

# Kehilath Jeshurun Bulletin



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## S H A V U O T SATURDAY EVENING - MONDAY MAY 30 - JUNE 1

### SHAVUOT DINNER

Saturday Evening, May 30  
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through the night concluding with sunrise services.

**THE OPENING PRESENTATION AT 11:30 PM**

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### TRUTH AND DECEPTION IN THE MARKETPLACE

- Can a stock broker trade on inside information?
- What constitutes unfair competition?
- What is the role of Jewish law in the business world of today?

**MON., JUNE 8 - 8:00 PM**

*Taught by:*  
Dovid Gottlieb,  
KJ Rabbinic Intern

### THE LAWS OF MOURNING

- How does Jewish law pay respect to the deceased?
- What is the meaning of Kaddish?
- How do we conduct ourselves when visiting a mourner or cemetery?

**TUES., JUNE 9 - 8:00 PM**

*Taught by:*  
Rabbi Eliezer Rubin

### THE LAWS OF MUKTZA: HANDLING OBJECTS ON SHABBAT

- Why may some objects be handled on the Shabbat and not others?
- Can you move an object that you may not use on Shabbat?
- Learn the historical origin of these laws.

**WED., JUNE 10 - 8:00 PM**

*Taught by:*  
Rabbi Yitz Motechin

### HONORING ONE'S PARENTS

- How does one honor one's parents?
- How does one react to an abusive parent?
- Why is this obligation included in the Ten Commandments?

**THURS., JUNE 11 - 8:00 PM**

*Taught by:*  
Rabbi Mark Wildes

## KJ POLITICAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE ACTION ALERT US POLICY AND THE PEACE PROCESS

### IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUIRED

In light of the recent US pressure on Israel in the Middle East peace process, including a specific figure for redeployment and a deadline for acceptance, we urge all our members to call the White House and other Administration officials to protest this course of action. Imposed plans and pressure have always proved counterproductive in peace negotiations. The US should abide by its past assurances that it will not impose conditions and that Israel alone will determine her own security needs.

The following statement has been issued on behalf of: AMIT Women, Emunah of America, National Council of Young Israel, Poale Agudath Israel,

Rabbinical Council of America, Religious Zionists of America, and the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America:

"We are dismayed by United States pressure on Israel to withdraw from a specific percentage of territory in spite of past US assurances that no peace proposal would be enunciated or ultimatums issued and that the issues of Israel's security needs would be left solely to its democratically elected government. This issuance of a deadline is also a violation of the US Administration's written commitments (on January 15, 1997) that 'further redeployment phases are issues for implementation

by Israel rather than issues for negotiations with the Palestinians.' Public presentation of an American plan — especially one that includes a deadline and a specific redeployment figure — insinuates the US into the negotiations themselves and violates Israel's right to be the sole determinant of its security needs. Israel alone is responsible for its safety and security."

"We appreciate America's steadfast support for Israel and ask that she continue to demonstrate that support for its only reliable ally in the Middle East by not placing undue pressure on Israel to concede to conditions it views as a threat to her security. Israel

is involved in delicate negotiations that entail giving land for peace, and risks ceding the tangible for the intangible, an act that is irrevocable and has great security dimensions. We urge the United States to continue its role as a facilitator in the peace process, which can succeed only as a result of direct negotiations between the parties, and which does not include the United States publicly presenting a plan or a deadline that is unacceptable to Israel."

Calls to President Clinton and other administration officials should be made and letters can be sent directly. The phone number for the White House is (202) 456-1414.



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## ACADEMIC NEWS REQUESTED

At this season of the year we are already beginning to think of milestones and honors.

We would like to record those honors in the *Bulletin*. If you or anyone in your family is observing a milestone or receiving an honor, academic or professional, 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.

# BASH MITZVAHS!

## THANK YOU NEW YORK MAGAZINE

### A Sermon Delivered on Shabbat Zachor, March 7, 1998

#### at Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun

#### by Rabbi Haskel Lookstein

Ralph Gardner Jr. writes in *New York Magazine*: “Sometimes the more observant the family, the more baroque the reception. It was an Orthodox family, for example, that rented Radio City Music Hall last November for the bar mitzvah of their son, who attended a Brooklyn yeshiva.

