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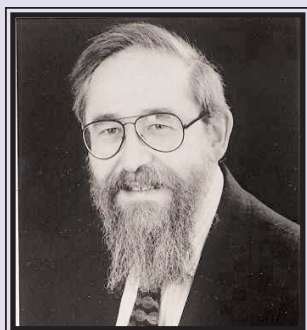
April 7, 2008

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ANNUAL SYNAGOGUE SHABBATON

April 11th-12th

Sponsored by Suzanne and Dr. Norman B. Javitt



Our Guest

Rabbi Saul Berman

Director of Continuing Rabbinic Education at
Yeshivat Chovevei Torah

April 11th - Friday Evening Dinner

***"A TORAH PERSPECTIVE ON IMMIGRATION AND THE
TREATMENT OF IMMIGRANTS"***

April 12th- Saturday Lunch

***"DEFINING THE JEWISH SELF: A SEVENTH DAY IN
THE SEVENTH MONTH OF THE SEVENTH YEAR"***

A leading Orthodox teacher and thinker, Rabbi Berman has made numerous contributions to the Jewish community. Ordained by Yeshiva University, at which he also earned a B.A. and an M.H.L., he also completed a J.D. at New York University and an M.A. in Political Science at the University of California at Berkeley. He served as a congregational rabbi at Beth Israel in Berkeley, CA; Young Israel of Brookline, MA; and Lincoln Square Synagogue in New York. Rabbi Berman served as Chairman of the Department of Judaic Studies of Stern College for Women of Yeshiva University for 13 years, where he still serves as an Associate Professor of

Jewish Studies. He is an adjunct Professor at Columbia University School of Law. In 1997, Rabbi Berman founded and became Director of Edah, an organization devoted to the invigoration of Modern Orthodox ideology and religious life.

DINNER AND/OR LUNCH

The Shabbat Before Passover

NO COOKING FOR YOU!

Prices are per person, per meal

	<i>Members</i>	<i>Non-Members</i>
Adults:	\$35	\$40
Juniors (ages 12-18):	\$30	\$35
Children (ages 2-11):	\$18	\$30

136TH ANNUAL SYNAGOGUE MEETING

Wednesday, April 9, 2008

7:30 PM

Film Screening of

"LONELY MAN OF FAITH"

The Life and Legacy of

RABBI JOSEPH B. SOLOVEITCHIK

Lonely Man of Faith is a new documentary film on the life and legacy of Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik, the intellectual leader of Modern Orthodox Judaism in 20th Century America. Throughout his life in Europe, New York and Boston, he struggled to forge a path between Jewish tradition and the modern age, an ordeal that frequently resulted in loneliness. His impact was tremendous but his legacy was complicated.

The program will also include a tribute to anniversarians, memorials to departed members, the induction of new members, and the election of new officers and trustees. The program will conclude with a supper of frankfurters, sauerkraut and ice cold beer, courtesy of Foremost Caterers.

YOM HASHOAH - HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY - Wednesday, April 30, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.

This year's Yom HaShoah Commemoration, which will be held in our Main Synagogue on Wednesday evening, April 30, at 7:30, will have a very special feature in addition to a program of commemoration with a candle lighting ceremony for survivors, their children and their grandchildren, and songs by the Ramaz Middle School Chorus.

This year's program will feature an exceptionally sensitive staging of the Ramaz Middle School's production of *"The Bond,"* an original Holocaust musical by Gail Hadani. A story of hope and survival, sacrifice and renewed life, and love, *The Bond* is set

in France just prior to the Allied invasion of Normandy in June 1944. After a group of Jewish teenagers see their parents shot in the town square, they take refuge in the costume storage room of the town theater, where they are hidden by an Italian maintenance man (played by Rabbi Lookstein) and his baker wife (played by Danièle Gorlin Lassner). The musical tells the story of the bond between the children, and how they find each other years later.

Those who wish to participate in our emotional candle lighting ceremony are urged to contact Event Co-Chair Caroline Massel at 212-861-7178 or Caroline@Grunerco.com

Through the good offices of the KJ Men's Club, we will again be distributing to each KJ member, by mail, a Candle of Remembrance. It is hoped that each person, upon returning home after the April 30th Yom Hashoah service, will light this candle as a means of remembering the Yahrzeit of those who perished in the Holocaust as the victims of Nazi terror.

May these lights throughout the Kehilath Jeshurun community illuminate our hearts and the hearts of the entire world in order to assure that the memory of the Jewish men, women and children who perished will never be forgotten.

RAE GUREWITSCH AND RANDY KREVAT TO RECEIVE SIXTH ANNUAL JUDITH KAUFMAN HURWICH KETER TORAH AWARDS ON SHAVUOT

The Officers and Executive Committee of the Congregation are pleased to announce that the Sixth Annual Judith Kaufman Hurwich Keter Torah Awards will be presented to Rae Gurewitsch and Randy Krevat on the second day of Shavuot. The practice of conferring such awards on two women is to appropriately recognize women in our congregation on the holiday when we celebrate the lives of two great Jewish heroines, Naomi and Ruth. It offers us an opportunity, as part of a religious

ceremony, to express our appreciation for the services rendered to our community by women.

The award is named in memory of Judith Kaufman Hurwich, the daughter of Rita and Benjamin Kaufman, of blessed memory, the mother of our member - yibadeil l'chaim - Adam Hurwich, and the grandmother of two of our finest Ramaz Alumnae. Her family continues her tradition of association with KJ and Ramaz in fostering opportunities for women to study Torah.

RAE GUREWITSCH

A graduate of Hunter College High School and Brandeis University and the holder of a Masters in Russian Language and Literature from New York University, Rae Gurewitsch, who is known for her many communal activities, is actually a perpetual learner. She has attended many classes here at KJ including the Monday morning women's Talmud class since it was established. She also has studied consistently at the Drisha Institute.



Married to Stanley Gurewitsch, a past President of KJ, Rae has been a leader in our congregation for close to forty years. With a cheerful smile and "can-do" attitude, Rae has had a positive impact on a wide cross-section of our membership: She has served as a Vice-President of the congregation and as President of the Sisterhood, and she continues to this day on the executive boards of both organizations. She has been one of three members of the Archives Committee for KJ. She participated in all of our needlepoint projects including the covers on the Torah and the Synagogue's chuppa, and she needlepointed a special bimah cover for the High Holy Days and dedicated it to her late mother-in-law. Rae is also known as one of the caring group of women who prepare homes for shiva and who serve the first meal after the funeral to mourners upon their return home. No matter the need, Rae has responded time and again with grace, kindness and resourcefulness.

A Trustee and generous supporter of KJ, Rae's greatest pride are her children: Karen and Steven Gurewitsch (Karen is herself a past Sisterhood Co-President) and Anne and Sam Schwartz (Anne is a past Keshet President). To top it all off, Rae's seven grandchildren are all current students in Ramaz!

What a privilege it is for us to honor Rae with a much deserved Keter Torah Award.

