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**March 26 and 27**

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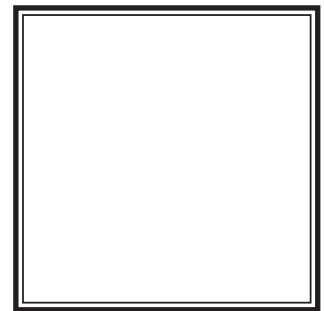
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Richard M. Joel joined Hillel as its International Director in 1988, and became the President of The Foundation for Jewish Campus Life upon its inception in 1993. Hillel afforded Mr. Joel the opportunity to merge his personal interest in reconnecting and engaging thousands of young Jews on campus in a positive and vibrant Jewish life, with his professional expertise as an educator, administrator and advocate.

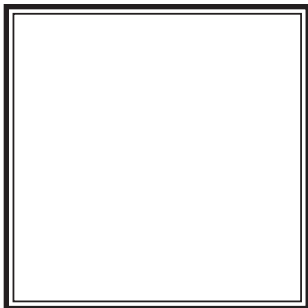
Prior to joining Hillel, Mr. Joel served as the Associate Dean and Professor of Law at the Benjamin Cardozo School of Law of Yeshiva University, where he taught legal ethics. He also served as Director of University Alumni Affairs at Yeshiva University, had extensive involvement in informal Jewish education, and was Assistant District Attorney in the Bronx.

Kehilath Jeshurun is proud to welcome Richard Joel to serve as our Scholar-In-Residence.

**YOM HASHOAH SERVICE**

**HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY**

**Monday, April 12, 7:30 PM**



**FANYA HELLER**

Guest Speaker

**“Witness to the Holocaust”**

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 at 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 Hashoah by students of the Ramaz School will complete the evening.  
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On Shabbat HaGadol, Saturday afternoon, March 27, following Mincha services, in the Main Synagogue, Rabbi Joshua Lookstein will discuss the role that community plays within Judaism.

Pesach is the holiday that celebrates the Jewish People's exodus from Egypt, but we would be remiss in not realizing that before the exodus, there was a 'Jewish People.' The exodus itself is the historical event that signified the birth of the Jews as a nation and as a community.

Later Rabbinic literature, and specifically the Haggadah, reflect this idea as well. The Drasha will explore the concept of community from legal and social perspectives, dealing with issues of unity, responsibility and individuality, utilizing thought of Nachmanides, Rav Soloveitchik and Abraham Joshua Heschel, among others.

The entire community is invited to manifest itself by coming to the lecture which will begin following mincha at 5:00 PM.

## **ANNUAL SYNAGOGUE SHABBATON**

**March 26-27, 1999**

Friday Dinner and Saturday Lunch  
The Shabbat Before Passover  
(No Cooking For You!)

*Members:*

Adults	\$50
Children	\$35

*Non-Members:*

Adults	\$60
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*Deadline: Tuesday, March 23 at 12:00 Noon  
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## **KEHILATH JESHURUN'S**

**127th Annual Meeting**

**Wednesday, April 28, 1999**

**8:00 PM**

- Induction of New Members
  - Recognition of Anniversarians
  - Volunteer of the Year Awards
  - Memorial to Departed Members
  - President's Review of the Year
  - Election of Officers and Trustees
- (Collation to Follow)

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**YOM HASHOAH SERVICE  
HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY  
MONDAY, APRIL 12, 7:30 PM**

**GUEST SPEAKER  
FANYA HELLER**

**WITNESS TO THE HOLOCAUST**

Fanya Gottesfeld Heller was born in Skala, in eastern Poland in 1924 and was raised in a traditional middle class Jewish family. Despite starvation, disease, and constant danger of arrest and execution by the Nazis, she and her family survived the Holocaust thanks to the courage and love of two Christian rescuers. She has related her wartime experiences in her highly acclaimed book, *Strange and Unexpected Love, A Teenage Girl's Holocaust Memoirs*.

Her book has become an important tool for teaching about the ways in which human beings respond to extreme conditions: some with devotion and loyalty, others with hatred and betrayal.

While Mrs. Heller's story is grounded in her personal experience, it transcends individual and group interests, aiming straight at the human heart and the concerns we all share.