‘It took a very long time to get them to commit to giving it to me,’ said the boy’s father, referring to the powers that be at Radio City... ‘I didn’t want a place where you’d been to 20 times over.’

“The dad admits he tried to book the Rockettes, but they had a previous engagement. ‘The Christmas show,’ he reports.

“He sees no contradiction between his son’s Orthodox religious service that morning and the evening extravaganza said to have cost between a quarter and a half-million dollars. ‘If you are able to have the means to make something different, I believe you should do it,’ he says. ‘It’s a once-in-a-lifetime experience.’”

Sometimes even *New York Magazine* can do us a favor. This was a case of the media reflecting — if in somewhat exaggerated terms — what is really going on in the world. In

this particular article, *New York Magazine* (March 9, 1998) produced a caricature of what it called “Bash Mitzvahs.” They did a Jackie Mason on this Jewish simcha — exaggerating to the point of hilarity (or sadness), something that is actually taking place in the American Jewish community.

The exposé came just in time for Purim. First: it was downright funny! Second: it was all about feasting and drinking. But, third: it reminded us of the party of Achashveirosh — a gross display of conspicuous consumption designed to demonstrate the King’s wealth, glory and grandeur — with which the Megillah opens.

Caricatures are always false — but they invariably contain an element of truth. The Toney Synagogue in Manhattan mentioned in the article was, blessedly, not KJ. But the article should give us pause for reflection nonetheless. I would like to engage in that reflection from a unique perspective by telling you of something that happened a few months ago with which you may not be familiar. A meeting of the Yeshiva High School Principals Council was called in order to discuss a request by Solomon Schechter High Schools to

join the Yeshiva League and play basketball with our teams. The meeting got quite heated and some rather unseemly things were said. At one point the chairman — no less — had raised the decibel level of his voice to such an extent that the new principal of the Yeshiva of Flatbush, Rabbi William Altshul, rose from his chair and said to the chairman: “If the chairman doesn’t stop yelling I am going to have to leave this meeting because I don’t think this is the kind of a meeting at which the Chafetz Chaim would have felt comfortable.”

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**I DON’T THINK THIS IS THE KIND OF A MEETING AT WHICH THE CHAFETZ CHAIM WOULD HAVE FELT COMFORTABLE.**

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*Kol ha-kavod* to Rabbi Altshul. He raised the consciousness of everybody about the inappropriateness of the tone of the meeting, a meeting which Rabbi Goldmintz (Assistant Dean in the Ramaz Upper School) and I had attended in order to make sure that the Solomon Schechter Schools would not be excluded from the basketball league. But the idea that we should sit at meetings only if we felt that the Chafetz Chaim would

feel comfortable at that same meeting is one worth pondering.

I would like to present this idea in a different way and with a different personality. I don’t know too much about the Chafetz Chaim, but I do know a great deal about Rabbi Moses Z. Margolies (the RaMaZ), my great-grandfather, who was a great scholar, a very pious man and a very warm, human, and moderate Jewish leader who understood people’s needs and who always tried to get along with everybody. Assuming the RaMaZ, who was the rabbi of this congregation from 1906 to 1936 and after whom our school was named, were to walk into KJ on a Shabbat morning, I am confident that he would be thrilled to experience the davening that is going on. I am equally certain that he would be ecstatic were he to walk into Ramaz on any day of the week and see students learning and living a life of Torah and *mitzvot* and still being part of the world.

The question that I have for us today, however, is would the RaMaZ feel comfortable at our bar and bat mitzvahs? I am not referring to any mixed dancing that might go on at some of these affairs. I think

the RaMaZ could have handled that. What I am referring to are some of the practices that might be problematic for him and that, therefore, should be problematic for us as well.

I

### FIRST: THE SCALE OF THE EVENTS

Are some of them a little too grand? Is there too much of everything — flowers, invitations, food, drink, entertainment, games and themes?

Maimonides in his laws about the Megillah (chapter 2, paragraph 17) writes as follows: “It is preferable for a person to increase his or her gifts to the poor on Purim rather than expand in the mitzvah of the festive meal and the sending of food gifts to his friends; for there is no greater joy than to bring happiness to the poor, the orphan, the widow and the stranger, for one who brings joy to these people is like the Divine presence, as it is written: ‘God brings life to the spirit of the lowly and to the heart of the depressed.’”