RANDY KREVAT



Born and raised in Brooklyn, Randy is a graduate of the Yeshiva of Flatbush Elementary and High Schools. She holds a degree in Communications from Brooklyn College.

Twenty-five years ago, she met her eventual husband, Mitch, at a Manhattan ad agency where they worked together on the advertising for Polo/Ralph Lauren. In 1989 she gave birth to Rebecca, a current senior at Ramaz, who was followed four years later by Sarah (about to graduate our Eighth Grade and enter the High School), and four years after that, Julia (now in the Third Grade of the Lower School).

Randy serves as a member of the Boards of Trustees of both Kehilath Jeshurun and Ramaz. She was a highly successful Chair of the Middle School Liaison Committee, just one of many leadership activities which Randy has undertaken during her years in this community.

An accomplished advertising executive, she has also held important retail marketing positions for Ungaro, Ann Taylor and Limited Brands, and she served as Vice President of Marketing for New York and Co.

At present Randy is on a sabbatical from the business world and she is devoting herself fully to her three marvelous daughters and to community needs. She is a regular member of Rabbi Lookstein's Parsha Class and, ever since we started to run the annual KJ Dinner, she and Mitch have designed the invitation and advertising for that important event.

She is an absolutely beloved member of this community with a host of young friends who, together with her, lead modern Orthodox lives with the most wholesome values and principles. She deserves to wear the Keter Torah (the crown of Torah) not alone because of her commitment to this community but also because of the kind of life that she is leading and the model family that she and Mitch have created. We are proud to bestow upon her this prestigious award.

We honor these two extraordinary women for their service to this community and to the Jewish People in general. We pray that God reward them both with many years of health and happiness and with much nachas from their children and, in Rae's case, grandchildren. May they continue to serve as stellar examples of Jewish commitment and service to this entire community, which loves them and blesses them.

KJ SISTERHOOD SAVE THE DATES**ANNUAL PROJECT EZRA LUNCH****MONDAY, MAY 12TH****SHAVUOT COOKING CLASS WITH LEVANA RESTAURANT****TUESDAY, MAY 13TH****ANNUAL SPRING LUNCHEON AND BOUTIQUE****WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4TH****KESHER UPCOMING EVENTS****SUNDAY, APRIL 13****PRE-PESACH CHESED EVENT****SUNDAY, MAY 4****HALAKHIC FAMILY OUTING
WITH RABBI SOLOVEICHIK****SATURDAY, MAY 17****SPRING LUNCHEON****NEW FROM THE KJ MEN'S CLUB
FOR THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY****AM HASEFER BOOK REVIEW****"You Never Call! You Never Write! A History of the Jewish Mother"****With Author Joyce Antler****Sunday, April 13, 7:00 pm at KJ****FILM REVIEW****"Nadia's Friend"****With Shani Hashaviah of the Israeli Consulate****Sunday, May 11, 7:00 pm at KJ****AM HASEFER BOOK REVIEW****"Stardust Lost"****With Author Stefan Kanfer****Sunday, June 1, 7:00 pm at KJ****FILM REVIEW****"Jews of Iran"****Sunday, June 15, 7:00 pm at KJ****SPRING TIME LEARNING AT KJ****Crash Course in Jewish History
with Rabbi Elie Weinstock****Tuesdays at 7:00 pm****April 1-29****Crash Course in Basic Judaism
with Rabbi Elie Weinstock****Tuesdays at 7:00 pm****May 6, 13, 20****Jewish Essentials with
Rabbi Elie Weinstock****Tuesdays at 8:00 pm****May 6, 13, 20****Crash Course in Hebrew Reading
with Sara Rosen****Wednesdays at 6:30 pm****Starting April 2****Explorations in Hebrew Reading
with Shilo Kramer****Wednesdays at 7:00 pm****Torah Topics with
Rabbi Yossi Weiser****Thursdays at 7:00 pm*****The World of Chasidut*****May 1-29*****Judaism on the Road:******The Laws of Leisure*****June 5-26****Studies in the Weekly Portion with
Rabbi Yossi Weiser****Thursdays at 8:00 pm****KJ IN WASHINGTON**

KJ congratulates its longstanding member and Ramaz alumnus Hon. Michael Mukasey upon being sworn-in this past November as America's 81st Attorney General. A former Federal Judge with an exemplary background in law enforcement and issues of national security law, Mukasey received praise for his thoughtful and fair handling of some of the nation's most important and complicated terrorism-related cases. He appears here alongside his wife, Susan, and son, Marc, as well as former KJ President and lifelong friend Benjamin Brown, his wife Fran, and son Alan. Mazal Tov on this richly deserved honor!

For information about the

weekly status

of the Manhattan Eruv

Call the ERUV

HOTLINE**212-874-6100, ext. 452**

(Recorded Message)

WHEN YOU GIVE FOR PASSOVER RELIEF, WHO WILL RECEIVE IT?

By Rabbi Haskel Lookstein

As we launch the Passover Relief Appeal for this year, I thought it would be helpful to give an accounting of some of the monies that are distributed by the Benevolent Fund as a direct result of what you and I contribute each year to Passover Relief.

Herewith, then, is a partial list of recipients over the last few months. It includes contributions of at least \$1,000, many of \$5,000, and in some cases, \$10,000 or more - sometimes, much more.

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| ♦ KJ Food Pantry | ♦ The Etzion Foundation |
| ♦ Nishmat | ♦ JDC |
| ♦ NJOP | ♦ ORA |
| ♦ Shalva | ♦ Aleh Foundation |
| ♦ Reuth | ♦ Migdal Ohr |
| ♦ Yeshivat Hesder Sderot and the Sderot Community (\$135,000) | ♦ Table to Table |
| | ♦ Columbia-Barnard Hillel |

In addition, we provide:

\$3,000 for our share of maintaining a Bikur Cholim apartment on the Upper East Side.

Assistance to a struggling man who grew up in our community and who now lives in Jerusalem with a very large family.

A major commitment to "Job Katif" that helps Israelis who were uprooted from Gaza.

Major assistance to families in financial distress because of illness - here in New York and in Israel.

An ongoing, major commitment to Chabad of the Upper East Side for the establishment and maintenance of a mikvah in our community.

A special effort to help a man who grew up in our community and who has profound needs for housing and maintenance.

Major efforts to assist families in serious financial distress.

At Passover time, our first priority is helping poor people celebrate the holiday. We do this by individual contributions as well as by contributing \$5,000 each to Met Council and the Joint Passover Association.

The Benevolent Fund, therefore, is both a source and an inspiration for helping many people in need and many organizations that provide chesed and education to Jews here and in Israel. You cannot imagine how many worthy causes call upon us to help, and we are able to answer affirmatively only because of your generosity.

Please, therefore, send us your gift now, before Passover, and recognize that this gift will enable the Benevolent Fund to help others throughout the year without our engaging in individual appeals for specific causes. Please be as generous as you can, making your tax deductible check payable to "KJ Benevolent Fund."

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.