**“WITNESS  
TO THE HOLOCAUST”**

Fanya Heller's message is universal: it is the story of life over death, of love over hatred. Through her book, as a lecturer, and through radio and TV appearances, Mrs. Heller has reached an estimated 35 million people. She shares her Holocaust experience in an authentic voice that bonds her instantly with her audience. Responses from her audiences indicate that her message resonates with a very broad cross-section of our society, especially members of minority groups.

**KASHER-IN**

*SUNDAY, MARCH 28*

Kehilath Jeshurun will sponsor its *Kasher-In* this year on Monday, March 28 between 9:00 AM and 1:00 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.

**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 Sunday morning, March 28 between 9:00 and 1:00 PM.

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

**FORM FOR SALE OF CHAMETZ**

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please return to the Synagogue office by Wednesday, March 31, at 8:30 AM.*

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Under the leadership of Rabbi Joshua Lookstein, KJ will host a Beginners Seder 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, Wednesday evening, March 31.

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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All orders must be pre-paid and ordered by Wednesday, March 24 at noon.

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ lbs. of shmura matzos at \$12.00 per pound. Make check payable to the "KJ Special Projects Fund."

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## PASSOVER RELIEF — WE NEED YOUR GIFT NOW

Dear Members of the KJ Community:

*THE FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS FOLLOWING PURIM IS MA'OT CHITIM - Passover Relief.* Each year we make a special appeal for the Benevolent Fund in advance of Passover to help us meet extraordinary needs. Some examples of these needs are as follows:

### 1. *Poor people who come to our attention and who need special help.*

For example: a former professor in the City University who suffered a breakdown and is now homeless. We have been helping him for several years with 'loans'; a woman whose husband abandoned her with five children and whom we have been helping to support for more than twelve years; a man who grew up in this community, who has absolutely no family except for us, and who is now institutionalized — we provide him with all of his personal needs, including spending money; an Israeli scholar, whose work we have been supporting for years, who now has to marry off a second daughter suffering from a serious case of Crohn's disease. He has to pay for the entire wedding himself.

These are examples of people who do not come to the attention of public charities. They depend on us and a few others for help throughout the year.

### 2. *The Joint Passover Association*

- to which we give a major contribution every year. This is New York City's Jewish charity to help poor Jews celebrate Pesach. Government cutbacks in aid to the Jewish poor make the assistance of the JPA more crucial than ever.

### 3. *Many religious, educational and social organizations in Israel — and some in America* - which deserve support, which desperately need such support, and which look to us for help particularly at this season of the year.

We do not conduct appeals in our congregation for individuals or for deserving institutions. Our Benevolent Fund is our community's way of supporting a variety of philanthropic causes — personal and institutional. Please, therefore, contribute generously now, taking into consideration that this one gift is in place of many potential appeals.

As we take care of the first responsibility listed in the *Shulchan Arukh* in the laws of Passover — *ma'ot chitim* — we pray that we will all be blessed with a happy and kosher Passover and a year of sustenance and support for ourselves and for the entire Jewish people.

Very cordially yours,  
HASKEL LOOKSTEIN

## 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 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 Sunday morning,

March 28 between 9:00 AM and 1:00 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*.

**MEN'S CLUB THEATRE PARTY**

**THEODORE BIKEL  
IN "THE GATHERING"  
SUNDAY, JUNE 6, 7:00 PM**

The 1999 KJ Men's Club Theatre Party will see Theodore Bikel star in the Jewish Repertory Theatre's production of "THE GATHERING" on Sunday evening, June 6 at 7:00 PM. The theatre, Playhouse 91, is located in our neighborhood at 306 East 91st Street. Bikel will play the lead role of the grandfather, a Holocaust survivor who comes to his grandson's Bar Mitzvah.

After the play, our group will meet with the cast, director, playwright and possibly Bikel as well. This will be followed by a reception at the theatre.

The cost of tickets is \$35 each payable to the KJ Men's Club. Participants can be sponsors at \$50 per ticket. Please order through the Synagogue office (427-1000).

**THE GATHERING**

The story of *The Gathering* is based upon the 1985 Bitburg incident when President Reagan caused an international uproar with his decision to visit Bitburg, Germany to lay a wreath at a military cemetery containing S.S. graves. Reagan's act not only infuriated the world, but in *The Gathering* almost tears father and son apart. The father is a Holocaust survivor, and the son is a recently appointed speech writer for President Reagan. The task of bridging generational conflict and saving the family is left to their youngest, Michael, on the eve of his Bar Mitzvah, and a young German security guard.