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### CELEBRATIONS WHICH EXPRESS THE JOY OF A MITZVAH MUST HAVE A BALANCE BETWEEN GAIETY AND SOLEMNITY.

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Let’s compare this statement of Maimonides with an excerpt from *New York Magazine*: “The solemnity and ritual of the bar mitzvahs themselves make the blowouts that may come afterward all the harder to understand. For example, the family of a girl who had her *bas mitzvah* at (name of synagogue), who

supplied the kiddush.... with centerpieces of canned matzo balls and tuna for the homeless, threw their daughter a \$150,000 black tie reception at Tavern on the Green that same evening. It included a commissioned 60-foot-long mural depicting not the lives of the prophets but those of the Beatles, the *bas mitzvah* girl’s favorite band... The evening culminated with a fireworks display that exploded from the center of each table...

“I’m very detail-driven,” explains the girl’s mother, the CEO of a large company. I spoke to (the planners) every day for four months. When it was over, it was like what am I going to do now?”

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### WOULD THE RAMAZ FEEL COMFORTABLE AT OUR BAR AND BAT MITZVAHS?

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“She insisted that the splendor of the evening was simply a desire to celebrate life, not to impress her friends. ‘My mother is a Holocaust survivor,’ she says, ‘our celebration was the fact that she had survived and that we had a daughter to *bas mitzvah* (sic!). We made a donation for every guest who was there, to the Holocaust Museum in Washington.’

I wonder if the *bas mitzvah*’s mother followed the Rambam’s prescription and exceeded the \$150,000 spent on the affair with her gifts per person to the Holocaust Museum in Washington? The affair might still have been overdone but, then, so

would the *tzedakah*. I know of a family in Israel that was going to make a very large wedding the preparations for which made their daughter (the bride) embarrassed. “Listen,” the father of the bride said, “this is mommy’s and my *simcha* and we are going to do it the way we think it should be done. But you should know that for every *shekel* spent on this wedding we will give an equal amount to institutions of Torah learning in Israel; so you had better pray for a large wedding because that will make the *tzedakah* so much larger.” I happened to have attended that wedding and I was sitting at the table with a group of rabbis when the bride’s father came over and gave each of them (unfortunately not me) an envelope for his yeshiva or girls’ institution for Torah study. It was unforgettable!

II

### DRINKING

Is it arranged to be done in moderation and do the guests follow those arrangements? Even on Purim when it is a *mitzvah* to become inebriated so that one does not know the difference between who is cursed and who is blessed, the Rama advises us that it is not necessary to get drunk in order to fulfill that commandment.

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### ... LIGHT, HAPPINESS, JOY — AND STILL, GLORY AND HONOR TO OURSELVES AND TO OUR CELEBRATION.

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All a person has to do is drink a little more than he is used to and become drowsy, and in his drowsiness he

doesn’t know the difference between blessed be Mordechai and cursed be Haman. Drinking at a *simcha* is not a sin, but it should always be done in moderation and with an awareness that we are members of a *mamlechet Kohanim* and a *goy kodesh* — a kingdom of priests and a holy people.

III

### WHAT ABOUT THE DRESS

#### AT THESE AFFAIRS?

I am referring to both adults and children. Do the adults dress with modesty and with an awareness that as members of the kingdom of priests we ought to take our cue from the priestly garments which were designed to reflect honor and glory and nothing else. Do we dress our children properly in these affairs? Are 12-and-13-year-old girls dressed as fitting their age or do we give into the desires of some to look like 12 going on 20? The pictures in the magazine of “slow dance, fast pace” provided vivid examples of girls in particular who were dressed provocatively and most inappropriately for their age while the boys, who mature later, looked clearly out of step.

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### THE SOLEMNITY AND RITUAL OF THE BAR MITZVAHS THEMSELVES MAKE THE BLOWOUTS THAT MAY COME AFTERWARD ALL THE HARDER TO UNDERSTAND.

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Dressing ourselves and our children with an awareness of the fact that we



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are part of a *mamlechet Kohanim* was always important for the Jewish people. Today, however, when the public domain has very few standards of propriety, it is even more important to remember who and what we are and who and what we would like our children to become.