FROM THE MEN'S CLUB



KJ's Heyman Auditorium was filled on Sunday evening, March 9th, for a Men's Club Panel Discussion for the entire community: "Jews in Latin America." Moderated by KJ member Ariel Kwacz, it featured addresses by fellow members Danièle Gorlin Lassner and George Rohr, who discussed the past, present and future of the Jewish communities of Bolivia and Colombia, and what it is like to live a rich, Jewish life in small communities with a distinct Latin flavor.

WELCOME

Kehilath Jeshurun warmly welcomes the following new members who have joined the Congregation between the printing of the last Bulletin, November 15, and this Bulletin, which went to press on March 17.

Steven and Daniele Bleier
William Bron
Amir Elbaz
Simon and Christina Edelstein
Adam and Allyson Fishman
Howard and Karen Goodman
Sheila and Alex Hay
Absalom and Amy Kotulski
Megan and Samuel Lieberman
Ophir Nave
Pauline Rehaut
Michael and Emily Wirgin

KJ SYNAGOGUE MEMBERSHIP: BE A PART OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE

Contact Synagogue
Executive Director
Leonard Silverman
at 212-774-5680 or
LSS@CKJ.org

SPONSORSHIPS ARE WELCOME

To support synagogue programs, we invite prospective Kiddush and Seudah Shlishit sponsors to contact Riva Alper in the synagogue office at 212-774-5670 or Riva@ckj.org. The base cost of a cake-and-wine Kiddush sponsorship is \$350, to which is added the cost of any extra catered food ordered through Foremost Caterers. Multiple Kiddush sponsors may, at their discretion and initiative, agree to share the expense of extra catered food, but every co-sponsor must pay, separately and individually, the \$350 base fee. Similarly, sponsoring Seudah Shlishit costs every co-sponsor \$250.

SPECIAL PRACTICES FOR AN EREV PESACH WHICH OCCURS ON SHABBAT

On rare occasions, the eve of Passover comes out on Shabbat. This year is one of those rarities. There are a number of changes in our practices when the calendar falls this way. Therefore, please note the following:

Thursday, April 17th - Fast of the Firstborn

This year's fast of the firstborn takes place on Thursday, three days before Passover instead of on Erev Pesach. *Our services will begin at 7:00 A.M.* A *siyum* will take place immediately following the services in order to absolve the firstborn of the need to fast.

B'dikat Chametz

The search for *chametz* should take place on Thursday night. It is performed in the usual fashion, with the blessing and recitation of *Kol Chamira*.

The Burning and Selling of *Chametz*

Although *chametz* may still be eaten all of Friday and until 10:40 a.m. Saturday morning (Erev Pesach), it is customary to burn any *chametz* not specifically designated for consumption on Friday night and Shabbat, on Friday morning before 11:47 a.m. The *Kol Chamira* which is usually said after the burning is *not* recited this year until Shabbat morning because we are still going to use *chametz* until that time.

The Procedure on Shabbat

The meals at home on Shabbat should be Passover meals. A *motzi* should be made over bread on Friday and Shabbat morning (before 10:40 a.m.) but the bread should be kept separate from all of the Passover utensils. This means that the *motzi* should be made on several napkins in such a way as not to affect the rest of the house which is already cleaned for Passover. Whatever is not used should be discarded either by flushing it down the toilet or placing it in the garbage disposal outside of the home. Remember that matzah should not be used on Erev Pesach. This means that you have to make a *motzi* on bread or challah, being careful as explained above.

All consumption of *chametz* must be completed before 10:40 a.m. on Shabbat morning and all *chametz* used as *motzi* must be disposed of by 11:47 a.m.

In order to make things easier for everyone, our Shabbat morning service will begin at 8:45 a.m. and we will have a break about 9:30, after Shacharit, and go down to the Riklis Social Hall where challah will be available and a light breakfast will be served. We will have to complete our eating before 10:40 a.m. After that we will return to the synagogue for the reading of the Torah and Musaf.

Preparing the Seder

Inasmuch as it is forbidden to prepare on Shabbat for Yom Tov, one should not prepare for the Seder on Shabbat. On the contrary, one should have a good solid rest on Shabbat afternoon and enter the Seder in a far more relaxed state than usual. The egg and the shank bone should be broiled prior to Shabbat. Romaine lettuce or horseradish and *charoset* should be prepared before Shabbat. If one forgets to prepare the shank bone, one may cook them on Saturday night and they should be consumed sometime during the first day of Yom Tov.

PASSOVER SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 17

Morning Services -

Siyum B'chor (Firstborn)7:00 a.m.

Search for ChametzAfter 8:12 p.m.

Friday, April 18

Morning Services7:30 a.m.

Evening Services.....6:45 p.m.

Candlelighting7:21 p.m.

Saturday, April 19, Passover Eve

Morning8:45 a.m.

Chametz may not be eaten after 10:40 a.m.

Evening7:20 p.m.

Candlelighting & Start Seder

.....After 8:18 p.m.

Sunday, April 20, Passover I

Morning9:00 a.m.

Evening7:35 p.m.

Candlelighting & Start Seder

.....After 8:19 p.m.

Monday, April 21, Passover II

Morning9:00 a.m.

Evening7:35 p.m.

Conclusion of Yom Tov8:20 p.m.

SERVICES DURING THE WEEK OF CHOL HAMOED

Tuesday, April 22, Passover III

Morning7:00 a.m.

Evening6:45 p.m.

Wednesday, April 23, Passover IV

Morning7:00 a.m.

Evening6:45 p.m.

Thursday, April 24, Passover V

Morning7:00 a.m.

Evening6:45 p.m.

Friday, April 25, Passover VI

Morning7:00 a.m.

Evening6:45 p.m.

Candlelighting7:28 p.m.

CONCLUDING DAYS OF PASSOVER

Saturday, April 26, Passover VII

Morning9:00 a.m.

Evening7:25 p.m.

CandlelightingAfter 8:26 p.m.

Sunday, April 27, Passover VIII

(*Yizkor is recited*)

Morning9:00 a.m.

Evening7:45 p.m.

Conclusion of Yom Tov8:27 p.m.

A PASSOVER TIMELINE

STEP #1: Removal of Chametz – Cleaning the House

STEP #2: 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 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.

Stainless steel 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. Porcelain sinks cannot be kashered. They must be cleaned and covered.

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 9:00 am-12:00 noon April 13th KJ Kasher-In where Rabbi Meir Soloveichik 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 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 #3: The Search For Chametz

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 Thursday evening, April 17, after nightfall, 8:12 p.m. The disposal should be on Friday morning, April 18. 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 Shabbat morning, April 19 after 10:40 A.M.

STEP #4: The Sale of Chametz

The ritual sale of *chametz* must be completed by early Friday morning, April 18. There are those who prefer to perform the ritual in person. For those who cannot attend to the matter in person, there is a form provided on page 7 of this Bulletin which authorizes Rabbi Soloveichik to sell our *chametz*. **THIS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE SYNAGOGUE BY FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 18, 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.