**YOM HAATZMAUT  
ISRAEL INDEPENDENCE DAY  
The 51st Anniversary of the State of Israel**

*Tuesday, April 20, 7:30 PM*

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*Wednesday, April 21, 7:00 AM*

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# A P A S S O V E R

## Step # 1: Out Darn Chametz!

When one thinks of Passover, two things come to mind: Cleaning the home and the Seder. When considering the two, though, it seems that it is the Seder that best represents the holiday. After all, the purpose of Passover is to remember the exodus from Egypt, and hence, the in depth analysis of the Jewish People's journey from slavery to freedom.

Cleaning the home, on the other hand, appears to be just a preparation for the Seder and the rest of the holiday. However, the Torah begs to differ. "And Moses said to the people, 'Remember this day when you came out of Egypt, out of the house of bondage, that by the strength of hand did God bring you out of here and [therefore] nothing leavened shall be eaten'" (Exodus 13:3). Not only does the Seder represent the exodus, but the ridding the home of Chametz itself, is testimony to the exodus as well.

Of course the verse begs the question; why? What was, and is, so important about not having leavened bread in one's home, that makes its removal such a focal point of Passover? Rabbi Samson Raphael Hirsch answered this question by noting the puzzling directive that God gave to the Jewish people while in Egypt, that their consumption of the Passover sacrifice had to include unleavened bread, Matzah. It seems strange that at a moment when their freedom was virtually guaranteed, they were told to eat the food that most represented their slavery. On the contrary, the directive should have been to eat bread, cake, a Napoleon!

Why unleavened bread? Rabbi Hirsch explains that God chose that time to remind the Jewish People that while they were ending their servitude to Pharaoh, they were beginning another type of servitude, albeit entirely of a different nature, to God. So Matzah was to be the food

of Passover, and all leaven was, and is, to be removed from the home prior to Passover. The cleaning and removal, then, is inherently connected to the exodus from Egypt.

There is an interesting possible side-note to this idea. The Torah commands us (as is quoted in the Hagadah) to remember the exodus from Egypt every day of our lives. We fulfill that requirement by saying the Shema, which makes reference to the exodus. However, in light of what we now know, maybe we don't need the Shema, because whose family doesn't start cleaning for Passover the day after Passover ends?

## STEP #2: Holidays in Mirror Are Closer Than They Appear

### *A Checklist of Cleaning Tips*

**CLOTHING.** All pockets should be searched for food (i.e., sucking candies, wrappers, crumbs). Men should remember to clear their Tallis bags of any Chametz that might be kept there.

**ROOMS.** All rooms where Chametz may have entered must be thoroughly cleaned.

**KITCHEN.** Dishes and kitchen utensils must be cleaned and stored away in such a manner that they cannot be accidentally used during Pesach. It is good to either tape, or tie shut, cabinets that contain things you cannot use. Tables, shelves and countertops must be washed, and those that will be used on Pesach must be covered for the duration of the holiday. Refrigerators should be washed (shelves, walls and compartments), and shelves and compartments should be covered for the duration of the holiday.

## STEP #3: Bubble Bubble Boil the Trouble

### *Kashering Appliances*

Gas ovens, both the stove-top and inside (racks as well), should be

cleaned with an oven cleaner, and then not used for 24 hours. After 24 hours, invert the metal spiders and turn the burners on to the highest setting for one hour. (If using an electric oven, turn the burners on to the highest setting for one hour as well). After this is done, cover the stovetop with aluminum foil for the duration of Pesach. The inside oven should be turned on to broil for one hour. If the oven is self-cleaning, go through one cycle.

Microwave ovens should be cleaned, and not used for 24 hours, after which a bowl or cup containing a few ounces of water should be put in and 'cooked' until the water is vaporized into steam.

Sinks should be cleaned with a cleaning solution, and not used for 24 hours, after which boiling water should be poured on every area of the sink and its parts.

Dishwashers may be kashered for Pesach after standing unused for 24 hours. They should be put through three complete cycles, using soap in the first one.