**IV****A SENSE OF BALANCE**

At a *simcha* it is terribly important to balance our joy and happiness over a glorious milestone with some degree of moderation of emotion and display. The difficulty of doing this is not new in our day. It goes back at least as far as the days of the Talmud. In the tractate of Brachot (20b), we find a wedding celebration arranged by a great sage for his own son. "He noticed that the rabbis (please note) were overextending themselves in hilarity. He took a very valuable glass cup and smashed it in front of them and they became serious." The Tosafot (21a), comments that this is the source for breaking a glass at a wedding. In other words, at the conclusion of a wedding ceremony, we do not break a glass only in order to remember the destruction of the Temple which, of course, is the primary purpose; we also break one in order to emphasize that celebrations which express the joy of a mitzvah must have a balance between gaiety and solemnity, between the joyous and the serious. We never fully let go. We always practice — and teach — moderation and a

portion of restraint. This is the way of the *mamlechet Kohanim*.

The Talmud in Eruvin (65b) states something which has been often quoted but whose last words are virtually unknown. "By three things a person will be understood and appraised: *b'koso*, by the way in which he drinks; *b'kiso*, by the way in which he gives charity; *u'v'cha'aso*, by the way in which he deals with his anger. *And some say even by the way in which he celebrates.*"

In our day, that addendum — *af b'sachako* — even by the way in which he celebrates — may be the most revealing about ourselves and most instructive for our children.

**DO WE DRESS OUR CHILDREN PROPERLY IN THESE AFFAIRS?**

Perhaps, then, the test and measure for our *bar* and *bat mitzvahs*, our weddings, or any celebration, should be: would the RaMaZ feel comfortable in our midst? If we can ask ourselves that question as we plan a *simcha*, then the *simcha* will have all four ingredients for which Purim and, hopefully, we are known: *ora v'simcha v'sason viy'kar* — light, happiness, joy — and still, glory and honor to ourselves and to our celebration.

**WOMEN'S  
TEFILAH GROUP**  
**Saturday, May 30, 9:15 AM**  
in the Etra Chapel  
**BAMIDBAR**

**WITHIN OUR FAMILY****BIRTHS****Mazel tov to:**

Jennifer and Jackie Eisenstat on the birth of a daughter. Similar good wishes to the proud grandparents, Suzie and Sandy Eisenstat.

Stephanie and Ilya Grozovsky on the birth of a son. Similar good wishes to the proud grandmother, Dr. Inna Bakker.

Jane and Michael Lewittes on the birth of a daughter. Similar good wishes to the proud grandparents, Ruth and Hon. Joel Lewittes.

Evan and Matthew Lipman on the birth of a daughter, Julia Rose.

Elissa Shay and Daniel Ordan on the birth of a daughter, Rachel Lucy Ordan.

Judy and Dr. Robert Podell on the birth of a grandson, Aaron Benjamin, to their children, Dr. Debbie and Ari Fishkind.

Judy and our Trustee Dr. Alan Spiegel on the birth of a son.

Amanda and Leon Sziezinger on the birth of twin boys, Ethan Benjy and Zackary Gil.

Rita and Dr. David Woldenberg on the birth of a grandson to their children,

Rona Woldenberg and Reuben Askowitz.

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

**BAR MITZVAH**

Mazel tov to Eleanor Friedman on the Bar Mitzvah in Israel of her grandson, Yitzchok Dovid who is the son of Debbie and Rabbi Samuel Friedman.

**ENGAGEMENT**

Mazel tov to Mrs. Eleanor Friedman on the engagement of her granddaughter, Chumi Etty Friedman, daughter of Debbie and Sammy Friedman of Neve Yaakov to Aaron Dovid Shatz.

*May their wedding take place in happiness and blessing.*

**CONDOLENCES****Our condolences to:**

Dr. Allen Gribetz on the loss of his father, Dennis Gribetz.

Sheera Moffson on the loss of her father, Kenneth Michael.

Susan Stein on the loss of her father, Herbert Mendelson.