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RABBI DAVID FLATTO TO DELIVER THE SHABBAT HA-GADOL DRASHA

SPONSORED BY

SUZY AND LARRY PRESENT

“The Wicked Son”

Saturday Afternoon, April 12th
following Mincha at 6:40 p.m.

STEP #5: The Burning of Chametz

On Friday morning, April 18, it is customary to burn chametz. 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.

STEP #6: 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 any establishment.

"Let all who are hungry, come and eat..."

If you are able to host guests at your Seder table, please contact KJ Hospitality Coordinator Rabbi Hillel Rapp at 212-774-5652 or rapp@ckj.org

DOROT PASSOVER PACKAGE DELIVERY PROGRAM

Deliver a holiday package and visit an older person. Sunday, April 6th, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at the 92nd Street Y, 1395 Lexington Avenue. Volunteers are asked to pre-register by calling Dorot at 212-769-2850.

PASSOVER PREPARATIONS AT KJ:

SUNDAY, APRIL 13TH
9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

"Kasher-In"

Shmurah Matzah

Pick-Up

(see order form below)



**Tefillin, Mezuzah,
and Sha'tnez Check**

**Holiday Workshops at KJ
with Rabbi Elie Weinstock****PASSOVER**

Monday, April 14
7:00 PM

SHAVUOT

Tuesday, June 3
7:00 PM

THREE WEEKS

Monday, July 14
7:00 PM

DEDICATE

Members of the Congregation and others are invited to honor a friend or relative, celebrate a milestone event or memorialize a loved one by dedicating *Chumashim* or *Siddurim*.

CHUMASHIM - \$45 each

SIDDURIM - \$25 each

Call Riva Alper at 212-774-5670

KJ BEGINNERS PROGRAM TO HOST COMMUNAL SEDER

Want to experience a Seder with great food, insightful explanations, and all the trimmings? Want to be in a warm, friendly environment on Seder night? Don't want to hassle with preparing a Seder both nights? Well, have we got the answer!

Under the leadership of Rabbi Elie Weinstock, and with the sweet melodies of KJB Chazan Shilo Kramer, KJ will once again host a Seder designed and planned as a learning experience. It is intended for those who wish to understand more about the content and meaning of the Seder and how to conduct it properly. This special Seder will be held on the first night of Passover, Saturday, April 19, at 8:30 PM.

The cost is \$90 per person. (Children under 3 may be seated with parents at no charge without their own meal.)

Reservations can be made by forwarding a check to the synagogue office covering all those planning to attend. The deadline for reservations is Monday, April 14.

SHMURAH MATZAHS

Kehilath Jeshurun is again pleased to offer to its membership the opportunity to purchase Shmurah Matzah through the synagogue. The Matzahs are available at \$16.00 per pound.

The pick up will be on Sunday morning, April 13th in the synagogue lobby. That is the same day as the Kasher-In: 9AM-12 PM.

All orders must be prepaid and ordered by Friday, April 4th.

Make checks payable to the KJ Special Projects Fund.

Please reserve _____ pounds of Shmurah Matzah at \$16 per pound.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone: (Day) _____

(Evening) _____

FORM FOR SALE OF CHAMETZ

I, _____, do hereby authorize **RABBI MEIR SOLOVEICHIK**, of 125 East 85th Street, City, State and County of New York, to sell, transfer and assign all *Chametz* of whatever kind and nature which I possess, or in which I may have an interest, wherever situated, in my residence at: _____ or in my place of business at: _____ or in any other place, without reservation and limitation. I further authorize him to lease all places in which chametz might be found.

If you plan to spend Passover in Israel or Europe, please check this box: ☐

If you plan to spend Passover in another US time zone, please circle below:

Central

Rocky Mountain

Pacific

Signature _____ Date: _____

Please return to the Synagogue office by Friday, April 18th, at 8:30 AM.

SERMON GIVEN BY RABBI MEIR SOLOVEICHIK: “THE DAY THE BLACKBERRIES DIED” DELIVERED FROM THE KJ PULPIT ON JANUARY 26, 2008

April 18, 2007: a day that will live in infamy. A technical problem at Research in Motion, the prominent company behind Blackberry, caused wireless reception to cease, and millions of professionals were cut off from any email access.

The New York Times reports on the havoc: “Stuart Gold was in Phoenix on a business trip when the service went down. Mr. Gold, the marketing director for Omniture, a software firm, is not proud of what happened next. “I started freaking out,” he said. “I started taking it apart. Turning it off. Turning it on. I took the battery out and cleaned it on my shirt. I was running around my hotel like a freak. It’s very sad. I love this thing.” Elaine Del Rossi, chief sales officer for an insurance company, reacted to the severed electronic leash with several panicked calls to her office. “I quit smoking 28 years ago,” she said, “and that was easier than being without my Blackberry.” The *Times* further notes that with people unable to receive email from work, many were free to actually spend time with their family. Or so one would have thought. Robert Friedman, president of a production company, said the disruption gave him “a lot of free time on my hands to spend with my wife, although I couldn’t find her since her Blackberry was off.”

Now, the point of the *Times* piece is that the Blackberry blackout revealed “just how professionally and emotionally dependent so many people had become on their pocket-size electronic lifelines.” Beginning with the telephone, and ultimately through cell phone or email, we are able to stay in touch with anyone anywhere, and we have grown used to this ability, taking it

naturally for granted. And while the capacity for constant contact and communication appears to be a blessing, it has its detractors. Yale Law School’s Stephen L. Carter notes that it has brought about the death of letter-writing, of correspondence, and that while through the inventions of the telephone, cell phone, and internet human communication has become easier, it has not necessarily become better. Before the explosion in communications technology, writes Carter, “we had two means of keeping in touch with friends: stopping in for a visit or writing a letter. Each involved a significant investment of time and perhaps resources; in other words, maintaining friendships automatically called us to sacrifice. And, by making those sacrifices, we showed our friends repeatedly how greatly we valued their friendship. Correspondence, in particular, not only preserved and nurtured a relationship but provided a record of it, a testament to its enduring character.” In other words, in an age in which we no longer communicate primarily with and through penmanship, all individuality, all effort is lost. An email, no matter who it is from, is a hastily typed out bunch of bits and bytes in cyberspace, with no personality and no tangible nature. A letter, on the other hand, a letter from someone special, in his or her hand, painstakingly composed, and lovingly written, becomes an embodiment of its author, a constant and concrete reminder of the beloved. Through a letter a loved one continues to speak to us, if we hearken to the letter’s words carefully enough.

It is with this in mind that we can consider one of the most extraordinary *aggadot* of the Talmud. The *gemara* in *Menachot* reports that when Moshe ascended to receive the Torah, he found God sitting as a *sofer*, a scribe, slowly writing out the Torah, carefully and painstakingly attaching *tagim*, the little lines on top of the letters, one by one. And Moshe asks Him, “Who is forcing Your hand to do this?” In other words, why are You taking the time and trouble to make such lovely letters? Just give us the information. You have a bunch of laws that you want us to keep, print it up, and I’ll

report it to *klal Yisrael*. And God responds, “In the future, there will be a man named Akiva ben Yosef, who will deduce from every one of these letters, from every one of these tiny *tagim*, *tilei tilim shel halakhot*, tons and tons of exegetical insights.”