### *Kashering Utensils*

While it is preferable to have as many utensils as possible specially reserved for use only on Pesach, many utensils used throughout the year may be kashered for use on Pesach. Items that are 'kasherable' include: metal utensils used for hot and cold, providing they are not difficult to clean (i.e., a sieve, parts that are glued together), and glass utensils that were used strictly for cold food.

Items that may not be kashered are: glassware that is used for cooking, earthenware, pottery, porcelain, pyrex, and chinaware. The easiest way to kasher utensils is to bring them to the KJ Kasher-In (see page 3) where Rabbi Josh Lookstein will supervise the immersion of metal utensils in a large sink of rapidly boiling water.

It is also possible to kasher in the privacy of your own home. The procedure for kashering is as

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follows: Metal utensils should be thoroughly cleaned with a cleaning solution and then not used for 24 hours. Small utensils such as silverware or other cutlery should be immersed briefly in a large pot containing rapidly boiling water. If the pot is very large, more than one piece may be immersed at a time. Each piece should then be rinsed with cold water.

Pots are kashered by bringing water in them to a boil and then immersing a hot stone or iron such that the water will overflow onto the sides of the pot. Then rinse the pot in cold water. Items which came into direct contact with Chametz, without the medium of water (e.g. a broiler, frying pan) may be kashered by heating them until they are literally 'redhot' or by placing them in a self-cleaning oven during the self-clean cycle.

Glass utensils should be cleaned with a cleaning solution and then immersed in water (a bathtub works) for three days, changing the water every 24 hours.

## **STEP #4: By the Light . . . and the Silvery Spoon** *The Search For Chametz*

In actuality, the search for Chametz is not its own Mitzvah, but rather the first of three stages in disposing of the Chametz: 1) searching, 2) annulling and 3) burning. The proof is that the Bracha that is said before the search speaks of the commandment to burn the Chametz, not to search, as we would have expected. We begin the process by searching the home on Tuesday night, soon after sunset (see schedule box).

It is preferable not to begin any other task prior to the search, so as not to risk forgetting to do it. It is customary, although not obligatory, to carefully place ten small pieces of bread in different rooms of the house,

to be collected during the search. The pieces, though, should ideally be a conversation-starter regarding the Chametz that may have been in the particular room you are in. It is a final opportunity to make sure every part of the home was cleaned. A Bracha is made immediately prior to the search. While reciting the Bracha, one should have in mind the annulment and burning of the Chametz that will take place at points after the search.

One is not supposed to talk until the conclusion of the search. The search should be by candlelight, preferably with the lights out, so that the candle can be more effective. It is customary to use a wood spoon (okay, not silvery) and a feather to help remove the pieces of bread. At the conclusion of the search a declaration is made annulling the Chametz that was missed in the cleaning and the search. You declare it of no value and of no owner. Because the annulling statement is so important, it should be said in a language understood by all present. The Chametz from the search should be wrapped-up and ready to burn in the morning (see schedule box, and step #6).

## **STEP #5: Chametz for Sale!** *The Sale of Chametz*

While the removal of Chametz via the search will prevent someone from eating Chametz on Pesach, the prohibition of owning Chametz would still exist due to the Chametz stored away in closets and cupboards. For this reason it has become customary, on the morning before Pesach, for the rabbi of a community to sell to a non-Jew, all of the Chametz belonging to Jews who authorize him to be their agent for this purpose. While this works for most Chametz, pure Chametz, such as bread or cereal, should preferably

be disposed of before Pesach.

The best mode of authorizing the rabbi to sell one's Chametz is in person, allowing for a special form of transaction to take place, called a *Kinyan Suddar*, where the rabbi hands a garment (i.e., handkerchief) to the authorizer as a visible manifestation of contractual intent. For those who will not see the rabbi, a Sale of Chametz form (page 3) is included. It is a written contract appointing the rabbi as agent for the sale. If one will be in a different time zone than the rabbi for Pesach, that must be indicated on the sale form as that will affect when the Chametz must be sold. The sale form must be returned to the synagogue by 8:30 Wednesday morning, March 31st. In general, please allow one half hour after Pesach, for the rabbi to buy back your Chametz, before you begin to use it.