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

**SCHEDULE FOR SHAVUOT SERVICES****FRIDAY, MAY 29**

Evening ..... 6:45 PM  
Lighting of the Candles ..... 7:58 PM

**SATURDAY, MAY 30, SHAVUOT EVE**

Morning ..... 9:00 AM  
Evening ..... 8:10 PM  
Lighting of the Candles ..... After 9:01 PM  
Tikun Leyl Shavuot ..... 11:30 PM

**SUNDAY, MAY 31**

Morning ..... 9:00 AM  
Evening ..... 8:15 PM  
Lighting of the Candles ..... After 9:02 PM

**MONDAY, JUNE 1**

Morning ..... 9:00 AM  
*The Book of Ruth will be read.*  
*Yizkor is recited as part of this service.*  
Evening ..... 8:15 PM  
Conclusion of Yom Tov ..... 9:03 PM

# In Memoriam

## Joel Finkle

He joined our congregation, together with his dear wife Maria, out of a sense of appreciation for our role in the community and our sponsorship of Ramaz. He had a very close relationship with the late Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein.

Joel Finkle was an Orthodox Jewish statesman. He led congregations wherever he lived, but he often gave leadership behind the scenes. He and Maria were generous to every worthy cause, with particular emphasis on Yeshiva University, Bar-Ilan University, UJA, Israel Bonds, Ramaz School and The New York Board of Rabbis. Together they established the Rabbi of the Year Award some years ago. Our own Rabbi Haskel Lookstein was the second recipient of that award and they were so proud of that fact.

Above and beyond everything else, he was a wonderful husband and father and a genuinely pious Jew who went to shul every morning and loved to learn Torah. We shall all miss him.

## William G. Lebowitz

We mourn the passing of a former Vice President of our congregation who loved KJ and who was deeply involved in every aspect of our life. Together with his late wife Bertha who was President of our Sisterhood, he practiced generosity to the congregation, to Ramaz, to UJA to Yeshiva University and to Israel Bonds.

A deeply religious man, he was in shul every Shabbat and, many years ago, he chaired and personally participated in the Father and Son Minyan which regularly brought 40 to 50 teenagers to shul on Sunday morning.

Deeply committed to his family, he was a loving husband and an exceptionally devoted father who suffered the sudden passing of one of his two sons. He lived well into his 90's as a man of gentle and idealistic character who will long be remembered for his dignity, generosity, piety and love for the Jewish people.

## Phyllis Seplow

She came to our congregation shortly after her marriage twenty-four years ago only to become very ill two years later. She suffered with that illness for more than twenty years.

A gifted and articulate writer and publicist, she had a glorious career ahead of her which tragically was cut short by her illness. Her husband, Sandy, was loyal and incredibly devoted to her throughout these long years, helping her to live the best life she possibly could right to the end.

A sweet and loving soul, she suffered in silence and dignity without ever losing her faith in God. We pray that Sandy, who suffered along with her through all of these years, will be blessed with joy commensurate with the pain that he shared with her.

## Lillian Brown Borenstein

She was a first lady in our congregation. A dynamic, irrepressible, delightful woman who brought up two children in KJ and Ramaz, who lived to see grandchildren, and most recently, another great-grandchild whose *bris* and *pidyon ha-ben* she was privileged to attend.

A leader in Ramaz and KJ, whatever there was to be done in our community you could count on her to do it and do it well, with grace, style and verve. She set a wonderful example for her family for whom she was the queen and around whom they all flocked in the good times as well as in these last eleven years of illness.

She saw her son Benjamin Brown serve for six years as President of our congregation and her older son, B. Warren Brown serve as a leader of a new congregation in Roslyn. Both of her sons are present daily at their respective morning *minyanim*.

She was blessed with the best husband in the late A. Milton Brown with whom she shared so much. And then, after his passing, she was blessed again with the best husband in the person of Sam Borenstein with whom she enjoyed a number of glorious years and then from who she received the utmost devotion, tenderness and care throughout her years of infirmity.

We, however, will always remember Lili Brown Borenstein as she was: a dynamo, a stunning lady, who lived her Jewish life to the full and remains worthy of our love and emulation even after her passing from our midst.

## Dr. Harry Goldin

We lost our most senior member. Dr. Goldin died after a very brief illness two months before his 100th birthday.

Last Rosh Hashanah he read the *Haftorah* here with his usual, impeccable cantillation and articulation of words. That was the way he davened before the *Amud* as well, right up through the last of the many *yahrzeits* that he observed.