And the point of this story, as I understand it, is that God, upon giving us the Torah, wanted us to obey His laws, yes, but this was not merely a case of a boss sending around an office memo with a new series of directives. The Torah, the Talmud is trying to tell us, is God’s letter to us; the Torah is His carefully crafted correspondence; the Torah is God’s labor of love. And it is with this in mind that we can fully appreciate the Almighty’s answer to Moshe. Like a letter from a loved one, every single one of these *otiyot*, every little line on these letters, will be treasured, and treated with enormous significance. For the Jews, the Torah was not a text-message or email to be hastily scrolled through or skimmed, to get the basic gist. There’s an old line from Woody Allen: “I took a course in speed reading once. I read War and Peace in 10 minutes! It’s about Russia.” The Torah was not speed-read. The Jews pored over the Torah day after day, year after year, millennia after millennia, with new exegetical insights gleaned, new deductions discovered because they saw it as a treasured correspondence from a beloved. And just as a beloved speaks through a letter, God, the Jews believe, speaks to us through the Torah, teaching us new *chidushim* from generation to generation. The phrase recited daily in *birkhot haTorah* is noteworthy; *barukh ata Hashem, hamelamed Torah le-ammo Yisrael*, blessed are you God who teaches Torah to Israel. A response from one of the *rishonim* once questioned whether this could possibly be the correct text. After all, God does not teach us Torah in the present, rather it is we who learn that text that was communicated millennia ago. But the answer, I would suggest, that through a letter lovingly written, an author’s voice can continue to be heard. An old Yiddish anecdote describes an illiterate father in a shtetl whose son went off to the big city. When the father received a letter from his son, he



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would go to the town store to find someone who could read Yiddish, and read him the letter. So he received a letter from his son, and he brought the letter to someone in the store, who opened it up, and read it matter of factly as follows: "*Tatah ich darf a sach zachen*. I need a lot of stuff. *Shik mir gelt tateh*. Send me money father." The father, affronted, says *azah chutzpah*, such disrespect, so demanding, *afilu kein ein pruta shik ich nit*, I'm not even sending him one cent. And then someone else in the store says no, you're not reading it right, give me the letter, and he takes the letter, and reads the exact same words, only as follows (deliberately, and with great emotion and plaintive appeal): *Tateh, ich darf a sach zachen, shik mir gelt tateh*. And the father, much impressed, says *yetzt ret er vi a mench*, now my son's talking with *derekh erez*. In a letter, the voice of the letter-writer can be heard.

God continues to teach us because the Tanach is a love letter through which He speaks, if we listen carefully enough, and in the right way. In a lecture on *Torah min Hashamayim*, Rabbi Jonathan Sacks notes that Elijah, standing on Sinai centuries after Moshe, hears God as a *kol demama daka*, which he explains means a voice that you can hear only if you are listening for it hard enough. And it was because of this *kol*, he argues, that Jews were able to endure. In an age in which all prophecy- the ultimate wireless communication- was cut off, in an age of dispersion and persecution, in which all reception from Heaven seemed to cease, Jews focused on that text. In his words, the Torah "is God's

letter to us. His way of saying: While our paths may diverge, there may be times when I am a long way away - read this letter I have written you and then I will be there with you. That is how Jews survived for 2000 years in exile, without ever once feeling abandoned by God because, so long as the Torah was with them, God was with them. That was His letter. That was the drama of the *kol demama daka*. That voice that we could hear if we listened hard enough. Wherever they were in Eastern Europe, in Spain, in Yemen - wherever they were, when they read Torah they heard the voice of God and they knew we were together. The Torah is not a conventional text at all. It is like a letter from a father to a child. That is the meaning of *Torah min hashamayim*. What is Torah? Torah is the world we enter when, through an act of active listening, we hear the voice of God."

In an article in the Weekly Standard, the essayist Joseph Epstein writes with annoyance of how cell phones have changed what was once a quiet commute to work:

Everyone, I suspect, has had a moment when he wished he could grab the cell phone from a boisterous talker and smash it on the sidewalk. A friend of mine named Ann Poole told me about sitting on a commuter train from her suburb into Chicago, in front of a young woman who made no fewer than ten cell phone calls to friends, explaining in great detail why she was changing the restaurant in which she was giving a lunch party that Saturday. Many of the people she called weren't in, so, in a

loud and irritating voice, she left elaborate instructions on voice mail about the change in plan along with the reasons for the change. "Hi, this is Amy Hemstead [I'm making up the name], and I thought I'd let you know that I've changed the location of Saturday's lunch from the Zodiac Cafe to Phil Stefani's. We're still meeting at noon. . . . And then she babbled on a bit more as my friend Ann, who fervently believes that trains are for reading not phoning, seethed in a quiet but genuine rage.

"Did you do anything about it?" I asked.

"I said nothing," she replied, "but when I got to work, I called Stefani's and, using dear Amy's name, I cancelled her reservation for Saturday."

We live in a noisy world; and often, enclosed in our cacophonous cocoon or sound, it is often difficult for us to hear the voice of God. But what about *Shabbat*, when for one day we have silence? Recall the Verizon cell phone commercial's tagline: Can you hear me now? That is what God is saying to us in shul on *Shabbat*. What about now? When the ringing of the cell phones cease, when the buzzing and beeping Blackberries are momentarily silenced, for the few precious hours before you open up an inbox laden with electronic letters, can you hear Me now? When the Torah, My carefully crafted correspondence containing My *kol demama daka*, is read in shul, can you hear Me now?

And of course we can- if only we are willing to listen.

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April 13 - Hello Yellow

April 13 - KJSL Opening Day

May 3 - Youth Shabbaton

May 4 - KJSL

May 11 - KJSL

May 18 - KJSL

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June 8 - KJSL

June 8 - Shavuot Learning

June 15 - KJSL

SHABBAT AT KJ

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Falk Auditorium

May 3 & June 7

HASHKAMA MINYAN

7:15 AM

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May 3 & 31, June 7 & 28

July 12 & 26, August 9 & 23

WOMEN'S TEFILLAH GROUP

9:15 AM May 10

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Third Floor Dining Hall

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Riklis Social Hall

GREAT DAY AT THE MUSEUM WITH KJ SISTERHOOD!

Participants enjoyed brunch at Jewel Edelman's home followed by a guided tour of the Metropolitan Museum of Art's exciting Courbet exhibit.



BNEI MITZVAH



JACOB BERGFELD

Mazal Tov to Alison and Sylvain Bergfeld on the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son, Jacob, which will take place on April 12th in the Main Synagogue. Jacob will read Parashat Metzora, the Haftarah and deliver a Dvar Torah. Jacob is a 7th grader at the Solomon Schechter School in Manhattan.



