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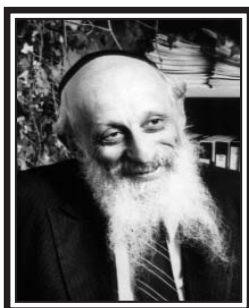
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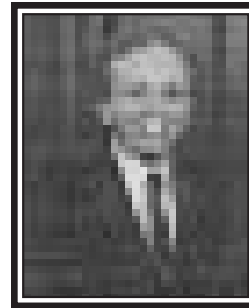
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**ORTHODOX UNION TO PRESENT
RABBI ABRAHAM J. TWERSKI, M.D.
AND SEMINAR ON
POSITIVE JEWISH PARENTING AT KJ
Sunday, January 16**

“Giving the most to our children — Getting the most out of being a parent” is the theme of a one day conference on Positive Jewish Parenting to be presented by the Orthodox Union at Kehilath Jeshurun on Sunday, January 16. The program will begin at 9:45 AM.

The keynote speaker will be the noted rabbi, psychiatrist, and author, Rabbi Abraham J. Twerski, MD. The

conference will include interactive workshops on strengthening parent skills.

Note the list of workshops below.

Registration begins at 9 AM. The cost of \$18 per person includes a light lunch. Child care is available at a nominal charge, but requires advance reservations through the OU. For additional information, contact the conference coordinator, Frank Buchweitz at 613-8188.

**CHOOSE WORKSHOPS
ON SUCH PRACTICAL TOPICS AS:**

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|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| ■ Effective Parenting:
Expectations and Realizations | ■ Effective Homework Strategies |
| ■ Mothers and Fathers:
Traditional Roles, Current Needs | ■ Disciplining Your Children |
| ■ Imparting Meaningful Values in
a Materialistic Society | ■ Remarriage: His, Hers and Ours |
| ■ Helping Your Children Realize
Their Potential | ■ Parenting the Gifted Child |
| ■ Managing Difficult and
Oppositional Behavior | ■ Children with Special Needs |
| | ■ Dealing with Sibling Rivalry |
| | ■ Single Parenting |
| | ■ The Impact of TV and the Internet |
| | ■ Enhancing Self-Esteem |

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January 21

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February 18

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January 22

&

February 5

9:15 AM

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Saturday,
February 12, 2000

MISHLOACH MANOT ORDER FORMS MAILED TO ALL MEMBERS

Kehilath Jeshurun urges all members to participate in our Mishloach Manot program. Mishloach Manot ("Shalach Mones") is one of the *four* mitzvot of Purim. The sending of Mishloach Manot is the giving of good treats to friends and neighbors, expressing joy in Esther and Mordechai's victory over Haman in his plot to destroy the Jewish people of Persia.

Virtually all members of the congregation participated last year. Your participation will help complete your celebration of Purim, demonstrate a generosity of spirit and good will to your friends and assist KJ in an important fundraising event.

It is easy to participate. Use the order form sent to all members of the congregation.

1. Place a check next to the names of those families to whom you wish to send Mishloach Manot. The cost is \$5.00 for each name. On Purim, every family selected by one or more congregants will receive a beautiful gourmet package with a card listing the names of those

families who selected them as a recipient.

2. Complete the order form. ***Don't forget to check off "Reciprocal" if you wish to be assured that you will have reciprocated to anyone who has chosen to send Mishloach Manot to you.*** You will be billed for "reciprocals" later also at \$5.00 per name. "Reciprocal Only" orders cannot be accepted.
3. Return the order form and entire list WITH payment in the envelope provided. ***No order form will be processed without payment.*** The deadline for receipt of your order is Monday, February 14, 2000 at 12:00 Noon. **PHONE ORDERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

We are excited about the prospect of approximately 1000 packages being delivered throughout the community on Purim Day, Tuesday, March 21st. We hope you will participate with us in helping to make this project a great success.

The Mishloach Manot Committee wishes you a joyous Purim.

SENIORS LUNCH AND LEARN RABBI YOSSEI WEISER JOINS ROTATION JENNIFER ROTH TO BE SPECIAL GUEST WEDNESDAYS AT 12:00 - 1:30 PM

One of the most exciting and best loved members of the Ramaz Upper School faculty, Rabbi Yossi Weiser, has joined the rotation of synagogue scholars who teach and lead our weekly LUNCH AND LEARN. The program, geared toward senior members of the congregation, is

coordinated by Donna Silverman.