A Hebraist, a scholar of Talmud and Bible, a devoted lay student of the late Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik, he occupied his seat in the second row of the Main Synagogue and the Chapel with dignity, piety and a love for Judaism. That was his legacy to his three children, all of whom were educated at Ramaz during pioneering days of the school. That was his legacy to us as well.

May God comfort all of the bereaved families and may they enjoy henceforth an extended period of happiness.

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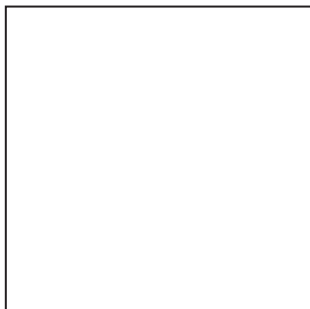
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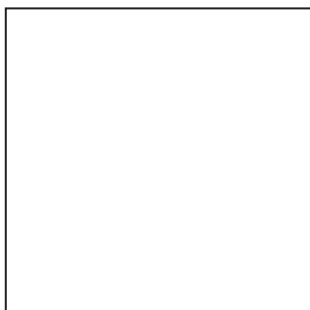
## BNAI MITZVAH



### JOSHUA RING

Mazel tov to Louise and Frank Ring on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Joshua, which took place at the Kotel on Saturday, April 11. He read the Torah portion for the first day of Pesach. Joshua is also reading the weekly portion of *Beha'alotcha* on Shabbat, June 13, at Congregation Bnai Israel.

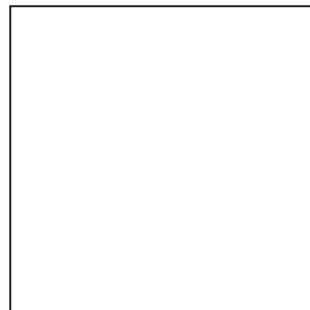
Joshua is a student in the seventh grade of the Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School of Ramaz



### MARC FRIEDMAN

Mazel tov to Marylene and Alan Friedman on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Marc, which took place on Saturday, May 16, in the Main Synagogue. He will read the weekly portion of *Emor* and the *Haftarah*.

Marc is a student in the seventh grade of the Horace Mann School.

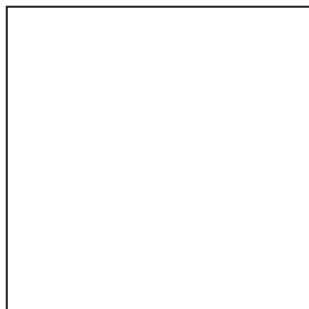


### ELIZABETH SINNREICH

Mazel tov to Naomi and Dr. Abraham Sinnreich on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Elizabeth, which will take place on

Sunday, May 25, in the Main Synagogue. She will make a *siyum* on Megilat Ruth as well as deliver a *Dvar Torah* on "*The Theme of Friendship in the Torah*."

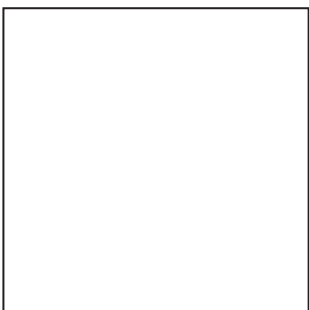
Elizabeth is a student in the sixth grade of the Ramaz Lower School.



### SHIRA BENDER

Mazel tov to Dr. Paula Elbirt-Bender and Dr. Adam Bender on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Shira, which will take place at the Women's Tefilah Group on Saturday, May 30, where she will read the Torah portion of *Bamidbar*. She will deliver a *Dvar Torah* on God's love for His People.

Shira is a student in the sixth grade of the Ramaz Lower School.



### MAURY SLEVIN

Mazel tov to Joanna and Ron Slevin on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Maury, which will take place on Saturday, June 6, in the Main Synagogue. He will read the weekly portion of *Naso* and the *Haftarah*.

Maury is a student in the sixth grade of the Ramaz Lower School.

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## FOUR MEMBERS HONORED BY YESHIVA UNIVERSITY

We would like to congratulate the following members of KJ who will receive honorary degrees at the 67th Annual commencement Exercises of Yeshiva University on Thursday, May 21 at the theatre of Madison Square Garden.

**Dr. Leon A. Feldman**, Professor of Hebraic Studies Emeritus, Rutgers University and a graduate of the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary and the Bernard Revel Graduate School.