DANIEL LOW

Mazal Tov to Lisa and Nathan Low on the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son, Daniel, which will take place on April 19th in Herzeliya, Israel. Daniel will read Parashat Acharei Mot and deliver a Dvar Torah on Pesach, "Why Matzah." Daniel is a 7th grader at the Ramaz Middle School.



DANNY LUXENBERG

Mazal Tov to Rhonda and Jeffrey Luxenberg on the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son, Danny, which will take place in Israel on Shabbat Hagadol. Mazal Tov as well to the proud KJ grandmother, Alice Smokler. Danny will read Parashat Metzora and give a Shabbat Hagadol Drasha. Danny is a 7th grader at the Ramaz Middle School.

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NOA STEIN

Mazal Tov to Susan and Dr. Barry Stein on the forthcoming Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Noa, which will take place on May 4th in Long Island where she will deliver a Dvar Torah. Noa is a 6th grader at SAR Academy.



DAVID ZASK

Mazal Tov to Sylvia and Arie Zask on the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son, David, which will take place on May 17th in the Main Synagogue. David will read Parashat Behar and deliver a Dvar Torah. David is a 7th grader at the Ramaz Middle School.



TALIA STERN

Mazal Tov to Gena Buchwald on the forthcoming Bat Mitzvah of her daughter, Talia, which will take place on June 13th at KJ and June 15th for her friends. Mazal Tov as well to the proud KJ grandfather, Elias Buchwald. Talia will deliver a Dvar Torah on Friday night related to the Pesach Sheni from Parashat Behaalotekha. Talia is a 6th grader at the Ramaz Middle School.



ISAAC STEIN

Mazal Tov to Arlene and Daniel Stein on the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son, Isaac, which will take place on June 14th at the Fifth Avenue Synagogue. Isaac will read Parashat Behaalotekha with the Haftarah. Isaac is a 7th grader at SAR Academy.

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MELISSA KAPLAN

Mazal Tov to Dr. Jennifer and Michael Kaplan on the forthcoming Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Melissa, which will take place on April 22nd at the Inbal Hotel in Jerusalem followed by a kiddush on May 10th at KJ. Melissa will give a Dvar Torah at the Inbal and will read the Torah at the Women's Tefillah Group at KJ on May 10th. Melissa is a 6th grader at the Ramaz Middle School.



JESSICA GRUENSTEIN

Mazal Tov to Nicole and David Gruenstein on the forthcoming Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Jessica, which will take place on May 3rd at the Jewish Museum at an inclusive Orthodox minyan. Mazal Tov as well to the proud KJ grandmother, Elaine Gruenstein. Jessica will read Parashat Kedoshim and deliver a Dvar Torah on Ahavat Yisrael. Jessica is in the 6th grade at the Ramaz Middle School.



PAUL LIECHTUNG

Mazal Tov to Louisa and Dr. Marc Liechtung on the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son, Paul, which will take place on May 3rd in the Main Synagogue. Paul will read Parashat Kedoshim. Paul is a 7th grader at the Ramaz Middle School.



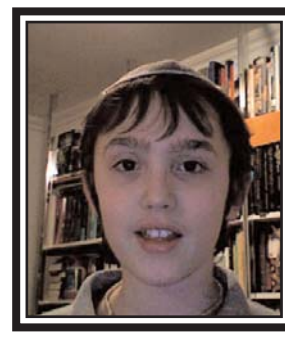
ANDREW BERGMAN

Mazal Tov to Dr. Lisa Handler and Barry Bergman on the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son, Andrew, which will take place on May 24th in the Main Synagogue. Andrew will read Parashat Behukotai and the Haftarah and deliver a Dvar Torah. Andrew is a 7th grader at the Ramaz Middle School.



JEREMY HOFFMAN

Mazal Tov to Rena and Scott Hoffman on the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son, Jeremy, which will take place on May 31st in the Main Synagogue. Jeremy will read Parashat Bamidbar and deliver a Dvar Torah on the Parsha. Mazal Tov as well to the proud KJ grandmother, Ann Serman. Jeremy is a 7th grader at the Ramaz Middle School.



DAVID ERIC FLOMENBAUM

Mazal Tov to Meredith and Dr. Neal Flomenbaum on the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son, David, which will take place on June 7th at the Jewish Center of Atlantic Beach where he will read Parashat Naso. David is a 7th grader at the Ramaz Middle School.



JUSTIN HABER

Mazal Tov to Jill and James Haber on the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son, Justin, which will take place on June 16th in Jerusalem, where he will read Parashat Shelach. Justin is a 6th grader at the Ramaz Middle School.



ESTHER MALKA ISSEVER

Mazal Tov to Massami and Marko Issever on the forthcoming Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Esther Malka, which will take place on June 19th at the Edmond J. Safra Synagogue. She will present observations and personal analysis from "Pirkei Avot." Esther Malka is a 6th grader at the Ramaz Middle School.



JOSH FROHLINGER

Mazal Tov to Debra and Barry Frohlinger on the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son, Josh, which will take place on June 21st in the Main Synagogue. Josh will read Parashat Shelach and the Haftarah and deliver a Dvar Torah on the Parasha. Josh is in the 7th grade at the Ramaz Middle School.

In Memoriam

EVELYN LEVINE

She was a member of the congregation for more than forty years. Together with her late husband, Paul, she was a very generous contributor to our activities. Quiet and reserved by nature, she was beloved by many friends at KJ. She would come on Shabbat and, with a radiant smile on her face, daven to God and pray for the welfare of her children, both of whom are graduates of Ramaz - along with one granddaughter - and for the community which she so loved.

DR. ALFRED TANZ

A world class gynecologist and obstetrician, Dr. Tanz brought more than 15,000 babies into this world. His patients worshipped him for the care that he gave them and the services that he rendered, often without any compensation. He was very proud of his wife Judy's active participation in the congregation and in Ramaz. He was overjoyed that his four children are all alumni of our school and he would be absolutely delighted that a grandson of his is about to enter the pre-school this September. Gentle and modest, he was beloved and respected by all.

DAVID SCHEINFELD

A musmach of RIETS, a Jewish scholar and a broadly educated man, David was a graduate of Harvard Law School and served countless clients in his chosen field of immigration law. He was generous to many causes and to many people in ways not known publicly. He was extremely proud of his wife Ellen's leadership roles in Amit and in the congregation, and he gloried in the fact that his three sons are all Ramaz alumni.

MAKS BIRNBACH

A Zionist patriot, Maks was a Likudnik, not only in affiliation but in action. A friend of the late Prime Minister Menachem Begin, he was a tireless supporter of Israel from pre-State days through his later activities on behalf of the Weitzman Institute. Maks had a great sense of humor and a very warm personality. He was beloved by many in our congregation and, of course, most of all, by his wife Naomi and his children and grandchildren.