Each Wednesday at noon, following a lunch provided by the Ramaz dining service, the participants enjoy a mentally stimulating presentation. This always develops into a lively discussion.

JENNIFER ROTH

On January 26, former Couple's Club president, Jennifer Roth, a Vice President of Sotheby's, will be our special guest speaker. Her topic:

Collecting Judaica at Auction should be quite informative and most fascinating. All seniors of the congregation are invited.

SPOTLIGHT ON YOUTH

The Youth Department is continuing to offer many fun and exciting opportunities for our children.

This past month we had the annual Chanukah party. The night was filled with games, prizes and races. All who attended had a wonderful time. Additionally, the children in the synagogue helped to prepare Chanukah packages which were delivered to Mt. Sinai Hospital during Chanukah.

This January and February we will have a few Open Gym/Video Nights. These are always successful and are an excellent opportunity for children to "hang out" on a Saturday night. Two of the four open gyms will be "Ladies Only." This is a new pattern at KJ and it has, thus far, worked beautifully. Check our youth calendar for dates and times.

The "Hello Yellow" arts and crafts programs, including Challah Baking and Tzizit Making" have been overbooked. It is a great way for your child to get hands on Jewish education through arts and crafts. The next "Hello Yellow" will take place February 6th. Please take the time to make a reservation through the synagogue office.

The Kehilath Jeshurun Basketball League (KJBL) is getting rave reviews from both children and parents. If your child is interested in signing up, please contact our Youth Director, Ari Segal, at the synagogue office.

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RABBI DR. AARON RAKEFFET-ROTHKOFF

Dr. Aaron Rakeffet-Rothkoff of Yeshiva University's Caroline and Joseph S. Gruss Institute in Jerusalem, is a noted scholar, author, and teacher.

Born in New York City, Rabbi Rakeffet moved to Israel in 1969. A 1959 *summa cum laude* graduate of Yeshiva College, he earned three degrees from Yeshiva University's Bernard Revel Graduate School, including his doctorate. Rabbi Rakeffet was ordained by the University's Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological seminary (RIETS) in 1961.

Rabbi Rakeffet has written many entries for the *Encyclopedia Judaica*, including the entry on the "Rav," Rabbi Joseph Ber Soloveitchik.

He recently published *The Rav: The World of Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik*, a two volume biographical and scholarly work. Rabbi Soloveitchik, recognized by many as the pre-eminent Torah scholar

and thinker of the 20th century, and known in the Orthodox world as the "Rav," mastered the disparate worlds of Brisk (in Poland), Berlin, and Boston with a profound intellect and a brilliant command of language. The Rav taught thousands of students (including Rabbi Haskel Lookstein) to appreciate the learning of the Torah giants of the centuries during his 44 years as the Rosh Yeshiva and senior lecturer at YU's Rabbinical Seminary (RIETS).

In addition to serving as professor of Responsa Literature at the Gruss Institute, Rabbi Rakeffet is a founding faculty member at Midreshet Moriah, an advanced Torah study program for women. He also taught at Jerusalem's Torah College for Men (BMT), Machon Gold, and Michlalah (the Jerusalem College for Women), schools where many of our members and children have had him as a teacher.

FEBRUARY 4-5

RABBI SAUL J. BERMAN

Rabbi Saul J. Berman is a leading Orthodox teacher and thinker. As a rabbi and an educator he has made extensive contributions to the intensification of women's Jewish education, to the role of social ethics in Synagogue life, and to the understanding of the applicability of Jewish Law to contemporary society.

Rabbi Berman was ordained at Yeshiva University, from which he also received his B.A. and M.H.L. He completed a degree in law, a J.D., at New York University, and an M.A. in political science at the University of California at Berkeley. He spent two years studying in Israel at Hebrew University and at Tel Aviv University.

In 1971, Rabbi Berman was appointed Chairman of the Department of Judaic Studies at Stern College for

Women of Yeshiva University.

In 1984, Rabbi Berman accepted the position as Senior Rabbi of Lincoln Square Synagogue. During those years, he spearheaded an expansion of the adult education program, the creation of an extensive social action program based on halachic commitments, the growth of the Synagogue's Women's Tefillah group, and the creation of new outreach programs for the unaffiliated.