**Dr. Beatrice Friedland**, former Chairman of the Department of Biology at Stern College where she taught a generation of young women. She is now a member of the Board of Directors of Stern

College. She is also a guest of honor at the Stern College Annual Dinner.

**Ambassador Dore Gold**, Permanent Rep-resentative of Israel to the United Nations.

**Maria Finkle**, guest of honor at the Stern College Annual Dinner.

We also wish to congratulate **Erica Jesselson**, mother of our devoted member, Michael Jesselson. She serves as Chairperson, Board of Directors of the Yeshiva University Museum.

This promises to be a particularly wonderful graduation at Yeshiva with a very happy KJ flavor.

Mazel tov to all of the recipients.

## ELEANOR FRIEDMAN TO MAKE ALIYAH

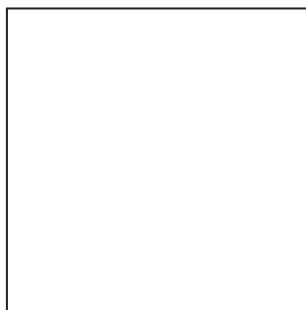
With a certain amount of mixed feelings, we bid farewell to Eleanor Friedman who is now leaving on Aliyah.

Eleanor and her late husband, Joseph N. Friedman, collectively were members of this congregation for more than half a century. They

raised two sons, Samuel and Alan at Kehilath Jeshurun and Ramaz, both of whom, with their own families, made aliyah a number of years ago.

We wish Eleanor well and hope to see her on our own visits to Israel.

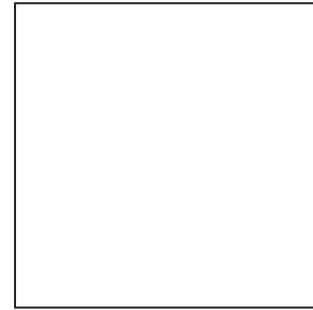
*L'Hitraot.*



### ELISHEVA DAVIS

Mazel tov to Rochelle and Cantor Mayer Davis on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Elisheva, which will take place at a Seudah Shlishit on Saturday, June 6. She will deliver a *Dvar Torah* on "*Megilat Ruth - A Lesson in Chesed*." Mazel tov to the proud grandparents, Esther and Cantor Avrum Davis.

Elisheva is a student in the sixth grade of the Hebrew Academy of Nassau County.



### CLIFFORD ALEXANDER SCHOCHAT

Mazel tov to Lou-Ella Merin and Michael Schochat on the Bat Mitzvah of their son, Clifford, which will take place on Saturday, June 13, in the Main Synagogue. He will read the weekly portion of *Beha'alotcha* at a Seudah Shlishit.

Clifford is a student in the seventh grade of the Ramaz Upper School.



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		Friday	Saturday	
		Lighting	Evening	Afternoon Sabbath
		of Candles	Services	Services Ends
<b>May</b>				
22-23	Behar-Bechukotai	7:53	6:45	7:45* 8:55
29-30	Bamidbar			
	Erev Shavuot	7:58	6:45	8:10 **
		**Candle Lighting After 9:01		

### June

5-6	Naso	8:04	6:45	6:45* 9:07
12-13	Behaalotekha	8:07	6:45	7:50* 9:11
19-20	Shelach	8:10	6:45	8:15 9:14
26-27	Korach	8:11	6:45	8:15 9:15

\*Seudah Shlishit

### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Weekday mornings .....	7:30 am
Sunday mornings .....	8:30 am
Mondays and Thursdays .....	7:15 am
Rosh Chodesh Weekdays .....	7:00 am
Sabbath mornings .....	9:00 am

**EVENING SERVICES** . . . . . 6:45 pm

### DATES TO REMEMBER

<b>Sunday, May 24</b>	<b>Saturday Eve-Monday</b>
Yom Yerushalayim	<b>May 30 - June 1</b>
Morning Services at 8:30 am	Shavuot
<b>Monday, May 25</b>	<b>Wednesday-Thursday</b>
Memorial Day	<b>June 24-25</b>
Morning Services at 8:30 am	Rosh Chodesh Tammuz
<b>Tuesday, May 26</b>	Morning Services at 7:00 am
Rosh Chodesh Sivan	
Morning Services at 7:00 am	

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