## **STEP #6: Do Not Try This At Home!**

### *The Burning of Chametz*

On Wednesday morning, Chametz may not be eaten after 9:42, and it must be disposed of by 10:42. The synagogue provides a large, contained, fire for this purpose. No Bracha should be said, since the one said before the search applies to the burning as well. Another statement of annulment is made, slightly more inclusive than the previous one.

## **STEP #7: Ready Set Cook**

### *Eruv Tavshilin*

When Yom Tov leads directly into Shabbat, as it does this year, one must perform a special ritual accompanied by a Bracha, on Erev Yom Tov to allow one to prepare food on Yom Tov for Shabbat. A Matzah is taken along with food that was prepared before Yom Tov (generally an egg), and the Bracha is

made. The Bracha appears in most *siddurim* and in the beginning of the Haggadah. This year, the Erev Tavshilin is made on Wednesday, March 31.

### **Step #8: Ah Yes, I Remember It Well.**

#### **THE SEDER: AN EDUCATION IN EDUCATION**

One of the most important aspects of the holiday of Passover is the specific relationship between parents and children that the Seder highlights -- that of teacher to student. The word *Haggadah* itself comes from the verse in Exodus "And you shall tell (*V'higadita*) your child on that day saying..." The Seder in its ideal form is a lesson, albeit informal, that parents teach to their children. A hands-on class. Interestingly enough, while the commandment was given to the parents to teach, the inspiration comes from the children's overwhelming desire to learn. The following are the comments of Rabbi Samson Raphael Hirsch, of blessed memory, on the *Mah Nishtanah*, the four questions:

"Undoubtedly, the very first reaction of a newborn child to the sight of the world is: 'What is this?' The human spirit seeks to understand what is happening around it and the question, 'What is this?' arises in the child's heart even before his mouth can articulate the words. If only we could read the expression in his eyes, we could understand the query in his mind. Questioning sums up the entire nature of the child's soul, and only because his soul continues to ask incessantly, does the child learn so much in his first years.

"Later, when the child's mouth can serve his soul and he continues to ask and ask untiringly, 'What is this?' we must not tire of answering. We must look upon this thirst for knowledge as a healthy sign and devote the same willingness and

painstaking care with which we satisfy our children's hunger for food, to quenching their thirst for knowledge, thus providing them with mental nourishment. Should we not, then, exert ourselves to satisfy their inquiring souls? Should we not examine, not recognize all that our children come in contact with so that we will be able to teach them and supply adequate answers to their questions?

"Let us not imagine that when the child begins to attend school, answering his questions will become the province of the teacher, not the parent. Let us, rather, enter the school, where the child's soul is nurtured. It is easy to identify those children who received answers at home to their childish questions, who did not raise the question: 'What is This?' in vain, whose fathers and mothers chatted with their children, satisfied their thirst for knowledge and properly cultivated their minds. These are the fortunate ones! The parents of these children derived satisfaction from the company of their children, and occupied the time being their teachers and educators. Whatever their sons and daughters are destined to be as adults, the best and noblest in them will not have been acquired through their school, but through the education received in their parent's company.

"It is also easy to identify those children whose parents lacked the patience or desire or sufficient understanding to spend time with their children. These children, too, asked questions in their infancy, but when they received no answers, they stopped asking, and became indifferent to objects and events. And so they developed other tendencies, very different from the desire to know. They will attend school for years and years, but they will never acquire that which their parents failed to provide. Accordingly, we should not feel annoyed when a child asks questions,

even when he asks the same question repeatedly and frequently. We must not answer him reprovingly and we must take care to answer him correctly, not to distort reality with fairy tales and foolish fantasies. He may ask a question to which we do not know the answer, or the answer is one which he is unable to grasp, should not know or is not generally known. Through the reply we give him he should realize that there are limits to his childish understanding and limitations to the human intellect in general. It is important for him to realize this, too. There are things we do not know. But we must not nourish his soul with folly, nor let others do so. We should allow the child to stay near to us, and wherever we may be, create there a healthy atmosphere for his soul."

Nowhere is Rabbi Hirsch's lesson more obvious than at the Seder, an evening dedicated to a seemingly endless number of questions and answers, designed to be a microcosm of an ideal relationship between parent and child, one in which parents understand that their children's education is not limited to school hours, but on the contrary, is rooted in the home, a home in which Torah, traditions and values are both learned and lived.