In 1990, Rabbi Berman returned to academic life, at Stern College, and as an adjunct Professor at Columbia University School of Law, where he teaches a seminar in Jewish law. In 1997, Rabbi Berman became Director of Edah, a new organization devoted to the invigoration of modern Orthodox ideology and religious life.

FEBRUARY 6 - SUNDAY AM

RABBI ADAM MINTZ

Rabbi Adam Mintz is the Senior Rabbi of Lincoln Square Synagogue. He assumed his position in September 1996 after serving four years as Associate Rabbi in Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun. During that period he was also a Talmud teacher in the Ramaz Upper School.

Rabbi Mintz received his Semicha and Advanced Yadin Yadin Semicha at the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary of Yeshiva University. He received a B.A. from Yeshiva College and an M.A. in Medieval Jewish History from the Bernard Revel Graduate School of Yeshiva University. Rabbi Mintz is currently a doctoral candidate in Early Modern Jewish History at New York University. We welcome him back to KJ and look forward to his presentation at our first Rosh Chodesh Breakfast.

JANUARY 8

AMBASSADOR YEHUDA LANCERY

A veteran diplomat and distinguished representative of the Jewish people, Israel's new Ambassador to the United Nations, Hon. Yehuda Lancry will be our guest speaker on Israel Bond Shabbat on January 8.

Ambassador Lancry, a scholar of French literature, has risen rapidly in the Israeli political world. In 1992 he was appointed Ambassador to France by Prime Minister Yitzchak Rabin. In 1966 he was elected to the Knesset where he served as Deputy Speaker, Chairman of the Ethics Committee, and member of the Foreign Affairs and Defense, Education and Culture Committees.

We are honored to welcome to KJ the man charged with the formidable responsibility of presenting Israel's case before the world.

BNAI MITZVAH

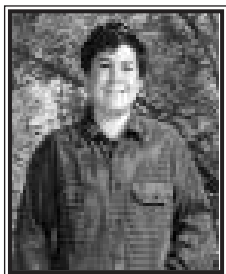
WITHIN OUR FAMILY



JOSHUA STERN

Mazel tov to Ralou and Ronald Stern on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Joshua, which will take place on Saturday, January 22, in the Main Synagogue. He will read the weekly portion of Beshalach and the Haftarah. Similar good wishes to the proud grandmother, Mrs. Jane Stern Lebell.

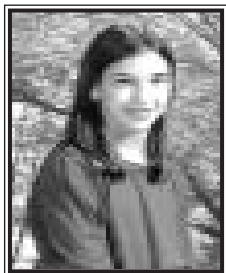
Joshua is a student in the seventh grade in the Ramaz Middle School.



ALEX MEIROWITZ

Mazel Tov to Jennifer and Dr. Mark Meirowitz on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Alex, which will take place on Saturday, January 27, in the Main Synagogue. He will read the weekly portion of Yitro and the Haftarah. Alex will also deliver a Dvar Torah on *Standing at Mt. Sinai, Together as One People*.

Alex is a student in the seventh grade in the Ramaz Middle School.



JAHNA FELICE ROSENBERG

Mazel tov to Sheryl Rosenberg on the Bat Mitzvah of her daughter, Jahna, which will take place on Saturday, February 5. Similar good wishes to the proud grandfather, Mr. Ray Gura. Jahna will lead the davening and read the weekly portion of Mishpatim at the Women's Tefillah Group.

Jahna is a student in the sixth grade in the Ramaz Middle School.

BIRTHS

Mazel tov to:

Nava and Dan Bettinger on the birth of a son.

Valerie and Steven Eisman on the birth of a son, David Jack. Similar good wishes to the proud grandparents, Lillian and Elliot Eisman.

Michal and Nathan Fox on the birth of twins, Noam Irving and Yakira Hannah.

Mrs. Hadassah Gradowski on the birth of a grandson, Alex Kampf, to her children, Helen and Hank Kampf.

Loretta and Herb Mehl on the birth of two grandchildren, Jacob Irving, to their children, Eva and Gary Berkowitz and Katie Ann to their children, Dina and Herbert Mauthner.

Barbara and Ira Nadler on the birth of a granddaughter, Kate Nicole, to their children, Elise and Lee Nadler.