HELEN WYSZOGROD

A quietly heroic survivor of the Holocaust, Helen was an extremely courageous woman from her earliest childhood, under the most difficult conditions. Her final illness tested that heroism over a period of months; a test that she passed, like everything she faced in life, with flying colors. She was proud of her relationship with the congregation and she gloried in her two children who are alumni of Ramaz, and in all of her grandchildren in Israel and America who are loyal to Jewish tradition and Torah study. Most of all, she was a very loving and supportive wife to her husband Morris. Their souls were - and are - forever bound up with each other.

EVA SACHAR

A descendant of the Herman Goldman family which was so generous to KJ in the middle of the last century, Eva was a loyal member of the congregation for many years, never failing to support our annual synagogue appeal and express her love for KJ through her generosity. On the High Holy Days, she reverently occupied the family's seat in the Ladies Balcony to pray with us as her forebears did before her.

RABBI ISAAC N. TRAININ

For over sixty years he was a dedicated and indefatigable servant of the Jewish community. From his early career in HIAS, Rabbi Trainin went on to become the Director of the Department of Religious Services Affairs at UJA Federation. In that capacity, he brought the American synagogue into Federation and implemented transformative programs which gave Federation a new sensitivity, not alone to religion, but to many "unmet needs" as he called them. He was a veritable Energizer Bunny, arriving at his office daily before 7:30 AM and leaving long after everybody else had left. He always put the Jewish community first and he had very little tolerance for those who did not share that commitment. The author of eleven volumes of a communal diary, he and they were a treasure trove of information about a community and a man who made a profound impact on that community. His wife, Frances, was a lifelong supporter of Ike and all of his work, and she will miss him terribly.

BETTY MOSS

A member of the congregation for more than forty years, Betty Moss regularly occupied her seat in the Ladies Balcony with a charming smile on her face which greeted everyone around her. She died in her 97th year, a fact which was a source of amazement to all of us who never thought she was anywhere near that age. She was impeccably dressed, tastefully adorned and always in style. She had a dynamism about her that was impressive. Her late husband, Joseph Moss, was a Trustee of the congregation and a very generous supporter of our community.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

BIRTHS

Mazal Tov to:

Jennifer and Daniel Agus on the birth of their first child and son, Harrison Shane.

Sandy and Dr. Robert April upon the birth of a grandson, born to their children Pamela & Aaron Lauchheimer.

DeeDee and Victor Benel on the birth of their grandson, Eli Sasson Benel, born to Lena Fishman and Dani Benel (Ramaz '94).

Sara and David Berman upon the birth of their fifth child and third son, Nathaniel. Mazal Tov also to the proud KJ grandparents, Judy and Michael Steinhardt on the birth of another grandchild.

Bernie Cohen on the birth of a grandson, Judah, born to his children, Stephanie and Damon Shalit.

Elyse and David Efron on the birth of their daughter, Caroline Rose. Mazal Tov to the proud KJ grandparents, Janet and Mark Mittler.

Linda and Jeffrey Esses upon the birth of their second child and daughter, Julia Rose. Mazal Tov as well to the proud KJ grandparents, Barbara & Abe Esses.

Allyson and Adam Fishman upon the birth of their first child and son, Oliver Jason. Mazal Tov as well to the proud KJ grandparents, Lynne and Joshua Fishman.

Susan and Peter Frankel on the birth of their grandson, Brandon Etan, born to their children Elisabeth and Colin Reed.

Rae Goldman on the birth of a great grandson, born to her grandchildren, Stacy and Larry Ostow.

Yonina and Eric Gomborg upon the birth of their second son, Tobias Nathan. Mazal Tov also to our members Gail and Ephraim Propp upon the birth of another grandchild.

Anne Yi and Don Hadel upon the birth of their first child, a son, Michael Abraham.

Amy and David Kirschenbaum on the birth of their daughter, Molly Leora. Mazal Tov as well to the proud KJ grandparents, Georgette and Steven Gross.

Irene and Martin C. Kofman on the birth of their new grandson born to Michele and Mark Chessler, and a new granddaughter, Charlotte Rose, born to their children, KJ Members Alissia and Andrew Kaufman, who are temporarily sojourning in London.

Julie and Reuben Kopel upon the birth of their second child and daughter, Romi Dina.

Dyan and Ezra Levy on the birth of their third child and first daughter, Mimi Lynn.

Michelle and Joshua Lobel on the birth of their twins, a boy and girl, Jonathan Louis and Alexa Rose. Mazal Tov as well to the proud KJ grandparents, Mary and Ralph Gut.

Ruth and Ben Lubick on the birth of their first child and son, Avraham.

Meredith and Lyon Marcus upon the birth of their first child and son.

Robye and Allen Margolius on the birth of their third child and second son, Daniel Ryan.

Ruth and Dr. David Musher on the birth of their newest granddaughter, Ariella, born to their children Sharon and Daniel Eisenstadt of Philadelphia. Congratulations as well to the proud KJ great-grandfather, Morris Weiss.

Katia and Mitchell Raab on the birth of their second child and first daughter, Sylvie Rachel.

Diana and Ira Riklis upon the birth of a granddaughter, Leora Ella, born to their children Talia & Andrew Day.

Gail and Marvin Schaffer on the birth of their first grandchild, Nathan Gabriel, born to their children Ilisa and Ezra Cappell of El Paso, TX.

Carol and Jesse Schwartz on the birth of their third grandchild, a girl, Abigail Faith, born to their children Tobi (Ramaz '92) and Neil Wechsler.

Shirley and Mal Serure on the birth of their daughter, Raquel Ronni. Mazal Tov to the proud KJ grandparents, Ety and Eugene Biro.

Yaira Singer and Matthew Binstock on the birth of their second child and first son, Eitan Tzvi. Mazal Tov to the proud KJ grandparents, Michael and Dr. Adina Singer.

Phyllis and Mark Speiser on the birth of their first grandchild, Netanel, born to their children, David and Eva Speiser of Jerusalem.

Sara Messeloff and Larry Tanz upon the birth of a son, Alfred Phillip. Mazal Tov as well to the proud KJ grandparents, Judy Tanz and Esther & Jonathan Messeloff. The baby is named after his paternal grandfather, Dr. Alfred Tanz, who is memorialized on page 14 of this bulletin.

Jenny and David Tawil on the birth of their third child and second son, James David.

Maeira and Michel Werthenschlag on the birth of their first child and son, Simon Jesse.

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

BNEI MITZVAH

Mazal Tov to:

Ruth and KJ Trustee Irwin Shapiro on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Jacob Shapiro, son of KJ members Monica and Sandy Shapiro of Riverdale.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mazal Tov to:

Sandy and Dr. Robert April on the engagement of their daughter, Alexandra, to Aryeh Cooper, son of Dr. and Mrs. Ira Cooper of Teaneck.

Rachel and Barry Cooper upon the engagement of their son, Brian, to Lindsay Nicole Baker, daughter of Mrs. Shelly Baker-Rosenbaum and Mr. Mark Baker, of Riverdale.