### **STEP #9: Not Yet in the Clear After Pesach**

According to Jewish Law, Chametz that was owned by a Jew during Pesach may never be eaten by a Jew. Therefore, it is preferable, that after Pesach, one buys food from establishments owned by non-Jews, establishments owned by Jews who properly sold their Chametz before Pesach, or after a month (time that a store's stock has been used up) from an establishment owned by Jews who did not sell their Chametz.

### **STEP #10: Next Passover Falls Out On Wednesday night, April 19.**



## SO WHAT'S KOSHER FOR PASSOVER?

### 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 either Rabbi Lookstein in the event of any doubt in this matter.

#### 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.

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.

## PROJECT EZRA SHOPPING LIST FOR PASSOVER

### DATES:

### SUNDAY, MARCH 14 - MONDAY, MARCH 22

Please help Project Ezra complete their shopping list for Passover and enable them to provide Passover food for the impoverished elderly Jews of the Lower East Side.

Items needed are divided by the first letter of your last name. Please remember that all items must be ©-Kosher for Passover and/or listed in the © Passover Directory. Specially labeled boxes will be in the KJ/Ramaz lobby for collection from Sunday, March 14th - Monday, March 22nd.

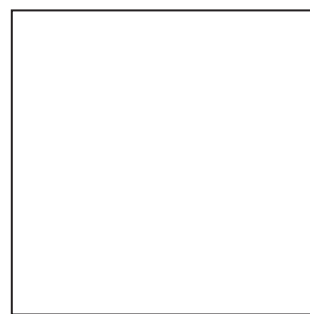
Please buy salt and sugar free products when possible.

AB	Canned Soup	PQR	Jelly
CDE	Vegetable Oil	S	Instant Coffee
FGH	Tuna Fish	T	Tea Bags
IJK	Canned Salmon	UVW	Canned Fruit
LM	Sardines	XYZ	Canned Vegetables
NO	Horseradish		

Thank you in advance for giving so generously.

Donna Levinson & Amanda Ritz  
Chairpersons

## BAR MITZVAH



### PHILLIPPE J. KURZWEIL

Mazel tov to Vivianne and KJ Trustee Robert Kurzweil on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, P.J., which will take place on Saturday, May 1, in the Main Synagogue. Similar good wishes to the proud grandmother, Mrs. Linda Hanania. He will read the weekly portion of Emor and the Haftarah.

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

## 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 Wednesday, 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 Wednesday, March 31, as part of the regular morning service which begins at 7:00 am.

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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 Monday, April 26, so that it will be ready in time for Shavuot—

### 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.

☐ Please duplicate last year's listing(s) Offering \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ people.  
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## 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.

## WITHIN OUR FAMILY

### BIRTHS

Mazel tov to:

Elana and Daniel Billig on the birth of a son, Mayer David.

Suzie and Sandy Eisenstat on the birth of a granddaughter, Bracha Davida, to their children, Tamar and Abe Eisenstat.

Naomi and Gerald Goldstein on the birth of a grandson, Netanel Yair, to their children, Ilana and Joshua Blass.

Shira and Ronny Kraft on the birth of a daughter, Rachel Tova.

Bina and Marc Rosen on the birth of a son, Steven Shaya.

Gloria and Greg Schneider on the birth of twin daughters, Shira Rivka and Aliza Chaya.

Debbie and Daniel Schwartz on the birth of a daughter, Elianna Mollie. Similar good wishes to the proud grandparents, Gabriella and Dr. William Major.

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

### ENGAGEMENT

Mazel tov to Belda and Marcel Lindenbaum on the engagement of their daughter, Abigail, to Shai Tambor, son of Leah and Zev Tambor of Israel. Similar good wishes to the proud grandmother, Mrs. Rita Kaufman.

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

### WEDDINGS

Mazel tov to:

KJ Trustee Fran and Benjamin Brown and Surie and Robert Sugarman on the marriage of their children, Daniel and Alison. We also congratulate Brenda and Richard Mandel of Voorhees, New Jersey.

Lloyd Green on his recent marriage to Julia Anne Rubin of Chicago.

Shirley and Paul Schulder on the marriage of their granddaughter, Jessica Schulder, to Mayer Orbach of Brooklyn.