Atara and Ari Segal on the birth of a daughter, Noa Gittel.

May these children grow up in the finest tradition of Torah, chupah and ma'asim tovim.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mazel tov to:

Rachel and Barry Cooper on the engagement of their son, Scott to Annette Mizrahi, daughter of Renee and Isaac Mizrahi of Brooklyn.

Ruth and Dr. David Musher on the engagement of their daughter, Sarah to Matthew Brenner of Washington, D.C., son of Harry Brenner and Esther Brenner of Los Angeles. Similar good wishes to the proud grandfather, Mr. Morris Weiss.

Roselyn and Dr. Walter Weitzner on the engagement of their son, Dr. Ari Weitzner to Chaya Etzioni, daughter of Chana and Yeshaya Etzioni of Israel.

Doris and Elliot Weiss on the engagement of their daughter, Sarah, a Ramaz graduate to Eric Keizman of Florida, son of Linda and Jerry Keizman of Sheepshead Bay.

May these weddings take place in happiness and blessing.

CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to:

Lillian Eisman on the passing of her mother, Mae Lieberman.

Janet Newcorn on the passing of her mother, Grace Yagoda.

Marc Norris on the passing of his daughter, Elise Norris.

Susan Shay on the passing of her father, Jerome Rothenberg.

Dr. Larry Steinberg on the passing of his brother, Louis Steinberg.

Estanne Fawer on the passing of her father, Morton Weiner.

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

In Memoriam

Rita Kaufman

We lost a great woman from our community in the passing of Rita Kaufman. Together with her beloved husband, Ben, of blessed memory, she was a stalwart of KJ and Ramaz for over fifty years. It was back in the early 40's that she brought her children to Ramaz from Pelham Parkway where she made her home. Since then, she has seen all of her children graduate from Ramaz and many of her grandchildren as well. She was the queen of an extraordinary family which she taught how to be philanthropists and Jewish communal leaders. She was learned in Judaism and fluent in the Hebrew language. She loved our shul and all for which we stand.

She lived her life with consistency, dependability and creativity.

We mourn her passing, together with her entire family, especially our members Belda Lindenbaum and Carol Newman who, as daughters, were so devoted to her. May the entire family be spared further grief for many years to come.

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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>
January					
7-8	Vayera	4:27 pm	4:40 pm	4:20 pm*	5:25 pm
14-15	Bo	4:34 pm	4:45 pm	4:25 pm*	5:32 pm
21-22	Beshalach	4:42 pm	4:55 pm	4:30 pm*	5:41 pm
28-29	Yitro	4:51 pm	5:00 pm	4:40 pm*	5:48 pm
February					
4-5	Mishpatim	4:59 pm	5:10 pm	4:50 pm*	5:55 pm
11-12	Terumah	5:08 pm	5:20 pm	4:55 pm*	6:03 pm
18-19	Tetzaveh	5:16 pm	5:25 pm	5:05 pm*	6:12 pm
25-26	Ki Tissa	5:25 pm	5:35 pm	5:10 pm*	6:19 pm
March					
3-4	Vayakhel	5:33 pm	5:45 pm	5:20 pm*	6:27 pm
10-11	Pekudei	5:40 pm	5:50 pm	5:25 pm*	6:34 pm
17-18	Vayikra	5:48 pm	6:00 pm	5:35 pm*	6:41 pm
24-25	Tzav	5:55 pm	6:05 pm	5:40 pm*	6:49 pm
31-April 1	Shemini	6:03 pm	6:15 pm	5:50 pm*	6:56 pm

* 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

January 2-6 4:30 pm	February 20-24 5:25 pm
January 9-13 4:40 pm	February 27 - March 2 5:35 pm
January 16-20 4:45 pm	March 5-9 5:45 pm
January 23-27 4:55 pm	March 12-16 5:50 pm
January 30 - February 3 5:00 pm	March 19-23 6:00 pm
February 6-10 5:10 pm	March 26 -30 6:05 pm
February 13-17 5:20 pm	

DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday, January 8

Rosh Chodesh Shevat

Saturday, January 22

Tu B'Shevat

Sunday, February 6

Rosh Chodesh Adar I

Monday, February 7

Rosh Chodesh Adar I

Tuesday and Wednesday,

March 7 and 8

Rosh Chodesh Adar II

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