David Fridman, son of Anne and Natalio Fridman, upon his engagement to Gabriella Francis, daughter of Gwen Francis and Dr. Bruce Francis of West Orange.

Elliott Hornblass, son of Ann and Hon. Jerome Hornblass, upon his engagement to Melissa Greenberg, daughter of Marcella & Robert Greenberg of Liverpool, England.

Carolyn and Rabbi Eliezer Rubin and Elaine and Scott Liebman upon the engagement of their children Yitzky and Allison who are Ramaz graduates, studied in Israel for a year, attend Yeshiva University and plan to wed in August.

May their weddings take place in happiness and blessing.

MARRIAGES

Mazal tov to:

Michaela Joseph, daughter of Jessica Joseph and the late Jean-Paul Joseph (z"l), and stepdaughter of Leon Kroll, on her marriage to David Biltekoff, son of Judi and Peter Biltekoff of Buffalo, New York.

Justin Oberman on his marriage to Sara Filler.

Nadia and Joseph Olidort on their 25th Wedding Anniversary.

Gail and Ephraim Propp on their 25th Wedding Anniversary.

Rachelle and Hon. Norman Ryp on the marriage of their son, Jacob, to Devora Weinstein, daughter of Renee and Maier Weinstein.

Janie and Robert Schwalbe on the marriage of their

son, Joshua, to Aliza Susswein, daughter of Sam and Malka Susswein of Yonkers.

COMMUNAL HONORS

Congratulations to:

Jane and Ishaia Gol on being Shalva's "Community Service Honorees" at the institutional dinner on March 16th.

The National Jewish Outreach Program honored the Lebwahl family in a tribute to the Zachary and Jennie Lebwahl Endowment for NJOP.

Wolf A. Popper upon being honored at the annual Veteran's Recognition program of the Honorable William C. Thompson, Jr., Comptroller of the City of New York, held in November at City Hall.

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to:

Jacqueline Marcus, who became a partner in her law firm, Weil Gotshal & Manges, where she works in the bankruptcy department.

Rachel Abrams Pear, who received her Masters Degree in pre-historic Archaeology from Hebrew University in Jerusalem, and is now in the Ph.D. program at Bar Ilan University, in the Science, Technology and Society Department, where she is the recipient of the Presidential Fellowship. Rachel and her husband, Rabbi Ian Pear, are the founders of Jerusalem's Shir Hadash. They have three children, Gavriella, 9, Mimi, 5, and Darya, 3.

CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to:

Dr. Mona Ackerman, Marcia Riklis and Ira Riklis on the passing of their mother, Judith Riklis.

Linda Belkin on the passing of her mother, Selma Belkin.

Steven Cohen on the passing of his father, Arthur Cohen.

Estanne Fawer on the passing of her sister, Jerri Oestreicher.

Tobette Feinberg on the passing of her mother, Ruth Olnick.

Estelle Fink on the passing of her husband, Dr. Ted Fink.

Jane Gol on the passing of her father, Irving Moverman.

Steven Howard Goldberg on the passing of his mother, Miriam Goldberg.

Amy Goldstein on the passing of her father, Donald Berns.

Danièle Gorlin Lassner on the passing of her mother, Liselotte S. Gorlin.

Dr. Stefan Grant on the passing of his sister, Simone Katzenberg.

Michael Jesselson on the passing of his mother, Erica Jesselson.

Dr. Jennifer Kaplan on the passing of her mother, Joan Brisman.

Dr. Jessica Lefkowitz on the passing of her father, Peter Light.

Donna Lippman on the passing of her father, Kenneth Lippman.

Dr. Steven Reisman on the passing of his father, Milton Reisman.

Dr. Adina Singer on the passing of her father, Ruben Cimet.

Perri Sussman Stern on the passing of her mother, Dorothy Sussman.

Gerard Tugendhaft on the passing of his brother, Charles Tugendhaft.

Dr. David Woldenberg on the passing of his brother, Samuel Woldenberg.

May they be comforted among all those who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem.

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SHABBAT SCHEDULE

		<i>Lighting of Candles</i>	<i>Friday Evening Services</i>	<i>Saturday Afternoon Services</i>	<i>Sabbath Ends</i>
April					
4-5	Tazria	7:06 PM	6:45 PM	7:00 PM	8:01 PM
11-12	Metzora	7:14 PM	6:45 PM	6:40 PM	8:09 PM
18-19	Aharei Mot	7:21 PM	6:45 PM	7:20 PM	8:18 PM
25-26	Shabbat Pesach	7:28 PM	6:45 PM	7:25 PM	8:26 PM
May					
2-3	Kedoshim	7:36 PM	6:45 PM	7:30 PM	8:33 PM
9-10	Emor	7:42 PM	6:45 PM	7:40 PM	8:41 PM
16-17	Behar	7:49 PM	6:45 PM	7:45 PM	8:48 PM
23-24	Behukotai	7:55 PM	6:45 PM	7:50 PM	8:56 PM
30-31	Bamidbar	8:01 PM	6:45 PM	7:55 PM	9:02 PM
June					
6-7	Naso	8:06 PM	6:45 PM	8:00 PM	9:07 PM
13-14	Behaalotekha	8:10 PM	6:45 PM	8:05 PM	9:12 PM
20-21	Shelah	8:12 PM	6:45 PM	8:05 PM	9:15 PM
27-28	Korah	8:13 PM	6:45 PM	8:05 PM	9:15 PM
July					
4-5	Hukkat	8:13 PM	6:45 PM	8:05 PM	9:14 PM
11-12	Balak	8:10 PM	6:45 PM	8:05 PM	9:12 PM
18-19	Pinhas	8:06 PM	6:45 PM	8:00 PM	9:06 PM
25-26	Mattot	8:01 PM	6:45 PM	7:55 PM	8:59 PM

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

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 1-18.....6:45 PM	June 1-56:45 PM	July 1-106:50 PM
April 28-30.....6:45 PM	June 11-12.....6:45 PM	July 13-316:45 PM
May 1-296:45 PM	June 15-30.....6:50 PM	

Saturday-Sunday, April 19-27

Passover
(See schedule on page 5)
Monday-Tuesday, May 5-6
Rosh Chodesh Iyar
Morning Services at 7:00 AM
Wednesday, May 7
Yom Hazikaron
Thursday, May 8
Yom Ha'Atzmaut
Morning Services at 7:00 AM

Friday, May 23

Lag B'Omer
Monday, May 26
Memorial Day
Morning Services at 8:30 AM
Monday, June 2
Yom Yerushalayim
Morning Services at 7:00 AM
Wednesday, June 4
Rosh Chodesh Sivan
Morning Services at 7:00 AM

Sunday-Tuesday, June 8-10

Shavuot schedule on page 10
Thursday-Friday, July 3-4
Rosh Chodesh Tammuz
Friday, July 4
Morning Services at 8:30 AM
Sunday, July 20
Fast of 17th of Tammuz
Fast begins 4:29 AM
Morning services at 8:30 AM
Afternoon services at 8:00 PM
Fast ends 9:02 PM

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