*May they enjoy their marriages with happiness and blessing.*

### BAR MITZVAH

Mazel tov to Jean Blumenthal on the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of her grandson, Avi Simcha Blumenthal, son of Barbara and Dr. George Blumenthal, which will take place at the youth minyan in Congregation Ahavas Torah in Englewood, New Jersey.

## Schedule of Passover Services

**Tuesday, March 30, Search for Chometz** After 6:54 PM

### Wednesday, March 31, Passover Eve

Morning Services - Siyum (Firstborn) 7:00 AM

Chometz may not be eaten after 9:42 AM

Burn Chometz no later than 10:42 AM

*An Erev Tavshilin should be prepared.*

Candlelighting 6:02 PM

Evening Services 6:10 PM

Start Seder After 6:56 PM

### Thursday, April 1 — Passover I

Morning 9:00 AM

Evening 6:15 PM

Candlelighting and Start Seder after 7:03 PM

### Friday, April 2 — Passover II

Morning 9:00 AM

Candlelighting 6:04 PM

Evening Services 6:15 PM

### SERVICES DURING THE WEEK OF CHOL HAMOED

### Saturday, April 3 — Passover III

Morning Services 9:00 AM

Evening Services 6:15 PM

Shabbat ends 6:58 PM

### Sunday, April 4 — Passover IV

Morning Services Daylight Savings Time 8:30 AM

Evening Services 6:45 PM

### Monday, April 5 — Passover V

Morning Services 7:00 AM

Evening Services 6:45 PM

### Concluding Days of Passover

### Tuesday, April 6 — Erev Yom Tov

Morning Services 7:00 AM

Evening Services 7:20 PM

Candlelighting 7:08 PM

### Wednesday, April 7 — Passover VII

Morning Services 9:00 AM

Evening Services 7:20 PM

Candlelighting after 8:03 PM

### Thursday, April 8 — Passover VIII

Morning Services 9:00 AM

Evening Services 7:20 PM

Conclusion of Yom Tov 8:04 PM

### CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to:

Berl Janowski, Hannah Kostenbaum and Rachel Waldman on the loss of their brother, Moses Janowski.

Babetta Lew on the loss of her mother, Dorothy Jacoby.

Paul Schulder on the loss of his sister, Freda Greenman.

*May these mourners be comforted*

*among those who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem.*

### COMMUNAL HONORS

Mazel tov to Dr. Cheryl Fishbein and her husband, Philip Schatten, upon Cheryl's designation as Alumnae of the Year by the Yeshivah of Flatbush. The tribute to her came as part of the Annual Dinner of the Yeshivah on Sunday, March 14.



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**SABBATH SCHEDULE**

		<i>Lighting of Candles</i>	<i>Friday Evening Services</i>	<i>Saturday Afternoon Services</i>	<i>Sabbath Ends</i>
<b>March</b>					
19-20	Vayikra	5:49	6:00	5:50*	6:43
26-27	Tzav (Shabbat Hagadol)	5:56	6:05	5:00*	6:51
<b>April</b>					
9-10	Shmini	7:11	6:45	7:00*	8:07
16-17	Tazria-Metzore	7:18	6:45	7:10*	8:15
23-24	Acharei-Kedoshim	7:26	6:45	7:20*	8:24
30-May 1	Emor	7:33	6:45	7:25*	8:31
<b>May</b>					
7-8	Behar-Bechukotai	7:40	6:45	7:30*	8:38

\*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**

<b>March</b>	<b>April</b>
14-18 ..... 6:00 pm	11 - May ..... 6:45 pm
21-25 ..... 6:05 pm	

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Thursday, March 18**  
Rosh Chodesh Nisan  
Morning Services at 7:00 AM

**Monday Evening, April 12**  
**Tuesday, April 13**  
Yom Hashoah

**Friday-Saturday, April 16-17**  
Rosh Chodesh Iyar  
Friday Morning Services at 7:00 AM

**Wednesday, April 21**  
Yom Ha'atzmaut  
Morning Services at 7:00 AM

**Tuesday, May 4**  
Lag B'Omer  
Morning Services at 7:30 AM

**Friday, May 14**  
Yom Yershusalayim  
Morning Services at 7:15 AM

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