evening and lunch on Saturday to those who have reservations. The cost is \$50 for dinner and lunch (two meals) for adults and \$35 for children (for the two meals). For non-members the cost is \$60 for adults and \$45 for children.

The deadline for reservations, *space permitting*, is Monday, April 14. A check in the full amount must accompany all reservations.

(SEE COUPON BELOW)

ANNUAL SYNAGOGUE SHABBATON April 18-19, 1997				
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Park East Glatt Kosher Butcher	1163 Madison Avenue (86th St.)	737-9800	MBK
Sterns Glatt Kosher Emporium	526 Amsterdam Ave. (85th St.)	875-1731	MBK
TAKE OUT & HOME DELIVERY			
Essen West	226 West 72nd St. (Broadway)	362-1234	OU
H & H Bagels	2239 Broadway (80th St.)	595-8000	KofK
Long Island Glatt (Meat)	829 West 181st St. (Pinehurst)	795-0248 921-4433	KAJ OU
Lou G. Siegels Meal Mart Glatt Kosher	240 West 14th St. (7th & 8th) 2180 Broadway (77th St.)	787-4720	MBK
Miller's Cheese/Dairy Menagerie	2192 Broadway (78th St.)	496-8855	MBK
Sushiko-Sher (Delivery only)	66 West 38th St. (6th Ave.)	768-3737	OU
BAKERIES & SPECIALTIES	( )		
Bagel & Co.	500 East 76th St. (York Avenue)	717-0505	MBK
Grossinger's Bakery	570 Columbus Ave. (87th St.)	874-6966	MBK
Mezonot	692 Columbus Ave. (94th St.)	665-0953	MBK
Royale Kosher Bake Shop	237 West 72nd Street (Broadway)	874-5642	KAJ
DAIRY RESTAURANTS			
All American Health Bar	24 East 42nd Street (5th & Madison)	370-4525	OK
American Cafe & Health Bar	160 Broadway (Wall St.)	732-1426	Kof-K
Bagel & Co.	500 East 76th Street (York Avenue)	717-0505	MBK
Bagel & Co.	243 West 38th Street (7th & 8th)	997-7558	MBK
Bagel & Co.	1804 2nd Avenue (93rd & 94th)	426-5577	MBK
Cafe 1,2,3 Cafe 18	2 Park Avenue (32nd & 33rd)	685-7117	MBK
Cafe Roma Pizzeria	8 East 18th Street (5th Ave. & Broadway) 459 Park Avenue South (31st St.)	620-4182 683-3046	Star-K Star-K
Cafe Tugo, Inc.	50 West 33rd Street (5th & 6th)	967-3844	MBK
Cafe Weissman (Jewish Museum)	1109 Fifth Avenue (92nd St.)	423-3200	Star-K
Diamond Dairy Restaurant	4 West 47th Street (5th Avenue)	719-2694	CRC
Garden American Health Bar	49 Ann Street	587-8101	OK
Great American Health Bar	106 Fulton Street (South Street Seaport)	587-0262	OK
Gourmet Garden	175 Madison Avenue (33rd & 34th Sts.)	545-7666	Kof-K
Jerusalem 11	1375 Broadway (37th Street)	398-1475	OU
Joseph's Cafe	50 West 72nd (Columbus Ave.)	595-5004	MBK
Kosĥer Roma Pizzeria Mom's Bagels	175 West 91st Street (Amsterdam Ave.)	875-8972	MBK Kof-K
My Most Favorite Dessert Cafe	15 West 45th Street (5th Avenue) 120 West 45th Street (6th & Broadway)	764-1566 997-5130	OU
Provi Provi	228 West 72nd Street (Broadway & WEA)	875-9020	OK
Ratner's	138 Delancey Street	677-5588	Kof-K
Shalom Pizza	359 Grand Street (Essex)	598-4178	OK
Time Out-Pizza & Falafel	Amsterdam Ave. (186th & 187th-in YU)	923-1180	KAJ
Upper Crust Pizza	1376 Lexington Avenue (90th & 91st)	987-9130	MBK
Va Bene	1589 Second Avenue (82nd Street)	517-4448	OU
Vegetable Garden	15 East 40th Street (5th & Madison)	545-7444	Kof-K
Vegetarian Heaven	304 West 58th Street (8th Avenue)	956-4678	OK V of V
Village Bagel Cafe	94 Third Avenue (12th & 13th Sts.)	277-8816	Kof-K
MEAT RESTAURANTS	O Fast 27th Street (Madison & 5th)	725 0120	Kof-K
Abigail's Grill NY Alexi 56	9 East 37th Street (Madison & 5th) 25 West 56th Street (5th & 6th)	725-0130 767-1234	OU
Blue Moon	325 Fifth Avenue (32nd & 34rd)	213-1110	OK
Cafe Classico	35 West 57th Street (5th & 6th)	355-5411	OK
Cafe Masada	1239 First Avenue (67th St.)	988-0950	OK
Chez Lanu-Mr. Broadway	1372 Broadway (37th St.)	921-2152	OU
China Shalom II	686 Columbus Avenue (94th St.)	662-9676	Kof-K
Colbeh	43 West 39th Street (6th Avenue)	354-8181	Kof-K
Deli Glatt - Stop Sandwiches	150 Fulton Street (Broadway)	349-3622	VF Kof-K
Deli Kasbah Deli Kasbah-Uptown	251 West 85th Street (Broadway) 2553 Amsterdam Avenue (186th St.)	496-1500 568-4600	Kof-K Kof-K
Dougie's BBQ & Grill	222 West 72nd Street (Broadway)	724-2222	Kof-K Kof-K
Esti Hana	221 West 79th Street (Broadway)	501-0393	Kof-K
Galil	1252 Lexington Avenue (85th St.)	439-9886	Kof-K
Glatt Dynasty	1049 Second Avenue (55th & 56th Sts.)	888-2256	Kof-K
Grand Deli	399 Grand Street (Clinton)	477-5200	OU
Haikara	1016 Second Avenue (53rd & 54th Sts.)	355-7000	OU
Kosher Delight	1365 Broadway (36th St.)	563-3366	VF
Kosher Delight	1156 6th Avenue (45th St.)	869-6699	VF
Kosher Heaven Kosher Tea Room	55 Ann Street 193 Second Avenue (12th St.)	587-1185 677-2947	OK OK
La Fontana	309 East 83rd Street (1st & 2nd Ave.)	734-6343	OU
Le Marais	150 West 46th Street (6th Ave. & B'way)	869-0900	OK
Levanah	141 West 69th Street (Broadway)	877-8457	Kof-K
Mendy's	61 East 34th Street (Park Avenue)	576-1010	OU
Mendy's West	208 West 70th Street (Amsterdam)	877-6787	OU
Me Tsu Yan-Mr. Broadway	1372 Broadway (37th & 38th Sts.)	921-2152	OU
Tevere 84	155 East 84th Street (Lexington)	744-0210	OU
Village Crown	96 Third Avenue (12th Street)	674-2061	Kof-K
What's Cookin' Yum Yum Shoppe	18 East 41st Street (5th & Madison) 2504 Amsterdam Avenue (184 &185th Sts.)	725-6096 568-9289	Kof-K Kof-K
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KAJ = K'hal Adath Jeshurun
Kof-K = Kosher Supervision Service, Rabbi Harvey Senter
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#### SABBATH SCHEDULE

		Lighting of Candles	Friday Evening Services	Saturday Afternoon Services	Sabbath Ends
April		-			
4-5	Shmini (Shabbat Hachodesh)	6:06	6:15	6:00*	7:01
11-12	Tazria	7:13	6:45	7:00*	8:09
18-19	Metzorah (Shabbat Hagodel)	7:20	6:45	6:45***	8:18
May					
2-3	Acharei-Mot	7:35	6:45	7:50*	8:33
9-10	Kedoshim	7:42	6:45	7:55	8:41
16-17	Emor	7:49	6:45	8:00*	8:48
23-24	Behar	7:55	6:45	8:10	8:56
3031	Bechukotai	8:01	6:45	8:15*	9:02

\*Seudah Shlishit

\*\*\* Shabbat Hagadol Discourse

#### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

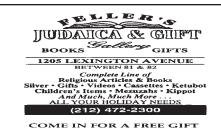
Weekday mornings	7:30 am
Sunday mornings	
Mondays and Thursdays	
Rosh Chodesh Weekdays	
Sabbath mornings	

#### **EVENING SERVICES**

Ap	oril	M	ay
6-10	6:30 pm	4-8	6:30 pm
13-17	6:30 pm	11-15	6:30 pm
		18-22	6:30 pm
		25-29	6:45 pm

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, April 8 Rosh Chodesh Nisan Morning Services at 7:00 am Monday, May 12 Yom HaAtzmaut Morning Services at 7:00 am





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